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Introduction

When I rashly jumped into my family history about 25+ years ago, I did not have a glimmer that there was a Revolutionary Patriot in the mix. It took me a while to get to the Wilsons, as I had a better head start on a couple of other lines. Finally, though, after a book on my O’Neill line, I started looking into the family of Mary Catherine Wilson, who married my Great-Grandfather Thomas O’Neill.

Imagine my delight when very soon I found a reference to William Wilson of Wheeling, (West) Virginia, receiving a pension in the 1820’s and 1830’s. That had to be for the Revolution, and it was!

So this book is that family, which turned out to be more extensive and elaborate than I first pictured it. Of course, the work is not finished, with much research left to do in Maryland and perhaps in Europe. I just wanted to get the basic details out there, so others could have a blueprint to work from. I hope this helps some other researchers; it certainly helped me!

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Credits

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Prologue: The Wilson Family of Kent County, Maryland

We have several references to William Wilson being from Maryland. His original pension certificate #1004, a primary document, states that he was a Private in the Maryland Line. Several other related pension documents repeat this statement, probably all tracing back to #1004.

The following affidavit from his widow Sarah Pearce Wilson adds weight to this Maryland connection, as follows:

“…that the said deceased pensioner resided in Ohio County in the state of Virginia (though he was in the state of Ohio at the time of his death) for the space of twenty years and upwards before his death and that previous to his residence in said County of Ohio, he resided in Maryland.” Sarah Wilson

Sworn and subscribed this 9th day of May, 1838 before me a justice of the peace for Ohio County aforesaid Rich Simms

As far as William being from Kent County, Maryland, that is a more nebulous connection. None of the military or pension paperwork or affidavits state Kent County, and I found no other primary sources that indicate that location. The Kent County name comes up in a couple of DAR and SAR lineages, with no proof being provided, as well as numerous secondary and tertiary materials. Some materials refer to “family history,” an iffy resource.

The truth is that there were at least a half dozen William Wilsons in the Maryland Line during the Revolution, and several resources have garbled descriptions of these six or so men. Two or three Williams died during the conflict and one was a Sergeant, so we can cross them off our list. Many of the Williams have their data mixed together.

If “our” William was born on May 2, 1762 (again, an iffy date), and finished the war as a Private, he would have been a young soldier at Yorktown in October 1781 at age 19. He probably enlisted in 1779-1780.

There is one enlistment list in the Maryland Archives that contains the name of a William Wilson, enlisted on May 16, 1781, for three years. If our William was born in the 1760-63 time frame, this may be our candidate. Yorktown was only five months later and the Maryland soldiers with time remaining were sent to the Carolinas to finish out the war. This scenario fits the best with what we know.

The key question now for us is: Who did this teenage soldier belong to in Maryland?

Which brings us to our main problem here in Kent County and everywhere—finding a William Wilson is about as hard as finding acorns under an oak tree! The problem is determining which acorn is our William.

Using the 1760-63 time window as a restrictor, we can locate at least a dozen Williams that might fit, and that does not count the Williams where the birth date is not certain. I visited Chestertown, the county seat of Kent County, several years ago, but the library did not have materials to sort out the various Wilson families. This will take lots of time in the area and lots of time-consuming searches, especially in church records. This is a task for the future.
One place to start might be Ohio County, West Virginia, where William settled around 1787. If he got back to Maryland after the Treaty of Paris in 1783, he may have spent less than three years in that state before heading west. If you look at Wilsons in Ohio County, Nearly all of them are from Maryland, so we are looking at a large migration pool. Surely, some of them are related to our William and could provide some clarification. The West Liberty area and northern Ohio County had many Wilson family groups. That may be a better place to sort out, and I am working on that. It will also take a while. I recommend others might look there also.

What follows in this book is the sorting out that I have done so far from Ohio County.
The William Wilson, Sr. Family

William Wilson was probably born on May 2, 1762, and reportedly in Kent County, Maryland. Two DAR approved applications #96989 and #361278, and an SAR application #8699 agree on this point. We do not know what documents any of them used to prove these points. He lived in Kent County with his parents until the Revolutionary War.

William enlisted in the Maryland Line at the age of 18. One SAR application says August of 1780. He served in the Revolutionary War from 1780 until 1783. He participated in the battle of Yorktown and then in the campaign in South Carolina. He traveled by ship from Charleston to Annapolis, Maryland and was released from the military in November of 1783.

Several researchers say that, after his discharge, William married Margaret Boyer of Maryland. [The one SAR application says his first wife was Jennie McCaul, but I think this is an error.] Ohio County Probate Record of Lydia Donovan, May 20, 1809, has witnesses "Wm. Wilson, Margaret Wilson, Sarah Wilson, and Rebecca Wilson... William and his family migrated to Ohio County, then Virginia, and began paying tithables taxes by 1786. Between 1784 and 1794 daughters Sarah and Rebecca were born, most likely in Ohio County.

William became a Methodist minister during this period, as there is a record of his performing a marriage on February 12, 1789, in what was then Augusta County, Virginia, the same as Washington County, Pennsylvania. As part of his religious duties, he studied and taught a year at Uniontown Seminary in Pennsylvania during 1794-95. Following that he returned to Ohio County and opened his own academy.

On July 6, 1795, William and Margaret bought a 145-acre farm from Samuel Beck for 106 pounds. The new Wilson farm was near present day West Liberty, West Virginia. Also in 1795 daughter Sophia was born, perhaps on the new farm. William quickly became part of his new community, as he became a road supervisor for the section from West Liberty to the Pennsylvania state line. In 1801 he even sold rocks from the road near Castlemans’s Run.

In 1799 son William B. H was born, followed by Thomas F. in 1801, and Michael Asbury in 1803.

By 1808 William qualified as a surveyor in Ohio County and began earning extra money doing that job around the area. In 1810 he surveyed a road from West Liberty to John Footh’s farm.

William’s moral or church duties were evidently important to him, as he regularly assumed guardianships for children who needed one, including David Wilson, Jr., in 1812, James Pearce in 1818, the Pearce orphans in 1821, and Stephen Foot in 1822. The Pearce children were offspring of his new wife.

By the 1810 census William and his family were firmly established in the West Liberty area.

Note: There was a second William Wilson in Ohio County, a couple of years younger than our William. This second William lived in the southern part of the county, off Wheeling Creek. He was not as reputable a citizen and care has to be taken not to confuse the two.
The Wilsons were busy raising their children during the period from 1783 until Margaret's death, sometime between 1811-1815, as she appeared on the 1810 census and William remarried in 1816.

Margaret was undoubtedly buried on the West Liberty farm. A graveyard was mentioned in William’s will in 1829. William was left a widower with several small children.

William, at the age of 54, married Sarah Hardcastle Pearce, a 40-year-old widow, also with small children, on April 11, 1816. Sarah was the daughter of Robert Hardcastle, whose family were former residents of Caroline County, Maryland, where Sarah had married Robert Pearce on February 2, 1796. Her husband had died in Ohio County.

In November of 1816 Robert Hardcastle bequeathed a 200-acre farm to his daughter, so the newlyweds had a considerable property holding in the county.

On December 3, 1817, a William Wilson bought a half-section of land (162.85 Acres) in Belmont County, Ohio, just across the Ohio River. This may have been our William purchasing land for his sons.

William and Sarah had a son, Robert Hardcastle Wilson, who was born in 1818. William at this time was 56 years old.

On the 1820 census of Ohio County, William and Sarah are shown with two boys and four girls. We do not know how many of these are William's and how many are Sarah's.

In 1821 William spent some time serving on the Grand Jury in Ohio County. Shortly thereafter he also served as the executor of the estate of a Sarah Wilson in Ohio Co. in 1822. I do not know his relationship to Sarah, if any.

In April of 1823 William bought an additional 30 acres of land on Buffalo Creek in northern Ohio County, so we had a minor land baron on our hands.

On January 12, 1826, Sarah’s daughter Rebecca Pearce married Daniel Wilson, possibly a relative of William’s. [For additional information on this lineage, contact Jack Parsons of Marysville, Ohio]

Another of Sarah’s daughters, Mary Pearce, was married to Benjamin Mackall. A third daughter of Sarah, Serena, was married to Samuel Fleming, and William did not like Samuel and stated so in his will.

William applied for and was granted a military pension under the Act of May 15, 1828, Certificate #1004, and began receiving payments of $80 per year from the Wheeling Agency in April of 1829.

He was listed on the 1830 Ohio Co. Census, where Michael Asbury Wilson, by now married with children, was also listed.

William created a will and had it recorded on April 13, 1829, with a recorded codicil on Jan 4, 1832. William stated that his assets should be divided into seven parts and evenly divided among his children, so we infer from this that he had seven children.

Revolutionary War veteran William Wilson died on July 11, 1837 at the age of 75, and his will was probated in August of 1837.

He may have died at the home of his son, Michael A. Wilson, in Belmont County, Ohio, per an Ohio County Monthly Sessions deposition by H. Boone on April 6, 1838. Ohio County court records also indicate that the 73-year-old William became mentally incompetent ca. 1835, which necessitated his move to live with his son in Ohio.
The Court record does not specifically indicate the son was Michael A. in Belmont Co. William’s son Thomas lived in Monroe County, and son William B. H. lived in Licking County, so it could have been any of the three.

William was probably buried in either Belmont Co., Ohio, or Ohio Co., West Virginia. I do not know his exact burial site. Executor William McKay sold the West Liberty farm April 11, 1840, to Abraham and John Cox. For some reason William’s son-in-law Benjamin Mackall declined to serve as executor, perhaps because he was no longer an Ohio County resident.

William's widow Sarah Wilson applied for and was granted a widow's pension on August 20, 1853. Sarah moved to Belmont Co., Ohio, living with her son-in-law Benjamin Mackall and his second wife. She died there in 1855. Sarah evidently sold off the 30-acre and the 200-acre properties before her death, as they were not part of her estate.

The Children of William Wilson and Margaret Boyer

A. The Sarah Wilson Family

The only early evidence we have for Sarah, although secondary, is from the DAR application of Daisy M. Servey, which states only that her mother is Margaret Boyer and her husband is Thomas Richardson.

William Wilson’s children have a known birth range from 1795 to 1803. If William was not married until he left military service, his first child could have been born in Maryland as early as 1785. It is probable that Sarah and Rebecca fall one and two in the family birth order. The 1810 census of Ohio County seems to bear this out, as the two oldest children are both female and are listed in the birth range of 1784-1794.

Sarah is not mentioned in her father’s 1829 will by name, possibly because she is already a married adult and has been provided with a dowry. She is likely one of the “one-seventh” parts into which the will is divided.

There is an Ohio County probate file for Lydia Donovan on May 20, 1809, in which the witnesses were William, Margaret, Sarah, and Rebecca Wilson, so there is some validity to the names of the two eldest girls. It may also mean they were old enough to be legal witnesses and also not yet married.

We do have an Ohio County marriage record between Thomas Richardson and Sarah Wilson on November 12, 1810. Oddly, a Jacob Gruber performed the ceremony and not Sarah’s father. The record says that "Jacob Gruber is not authorized to celebrate marriages." If Sarah was between 16 and 22 at this marriage, her birth date should be 1788-1794. The evidence points to this Sarah being William and Margaret’s daughter.

Thomas Richardson, born ca 1787 in Pennsylvania, and his new wife Sarah moved to Belmont County, Ohio, opposite Ohio County, Virginia, in 1817. The two parents and the three oldest girls appear on the 1820 census there in Warren Township.

As the Richardson’s began to produce children, they added additional proof that we have the right Sarah, as her naming pattern followed family tradition, with a Margaret Boyer, after her mother, and with Rebecca, Sophia, and Asbury after her siblings.
Sarah Wilson Richardson died in Belmont County sometime prior to the 1840 census. We do not know her exact death date or burial location. We suspect she is buried in Barnesville’s Northern (Greenmount) Cemetery, but that is not confirmed.

[Note: After Sarah’s death, Thomas married Penelope Dyer in 1843 in Belmont County, and they later had four daughters, Mattie E., Nancy, Ann A., and Mary C.]

**Children of Thomas Richardson and Sarah Wilson**

**Margaret Boyer Richardson** was born in Ohio County, W(VA) in 1811, moved to Ohio with her family, and married Henry Coman Whittington in Belmont County on March 18, 1834. The Whittingtons settled on a farm near Summerfield, then Monroe County and lived there until 1852.

The family moved to Iowa via river steamer and eventually settled at Banner Valley near Ely, Iowa. Margaret and Henry had eleven children: Benjamin, Sarah, Mary, Sophia, John, Ellen/Eleanor, Martha, Julia, Margaret Emily (Emma), Amanda, and Susan. Son John was in the Union Army and was killed during the battle of Vicksburg.

Margaret Boyer Richardson Whittington died at Ely Station, Iowa, on March 24, 1875, and is buried in the Oakland Cemetery, Johnson County, Iowa.

**Jane E. Richardson** was born in Ohio County, W(VA) ca 1813, and was probably one of the three girls shown on the 1820 census under nine years old. According to family accounts, Jane suffered a fall from a horse at some point and was crippled as a result.

She never married and lived for a period with the Whittington family. She appeared with the family in Monroe County, Ohio, on the 1850 census, but not the 1860 census in Iowa. She is not mentioned in her father’s 1860 will and may have died in Ohio in the 1850’s. We suspect that Jane is buried in the Ogles Ridge Cemetery and died in 1858. The headstone inscription show some weathering and the information can be interpreted more than one way.

**Rebecca Richardson**, the third of Sarah Wilson’s six daughters, was born on January 6, 1818, just after the family moved to Belmont County, Ohio. She grew to adulthood there and married John H. Pool, probably around 1846.

Her marriage site was possibly Monroe County, as that was a burned courthouse county and her marriage record was evidently lost. Rebecca and John had three children: Sarah J., William H., and Edward, all in Ohio.

Sometime in the 1860’s, the family moved west, and they were located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 1870, and finally to Cass County, Nebraska, by 1880. Rebecca died in Wabash, Cass County, on August 28, 1892, and is buried in the Wabash Cemetery there.

**Mary Ann H. Richardson**, their fourth daughter, was born ca 1822 in Belmont County. She married William C. Nowell there on June 25, 1840, and the couple, like most of her siblings, moved to Monroe County, Ohio.

Mary Ann had two children, James T., and William McG. Nowell, in Monroe County, and she evidently died in the mid-forties, probably 1844 or 1845. William remarried after her death, to Sarah Johnson, and had two more children.
We do not know Mary Ann’s death date or burial site. I suspect hers is one of the illegible weathered stones in the Summerfield Methodist Cemetery.

**Sophia A. Richardson**, born February 11, 1824, in Belmont County, married William Preshaw, date unknown but possibly 1848 in the burned county of Monroe. They were living in Woodfield, Monroe County, in 1860.  
The couple had two children in Monroe County: John L. and William. In the 1860’s they, like three of her older siblings, migrated west and were located in Franklin County, Kansas, by 1870.  
They lived in Ottawa, Franklin County, the balance of their lives, and Sophia died there on December 17, 1900. She is buried in the Highland Cemetery at Ottawa, along with her husband.

**Thomas Asbury Richardson** died prior to February 17, 1860, as he was listed as deceased in his father’s will. Thomas also bequeathed $10 to “the children” of Asbury, so we can logically assume that Asbury was a married adult at the time of his death.  
We believe that Thomas is listed on the 1850 census of Monroe County in Seneca Township, page #3609, with wife Mary N., daughters Elizabeth W. and Sarah C. We have not found the family after 1850.

**Samuel Richardson**, Sarah’s youngest son, was born in Belmont County on December 12, 1827. He moved to Monroe County with many of his siblings and married Jane Elizabeth Thomas there on November 29, 1849.  
Also, like many of his siblings, he moved west, locating in Cass County, Nebraska, by the 1860 census. Samuel became a prosperous farmer in the area.  
Jane Richardson died at Plattsmouth, Cass County, on March 24, 1864, after having borne five children. She is buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery. Samuel remarried five months later, to Mary E. Colvin Kennedy, a widow with two children. She and Samuel had four additional children.  
Samuel was a Justice of the Peace and a County Commissioner in Cass County, along with being a farmer. Samuel died on March 13, 1902, and is buried in the Eight Mile Grove Cemetery with his second wife.

**Sarah A. Richardson** was the second deceased child identified by Thomas Richardson in his will. She was listed as Sarah A. Anderson, with her husband unidentified.  
I believe her husband was Samuel Anderson, and they were on the 1850 census together in Stock Township of Monroe County. Again we have the burned county problem with their probable Monroe County marriage. They are not in the Belmont County listings.  
In 1850 they have a son, James T., born ca 1847-48. James married Jemima Neptune in Noble County on January 28, 1869, per his 1905 obituary in Rush County, Kansas. It also says he was born in Summerfield, Noble County, on January 13, 1848.  
James T. died on August 10, 1905, of heart failure, leaving one living son, and James was supposedly buried in the McCracken Cemetery, but their listing does not have a James T. Anderson.
We do not know what happened to either Samuel or Sarah A. Anderson

**B. The Rebecca Wilson Family**

The first evidence we have for Rebecca Wilson comes from the Daisy Servey DAR application, which states that her mother is Margaret Boyer and her husband is Joshua Todd. She is not mentioned by name in her father’s 1829 will. Servey's source is not known; Rebecca is not Servey’s primary line.

She is also listed as a witness with her father and mother on the May 1809 probate file of Lydia Donovan in Ohio County. Since her maiden name was used, she was not yet married. Being a legal witness probably indicates that she was at least 18 years old.

We do have a marriage entry by Isaac Mayes, J.P., in Washington County, Pennsylvania, between Joshua Todd and Rebecca Wilson on October 27, 1811. If Rebecca was living with her parents in West Liberty, she was only a half dozen miles from Pennsylvania. The question is: Why did not her minister father perform the ceremony?

*[Note: We also have a marriage in Ohio Co. between Joseph Applegate and Rebecca Wilson on 11 Apr 1802, but our Rebecca was identified by her maiden name on the 1809 Donovan will, so this is probably another Rebecca.]*

Other evidence does support the Todd marriage, as William Wilson’s 1838 estate settlement contains the line, “Note on Joshua Todd for cash loaned $60.00.” William would have been more likely to loan money to a son-in-law.

On page 212 of the 1840 Brooke County Census there is an entry for Joshua Todd, showing 2 males 5-10, 2 males 15-20, and one male 40-50, and also 1 female 5-10, one female 20-30, and one female 40-50. If Rebecca was between ages 18 and 22 at her marriage in 1811, her birth would be between 1789-93, which would put her at 46-51 in 1840, and the right age for this entry.

On the 1850 census of Wills Township of Guernsey County, Ohio, a Rebecca Todd, age 56, is living with John Todd (Joshua?) with a son Richard E. and a granddaughter Caroline. Unfortunately, Richard Todd’s 1904 death record does not give parent’s names.

The 1870 census has nearly the same family group, with Richard now the Head, and Rebecca now 77. (Could not find an 1860 entry.) This Rebecca died on February 20, 1875, but again no parents information.

So this is what we are working on at this time, our most likely leads. It will probably require a trip to Fort Wayne or Cambridge, Ohio, sometime in the future. Rebecca is our least developed line from William Wilson at the moment.
C. The Sophia Wilson Family

The primary early evidence we have for the existence of Sophia Wilson comes from the History of Belmont and Jefferson Counties, which states on page 328, “He married for his second wife Sophia Wilson, daughter of Rev. William Wilson, of West Liberty, Virginia. By this marriage he became the parent of nine children, six of whom are still living.”

The “He” is Robert T. Price of Warren Township, Belmont County. The nine children presumably are also from Sophia, as Robert had seven children by his first marriage to Keziah Bowen of Maryland, but only two survived childhood. These two were Robert Y. Price and a daughter, who married Benjamin Bowen.

Secondary evidence comes from the DAR application of Daisy Survey, featuring Rev. Samuel Price of Wellington, KS, which mentions Sophia as one of William Wilson’s children, providing a birth date of March 3, 1795 and mentioning that she is the wife of Robert Price. Her mother is presumably Margaret Boyer. A second application from Ida Hoge, also from Kansas, references this Survey approval.

As with his other daughters, Sophia is not mentioned in her father’s 1829 will by name, but is presumably one of the “one-seventh” parts of asset division.

Survey also says Sophia married in 1822 and died near Barnesville, Ohio, on October 8, 1843. She would have been 48 years old. The readings of Southern Cemetery of Barnesville show that Sophia is buried there, but with a date of October 2nd.

Robert Price died April 19, 1871, and also buried in Southern Cemetery, as is his first wife Keziah.

The Children of Sophia Wilson and Robert Price

1. John W. Price, Sophia’s oldest son, was born in Belmont Co., Ohio, on October 9, 1823. He married Malinda Douglass in 1853. John served as a Private in Company B of the 3rd Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War. John died on January 9, 1886, and is buried in Barnesville. I have not found Malinda.

   Children of John W. Price and Malinda Douglass:

   A. Priscilla, who died in 1855 and is buried in Southern Cemetery. She was probably two years old or less.

   B. Sarah was born January 7, 1855, and died March 20, 1875. She evidently never married and is buried in Southern Cemetery.

   C. Emma was born on September 17, 1858, in Barnesville, Belmont County. She never married and lived with her brother Robert most of her late life. She died on February 4, 1937, in Newark, Licking County, Ohio, and is buried in the Wilson Cemetery there.

   D. Robert Douglas was born on July 7, 1861, also probably in Belmont County. He married Lillian M. (Surname Unknown) and had sons Clayton V., John Roy, and Robert F. Robert Sr. worked as a Stationary Engineer in Cambridge and later Newark, Ohio.

      Robert died in Newark on November 29, 1929, and is buried in the Wilson Cemetery. Lillian died in 1957 and is buried beside her husband.
2. **Elizabeth Price** was born on April 11, 1825, in Belmont Co. She lived with her father until her death on January 7, 1866, in Belmont County. She never married and is buried in Southern Cemetery at Barnesville.

3. **Samuel Price** was born January 26, 1827, in Belmont County, Ohio, and became a Methodist minister. He married Charlotte Silcott Alder on May 17, 1849, in Belmont County. He transferred to Humboldt, Allen County, Kansas, in March of 1878 and died in Wellington, Sumner County, Kansas, on July 30, 1916.

   **Children of Samuel Price and Charlotte Alder:**
   
   A. Alice Flowers, born April 3, 1850, married William Daniel Chastain in 1873, and died in Iola, Kansas, on October 25, 1929. She was a schoolteacher. She had three children and her daughter Maude joined the DAR through her mother’s Wilson family.
   
   B. Henry C. was born in Ohio on October 18, 1851, and died on October 24, 1854. He is buried in the Southern Cemetery at Barnesville.
   
   C. Sophia Catherine Price, born October 19, 1853, married Joseph J. Hoge in Belmont County in 1874. She also was a schoolteacher and died in Wellington, Kansas, on October 19, 1945. She also had three children and her daughter Ida Hoge joined the DAR through her mother’s Wilson ancestors.
   
   D. Viola V., born in Belmont Co., Ohio, in 1855, moved to Kansas and became a school teacher.
   
   E. Charles W., born in Ohio in 1857, moved to Kansas, and in 1880 was a journalist in Topeka, Kansas.
   
   F. Bertha C., born in Ohio in March 1860, moved to Kansas with her parents. She never married and became first a public school teacher and then a college teacher. She lived with her sister Maud later in life and both taught college in Winfield, Kansas.
   
   G. Cora, born in Ohio in 1861, may have married prior to her parents move to Kansas around 1880.
   
   H. Maud A., born in Belmont County in 1863, moved to Kansas and lived much like her sister Bertha.
   
   I. Ulrich F., born in Ohio in 1864, moved to Humboldt, Kansas, with his parents.

4. **Mary B. Price** was born in Belmont Co. on October 27, 1828. She married widower Joseph Hall on February 16, 1860, at the age of 31. Mary and Joseph continued to live in Warren Township.

   Mary raised three stepchildren and had a daughter with Joseph, Amanda Hall, in 1861. Amanda married James T. Fowler in Belmont County on November 15, 1881.

   After Joseph’s death in 1889, Mary lived with her stepson Emmer Hall in Warren Township, where Mary died on November 23, 1915. Both Joseph and Mary are buried in the Northern Cemetery (Euclid Street) Cemetery at Barnesville. Joseph’s first wife Eleanor is there also.

   Amanda and James Fowler lived in Barnesville, where they had only one child, daughter Frances M. James died in Barnesville on August 5, 1927, and Amanda went to live with her now-married daughter Frances and husband John Auman in Racine, Wisconsin. Amanda may have died in Wisconsin.
5. **Susan Price** was born in 1830 in Belmont Co. She lived with her father until the 1860’s. She evidently died in the late 1860’s, as she is not on the 1870 census, nor is she mentioned in her father’s 1871 will. I do not know her burial location.

6. **Joseph Price** was born August 5, 1832, in Belmont County and married Sarah (Sallie) L. Birkett there on December 10, 1858. After living in Belmont County into the 1880’s, Joseph and Sallie moved their family to Salt Lake County, Utah, and lived there the rest of their lives.

   Joseph died April 27, 1901, in Salt Lake city, and Sallie went to live with her youngest son Arthur and his family. I do not know the burial locations of Joseph or Sallie.

   **Children of Joseph Price and Sarah Birkett:**
   
   A. John F., born in October 1859, moved to Utah and married Melvina (Surname Unknown) about 1885. John, who was a schoolteacher in Ohio, became a Methodist minister in Utah (perhaps a strange choice!). He and Melvina lived in Sevier County, Utah, in 1900, and then served a church in Oklahoma, and finally lived in Inyo County, California. They had a daughter Agnes, who was born in Oklahoma in 1901.
   B. Sophia E. was born in Belmont County, Ohio, in 1861.
   C. Robert G. was born in Ohio in May of 1863. He moved to Utah and was a clerk in a store in Bullion, Piute County, in 1900.
   D. Susan R. was born in Ohio in 1865.
   E. Mary M. was born October 7, 1867, in Ohio, and died five days later. She is buried in the Southern Cemetery at Barnesville.
   F. Thomas D. was born in 1868 in Ohio, and moved to Utah with his parents. I believe he died in Utah in 1915 and was buried May 15, 1915, in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery at Salt Lake City.
   G. Annie C was born in January 1876 in Belmont County and moved to Utah with her parents. In 1900 she was a schoolteacher in Salt Lake County, Utah.
   H. Walter S. was born in Ohio in May of 1878 and moved to Utah. In 1910 he was married to Myrtle A. (Surname Unknown) and was a mail carrier in Salt Lake City.
   I. Arthur C. was born in Ohio in January 1880 and moved to Utah.

7. **Margaret Price** was born in 1834 in Belmont County and married farmer Jesse Smith there on November 16, 1854.

   After spending a dozen years in Ohio, they moved to Springvale Township in Cedar County, Iowa. After another twelve years or so in Iowa, they picked up again and moved to Geneva Township in Allen County, Kansas. Evidently they stayed there.

   Both Margaret and Jesse probably died in Allen County, but I do not have confirmation of that to date.

   **Children of Jesse Smith and Margaret Price:**
   
   A. Robert P. was born in 1856 in Belmont County.
   B. Mary J. was born in 1858 in Belmont County.
   C. Susan Olive was born in Belmont County in January of 1864. She married Chauncy Sawyer in Kansas. She seems to have used Olive as a given name instead of Susan. They had a daughter Claudia and a son Chauncy, Jr.
D. Charles H. was born in June of 1866 in Cedar County, Iowa. He married Eunice M. (Surname Unknown) in Kansas, and they had a daughter Henrietta and a son Roland.

E. Frank H. was born in January 1869 in Cedar County, Iowa. He was a farmer and married Josie A. (Surname Unknown) in Kansas, and they had a daughter Marie, a son Leslie T., a daughter Mabel, a daughter Katie, and a daughter Louise. All of the children were born in Kansas except Katie, born in Missouri for some reason.

F. Jessie O. was born in April of 1872 in Cedar County, Iowa. In 1900 she was unmarried and living with her sister Olive in Allen County, Kansas.

G. Emmer C. Smith was born in 1875, possibly in Ohio. Perhaps Margaret was visiting relatives.

H. Claud was born in 1878 in Allen County, Kansas.

8. Rebecca Price, Sophia’s youngest daughter, was born in 1837. At the age of 34 she married widower Charles Griffin on October 19, 1871, in Belmont County. Charles had three children that Rebecca raised, and she and Charles had four additional children. Rebecca died before 1900, as Charles was listed as Widowed on the census that year. I do not know the burial location of either.

Children of Charles Griffin and Rebecca Price:

A. Amanda L. was born in June 1873 and married Harvey M. Carper in Belmont County on December 24, 1896. Amanda died in 1907 and is buried in the Eldon Cemetery of Guernsey County, Ohio. I do not think they had any children.

B. Ella was born in 1876 in Ohio. I have not found her after the 1880 census.

C. Cora Emma was born October 7, 1877, in Belmont County and married Dallas M. Hardesty in Belmont County on June 28, 1897. She and Dallas had children Pearl, Harold, Ethel, Edith, Freda, Ellen, Wilford, and Charles.

D. Eunice was born on November 22, 1880, in Belmont County. I have not found her after that date.

9. Henry Harrison Price, Sophia’s youngest son, was born in Belmont County on September 1, 1842. Sophia died a year after Henry’s birth, so they did not know each other for long.

Henry attended Starling Medical College in Columbus, Ohio; he graduated in 1864, and became an allopath physician.

He married Mary Belle Shaw of Sarahsville, Ohio, in Noble County on September 14, 1865, and moved back to Belmont County. Henry was working on a farm, probably his father’s, on the 1870 census; he may have been having a hard time getting established in a medical practice.

Sometime between 1874 and 1879 he and his family moved to Cambridge in Guernsey County, where he was finally listed as a physician on the 1880 census. He continued to live and practice medicine in Cambridge until his death.

Mary Belle died in 1905 and is buried in Southern Cemetery of Barnesville, Ohio. Henry is living alone with only a servant on the 1910 census. Henry himself died in Cambridge on April 29, 1916, and is buried in Barnesville, Belmont County.
Children of Henry Price and Mary Shaw:

A. Nora H. was born in Belmont County on April 25, 1867. She married Clarence Harper there on April 22, 1891. She died in Cambridge on March 14, 1912, and is also buried in Barnesville. Nora and Clarence had two sons, Eldridge and Lorrinne.

B. Clyde Pierce Shaw was born in Belmont County on July 20, 1874, married Cora B. (Surname Unknown) and later moved to Framingham, Massachusetts, and worked as a farm foreman. By 1918 he was an auctioneer in Birmingham, Michigan, and later a real estate salesman in Detroit. He died in Gaylord, Michigan, on January 17, 1933. Clyde and Cora had a son Henry and a daughter Nina.

D. The William B. H. Wilson Family

William B. H. Wilson, probably born June 5, 1799, in Ohio County, is not mentioned in his father’s 1829 will, possibly since he was already an adult and on his own. He may have been previously provided for from his father’s estate.

We do find him in the 1838 Settlement List for William Sr.’s estate, in which he is shown as having a $150 note from William, Sr., chargeable as an asset of the estate.

A secondary sign for the presence of William B. H. Wilson is the DAR application of Daisy M. Servey, National # 315935, which mentions him as a son of William Wilson of MD/VA. No birth information is given other than that his mother is presumably Margaret Boyer. The Servey application adds that he is Rev. Wilson, Je. This may be a typo intended to be “Jr,” and the Reverend title may in error, as he is not listed that way on any other document.

B. H., as we will call him, although no one seems to know that the initials stand for, was not living in Ohio County, Virginia, at his father’s death.

William B. H. Wilson was the son of William and Margaret (Boyd) Wilson. He was born in 1799 in what is now West Virginia, USA. He died in 1888 in Jackson, Jewel Co. Kansas.

He married Mary Duke in 1822 in Brooke Co., West Virginia, and together with seven children moved west through OH, IN, IL, IA, NE, and Kansas. They would stop a spell every now and again.

One example was in Dallas Co., Iowa. William B. H. and some other local folks set up the town of Van Metre, Dallas Co., Iowa. A good part of town was on Wilson property. At that time he was also appointed Postmaster for both the cities of Tracy and Van Metre, Dallas Co. Iowa.

His seven children are as follows:

John Brown Wilson 1823-1912, buried in ID.
Margaret Wilson 1825-1909, buried in IA.
Francis Duke Wilson 1828-1915, buried in NE.
Truman Perfect Wilson 1830-1894, buried in IA.
William Asbury Wilson 1833-1901, buried in OK.
Shepherd E. Wilson 1834-1898, buried in KS.
Sarah Wilson 1837-1870, buried in IA.

I have seen copies of notes from Francis Duke Wilson in regard to initials B and H to stand for “Bore Hit,” as he was a good shot.

Notes from Russ McDonald, 2015
The 1830 census of Licking County has him in Monroe Township with three sons and a daughter. The 1840 list has this same family group in Bennington Township, plus another female and two more males.

The 1850 Census of Ohio, but now Guernsey County, shows William B. H, age 50 (born 1799); wife Mary, born 1800; son Francis, born 1829; son William, born 1832; son Edwin, born 1835; and daughter Sarah E., born 1838. B. H. is a farmer, born in VA, as is his wife, but all the children are born in Ohio, so B. H. was in Ohio at least by 1829.

B. H. and Mary moved further west, as the 1860 Census has them in Polk County, Iowa, with son William A., and the 1880 census has them still living in the household of their son William A. in Johnson Creek, Saline County, Nebraska.

Some researchers say B. H. died in 1888, but I have not found any proofs on that.

The Children of William B. H. Wilson and Mary Duke

1. **John Brown Wilson** was born in Ohio County, now West Virginia, on August 13, 1823, and moved with his parents to Licking County, Ohio.

   He also evidently moved to Guernsey County when his parents did, as he married Martha Jane Thompson there on December 9, 1847. On the 1850 census and indexed as “Willson,” John, Martha, and their baby girl Mary were living in Bearsville, Monroe County, Ohio, where John was a blacksmith. Just a short distance away, John’s uncle Michael and his cousin William H., were living in Summerfield, Monroe County, and both were also blacksmiths. Perhaps John B. served an apprentice period with his uncle.

   By 1860, he was still working as a blacksmith and living in Polk County, Iowa, with many of his siblings. He was married to a second wife Mary, age 26, and had children Mary, age 11 and born in Ohio; Nancy, age 9 and born in Ohio; and Sarah Ann, age 8 and also born in Ohio. [I have not found their marriage information; her maiden name was perhaps Cook.]

   By this list he lived in Ohio until 1853 and possibly Martha died there. Living with him was David Thompson, maybe Martha’s brother.

   By the 1870 and 1880 censuses, they were in Madison County, Iowa. John and Mary had additional children Adit, Simon, Carrie, Hohn R. B., Bessie, and Grace.

   John B. reportedly died on March 27, 1912, in Genesee, Latah County, Idaho. I have no idea what he was doing in Idaho, or what happened to Mary.

2. **Margaret Jane Wilson** was born on December 21, 1824, possibly in Brooke County, now West Virginia. The Brooke County line is very close to West Liberty, so her parents may not have been far from there.

   Margaret married Richard Shafer on February 27, 1845, in Athens County, Ohio, and on the 1850 census, they were living in Athens County with children William, Francis, and Mary E.

   The Shafers had seven children on the 1860 census: William C., Francis A., Mary E., Solomon T., Levi S., Charles L., and Harriett C. They had moved to Polk County, Iowa, around 1857. By 1870 they had added children R. C. and George W.
In the 1880 history of Polk County, William was in Dallas County; Francis in Polk, Mary E. was the wife of Clark Smith in Dallas county; Solomon was married; Levi was married and living in Nebraska; and the others were around home.

Margaret died on June 2, 1909, in Perry, Oklahoma, per her death certificate, and was to be buried in Waukee, Iowa.

3. **Andrew Jackson Wilson** was born around 1828, probably in Licking County, Ohio, but was not with the family in Guernsey County in 1850. He would have been about 22, so may have been on his own. [The 1880 Polk County, Iowa, history says he was born in Preble County, Ohio, but I doubt that, as Preble is clear across in western Ohio.]

   He married Ohio-born Mary Ann McCready on March 16, 1854, in Lee County, Iowa, and in the 1856 state census, they were in Polk County, Iowa, with a daughter Laura Jane, age zero and born in Iowa. Living with them on that census were two of Mary Ann’s relatives, Eliza and Martin, probably siblings.

   Jackson was a farmer and a fairly prosperous one. On the 1860 Agricultural census he owned 80 acres worth about $2,000, big money in those days. Like most of his neighbors, he raised mostly wheat and corn.

   Jackson evidently died after the 1895 Iowa State Census and before the 1900 Federal Census, as Mary Ann was alone on the Polk census with just the three children. I do not know the death and burial information for Jackson and Mary Ann.

4. **Francis Duke Wilson** was born on August 17, 1828, in Licking County, Ohio, and moved to Guernsey County with his parents. [His obituary later said he was born in Athens County.]

   He married Hannah Jeffers on September 12, 1850, in Guernsey County, Ohio.

   By 1867 they had moved to west of Des Moines in Dallas County, Iowa.

   By the 1870 census, they were in Seward County, Nebraska, and they had children: John, born in Ohio and later lived in Ocean Park, California; Mary, born in Ohio in 1853, married a Mr. Brokaw and lived in Superior, Nebraska; Elizabeth, born in Iowa in 1856; Rachel L., born in Iowa; Viola, born in Dallas Co., Iowa, on January 16, 1860, married a Mr. Adrian and lived in Sand Springs, Oklahoma; Lydia M., born Iowa; Esther Belle, born in Iowa, married a Mr. Gilmore and lived in Friend, Nebraska; Sarah R., born in Iowa, married a Mr. Bates and lived in Superior, Nebraska; Roxalena, born Iowa; Duke, born in Iowa and lived in Friend, Nebraska. By 1880, Frank and Hannah lived in Jewell County, Kansas, and they added Gary, born in Nebraska, later lived in Lebanon, Kansas; and George, born in Kansas and lived in Friend, Nebraska.

   Francis died at his sister Margaret’s home on June 20, 1915, in Perry, Oklahoma.

5. **Truman Perfect Wilson** was born on May 29, 1830, in Licking County, Ohio. He was not with his parents in 1850, but he had moved to Guernsey County and was working as a farm laborer for the Samuel Brill family.

   He married Lucinda Ellis on July 5, 1853, in Athens County, Ohio, and they had moved to Polk County, Iowa, by the fall of 1854. On the 1860 census his family included children Albert E., Charles M., Angeline, Levi, and George. Albert was born in Ohio and the others in Iowa.
Truman was an Iowa farmer, but on the 1860 Agricultural census he only had 30 acres worth about $600. He produced mostly wheat and corn.

Lucinda Ellis Wilson died on July 17, 1861, in Polk County, of unknown causes but perhaps childbirth related. On April 11, 1866, Truman married a second wife Rebecca Crum, and they had additional children Irvin E., Nellie M., Carrie B., and Nettie J.

Truman died on July 26, 1894, in Polk County, and he is buried in the Jordan Cemetery there. After Truman’s death, Rebecca lived with her daughter Carrie and her family. Rebecca died May 23, 1909, and is also buried in the Jordan Cemetery.

6. **William Asbury Wilson** was born on April 13, 1833, in Licking County, Ohio, and moved to Guernsey County with his parents prior to the 1850 census. He married Phoebe Jane Buck on March 12, 1854, in Athens County, Ohio.

I do not know why both Truman and William were married in Athens County. It may have some connection to Ohio University, or maybe not.

In 1860 they were in Polk County, Iowa, with Benjamin and William’s parents, William B. H. and Mary. Their son Benjamin F. was born in Iowa in 1857; son James E. Wilson was Iowa born in 1863.

In 1870 they were in Seward County, Nebraska, and daughter Maggie J. Wilson was born in Nebraska in 1873. They lived next door to Francis Duke Wilson, but the parents were not with them.

They were living in Saline County, Nebraska, in 1880. His parents were back living with them.

By 1900, William was a lawyer living in Kingfisher City, Oklahoma, with Phoebe, son James and granddaughters Alta and Myrtle. The girls were born in Kansas.

William A. reportedly died in Kingfisher County, Oklahoma, in 1901.

7. **Shepard Edwin Wilson** was born in 1834 in Licking County, Ohio, and he moved to Guernsey County with his parents, where he appeared as “Edwin” on the 1850 census.

He moved to Iowa with his parents and several of his siblings by the mid-1850’s. He married Jane Jennings on August 10, 1856, in Louisa County, Iowa. Jane was evidently a widow, as the 1860 census showed Shepard and Jane with two small Wilsons, Loran and Theodore, and three older Jennings children, Lucintha, Benjamin, and Rachael.

On the 1870 census they were still in Louisa County, Iowa, with children Albert, Theodore F., Irwin, Orin, and Mary. [Albert was probably Loran Albert.] Shepard was a farmer. By 1880 the family had relocated to Jackson, in Jewell County, Kansas, with five of the children.

Shepard Edwin Wilson died in 1898 in Jewell County, Kansas, and is buried in the Valley View Cemetery at Webber, Kansas. Jane died in 1905 and is buried in the same plot.

8. **Sarah E. Wilson** was born in 1837 in Licking County, Ohio, and moved to Guernsey County with her family. She appeared with them in 1850 at the age of 12.

She married Joseph A. Pierce, perhaps in Guernsey County, and they were in Polk County, Iowa, in 1860 with most of her siblings.
Sarah died in Polk County on March 13, 1870 census, and Joseph was living with just the children, Abraham, age 9; Jessie, age 7; Olive, age 5, and Jennie, age 2. Childbirth fever is a suspect. She is buried in the Jordan Cemetery in West Des Moines. Joseph died in 1896, and is also buried there.

E. The Thomas F. Wilson Family

One of the first questions that arise from researching William Wilson, Sr.’s family is this: What was the matter with Thomas?

Thomas F. is mentioned in his father’s 1829 will, but his father makes a “one-seventh” award to the “family of my son Thomas F. Wilson.” and leaves Michael A. as a trustee. There is also an Ohio County Fee Book entry from November 30, 1825, stating that Michael A. Wilson is handling the personal estate of Thomas F. Wilson. William’s 1838 estate settlement contains the line, “Thos. F. Wilson for a horse $80.00.”

Census entries for 1850 and 1860 place Thomas’ birth at 1801, so he would have been 28 in 1829 when the will was written. One wonders just why his father felt it necessary to appoint a trustee for his estate share. Was Thomas imprudent and caused his father to mistrust his judgment, or was he just too far over in Ohio to make it back? We may never know the exact rationale behind this condition.

The History of Noble County on page 538 says, “In 1827 T. F. Wilson, a native of Virginia, settled near Summerfield.” He does not appear on the 1830 census, possibly because he did not yet own land and was not a Head of Household. There were nine Wilson families in Monroe County, and he may have been boarding his family with cousins or some such.

On December 13, 1833, a Thomas Wilson bought a 39.24 acres parcel of land at Range 7, Township 6, Section 2 in the Congressional Lands of Monroe County. Also, in late February of 1838, Thomas bought a piece of land in Monroe County from James and Agness Hodge, so he probably became a Head of Household during this time frame. His father’s estate was probated in 1838, so Thomas had some extra money and bought more land. Still no explanation as to why Michael was Thomas’ trustee.

In 1840 he is in Seneca Township of Monroe County, with several extra unidentified household members, too many for a couple with two children. We don’t know who these extra folks may have been.

Thomas F. Wilson, farmer, age 49 and born in Virginia, appears on the 1850 Census of Monroe County, married to Rebecca from Maryland, and living only a few families away from his brother Michael. Thomas has three children: Sarah J, Ruth P., and William M. On the Agricultural census of that year, Thomas has 55 acres of land valued at $1000, not a bad amount for those days. He was raising six horses and four head of cattle, but 25 sheep and eleven pigs, so he was mainly a livestock farmer.

Buried in the Old Methodist Cemetery at Summerfield is “Wilson, Rebecca. Wife of T. F. 1802-1857,” so evidently Thomas was a single father by 1857. Rebecca’s maiden name was also Wilson, and she was a cousin of some kind. She was born in Maryland, so she may have been connected to William Wilson in his native state.

On the 1860 and 1870 Censuses, Thomas is living with Sarah A. Wilson, now his second wife, as he had married a widow, Sarah Ijams, not long after Rebecca’s death. Sarah’s husband John had died the same year of 1857.
Thomas was raising Sarah’s younger children Clara, Theodore, and Ann L. Ijams. Thomas is now a tavern keeper, which was Sarah’s first husband’s occupation. A suspicious person might conclude that he married her for the business.

Thomas evidently died around the 1880 census, as Sarah was living with her now-married daughter Clara Shaw in Sarahsville, Noble County. I could not find Thomas in the book of Noble County burials. The History of Noble County puts Thomas’ death at March 6, 1883. Further investigation reveals that Thomas was an inmate of the Athens State Hospital in Athens, Ohio, when he died, and that is where he is buried. We still do not know his exact condition, but I suspect epilepsy. Thomas seems to be a functioning adult most of his life, so an intermittent problem would seem to be likely. Alcoholism may also be a suspect.

On the 1900 Census, Sarah was living with Thomas’ daughter Sarah Jane Spence as “Mother in Law, “technically “Step-MIL.” She was 82.

The Children of Thomas F. Wilson and Rebecca Wilson

Sarah Jane Wilson was born May 8, 1837, probably in Monroe County, and married George W. Spence (George Washington?) on June 18, 1854, in what by then was Noble County. The couple did not have any natural children, but adopted a daughter Nancy Carle and a son George McKee. [Note: There were two George W’s in that area of Noble County and care must be taken to separate them. The 2nd was 20 years younger.]

Sarah Jane was one of those Civil War wives, as George served as a Private in Co. E, 194th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, although the unit was a late one and he would have only served for about seven months. George applied for a pension for his service in June of 1880, and he was granted one, #371781.

“The 194th Ohio Infantry was organized at Camp Chase in Columbus, Ohio and mustered in for one year service under the command of Colonel Anson George McCook. The regiment left Ohio for Charleston, West Virginia, March 14, 1865. It was assigned to General Egan's Provisional Division, Army of the Shenandoah. Participated in operations in the Shenandoah Valley until April, then ordered to Washington, D.C. for garrison duty until October. The 194th Ohio Infantry mustered out of service October 24, 1865 at Washington, D.C.” (Wikipedia)

George and Sarah were prosperous farmers and had a fairly typical farm for the Noble County area of Ohio. On the 1880 Agricultural census, they had 113 acres of land, worth $5,246. They sold $400 worth of products during that year. They had six horses, a couple of milk cows, 55 sheep, 21 pigs, and 20 chickens. They produced 500 bushels of corn and 70 of wheat; 55 gallons of sorghum molasses and 50 pounds of honey. They grew 25 bushels of potatoes, had 20 apple trees that made 30 bushels of apples (that does not seem like very much per tree). Probably dozens of farmers in the area had a similar mix of products. We’re not talking Kansas here!

Sarah Jane died on October 18, 1901, at the age of 64, and George followed November 4th. They are buried in Mt. Tabor Cemetery of Stock Township in Noble County.
Ruth P. Wilson was born October 3, 1840, in Monroe County, and married Sanford Rucker on April 25, 1859, in Noble Co. On the 1860 census, Sanford was a farm hand and they were living at Calais in Monroe County.

Sanford and Ruth moved to Livingston County, Illinois (per one researcher), and then to Albany in Gentry County, Missouri. Sanford was still a farm hand on the 1870 census, and they had five children by then. Albert and Sarah were both born in Illinois, so the Ruckers must have spent 1865-68 in that state.

By the 1880 census Sanford and Ruth had ten children and were still in Gentry County. By 1900 all the children except Bessie had left home. (Or died?) Sanford Rucker died on March 11, 1902, at the age of 64, and he is buried in the Hugginsville Cemetery. Following his death Ruth lived with her married daughter Jennie Cliffman in Vernon County, Missouri. Evidently, though, Ruth did not consider herself on the shelf, as she married Thomas R. David in Gentry County on January 18, 1911, when she was 71.

Ruth Wilson Rucker David died at Albany in Gentry County on August 31, 1926, at the age of 85. She is buried in the Hugginsville Cemetery.

The Children of Sanford Rucker and Ruth Wilson

A. William W. was born January 27, 1860, in Noble County. He married Nancy E. Pool, and they had son Emery Alex on August 20, 1887. He died on February 19, 1921 in Byrd’s Sanitarium at St. Joseph, Missouri and is buried in the Hugginsville Cemetery, Gentry County.

B. Mary A. was born in 1861 in Ohio. I have not found her after 1880.

C. Albert L. was born in 1864 in Livingston County, Illinois. He moved to Kansas and married Lemma Williamson in Nemaha, Kansas, on March 17, 1887. By 1910 they had six children and lived in Topeka, Kansas.

D. Sarah J. was born in 1866 in Livingston County, Illinois. I have not found her after 1880.

E. Lillie W. was born in 1868 in Missouri. I have not found her after 1880.

F. Mattie was born in 1871 in Missouri. On April 17, 1890, she married James M. Pierce in Gentry County. By 1920 Mattie was widowed and the mother of Rosa and Morris Pierce. Mattie died on August 29, 1942, in St. Joseph Hospital, Buchanan County, but she is buried in the Carmack Cemetery of Gentry County.

G. Samuel Milton, born on June 16, 1873, lived out his life in Gentry County as a farmer, with wife Martha Jane Harris and children Frank, George and Goldie. Goldie evidently had a son Max in 1924 out of wedlock. Samuel died in 1964 and is buried in the Carmack Cemetery of Gentry County.

H. John was born in 1875 in Missouri. He also moved to Nemaha County, Kansas, probably because of his brother Albert. He married Leona Blood there on November 23, 1902, and by 1910 they had a son and a daughter.

I. Jennie Dell, born on May 4, 1878, in Gentry County, was the wife of William M. Cliffman and had six children in Vernon County, Missouri. She died May 12, 1931, in Vernon County and is buried in the Sheldon Cemetery there.

J. Robert S. was born in 1880 in Missouri, and died on March 11, 1881. He is buried in the Hugginsville Cemetery.
K. Bessie was born June 27, 1885 in Gentry County, Missouri. She was still living with her parents in 1900. I have not found her after that.

**William M. Wilson** was born September 16, 1843. He grew up in Summerfield, and, on October 27, 1862, at the age of 19, enlisted as a Wagoner in Company B of the 9th Ohio Volunteer Cavalry. He fought at Atlanta and Savannah and was mustered out on July 20, 1865, at Lexington, North Carolina.

"This Regiment was organized in December, 1862, under Colonel William D. Hamilton, for three year service. But four companies, designated as First Battalion, 9th O.V.C., were organized, and in April, 1863, moved into Kentucky, skirmishing until June, when it moved into East Tennessee. In July the Battalion returned to Kentucky, and in August again marched to East Tennessee under Burnside. When Knoxville was taken, Colonel Hamilton became Provost Marshal and the Battalion performed patrol and guard duty in the suburbs. The Second Battalion of the Regiment was organized November 6th, 1863, and with the First soon after moved to Athens, Ala., to patrol the Tennessee River. In April, 1864, thirty-nine of the men were captured by the enemy and sent to Andersonville, where twenty-five died. In July a portion of the Regiment raided the Montgomery road, destroying twenty-five miles, and then joined Sherman near Atlanta. After the fall of Atlanta it marched to the sea, engaging the enemy at Waynesboro. It marched through the Carolinas, fighting at Aiken, Averyboro, Bentonville and Raleigh, and after Johnston's surrender returned north and was finally mustered out." [www.ohiocivilwar.com]

After the war he married Mary F. Dilley on December 17, 1866, in Noble County, and worked as a miller at Dexter City. The couple had no children.

According to the “History of Noble County,” the Wilsons were members of the M. E. Church, William was a marshal at Dexter City and a member of the town council.

William died on July 8, 1918, at Dexter City and was buried in the Olive Cemetery of that town. Mary died in 1928 and is also buried in the Olive Cemetery.

**F. The Michael Asbury Wilson Family**

The Michael Asbury Wilson Family is covered in Chapter Two.

**The Child of William Wilson and Sarah Hardcastle Pearce**

**G. The Robert Hardcastle Wilson Family**

Robert is mentioned in his father’s 1829 will by name and is the only child of the marriage of William and Sarah Hardcastle Pearce Wilson.

A Robert Wilson is listed on page 34 of the 1840 Ohio County Census, with 2 males 15-20, one male 20-30 (probably Robert), one female 5-10, one female 10-15, and one female 60-70. This last female should be his mother Sarah. No female is listed that might be a wife. The children may be Pearce grandchildren from Sarah’s first marriage.

On the DAR application of Agnes Wilson Snyder, #98689, Robert is said to have married Mary F. Chamberlain in 1841, and also as having a son, Robert Bates Wilson, in
1851. The source of this marriage information is unknown, as I have not found a marriage entry in either Brooke or Ohio Counties.

On the 1850 Census of Ohio County, Robert H. is listed with Mary F., both age 32, and with sons Theodore C., age 6, and Homer C., age 2. Farmer Robert evidently was very industrious or else he inherited a substantial amount, as his real estate value is listed as $10,000. In the book Selected Final Pension Payment Vouchers, the entry on page 623 says that Robert is the survivor of Sarah Wilson and a resident of Ohio County in 1855.

Robert stayed in Ohio County at least until 1856, as daughter Mary Ada was born there, but then he and his family migrated to Missouri in 1857, where he can be found on the 1870 Census of Lafayette County. I have not found him in 1860 or 1880.

His son Robert F. was born there in 1860, but the census entry also shows a younger son, Charles E, age 6, being born in Iowa ca 1864, so some kind of move may have taken place. If you check the map and consider the prevalence of steamboat traffic, it is an easy trip from Wheeling, West Virginia, down the Ohio River, up the Mississippi river and up the Missouri River to Lafayette County and even further up the Missouri to Iowa. Evidently Iowa did not agree with them somehow, and they came back to Lafayette County.

Robert H. reportedly died in 1881 in Missouri, and Mary F. in 1887, according to the Snyder DAR application. Lafayette County is not in the Missouri pre-1910 database, so I have not verified these dates yet.

The Children of Robert H. Wilson and Mary F. Chamberlain

1. Theodore C. Wilson was born September 17, 1844, in Wheeling, West Virginia, then Virginia. He moved with his family to Missouri at the age of 13 and grew up in Lafayette County. He was with his parents in 1870 in Washington Township, Lafayette County, at age 25.

   He married Missouri native Sarah Elizabeth Smarr in Lexington, on December 10, 1872, and the couple had four children. They were living in Washington Township of Lafayette County in 1880. Theodore was working for the firm of Wilson and Benning, selling lumber and hardware. I don’t know if he was the Wilson of the company name.

   Sarah died before 1910, as Theodore had moved by April of that year to Kansas City, where he was working as a police officer.

   Theodore died on December 5, 1915, in Kansas City, at the age of 71. He was working as a custodian at the Convention Hall. He was buried back in Lexington. His brother, Doctor Charles E. Wilson, gave the death certificate information.

The Children of Theodore Wilson and Sarah Smarr:

   Lawrence was born in Lafayette County in 1873. I have not been able to find him after the 1880 census. He may have died in childhood.

   Effa May, mostly known as Effie, was born in Mayview, Lafayette County on June 23, 1875, and married Thomas L. Marshall there on June 14, 1895. She had a daughter Minnie and died in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on August 9, 1947.

   Pinkie was born in 1877 in Lafayette County and married Henry Hamm on December 24, 1894, in Jackson County. I have not found them after their marriage.
Minnie B. was born in Lafayette County on October 14, 1879. She moved to Kansas City with her father after Sarah died. She married Walter A. McCoy there on August 10, 1907. I do not know if she had any children. Minnie died in Kansas City, Jackson County, on December 8, 1949, and is buried in the Mt. Moriah Cemetery there.

2. Homer Thomas Wilson was born in 1847 in (West) Virginia, and appears on the 1850 and 1870 censuses with his family. My further research failed to find him, although there is a 1915 obituary of a Homer T. Wilson, age 65, who died in Texas, in the Higginsville Advance newspaper. I have not found a site for that article.

3. William Bates Wilson was born March 14, 1851 in Wheeling, West Virginia, and moved to Missouri with his family. He was with them on the 1870 census. He graduated in the Class of 1878 of the University of Missouri Law School. On the 1880 census he was a lawyer and living with his sister Mary Ada and her family in Lexington. He married Medora Chaney, reportedly in 1883 in Missouri. They were in Lexington, Lafayette County, in 1900, where William B. was a lawyer and a member of Myrtle Lodge. The couple had four children. He died in that town on May 24, 1915, and Medora followed on February 28, 1919. Both are buried in Lexington.

Children of William Bates Wilson and Medora Chaney:

Agnes McDonald was born in Lexington, Missouri, on May 3, 1884. Agnes was a school teacher and married physician Joseph Conway Snyder on June 21, 1916, in Lafayette County. They had children Conway Wilson, Mary Lucia, and Agnes Beverly. By 1930 the family lived in Macon, Missouri, but in 1940 they lived in Redlands, where Joseph was a teacher in a WPA Project. Hopefully a medical class! All three children were still living with them.

Conway attended the University of Redlands and earned a Ph. D. from Cal Tech. He worked on the Manhattan Project during WW2 and later worked on rockets for Jet Propulsion Laboratories and NASA. Mary Lucia also attended the University of Redlands, and moved to Oak Ridge, Tennessee, probably with her brother. She married Major Maxwell Cornelius at Suwanee, Tennessee, on September 15, 1943. The couple had a son David Wilson, on May 3, 1953, in Suwanee. Agnes, born September 11, 1925, attended Pasadena Junior College. She died in San Bernardino on July 17, 1975. She did not seem to have married.

By 1960 Joseph and Agnes lived in Glendale, and in 1973 in La Crescenta, CA. Joseph died on November 9, 1972. Agnes died in Los Angeles on September 12, 1982. Both are buried in the Forest Lawn Cemetery at Glendale, California.

Mary Dunklin, born March 19, 1887, was a teacher for many years and taught for a period at the Wentworth Military Academy.

She was a dedicated traveler, and she obtained a passport in May of 1921. In August of that year, she sailed from New York on board the LaTouraine for a visit to France, Britain, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, and the Netherlands.
In September 1926 she visited Europe again, returning from Southampton to New York on the *Caronia*, and again she was in France in 1929, returning from Cherbourg to Quebec on the *Empress of Scotland*.

She married Rev. John T. Lillard, an Episcopal Priest, in Chicago on June 25, 1934, when she was 47. The Episcopal Church later transferred them to Jerseyville, Illinois. I do not think they had any children.

Mary continued to travel, as she and John visited Europe in 1955, and returned from Cherbourg on the *Queen Elizabeth*.

Mary Dunklin Wilson died on July 18, 1973 and is buried in the Machpelah Cemetery in Lafayette County, along with her husband. Both Agnes and Mary became DAR members through William Bates to his grandfather William.

*McDonald H.* was born March 4, 1891, in Lexington, and was enrolled in Officer Training Camp at Fort Riley, Kansas, in the summer of 1917. He later moved to Jamaica, New York, where he worked for the Curtis Gas Engine Company during WW2 and later. He died in Jamaica in October 1984. I do not know what the “McDonald” name attraction might have been for his parents.

*Clarence Chamberlain* was born in Lexington on March 13, 1895. He also went through the Student Officer Training Corps at Fort Riley, Kansas, in June of 1917, the same as his brother. Clarence had to wait for a while, but was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Air Service July 31, 1918.

He served in the Air Service as a career, gradually rising to become a Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Force. He retired in January of 1940, but a little thing called World War 2 came along, and he was recalled to active duty and served until 1948, when he retired again.

He may have been married for a short while, as, on May 21, 1923, Clarence and a Jean Wilson sailed on the *S. S. Matsonia* from San Francisco to Honolulu, Hawaii. On the 1930 census a divorced Jean Wilson was a nurse and a boarder in a house in San Bernardino, California.

Clarence died May 25, 1951 and is buried at the Fort Lewis Post Cemetery, in Tacoma, Washington.

4. **Mary Adelaide Wilson** was born June 17, 1854 in West Virginia and moved at the age of two to Missouri. She grew up in Lexington and married lawyer William Young there on June 24, 1874, at the age of 19. They continued to live in Lexington until her death. William and Mary had five children, Mary Ada died January 5, 1895 in Lafayette County; William Young, now a Judge, died on November 22, 1912, in Lexington.

**Children of William Young and Mary Adelaide Wilson:**

**William Wilson** was born in October 1876. He served in the Spanish-American War in Company K of the 5th Missouri Infantry. In World War One he was in Company A of the 140th U.S. Infantry and served in Europe from April 25, 1918 until April 28, 1919. In WW1 it looks like he shaved about four years off his age—evidently he really
wanted to get in the war! In 1927 he received a pension for his Spanish-American War service.

Later in civilian life, became a railroad engineer. He never married, and in many of the following years his sister Ruth and brother Guy lived with him. William Wilson died March 15, 1943, and is buried in the Jefferson City National Cemetery.

Ruth O. was born October 9, 1879, and never married. She lived most of her later life with her brother Wilson. She died September 25, 1963, and is buried in the Riverview Cemetery at Jefferson City.

Homer Chambers was born June 26, 1882, in Lexington and was a coal miner in his early work career. Around 1913 he married Ollie Marie Ellis, a native of Avalon, Texas. They had three children, a son Harold, and daughters Dorothy and Billy. The family seemed to migrate a bit, as Harold was born in Texas, Dorothy in Missouri, and Billy back in Texas.


Harold served in the Army during World War Two. Dorothy married a Mr. Karas and is also buried in Sweetwater.

Guyon Urban was born April 10, 1884. He later lived in Jefferson City and in 1910 was a fireman on the railroad. In 1918 he was a school teacher in Saline County; in 1930 he was a public school teacher in Puxico, Stoddard County, Missouri, and in 1940 a teacher in Jefferson City.

He died December 31, 1958, in Cole County and is buried in the Riverview Cemetery there.

Francis Hardcastle was born on June 27, 1893. He also lived in Jefferson City and worked as an auto mechanic. He married Frances L. Wheatley on September 21, 1920. They had two sons, Robert H. and Thomas W., and twin daughters, Sheila and Shirley.

In 1920 he was a foreman of some kind at the Prison. In 1930 he was the proprietor of a garage. Later he worked as a state auditor and as a postal clerk. He was in both World Wars and died on September 23, 1973, in Fulton, Missouri.

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5. Robert F. Wilson was born in 1859 in Missouri, according to the 1870 census. On the 1880 census, the only plausible Robert is a teamster in Sacramento, California, but I could not find anything else on him.

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6. Charles Edgar Wilson was born on November 25, 1863, in Iowa, but lived most of his life in Missouri. He became an allopathic physician when he graduated from the Kansas City Medical College in 1889.

Charles married Myrtle S. Gordon on July 4, 1898, in Vernon County, Mo. By the 1910 census they were in Kansas City, where they lived the rest of their lives.

They had no children, and Charles died in Kansas City on January 28, 1926. Ironically for a physician, he died of an infection after he got his hand caught in an elevator door. Charles is buried in the Forest Hill Vaults in Kansas City.
William Wilson In The Revolutionary War
By Ron Darrah

When we try to locate definite evidence that our William Wilson was in the American Revolution, we find several primary sources. These sources are as follows:

Primary Sources

1. Revolutionary Claim Form #1004
   This places William in Ohio County, VA, states that he was a Private in the Maryland Line and that he receives $6.66 per month as a pension. This Claim is dated April 26, 1830.

   ![](image)
   The document that confirms it all

2. Archives Letter Dated August 14, 1939
   This return letter to Mrs. Daisy M. Servey in Kansas states that he was a Private in the Maryland Line and that he served to the close of the war. He was pensioned under the Act of May 15, 1828, and that he was paid at Wheeling, VA.
   His widow Sarah was pensioned in 1853 based on his service. Her certificate was #1436 and her pension was #W2303.

3. William Wilson 1829 Will
   He states “whatever may be the amount of my pension…”
4. Archives Letter of Comptroller Dated May 28, 1838
   This letter indicated that William’s pension was #3084, and that it was paid through July 11, 1837. *The National Archives seems to have misplaced William’s original pension file.*

5. Archives Copy of Sarah Wilson Letter Dated April 27, 1853
   This letter from Sarah states that William was a Private in the Maryland Line of the Revolution.

Secondary/Derivative Sources

   After these five primary sources, we have numerous secondary and derivative sources, but most of them seem to originate from the above five items. Many of the derivative sources contain statements that are difficult to substantiate.

A. For instance, Mrs. Servey’s 1939 letter asks for information of William Wilson of Kent County, MD. None of the above Primarys mention Kent County.

B. May 26, 1946, DAR Application of Ida Viola Hoge, #361278, repeats this Kent County reference, says that William was born there on May 2, 1762, and adds a first wife Margaret Boyer. *Where did Ida Hoge find Miss Boyer?*

C. August 2, 1902, SAR Application of Harry A. Wilson of Texas repeats the Kent County reference, says that William was born there on May 2, 1762, and adds a first wife of Jenny McCaul. *Where did Harry Wilson find the birth date and Miss McCaul?* Also this source says that William was discharged a Sergeant. Harry Wilson also adds a narrative from family history about military service.

D. “Settled Accounts for Payment of Accrued Pensions,” Act of 1838
   This entry from the book “Lost Pensions,” by Craig Scott, contains the entry: “Wilson, William, Wheeling, VA, 39, #3084.” The file evidently relates to Primary Source #4 above.

E. DAR Application for Agnes Wilson Snyder says William born 1762 in MD and served as a Private in the MD Line.

F. “Genealogical Abstracts of Rev. War Pension Files,” by Virgil White
   This reference mainly refers to the pension application of Sarah Hardcastle Wilson and adds nothing new.

G. “Revolutionary War Patriots, Vol. 3,” Ebenezer Zane Chap., Ohio Soc. SAR
   This book refers to William on page 218, but contains so many errors that it cannot be taken seriously as a source.
Analysis

So where does all this leave us? To clear through some of the chaff, we need to take a look at the muster rolls and unit histories of the Maryland regiments of the Revolutionary War.

The first problem that occurs is the profusion of William Wilson’s in the Revolutionary army units. We need to eliminate some of them. There were 39 William Wilson’s in General Washington’s military, according to the DAR Patriot Index, but thankfully only five of those were born in Maryland and only three of those served in Maryland units.

The first group we can cut is any reference to William’s in the militia, since “our” William was clearly in the “Maryland Line,” which meant regular army regiments.

The second group of references to go is the listings for a Sergeant Wilson, since our William was clearly a Private. Military culture being what it is and was, if he was a Sergeant he would have clearly stated it as so.

We are still faced with a large group of Williams. Our next challenge is one of age. If we accept the birth date of May 2, 1762, our William would not have been 17 years old until May 2, 1779. Harry A. Wilson, who submitted the 1902 SAR application, was the grandson of Michael A. Wilson and the great-grandson of our William. He is closest in time to the Revolutionary William, he grew up in the same small village where his grandfather Michael lived, and he undoubtedly heard family stories from his grandfather, who himself lived in William’s household.

Harry’s information about William being born in Kent County in 1782 has the highest probability of being true, and we should go with that data. Many of the muster rolls and listings are for actions between 1776 and 1778. He was probably too young to have been these soldiers. So we can generally discount any references to William after May 1779. We can also discount Harry’s statement that William was a Sergeant, attributing it normal older inflation of military importance.

The Kent County reference and the May 2, 1762, information also comes early on from the DAR applicant Agnes Wilson Snyder. Agnes was the daughter of Robert Hardcastle Wilson, the youngest son of the Revolutionary William. Robert would have known this information from his father and his mother and almost certainly passed it to his children. We now have a second close family member for verification.

We still have a few candidates, as follows:

1. William Wilson, 2nd MD Regiment, received a payment in 1790 for service between Aug. 1, 1780, and Jan. 1, 1781. This William evidently survived the war and served during the right time frame. A problem here is that a casualty list says William Wilson of the 2nd MD was killed in 1778, and another list says William of the 2nd was killed on August 16, 1780. Were there really three Williams in the 2nd MD?

2. William Wilson of the 3rd MD Regiment served from 1777 through 1781. Is this the same William?
3. William Wilson of the 5th MD Regiment occurs on a muster roll of April 15, 1782, but he is identified as being from Frederick County. Do we count him? Another William appears in the 5th on Jan. 19, 1780. Who is he?

4. Another William is reported missing from the 7th MD Regiment on Aug. 16, 1780.

5. A William Wilson is reported to have died on March 15, 1781. No regiment mentioned.

6. A William Wilson is reported to have served between Aug, 1, 1780, and Nov. 15, 1783. No regiment mentioned.

7. A William Wilson enlisted in Kent County on May 5th or 16th, 1781, for three years. Is this our guy?

Now we need to turn to some history of the Maryland Regiments:

A1. The original 1st MD, 2nd MD, 3rd MD, and 4th MD Regiments were nearly destroyed at the Battle of Camden on Aug. 16, 1780, and were merged into the surviving “Maryland Regiment.” This was later split into the new 1st and 2nd MD Regiments.

B1. New 3rd and 4th MD Regiments were raised in the summer of 1781 and were sent to the Southern Command of General Greene. These would have been the two units at Guilford Courthouse and Yorktown.

C1. The 5th through the 8th MD Regiments ceased to exist by late 1780, and the men were merged into the Maryland Regiment, later the 1st and 2nd MD.

D1. After Yorktown, all of the remaining four Maryland units were deployed in the Carolinas. Through attrition, they gradually declined into one “Maryland Battalion” by 1783, composed mainly of recruits. This was the group that was shipped to Baltimore and discharged after the Treaty of 1783 ended the war.

Conclusion

We can dismiss the William of the 2nd killed in 1778, as this was too early for our 16-year-old William. The William killed on August 16, 1780 (the Battle of Camden), was not the same William as the 1790 payment voucher, and the William supposedly missing from the 7th is probably the one killed, and not the one from the 2nd. [I suspect a typo.]

If our William enlisted from Kent County in May of 1781, at the age of 19, he would have been part of the new 3rd or 4th MD Regiments.

Another Private William Wilson died on March 15, 1781 (the Battle of Guilford Courthouse). This was probably the William of the 3rd MD, who had been fighting since 1778 and was part of the reorganized Maryland Regiment after Camden. [See #5 above] Our William was not yet in the field.
In September 1781 the new 3rd and 4th MD Regiments were assigned to Mordecai Gist’s Brigade of Nathaniel Greene’s Southern Command. This group, along with our Kent County William Wilson, joined Greene just in time to participate in the besieging of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

The infantry units did not do much fighting, as Yorktown was mostly an artillery duel and a siege of attrition. William probably spent most of his time digging trenches and watching the show. He undoubtedly witnessed the famous surrender of the British Army—the World Turned Upside Down!

After Cornwallis was dispatched on October 19, the 3rd and 4th moved south on October 27, 1781, to the Carolinas and engaged in skirmishing with the British until 1783. The 3rd and 4th disbanded at Charleston on January 1, 1783, and the men were transported to Baltimore and relieved of duty and discharged.

William most likely returned to Charlestown in Kent County and made plans to move west. Probably he married either Miss Boyer or Miss McCaul in the following year or two. He, or they, arrived in Ohio County, VA, circa 1785.
Yorktown Battlefield Today

The MD Line camped here for the Battle of Yorktown

The Battlefield Marker for the MD Line

Addendum: DAR #361278 Ancestor's Services: "Under the Act to procure Recruits, 1780, William Wilson enlisted as a private for three years, from Kent County, Maryland as follows; August 1780; January 1782; January 1, 1783 to November 15, 1783. He was in several skirmishes in Virginia and in the battle of Yorktown. After the surrender of Cornwallis, the regiment in which he fought was sent to the swamps of S. Carolina, near Charleston, for the winter. The next spring the Maryland troops were placed on transports and landed at Annapolis, and after peace was made were mustered out, William Wilson as a private."
(Note that years do not match in this account.)
Chapter One: William Wilson Family Images

The metes and bounds land William purchased in northern Ohio County, (W)Va.

This Ohio county tax list places William in the Ohio River valley possibly within two years of his military separation.

This Ohio County court record is our first family grouping. It also gives credence to Margaret Boyer being William’s first wife and the children’s mother. Both daughters are old enough to certify in court.
The WPA copied William’s will during the Depression, which made it easier to read.
Stone of Truman Wilson, son of William B. H., in Polk Co., IA

Third son of Sophia Wilson

Headstone of Rebecca Pool, third daughter of Sarah Wilson, Cass Co., NB

Headstone of Sarah Jane Wilson, eldest daughter of Thomas F. Wilson, Noble Co., OH.
This is the current headstone of Thomas F. Wilson on the grounds of the former Athens State Hospital in Athens, Ohio.

William evidently suffered from Alzheimer’s Syndrome at the end of his life and lived with (probably) Michael A. in Belmont County, Ohio.
Chapter Two: The Michael Asbury Wilson Family

Michael Asbury Wilson was born in Virginia, now West Virginia, on July 27, 1803. He was the son of William Wilson and his first wife, both of whom were from Maryland.

He may have first appeared in the official records on November 3, 1825, as he recorded a deed. He would have been 22. This record is only tentative, since there was a second Michael Wilson living in Ohio County, Virginia, at the time.

By 1827 Michael Asbury had moved across the Ohio River into Belmont County, Ohio, where he married Elizabeth Gillespie on March 30th of that year. By April 28th of 1828, Michael and Elizabeth had their first child, son William H. They were living in the small hamlet of Burlington in Pease Township.

For some reason, perhaps proximity, Michael was named the executor of his father’s will on April 13, 1829, even though he was a younger son. Michael evidently had moved back to Ohio County, because he appeared on the 1830 Census of that place. Michael was evidently called “Asbury” in the family and community, for that was the way he was listed on the census. This may have been to distinguish him from the other Michael.

On the 1830 census, he and Elizabeth had two older girls between 10 and 20 living with them. These might have been servants, but more likely were his step-sisters.

By 1833 he was back in Belmont County and his son John was born there that year, followed by Martin in 1835. Michael’s father William had become mentally incompetent by then, and he probably lived with Michael and his family. William died there in 1837, and Michael likely had to travel back and forth across the river from 1837 to 1840 to serve as his father’s executor.

We have a painting in the family of the couple from this era. Both are shown as dark-haired, healthy looking and prosperous. Michael was a farmer and may have raised horses as a business, as he sold several of them in 1835.

Children Joseph, Mary E., and Rebecca J. joined the family in Belmont County through 1843, but in 1844 Michael, Elizabeth, and their brood migrated to the town of Summerfield, then in Monroe County. I do not know the reason for the short-distance move, but they lived out their lives in that area. Their last child, Robert S., came into the family in 1846, after their move.

Michael appears on the 1850 census of Monroe County, which became Noble County in 1851. He is listed as a farmer that year. All seven children are named with their ages shown and birthplaces listed as Ohio.

By 1860 Michael had become a blacksmith, and only Rebecca and Robert were still in his household. On February 29, 1856, he bought a lot in the town and evidently set up a shop. The 1876 Atlas of Noble County shows this shop on the northwest corner of Summerfield, just opposite the little street leading to the Methodist Church and the school.

By 1870 the census showed him with just Elizabeth and Rebecca in the household, the same as the 1880 listing. By 1880 Michael was 77 years old and was shown as “No Occupation.”

Michael Asbury Wilson died in Summerfield on November 10, 1883, at the age of 80. He was buried in the Eastern Cemetery at that place. Elizabeth Gillespie Wilson died
on September 8, 1887, and is buried in the same location. They share a common stone.

The Children of Michael Wilson and Elizabeth Gillespie

A. William H. Wilson Family

The William H. Wilson Family is covered in Chapter Three.

B. The John Wesley Wilson Family

John Wesley, the second son of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born on
January 31, 1833, in Belmont County, Ohio, and moved with his parents to then Monroe,
now Noble County, Ohio, in 1844. He first appears by name on the Monroe County 1850
census at the age of 17, employed as a farmer.

John married Susannah Allen on November 7, 1857, in Summerfield, and the
couple had five children. Susannah was born June 7, 1838, in Ohio. John is listed as a
Chair Maker on the 1860 Noble County census, which also says he was born in Virginia.
On the 1870 he is a painter with a wife and four children in Summerfield. The family was
doing well financially, as he had a listed worth of $2,000 and employed a housekeeper.

In 1860 John bought Lot 33 in Summerfield from S. B. Philpot and in 1864 added
Lot 1 from him also, possibly one as a business and one as a home.

Almost immediately after the 1870 census, John and Susannah had migrated to
Olney in Richland County, Illinois. Olney is in the southern part of the state and due west
of Vincennes, Indiana. It seems a strange move from Noble County, and I do not know
what prompted it.

By 1880, John Wesley is back to being a Chair Maker in Olney. Maybe the
painter gig did not work out.

Susannah Allen Wilson died in Olney on March 25, 1883, at the age of 44. We do
not know her cause of death. She is buried in Section B of Haven Hill Cemetery at Olney.

John W. seems to be living as a widower on Warren Avenue in Chicago in 1900.
He is listed as a President of a Building and Loan Company. I do not know what
happened to John afterward, but he died on April 27, 1903, perhaps in Chicago. He also
is buried at Haven Hill Cemetery in Olney.

Of all his children, only Harry A. seems to have left a significant paper trail.

Children of John Wesley Wilson and Susannah Allen

1. **Albert Wilson** was born in 1858 in Noble County. He appeared on the 1860
census as Alfred, and as Albert on the 1870 census at age 10. He was not on the 1880 in
Illinois with the rest of his family. I have not found him under either name after 1870,
although there is an Alfred in Preble County, Ohio, in 1880 that may be him.

An Alfred Wilson married a Lucy Harris in Sangamon County on March 14,
1878, and there were 16 Albert Wilson marriages in Illinois between 1875 and 1900,
although none were adjacent to Richland County.
2. **Elmer E. Wilson** was born in 1862 in Noble County, and he moved to Richland County with his family in the early 1870’s. He was working as a printer in Illinois in 1880.

3. **Virginia Wilson** was born in 1865 in Noble County and moved to Illinois with her family. Have not found any Illinois marriages for Virginia, nor any census entries past 1880. Also, no Illinois deaths or burials.

4. **Harry Allen Wilson** was born on March 31, 1869, in Noble County. He moved to San Antonio, Texas, before 1895, since he married Ella Carrie King there on September 26 of that year. Harry was admitted to the Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in 1900 based on his descent from William Wilson.

   Harry and Ella moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, around 1903 and lived there for several years. They had one known son, Harry, Jr., born in Texas in February of 1897. They were still in Milwaukee in 1910, but by 1920 had moved to Cincinnati where they lived for at least the next 20 years.

   Their son Harry Jr. died September 28, 1918. Harry, Jr., a member of the 148th Infantry Regiment, 37th Division, was killed in action at the battle of Meuse-Argonne, France. He is buried in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne, France. A memorial inscription is on his parents’ stone in Olney.

   Harry Sr. died in the Palace Theater of Cincinnati on December 5, 1932, and was buried in the Haven Hill Cemetery at Olney, Illinois. He evidently had a heart attack while attending a show. He was working in an office of the Associated Press at the time of his death.

   Ella died on February 24, 1953, and is buried with her family at Olney.

5. **Mary E. Wilson** was born in 1870 in Noble County and moved to Illinois with her family. Have not found any Illinois marriages for Mary E., nor any census entries past 1880. Also, no Illinois deaths or burials.

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**C. The Martin Luther Wilson Family**

Martin L., the third son of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born on May 31, 1835, in Belmont County, Ohio. He moved with his parents to then Monroe County, now Noble County, in 1844, and lived there into adulthood.

On February 7, 1859, he married Caroline A. McKee, born January 1, 1842, on Ohio, the daughter of New Yorkers Allen and Sarah McKee. The new Wilson family set up housekeeping near Summerfield. According to the census of 1860, the couple had a baby girl, Martha, aged 3 months. On later censuses there is no Martha, so she may have died in early childhood.

In 1860 Caroline had a son, Leroy A., and in 1861, daughter Emma G. was born, and, in 1863, Josephine followed.

Martin served briefly in the Civil War. [See separate Civil War file.] He may have lived in town from then on, because on the 1870 census he was a Wagon Maker and on the 1880 census he was listed as a Hotelkeeper.
The family had a large gap in children after Josephine in 1863, as the next children were not born until 1870, when Caroline had twin sons, Charles Alvie and James Emmett. Maude B. followed these two twins in September of 1879, and Anna E. in 1883, their last child.

In the Noble County Republican of November 8, 1883, the following entry appears, “M. L. Wilson and family have recently returned to this place from Olathe, Kansas, where they moved last spring.” The visit was evidently short as they moved back to Anderson County, Kansas, and continued to live there.

In 1890 Martin applied for a military pension and was granted one that he did not live long enough to enjoy very much. Martin died in Glenloch, Anderson County, Kansas, on August 28, 1893. He is buried in Glenloch Cemetery there.

A newspaper account says that he was in an altercation with several other men and was struck in the head with a corn knife. In September of that year Jesse Carrier was charged with manslaughter and Walter Carrier with felonious assault. Two other Carriers were released.

Caroline applied for a Widow’s Pension after his death, which was granted, and she lived as an unmarried widow for another 25 years. Caroline died on September 9, 1918, in Los Angeles, California, at the home of her son Charles, where she was either living or visiting. Caroline was returned to Glenloch for burial alongside her husband.

The Children of Martin Wilson and Caroline McKee

1. **Martha A. Wilson** was born in 1859, but evidently died in early childhood, as she was not on any records after the 1860 census.

2. **Leroy A. Wilson**, born in 1860 in Summerfield, Ohio, moved to Kansas with his family, and married Mary V. Ryan on July 31, 1893. Mary died on November 14 on that same year, possibly from pregnancy. I lost Leroy after that.

2. **Emma G. Wilson** was born in December of 1862 in Ohio and grew up in Anderson County, Kansas. She married Quimby B. Schoonover in Garnett on February 6, 1885. Emma and her family moved to Vernon County, Missouri, soon after that. The Schoonovers had children:
   - Everett Edward, born in Missouri September 19, 1888, and later lived in Savage, Montana;
   - Grace, born in Missouri in June 1890;
   - Olive, called Ollie, born Missouri November 1892; married C. R. Beaman and lived in Denver;
   - Cloyd, born in Missouri, April 28, 1895, and died in Fort Scott, Kansas, May 3, 1965;
   - Mamie, born in Missouri June 10, 1896, married Orara Thomas McCollum at Fort Scott, Kansas, in November 1913. In 1971 she moved to Denver, Colorado, to be near her son Lester D. Mamie died in Denver on January 25, 1974, and is buried in the Clarksburg Cemetery at Fort Scott, Kansas.
   - Ella, born in Missouri May 1900;
   - Edna, born in Missouri in 1906.
Later, the Schoonovers lived in Garland, Bourbon County, Kansas, probably to be close to their son Cloyd, who lived there. Emma Wilson Schoonover died in Fort Scott, Bourbon County, Kansas, in 1943, and is buried in the Clarksburg Cemetery there. Quimby died at Fort Scott in 1949 and is also buried in Clarksburg.

3. **Josephine Wilson**, born May 9, 1864 in Noble County, Ohio, grew up in Kansas and married Milton G. Brown in Garnett on October 20, 1886.

   The Browns only had one daughter, Ethel, born December 17, 1888 in Anderson County, Kansas. By 1910 the family had moved to Tecumseh in Shawnee County, Kansas.

   Josephine died on June 27, 1910, probably in Shawnee County, but is buried in the Pleasantview (Glenloch) Cemetery of Anderson County. Ethel, who evidently never married, died on May 29, 1917, and is also buried in Pleasantville. I do not know about Milton.

4. **Charles Alva Wilson** was born on June 30, 1870, with his twin brother James, in Summerfield, Ohio. He moved to Anderson County, Kansas, with his parents and lived here in 1880.

   He served in the Spanish-American War [See separate military page] and family rumors say he became a doctor. I have not found any evidence that he ever married or had children. In the 1890’s he moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado, as he was living there when he enlisted.

   On the first of April 1907, Charles entered Mexico at Esperanza, Sonora, as a Superintendent for the Richardson Construction Co. I don’t know what type of business that company was in, but it may have been oil. On the 1920 census of Stephens County, Texas, he is listed again as a Superintendent of “Oil Wells.” Since I could not find him on the 1910 census, he may have still been in Mexico.

   Charles seems to have developed some medical problems in the early 1920’s, as he entered the Pacific Branch of the National Soldiers Home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles County, California, on January 29, 1926. He spent the last six years of his life there.

   As Charles was a Hospital Steward in the Rough Riders and his Soldiers Home record says he was a Pharmacist, which may have been the origin of the family’s belief that he was a doctor. On the other hand, several San Antonio City Directories have a Charles A. as a Physician, so he may have spent several years practicing medicine, until the oil business drew him away.

   He died on May 14, 1932, at the Soldiers Home. He is buried in Glenloch Cemetery of Anderson County, Kansas. His sister Anna handled the arrangements.


   He married Anna Martin, a native of Somerset in Devonshire, England, on December 27, 1891, in Topeka. The couple had two sons, Frank W. and Ralph Emmett.

   James lived most of his life in Topeka, Kansas, first working on the *Daily Capital* newspaper, and where, in 1919, he opened an automobile garage and had the first auto wrecker in town. He operated the garage for ten years, until he retired and his son Ralph took it over.
James was an active citizen and was a member of numerous organizations, including the Masons and the Knights of Security, as well as several political groups. In 1916 he ran for Sheriff, but lost in a squeaker.

James was in poor health for a while prior to his death. He suffered a stroke on May 30, 1938, but stayed at home until early September, when his condition deteriorated and he was taken to a hospital. He died on September 23, 1938, of a coronary. James is buried in Memorial Park Cemetery in Topeka. Anna is also buried in Memorial Park.

Frank W. Wilson, born October 27, 1895, in Topeka, married Ruth V. and had two daughters, Margaret and Patricia. He died on April 22, 1987, and is buried in Memorial Park, as is Ruth. Frank changed jobs a lot, as he was a Bookkeeper for International Harvester, a County Registrar of deeds, and the Owner of a Retail Farm Implement business.

Ralph Emmitt, born August 9, 1897, in Topeka, married Edna G. Colvin on June 29, 1918, in Elk County, Kansas. The couple had two daughters, Dorothy L. and Barbara J. In early life, Ralph worked as a Claims Investigator for the Atchison, Topeka, and the Santa Fe Railroad, until he took over his Dad’s garage. Later, he was a sales rep for an oil company. Ralph died on February 13, 1968, and is buried in Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

Maude B. Wilson was born on September 22, 1879, in Noble County, Ohio. She grew up in Kansas and married William Orten Walston in Anderson County on September 21, 1896. The Walstons first lived in Centerville, Linn County, Kansas, and later lived in Knob Noster, Johnson County, Missouri. [Love the sound of that town!] Maude’s mother Caroline lived with them for a while in Missouri.

While in Missouri, they had their only child, Ortena, born August 15, 1912. Not long after Ortena’s birth, they moved back to Kansas, this time to Neodesha in Wilson County, where they spent the rest of their lives.

William worked as a fireman in a Standard Oil refinery for many years. William died on June 11, 1941, and is buried in the Neodesha Cemetery. Maude died in 1950 and is in the same plot as William.

Ortena married Raymond D. Holmberg when she was barely 17, and they lived with her parents for a while after the wedding. Raymond was a newspaper printer, and Ortena worked for a time as a music teacher.

By the 1940 census the two couples were still living side by side in Neodesha, and the Holmbergs still did not have any children. Raymond died on May 6, 1973, Ortena on August 20, 1996. Both are buried in the Neodesha Cemetery.

Anna E. Wilson was born on August 18, 1883, in Kansas. On the 1900 census she was living with her mother in Garnett, Anderson County. By 1907 Caroline and Anna were living in Kansas City, Missouri.

On November 28, 1912, Anna married John D. Vierling in Kansas City, and they lived there until about 1917, when they decided to relocate to Los Angeles, California. While in L.A. they had a son Charles E. on November 15, 1918.

Apparently, California did not agree with them for some reason, for they were back in Kansas City, Missouri, by 1923, where John was a clerk for the Dierks and Sons Lumber Company. He worked for the company until at least 1940.
Anna Wilson Vierling died in 1946 and is buried in Glenloch Cemetery. I don’t know the fate of John.

Charles moved to Missouri with his parents, graduated from East High School in Kansas City, Missouri, and was working in a bank in 1940. He possibly served in WW 2, but I have not confirmed that. He later lived in Shawnee Mission, Kansas, and died on June 6, 1996, at Sun City West, Maricopa, Arizona.

D. The Joseph H. Wilson Family

Joseph H., the fourth son of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born on February 17, 1838 in Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio, and he moved with his parents to then Monroe County, now Noble County, Ohio, in 1844.

On February 6, 1857, at the age of 20, he married Ellen Osborne in Noble County. Ellen evidently died shortly thereafter, as Joseph was living with the George Bunn family on the 1860 census and no wife was listed with him. I have not found any death or burial information on Ellen.

Joseph served throughout the Civil War in the Union Army. [See separate Civil War file.]

On July 3, 1866 he married Mary Jane Morrison in Noble County, and the couple proceeded to have three children.

Joseph was listed as a house painter on the 1880 and 1900 censuses, so his wounds did not seem to involve a long-term disability. His house was on the main street of the town of Summerfield, where they had only a short walk to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Joseph and Mary Jane lived there until 1903, when they moved to the larger town of Caldwell.

Joseph died of a heart attack on July 17, 1908, and he is buried in Olive Cemetery of Noble County. His funeral was elaborate and included a National Guard firing squad and a delegation of G.A. R. members.

Mary Jane applied for a Civil War Widow’s pension after Joseph’s death and was awarded one under certificate 669645. She lived with her son Harry A. and his family for some time in Zanesville, and then moved with them before 1920 to Gloversville in Fulton County, New York.

Mary Jane probably lived with Harry until she died in 1922. She is buried alongside her husband in Olive Cemetery.

Children of Joseph Wilson and Mary Jane Morrison

1. **Rosa E. Wilson** was born in May of 1867 and grew up in Summerfield. She married George F. Hays on October 20, 1886, in Noble County. They had children Harry G. on July 22, 1889 and daughter Mary E.J. in September of 1896.

   In 1900 they were living on Cumberland Street in Caldwell, but George evidently died before 1910, as the widowed Rosa is now living on Hull Street in Zanesville, Ohio, with her children and working for a milling company.

   Harry G. Hays served as a Private in the 145th Infantry Regiment of the 37th Division during World War One.
Rosa did not remarry, and she was still widowed and working in Zanesville during 1920 at age 52. The children were still in her household, with Harry working in a restaurant and Mary teaching school. I do not know anything else about Rosa or Mary E. after 1920.

Harry Hays married Clara Davis in 1924, and they continued to live in Zanesville. They had a daughter Mary Ann Hays on June 30, 1925. Harry died on October 18, 1928, at age 39 of pneumonia. He is buried in Greenwood Cemetery with a military headstone. Clara and Mary Ann went to live with her mother, Margaret Davis, in Zanesville. Clara later married Robert McCloud; she died in 1971 and is buried in Greenwood also.

Mary Ann Hays, Harry’s daughter, married James J. Mattingly, Jr. in Zanesville on September 10, 1949. She was a stenographer at the time. She also married Herbert Hickman following that event and was the mother of Lynn Hickman. Mary Ann died in Branson, Missouri, on September 22, 2012, and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery at Zanesville.

2. Ruth Ellen Wilson was born on May 14, 1874, in Summerfield. She married Albion E. Osborne on December 27, 1893, in Noble County. I often wonder how difficult it was to get into Caldwell, the county seat, to get official permits when you lived in Summerfield. It’s a good trip even today along a winding little road; I imagine it was an all-day affair by horse and buggy in the 19th century. But Ruth Ellen got it done!

After their marriage, the couple moved to Zanesville, Ohio, in Muskingum County. By 1910 Albion was a streetcar conductor in Zanesville. By then they had two sons and soon added a daughter. Albion worked his way up to ticket agent on the railway, but, by 1930, he changed jobs and was the manager of a retail wallpaper store.

Albion died in Zanesville on November 30, 1938, of chronic nephritis, and is buried in Memorial Park Cemetery there. Ruth Ellen died on November 17, 1943, of cardiovascular disease, in Zanesville and is also in Memorial Park.

Ruth Ellen and Albion had three children:

Their first son, Azel Albion Osborne, was born January 31, 1896, in Noble County. He became an accomplished musician and even attended a dance institute in Warren, Ohio, during World War One. On the 1920 census he is listed as a violinist in an orchestra.

In August 1923, Azel opened his own music studio in Zanesville, teaching violin, clarinet, and saxophone. The article in the newspaper said he was a graduate of the Dana Institute and the Indiana College of Fine Arts.

If you search for Azel’s name in several online search engines, you will get hundreds of hits, nearly all of which are ads in the paper for his studio from the 1920’s to the 1950’s.

Azel evidently married in the late 20’s, as the 1930 Zanesville Directory lists him with a wife, Helen I. The 1940 Census has him living with Helen and her father Gus A. McNeal. On the 1940 census, he has a different wife, Oslame. I don’t know what happened to Helen or after 1940 what happened to Oslame. What kind of name is Oslame anyway? Neither wife was evidently around long enough to have a child.

Azel was self-employed when he registered for the WW2 draft in 1942. He also might not have been married then, as he gave his brother as a contact person. Azel seems to be everyone's idea of an artist and musician!
Azel died on August 1, 1965, and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Zanesville.

Ruth Ellen’s second son, William Wilson Osborne, was born January 30, 1903, which was a large gap from his brother. Perhaps Ruth Ellen lost a child or two in between.

W. Wilson, as he was often listed, married Audrey Allen, a native of Perry County, in 1922, and they had a daughter Elinor E. Osborne in early 1930. At that time, William was a teller at the Zanesville Bank and Trust Company. He worked in banking for a good number of years.

Audrey and Wilson had a son on June 2, 1936, David W., with again a large gap in birth order. The family continued to live in Zanesville, and Wilson steadily advanced in the banking business, until he retired as a Vice President and Trust Officer in 1965.


Elinor, a former Girl Scout, was an officer of the local YWCA and a member of the Sigma Phi Gamma sorority. She appeared in the local newspapers frequently over the years in a series of community events. Elinor married William E. Arnold on April 30, 1950, and they moved to Galion, Ohio.

Elinor and William’s marriage evidently did not work out, as she returned to Zanesville a few years later and was back using her maiden name. She did not give up hope though, as, on September 8, 1968, she married Paul H. Harkness in Zanesville. They moved to Heath, Ohio, in Licking County, and had three children.

David W. “Ozzie” Osborne graduated from Lash High School and from Muskingum College with a degree in Economics. He became a Juvenile court Probation Officer and retired from that in 1998. He married Loretta M. McPeck on April 24, 1960, and they had a daughter and two sons. David W. Osborne died on April 7, 2005, at Zanesville, and is buried in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Ruth Ellen Wilson’s last child was a daughter, Lillian I. Osborne, born in 1913. Lillian may have suffered with ill health as a child. Late in 1924 she was afflicted with diphtheria, and in February 1925 she had a nasty bout with scarlet fever. She was quarantined at home for a while, but recovered.

In 1930 it looks like she was working for her Dad in the wallpaper store. In 1938 she visited friends in New York City and her uncle in Gloversville, New York.

By 1940 Lillian lived with her widowed mother in Zanesville and worked as a saleslady in a dress shop. By the early 1950’s, she was an office manager at J.C. Penney.

On Saturday, July 16, 1956, at the age of 42, Lillian married Leland F. Roberts, and the couple relocated to Ann Arbor, Michigan. The couple were listed together on the 1957 Ann Arbor Directory, but something happened that year, as in the 1958 version, Lillian was listed by herself as the office manager for Porcelain Products Company and Leland was not listed at all.

Lillian was listed as still in Ann Arbor on her brother William’s 1975 obituary, and as Lillian Roberts, but I don’t know what happened to her after that.
3. **Harry Asbury Wilson** was born on August 16, 1878, and grew up in Summerfield, Noble County. He lived with his sister Rosa and her husband George Hays for a time in 1900 at Caldwell in Noble County, a short distance west of Summerfield.

On August 8, 1900, he married Isabelle James, a 22-year-old resident of Caldwell, and they had a son, James J. Wilson, on March 15, 1902. By 1910 Harry and Isabelle had moved to Zanesville in Muskingum County, where Harry sold men’s suits in a department store. His widowed mother Mary Jane lived with them into the 1920’s.

Isabelle died sometime in 1915 and is buried in Olive Cemetery in Noble County. I do not know what caused her death. James seems to have been her only child, so perhaps some birth event of another child may have been the cause.

Harry, who continually worked in the department store business, moved to Gloversville in Fulton County, New York, almost immediately after Isabelle’s death, as he was listed in the 1915 Gloversville Directory. From Zanesville, Ohio, to Gloversville, New York, northwest of Albany, seems like a radical move for a store buyer. He worked for the Martin and Naylor Company. Perhaps a chain store of some kind?

He remarried there on June 2, 1917, to Emma S. Vosburgh. It was likely Emma’s second marriage as well as Harry’s, since she was 40 years old and her parents were listed as Lewis and Antoinette Shutts.

Also living in their household was his son, James J., and his mother Mary Jane. Harry continued to live in Gloversville at least through 1930. Mary Jane died in 1922, probably in Fulton County, and James died in 1936, also probably in New York. Both are buried back in Olive Cemetery of Noble County.

James would have been about 34 at the time of his death. I have not found him on any records after 1920. He does not seem to have been in Fulton County at the time of his death.

Harry and Emma, who did not have any children together, continued to live in retirement in Gloversville into the 1950’s. I do not know their death dates or burial locations.

**E. The Mary Ellen Wilson Family**

Mary Ellen, the first daughter of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born August 2, 1840, in Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio, and she accompanied her parents to then Monroe, now Noble County, Ohio, in 1844.

She first appears by name on the 1850 census of Monroe County, as “Mary E., age 10.” On February 16, 1857 she married, at the age of 17, Nathaniel Capell Horton, age 22, the son of Richard I. Horton and Mary Jane Capell.

The Horton’s had three children, and then Nathaniel enlisted in the Army for the Civil War. He served in Company A, 3rd OVI. After the war he returned home and they had four more children. [See also “Our Horton Heritage 2002” by Betty Bailey Horton] They are listed on the 1880 census in Summerfield with their five surviving children.

Mary Ellen lived on a farm near Summerfield, Ohio, her entire married life and died there on January 7, 1905. She is buried in Eastern Cemetery, Summerfield, along with her husband, who followed her on September 5, 1918.
Children of Mary Ellen Wilson and Nathaniel Horton

1. **Florence S. Horton** was born March 20, 1858, and married Richard O’Neill in Summerfield on October 17, 1878. She was his second wife. Florence and Richard had two children: Edgar, born November 11, 1880, and Nellie, born February 21, 1884. In 1880 Richard’s mother Ann Horton O’Neill was living with them. Florence died of cancer on July 26, 1925, in Marietta, Ohio, and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield. [See also my Hugh O’Neill book.]

   Nellie married William Herbert Snyder on December 24, 1908, and died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Summerfield on December 25, 1933. She was a popular member of the community, active in numerous clubs and the local Methodist church. In 1920 Florence and Richard were living with Nellie in Summerfield.

   Nellie and Herb had two children, Paul O’Neill Snyder, born on January 20, 1911, and Nedra J., born October 20, 1913.

   Florence’s son Edgar never married and was living at home in 1900 and worked as a farm laborer. He died in 1907, at the age of 27. Edgar is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, as is Nellie and Herb, who died in 1956.

   Nedra also never married and died in Wheeling, West Virginia, on April 14, 1985. Paul O’Neill married Evelyn L., worked for the Columbus, Ohio, Bus Company. He died in Columbus on March 2, 1966, and is buried in the Union Cemetery there.

2. **Iva Jane Horton** was born November 26, 1859, in Summerfield and lived there all her life. On the 1900 census she was still living with her parents. She or someone gave her birth date as September 1861, but she was on the 1860 census as age 7/12, so she was actually born in 1859 and was age 40, not 38.

   On January 10, 1901, Iva gave birth to a daughter, Ruth G. Horton. The birth record says the father was “Richard J. King,” but there did not seem to be any Richard King anywhere in the vicinity of Summerfield. On the 1900 census the Horton’s had a farm worker living with them, Joseph King, age 14. Could teenager Joseph have been the father of Ruth? If this was a pulp fiction novel, I would suspect yes.

   Ruth’s father is mysteriously absent from all her later documents, and there is no evidence that Iva was ever married at any time. Iva died on October 7, 1927, at 68, in Summerfield and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery. [On her Find-A-Grave page, it says “w/o Robert Horton.” I doubt that.]

   We do not know how much, if any, her birth situation in a small town affected Ruth, but the town seemed to accept her. By 1920, the 19-year-old Ruth was a local school teacher, and, on August 21, 1926, she married Earl R. Day in Summerfield. Ruth and Earl continued to live in the town, Ruth as a teacher and Earl as a mechanic. She was even elected the President of the Summerfield High School Alumni Association for a long time. Ruth was a music teacher and supervisor and director of the school orchestra. She enjoyed an extended career in the Summerfield schools.

   Ruth Horton Day died at Zanesville on August 9, 1965. She is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield.

3. **George Findlay Horton** was born March 10, 1862, in Summerfield. He married Oletha Lewellyn on December 25, 1882, and they had had five children. George served a
term in the Ohio State Legislature and was normally a stock dealer. For a period around 1910 George and Oletha moved their family to Lamar, in Prowers County, Colorado. I do not know how long they were there, but he probably bought and sold cattle in that location.

Their two oldest children, Nora and Edna, did not accompany them to the West, and Nora was married in 1912 in Summerfield, so they may have returned by then. They were back in Noble County in 1930 with only Carson living with them. George Findlay Horton died on October 18, 1943, in Summerfield and is buried in Eastern Cemetery.

The children of George and Oletha were:

Nora Ellen, born November 1883, married Forrest H. Reed in Noble County on December 31, 1912. By 1920 the early-widowed Nora was living in Montrose, Colorado, probably to be near her family, and she had children Grace, who became a school teacher, Tom L., who later married Diana McVey, and Edna L. Forrest Reed had died in 1915 and was buried in Summerfield. Nora and her children had a long and active life in Summerfield and appeared in numerous social and musical events. Nora Horton Reed died in 1982 and is buried in Summerfield.

Edna Grace Horton was born February 11, 1886, in Summerfield. Edna married Kentucky-native Minister George L. Nuckolls around 1912 and they began moving around the country from church to church. In 1926 they were in Denver, Colorado, and in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. On the 1930 census they had children Mary E., and Dorothy, and were housing Mary’s husband, George W. Fickeisen,

In the early 30’s George Nuckolls died and by 1934, Edna was in Columbus, Ohio, living with her daughter Dorothy L., a student, probably at Ohio State. Edna got a job as a house mother at a sorority in Columbus and kept on living. In August of 1939 she took a trip to Naples, Italy, evidently by herself, and she arrived back in New York aboard the S.S. Vulcania on August 17. Her timing was flawless, as World War Two started about three weeks later.

In 1940 she was living in Columbus as a house mother, but by 1948 she was in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, near Cleveland. Edna Horton Nuckolls died in Cleveland, Ohio, on June 14, 1948, and is buried in Summerfield.

Nathaniel Capell, Jr., born June 17, 1891, remained in Colorado after his parents’ move and was living in Montrose in 1917. At that time he was married to Mary Jane Markley, a Colorado native, and working as a Ditch Rider, whatever that was. In 1930 Nathaniel and Mary Jane were living in Noble County again, he was a carpenter, and they had children George D., and Robert C.

By 1942 he was living in Columbus, Ohio, and worked at the Curtiss-Wright plant, drawn no doubt by the lucrative wages of war work.

Nathaniel Capell Horton died in 1958 and is buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Madison County, Ohio. Mary Jane died in January 1987 and is also buried there. Also in Pleasantville is their sons George D., who died in 1978; and Sgt. Robert Capell Horton, who died on August 26, 2002.

Carson Lewellyn was born on October 9, 1897, and was still living with his parents in 1930 at age 32. On July 17, 1935, though, Carson married a 35-year-old widow Helen Renick Hornbeck in Franklin County, Ohio. He was living at the time in Galloway and she was in Circleville. The couple lived in Franklin County for several years. Carson died in Pickaway, Ohio, on November 28, 1978.
Emily Oneida was born on October 8, 1900, in Summerfield. I do not know where her Native American middle name came from. She married Vernon Havener around 1918 and was living by 1925 in Columbus, Ohio. They had children Vernon L., Leatha, and Robert D. Vernon Havener, Sr., died in Zanesville on August 28, 1986. Emily Oneida Horton Havener died in a nursing home at Painesville in Lake County, Ohio, on December 26, 1995.

4. **Joannah Matilda Horton** was born September 19, 1864, in Summerfield. She married John Richard Nowell on Christmas Day of 1882, and they had ten children: Howard, Earl, Bradford, Frank, Ethel, Harry, Sarah, Robert, Rosina, and Kathleen. Joannah died on March 21, 1953, in Woodsfield, Monroe County and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield. She was preceded by John, a retired railroad engineer, on July 5, 1934.

5. **Robert L. Horton** was born March 5, 1868 in Summerfield, and died in 1871 there. He is buried in the Eastern Cemetery.

6. **Emma Rose Horton** was born March 15, 1872, in Summerfield and married John William Sheckles there on March 28, 1891. They had one daughter, Mary Jane, born September 4, 1891. Emma Rose died on March 7, 1936 in Columbus, Ohio, and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, as is John, who died in 1955.

7. **Daisy Dean Horton** was born April 20, 1879 in Summerfield, and married Everett Burbacher/Burgbacher there on December 23, 1899. She died on September 7, 1950, in Summerfield and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery. The couple had no children.

**F. Rebecca J. Wilson**

Rebecca J., the second daughter of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born in 1843, in Belmont County, Ohio, and moved with her family to then Monroe County, now Noble County, Ohio, in 1844. She first appears by name at age seven on the 1850 census of Monroe County, and then at age 17 on the 1860 census of newly-formed Noble County. Her occupation on the 1870 list is given as “Seamstress.”

She lived with her parents at least through the 1880 census, where she appears at the age of 37. Rebecca is listed on the 1880 census as “Insane,” which may explain why she lived with her parents and never married. The exact medical diagnosis is unknown. Michael and Elizabeth Wilson died in the late 1880’s, so Rebecca was most likely unable to live by herself.

On the 1900 census of Athens State Hospital in Athens, Ohio, there is a Rebecca Wilson, born in Ohio in April 1843. This evidently is Michael’s daughter. She died on October 18, 1925, at the Hospital, and her death certificate adds more evidence. Her residence is listed as Summerfield; her birthdate is “about 1843.” It said she lived there for 48 years, which is a bit much, since she was at home in 1880, only 45 years before. Her parents are unknown and she was the subject of “Noble County Probation Papers,” indicating a court placement.
Rebecca is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, Ohio.

G. Robert S. Wilson

Robert S., the last child of Michael and Elizabeth Wilson, was born in 1846, probably in Monroe/Noble County, Ohio, where his parents had moved in 1844. Robert first appears by name on the 1850 census at age 4, and then on the 1860 census at age 14. He lived with his parents until February 26, 1864, when he enlisted in the Union Army. [See separate Civil War file.]
The Michael Wilson Family In the Civil War

1. William H. Wilson served as a Corporal in Company C of the 161st Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which was an Ohio National Guard regiment. The 161st was mustered in at Camp Chase near Columbus on May 2, 1864. The regiment moved to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, where they served as railroad guard units to protect supply trains from Confederate interdiction. William and the 161st returned to Camp Chase on September 2, 1864, and he was discharged. William later joined the Grand Army of the Republic and was a faithful member.
2. In the summer of 1864, **Martin Luther Wilson** spent 100 days in Co. C, 161st OVI, in company with his brother William H. The unit spent the summer guarding Civil War supply trains in the Shenandoah Valley. Martin was mustered out at Columbus in early September and returned home.

3. On June 26, 1861, **Joseph H. Wilson** enlisted in Co. I, 25th Ohio Volunteer Infantry and started service in the Union Army. His enlistment papers describe him with blue eyes, light hair, fair complexion, and as being 5’ 9 ½” tall.

   Joseph and the 25th OVI participated in some of the most important battles of the Civil War, including Bull Run, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg, plus the campaigns for the defense of Washington, D.C., the pursuit of Stonewall Jackson in the Shenandoah Valley, and the pursuit of Lee after Gettysburg. In August of 1863 the unit moved to Folley Island, South Carolina in the Southern Department, where the 25th helped bottle up Charleston.

   Joseph was evidently a good soldier, as he was promoted to Corporal on September 30, 1862, and to Sergeant on November 5, 1864. Joseph was wounded on November 20, 1864, at the battle of Honey Hill, South Carolina. His wounds were evidently not serious, and he continued on duty until June of 1866, which included occupation duty after the war ended. He was discharged at Camp Chase, Ohio, and returned to Summerfield. His wartime serve totaled four years, eight months and fifteen days.
4. Robert S. Wilson
enlisted at age 18 in Co. I, 25th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, the unit his brother Joseph had been in for some time.

Robert was not in the Union Army very long, as he died at the Battle of Honey Hill on June 28, 1864, at Hilton Head, South Carolina. Joseph was wounded in the same battle.

Robert is buried in the Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina, Burial #4577, Section 10, Grave 69. I visited the cemetery in 2006 and photographed Robert’s headstone. Robert is the only Civil War fatality that I have found in any branch of my family.
Charles Alva Wilson and the Spanish-American War

Introduction: “The advent of the Spanish-American War in 1898 saw the regular United States Army and the state militias inadequately staffed to support operations overseas. Under a law passed on April 22, three regiments of volunteer cavalry were raised in the western states and territories to augment the regular defense establishment. President William McKinley was to appoint all commanding officers, who in turn selected their own staff and line officers. Recruiting began late in April.

The most famous of these units—in fact, the only one to serve in combat—was the First United States Volunteer Cavalry, better known as the "Rough Riders" but also called "Teddy's Terrors" and the "Rocky Mountain Rustlers." The unit was nominally commanded by Col. Leonard Wood, an army surgeon who had won the Medal of Honor for an Indian fight ten years before, but in fact was led by Lt. Col. Theodore Roosevelt.”

The Spanish-American War was the shortest declared war in American history, but one with the farthest-reaching consequences. It featured the debut of the United States onto the world power scene, where we have remained ever since. The U.S. acquired Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Philippine Islands from Spain, and a strong presence in Cuba. The war led to the addition of Hawaii to our territories. Many far-reaching effects of a six-month conflict.

Charles Alva Wilson, son of Martin Luther Wilson and Caroline McKee, was living in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 1898, but he seems to have traveled to San Antonio, Texas to enlist in Company I of the 1st USVC on May 16.

Charles may have had visions of charging the enemy aboard a mustang and following Teddy Roosevelt all over Cuba, but it was not to be. Since his civilian occupation was as a pharmacist, Charles was shortly transferred on June 7th to the Hospital Corps, where his skills could be better used. The Hospital Corps deployed to Cuba with the Rough Riders, who were used as infantry and not cavalry.

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Charles and the Rough Riders spent about two months in Cuba, and Charles may have contracted malaria during this period. The war was shortly over and the unit traveled by ship to Camp Wikoff on Long Island, New York, where they were discharged on September 15, 1898.
After a career spent in the American Southwest and Mexico, in addition to his service in tropical Cuba, Charles may have contracted any number of problems. By January 29, 1926, he was admitted to the Pacific Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Sawtelle, California. He lived out his life as an inmate there.

Military accomplishments tend to get exaggerated over the years, and this one is no exception. A history of Anderson County, Kansas, where Charles was buried contains this interesting statement, "He was personally commended by Roosevelt for conspicuous bravery and was promoted to a lieutenancy." The paperwork must have gotten lost on those two items!
Chapter Two: Michael Wilson Family Images

Michael Asbury Wilson and Wife Elizabeth Gillespie, ca 1830 (Portrait)

Michael’s daughter
Mary Ellen Wilson
and
husband
Nathaniel
Horton
John Wesley Wilson, Olney, IL
Joseph H. Wilson, Noble County, OH
Martin Luther Wilson, Anderson Co., KS
Chapter Three: The William H. Wilson Family

William H. (probably Henry, after the President) Wilson was born in the small village of Burlington in Belmont County, Ohio, on April 27, 1828. He was the eldest child of Michael A. and Elizabeth Gillespie Wilson.

William was soon joined by several siblings and the family lived in Belmont County until November 10, 1844, when they moved to Summerfield, then Monroe County. Michael and his family had several relatives living in Wheeling, then Virginia, and they visited them regularly.

During one such visit in the early 1850’s, William H. evidently met the daughter of William Blanchard, a businessman of Wheeling, and, on June 23, 1853, at the age of 24, Mary Elizabeth Blanchard married William H. Wilson, age 25, in Wheeling. The groom’s uncle, a Methodist minister, performed the ceremony. Mary and William lived in Wheeling for a short time, and their first child, Mary Catherine, was born there on October 31, 1854.

The new Wilson family relocated to the village of Summerfield in Noble County, Ohio, before June of 1856, as their second child, William Asbury, was born there on June 20th of that year. William’s parents and several siblings still lived in Summerfield and the surrounding area. William supported his family by working as a blacksmith.

William and Mary Elizabeth had six additional children: Francis R. on June 14, 1858; John A. on July 16, 1861; twin daughters Sarah Ella and Ida Bell on September 25, 1862; Robert S. on September 23, 1865; Etta W. on November 10, 1868.

Mary and William probably attended the funeral of her mother in Wheeling in 1861, and possibly that of her father in Delaware, Ohio, in 1883. Mary was mentioned prominently in the wills of her father, of her uncle Isaac, and her grandfather William, Senior, and inherited substantial sums from each.

William was an ardent abolitionist, along with several other men around Summerfield, and they formed a station on the Underground Railroad in the late 1850’s.

Mary Elizabeth had to hold her family together for 100 days in 1864, when her husband was in the 161st Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil War. [See separate Civil War file.]

William and Mary Elizabeth lived at Summerfield for the rest of their lives, and, after Mary inherited money from her relatives, they led a comfortable existence. William was able to retire earlier than most men, and spent much of his later years tending to his garden. He acquired the nickname “Tater Bug,” from his chronic complaints about the insects plaguing his crops.

Mary Elizabeth’s father William Blanchard has several investment properties and Mary inherited a number of them. I thought it interesting that she owned several lots in downtown Indianapolis that I have probably passed several times without knowing. One of her children may have paid the taxes on one lot (#48 on McLain Street) in December 1904, over a year after Mary’s death.

Sometime during her married life, or possibly even before, Mary Elizabeth contracted asthma and suffered from it until her death. Raising eight children while having breathing difficulties must have been a considerable burden.
Mary Elizabeth Blanchard Wilson died in Summerfield on February 26, 1903, at the age of 74. She was buried on a rainy Saturday in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, near her sons Francis and John, who preceded her in death.

William H. died May 25, 1905, at the age of 77. He was buried alongside his wife in the Eastern Cemetery.

The Children of William H. Wilson and Mary E. Blanchard

A. Mary Catherine Wilson

The Mary Catherine Wilson Family is covered in Chapter Four.

B. William Asbury Wilson

William Asbury, first son of William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born on June 20, 1856, in Summerfield, Ohio. He first appeared on the 1860 census of Noble County, and then the 1870, still living at home.

On November 29, 1872, a William A. Wilson of Noble County married Hester J. Hamilton. Our William would have been only 16 years old, so I am inclined to believe this was a second William, a year older on the 1870 census, who was the groom.

On the 1880 he was 23 years old, single, and working as a store clerk. About 1884 he moved to Delaware, Ohio, and worked in a men’s clothing store. Will visited Summerfield frequently and the Caldwell newspapers followed his progress. In March of 1887 he was home and again at Christmas that year.

In 1891 he married Ida Mae Williams in Delaware; both were 34 years old. The marriage index says her name was Wilton, but her later death certificate says her father was John Williams and her mother Sarah Burns. If she was married before, I have not found where.

Will and Ida did not have any children. By the 1900 census he evidently owned his own clothing store in Delaware. The couple lived in Delaware until Ida died on April 9, 1919 of a cerebral hemorrhage. In 1920 William was a widowed lodger living with another family.

William remarried on August 24, 1924, at the age of 68, to 54-year-old widow Belle Moyer Colthan. The marriage record says that William was born in Jacobsburg, Ohio, a small community in Belmont County. This conflicts with other records, and I have not heard of his parents ever living in that area.

Will and Belle are shown together on the 1930 census and the 1930 Directory in Delaware. William was still working and the proprietor of the Standard Clothing Company.

William A. Wilson died on February 10, 1935, after being struck on the head with a lead weight during a burglary at his home. He was 78 years old and left an estate of $9,474. His murderer, apprehended a month later, was a radio singer, 27-year-old Webb Scott. Scott was arrested and charged with first degree murder after a fingerprint match. I do not know if he was convicted.
William A is buried at Oak Grove Cemetery in Delaware, Ohio. His wife Belle was the informant on the death certificate #9350.

Belle Wilson continued to live in the family home at 136 Griswold Street until she died on February 15, 1953. She may have been visiting family or friends at the time, as she died in Mt. Carmel Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

William and his two wives are buried together at Oak Grove.

C. Francis R. Wilson

Francis R., second son of William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born on June 14, 1858, in Summerfield, Ohio. He first appeared on the 1860 census of Noble County at age two, and then on the 1870 as “Frank” at age 12.

He died March 17, 1880, at the age of 21 in Noble Co., Ohio, but I do not know the cause. He is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield and is listed on his parents’ headstone.

D. John A. Wilson

John A., third son of William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born July 16, 1861, in Summerfield, Ohio, and died there on September 21, 1877, at the age of sixteen. I do not know the cause of John’s death.

John is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, and his death year is incorrect on his parent’s stone, where he is listed. It says 1887 and should be 1877. Since the stone was cut over 25 years after his death, the family memory was evidently faulty.

E. Sarah Ella Wilson

Sarah Ella Wilson, one of twin girls born to William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born on September 25, 1862, in Summerfield, Ohio. She first appeared on the 1870 census at age seven as “Sarah L.,” and then on the 1880 as “Oella S.,” at 17.

On June 16, 1888, she married George W. Sutton, and the couple soon moved to Zanesville in Muskingum County. On the 1900 census of the 10th Ward, they are living together, married 12 years with no children. George was working as a laborer in a tile works.

By 1910 they are on Central Avenue of the 4th Ward, still with no children and George is working as a “Hostler” for the railroad. In 1920 they are still in the same location, and George is still with the railroad but as a machinist. In 1930 they remain on Central Avenue, and George is working as a Church Janitor. They had been married for 25 years by then.

George W. Sutton died in Zanesville on February 3, 1940, of a cerebral hemorrhage and is buried in the Greenwood Cemetery in that city.

After George died, Sarah moved to the home of her niece Carrie Mansperger in Sarahsville, Noble County, where she lived until her death there on May 26, 1943. She had a funeral at Carrie’s home and was then buried in Zanesville beside her husband.

Sarah was a member of the Trinity Methodist Church in Zanesville and a member of the Eastern Star. She was the last surviving member of her family.
F. Ida Bell Wilson

Ida Bell, the second twin daughter of William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born on September 26, 1862, in Summerfield, Ohio. She first appeared on the 1870 census at age seven and on the 1880 at 17. She was still living with her parents and unmarried at age 37 on the 1900 census, and was unmarried at the death of her mother in 1903 and of her father in 1905.

She eventually married Rev. Otho S. B. Grimsley, a Methodist minister, in 1908, and they lived for a while in Caldwell, Ohio. On the 1910 census, the Grimsleys were living in Malta, a village in Morgan County, evidently serving a church there.

We might be cynical and remark that Ida Bell did not get married until she inherited some significant assets from her parents. She was not married long, for Rev. Grimsley died of apoplexy on May 13, 1917. They were living in Licking County at the time. The Reverend Mr. Grimsley is buried in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Newark, Ohio.

The Grimsleys had no children. In 1920 Ida was living on Linden Avenue in Zanesville with her divorced brother Robert.

Ida Bell herself died in Zanesville of lung congestion, possibly still living on Linden Avenue, on July 28, 1926, at the age of 63. Her funeral took place in Zanesville at the home of sister Ella Sutton and also at Summerfield, before she was buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield.

G. Robert S. Wilson

Robert S. Wilson was born in Summerfield, Ohio, on September 23, 1864, shortly after his father returned from the Civil War. He was probably named after his father’s brother, a Union soldier who was killed in action in June of that year.

He first appeared on the 1870 census of Noble County at age four and on the 1880 at age 15.

He married Catherine M. Willey on February 27, 1890, in Summerfield, and by 1900 was living on West Main Street in Zanesville, Ohio, with a son, Blanchard, age 9. The three of them were still living in Zanesville in 1910 but now on Putnam Avenue. Robert was working as a Blacksmith during these years, with a lot of work shoeing horses.

Robert and Kate divorced between 1910 and 1916, since on the census of 1920 Robert was listed as divorced and was living with his widowed sister Ida Grimsley on Linden Avenue in Zanesville. Kate remarried on December 1, 1917, in Muskingum County, to widower Charles Smith.

Robert died in Zanesville on May 8, 1926, at age 62, of “cardiac dropsy,” an early term for water retention due to heart failure. His funeral was in Summerfield, and he was buried in the Eastern Cemetery there.

Kate Willey Wilson Smith, who was living in Lakewood, Ohio, probably with her son, died in Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, on October 17, 1946. She had been in Mt. Vernon for three months, evidently on an extended visit with relatives or friends. Although there is a stone in Greenwood Cemetery at Zanesville with her second husband,
she is actually buried in Lakeview Cemetery at Cleveland, where both she and her son resided at that time.

**Child of Robert Wilson and Kate Willey**

1. Blanchard Wilson was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, on September 27, 1890. At 19, he worked as a mail clerk for the newspaper in Zanesville.

   In 1920 Blanchard, age 29, and working as a storekeeper, was living in Zanesville, in the First Ward with his wife Esther, age 34, and a stepdaughter Ruth Suttle, age 16. Esther, or Essie, was the daughter of Frederick Smith and the former wife of Walter Suttle.

   Blanchard and Essie were married around 1916. His mother Kate lived with them prior to her remarriage. The couple moved to Lakewood, Ohio, just west of Cleveland, early in the 1920’s, and Blanchard began working for the *Cleveland News* as a stereotype, a machine operator of some kind. Essie died there on September 7, 1923, of uterine cancer and is buried in West Park Cemetery. I do not know what happened to Ruth.

   Blanchard at 33 married for a second time, to 27-year-old stenographer Anna M. Widmar on May 24, 1924, in Cleveland. Anna was the daughter of Anthony and Anna Racher Widmar. The couple continued to live in the Cleveland area. I did not find that they had any children. He was a member of the Babcock Lodge of the Masonic Order.

   Blanchard died in Cleveland on March 30, 1973, leaving Anna as a widow. Anna died in 1977 and both are buried in the Lakewood Park Cemetery at Rocky River, Ohio. November 21, 2015

**H. Etta W. Wilson**

Etta W., the youngest daughter of William H. and Mary E. Wilson, was born on November 10, 1868, at Summerfield, Ohio. She first appears on the 1870 census of Noble County as “Ella” at age 2. Next she was on the 1880 list as Etta, age 13.

   On December 5, 1888, Etta married George William Aduddell at her parent’s home in Summerfield. She had just turned 20. There was a significant article on the event in the *Caldwell Journal* newspaper of December 13th. George was the son of George Aduddell, Senior, and Annie Morrow. The couple began living in Bellaire, a river town in Belmont County. Etta and George had a baby boy in 1889, but he died as an infant on November 4 of that year.

   They lived in Belmont County at least through 1900 as they appeared on the census of Bellaire with a daughter Maurie, born in February 1898. George was working as an Express Manager for the railroad. By 1910 they were living back in Center Township of Noble County, with daughters Carrie M., age 12, and Ellie B., age 9. George was now a farmer.

   George Aduddell died on April 4, 1919, of pneumonia, and on the 1920 census Etta is now the Head of Household, with daughters Maurie and Ella Bell, ages 21 and 19 respectively. They are living in Sarahsville, where George was buried in the Sarahsville Cemetery.

   Etta died at Sarahsville on August 14, 1934, of cardiac arrest at the age of 65. After a service at the Sarahsville Methodist Church, she was also buried in the
Sarahsville Cemetery. My grandmother Lena O’Neill Bowen and my mother Margaret Bowen attended her funeral.

**Children of Etta Wilson and George Aduddell**

1. **Carrie Maucie** was born February 27, 1898, in Bellaire, Ohio. On the 27th of October 1920, she married William Albert Mansperger in Caldwell, Ohio. William was the son of Charles Mansperger and Martha Jane Matheny.

   In 1930 they were living with the widowed Etta on the family farm. They had a daughter Dorothy born March 3, 1922.

   Carrie died on July 15, 1969, and is buried in the Sarahsville Cemetery, Noble County. William died in 1986 and is buried with Carrie.

   Dorothy Jean Mansperger was an accomplished daughter. She graduated from Ohio State University and then earned a Masters Degree from Columbia University in New York. She taught high school home economics at several Ohio schools and then became a fifth grade teacher at Zane Trace Elementary in Cambridge.

   Dorothy married John McFarland and had a daughter Darlene and a son Michael. She died at the early age of 52 on January 8, 1975, in Cambridge. John died on October 26, 1994.

   [Dorothy was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution through her father’s ancestor Captain John Mansperger of Pennsylvania. I wonder if she knew she was also eligible through her mother’s ancestor William Wilson of Maryland?]

2. **Ella Belle** was born October 7, 1900, in Bellaire, Ohio. On October 9, 1924, she married Verrill A. Cater in Noble County. Verrill was the son of George Cater and Rosa Guiler.

   In 1930 they were living with Verrill’s widowed mother Rosa on her family farm. Ella’s married life was cut short, as Verrill Cater died of uremic poisoning on February 22, 1935, at the age of 32.

   Ella and Verrill had a daughter Melba Maurine, born 1926, and a daughter Merrill, born in 1929. His obituary also mentions a son, Myron Leslie. I have not found either Merrill or Myron on records later than 1935.

   Ella Belle, who died on August 14, 1978, in Zanesville, Muskingum County, is buried in the Sarahsville Cemetery, near her sister and her husband.

   Melba, that only child of Ella’s that seems to have survived to adulthood, married Robert M. Young and had three children: Karen Ann, who married Terry Caw, Robert Alan, who married Marsha, and Cheryl Lynn, married to Jeff Wilson. Melba died on September 2, 2003, at Zanesville and is buried at Memorial Park Cemetery. Robert died September 9, 2007, and is also in Memorial Park.
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William H. Wilson and wife Mary Elizabeth Blanchard, ca 1900

Sarah Ella Wilson

Ida Belle Wilson
William A. Wilson’s death must have been big news in Delaware, Ohio.

This large red granite stone in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, Ohio, bears the inscriptions for William H., Mary E., Francis R. and John A. Wilson.
I’ve always thought it hilarious that William H. Wilson was buried by a hardware store. Do you suppose they set up a product display at the cemetery?

I was pleased to find that Mary Elizabeth Blanchard Wilson inherited property in Indianapolis, where I live, and that she continued to use it as an investment.
The Wilson Blacksmiths

On the mid-19th century censuses of Summerfield, Ohio, both Michael A. Wilson and his son William H. Wilson were listed as blacksmiths, a very important village function in that time period.

On the map below, (arrow) Michael A. had a property just across the street from the Methodist Church, marked “M.A. Wilson,” in a line a small businesses on Cross Street. This may have been the blacksmith shop that Michael operated and where he trained his son William, and also the shop that William took over after Michael retired and became a farmer.

I visited Summerfield a couple of years ago to scope out this site, and it looked to me like the blacksmith shop stood right about where this mobile home is now located. Summerfield is just a remnant of what it was in the 19th century.
Chapter Four: The Mary Catherine Wilson Family

Mary Catherine, who was born in Wheeling, now West Virginia, was the eldest daughter of William H. Wilson and Mary Elizabeth Blanchard. She was the great-granddaughter of Private William Wilson of the Revolutionary War. All of Kate’s descendants are eligible for either the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution. [My SAR membership number is 154124.]

Mary Catherine, commonly known as “Kate,” grew up with her family at Summerfield, Ohio. She was married to Thomas O’Neill in Noble County on September 3, 1874, by The Rev. Mr. H. M. Rader, ten years after Thomas returned from the war. Thomas was 34 and Kate was 19.

Thomas O’Neill had enlisted in Company C, 161st Ohio Volunteer Infantry, at Summerfield, on May 2, 1864. He was mustered in at Camp Chase in Columbus on May 9, 1864, and the unit was sent to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia for 100 days service. His military records say that Thomas was six feet tall, with sandy hair, blue eyes and a sandy complexion. On May 20th Thomas was on sick call and was left behind at Cumberland, Maryland, to recover. The records do not say what the illness was, and he evidently rejoined his unit after a short while.

In June his unit was at Martinsburg, now West Virginia, and in July was at Monocracy, Maryland. The 161st guarded some supply trains for General Hunter in the Valley and then withdrew to Maryland Heights, Maryland, where they spent some time before returning to Camp Chase. They were discharged on September 2 after very little military action. As a side note, William H. Wilson, Thomas’ future father-in-law, was a Sergeant in Company C.

Thomas and Kate first appeared as a couple on the 1880 Census of Noble County, where they lived on the former John O’Neil farm on Glady Run, near Summerfield. The technical description of the farm is as follows: “Being the South East quarter of the North West quarter and the South half of the North East quarter of Section 33, township 7 of Range 7, containing 107.75 acres, more or less.”

Thomas and Kate by now had their son Charles Blanchard and their daughters Mary Ann and Lena Myrtie. On the 1900 Census of the same place, they had added daughter Esta L., son George E., son Carl B. and son Howard D. The census taker did not get Kyle’s name exactly right!

In later life Ohio farmer Thomas lost most of his hair and wore long sideburns, as did many Civil War veterans. By 1920 Thomas and Kate were still living in the Glady Run house, but they had now been joined by married daughter Estey, her husband Frank Shackle, and their children.

Thomas O’Neill died June 17, 1921; aged 80 years, 11 months, and 16 days. Mary Catherine died March 19, 1933. They are both buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield, Ohio. Kate was 78 years old when she died.

The Children of Mary Catherine Wilson and Thomas O’Neill

1. **Charles Blanchard**, the oldest son of Thomas and Mary Catherine, was born at Summerfield, Ohio, on January 22, 1876, and grew up on the farm along Glady Run. On the 1900 census Charles, age 24, was still living at home.
Charles married Edna P. Gibson on March 15, 1901, at the age of 25. Edna was born on March 23, 1882, in Swazey, Ohio, but for some reason Charles and Edna were married in Lake Benton, Lincoln County, Minnesota. This was a vacation area, so that may have drawn them to that location.

They soon began to move around the country. Their son Gaylord G. O’Neill was born in 1902 in Goodwin, South Dakota; their son William T. O’Neill was born in 1904 in Ohio; and their daughter Mary Katherine O’Neill was born in 1908 in Illinois.

All this was detailed on several records, including the 1910 Census of Cook County, Illinois. Also on that Census, Charles was working as a bookkeeper at a magazine company, and they lived at 7443 Madison Avenue in Chicago.

On the 1920 Cook County census, this family was about the same, with the daughter listed as “Catherine.” Her name was probably “Mary Katherine,” and the census takers came close.

The son “Gail,” mentioned by G. W. was probably a diminutive of Gaylord, and should be more correctly spelled as “Gale.” We do not know why the family was in South Dakota at the time of Gaylord’s birth. Gale continued to live in Chicago, where he married Lillian K. around 1927. They had a daughter Joanne, born November 12, 1929, in Illinois, and later had a son William C. Gale and Lillian were evidently divorced sometime later.

Joanne married Joseph W. Withers on September 11, 1951, in Chicago, and the couple moved to Glendora, California. She moved back east at some point, as she died on May 1, 1994, in Ada, Kent County, Michigan.

Gale died on November 21, 1967, at the Loretto Hospital, a drug/alcohol facility in Chicago. He is buried in St. Mary’s Cemetery in Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Second son William T. O’Neill was born on April 21, 1904, in Ohio. He spent most of his work career as a salesman; in 1930 it was in men’s clothing.

William married Jean Wilson around 1927, probably in Chicago. William died on May 11, 1971, and is buried in St. Mary’s Cemetery. Jean died on April 25, 1977, and is also interred in St. Mary’s. None of the records say anything about any children from this couple.

Charles and Edna only daughter, Katherine Mary was born in 1908, probably in Chicago. She married Milburn J. Tobin, an orchestra musician, in 1926, but the marriage was short-lived, since Milburn died on August 22, 1934. Katherine then married Frank Fox. Katherine Mary died in Chicago on January 9, 1959, and is buried in St. Mary’s Cemetery. She did not seem to have any children.

Charles and Edna O’Neill presumably were divorced around 1928, and Charles remarried a short time later on February 28, 1929, to his secretary Margaret Wilson, according to my Aunt Lynette Rider. They were married at Crown Point in Lake County, Indiana.

Edna also remarried to Jules Beilka. She died on November 28, 1966, and is buried in St. Mary’s Cemetery at Evergreen Park, Illinois.

On the 1930 Census of Cook County, Charles and Margaret were living by themselves in an apartment at 7300 South Shore Towers, a pricey area, as they were paying a rent of $134 a month. Charles was working as a manager in the advertising business.
Charles died in Chicago on February 28, 1961, of uremia. He is buried in the Mount Olivet Cemetery at Worth, Illinois. Margaret died on September 2, 1982, at Elkhart, Indiana, and was also buried at Mt. Olivet.

2. **Mary Ann** was born in Summerfield, Ohio, on September 20, 1877 and grew up in the O’Neill farmhouse on Glady Run.

   On December 24, 1895, Christmas Eve, she married Linus Edward Curtis of Summerfield and began a nomadic married life that criss-crossed the country. Their oldest son, Henry Hiram Curtis, was born on February 24, 1897, in Summerfield; as was their oldest daughter, Lula Mable Curtis, on October 21, 1899.

   Second daughter Emily Catherine was born in Summerfield on February 5, 1903; their second son, Paul Curtis, was born around 1905 in South Dakota, and only lived for one week; their third daughter, Mary Eleanor Curtis, was born in Olathe, Colorado, on February 26, 1909. Third son Robert O’Neill Curtis was born in Olathe on July 31, 1911, and youngest son, Linus Franklin Curtis, in Olathe on April 5, 1915.

   When her mother died in 1933, the beneficiary list noted that the family was living in Wellsville, Kansas, near Maud’s cousins, the children of Dr. Moses A. O’Neill.

   Son Henry H. Curtis married Audrey Crabbe in 1925 at Olathe, Colorado, and had a daughter Ruth, who married Troy Fletcher and had three children.


   Second daughter Emily Catherine died young on March 25, 1921 at Montrose, Colorado. She was 18 and is buried in the Cedar Cemetery.

   Mary Eleanor married Harvey Sampson in Montrose, Colorado, in January 1928 and had two daughters, Lela May and Margaret Jean. The Sampson family moved to Hood River, Oregon, in the late 1920’s and appeared on the 1930 census there. Her parents followed her in 1934, per son Linus’ obituary.

   Mary Eleanor died in April 1991, was cremated and her ashes were scattered in the Hood River valley.

   Son Robert O’Neill Curtis never married, but maintained a lifelong interest in family history until his death on August 12, 1990, in Hood River. He is buried in Idlewilde Cemetery there.

   Youngest son Linus Franklin married Lauraine P. Keith on August 24, 1942, and shortly departed for duty in the Army Air Forces as an aircraft mechanic in the 306th Bomb Group. Linus and Lauraine had a daughter Sally, married to Phillip Christensen of Tigard, Oregon. They have two daughters, Amanda and Kacey. Linus Franklin died on January 10, 1996, at Hood River.

   Ed Curtis died in Hood River, Oregon, on September 2, 1945, and Mary Ann died in Hood River on March 11, 1969, having survived her husband by 24 years. Maud was 92. Both are buried in Idlewilde Cemetery in Hood River.

3. **Lena Mertie** was born on the Glady Run farm on August 9, 1879. A tall, gangly redhead, Lena spent the next 30 years living with her parents in Summerfield.
Finally, perhaps deciding to make some changes in her life, she moved to Cambridge, Ohio, and found a position as a seamstress in a tailor shop. She worked there for the next several years.

At some point, probably early in 1913, she met a Welsh immigrant named Joseph Bowen and began dating, or whatever the term was pre-WW1. Joseph, who was a widower with three young sons, soon was important enough to Lena to accompany her to Summerfield to meet the coffin of her brother Kyle in August, 1913, when Kyle was returned to his birthplace for burial.

Lena and Joseph were married in Cambridge on September 26, 1914, and set up housekeeping there, where Lena became the step-mother to only two boys. Joseph’s oldest son, Daniel, had died in March of that year, at the age of 18.

Lena gave birth to their first child, Lynette, on April 1, 1915, a short seven months after their wedding! They welcomed a second daughter, Margaret Kathryn, on July 1, 1918, and a third daughter, Sara Lee, on March 28, 1920.

Sara Lee only lived until the age of three, dying of diphtheria on November 7, 1923. Sara Lee is buried in Northwood Cemetery in Cambridge, in the same lot as Joseph’s first wife Caroline Greer and his son Daniel.

Joseph had been a steel worker for several years and a fervent supporter of workers’ rights. In the early-1920’s he became a union organizer and held a similar position for the next several years.

Both Albert and Paul Bowen, Joseph’s sons, entered the military during World War One, Paul in the Army and Albert in the Navy. Neither returned to their father’s home after the war.

In the mid-1920’s the family moved to Follansbee, West Virginia, and Joseph continued his union activities, even though the work was dangerous and stressful. The family endured many hard times, especially during the following Depression era.

In the early 1930’s, Joseph, Lena, and the girls moved to Wellsburg, West Virginia, where Joseph and Lena lived until Joseph died.

Their oldest daughter Lynette graduated from Follansbee High School in 1933 and married Casper Miller Rider of Pennsylvania on July 17, 1937. The Riders became the parents of two daughters, Kathleen and Elizabeth.

The Bowens’ second daughter Margaret graduated from Follansbee High School in 1936 and married Peter Darrah, Jr., of Brooke County, on May 9, 1938. They became the parents of a son, Ronald Lee, and a daughter, Nancy Jo.

In early 1946, Joseph and Lena became the caregivers of Margaret’s two children, as Peter was overseas in the Army and Margaret left town with her new boyfriend. The Darrah children lived with their grandparents until August of 1948, when Peter divorced Margaret and remarried.

Joseph, age 72 and retired by 1946, evidently was forced by economic pressures to return to the workforce. He took a job as a toll collector on the Ohio River Bridge at Steubenville, Ohio, and worked there until the grandchildren left. The bridge was just north of Follansbee, and Joseph rode the bus to and from work for several years.

Joseph and Lena continued to live in Wellsburg until November 15, 1961, when Joseph died at the age of 87. He was buried in Brooke Cemetery in Wellsburg.
Lena, age 82 by this time, tried to maintain a household in Wellsburg, but was unable to do so for very long. She reluctantly moved to Cleveland, Ohio, to live with her daughter Margaret, by now married to Eugene Bianconi.

Lena Mertie O’Neill Bowen, the last survivor of Thomas and Kate’s children, died in Cleveland on August 12, 1973, at the age of 94. She is buried in West Park Cemetery in Cleveland, mourned by her children and grandchildren.

4. **George Ellis** was born in Summerfield, Ohio, on October 13, 1887, and grew up on the farm on Glady Run with his parents and siblings.

After a childhood as a farmer, George evidently decided farming was not for him and moved to Cambridge, Ohio, to seek other work. By April 1910, at the age of 26, he was living with his sister Estey and her husband Frank Shackle at 128 North Ninth Street and was working as a shearmen in a sheet steel mill.

By at least December of 1914, George had relocated to Colorado, for, on December 22, 1914, he married Rebecca (Rhea) Urban in Denver. Rhea’s family was from Cambridge, Ohio, and she went west to marry George.


George died at St. Luke’s Hospital in Montrose, Colorado, on February 20, 1946 and is buried in Cedar Cemetery, Sec. K/Block 21, Lot 7. Rhea died in Montrose on September 2, 1982, and is in Lot 8. George’s son Urban provided the death certificate information, and he got several things wrong—he said George’s mother’s maiden name was Horton, but it was Wilson, and she was not born in Ohio but West Virginia—a good example about not trusting some information on death certificates.

Their son Carl Urban married Anita Nadine Saunders on August 21, 1943, and they had one son, Charles George O’Neill, who was married three times.

Ruth married Lionel Frederick Gilchrist on November 7, 1936, and they had three children: Lionel Frederick, born 1 Sep 1940; Jane, born 3 Oct 1945; and Georgeann, born 2 Dec 1946.

[Much of the above information was provided by Rick Gilchrist, Georgeann’s son, who lives in Boise, Idaho.]

5. **Kyle Burdell**, named by his mother after a Methodist minister, was born in Summerfield on March 22, 1885, at the Glady Run farmhouse.

He grew up on the farm, but, like many young men, moved to the city to seek his fortune. Sometime, most likely during his early 20’s, he went to Chicago, Illinois, no doubt because his older brother Charles was living there. Kyle may have roomed with his brother for a period of time.

Around February of 1912, Kyle contracted tuberculosis in Chicago and, possibly at the recommendation of a doctor, moved to the clearer and drier air of Colorado in September of that year. He lived near his brother George.

He secured work as a bookkeeper while he was being treated for the disease. The treatment was unsuccessful, however, and Kyle died at Montrose, Colorado, on August 18, 1913. His body was sent by train to Summerfield, and he was buried in the Eastern Cemetery there on August 23, 1913.
I have Kyle’s silver infant feeding spoon, engraved with his initials, which was still among Kate’s possessions when she died. It was claimed by Lynette and later passed on to me.

6. **Estey Lindy** was born January 4, 1881, in Summerfield, Ohio, and grew up on her parent’s farm on Glady Run.

   In 1905 Estey, age 24, and 26-year-old Earnest Franklin Shackle of Summerfield had made plans to be married, but fate stepped in. Frank was the son of Charles and Catherine Shackle.

   Three weeks before Frank and Estey’s wedding, Frank had his leg cut off just below the knee, and it was three years before they were actually married.

   Frank was a railroader on the B. Z. and C. narrow-gauge railroad that operated in eastern Ohio and Summerfield. He fell off the train and a wheel ran over his leg. A long period of recuperation followed, and he was fitted with an artificial replacement.

   As a result of the accident, Frank could not work on the railroad and he retrained as a cobbler. He and Estey moved to Cambridge, and Frank ran a shoe shop there for some time.

   Their daughter Beulah May was born on November 9, 1908, at Cambridge, as was Earnest O’Neill on June 4, 1911, but Mary Evelyn, on May 13, 1914, and Delbert, on August 23, 1917, were both born on the Glady Run farm after they moved back there. Frank and Estey were supposedly helping run the farm with her parents Thomas and Kate, who were both getting up in years.

   After Thomas died in 1921, Frank and Estey took over the farm and Kate lived with them until her death in 1933. Frank and Estey worked the farm until Frank died in 1956. Estey finally sold the farm out of the family after Frank’s death and moved into the town of Summerfield.

   Estey died while visiting her daughter Beulah in Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, on December 9, 1960, and she was taken back to Summerfield for burial in the Eastern Cemetery.

   Beulah married Kyle Carpenter Day on December 21, 1929, in Summerfield; she died on July 6, 2005, at Mount Vernon and is buried in the Eastern Cemetery at Summerfield. The Days had two sons, Glen, who lives at Mount Vernon, and Donald of Marshalltown, Iowa.

   Earnest married Leora M. Hayes on January 31, 1941, in Summerfield. He served in the Army during World War II, and after the war lived the rest of his life in Caldwell, Ohio. Earnest died on 4 Mar 1996 in Cambridge, Guernsey County, Ohio. Leora died on May 23, 2009, in Caldwell. They have a son Dr. Dale R. Shackle, who lives in Florida.

   Mary Evelyn married Dale E. Keller on June 16, 1946, in Cambridge, Guernsey County, Ohio. Mary Evelyn died at Mount Vernon, Ohio, on July 20, 2003. They had no children. She is buried in Mount Vernon Memorial Gardens.

   Delbert married Lois Mae Young on August 30, 1947, in Noble County and they continued to live in Summerfield, until they recently moved into an assisted living facility in Caldwell. Delbert is the current keeper of the Hugh O’Neill Family Bible. They have a son David of Summerfield.
Howard Druly, named after a Methodist minister his mother liked (as was his brother George Ellis), was born in Summerfield, Ohio, on January 9, 1887.

A tall, red-headed boy, he also grew up on the Glady Run farm of Thomas and Kate. His path took a different turn than that of his brothers. As Lynette once said, “He had a tragic life.”

On October 25, 1911, Druly married Cora Morrison in Monroe County. Cora, daughter of John and Almeda Cater Morrison, was an attractive 22-year-old young woman and evidently a very vain one, for female family members suspected her of causing several abortions using an herb called pennywort. She had declared that she did not want children, since it would ruin her figure.

Finally, though, she was persuaded to bear a child, perhaps by Druly, but the female child was stillborn on February 15, 1917, and Cora died as a result of the delivery nine days later. Her death certificate says the cause of death was pneumonia.

In June of 1917 he had to register for the draft in World War One. On the draft registration card he stated that he was employed as an Iron Worker at the American Sheet and Tin Plate Co. of Cambridge. He was listed as tall and slender, with auburn hair and gray eyes.

On September 6th of that year he was inducted into the U. S. Army. At the time he was living with his sister Lena and her family at their Cambridge, Ohio, home at 611 Foster Avenue. On the 7th he left for Camp Sherman near Chillicothe, Ohio, for basic training and after that went overseas.

Druly O’Neill, service number 1958209, served with the AEF in France from March 29, 1918, until March 21, 1919, when he returned to the U.S. and was discharged on April 14, 1919. Most of his overseas service was with the 19th Engineers of the Transportation Corps. He was assigned to the Railroad Repair Depot at Nevers, France, about a hundred miles south of Paris in the Loire River valley. The unit consisted of 36 officers and 1,296 enlisted men. In August of 1918 Druly sent a postcard of the French barracks at Nevers to his niece Mable Curtis in Olathe, Colorado, and he mentioned how lonely he was there. He was promoted to Private 1st Class on June 1, 1918, his highest rank.

After the war he returned to Ohio and operated a restaurant for a short time at Woodsfield in Monroe County, according to his niece Lynette Rider. Also according to family lore, he ran into trouble with the KKK for hiring a Catholic waitress. After a traumatic period, he made peace with the Klan, although he was haunted by the experience for a long time. This must have been in the summer and fall of 1919.

Druly moved to Chicago early in 1920, and on the census of that year was a clerk for a railroad. I do not know which one. He was boarding with the family of Charles Dryer, who was an employee of the police department. Charles may have used some inside knowledge to help Druly, who shortly became a Chicago policeman. He held that position for several years. [I wrote to the Police Department there but received no reply.]

He left the police department after a while and became a collector of some kind, perhaps for debts and hopefully legit (we are talking Chicago in the Roaring Twenties!).

He married his second wife in Chicago, Harriet Sophia Stiefel, the Chicago-born daughter of German immigrants Louis Stiefel and Caroline Walz.
In 1942 Druly was working for the Pinkerton Detective Agency, and he and Harriet were living at 8913 S. Justine Street. They did not have any children according to the O’Neill family.

In late 1956 Harriet developed uterine cancer that spread to her lungs, and she died on January 26, 1957, after a six-month battle with the disease. She is buried in the Mt. Greenwood Cemetery in Chicago. There may have been some estrangement between Druly and Harriet, because he was not mentioned on her death certificate or in her obituary. Her funeral arrangements seem to have been controlled by her sister Marguerite Dryman.

Following Harriet’s death, Druly moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and supposedly lived in the Cottage Hotel, and then to Little Rock, where he spent from May 22, 1962, until his death in the Veterans Hospital there. He died of pneumonia in the Little Rock Veterans Hospital on May 16, 1966, and is buried in the Little Rock National Cemetery. Howard Druly O’Neill is in Section 14, Grave 1448.

[We visited the Little Rock Cemetery in 2009 and discovered that they had misspelled Druly’s middle name on his headstone. I reported it to the manager and he promised to correct it. I hope he did.]
Chapter Four: Mary Catherine Wilson Family Images

Mary Catherine, ca 1860
[These are my two oldest family photos in any line.]

Mary Catherine, ca 1870

Mary Catherine Wilson children, ca 1890’s
(L-R) George, Mary Ann, Estey, Lena, Charles, Howard, Kyle
Lena O’Neill, Kate’s daughter, ca 1910

Kate’s sons: (Top Down) Howard, Kyle, George, Charles, ca 1910

Lots of Wilsons attended the old Summerfield School
Howard Druly O’Neill, Kate Wilson’s youngest son, served in France during World War One. Druly is top row, second from left.

Lots of Wilson descendants in this 1916 Summerfield group shot. Kate Wilson O’Neill is first row far left, wearing the bun hairdo.
Postscript

At this point it’s almost mandatory to insert the disclaimer that “No genealogy is ever finished and much research remains to be done on the Wilson family.” Get the picture?

Babies continue to be born and old folks continue to die. It’s the story of humankind. We have not gone very deep into Maryland and not at all into Europe, so there’s work right there. I may not do it, but it’s there to be done.

I hope you, reader, can use some of this material, and I hope you can add to the details contained herein. Good Luck!

Ron Darrah
Indianapolis, Indiana
Descendants of William Wilson (December 2015)

1 William Wilson b. 2 May 1762 d. 11 Jul 1837 m. Ca 1784-86 Margaret Boyer b. Ca 1765 d. Ca 1811
   m. 11 Apr 1816 Sarah Hardcastle b. 1779
2 Sarah Wilson b. Ca 1788 d. Bf 1840 m. 12 Nov 1810 Thomas Richardson b. 1787 d. Nov 1860
3 Margaret Boyer Richardson b. 1811 d. 24 Mar 1875 m. 18 Mar 1834 Henry Coman Whittington b. 14 Dec 1809 d. 27 Oct 1886
   4 Benjamin Henry Whittington
   4 Sarah Jane Whittington
   4 Mary Elizabeth Whittington
   4 Sophia Ann Whittington
   4 John Thomas Whittington
   4 Eleanor Rebecca Whittington
4 Martha Maria Whittington b. 22 Aug 1845 d. 1937 m. 15 Mar 1866 Marsden Keyes
   4 Julia Ann Whittington
   4 Margaret Emily Whittington
   4 Amanda W. Whittington b. 1851 d. 1920
   4 Susan Childs Whittington
3 Jane E. Richardson b. 1812 d. Ca 1858
3 Rebecca Richardson b. 6 Jan 1816 d. 28 Aug 1892 m. John H. Pool b. 1819 d. 6 Jul 1894
   4 Sarah J. Pool b. 1847
   4 William H. Pool b. 1852
   4 Edward W. Pool b. 1857
3 Mary Ann Richardson b. Ca 1822 d. Ca 1841 m. 25 Jun 1840 William C. Nowell
   4 James T. Nowell b. 1841
   4 William McG. Nowell b. 1843
3 Sophia Richardson b. 11 Feb 1824 d. 17 Dec 1900 m. Ca 1848 William Preshaw b.
   11 Apr 1825 d. 23 May 1898
   4 John L. Preshaw b. 1849
   4 William Preshaw b. 1854
   4 Frank Preshaw
3 Thomas Asbury Richardson b. 1823 d. 1854 m. Mary N. (Richardson)
   4 Elizabeth W. Richardson b. 1847
   4 Sarah C. Richardson b. 1849
3 Samuel S. Richardson b. 12 Dec 1827 d. 13 Mar 1902 m. 29 Nov 1849 Jane Elizabeth Thomas b. 31 Oct 1824 d. 24 Mar 1864
   m. 21 Aug 1864 Mary E. Colvin Kennedy
   4 Mary E. Richardson
   4 Margaret E. Richardson
4 Jane C. Richardson  
3 Sarah A. Richardson m. Mr. Anderson  
2 Rebecca Wilson b. 27 Jul 1794 d. 20 Feb 1875 m. 27 Oct 1811 Joshua Todd  
2 Sophia Wilson b. 3 Mar 1795 d. 2 Oct 1843 m. 1822 Robert T. Price b. 7 Oct 1788 d. 19 Apr 1871  
3 John W. Price b. 9 Oct 1823 d. 9 Jan 1886 m. 1853 Malinda Douglas b. 1835  
4 Priscilla Price b. _____ d. 1855  
4 Sarah Price b. 7 Jan 1855 d. 20 Mar 1875  
4 Emma Price b. 17 Sep 1858 d. 4 Feb 1937  
4 Robert Douglas Price b. 7 Jul 1861 d. 29 Nov 1929 m. Lillian M. (Price) b. Aug 1861 d. 1957  
5 Clayton V. Price b. Feb 1885  
5 John Roy Price b. Jun 1891  
5 Robert F. Price b. Feb 1898  
3 Elizabeth Price b. 11 Apr 1825 d. 7 Jan 1866  
3 Samuel Price b. 26 Jan 1827 d. 30 Jul 1916 m. 17 May 1849 Charlotte Silcott Alder b. 23 Oct 1824 d. 19 Feb 1909  
4 Alice Flowers Price b. 3 Apr 1850 d. 25 Oct 1929 m. 4 Apr 1873 William Daniel Chastain b. 27 Dec 1846 d. 4 Apr 1905  
5 Earl Chastain b. Feb 1874  
5 Daisy Maude Chastain b. 22 Jul 1879  
5 Fannie V. Chastain b. Feb 1882  
4 Henry C. Price b. 18 Oct 1851 d. 24 Oct 1854  
4 Sophia Catherine Price b. 19 Oct 1853 d. 19 Oct 1945 m. 23 Apr 1874 Joseph J. Hoge b. 16 Sep 1847 d. 11 Feb 1917  
5 Id a V. Hoge b. 1874  
5 Leota B. Hoge b. 1876  
5 Eudora C. Hoge b. Oct 1879  
4 Viola V. Price b. 1855  
4 Charles W. Price b. 1857  
4 Bertha C. Price b. Mar 1860  
4 Cora Price b. 1861  
4 Maud A. Price b. Nov 1864  
4 Ulrich F. Price b. 1864  
3 Mary Price b. 27 Oct 1828 d. 25 Nov 1915 m. 16 Feb 1860 Joseph Hall b. 1810 d. 1889  
4 Amanda Hall b. 1861 m. 15 Nov 1881 James Thomas Fowler b. 10 Sep 1852 d. 5 Aug 1927  
5 Frances M. Fowler b. 1893 m. John Auman  
3 Susan Price b. 1830  
3 Joseph Price b. 5 Aug 1832 d. 27 Apr 1901 m. 10 Dec 1858 Sarah (Sallie) L. Birkett b. Mar 1837 d. Af 1910  
4 John F. Price b. Oct 1859 m. 1885 Melvina (Price) b. Mar 1862  
5 Agnes Price b. 1900  
4 Sophia E. Price b. 1861  
4 Robert G. Price b. May 1863
4 Susan R. Price b. 1865
4 Mary M. Price b. 7 Oct 1867 d. 12 Oct 1867
4 Thomas D. Price b. 1868 d. May 1915
4 Annie C. Price b. Jan 1876
4 Walter S. Price b. May 1878 m. 1904 Myrtle A. (Price)
  5 Joseph C. Price b. 1907
  5 Archibald A. Price b. 1908
4 Arthur C. Price b. Jan 1880
3 Margaret Price b. 1834 d. Bf 1900 m. 16 Nov 1854 Jesse Smith b. 1829
4 Robert P. Smith b. 1856
4 Mary J. Smith b. 1858
4 Olive Susan Smith b. 29 Jan 1864 d. 12 Aug 1947 m. Chauncy Sawyer b. Mar 1860
  5 Claudia Sawyer b. Jun 1899
  5 Chauncy F. Sawyer, Jr. b. Sep 1891
4 Charles H. Smith b. Jun 1866 m. Eunice M. (Smith) b. Aug 1872
  5 Henrietta Smith b. Apr 1896
  5 Roland I. Smith b. Dec 1899
4 Frank H. Smith b. 5 Dec 1869 d. 10 Feb 1956 m. Josie A. (Smith) b. Oct 1870
  5 Marie Smith b. Sep 1896
  5 Leslie T. Smith b. May 1897
  5 Mabel Smith b. 1904
  5 Katie Smith b. 1907
  5 Louise Smith b. 1913
4 Jessic O. Smith b. Apr 1872
4 Emmer C. Smith b. 1875
4 Claud Smith b. 1878
3 Rebecca Price b. 1837 d. Bf 1900 m. 19 Oct 1871 Charles Griffin b. May 1823
4 Amanda L. Griffin b. Jun 1873 d. 1907 m. 24 Dec 1896 Harvey M. Carper
4 Ellen Griffin b. 22 Jun 1875
4 Cora Emma Griffin b. 7 Oct 1877 d. 5 Sep 1963 m. 28 Jun 1897 Dallas M. Hardesty
4 Eunice Griffin b. 22 Nov 1880
3 Henry Harrison Price b. 1 Sep 1842 d. 29 Apr 1916 m. 14 Sep 1865 Mary Belle Shaw b. Oct 1845 d. 1905
4 Nora Hoover Price b. 25 Apr 1867 d. 14 Mar 1912 m. 22 Apr 1891 Clarence Harper
  5 Eldridge Harper b. 23 Jul 1893 d. 12 Jun 1991
  5 Lorraine Lester Harper b. 14 Dec 1894
4 Clyde Pierce Shaw Price b. 20 Jul 1874 d. 17 Jan 1933 m. Cora B. (Price)
2 William B. H. Wilson b. 1799 d. 1888 m. 1822 Mary Duke b. Ca 1801
3 John Brown Wilson b. 13 Aug 1823 d. 27 Mar 1912 m. 9 Dec 1847 Martha Jane Thompson b. Ca 1823 d. Ca 1853
  m. Mary (Wilson) b. 1823
4 Mary E. Wilson b. Ca 1849
4 Nancy M. Wilson b. CA 1851
4 Sarah Ann Wilson b. 8 Mar 1853 d. 21 Jul 1932
4 Ida Wilson b. 1862
4 Alice Wilson b. 1863
4 Ada Wilson b. 1865
4 Simon Wilson b. 1867
4 Edith Wilson b. 1869
4 Carrie Wilson b. 1871
4 John R. B. Wilson b. 1874
4 Bessie Wilson b. 1876
4 Grace Wilson b. 1878
3 Margaret Jane Wilson b. 21 Dec 1825 d. 2 Jun 1909 m. 27 Feb 1845 Richard Shafer
   b. 3 Jul 1824 d. 17 Mar 1882
4 William C. Shafer b. 1845
4 Francis A. Shafer b. 1847 d. 1900
4 Mary E. Shafer b. 1849 m. Clark Smith
4 Solomon T. Shafer b. 12 Jun 1851 d. 11 Jun 1905
4 Levi S. Shafer b. 1853
4 Charles L Shafer b. 1856
4 Harriett C. Shafer b. 1858
4 Rebecca Caroline Shafer b. 1861 d. 1944
4 George Washington Shafer b. 1866
3 Jackson Wilson b. Ca 1828 m. Ca 1855 Mary Ann Wilson b. Aug 1831
   4 Laura Jane Wilson b. 1856
   4 Homer V. Wilson b. 1861
   4 Charles W. Wilson b. 1866
   4 Olive Wilson b. 1872
3 Francis Duke Wilson b. 17 Aug 1828 d. 20 Jun 1915 m. 12 Sep 1850 Hannah Jeffers
   b. Ca 1827
4 John M. Wilson b. 1850
4 Mary J. Wilson b. 1852 m. Mr. Brokaw
4 Elizabeth Wilson b. 1855
4 Rachel Wilson b. 1857
4 Viola Wilson b. 16 Jan 1860 m. Mr. Adrian
4 Lydia Wilson b. 1862
4 Esther Belle Wilson b. 1864 m. Mr. Gilmore
4 Sarah Wilson b. 1865 m. Mr. Bates
4 Roxeline Wilson b. 1867
4 Duke Wilson b. 1868
4 Garry Wilson b. 1871
4 George Wilson b. 1872
3 Truman Perfect Wilson b. 29 May 1830 d. 26 Jul 1894 m. 17 Jul 1853 Lucinda Ellis
   b. Ca 1834 d. 10 Aug 1861
   m. 11 Apr 1866 Rebecca Crum b. 8 Jan 1831 d. 23 May 1909
4 Albert E. Wilson b. 1853 d. Bf 1861
4 Charles H. Wilson b. 1854
4 Angelina Wilson b. 1856 d. Bf 1861
4 Levi Shafer Wilson b. 10 Nov 1858 d. 23 Nov 1879
4 George W. Wilson b. 1 Mar 1860 d. 8 Jan 1912
4 Irving E. Wilson b. 1867
4 Nellie M. Wilson b. 1869
4 Carrie S. Wilson b. 1872
4 Nettie J. Wilson b. 1873
3 William Asbury Wilson b. 13 Apr 1833 d. 1901 m. 12 Mar 1854 Phebe Jane Buck b. 7 May 1832 d. Ca 1913
4 Benjamin Franklin Wilson b. 22 Jul 1856 d. 11 Jan 1910 m. Alicia Seeds b. 1860 m. Arrena Spradlin b. 1874 d. 1913
5 Carl H. Wilson b. 1885
4 James Albert Wilson b. Mar 1862 d. 1928 m. Mary Ellen Earls d. 1900
4 Maggie J. Wilson b. 8 Nov 1872 d. 2 Dec 1942
3 Shepherd Edwin Wilson b. 1834 d. 1898 m. 1856 Jane Jeffries b. 1824 d. 1905
4 Albert Wilson b. 1857
4 Theodore T. Wilson b. 1859 d. 1930 m. 1883 Sarah Stevenson b. 1861 d. 1924
4 Irwin E. Wilson b. 1862 m. Ella May Denham
4 Orie A. Wilson b. 1865
4 Mary E. Wilson b. 1867
3 Sarah E. Wilson b. 1837 d. 1870 m. Joseph A. Pierce b. 1820 d. 1896
4 Abraham Pierce b. 1861
4 Jessie Pierce b. 1863
4 Olive Pierce b. 1865
4 Jennie Pierce b. 1868
2 Thomas F. Wilson b. 1801 d. 8 Mar 1883 m. Ca1835 Rebecca Wilson b. 1801 d. 1857 m. ca1858-59 Sarah Ann Jasper b. Mar 1818
3 Sarah Jane Wilson b. 8 May 1837 d. 18 Oct 1901 m. 18 Jun 1854 George W. Spence b. Oct 1830 d. 4 Nov 1901
3 Ruth P. Wilson b. 3 Oct 1840 d. 30 Aug 1926 m. 25 Apr 1859 Sanford Rucker b. 23 Apr 1838 d. 11 Mar 1902 m. 18 Jan 1911 Thomas R. David b. 29 Oct 1848 d. 27 Aug 1921
4 William Warren Rucker b. 27 Jan 1860 d. 19 Feb 1921 m. 13 Sep 1882 Nancy E. Pool b. 2 Jan 1863 d. 17 Oct 1913 m. 24 Nov 1914 Maggie McCampbell
5 Robert L Rucker b. Oct 1883
5 Elisha F. Rucker b. May 1885
5 Emery Alex Rucker b. 20 Aug 1887 d. 11 Jun 1948
5 Venese R. Rucker b. Nov 1892
5 John C. Rucker b. Mar 1897
4 Mary A. Rucker b. 1861
4 Albert L. Rucker b. 1864 m. 17 Mar 1887 Lemma Williamson
4 Sarah J. Rucker b. 1866
4 Lilly W. Rucker b. 1868
4 Mattie Rucker b. 2 Mar 1870 d. 29 Aug 1942 m. 17 Apr 1890 James M. Pierce
5 Rosa Pierce b. 1899
5 Morris Pierce b. 1901
4 Samuel Milton Rucker b. 16 Jun 1873 d. 1964 m. 14 Oct 1894 Martha Jane Harris b. 6 Sep 1874 d. 23 Jul 1952
5 Frank Rucker
5 George Rucker b. 1901
5 Goldie Rucker b. 1916
4 John Rucker b. 1875 m. 23 Nov 1902 Leona Blood
4 Jennie Dell Rucker b. 4 May 1878 d. 12 May 1931 m. 10 Mar 1899 William M. Cliffman b. 1870 d. Apr 1946
4 Robert Rucker b. 1880
4 Bessie Rucker b. Jun 1885
3 William M. Wilson b. 16 Sep 1843 d. 8 Jul 1918 m. 1866 Mary F. Dilley b. 1848 d. 1928
2 Michael Asbury Wilson b. 27 Jul 1803 d. 10 Nov 1886 m. 5 Apr 1827 Elizabeth Gillespie b. 1808 d. 8 Sep 1887
3 William H. Wilson b. 27 Apr 1828 d. 25 May 1905 m. 13 Jun 1853 Mary Elizabeth Blanchard b. 30 Sep 1828 d. 26 Feb 1903
4 Mary Catherine Wilson b. 31 Oct 1854 d. 19 Mar 1933 m. 3 Sep 1874 Thomas O'Neil b. 1 Jul 1840 d. 17 Jun 1921
5 Charles Blanchard O'Neil b. 22 Jan 1876 d. 28 Feb 1961 m. 15 Mar 1901 Edna P. Gibson b. 23 Mar 1882 d. 28 Nov 1966
    m. 28 Feb 1929 Margaret Theressa Wilson b. 5 Jun 1884 d. 2 Sep 1982
6 Gale G. O'Neill b. 23 Jan 1902 d. 21 Nov 1967 m. Ca 1927 Lillian K. (O'Neil) b. 1908
    7 Joanne E. O'Neill b. 12 Nov 1929 d. 1 May 1994 m. 11 Sep 1951 Joseph W. Withers b. 15 Jul 1929
    6 William T. O'Neil b. 21 Apr 1904 d. 11 May 1971 m. Ca 1927 Jean Wilson b. 1905 d. 25 Apr 1977
6 Katherine Mary O'Neil b. 1908 d. 9 Jan 1959 m. 1926 Melburn J. Tobin b. 1901 d. 22 Aug 1934
    m. Frank Fox d. Bf 1959
5 Mary Ann O'Neill b. 20 Sep 1877 d. 11 Mar 1969 m. 24 Dec 1895 Linus Edward Curtis b. 7 Nov 1872 d. 2 Sep 1945
6 Henry Hiram Curtis b. 24 Feb 1897 d. 11 Jul 1953 m. 1925 Audrey Crabble
7 Ruth Curtis b. 16 Mar 1925 d. 31 Jul 2007 m. 11 May 1945 Troy Fletcher b. 11 May 1926 d. 23 Nov 1996
6 Lula Mable Curtis b. 21 Oct 1899 d. 6 Feb 1986 m. 1922 Harry G. Larson b. 1888 d. 1952
    m. 1957 Earl Elliot d. 1972
6 Emily Catherine Curtis b. 5 Feb 1903 d. 25 Mar 1921
6 Paul Curtis b. Ca 1905 d. Ca 1905
6 Mary Eleanor Curtis b. 26 Feb 1909 d. Apr 1991 m. Jan 1928 Harvey O. Sampson b. 1904
7 Lela Mae Sampson b. 31 Oct 1928 d. Mar 1998 m. 1949 Robert Brunquist b. 12 Dec 1921 d. 20 Apr 2005
8 Barbara Brunquist
8 Marguerite Brunquist m. Mark D. Hess
9 Tyler S. Hess
8 Marti Brunquist m. Rick Montgomery
7 Margaret Jean Sampson b. 29 Apr 1930
6 Robert O'Neil Curtis b. 31 Jul 1911 d. 12 Aug 1990
6 Linus Franklin Curtis b. 6 Apr 1915 d. 10 Jan 1996 m. 30 Aug 1942 Lauraine
Phila Keith b. 6 Aug 1918
7 Sally Curtis b. 12 Nov 1953 m. 20 Feb 1988 Phillip Christensen
8 Amanda Megan Christensen b. 14 Feb 1990
5 Lena Mertie O'Neil b. 9 Aug 1879 d. 12 Aug 1973 m. 26 Sep 1914 Joseph
(Joshua) Bowen b. 10 Oct 1874 d. 15 Nov 1961
6 Lynette Bowen b. 1 Apr 1915 d. 29 Dec 2003 m. 17 Jul 1937 Casper Miller Rider
b. 19 Dec 1907 d. 27 Jun 1993
7 David Ellis Rider b. 9 Dec 1940 d. 10 Dec 1940
7 Kathleen O'Neill Rider b. 29 Jul 1943 d. 5 Apr 2000
7 Elizabeth Ellen Rider b. 2 Dec 1947 d. 5 Sep 2007 m. 8 Apr 1979 Thomas
Richard Lance
m. Harold E. Jones
8 Kevin Rider
6 Margaret Katherine Bowen b. 1 Jul 1918 d. 20 Feb 2004 m. 9 May 1938 Peter
Darrah, Jr. b. 14 Feb 1919 d. 1 Aug 1994
m. 8 Jun 1948 Eugene Bianconi b. 22 Jun 1920 d. 7 Mar 1966
7 Ronald Lee Darrah b. 19 Oct 1939 m. 6 Apr 1966 Susan Marie Clare b. 9 Apr
1943
8 Llora O'Neill Darrah b. 15 Dec 1966 m. 16 Sep 1989 Robert Brown
m. 9 Aug 1996 Charles Lee Barroll
8 Ryan Bowen Darrah b. 16 Jan 1968 d. 24 Dec 1991 m. 26 May 1989 Nadine
Jay Mendoza
8 Richel Clare Darrah b. 26 Feb 1969
7 Nancy Jo Darrah b. 9 Jul 1941 m. 24 Sep 1960 Donald Keith Litman b. 9 Oct
1938 d. 10 Oct 1996
8 Teri Frances Litman b. 3 Mar 1963 m. Mr Meadows
m. Eric Roeder
9 Brandi Jo Meadows b. 1983
10 Alexandria Negley b. 2001
10 Delbert Meadows b. 21 Dec 2006
9 Erica Lee Roeder b. 16 Nov 1987
9 Carson Roeder b. 1990
8 Donald Alan Litman b. 29 May 1968
8 Jon Patrick Litman b. 7 Jan 1972 m. Melody Doran
9 Ian Jon Litman b. 9 Jul 2004
9 Zuri Litman b. 14 Nov 2006
6 Sarah Lee Bowen b. 28 Mar 1920 d. 7 Nov 1923
5 Estey Lindy O’Neill b. 4 Jan 1882 d. 9 Dec 1960 m. Ernest Franklin Shackle b. 28
Nov 1879 d. 1956
6 Beulah May Shackle b. 9 Nov 1908 d. 6 Jul 2005 m. 21 Dec 1929 Kyle Carpenter
Day b. 4 Jul 1905 d. 11 Jul 1992
7 Donald Day m. Alice (Day)
7 Glen F. Day b. 14 Oct 1942 m. Jaime (Day)
8 Christopher Day
7 Leatha Ann Day b. 29 Dec 1949 d. 13 Aug 1991 m. Thomas Westenbarger
7 Lee Allen Day
6 Ernest O'Neill Shacke b. 4 Jun 1911 d. 4 Mar 1996 m. 31 Jan 1941 Leora M. Hayes b. 18 Apr 1915 d. 23 May 2009
7 Dale R. Shacke b. 4 Oct 1941 m. Anna (Shackle)
8 Stephanie Shacke m. Mr. Blonsky
9 Kaitlin O'Neill Blonsky
9 Alexander Blonsky
8 Andrea Hayes Shacke m. Mr. Miniard
9 Ryan Miniard
9 Riley Miniard
6 Mary Evelyn Shackle b. 13 May 1914 d. 20 Jul 2003 m. 16 Jun 1946 Dale Edward Keller b. 6 Apr 1918 d. 23 Jan 1995
6 Delbert E. Shacke b. 23 Aug 1917 m. 30 Aug 1947 Lois Mae Young b. 7 Dec 1925
5 George Ellis O'Neill b. 13 Oct 1883 d. 20 Feb 1946 m. 22 Dec 1914 Rebecca (Rhea) Urban b. 14 Aug 1888 d. 2 Sep 1982
6 Carl Urban O'Neill b. 17 Jan 1916 d. 2 Dec 2006 m. 21 Aug 1943 Anita Nadine Saunders b. 15 Aug 1919 d. 29 Mar 1996
7 Charles George O'Neill b. 1 Apr 1948 m. 1968 Lois Stull b. 17 Nov 1950
m. 15 Aug 1973 Jeanne Gordon b. 14 Oct 1952
m. 17 Dec 1988 Barbara Schrader b. 13 Oct 1952
8 Allyson O'Neill b. 27 Mar 1969 m. Apr 1989 Laren Mihalko b. 14 Jul 1965
9 Shyla Mihalko b. 14 Dec 1989
9 Kyle Mihalko b. 28 Dec 1990
8 Angela O'Neill b. 27 Oct 1980
8 Sean Carl O'Neill b. 2 Jul 1991
6 Ruth O'Neill b. 31 Jul 1918 d. 4 Feb 2006 m. 7 Nov 1936 Lionel Frederick Gilchrist b. 6 Jun 1915
7 Lionel Frederick Gilchrist II b. 1 Sep 1940 m. 22 Oct 1966 Kaye Lorraine Griffiths b. 29 Oct 1946
8 Holly Gilchrist b. 8 Jul 1870
8 Hart Gilchrist b. 14 Oct 1971 m. Laura Faltin b. 22 May 1971
9 Connor O'Neill Gilchrist b. 28 Feb 1999
7 Jane Gilchrist b. 3 Oct 1945 m. 21 Nov 1967 James Vickers b. 15 May 1944
8 Robert Scott Vickers b. 3 Jun 1970 m. 8 Apr 2000 Julie Harris b. 1 Dec 1964
7 Georgann Gilchrist b. 2 Dec 1946 m. 22 June 1968 Robert Bruce Ackerman b. 8 Aug 1944
8 Kelly Ackerman b. 4 Apr 1972 m. 11 Aug 2001 Gregory James Dowd b. 15 Nov 1971
9 Nola Dowd b. 23 Jun 2003
9 Aubrey Ruth Dowd b. 2 Feb 2006
8 Stacey Ackerman b. 3 May 1975
5 Kyle Burdell O'Neill b. 22 Mar 1885 d. 18 Aug 1913
5 Howard Druly O'Neill b. 9 Jan 1887 d. 16 May 1966 m. 25 Oct 1911 Cora Morrison b. 23 Nov 1888 d. 24 Feb 1917
   m. Af 1920 Harriet Sophia Stiefel b. 17 Sep 1896 d. 26 Jan 1957
6 Infant O'Neill b. 15 Feb 1917 d. 15 Feb 1917
4 William Asbury Wilson b. 20 Jun 1856 d. 10 Feb 1935 m. 28 Jun 1888 Ida Mae Williams b. 29 Oct 1856 d. 9 Apr 1919
   m. 14 Aug 1924 Belle Moyer b. 9 Sep 1869 d. 15 Feb 1953
4 Francis R. Wilson b. 14 Jun 1858 d. 17 Mar 1880
4 John A. Wilson b. 16 Jul 1861 d. 21 Sep 1877
4 Sarah Ella Wilson b. 25 Sep 1862 d. 26 May 1943 m. 16 Jun 1888 George W. Sutton b. 16 May 1862 d. 3 Feb 1940
4 Ida Bell Wilson b. 25 Sep 1862 d. 25 Jul 1926 m. 8 Sep 1907 Otho S. B. Grimsley b. 1855 d. 13 May 1917
4 Robert S. Wilson b. 23 Sep 1864 d. 7 May 1926 m. 27 Feb 1890 Catherine M. Willey b. 12 Mar 1871 d. 17 Oct 1946
   5 Blanchard Wilson b. 27 Sep 1890 d. 30 Mar 1973 m. Ca 1916 Esther Smith b. 13 Aug 1884 d. 7 Sep 1923
   m. 24 May 1924 Anna M. Widmar b. 1896
4 Etta W. Wilson b. 10 Nov 1867 d. 14 Aug 1934 m. 5 Dec 1888 George William Aduddell b. 19 Mar 1863 d. 4 Apr 1919
5 Infant Aduddell b. 1889 d. 1889
5 Carrie Maurie Aduddell b. 27 Feb 1898 d. 11 Jul 1969 m. 27 Oct 1920 William Albert Mansperger b. 26 Feb 1899 d. 1986
   6 Dorothy Jean Mansperger b. 3 Mar 1922 d. 8 Jan 1975 m. John McFarland
   7 Darlene McFarland
   7 Michael McFarland
5 Ella Bell Aduddell b. 7 Oct 1900 d. 14 Aug 1978 m. 9 Oct 1924 Verrill A. Cater b. 31 March 1902 d. 22 Feb 1935
6 Melba Maurine Cater b. 11 Oct 1925 d. 2 Sep 2003 m. Robert Myron Young b. 22 Dec 1924 d. 9 Sep 2007
   7 Karen Ann Young b. 1948 m. Terry Caw
   7 Robert Alan Young b. 1951 m. Marsha (Young)
   7 Cheryl Lynn Young b. 1955 m. Jeff Wilson
6 Merrill Cater b. 1929 d. Bf 1935
6 Myron Leslie Cater b. Ca 1931 d. Af 1935
3 John Wesley Wilson b. 31 Jan 1833 d. 27 Apr 1903 m. 7 Nov 1857 Susannah Allen b. 7 Jun 1838 d. 25 Mar 1883
4 Albert Wilson b. 1858
4 Elmer E. Wilson b. 1862
4 Virginia Wilson b. 1865
4 Harry Allen Wilson b. 31 Mar 1869 d. 5 Dec 1932 m. 26 Sep 1895 Ella Carrie King b. 14 Sep 1877 d. 24 Feb 1953
   5 Harry A. Wilson, Jr. b. Feb 1897 d. 28 Sep 1918
4 Mary E. Wilson b. 1870
3 Martin Luther Wilson b. 31 May 1835 d. 28 Aug 1893 m. 7 Feb 1859 Caroline A. McKee b. 31 Jan 1839 d. 9 Sep 1918
4 Martha Wilson b. 1859
4 Emma G. Wilson b. Dec 1862 d. 1943 m. 6 Feb 1885 Quimby B. Schoonover b. 1861 d. 1949
5 Everett Edward Schoonover b. 19 Sep 1888
5 Grace Schoonover b. Jun 1890
5 Ollie Schoonover b. Nov 1892
5 Cloyd Schoonover b. Apr 1894
5 Mamie Schoonover b. Jun 1896
5 Ella Schoonover b. Mar 1900
5 Edna Schoonover b. 1907
4 Josephine Wilson b. 9 May 1864 d. 27 Jun 1910 m. 20 Oct 1886 Milton G. Brown b. Aug 1860
5 Ethel C. Brown b. 17 Dec 1888 d. 29 May 1917
4 Charles Alva Wilson b. 30 Jun 1870 d. 14 May 1932
4 James Emmett Wilson b. 30 Jun 1870 d. 23 Sep 1938 m. 27 Dec 1891 Anna M. Martin b. 25 Mar 1869 d. 25 Dec 1948
5 Frank W. Wilson b. 27 Oct 1895 d. 22 Apr 1987
5 Ralph Emmett Wilson b. 9 Aug 1897 d. 13 Feb 1968 m. 29 Jun 1918 Edna G. Colvin b. 27 Jan 1898 d. 26 Dec 1974
4 Maude B. Wilson b. 22 Sep 1879 d. 1950 m. 21 Sep 1896 William Orton Walston b. May 1873 d. 11 Jun 1941
5 Ortena Walston b. 15 Aug 1912 d. 20 Aug 1996 m. Raymond Holmberg b. 12 Feb 1904
4 Anna E. Wilson b. 18 Aug 1883 d. 1946 m. 28 Nov 1912 John D. Vierling
5 Charles E. Vierling b. 15 Nov 1918 d. 6 Jun 1996
3 Joseph H. Wilson b. 17 Feb 1838 d. 17 Jul 1908 m. 6 Feb 1857 Ellen Osborne m. 3 Jul 1866 Mary Jane Morrison b. Jul 1842 d. 1922
5 Harry G. Hays b. 22 Jul 1889 d. 18 Oct 1928 m. 1924 Clara Davis b. 1897 d. 1971
6 Mary Ann Hays b. 30 Jun 1925 d. 22 Sep 2012 m. 10 Sep 1949 James J. Mattingly, Jr. b. 1924
m. Herbert Hickman
7 Lynn Hickman
5 Mary E. J. Hays b. Sep 1896
4 Ruth Ellen Wilson b. 14 May 1874 d. 17 Nov 1943 m. 27 Dec 1893 Albion E. Osborne b. 08 Jun 1873 d. 30 Nov 1938
5 Azel Albion Osborne b. 31 Jan 1896 d. 1 Aug 1965 m. 1920's? Helen I. McNeal m. Oslane (Osborne)
5 William Wilson Osborne b. 30 Jan 1903 d. 2 Oct 1975 m. 1922 Audrey Allen b. 18 Sep 1902 d. 25 Jun 1992
6 Elinor E. Osborne b. 1930 m. 30 Apr 1950 William E. Arnold m. 8 Sep 1968 Paul H. Harkness
6 David W. Osborne b. 2 Jun 1936 d. 7 Apr 2005 m. 24 Apr 1960 Loretta M. McPeek
5 Lillian I. Osborne b. 1913 m. 16 Jul 1956 Leland F. Roberts
4 Harry Asbury Wilson b. Aug 1878 m. 1901 Isabel James b. 1877 d. 1915
   m. 2 Jun 1917 Emma S. Shutts Vosburgh b. 1878
5 James J. Wilson b. 15 Mar 1902 d. 1936
3 Mary Ellen Wilson b. 2 Aug 1840 d. 17 Jan 1905 m. 16 Feb 1857 Nathaniel Capell Horton b. 29 Aug 1835 d. 1918
4 Florence Horton b. 20 Feb 1858 d. 26 Jul 1925 m. 17 Oct 1878 Richard Flanders O'Neill b. 27 Sep 1849 d. 29 Aug 1935
5 Edgar A. O'Neill b. 11 Nov 1880 d. 1907
5 Nellie O'Neill b. 21 Feb 1884 d. 25 Dec 1933 m. 24 Dec 1908 William Herbert Snyder b. 4 Nov 1883 d. 29 Apr 1956
   6 Paul O'Neill Snyder b. 1911 d. 2 Mar 1966 m. 8 Jun 1935 Evelyn L. Donaldson b. 1914
   6 Nedra J. Snyder b. 20 Oct 1913 d. 14 Apr 1985
4 Iva Jane Horton b. 26 Nov 1859 d. 7 Oct 1927
5 Ruth Horton b. 1901 d. 1965
4 George Findlay Horton b. 10 Mar 1861 d. 18 Oct 1943 m. 24 Dec 1882 Oleatha Leuellen b. 18 Oct 1859 d. 25 Dec 1945
5 Nora Ellen Horton b. 16 Nov 1884 d. 1982
5 Edna Grace Horton b. 11 Feb 1886 d. 1948
5 Nathaniel Capell Horton, Jr. b. 17 Jun 1891 d. 23 Sep 1958
5 Carson Luellen Horton b. 9 Oct 1897 d. 1987
5 Emily Oneida Horton b. 8 Oct 1900 d. 26 Dec 1995
4 Joannah Matilda Horton b. 19 Sep 1864 d. 21 Mar 1953 m. 25 Dec 1882 John Richard Nowell b. 28 Feb 1858 d. 5 Jul 1934
5 Howard Capell Horton b. 1883 d. 1946
5 Earl Nowell b. 1884 d. 1886
5 Bradford Nowell b. 1886
5 Frank Nowell b. 1888 d. 1908
5 Ethel Nowell b. 1895 d. 1975
5 Harry Nowell b. 1897 d. 1973
5 Sarah Nowell b. 1901 d. 1903
5 Robert Nowell b. 1903 d. 1962
5 Rosina Nowell b. 1906 d. 1991
5 Kathleen Nowell b. 1908
4 Robert L. Horton b. 5 Mar 1868 d. 1871
4 Emma Rose Horton b. 15 Mar 1872 d. 7 Mar 1936 m. 28 Mar 1891 John William Sheckles b. 1870 d. 1955
   5 Mary Jane Sheckles b. 4 Sep 1893 d. 29 Dec 1985
4 Daisy Dean Horton b. 20 Apr 1879 d. 7 Sep 1950 m. 23 Dec 1899 Everett Burbacher b. 1879 d. 1946
3 Rebecca J. Wilson b. Apr 1843 d. 18 Oct 1925
3 Robert S. Wilson b. 1846 d. 28 Jun 1864
2 Robert Hardcastle Wilson b. 1818 d. 1881 m. 1841 Mary F. Chamberlain b. 1818 d. 1887
3 Theodore C. Wilson b. 17 Sep 1843 d. 5 Dec 1915 m. 10 Dec 1872 Sarah Elizabeth Smarr b. 1842 d. Bf 1900
4 Lawrence Wilson b. 1873
4 Effie May Wilson b. 23 Jun 1873 d. 9 Aug 1947 m. 14 Jun 1895 Thomas L. Marshall
4 Pinkie Wilson b. 1877 m. 24 Dec 1894 Henry Hamm
4 Minnie B. Wilson b. 14 Oct 1879 d. 8 Dec 1949 m. 10 Aug 1907 Walter Alvis McCoy
3 Homer Thomas Wilson b. 1847
3 William Bates Wilson b. 14 Mar 1851 d. 24 May 1915 m. 7 Jun 1883 Medora G. Chaney b. 30 May 1853 d. 28 Feb 1919
4 Agnes McDonald Wilson b. May 1886 d. 12 Sep 1984 m. 21 Jun 1916 Joseph Conway Snyder b. 1882
5 Conway Wilson Snyder b. 1918
5 Mary Lucia Snyder b. 1921
5 Agnes Beverly Snyder b. 1926
4 Mary Dunklin Wilson b. 19 Mar 1887 d. 18 Jul 1973 m. Af1930 John Turner Lillard b. 27 Apr 1888 d. 28 Jan 1970
4 McDonald H. Wilson b. 3 Mar 1891 d. Oct 1984 m. Mary H. (Wilson)
4 Clarence Chamberlain Wilson b. 13 Mar 1895
3 Mary Adelaide Wilson b. 17 Jun 1854 d. 5 Jan 1895 m. 24 Jun 1874 William Young b. 10 Sep 1842 d. 22 Nov 1912
4 William Wilson Young b. Oct 1876 d. 15 Mar 1943
4 Ruth O. Young b. 9 Oct 1879 d. 25 Sep 1963
4 Homer Chambers Young b. 26 Jun 1882 d. 15 Feb 1961 m. Ollie Marie Ellis b. 7 Apr 1886 d. 27 Mar 1956
5 Harold D. Young b. 1913
5 Dorothy L. Young b. 29 Feb 1916 d. 28 Jul 1970 m. Mr. Karas
5 Billy Marie Young b. 2 Dec 1926
4 Guy Urban Young b. 10 Apr 1884 d. 31 Dec 1958
4 Francis Hardcastle Young b. 27 Jun 1893 d. 23 Sep 1973 m. 21 Sep 1920 Frances L. Wheatley
5 Robert H. Young b. 1924
5 Thomas W. Young b. 1925
5 Sheila Wilson b. 1931
5 Shirley Young b. 1931
3 Robert F. Wilson b. 1859
3 Charles Edgar Wilson b. 25 Nov 1863 d. 28 Jan 1926 m. 4 Jul 1898 Myrtle S. Gordon