

BRYANT FAMILY

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Richard B. Bryant ^{son of John W. Bryant} ^{son of John W. Bryant} of Clay Twp. Hendricks Co Ind one of the old soldiers of the Civil War, and a native of Hendricks Co. Ind Springs from Sterling Irish and English Ancestors on his father's side, and on his mother's side from German stock. Josiah Bryant, The Grandfather of our Subject

Came from IRELAND and settled in Virginia and later became one of the original pioneers of Lincoln Co. Kentucky, settling in what is now known as Bryantsville, and was the founder of that town

To Josiah and Mary (Woodson) Bryant were born 6 children. WILLIAM born 1795 in Va, John W born 1797 in Ky. Silas born 1800 in Ky. ANDERSON - B 1804 in Ky. WOODSON - B 1808 Ky and Patience (no record) DID SHE MARRY?

JOSIAH was elected associate judge in 1834? (COULD NOT FIND THE STORY)
HE DIED 1835.

JOHN W. BRYAT.

SON OF THE ABOVE (JOSIAH) and father of our subject was born in Bryantsville Ky and married MARY ANN ADAMS. To this couple were born 14 children. They came to Hendricks Co Indiana in 1819 and settled in Plainfield among the Indians. his son SILAS was born in 1819 the first white child to be born there. Before John died in June of 1864 - he cleared up 7 farms. The last one being one and one half miles east of Stilesville and comprising of 400 acres.

(John was elected J.P. in 1845
and again in 1849)

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in his early days, he was a soldier under Jackson in the War of 1812, and was at the Battle of New Orleans. John W. Bryant died age 66. He had 3 sons in the Civil War. John Burton born Ind. 1830 Vigo Co. David P. born 1836 and our subject Richard Bennett Bryant.

RICHARD BENNETT BRYANT was born OCT 16 1835 in CLAY TWP. one mile east of AMO. He enlisted at Gosport, Owen County Ind. Nov 1, 1861 in Co. B. 59th Regt. Ind. Inf. as a private and served 13 months. He was married Oct 20 1863

to Abigail Newman, daughter of John + Mary (Blair) Newman. Mr. Newman was one of the pioneers of the County from North Carolina. RICHARD settled at Stilesville and engaged in the drug business for 3 years, then came to Coatsville in 1874 and engaged in the drug business for 15 years. and is now retired. He was very successful and now owns a farm of one hundred acres.

Mr + Mrs. Bryant have 7 children — GREELY W. MARY-HENRY, ROBERT, ROSE, LAURA and CLARA BRYANT.

From a letter to Miss AGNESS BRYANT in

Ithaca N.Y. during the year 1959.

Richard Barnett Bryant had Brothers — Cyrus — Elias Daniel who drank and their father (John W. Bryant) would have nothing to do with them. Mr. — living in Coatsville Ind. — would drive to Stilesville 5 miles — horse and buggy to visit with them.

Father (Richard Barnett Bryant) inherited a water mill in Stilesville and a pillard House which still stands

Josiak Bryant was Marie Hayden Parsons
Great-Great Grandfather

Josiak Bryant's family along with birth and death ^{dates}
Josiak Bryant came from Ireland and settled in
Virginia, was born in 17-...-? and died in 1835 in
Hendricks County, Indiana. He was of Irish and
English extraction and was married to Mary Woodson
of German stock.

Sometime before 1799 this Bryant family moved
from Virginia to Kentucky, settling in what is now
known as Bryantville Kentucky, then on to Indiana
about 1820. They had six children - William, John
Silas, Anderson, Woodson and Patience.

He came to Indiana as one of the earliest pioneers.
The first home in Indiana was in Hendricks
County towns of Arno and Hadley (near the old
Spring Meeting House (Quaker) the Bryants were
Republican and Primitive Baptists.

His grandson Silas J. Bryant, born March 18, 1820
was the first white child born in Guilford Township
Hendricks County, Indiana.

Anderson Bryant's family along with birth and death dates
Anderson Bryant born Aug. 8, 1853 - died Oct. 15, 1884
Wife - Sarah (Osborne) Bryant - born, Nov 10, 1815 died Aug 8, 1887
They were married in 1833 (from records of Hendricks

Circuit Court - Danville, Indiana

They are my (Marie Hayden Parsons) Great-grandparents.
They had eight children:

Elizabeth - born - Dec 25, 1835, died, Nov. 3, 1917

James - born - July, 19, 1837, died July 22, 1928

Woodson - born - Oct. 15, 1839, died April 21, 1912

Martha Ann - born - July, 10, 1843 - died?

W^m Bennett - born July, 8, 1845, - died Aug. 5, 1925

Josiah - born - Feb. 11, 1848. died April 8, 1937

Mary Ellen (Molly) - born April 8, 1850 - died Aug 26, 1943

Nicholas - born - Oct. 22, 1852, died July 30, 1887

Woodson Bryant's family along with births and death dates

Woodson Bryant - born Oct. 15, 1839, died April 21, 1912 ^{Bridgport} Indiana
Buried Maple Hill Cemetery, Plainfield, Indiana.

He was my (Marie Hayden Parsons) Grandfather

He was a Private in Company A 27th Regiment

Indiana Volunteer Army, 1861 to 1865 - was honorably

discharged on the 21st day of July, 1865 at Louisville

Kentucky. Woodson Bryant was constable of Clay

Township, ¹⁸⁸⁰⁻¹⁸⁸⁸ Hendricks County, Indiana, also served

as Sheriff of Hendricks County. 1886-1888

He was married three times -

First wife - Thirza A. Beahm Bryant, born? died

Oct. 29, 1871. One child - Florence - born - July 21, 1867

died, May 22, 1941 - married - one - step daughter.

Second wife - Emma (Fowler) Bryant - born 1858
died May, 22, 1886 at Joppa, Indiana.

Emma being my own grandmother - my mother
(Grace Bryant) Woodson & Emma's daughter.

They had three children - Paul, born, Mar. 24, 1877
died Aug 6, 1920, in Lead, South Dakota.

He was married twice - no children. He was my uncle
I remember seeing him one time.

The records of Department of the Army show that
Paul Bryant, enlisted on November 29, 1897 at Indiana-
polis, Indiana, and served as a private in Troop L,
6th United States Cavalry, until discharged on November
28, 1900. He re-enlisted on November 29, 1900 at Pekin,
China, and served as a private and sergeant in the
same organization until discharged on November,
28, 1903 at Fort Keogh, Montana. He re-enlisted on
February 23, 1904 at Indianapolis, Indiana and
served as a sergeant in Troop I, 4th United States
Cavalry, until discharged on June, 30, 1905, at the
Presidio of San Francisco, California.

He again re-enlisted at the Presidio and served
the same organization until discharged as a sergeant
on June 1, 1908, at Fort Meade, South Dakota.

Grace E. (Bryant) Hayden - born July, 4, 1880 died Oct 30
1932.

Bruce E. Bryant and William Hayden were married May 10 1902 at Plainfield, Indiana - They are my parents (Marie Hayden Parsons)

William Hayden born - Oct. 4, 1882 - died Dec. 13, 1959.

Both parents are buried Maple Hill Cemetery Plainfield
They had seven children: (My Brothers & Sisters)

Marie Hayden Parsons. born - Aug 14, 1903

Husband - Lovell H. Parsons. born Dec. 24, 1890 - we were married at Danville, Indiana, Aug. 18, 1920

Children - One daughter - Virginia Mae (Parsons) Martin
born - June 22, 1924

Husband - Howard Martin Jr. born - Sept. 7, 1923.

Children - Two - Scott A. Martin - born - May 28, 1956

Linda M. Martin - born - Jan. 14, 1959 (our grandchildren)

Blendox Woodson Hayden - born, July 21, 1906 & died Sept 6, 1948
married - no children.

Carl J. Hayden born - Oct. 23, 1907 - married - two children
five grandchildren.

Sybil L. Hayden Smith - born May 27, 1909 died Oct. 19, 1969
married - five step-children

Edna M. Hayden - born, Sept. 22, 1916 died April 2, 1970

William H. Hayden - born March 8, 1915 married - three children

Vera L. Hayden Davis - born - June 1, 1919 married three children.

Emmett Bryant born? died Oct. 4, 1886 age 11 months

Woodson's - third wife - Alice F. Goolman born? died Sept. 13, 1921 in California.

They were married April 5, 1888 at Indianapolis, Indiana
 Children - Horace Meade - born - May 23, 1889 - died Sept, 1921
 wife - Hallie Tiller Bryant - born - Dec. 19, 1891 - she is living
 in Plainfield. Children - Meade and Paul Bryant
 Plainfield, Indiana - Consuelo - Indianapolis - June
 at Minnehaha Indiana - William lives in California

Jessie F. born - Jan. 17, 1892 died Dec 13, 1962 lived
 in Washington State. married one child.

Elberon W. born - July, 15, 1894 died Apr. 25, 1921
 never married.

Helen - twin - Oct. 18, 1899, died May 16, 1964 married no
 children, lived Coos Bay Oregon.

I remember my grandfather and his third wife
 Alice and their family, they lived at Bridgeport
 Indiana. Grandfather worked in office for Hobbs
 Nursery, Grandmother ran the rooming and
 boarding house, several of the nursery employees
 roomed & board there who didn't have homes around
 there. The house was a large two story, stair-way
 in front, rooms on both sides, large dining room
 located a short distance from nursery on Rd. 40
 The house was torn down several years ago

Henry E. Hayden and Jane Meadows Hayden, grand parents
of Marie Hayden Parsons. William Hayden my father.
Henry E. Hayden's family, along with births and death dates.
Henry E. Hayden - born Jan. 10, 1845, died Jan. 9, 1937 age 92
Wife - Jane Meadows Hayden - born? died May 16, 1944 age 95

He was born in Hendricks, County near Castersburg
Indiana, son of James and Matilda Hayden.
He mustered in Civil War, Dec 10, 1863, member of 124th
Indiana Infantry which took place part in battles of
Cumberland Gap and Gettysburg. Discharged Aug 31, 1865

He married Jane Meadows, daughter of John and Mary
Meadows, she was born in Shelby County, Kentucky.
They were married at Danville, Indiana and lived in
the neighborhood of Danville and Plainfield all their
married life, with the exception of a short stay in Illinois. ^(they were farmers...)

He was known as Uncle Henry Hayden, seldom missed
a ball game, became interested in base-ball almost as
soon as it was started.

They were the parents of ten children - Agnes
Ella, Arthur, Nettie, James, Mote, William, Elizabeth,
Fred, Effie and Bertha Wright ^{pro. Joseph Wright,} who is living in
Plainfield, she is the last ^{living} member of her family of
brothers and sisters.

Agnes Bryant

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YOURS AND MINE

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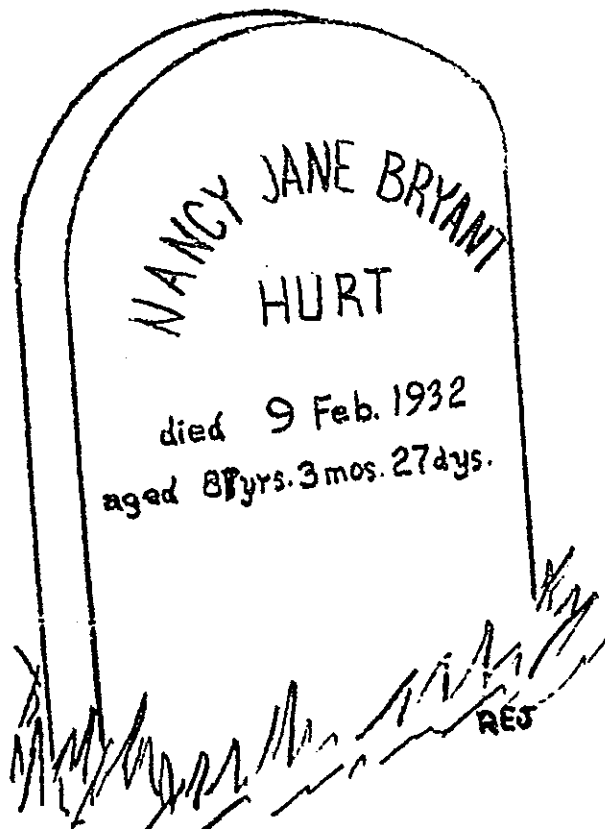
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 * "The kind of ancestors *
 * we have had is not as *
 * important as the kind *
 * of descendants our *
 * ancestors have." *

DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to the memory of my grandmother, NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT, for without her, there would have been no reason for this Bryant Family History.

H. H. J.





NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

1850 - 1932

BY L. JENKINS

B R Y A N T

Henry Barber, in his History of British Names, says:

"The name BRYANT is from BREAUNT, a locality in Normandy. The French name was BRIAND, which was changed into the English BRIANT or BRYANT."

Park Goodwin, the historian, says that the name BRYANT means: "Broad Hand, A Chieftain, Great Strength."

Henry Barber further says that a coat-of-arms was granted to a THOMAS BRYANT by the English Government in 1634. The descendants of THOMAS BRYANT came to America.

The following is a description of the BRYANT COAT-OF-ARMS:

The star and crescent new moon and chevron belong to all BRYANTS as honorary mementoes of great achievements in the Crusade Wars.

The bird, or falcon, meaning hunter's bird, indicates the ruling class.

The lion and English flag was the old crest of the BRYANT Coat-of-Arms, given for meritorious deeds in the Orange Wars in defense of the protestants.

The lion near the top holding the Fleur de lys is for the defense of the Huguenots in the French Wars.

The motto - "Boldly and Faithfully" - relates to military service.

The fact is stated that every BRYANT descendant has a right to use this Coat-of-Arms.

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Stephen Bryant, Sr. and Abigail Shaw are supposedly the two from which the American Bryants are descended. Stephen Bryant, Sr. came from England in 1632, and settled in Plymouth, Massachusetts. His son, Stephen Bryant, Jr., was born in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1640, and married Sarah Snell, a descendant of Priscilla Mullins and John Alden.

James Bryant, Sr., son of Stephen Bryant, Jr., was born in Plymouth, Massachusetts about 1680. He emigrated to Manakintown, Virginia, the Huguenot settlement on the James River. He married Elizabeth LaFevre, and from this union descended the majority of the Virginia Bryants.

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JOHN BRYANT AND SARAH BROWN BRYANT

John Bryant (my great-great-great-grandfather)

Born approximately 1762 in Virginia.

Died Feb. 3, 1838 in Garrard County, Kentucky.

Married Feb. 18, 1788 to Sarah Brown, in Cumberland Co., Va.

Sarah Brown Bryant (my great-great-great-grandmother)

Born approximately 1770 in Virginia.

Died March 9, 1846 in Garrard County, Kentucky.

John Bryant was a Revolutionary War Soldier, who enlisted in Powhatan Co., Va. in March 1782, for a tour of 18 months duration, and he was honorably discharged in 1783, after having served in the brigade under the command of General Wayne for the purpose of guarding prisoners at Winchester, in the State of Virginia.

I have photocopies of John Bryant's war record and pension papers, which were obtained from the National Archives, Washington, D. C. He was on the Kentucky Roll of Pensions at the rate of \$8.00 per month, commencing on Dec. 15, 1823, and ending with his death in 1838. His widow, Sarah (Sally) Bryant applied for, and received a pension in the amount of \$50.00 per year.

I cannot say definitely just when John and Sarah migrated to Garrard Co., Ky., but it must have been around 1800, or possibly a few years before. To John and Sarah Brown Bryant were born the following children:

	1. William Bryant	B?	D 1821 in Mo.
m. ELEANOR WILLEY	2. James Bryant	B?	D 1803-1846
m. SUSAN JOHNSON	3. Garnett Bryant	B?	D 1801-1846 in Ky
m. SALLY ? CALDWELL	4. Greenbury Bryant	B 1806 Ky	D. 1852? Ind.
m. SARAH BROWN	5. Mary (Polly) Bryant (my great-great-grandmother)	B 1809	D 1880 K
m. JOHN BRYANT?	6. Barnett Bryant (killed in some sort of accident at the age of 6 yrs. The rhyming name suggests that he may have been a twin to Garnett.)		

(On the following pages, you will find all known data on these respective children.)

Notes from Mr. Forrest Calico, Garrard Co., Ky. Historian:

"Arabia J. Brown said he knew John Bryant for 45 years or more (this was in 1851), and that John Bryant was a very eccentric man. Sabret Comely said he had known John Bryant since 1797, and that John Bryant supposedly did not believe in hell--thought it was all 'fudge'."

"John Bryant separated from his wife, Sarah, and went to live with Polly Hiatt for several years. Two children were born to John Bryant and Polly Hiatt: namely--Frances Hiatt and Elizabeth Hiatt." (These daughters did not take the name of Bryant, but used their mother's maiden name--Hiatt. Frances Hiatt married Comely Clark on July 25, 1839. Elizabeth Hiatt married Berry Scruggs on May 14, 1840. John Bryant remembered Polly Hiatt and her two daughters in his will, leaving them land, which they sold to James Bryant, son of John.)

WILLIAM BRYANT, SON OF JOHN & SARAH BROWN BRYANT

William Bryant (born ??? - died June, 1821 in Missouri)
He married Aug. 9, 1816, in Garrard Co., Ky. Eleanor Wiley,
daughter of Joshua Wiley.

Children Of William and Eleanor Wiley Bryant:

1. Benjamin Bryant (b. Jan. 9, 1817 - d. ??)
Moved to Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa.
2. Eliza Jane Bryant (b. Sept. 27, 1819 - d. ??)
Married Nov. 20, 1836, James G. Montgomery.
Lived in Schuyler Co., Missouri.
3. William Bryant (b. Dec. 30, 1821, Garrard Co., Ky.)
He died April 24, 1849, in the gold rush in
Sacramento Valley, California.

The three children of William and Eleanor Wiley Bryant left
Garrard Co., Ky. on Oct 19, 1830. If they had any descend-
ants, I have not been able to trace them.

JAMES BRYANT, SON OF JOHN AND SARAH BROWN BRYANT

James Bryant (born ? - died March, 1846)
James was evidently married twice, but I cannot find the
name of his first wife. Children by his first wife were:

1. Henry Bryant
2. William Bryant (James & family lived in Warren Co.,
for a few years, but moved back to
3. Woodson Bryant (Garrard Co., Ky.)
4. Joseph Bryant

James Bryant married 2nd Susan Johnson, Nov. 6, 1834 in Garrard
Co., Ky.

Their children:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 5. Sally Bryant (b. 1833) | (Birth dates of children |
| 6. Eliza Bryant (b. 1835) | calculated from 1850 census, |
| 7. John Bryant (b. 1837) | so may not be quite accurate. |
| 8. James Bryant (b. 1839) | For instance, the marriage |
| 9. Anne Bryant (b. 1841) | date is 1934, & Sally's birth |
| | date is 1833. Some error here, |
| | no doubt.) |

Susan Bryant lived next door to Mary Bryant's family in 1850,
according to the Garrard Co., Ky. census of that year.

GARNETT BRYANT, SON OF JOHN & SARAH BROWN BRYANT

Garnett Bryant (born ?? - died Jan. 1846, Warren Co., Ky.)
Married Sally -----?

Children:

1. James C.
2. Virginia

Garnett Bryant and family lived in Warren Co., Ky. I have
no further data on his children or their descendants--if they
had any.

I have a photocopy of Garnett Bryant's will, dated Jan. 1846.
(See page 23)

GREENBURY BRYANT, SON OF JOHN & SARAH BROWN BRYANT

Greenbury Bryant was born in 1806 in Kentucky, and died after 1852 in Hendricks Co., Indiana. He married Sarah Brown in 1826 in Garrard Co., Ky. (Aug. 19) (No relationship of this Sarah Brown to Sarah Brown Bryant, wife of John, has been established). Sarah Brown, wife of Greenbury Bryant, was born 1806 in Virginia. Greenbury and Sarah Bryant moved from Garrard Co., Ky. to Hendricks Co., Indiana about 1830. The 1850 census shows him living there with the following children:

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. William Bryant (b. 1827 in Ky.) | |
| 2. Sarah Bryant (b. 1832 in Ind.) | |
| 3. James Bryant (b. 1833 in Ind.) | (Birth dates |
| 4. Garnett Bryant (b. 1836 in Ind.) | calculated from |
| 5. John Bryant (b. 1837 in Ind.) | 1850 census) |
| 6. Elizabeth Bryant (b. 1840 in Ind.) | |
| 7. Bentley Bryant (b. 1844 in Ind.) | |
| 8. Zachariah Bryant (b. 1847 in Ind.) | |

Not much is known about Greenbury Bryant's children. However, the 1870 census of Hendricks Co., Ind. gives the following data: Liberty Township (the same township in which Greenbury lived in 1850)

William Bryant	- age 42	- well digger	- b. in Ky.
Ellen Bryant	- age 32	- wife	- b. in Ind.
Francis Bryant	- age 15	- son	- b. in Ind.
Marion Bryant	- age 13	- son	- b. in Ind.
George Bryant	- age 11	- son	- b. in Ind.
Sarah Bryant	- age 9	- daughter	- b. in Ind.
Hester Bryant	- age 6 or 8	- daughter	- b. in Ind.
Andrew Bryant	- age 3	- son	- b. in Ind.
Daniel Bryant	- age 4 mos.	- son	- b. in Ind.

I believe that this William Bryant was the son of Greenbury Bryant.

The 1860 census of Hendricks Co., Ind. - Liberty Township lists:

Garnett Bryant	- age 22	- laborer	- b. in Ind.
Sarah Bryant	- age 16	- wife	- b. in Ind.
Infant	- Age 3 mos.		- b. in Ind.

This Garnett Bryant was probably the son of Greenbury Bryant.

1860 Census, Putnam Co., Indiana:

Bentley Bryant	- age 17	- farm laborer	- b. in Ind.
Living with Polly & James Brown - both born in Virginia.			

Polly & James Brown might have been Bentley's grandparents on his mother's side of the family. This Bentley Bryant is, no doubt, the son of Greenbury Bryant.

1870 Census, Putnam Co., Ind.:

Bentley Bryant	- age 25	- farm laborer	- b. in Ind.
Catherine Bryant	- age 32	- housekeeper	- b. in Ky.
Sarah Bryant	- age 4		- b. in Ill.
Margrett Bryant	- age 2		- b. in Ind.
Samuel Bryant	- age 9 mos.		- b. in Ind.

Bentley Bryant is known to have married more than once. Is the Catherine Bryant listed above his wife? Bentley lived in Illinois and, according to my father, often visited with Eli & Nancy Jane Bryant Hurt. Bentley Bryant was also a minister. An old clipping from a 1940 Greenup Press states that Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Greenup, Illinois, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Addie Miller and John Brown were married Aug. 11, 1890 by Rev. Bentley Bryant.

MARY BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SARAH BROWN BRYANT

Mary Bryant was my great-great-grandmother. She was called "Polly". Even her father referred to her in his will as "Polly". Since she named one of her daughters Paulina, I suspect that her full name may have been Mary Paulina Bryant.

Mary Bryant was born approximately 1809 in Garrard Co., Ky., and died sometime after 1880 in Washington Co., Ky. I have searched in vain for a marriage record on Mary Bryant. If she did marry, it was to another Bryant, which is quite possible. She is listed as a widow in the 1880 census of Washington Co., Ky.

In the 1850 census of Garrard Co., Ky., Mary Bryant is listed as "head of household", with the following children:

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|------------------------|---------------------|--|
| <i>M. J. Sadler</i> | 1. Eliza J. Bryant | <i>B. 1826 Ky @ 1830? Ky</i> |
| <i>M. ? Bryant</i> | 2. Amanda Bryant | <i>B. 1828</i> |
| <i>No record</i> | 3. Nancy Bryant | <i>B. 1830? (w/ other record) @ 1894 Ky.</i> |
| <i>D. COMEY</i> | 4. Paulina Bryant | <i>B. 1832 Ky @ 1880</i> |
| <i>Mary Saml HART</i> | 5. Greenbury Bryant | <i>B. 1835? @ 1880</i> |
| <i>mental attached</i> | 6. John Bryant | <i>B. 1838? Ky</i> |
| <i>M. C. SMOCK</i> | 7. Sarah F. Bryant | <i>B. 1847</i> |
- Data on these children will be found in the following pages.)

Also listed as living in this same household in 1850 is Mary G. Bryant, the daughter of Amanda Bryant, and granddaughter of Mary Bryant.

Mary Bryant inherited land from her father and mother, and she lived on the home place in Garrard Co. until late 1859 or early 1860, when she sold her property and moved to Washington Co., Ky., near the little town of Mackville.

Among the pension papers on John and Sarah Bryant, I have the following photocopy concerning Mary Bryant:

"State of Kentucky, Garrard Co.: On this 27th day of Nov., 1848, before me, James H. Kemper, an acting Justice of the Peace, personally appeared Mary Bryant, the administrator of the estate of Mrs. Sally Bryant, deceased late of Garrard Co., Ky., who after first being duly sworn according to law doth on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain an allowance as a pension due said Mrs. Sally Bryant at her death. Mrs. Sally Bryant was the widow of John Bryant, deceased late of Garrard Co., who was a private in the Army of the Revolution, and in consideration of his service therein, Mrs. Sally Bryant was allowed a pension, but that the allowance under the said act 7th July, 1838, only commenced on the 3rd day of Feb. 1848, whereas it should have commenced on the 4th day of March 1836. The allowance made aforesaid was at the rate of \$50. 00 per annum. Defendant most respectfully asks that an allowance may be now made under the act of the 7th July, 1838, commencing on the 4th day of March, 1836, and ending on the 3rd day of Feb. 1848, and that a certificate may be issued for said balance and be endorsed to her attorney, Isaac H. Trabue of Frankfort, Ky.

(signed) Mary Bryant

Sworn to and subscribed before
me on the day and year appointed--

(signed) Jas. H. Kemper J. P.

I the just subscribed Justice certify that the foregoing declarant is the administrator of the estate of Mrs. Sally Bryant, deceased, and is personally known to me and known to be a lady of respectability unto all of whose statements the fullest faith and credit should be given.

In testimony whereof I have here-
unto subscribed my name on this the 27th day of November 1848.
(signed) Jas. H. Kemper J. P. "

(From the information given on the photocopies, I have not been able to determine whether or not Mary Bryant received any of the back pension money she was trying to obtain. One can only hope that she did receive such.)

ELIZA J. BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Eliza J. Bryant was born approximately 1826 in Garrard Co., Ky., and died after 1880 in Washington Co., Ky. She was married August 30, 1852 in Garrard Co., Ky. to James Sadler, who was born about 1827.

Eliza and James Sadler were living in Garrard Co., Ky., in 1860, according to the census of that year. James was a farmer. However, sometime before 1867, this family moved to Washington Co., Ky., near Mackville. We know they were in Washington Co. in 1867, for on the marriage certificate of Eli Mitchell Hurt and Nancy Jane Bryant, is stated the fact that they were wed at the home of E. Sadler. Eliza was Nancy Jane's aunt. The 1870 census of Washington Co., Ky. lists Eliza J. Sadler as "head of household", so we assume that James Sadler died sometime before 1870. He was probably already deceased in 1867, or the marriage certificate of Eli Hurt and Nancy Jane Bryant would have read "married at the home of J. Sadler" instead of "E. Sadler". It is pure speculation, of course, but James Sadler may have died in Garrard Co., Ky., and then Eliza took her children and moved to Washington Co., Ky. to be near her mother.

Known children of James and Eliza J. Bryant Sadler are:

1. Edmund Sadler - born Dec. 26, 1853, Garrard Co., Ky.
2. William Sadler - born Dec. 27, 1854, Garrard Co., Ky.
3. John Sadler - born approx. 1856, Garrard Co., Ky.
4. Elijah Sadler - born approx. 1859, Garrard Co., Ky.
5. Mary E. Sadler - born approx. 1862, Ky.

In the 1880 census of Washington Co., Ky., Eliza J. Sadler is again listed as "head of household", and a widow. Living with her are her son, Edmund, age 27 - a laborer, and daughter, Mary E., age 18. Evidently, the other three children--William, John, and Elijah have "flown the nest"--perhaps married, with homes of their own.

Also living with Eliza J. Sadler in 1880 is her brother, John Bryant, whom the census records list as being "idiotic". By today's terms, he would be listed as "mentally retarded".

NANCY BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Nancy Bryant was born approximately 1830 in Garrard Co., Ky. She was the aunt of my grandmother, Nancy Jane Bryant - b. 1850. I do not know what became of Nancy Bryant, as I have found no trace of her after the 1850 census, when she was living at home with her mother, Mary Bryant, in Garrard Co., Ky.

PAULINA BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Paulina Bryant was born Nov. 5, 1832, in Garrard Co., Ky.; and died Jan. 25, 1894 in Washington Co., Ky. She married David Comely Dec. 16, 1852, in Garrard Co., Ky. This couple, too, moved to Washington Co., Ky. before 1860. David Comely was a farmer.

Known children of David and Paulina Bryant Comely:

- 1. Robert Comely - born Apr. 27, 1853, Garrard Co., Ky.
- 2. Hugh Comely - born Aug. 20, 1855, Garrard Co., Ky.
- 3. Georgeanne Comely - born Apr. 14, 1856, Garrard Co., Ky.
- 4. Matthew Comely - born approx. 1859, Ky.

From the book, "Comely Family In America", by George Norwood Comely, I found the following paragraph:

"David Comely, son of David and Lucy Comely, was born 16 Jan., 1830, died 7 Sept., 1902. Married in Garrard Co., Ky. 16 Dec., 1852, to Paulina Bryant (called 'Pliney'). She was born 5 Nov., 1832 and died 25 Jan., 1894. Both buried at Willisburg Cemetery, Washington Co., Ky. They lived near Mackville, Washington Co., Ky. Paulina was the daughter of John and Polly Bryant."

Note: This is the only reference I have found which mentions the husband of Mary (Polly) Bryant. Her father's name was John, but it could have been her husband's name, also.

JOHN BRYANT, SON OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

John Bryant was born approximately 1838 in Garrard Co., Ky, and died after 1880, presumably in Washington Co., Ky. As we have stated previously, John was mentally retarded. He was probably not able to work, for no occupation is listed for him in any of the census records. In 1850, he was living with his mother in Garrard Co., Ky., and in 1860, still living with her and his sister Sarah in Washington Co., Ky. In 1870, he lived with his mother at the home of Charles & Sarah Smock, Washington Co., Ky. In 1880 he was living with his sister, Eliza J. Sadler in Washington Co., Ky.

SARAH F. BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Sarah F. Bryant was born approximately 1847 in Garrard Co., Ky. She married between 1860 and 1863 Charles A. Smock (b. 1842).

Known children of Charles A. and Sarah F. Bryant Smock:

- 1. Marietta (Molly) Smock - born approx. 1863
- 2. James L. Smock - born approx. 1865
- 3. Eliza J. Smock - born approx. 1871
- 4. Cora D. Smock - born approx. 1875
- 5. Martha B. Smock - born approx. 1879

Mary Bryant is listed as living with her daughter and son-in-law, Sarah & Charles Smock in both the 1870 and 1880 census records of Washington Co., Ky.

GREENBURY BRYANT, SON OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Greenbury Bryant was born approximately 1835 in Garrard Co., Ky., and died after 1880. He was no doubt named for his uncle, Greenbury Bryant, brother of Mary. This uncle, Greenbury Bryant, moved to Hendricks Co., Ind., you will recall from our previous sketch on his family.

Greenbury Bryant, son of Mary, married Mary Jane Hiatt Jan. 18, 1859, in Garrard Co., Ky. Greenlee Hiatt was the bondsman, which leads me to believe that he may have been Mary Jane's father. However, they were married at the home of Richard Hiatt, so perhaps Richard was Mary Jane's father. Or, if her father was Greenlee Hiatt, then Richard could have been her brother. An interesting item in connection with this, is the marriage bond of Greenlee Hiatt, which reads thus: "Greenlee Hiatt (Mother, Polly Hiatt) married Mary Ann Sadler (Mother, Polly Sadler) on April 9, 1836. Abel Hurt was the bondsman". (Abel Hurt was my great-grandfather, being the father of Eli Mitchell Hurt.)

There is some question as to just when Mary Jane Hiatt was born. In the 1860 census of Garrard Co., Ky., she is listed as the wife of Greenbury Bryant, age 18. In 1870, her age is given as 20, and in 1880, as 34. I would judge the 1860 census to be more nearly accurate, and this would have made her birth date approximately 1842. Thus, the dates are right for her to have been the daughter of Greenlee and Mary Ann Sadler Hiatt.

Greenbury Bryant was the only one of Mary Bryant's children to remain in Garrard Co., Ky., and he evidently lived there all his life. Many of his descendants are still living in Garrard Co., mostly around Paint Lick, Ky.

Known children of Greenbury and Mary Jane Hiatt Bryant:

1. Rebecca J. Bryant - born approx. 1860 in Garrard Co., Ky.
Married William Calico in 1884 in Garrard Co., Ky.
2. Sarah Bryant - born approx. 1864 in Garrard Co., Ky.
Married ??? *By post 4 dec.*
3. William James Bryant - born approx. 1867, Garrard Co., Ky.
Married Mary Belle Lee in 1899, Garrard Co., Ky.
4. Fanny Belle Bryant - born approx. 1871, Garrard Co., Ky.
Married James A. Calico in 1886, Garrard Co., Ky.
5. Grover K. Bryant - born approx. 1874, Garrard Co., Ky.
Married Lucy Prather in 1899, Garrard Co., Ky.
6. George Bryant - born approx. 1877, Garrard Co., Ky.
Married Martha Ellen Teague in 1905, Garrard Co., Ky.

I regret that I do not have much information on the grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc. of Greenbury Bryant. However, I do know the following:

Etta Calico is the daughter of Fanny Bryant and James Calico, and she married a Mr. Norman. Their daughter, Lucille Norman Poynter lives at Paint Lick, Ky.

Other descendants of Greenbury Bryant known to me, and still living in the Lancaster-Paint Lick, Ky. area are: Dora Calico Friend, Walter Calico, George W. Calico, and Mrs. Charlie Gooch.

AMANDA BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF MARY (POLLY) BRYANT

Amanda Bryant was my great-grandmother. She was born approximately 1828 in Garrard Co., Ky. I can find no marriage record for Amanda, but she could have married another Bryant, as there were other Bryant families in Garrard Co., Ky. in the 1800's.

Children of Amanda Bryant:

- m. E. DETRO* 1. Mary G. Bryant *p. July 3 1845 (Ky) d. Feb 28 1876 (Ill)*
E. M. HURT 2. Nancy Jane Bryant *B. Oct 13 1850 Ky (Ind) Feb 9 1932 (Ill)*
Margault? 3. Alexander Bryant *b. 1854 (Ky) d. 1929 Terre Haute Ind*

The first record I have of Amanda Bryant is in the 1850 census record of Garrard Co., Ky. She is living with her mother, and her oldest child, Mary G. is living there also. In the 1860 census of Garrard Co., Amanda Bryant is listed as "head of household", and living with her are her three children--Mary G., Nancy Jane, and Alexander. This is the last record I have on Amanda. I can only assume that she must have died between 1860 and 1867, and, at her death, the children went to live with relatives. Nancy Jane went to Washington Co., Ky. to live with her grandmother and aunts. Mary G. and Alexander went to Indiana.

ALEXANDER BRYANT, SON OF AMANDA BRYANT

Alexander Bryant was born Feb. 23, 1854, in Garrard Co., Ky. and died Oct. 9, 1928 or 1929, in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Alexander was living in Putnam Co., Ind. in 1870, according to the census of that year. He was listed as a farm laborer, living with a family named Lauderman.

Alexander Bryant married Margaret ("Maggie") ---?

Children:

1. Charles Bryant - married Theresa ---?
 - a. Roy Bryant - married Gladys ---?
2. Susie Bryant - married George Hoffmann. (No children)
3. Daisy Bryant - married 1st to ---? Haultt, who was killed in a railroad accident. She married 2nd to ---? Spence.
 - a. Rhuel Haultt
 - b. Truel Haultt
 - c. Fred Haultt
 - d. Weldon Haultt - died in an accident when a child.
4. Vernia Bryant - married - Mattie ---?
 - a. Myron Bryant
 - b. Kathleen Bryant

I have an old newspaper clipping of the obituary of Alexander Bryant, but the year is not on it. It reads as follows:

"Clay City, Ind., Oct. 10--(Special)

Funeral services for Alexander Bryant, 74 years old, who died at the Union Hospital at Terre Haute, at 6:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon, will be held at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon at the home, three miles south of Cory, Ind., with continued services at the Oak Hill Church at 2 o'clock. He is survived by the wife, Margaret; two daughters, Mrs. Susie Hoffmann of Cory, and Mrs. Daisy Spence of Terre Haute; two sons, Charles of Centerpoint, and Vernia of Patricksburg; one sister, Mrs. Jane Hurt of Casey, Illinois; three grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery."

MARY G. BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF AMANDA BRYANT

Mary G. Bryant was born July 3, 1845 in Garrard Co., Ky., and died Feb. 28, 1876 in Cumberland Co., Ill. She is buried at the Washington Cemetery, Cumberland Co., Ill.

Mary G. Bryant married Elijah Dettro Nov. 14, 1867 in Putnam Co., Ind. Elijah Dettro was born May 31, 1840 in Fleming Co., Ky., and died March 22, 1889 in a Veteran's Home in Quincy, Ill., and is buried there. Elijah Dettro was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted at Greencastle, Ind. on July 27, 1862, and he was mustered out at Nashville, Tenn. on May 18, 1865. His occupation was that of a farmer. The photocopy of his Civil War record describes him as being 5 ft. - 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. tall, with dark hair, dark complexion, and grey eyes. Elijah and Mary Bryant Dettro lived in Putnam Co., Ind. until shortly after 1870, when they moved to Cumberland Co., Illinois.

(Various spellings of the name Dettro have been found in checking various records--Dettro - Detro - Detroe - Dettrow.)

Children of Elijah and Mary Bryant Dettro:

1. William Lusk - born in Ind. May 6, 1867 - died ?? . He was the son of Mary Bryant Dettro by a former marriage.
Married Nan Huddleston.
 - a. Leonard Lusk
 - b. Charles Lusk
 - c. Roy Lusk
 - d. Sam Lusk
 - e. Marie Lusk
 - f. Mildred Lusk

2. Charles Dettro - born Dec. 27, 1868 in Ind. and died Oct. 12, 1940 in Illinois. Married Minnie Philippi.
 - a. Alton Dettro - married Goldie Porter.
Lives in Effingham, Illinois.
 - (1) Dorothy Dettro - married Jim Barnes.
Lives in Effingham, Illinois.
 - (a) Jackie Barnes
 - (b) Vicki Barnes
 - (c) Kent Barnes
 - (2) Maxine Dettro - married Sam Lave.
Lives in Shumway, Illinois.
 - (a) Dixie Lave
 - (b) Steve Lave
 - (c) Patsy Lave
 - (d) Tim Lave
 - (e) Tom Lave
 - (f) Jerry Lave
 - (3) Jack Dettro - unmarried - lives in Stonington, Ill.
 - (4) Roger Dettro - married Rosie ---?
Lives in Mattoon, Illinois.
 - (a) Mark Dettro
 - (b) Greg Dettro
 - (5) Betty Dettro - married Roger Beals.
Lives at Hume, Illinois.
 - (a) Mitch Beals
 - (b) Jeff Beals
 - (c) Lisa Beals
 - (6) Marilyn Dettro - married Gerald Tegenkamp.
Lives in Bloomington, Illinois.
 - (a) Kristy Tegenkamp
 - (b) Craig Tegenkamp

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- b. Redith Dettro - married Albert Hewing. (deceased)
Lives at Teutopolis, Illinois.
(1) Michael Hewing - married Anna Mae --?
Lives at Teutopolis, Illinois.
(a) Penny Ann Hewing
(b) Todd Hewing
- c. Hazel Dettro - married Cletus Brumleve.
Lives at Teutopolis, Illinois.
(1) Peggy Ann Brumleve - married Jim Smith.
Lives at Teutopolis, Illinois.
(a) Brad Smith
(b) Myra Smith
(c) Ted Smith
(2) Thomas Brumleve - married Mary Ann --?
Lives at Quincy, Illinois.
- d. Modena Dettro - married Duane Woods.
Lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
(1) Jill Woods - married David Bjorklund.
Lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
(a) Eric Bjorklund
(2) Joy Woods
(3) Jody Woods
(4) Janie Woods
- e. Ashton Dettro - married Ida Walker.
Lives in Effingham, Illinois.
(1) Louise Dettro - married August Klitzing.
Lives in Altamont, Illinois.
- f. Randall Dettro - married 1st, Sybil Hurt. (divorced)
- married 2nd, Bernice --?
Lives in Junction City, Arkansas.
- g. Max Dettro - married Marian Freeman.
Lives at Greenup, Illinois.
(1) Chris Dettro
- h. Winfred Dettro - married Mary Gobel.
Lives at St. Louis, Missouri.
(1) Dennis Dettro
(2) Wendy Dettro
(3) Melody Dettro
3. Ferb (Ferbis or Forbin) Dettro - born Dec. 1870 and died Sept. 6, 1944, in Illinois. He married Lucy Davis Feb. 15, 1899.
a. Blanche Dettro - married Arthur Hires - 1922.
Lives at Chrisman, Illinois.
(1) Herschel R. Hires - married Minerva R. Inskeep.-1950.
(a) Anita Rose Hires
(b) Rheta Rae Hires
(c) David Ross Hires
(d) Michael Robert Hires
(e) Lora Rochelle Hires
4. Murta M. Dettro - born Aug. 26, 1872 - died Aug. 3, 1873, Ill.
5. Overton Ottoway ("Otto") Dettro - born July 21, 1874 - died Sept. 20, 1941. Married Dollie Moore, Feb. 9, 1896.
a. Jewel Dettro (died in late 1930's) - married Clayton Marsh.
Otto Dettro, youngest child of Elijah and Mary Bryant Dettro, was not quite 2 years old when his mother died. He was taken to Hickory Co., Missouri by friends of the family, Joseph and Cathryn Spohn, who raised him. He lived near Wheatland, Missouri.

(Data on the Dettro family contributed by Blanche Hires, Hazel Brumleve, and Redith Hewing.)

NANCY JANE BRYANT, DAUGHTER OF AMANDA BRYANT

Nancy Jane Bryant was my grandmother. She was born Oct. 13, 1850, in Garrard Co., Ky., and died Feb. 9, 1932, in Cumberland Co., Illinois.

On May 30, 1867, a wedding was performed by Rev. W. C. Campbell in Mackville, Washington Co., Ky. The pretty, blue-eyed, brown-haired bride was very young--16½ years, and her name was Nancy Jane Bryant. The bridegroom stood 5 ft., 10 in. tall, and had blue eyes and very light brown hair. He was 23 years old, and his name was Eli Mitchell Hurt. The couple was married at the home of the bride's aunt, Eliza J. Sadler. Witnesses to the marriage were W. H. Barnett and William Yates.

Eli Mitchell Hurt was born in Garrard Co., Ky., on Jan. 28, 1844, the son of Abel and Sarah Wray Hurt. He was only 18 years old when he enrolled as a private in the Union Army, on Aug. 21, 1862--in Company A - 11th Kentucky Cavalry. He was discharged on July 12, 1865, at Louisville, Ky.

The period immediately following the Civil War was a bad time for the Kentuckians. Great bitterness resulted--harsh government regulations, plus guerrilla warfare, and the advent of the Ku Klux Klan. Eli Mitchell Hurt fought against the Klan, and on Aug. 6, 1866, he shot and wounded in the leg, a James Allen Arnold, who lived in the same vicinity as Eli, and was a member of the Ku Klux Klan. Mr. Arnold lost his leg as a result of the shooting. Eli Mitchell Hurt was brought before an examining court and discharged. Later he was indicted by the Grand Jury. However, he was pardoned by Kentucky's Governor Bramlett on Aug. 8, 1867. Arnold was reported to have been a very vicious character at that time, but in later years, he became a school teacher, and settled down to a very orderly life. He acquired a wooden leg, and was called "Peg Leg Arnold" by those who knew him.

After their marriage in 1867, Eli Hurt took his bride, Nancy Jane, back to Garrard Co., Ky., and they settled down to farming on "Back Creek" for the next four years. When Nick Spainhour, a neighbor and Civil War buddy of Eli, came to Illinois, he sent a letter back to Eli, describing farming conditions, saying crops were much better and prices higher in Illinois than in Kentucky. So Eli and Nancy Jane Hurt hitched up "Old Bill" to the wagon and set out for the Illinois Country in 1871. They settled on a farm in Cumberland Co., Ill., and raised nine children as well as corn and oats.

Eli received a pension for his Civil War efforts--\$24.00 per month. After his death on Feb. 12, 1912, Nancy Jane received a widow's pension. Both Eli and Nancy Jane are buried in the Washington Cemetery, a few miles southeast of Greenup, Cumberland Co., Illinois.

Nancy Jane Bryant Hurt spent almost half of her life in total darkness, for an attack of measles in the mid 1890's left her blind. Nancy Jane lived with us when I was a child, and I have very fond memories of my grandmother. She was unusually well educated for a female of her times. Before she lost her eyesight, she had been very fond of reading, and she loved poetry. She had committed to memory many poems, which she often recited to her grandchildren. I remember reading aloud to her from magazines and books, and I think that helped to develop my love of reading.

Children of Eli Mitchell and Nancy Jane Bryant Hurt:

1. Ida Mae Hurt
2. Andrew Noble Hurt
3. Huldah Allen Hurt
4. Charles Elmer Hurt
5. Ozworth Hurt
6. Jesse Eli Hurt
7. Benjamin Harrison Hurt
8. Alva J. Hurt
9. Luther Martin Hurt

All of the above children were born in Cumberland Co., Ill.

Eli Hurt purchased a 12-acre farm in Crooked Creek Township, Cumberland Co., Ill., and built a house for his family. Somehow, they eked out a living from the 12 acres. The sons worked as farm hands in their younger days, and most of them farmed all their lives, acquiring their own farms.

Ida Mae Hurt died when only 31 years of age.

Andrew Noble Hurt (Uncle "Andy"), Huldah Allen Hurt (Uncle "Huldy"), Ozworth Hurt (Uncle "Pod"), and Jesse Eli Hurt (Uncle "Jess")-all owned farms in Crooked Creek Township, within a few miles of each other.

Charles Elmer Hurt (Uncle "Tell") owns and resides on a farm near Martinsville, Clark Co., Ill.

Benjamin Harrison Hurt (Uncle "Ben") lived in Allerton, Vermillion Co., Ill., and was employed as a section foreman for the railroad.

Alva J. Hurt, my father, was nicknamed "Lyle" and "Lal". He lived on the old home place for a number of years, farming the 12 acres, plus additional rented ground. Alva J. was also a carpenter, and during the depression of the 1930's, he gave up farming and took up carpentering. He purchased a 5-acre plot in Crooked Creek Township, close to his brothers, and built his own house. He was employed at a shoe factory in Casey, Ill. until he reached retirement age. He was an avid fisherman, and in his later years, really pursued this hobby.

Luther Martin Hurt (Uncle "Lule"), the youngest son, didn't care much for farming. He preferred trains and automobiles to horses. He worked at several different jobs, including railroad fireman, railroad shop laborer, and auto mechanic. He finally established his own business, dealing in auto parts. He moved around more than the other children--living at various times in Mattoon, Ill., Toledo, Ill., Greenup, Ill., Casey, Ill., Allerton, Ill., Martinsville, Ill., and Terre Haute, Ind. For a number of years now, he has lived in his own home in Marshall, Clark Co., Ill.

Further details of these children will be found on the following pages.

ANDREW NOBLE HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Andrew Noble Hurt was born Oct. 26, 1874, and died 1954. He married Clara Morris. (deceased) Both Andrew and Clara are buried in Washington Cemetery, Cumberland Co., Illinois.

Children of Andrew Noble and Clara Morris Hurt:

1. Nora May Hurt (deceased) - married Ernest C. Ruffner.
 - a. Ernestine Ruffner (deceased as a child)
 - b. Darol Edward Ruffner - married Bernice Marie Niemeyer. Lives in Exeter, California.
 - (1) Darol Ruffner, Jr. - married Ruth Hardin.-1965.
 - (2) Michael Maurice Ruffner - married Ann Goff.-1963.
 - c. Marcella Ruffner - married Glen Alstott. Lives in Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - (1) Glenda Alstott - married to ???
 - (2) Ronda Alstott - attends Purdue Univ., Lafayette, Ind.
 - d. Martha Jean Ruffner - married Richard Salazer. Lives in Indio, California.
 - (1) Sharon Salazer - married, and has 2 sons.
 - (2) Sheila Salazer - married, and has 1 daughter.
 - (3) Darol Salazer
 - (4) Debbie Salazer
 - e. Alberta Ruffner (died 1963) - married Joe Ginter.
 - (1) Gary Ginter - lives with his father in Chicago, Ill.
 - (2) Robin Ginter - adopted by her aunt, Marcella Alstott.
2. Arthur John Hurt was born Feb. 6, 1904, and died March 17, 1956. He married Ghuela Neeley, who survives, and is living in Bridgeton, Missouri.
 - a. Velda Hurt - married Kenneth Herrmann.-1941. Lives in Bridgeton, Missouri.
 - (1) Velda Kathleen Herrmann
 - (2) Kenneth Michael Herrmann
 - (3) Arthur Jerald Herrmann
 - (4) Charles Shephard Herrmann
 - (5) Deberah Susan Elizabeth Herrmann
 - b. John Orvie Hurt - married Joan Mary Glastetter.-1942. Lives in St. Peters, Missouri.
 - (1) Judith Ann Hurt - married Don Bocklage.-1962.
 - (2) James Russell Hurt
 - (3) Joseph Noble Hurt
 - (4) Jenny Lynn Hurt
 - c. Dorothy Hurt - married 1st, Ellis Wilbur Jones.-1944.
 - (1) Linda Jones
 Dorothy Hurt - married 2nd, Thomas Allen Doughty. They live in Hartford, Illinois.
 - d. Betty Hurt - married Buford Walter.-1947. Lives in Pagedale, Missouri.
 - (1) Barbara Susanne Walter
 - (2) Steven Victor Walter
 - (3) Dennis Michael Walter
 - e. Ruth Hurt - married Benjamin Franklin Carll.-1948. Lives in Cheyenne, Wyoming.
 - (1) Benjamin Franklin Carll, Jr.
 - (2) Frederick Arthur Carll
 - (3) Bernard Andrew Carll
 - (4) John David Carll

HULDAH ALLEN HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Huldah Allen Hurt was born Feb. 25, 1877, and died Aug. 11, 1961. Burial at Hazel Dell, Illinois.

He married Aug. 31, 1901, Carrie Duvall (b. 1881 - d. 1957)
Children of Huldah Allen and Carrie Duvall Hurt:

1. Daphne Viola Hurt - married Harold Delp Reeder.-1925.
They live near Greenup, Illinois.
 - a. Thelma Elizabeth Reeder - married Kenneth L. Miller. 1947.
 - (1) Kenneth Michael Miller
 - (2) Roger Allen Miller
 - (3) Brenda Lee Miller
 - (4) Russell Wayne Miller
 - b. Billy Dean Reeder - married Doris A. Jones.-1957.
 - (1) Keith Alan Reeder
 - (2) Ellen Elaine Reeder
 - (3) Sheila Marlene Reeder
 - (4) Danny Dean Reeder
2. Shelby Joseph Hurt - married Zola Ada Letner.-1928.
They live near Casey, Illinois.
 - a. Paul Eugene Hurt - married Evelyn M. Fox.-1953.
 - (1) Paul Eugene Hurt, Jr.
Paul and Evelyn Hurt live in Mattoon, Illinois.
 - b. Amelia Marie Hurt - married Kenneth Maurice Tabbert.
 - (1) Carrie Annette Tabbert -1955.
The Tabbert family lives near Mattoon, Illinois.
3. Harold Allen Hurt - married Pearl Irene Shick.-1925.
They live near Casey, Illinois.
 - a. Gerald Allen Hurt - married Helen Ulrey.-1946.
 - (1) Carol Ann Hurt
 - (2) Michael Allen Hurt (This family lives in Casey, Illinois.)
 - (3) Rebecca Sue Hurt
 - b. Marilyn Joan Hurt - married Phillip Kitchen.-1954.
 - (1) Nancee Jo Kitchen
 - (2) Jennifer Lea Kitchen
 - (3) Douglas Russell Kitchen
4. Delmas Mitchell Hurt (b. 1907 - d. 1961) Burial at Hazel Dell, Illinois. He married, 1935, Inez Irene Myers. (1912-1955)
 - a. Randall LaMarr Hurt - Lives with his aunt, Daphne Hurt Reeder, near Greenup, Illinois.
5. Hazel Florence Hurt - married Forrest Ryan.-1930.
They live in Montezuma, Indiana.
 - a. Beverly Jane Ryan - married Charles Norris.-1950.
 - (1) Janice Ruth Norris
 - (2) Mitzi Jane Norris
 - (3) Constance Kay Norris
 - (4) Sharon Rae Norris
 - (5) Susan Beth Norris
 - b. John Allen Ryan - married Sharon Polk.-1958.
 - (1) Debra Kay Ryan
 - (2) Troy Allen Ryan
 - (3) Kelly Jane Ryan
 - (4) Linda Lee Ryan

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CHILDREN OF HULDAH AND CARRIE DUVALL HURT (continued)

6. Christine Avis Hurt - married Orval Woodford Neidigh.-1940.
 - a. Shanna Lou Neidigh - married Edward Joseph Bahr.-1961.
 - b. Scott Allen Neidigh - married Patricia Ann Stagner.-1964.
 - c. Dinah Kay NeidighThe Neidigh family lives in Robinson, Illinois.
7. Quenton Theodore Hurt - married Bonnie Durnell. (Divorced)
 - a. Dana Lee HurtQuenton Theodore Hurt (called "Ted") lives in South Bend, Indiana.

(Christine Avis Hurt and Quenton Theodore Hurt are twins.)

CHARLES ELMER HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Charles Elmer Hurt (called "Tell") was born Sept. 15, 1880, and lives at Martinsville, Illinois. He married Pearl Edna Woods. (dec'd
Children of Charles Elmer and Pearl Edna Woods Hurt:

1. Zola Hurt - married Forest Delp.-1920.

They live at Vevay Park, near Casey, Illinois.

 - a. Bettie June Delp - married, and lives in San Diego, Calif
 - b. Loistel Delp - married Dave ---?, and lives near Casey, Illinois
 - c. Tony Delp
 2. Earl Oswald Hurt - married Ruth Velma Dauwalder.-1939.
 - a. Larry Michael Hurt
 - b. Charlotte Jean Hurt
 - c. Christopher Allan HurtThe Earl Hurt family lives near Casey, Illinois.
 3. Doris Hurt - married Harold Sweet.-1928.
 - a. Edna Belle Sweet - married Richard Shelby
 - (1) Ronald Shelby
 - (2) Beth Shelby
 - (3) Cathy ShelbyDoris and Harold Sweet and the Shelby family all live in Covington, Indiana.
 4. Janice Anthan Hurt - married Charles M. Wallace.-1947.
 - a. Jonathan William WallaceThe Wallace family lives in Oak Lawn, Illinois.
 5. Phillip Elmer Hurt - married Phyllis Imogene Adkins.-1946.
 - a. Phillip Allen Hurt
 - b. Patsy Alyson HurtThe Phillip Hurt family lives at Joliet, Illinois.
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OZWORTH HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Ozworth Hurt (called "Pod") was born March 11, 1883, and died Dec. 27, 1931. Burial at Hazel Dell, Illinois.
He married Nellie Leora Applegate (b. Sept. 2, 1880)
Mrs. Nellie Hurt lives at Casey, Illinois.
No children.

(Data on above families submitted by individual members.)

Benjamin Harrison Hurt was born Nov. 13, 1888, and died Aug. 23, 1954. Burial at Allerton, Illinois.

He married Dec. 12, 1912, Dora M. Brown. (Deceased)

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Dora Mae Brown Hurt:

1. Fred Donald Hurt - married Naomi Ruth Wolever.-1943.

- a. Ella Mae Hurt
 - b. Donald Luther Hurt
 - c. Sue Ann Hurt
 - d. Patricia Lee Hurt
 - e. Sandra Kay Hurt
 - f. Wendy Lou Hurt
 - g. Benjamin Franklin Hurt
 - h. Mary Eliza Hurt
- Fred Hurt lives near Knoxville, Tennessee.

2. Robert Franklin Hurt - married Oletha Maxine Lincoln.-1957.
Lives at Allerton, Illinois. No children.

3. Hallie Jane Hurt - married Howard P. Wilson.-1937.
Lives at Danville, Illinois. No children.

4. Daisy Marie Hurt - married John Waverly Chowning.-1937.
Lives at Crete, Illinois.

- a. Larry Dean Chowning - married Ruby A. Thomas.-1957.
(1) Jeffrey Chowning (2) Lori Lynn Chowning
Lives at Tilton, Illinois.
- b. John Howard Chowning
- c. Jane Marie Chowning

5. Eli Harrison Hurt - married Martha Jane Robinson.-1946.

- a. Nancy Jane Hurt
 - b. John Eli Hurt
- The Eli Hurt family lives at Allerton, Illinois.

6. Rena Mae Hurt - married Dale Mitchell, Jr.-1942.

- a. Billy Lee Mitchell
 - b. Carolyn Sue Mitchell
 - c. Beverly Jan Mitchell
 - d. Rebecca Ann Mitchell
- The Mitchell family lives at Homer, Illinois.

7. William Clark Hurt - married Patricia Bergstrom.-1957.

- a. Pamela Jane Hurt
 - b. Robert Howard Hurt
- The William Hurt family lives at Hackettstown, New Jersey.

--- (Data on above family sent by Eli Hurt & Hallie Wilson.) ---

JESSE ELI HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Jesse Eli Hurt was born Dec. 6, 1885 and died Feb. 4, 1954.
Burial at Hazel Dell, Illinois. He married Mary Ethel Dillier,
who survives, and is living in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Children of Jesse Eli and Mary Ethel Dillier Hurt:

1. Russell Hurt - married Doris Starkey.-1958

- a. Michael Anthony Hurt
 - b. Joseph Preston Hurt
- The Russell Hurt family lives in Indianapolis, Indiana.

2. Sybil Hurt - married Randall B. Dettro.-1936. (Divorced)
No children. Sybil now lives in Omaha, Nebraska.

3. Dean Hurt - married Violet Dentino, and lives in Peoria, Ill.

--- (Data on Jesse Hurt family from Sybil Dettro & Russell Hurt.) ---

ALVA J. HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Alva J. Hurt was born March 28, 1891, and died June 4, 1964.
He married Mar. 21, 1914, Sarah Ann Lewis (b. 1893 - d. 1951)
Both Alva and Sarah are buried in Washington Cemetery, Cumberland
Co., Illinois.

Children of Alva J. and Sarah Ann Lewis Hurt:

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1. Hildreth Katherine Hurt - married Edford Arlen Johnson. -1933.
They live in St. Joseph, Illinois.

a. Jerry Arlen Johnson - married Donna Jean Ohls Hostetler.
-1954.

(1) Jill Arleen Johnson

(2) Sara Nell Johnson

Jerry is in the U. S. Navy, and at present he and his
family live in Bakersfield, California.

b. Ronald Edford Johnson - married Marilynne Joyce Miller.
-1962.

They live in Philo, Illinois.

2. Wayne Hurt - married Irene Theres Fascelli. -1946.

a. Catherine Lorene Hurt

b. Karen Sue Hurt

c. Wayne Allen Hurt (Called "Doc")

Wayne and family live in Crown Point, Indiana.

3. Ernest Hurt was born May 6, 1916 and died Aug. 31, 1963.

Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Urbana, Illinois.

He married Maxine Burwell Sisney. -1949.

a. Stephen Ernest Hurt

b. Allen Lee Hurt

c. Mark Dean Hurt

Mrs. Maxine Hurt and sons live in Urbana, Illinois.

4. Blanche Lorene Hurt - married 1st - 1937, George Delbert
Kincade (d. 1950)

a. Judith Ann Kincade - married Loree James Rudd. -1957.

(1) Kelly Sue Rudd

(2) Karla Stacie Rudd

(3) Kim Shari Rudd

The Rudd family lives in Valparaiso, Indiana.

b. Sharon Rae Kincade - married Frank D. Sims. -1965.

They live in Gary, Indiana.

Blanche Hurt - married 2nd, Joseph Edward Heldt. -1951.

c. Michael Lynn Heldt

Blanche and Joseph Heldt live in Gary, Indiana.

5. Helen Rose Hurt - married Maurice Phillip Jenkins. -1940.

They live in Urbana, Illinois.

a. Sandra Sue Jenkins - married Ronald Joseph Swallow. -1960.

(1) Douglas Cary Swallow

The Swallows live in West Lafayette, Indiana.

b. Linda Kay Jenkins

c. Raymond Eugene Jenkins

6. Donald Louis Hurt - married 1st, 1950, Beulah Roan. (Divorced)

a. Roger Lee Hurt

b. Ricky Lane Hurt

Donald Hurt - married 2nd, Ilse Bruhn Redding. -1963.

The Donald Hurt family lives in Cedar Crest, New Mexico.

7. Jimmie Richard Hurt - married Nancy Thompson. -1956.

a. Rosemarie Hurt

b. Brenda Jean Hurt

c. Andrew James Hurt

d. Thomas Lee Hurt

Jim and Nancy Hurt live at Abiquiu Dam, Abiquiu, New Mexico.

LUTHER MARTIN HURT, SON OF ELI AND NANCY JANE BRYANT HURT

Luther Martin Hurt was born May 25, 1893. He was married on March 12, 1914, to Caroline Lewis. They live at Marshall, Ill.

Children of Luther Martin and Caroline Lewis Hurt:

1. Lucille Hurt - married Harold Kelly.
- Lives in Hobbs, New Mexico.
2. Opal Hurt - married Lloyd Sweitzer.
 - a. Robert Sweitzer - married and divorced.
 - (1) Debbie Sweitzer
 - (2) Robert Sweitzer
 The Sweitzer family lives in Marshall, Ill.
 - b. Nancy Sweitzer
 - c. Cindy Sweitzer
3. Kenneth Hurt - married Fern Irwin.
 - a. Barbara Hurt
 - b. Becky Hurt
 - c. Brenda Hurt
 - d. Beverly Hurt
 The Kenneth Hurts live in Marshall, Ill.
4. Maxine Hurt - married Denzil Connelly. They live in Jonesville, Michigan.
 - a. Caroline Connelly - married Robert Farlan.
 - (1) Robert Kelly Farlan
 - b. Penelope Connelly
5. Gene Hurt - a bachelor, lives in Paris, Illinois.
6. Betty Jane Hurt - married Gene Lowell Cougill. -1946.
 - a. Cathy Elizabeth Cougill
 The Cougill family lives in Greenup, Ill.
7. Robert Hurt - married Lillian Jackson.
 - a. Marty Hurt
 - b. Stephen Hurt
 - c. Timmy Hurt
 The Robert Hurts live near Marshall, Illinois.
8. Denzil Hurt - unmarried, lives in Michigan.
9. Shirley Hurt - married Carroll Liffick.
 - a. Gregory Liffick
 - b. Shawna Liffick
 - c. Susan Liffick
 - d. David Liffick
 The Liffick family lives in Houston, Texas.

(Information on the above family contributed by:
Mrs. Luther Hurt.)

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WILL OF JOHN BRYANT

(Garrard Co., Ky. Wills, 1797-1957 - Book I, Page 331)
(From Microfilm)

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Bryant, of the County of Garrard and State of Kentucky, being in a low state of bodily health but in a perfect state of mind, do make this my last will.

- 1st: I wish all of my just debts to be paid.
- 2nd: I give and bequeath to my wife, Sally Bryant, during her natural life her dower in my tract of land, to be laid off by commission appointed by the County Courts, and the said dower to include the house where she now resides. Also, all the perishable property now in her possession.
- 3rd: I give and bequeath unto my children, Garnet Bryant, James Bryant, Green Bryant, and Polly Bryant all my lands not otherwise disposed of, for their benefits as homes as long as they choose to occupy the same, but should they dispose of their privileges to the said land by sale or otherwise, they forfeit their right to the same and the benefits of said land to revert to those who may think proper to remain on or occupy the premises.
- 4th: I give and bequeath to Benjamin Bryant, Eliza Bryant, and William Bryant, heirs of William Bryant, deceased, \$40. to be divided among them when the youngest becomes of age.
- 5th: I give and bequeath unto Franky and Elizabeth Hiatte, daughters of Polly Hiatte, 1 bed and furniture which I bought at Abijah Mithen's sale. Also, 1 cow and calf to be managed at the discretion of my Executors.
- 6th: I give and bequeath unto Polly Hiatte 2 acres of land in addition to the pieces formerly sold to her, and adjoining the same and Miss Gay's line.

My wish is to have the aforesaid land, with the exceptions of the dower and that which I have not disposed of to be rented out to pay my just debts should there not be enough otherwise after selling all of my perishable property, and named lastly, I appoint A. J. Brown my executor to this will.

Given under my hand this 6th day of Sept., 1824.

John (his + mark) Bryant

Acknowledged in presence of:
W. Adams (signed)
Judith (her + mark) Adams
Amm. (his + mark) Hiatte

CODICIL TO JOHN BRYANT'S WILL

This is in addition to the old will left in A. J. Brown's hands. I do hereby bequeath to Polly Hiatte the Acklin place where I now reside, for the term of 5 years, for the benefit of Francie and Elizabeth Hiatte. There is to be no timber (wasted ?) except for firewood or rail timber to keep up the farm. I bequeath to Frances Hiatte, daughter of Polly Hiatte, one bay mare named Fan, now in my possession, and one good milk cow, and 1 bed and clothing. There was 3 acres of land that Polly Hiatt was to have in the old will above mentioned which is to be taken off. I do hereby object to A. J. Brown being an executor of my estate, and it is my wish that Berry Scruggs should attend to it as witness my hand and seal this 15th day of Jan., 1838.

Test: Berry Scruggs (signed) John (his + mark) Bryant
Comely Clark (signed)
Thomas Hiatte (signed) (Will probated April 23, 1838)

WILL OF GARNETT BRYANT

(From Photocopy)
 (Will Book D - page 203 - Warren Co., Ky.)

I, Garnett Bryant, of the County of Warren and State of Kentucky, do make, ordain, publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say --

I give and bequeath unto my wife Sally & Son James C. all the property which I acquired by inter-marriage with my said wife. I give and bequeath unto my said wife, my daughter Virginia, and my son James C. all my personal property, including slaves to be equally divided between them, but my wife to keep the property together during her life, and at her death and not before, division to be made between my daughter and son. However, in case my said daughter shall marry before the death of my wife, I request and direct that she shall execute deed to receive a portion of such property at the time of such marriage at descretion of my executors. I give and bequeath unto my said son James C. all my land lying in the said County of Warren and unto his heirs forever, but my wife to retain possession of the same and hereby direct during her life. I request and hereby direct that my lands in the State of Mississippi be sold by my executors herein after mentioned, and the proceeds of sale to go to the general fund and to be divided between my wife, daughter, and son as specified in second item. My executors or a majority of them who may qualify as such are fully authorized and empowered to make conveyance to the purchaser. It is my will and design that in case my said daughter shall die without issue that all property hereby bequeathed to her shall pass to my son James C., to whom I hereby bequeath it in case of such event. Lastly I hereby appoint my wife Sally executrix and John Wardlow, James Caldwell, & Richard Patterson executors of this my last will and testament, revoking all other. Witness my hand & seal.

Garnett Bryant

Witness:

Jona. Hobson
 Henry G. Mitchell
 Nathaniel H. Lucas

State of Kentucky Set
 Warren County Court : January Term 1846.

This last will and Testament of Garnett Bryant dec'd. was produced in court and proved by the oaths of Jona. Hobson & Henry G. Mitchell, two of the inscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, which is recorded accordingly.

Test: A. G. Hobson, Clerk

BOOK T - Page 79 - No. 4435

MARY BRYANT TO OVERTON D. HARRIS

(Examined and delivered to Overton Harris Feb. 18, 1854)

For and in consideration of the sum of \$60.00 to me in hand paid the receipt of which I hereby acknowledge, I have this day bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain, sell and convey unto Overton D. Harris a certain tract of land--it being the same now occupied by my daughter, Amanda Bryant, adjoining my tract and containing 3 acres, lying in Garrard Co. on the waters of Sugar Creek and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone in Lloyds, Bryants and Alversons old line and corner to Susan Bryant in Alversons field, thence S. 21° W. 12, 76 poles to a stone in Susan Bryants line, thence S. 67¼° E. 37.64 poles to a stone in 4 ft. of a Buckeye Pointer, thence N. 21° E. 12.76 poles to a stone in Loyds, Bryants and Alversons old line in Alversons field, thence with said old line through Alversons field N. 67¼° W. 37.64 poles to the beginning, to have and to hold the aforesaid tract of land together with all and singular its appurtenances unto him the said Harris, his heirs and assigns forever, and I hereby warrant the title. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day Jan., 1854.

(Signed)

Mary Bryant

BOOK T - Page 397 - No. 4742

JAMES BRYANT'S WIDOW AND HEIRS TO SQUIRE WARE

(5-3/4 acres, E. Fork of Sugar Creek)

This indenture made and entered into on this 16th day of May, 1855, between Susan Bryant, Henry Bryant, William Bryant, and Joseph Bryant--widow and heirs of James Bryant, of the first part and Squire Ware of the second part, all of the County of Garrard, Ky. Whereas on the 12st day of Oct. 1852, Greenberry Bryant instituted a suit in equity against Susan Bryant and others, in which suit various proceedings were had, and which are referred for greater certainty, and at the May term of said court 1855, James A. Beazley was appointed a commissioner for and on behalf of the above named parties to make conveyance to Squire Ware of the following boundary of land, lying in said County and State on the East fork of Sugar Creek and bounded as follows: -----

Susan Bryant (widow of James) Henry Bryant
William Bryant Woodson Bryant Joseph Bryant

BOOK U - Page 504 - No. 5456

MARY BRYANT TO ELIJAH H. BURNSIDE - Jan. 1859 - 18 acres

Whereas I, Mary Bryant, on the ?? day of April, 1858, sold to Greenberry Bryant 7 acres of land lying in Garrard Co., Ky., at the price of \$25.00 per acre, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and whereas said Greenberry has sold the same to Comely Clark and said Clark has sold the said 7 acres of land to Elijah H. Burnside, and whereas I have sold to said Burnside the remainder of my tract of land lying and being in the County and State aforesaid, on the waters of Sugar Creek (being the same land allotted to me as one of the heirs of John Bryant, deceased) containing 11 acres at \$50.00 per acre---etc. etc./ -----
(Signed) Mary Bryant

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I have tried to put down in this little booklet all the data we have been able to find on our Bryant family during our three years of research. Of course, it is not complete. There is still much research to be done, and many questions to be answered.

For instance:

1. Who were the parents of John Bryant, our Revolutionary War Soldier? Did he belong to the Huguenot Bryants of Manakintown, Virginia? Cumberland and Powhatan Counties, Virginia, would be right for this. And what about the parentage of Sarah Brown, his wife?

2. What became of Greenbury Bryant's children and grandchildren? Are any of his descendants still living in Hendricks and Putnam Counties, Indiana?

3. What about James Bryant, Garnett Bryant, and William Bryant, sons of John? Where are their descendants today?

4. And Mary (Polly) Bryant's descendants (other than our own branch), where are they today--the Sadlers, Comelys, and Smocks? Is the answer to be found in Washington Co., Ky.?

5. And in our own Bryant branch, we still have some data to collect on our Nancy Jane Bryant Hurt's and Mary Bryant Dettro's descendants. And lots of information is lacking on Alexander Bryant's family. A search in Clay and Vigo Counties, Indiana, may yield data on this.

When more of these questions are answered, and more data has been found, we hope to publish a supplement to, or a revised edition of, this booklet. Until then we must keep on searching.

I cannot bring to a close this family history without giving credit to all those people who have helped me in my research.

My sister, Helen Hurt Jenkins, has been my "right-hand-gal" from the very beginning of this research.

My two sons, Jerry and Ronald Johnson, have given me their loyal support and assistance whenever and wherever needed. And, a special thanks to my husband, Edford Johnson, for never complaining about all the time taken away from "housewifely" duties in order to work on genealogy.

I am indebted to Mr. Forrest Calico of Lancaster, Ky. As the Garrard County Historian, he has given us much material and many clues to aid in the research on our Bryant ancestors.

I am also grateful to all the cousins and other kinfolk who have submitted data on their individual families. It is primarily for them that this book has been written--in order that they may know from whence came our Bryant roots.

(signed) *Mildred Hurt Johnson*

Descendants of Josiah Bryant

From "A Portrait and Biographical Record of Boone, Clinton, Hendricks Co, Ind. 1895".
Josiah Bryant came from Ireland and settled in Virginia. He was born in 1771 and died in 1835 Hendricks County, Indiana. He was of Irish and English extraction and was married to (Mary Polly Lipton or Mary Woodson?) of German Stock. Some time before 1799 this Bryant family moved to KY. Settling in what is now known as Bryantsville, KY. He was the founder of that town. (I have been unable to verify any of the above, however it does tell something about this Bryant family and perhaps the above information is correct. (Agness Bryant) Josiah is supposed to have come to Indiana as one of the earliest Pioneers and his grandson Silas J. Bryant (son of John W. Bryant) born March 18, 1820-was the first white child born in Hendricks Co., IN.

Generation No. 1

1. Josiah Bryant was born 1771 in Ireland, and died in Hendricks County, Indiana. He married Mary Woodson or Polly Lipton who was born 1776 in Charlotte Co., VA, and died 1843.

Children of Josiah Bryant and Polly Lipton are:

1. William Bryant b.
2. John W. b. 1797 d. 1864 or 65 married Mary Adams-14
3. Anderson Bryant, b. July 28, 1805, Kentucky; d. October 05, 1884.
4. Silas Bryant, b. March 18, 1820, Guilford Township; d. 1899.
5. Woodson, b. 12/2/1808 or 12/29/1807 died 1/17/1858 in Clay Co, IL married Sarah Tinchler (my g. g. grandparents-Agness Bryant)
6. Patience Bryant, (no record-believe she may of remained single)

Generation No. 2

(Picture of Anderson goes here)

From records of Hendricks Circuit Court-Danville, IN there is a record of a Anderson Bryant and Sally Osborne married in 1833.

Sarah Ann Osborne wife of Anderson Bryant-came from a family who owned slaves in KY. Carborchard, Rockcastle Co. KY. (she was born at Mt. Vernon KY) They came there from the Carolina's. The Osbornes were tall in statue and was thought to be of the family of Osbornes in England, who owned large plantations in Carolina. She was one of a twin (I've been unable to find out if Sarah Ann twin lived or if she had any other brothers or sisters)(A,B). She was nursed by a Negro mammy and her father gave her a Negro servant named "Sukey". (believe this servant was given to Sarah Ann as a wedding present, but was probably sold in KY. (A.B>)-Her daughter (Aunt Mollie Hays) said 'there never was any thing quite good enough for her mother and of her father that anything was good enough for him.

The Anderson Bryant's settled at Springtown, IN.-Anderson helped to build the first road between Plainfield and Stilesville, IN. Which is now State Road 40 and from coast to coast. He made enough money to buy a farm near Coatesville, IN. There they lived and reared their family

of eight children. This Springtown farm had a spring and flowing well on it. Aunt Mollie said 'she remembered when as a girl they used to take their clothes to the spring to was and in that early day there was much underbrush and thick growth—also plenty of snakes and whenever a snake came into view they would 'slither him with billing water from their gourds'. Aunt Mollie states 'my daddy took the Cincinnati Gazette' and later the Indianapolis Journal'. The Bryant's were Republicans and Primitive Baptist.

The first home in IN was in Hendricks Co. towns of Amo and Hadley (near the old Springs Meeting House (Quaker)-the house is gone but a cemetery remains.

2. Anderson² Bryant(Josiah¹) was born July 28, 1805 in Kentucky, and died October 05, 1884. He married Sarah Osborne March 7, 1833 in Hendricks County, IN. She was born October 17, 1814 in Rockcastle Co. KY, and died August 8, 1887 in Hendricks Co., IN.

Notes for Sarah Osborne:

Found article of Sarah in the Danville Republic date Aug. 8, 1887.

Her parents moved from KY, 1829. She settle in Hendricks Co. Her death was brought on by prostration because of the death of her youngest son, who died 10 days before her death. She leaves two daughters, four sons.

Nicholas Bryant died July 30, 1887 age 34 yrs. 8 months and 8 days. Nicholas was born near Reno, IN. Made a profession of Christianity and was taken into the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at New Winchester, IN. He was married to Lavina Wolf on January 21, 1885, at Flors IL. She now mourns the loss of her departed husband. He leaves behind a mother, four brothers and two sisters.

Children of Anderson Bryant and Sarah Osborne are:

1. Elizabeth "Betty" Bryant, b. 1835 d. 1929
2. James Bryant, b.
3. Woodson Bryant, b. September 29, 1839 d. 4/12/1912
4. Martha Ann, b. 7/10/1843 d. ?
5. William Bennett Bryant, b7/8/1845 d. 8/5/1925
6. Josiah, b. 2./11/1848 d. 8/26/1943
7. Mary Ellen Bryant "Molly", b. 4/9/1850 d. 8/26/1943
8. Nicholas, b. 10/22/1852 d. 7/30/1887

Elizabeth Bryant m. James Greenlee—Ch: Martha Ellen—James W.—Woodson Ellsworth—John Nicholas Morton—Tilghaman Alda & Eliza Jane.

James Bryant m. Martha Wiseheart—CH: Ora—Alva—Charlie C. & Porter Anderson

Woodson Bryant m. (1st) Thirza A. Benbow—CH: Florence—Carl

(2nd) Mahalae Emma Fansler—CH: Grace—Paul—Emmett E. (buried in Amo)

(3rd) Alice Frances Goldman—CH: Horace Meade—Elburn—Jessie—Helen.

Martha Ann Bryant m. William Greenlee--no children--(she died young)

William Bennett Bryant m. Cassandra Bohannon--CH:--Lee Anderson--Ida Centennial--Mary Elizabeth--Walter Otis--Rose--Josephine--Lily

3. Silas Bryant son of Josiah brother of Anderson was born March 18, 1820 in Guilford Township, and died 1899. He married Matilda McCormack who was born 1816-1836, and died 1913.

Children of Silas and Matilda are:

1. Amanda Bryant
2. Lucy
3. John
4. Nancy
5. Clementine
6. William
7. Albert

Generation No. 3

Woodson was in the 27th. Inf. with Grant and was confined in the Andersonville Prison. When the Civil War broke out they sent three sons to service--James--Woodson and Bennett (then just 16 yrs. old.) (He lied about his age) and served two yrs. Aunt Mollie states "I believe Bennett was in the 122nd and James was with Sherman on the 'March to the Sea'. Soldiers would come walking past our place and father would send them on horseback a piece to relieve them. We were at Coatesville, IN when a big crowd had gathered and they were calling for volunteers and when mother heard that Bennett had enlisted "I thought she would faint. she cried and cried. "Members of the (Golden Circle' (democrats came to the top of our hill and shouted abuses at my father and said he wanted his daughter to marry Negroes'.

(Almost all of the above information has been taken from the interview by Mrs. Marion Greenlee-Jefferies of her great Aunt Mollie Bryant.) Mollie lived most of her married life in Clay Co., IL. and Effingham, IL.

Anderson and Sarah Bryant are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville, IN.

Woodson Bryant (Anderson 2, Josiah1) was born September 20, 1839 and died 1912. He married (1) Thersa Benbow who was born 1835 - 1853 and died March 13, 1866. He married (2) Mahala Emma Fansler who was born

Woodson Bryant was a constable of Clay Township 1880-1882. He was a Sheriff of Hendricks County 1886-1888.

Woodson Bryant (1st. Wife) Thirza A. Benbow b. ? d. 10/29/1871. One child. Florence b. 7/21/1867 d. 5/22/1941

(2nd) Emma Fansler b. 1858 d. 5/22/1886 at Joppa, IN.–CH:–Paul b. 3/24/1877 d. 8/6/1920–Grace E. b. 7/4/1880 d. 10/30/1932–Emit Bryant b. 10/4/1886 d. age 11 months.

(3rd) Alice Frances Goldman b. 1865 d. 9/13/1921 in CA.–CH:–Horace Meade b. 5/25/1889 d. 9/1921–Jessie F. b. 1/17/1892 d. 12/13/1962 lived in Washington State.–Elberon W. b. 7/15/1894 d. 4/25/1921–Helen b. 10/18/1899 d. 5/16/1964