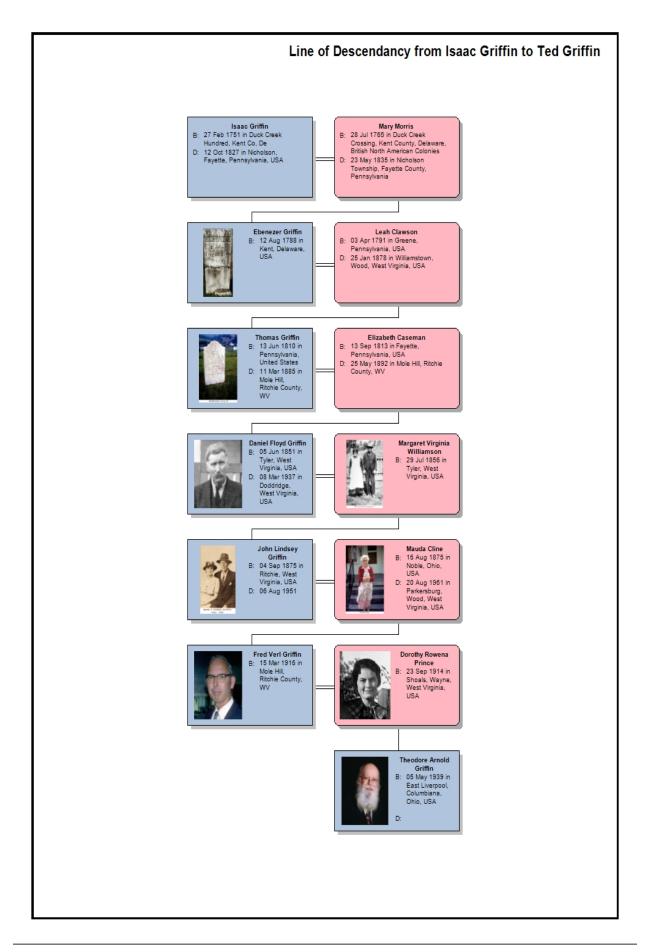
# Isaac Griffin

# Revolutionary War Veteran

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#### Generation 1

 ISAAC<sup>1</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 27 Feb 1751 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent Co, De. He died on 12 Oct 1827 in Nicholson, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. He married MARY MORRIS. She was born on 28 Jul 1765 in Duck Creek Crossing, Kent County, Delaware, British North American Colonies. She died on 23 May 1835 in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

#### Notes for Isaac Griffin:

GRIFFIN, Isaac, (great-grandfather of Eugene McLanahan Wilson and great-great-grandfather of Charles Hudson Griffin), a Representative from Pennsylvania; born in Kent County, Del., February 27, 1756; attended the public schools; moved to Fayette County, Pa., and engaged in agricultural pursuits; commissioned a captain during the Revolutionary War; appointed justice of the peace in 1794; elected a member of the Pennsylvania house of representatives in 1807 and served four terms; elected as a Republican to the Thirteenth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Smilie; reelected to the Fourteenth Congress and served from May 24, 1813, to March 3, 1817; unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1816 to the Fifteenth Congress; died from the effects of a fall from a wagon, on his estate in Nicholson Township, Pa., October 12, 1827; interment on what was known as the old Woods farm, Nicholson Township, Pa.

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Isaac Griffin, a son of tavern keeper Samuel Griffin and his wife Martha, was born February 27, 1751, in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware. This was near the present town of Smyrna. He grew into an imposing figure of a man--six feet two inches tall, physically powerful, black hair, very dark complexion, deep blue eyes, and features of the Roman type. generally he was modest and retiring, but had something of a reckless disposition, and he was quick to resent an insult.

When Isaac was eighteen he inherited 177 pounds from his father, a considerable sum in those days. He appears to have used it wisely, acquiring land in the area. In 1774 he had won the heart of a young Quakeress, names Mary Morris, whose family Were strict Friends. She was locked in a room upstairs to prevent her union with the young worldling. He found out the situation, obtained a ladder, put it to the window, and she climbed down and eloped with him. A meeting of the Friends was called, when she was notified that, "If thee will say thee is sorry that thee married Isaac, thee can stay in." But as she would not say it, she was expelled from their membership. Mary was a daughter of James and Ann (Tilton) Morris of Duck Creek Cross Roads, and was born on July 28, 1756.

Isaac Griffin enlisted in the Continental army, January, 1776, for one year, in Colonel Haslet's regiment, 1st Company, Captain John Patten. He went into active service in August, and was under fire at the battle of Long Island, where Col. Haslet's men assisted the Maryland Line in holding the British troops at bay until Washington withdrew his forces across East river. The regiment again distinguished itself at White Plains, and was publicly thanked by Lord Sterling, who was in command. He was in the fighting at Trenton, and was at Princeton, where his colonel was killed.

Inquiry at the Department of State, Washington, D. C, brought the following reply : " On the Muster roll of Captain Robert Kirk wood's Company in the Delaware Regiment, commanded by Col. David Hall, Sept. 9, 1778, in the custody of this Department, the name of Isaac Griffin appears as a private who enlisted for the war, and at the above date was reported sick in camp."

He was again, in 1781, reported in camp near New York. The Delaware Line "had a record second to none in the Army." It participated in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, and was at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777-78. Going south in 1781, the regiment was almost annihilated at the battle of Camden. The remnant was incorporated with the Maryland Line ; and, together, they won many laurels.

Kirkwood's Battalion was praised by Baron de Kalb, and was thanked by Congress after the battle

of Cowpens.

The following letter to his wife belongs to this period of his service :

Feb. 1, 1777.

My Dear Wife -

I cannot neglect the opportunity of informing vou where I am, and likewise concerning my health. "We arrived at Morristown Sunday evening, Jan. 26th, after a most fatiguing March and have remained here since. Our time is now out and our people are returning home. I shall stay a few days longer with Benny Hazen

who is extremely bad, and has been sick about a week. Notwithstanding the desire I have to come home and see my dear little girls, I could not leave Hazen so far from home, at the point of death, without friends or relatives. As soon as he is able to travel we shall proceed homeward. We have very little news at Headquarters. To day was heard a very heavy firing towards Brunswick, but we have no particulars. Our Militia gets no honour by this tramp. The General was very angry at their going home without rendering any benefit to the Colonies. I have been very hearty since I left home - have sometimes a little of the Sciataka and quickstep, as we call it here, but nothing to hurt me.

I shall conclude by wishing you all manner of health and happiness until my return, which I hope will be shortly. Remember me to all enquiring friends and accept my love. from your Husband,

(Signed) Isaac Griffith.

He re-enlisted for the duration of the war. During his service he was mainly instrumental in capturing the leader of a group of Tories, Cheney Clow. The adherents of Clow hated Griffin intensely, and after the close of the war his personal safety was endangered.

Colonel Thomas Collins was ordered by Washington to report with his Delaware militia at Morristown, for immediate service. It appears that they marched to Morristown and then marched back again, without rendering the country any service. Washington, in a letter to Col. Collins, dated January 21st, 1777, says :

"To my great surprise I was applied to this morning to discharge your Battalion. If I am not mistaken it came in on Sunday last . . . What service have they been of? None- unless marching from home . . . and staying four weeks on the way can be called service." It is probable that their reason for asking to be discharged was that their time had expired; for, Washington in the same letter says : "their time of service cannot commence till they were equipped and ready to take the field. Dating it from thence they ought to stay six weeks after they marched from Philadelphia." He would not discharge them, nor would allow them pay for the time they were with him. (" More Colonial Homesteads," by Marion

Barland, p. o59.)

As it would appear from Isaac Griffin's letter, they had begun the homeward march before the 1st of February.

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Soon after peace was established Isaac Griffin is again found at his home in Delaware. It appears from " The Minutes of the Council of the Delaware

State," that, at the general election held at Duck Creek Cross Roads on the first day of October, 1783, there were, as it is expressed by the committee which investigated the affair, some disorderly and violent proceedings, during which "a box containing the votes then remaining to be read at one of the polls " was carried off. In the investigation which followed, several persons connected with the Griffin family, either bearing its name or joined to it by marriage, are mentioned, either as participants or witnesses of the proceedings. They were Samuel Griffin, Isaac Griffin, Joseph Meredith and Enoch Jones. Isaac Griffin is the only one who received any censure as a participant ; the others were called

as witnesses. It is given as the cause for the disturbance that persons had been allowed to vote who had not taken the oath of allegiance ; in other words, they had been enemies to the cause for which Isaac Griffin had been fighting and suffering. That such persons had voted was admitted in the investigation. The disgust occasioned by this affair may have had something to do in causing

his emigration from the State.

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Isaac Griffin, like the rest of his family at that time, was a slave owner. With few exceptions, they, when making their wills, made provision for giving freedom to some of their slaves. This must, in a great measure, be attributed to the humane influence of their Quaker neighbors, with whom they were more or less in sympathy, and with whom they had contracted marriage alliances. That it was Quaker influence that induced Isaac Griffin to liberate his slaves is evident ; for, it is found recorded in the manumission book of the Friends' Meeting of Duck Creek, as follows : " I, Isaac Griffin, of Kent County, Delaware State, do hereby manumit and set free all my negroes hereafter named, to witt : Richard, aged 31 ;

Jacob, aged 27 ; Jemima, aged 38 ; Sampson, aged 40." And he bound himself in a penal bond of one hundred pounds to each and every negro named to faithfully carry out this agreement. It is signed 23 December, 1782, and was witnessed by Samuel Pattison and Josiah Wallace."

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An examination of the above-mentioned manumission book discloses the fact that there were set free through the efforts of the Society of Friends of Kent county, from 1775 to 1792, seven hundred and sixteen negro slaves.

Another instance of his charity is given by Morgan Edwards, in his " History of the Baptists of Delaware." Among the temporalities of the Society of Duck Creek Cross Roads, according to Edwards, was " a lot in the town, measuring 7 perches square, the gift of Isaac and Mary Griffin, their deed bearing date of July 1, 1789."

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His enemies constantly harassing him, Isaac began investing in land in Fayette County, Pennsylvania with the intention of moving. The Indians still lingering near, his wife feared to move, so he sold the land. Later, however, she relented, although she had lost her health, and he eventually bought several farms in Fayette County.

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In 1796, Isaac Griffin had established his family in some degree of comfort in their new home, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, whither he had gone soon after the close of the Revolutionarv War. From all accounts he returned to Delaware after

his first visit and remained some years before settling permanently in that region. His daughters were all educated in Delaware, most of them at the school of Miss Susan Hanson, in Wilmington. They made the journeys there and back on horseback.

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Isaac was appointed Justice of the Peace in Fayette County. He served in this capacity for several years. In 1807 he was elected to the State Legislature, and was re-elected until he had served four successive terms. In 1812 he was elected to Congress. It is related of him that upon being notified of this election he brought cloth of home manufacture to Thomas Williams, Esq., of New Geneve, for the purpose of having his make him a suit of clothes. He informed the persons present that "he raised the sheep, carded, spun, dyed and wove the cloth on his premises." Also in this year a gloom was cast over the family when his favorite son, James, was killed in the war with England.

Soon after arriving at their new home in Pennsylvania, Mary joined the Seventh-Day Baptist Church, and remained a consistent member until her death, which occurred in her eightieth year, although she had been an invalid for fifty years. Isaac gave his support to the regular baptist church, but he was not a member. This is said to have caused them to have a Sabbath (Saturday) and a Sunday in their house, but this occasioned no jar, for everything moved on smoothly, and they traveled life's pathway in harmony, although differing widely in most things. The daughters were sent to finishing school in Delaware, the journey there and back being made on horseback.

In 1824 Isaac lost his election due to his opposition to General Jackson. This personal dislike was because\cause of Jackson ordering the hanging of two men in Florida after they had been cleared by court-martial. After Isaac retired from public life he remained on his farm until his death October 12,1827, caused by a fall from a loaded wagon. He was buried on the farm where he lived and died. Also buried in the same place are his wife Mary (Morris) Griffin, who passed away May 23, 1835; and two unmarried daughters, Martha and Margaret.

#### References:

"The Griffin Family - Samuel Griffin of New Castle County on Delaware, Planter, and his Descendants", by Thomas Hale Streets, MD USN 1905. This book is in the library of the Maryland Historical Society of Baltimore.

"The Morris Family of Philadelphia", by Robert C. Moon, in the library of Congress

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From "History of Fayette County," Pennsylvania.

Isaac Griffin was one of the pioneer settlers, as well as one of the most prominent men in public and private life for many years in what is now Nicholson township, owning a large amount of land there, a part of which is known as the Morris farm.

He was a native of Delaware, being born and reared in Kent county in that State. Although wild and reckless while young, he won the heart of a young Quakeress, named Mary Morris, whose family were strict Friends. She was locked in a room upstairs to prevent her union with the young worldling. He found out the situation, obtained a ladder, put it to the window, and she climbed down and eloped with him. This bit of romance has been handed down in that neighborhood to this day. A meeting of the Friends was called, when she was notified that, " If thee will say thee is sorry that thee married Isaac, thee can stay in." But as she would not say it, she was expelled from their membership.

Isaac Griffin was a captain [there is no evidence that he was an officer] in the war of the Revolution, and had a great deal of trouble with the Tories, who were very numerous in Delaware. He was mainly instrumental in capturing their leader,

Chany Clow, who was executed. When Clow came home from the Tory camp. Captain Griffin with his company surrounded the house. He was accompanied by Major Moore. It was dark, and in attempting to reach the door Griffin stumbled and fell. Major Moore got ahead of him and was shot dead by Clow, who said he was sorry it was not Griffin. The adherents of Clow hated Griffin intensely, and after the close of the war his personal safety was endangered. This in part caused him to change his residence.

He bought his first lands in Springhill (now Nicholson) township, Fayette Co., Pa., of the Hardins, but the Indians lingering near, his wife feared to move there. He then traded his western lands to his relative, Charles Griffin, for a farm in Delaware, where the town of Clayton now stands. His wife having lost her health, and his enemies constantly harassing him, she finally consented to go to Western Pennsylvania. He again visited the West and bought land of the Evanses. He afterwards bought several farms, and became one of the most successful stock-raisers on the Monongahela.

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In the "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware," it is stated, under James E. B. Clark, page 754, that : " In 1836 Mr. Clark purchased a small farm in what was then Duck Creek [now Kenton] hundred. On this tract of land stood the Chainey Clouds fort." This land is situated near Downs's Chapel.

Mr. Griffin owned a few negro slaves that he brought with him to Fayette county. [This is evidently an error, as it has been shown that he liberated all his slaves in Delaware.] Soon after he became a citizen of Pennsylvania, the Governor [Mifflin] appointed him justice of the peace, in 1794, in which capacity he served several years. [The charter of New Geneva was acknowledged by Albert Gallatin before him, 31 October, 1797.]

In 1807 he was elected to the Legislature, and was re-elected until he had served four successive terms. In 1809 there were six candidates for the office, but Mr. Griffin ran ahead of all the others, receiving the entire vote of Fayette Co., with the

exception of about two hundred votes. Although living in the opposite end of Fayette county from Mr. John Smilie, Mr. Griffin was appointed by that gentlemen one of the executors of his will, and at his death in 1812, Mr. Griffin was elected to Congress as Mr. Smilie's successor. It is related of him that upon being notified of his election he brought cloth of home manufacture to Thomas Williams, Esq., of New Geneva, for the purpose of having him make him a suit of clothes. He informed the persons present that " he raised the sheep, carded, spun, dyed and wove the cloth on his premises." At a mass-meeting in Uniontown he was nominated for Congress by acclamation. At the election his competitor was General Thomas Meason, a prominent member of the Fayette county bar. He defeated General Meason by a large majority, and was once re-elected without opposition. He served in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Congresses. In 1812 a gloom was cast over him by the death of his favorite son, James Morris Griffin, who was killed in battle in the war with England.

Mr. Griffin voted to sustain Mr. Madison in all his war measures, and ever enjoyed his confidence, as well as that of his constituents. For no vote that he gave during the ten years that he was in public life was he censured ; but for a vote that he

did not give he was blamed. It was said that when the vote was taken to increase the pay of members of Congress he was not in the house. He felt stung by the comments of a writer in his home paper, and would not allow his name used as a candidate for re-election.

In 1824 Mr. Griffin was a Crawford electoral candidate for the Fayette district, but was, of course, defeated, as the State went largely for Jackson.

Mr. Griffin could never be induced to make a public speech, but his conversational powers were of a high order, and these made him a general favorite.

The ablest men of the nation would with pleasure listen to him talk. His personal dislike to General Jackson was caused by the hanging of Alexander Arbuthnot and Robert C. Ambrister in Florida after they were cleared by court-martial.

This opposition to General Jackson caused Mr. Griffin to lose his popularity among his neighbors, where Jackson was a great favorite.

Mr. Griffin had features of the Roman type, with black hair and deep blue eyes. In height he was six feet and two inches, and had a powerful physical organization. Although he was modest and retiring, he possessed a chivalric nature, and he was not slow to resent an insult. While in Congress he had a difficulty with a member from South Carolina, which would have been a serious affair but for the

timely interference of other members. At a public dinner in Uniontown, an Englishman, who was an officer of the old Uniontown Bank, spoke of Mrs.

Madison in the most disgraceful terms, and for this act of ill-breeding Mr. Griffin knocked him down at the table, an act for which he was greatly applauded at the time.

Soon after he settled in his new home in Fayette county, his wife joined Father Woodbridge's Seventh-Day Baptist Church, and remained a consistent member until her death, which occurred in her eightieth year, although she had been an invalid for fifty years. Her husband, although not a member, gave his support to the regular Baptist church. This caused them to have a Sabbath and a Sunday in their house for about forty years, but this occasioned no jar, for everything moved on smoothly, and they traveled life's pathway harmoniously, although differing widely in most things. After Mr. Grifiin retired from public life he remained on his farm until his death, at the age of seventy years, occasioned by a fall from a loaded wagon. The Rev. John Patton, of the Baptist Church [also an emigrant from Delaware], who

performed the funeral service, said, \*\* Mr. Griffin did not attach himself to the church for reasons best known to himself, but he was an Israelite, indeed, in whom there was no guile."

He was buried on the farm where he lived and died, and which he called '\* Providence." Buried in the same place are his wife and two unmarried daughters, Martha and Margaret.

Isaac Griffin and Mary Morris had the following children:

- ANN<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 22 May 1776. She died on 22 Feb 1834. She married James Witter Nicholson, son of Commodore James Nicholson and Frances Witter, on 01 Jan 1797. He was born on 20 Apr 1773 in Nicholson Gap, MD. He died on 06 Oct 1851.
  - ii. MARTHA GRIFFIN was born on 01 May 1779. She died on 20 May 1826.

- 3. iii. HARRIET GRIFFIN was born on 05 Mar 1782. She died on 18 Mar 1835. She married Edward Hall, son of John Hall and Martha ??, about 1800. He was born on 03 Oct 1775 in Delaware, USA. He died on 17 Mar 1852 in Louisa, Iowa, USA.
- 4. iv. SAMUEL GRIFFIN was born on 16 Aug 1785. He died on 09 Mar 1838. He married ESTHER SMYTH. She was born in Virginia, USA.
- 5. v. MARY MORRIS GRIFFIN was born on 01 Jan 1787. She died on 09 Jul 1842. She married Andrew Oliphant, son of Andrew Oliphant, on 24 Jun 1804. He was born in 1774.
- vi. EBENEZER GRIFFIN was born on 12 Aug 1788 in Kent, Delaware, USA. He died on 13 Sep 1848 in Burnt Hill, Williamstown, Wood County, (West) Virginia. He married LEAH CLAWSON. She was born on 03 Apr 1791 in Greene, Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 Jan 1878 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
  - vii. JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN was born on 27 Dec 1789. He died on 18 Dec 1812.

Notes for James Morris Griffin:

He was a soldier in the War of 1812, in Captain James A. McClelland's Company, and was killed in a battle with the Indians at Mississinawa, Ohio. (Streets)

AN OBITUARY OF JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN.

(From the "Spectator," a paper published in Fayette county at that time.) ' How beautiful is death when caused by Virtue.' - Addison.

" Died. On the field of battle at Massissinawa, on the 18th of Dec, last, JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN, third son of Isaac Griffin, Esq., of this county, after having passed his 23rd year. When war was declared by the government of his country against Britain he entered as a private in Capt. McClelland's troop of horse, on condition that they would volunteer their service to the President of the United States, and was one of the few that remained at their post when their companions in arms, for cause not satisfactorily developed, returned home. A detachment under Col. Campbell being ordered to march on a secret expedition, he gallantly volunteered on that service, at the most inclement season of the year, determined to brave the wintry blasts in the wilds of the dreary wilderness for the protection of our defenceless frontiers, and was killed fighting against the savage allies of the more savage and barbarous British Government. It is doubtless a consolation to his connections that he entered the service from no sordid motive, prompted alone by the purest patriotism. His unassuming modesty would not permit of any attempt to obtain a commission, and it is most certain that five dollars a month could be no inducement.

" In these days of degeneracy, when extravagance and speculation have too clearly extended their baleful influence to a great part of the community, patriotism like this is considered by some as visionary and even scoffed at. But it is hoped that we have patriots in numbers sufficient to carry us through, honourably and successfully, the present struggle for our existence as an independent nation. May the example of this virtuous youth stimulate others to stand forth in defense of their injured country."

- 7. viii. ELIZABETH GRIFFIN was born on 26 Nov 1791. She died on 14 Mar 1831. She married Daniel Haymond, son of William Haymond and Cassandra, on 08 Jan 1824 in Harrison County, VA. He was born on 28 Apr 1787. He died on 10 Dec 1874.
- ix. ISAAC GRIFFIN was born on 27 Dec 1793 in Duck Creek, New Castle. DE.. He died on 20 Feb 1826. He married ANN GRIFFIN. She was born in 1801 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pennsylvania, United States. She died in 1870.
  - x. MARGARET GRIFFIN was born on 13 Jul 1795. She died on 05 Oct 1870.

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2. **ANN<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN** (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 22 May 1776. She died on 22 Feb 1834. She married James Witter Nicholson, son of Commodore James Nicholson and Frances Witter, on 01 Jan 1797. He

was born on 20 Apr 1773 in Nicholson Gap, MD. He died on 06 Oct 1851.

Notes for James Witter Nicholson:

James W. Nicholson went to Fayette county, Pennsylvania, with his brother-in-law, Albert Gallatin, and had financial charge of the glass factory which Gallatin established on George's creek, one mile east of New Geneva. This was the first manufactory of the kind west of the Alleghany mountains. It was established in 1794. He afterwards became a merchant in New Geneva. In 1836, he moved to Elk Hills, his country residence, where he died. Nicholson township, in Fayette county, was named in his honor. (Thomas Hale Streets)

James Witter Nicholson and Ann Griffin had the following children:

- i. JAMES<sup>3</sup> NICHOLSON was born on 16 Nov 1799. He died on 02 Dec 1832.
- ii. THOMAS WITTER NICHOLSON was born on 10 Apr 1803. He died in Apr 1869. He married MARY BIFFLE.
- iii. MARY ANN NICHOLSON was born on 15 Apr 1807. She died on 09 Jul 1840. She married ISAAC BEESON.
- iv. FRANCES WITTER NICHOLSON was born on 03 Nov 1808. She died on 17 Jun 1843. She married FRANKLIN BOND.
- v. ALBERT GALLATIN NICHOLSON was born on 03 Jun 1814. He died on 22 Jan 1857.

Notes for Albert Gallatin Nicholson: He was a soldier in the Mexican War. (Streets)

- vi. WILLIAM FEW NICHOLSON was born on 30 May 1816. He died on 31 Dec 1847. He married ELIZABETH COALBANK.
- vii. MARIA NICHOLSON was born on 03 Jul 1820. She died on 02 Aug 1820.
- HARRIET<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 05 Mar 1782. She died on 18 Mar 1835. She married Edward Hall, son of John Hall and Martha ??, about 1800. He was born on 03 Oct 1775 in Delaware, USA. He died on 17 Mar 1852 in Louisa, Iowa, USA.

Notes for Harriet Griffin:

This large family, desiring more room to expand than the mountainous region of Fayette county afforded, about 1836, pre-empted a large tract of land in Louisa county, lowa, whither most of them moved. There the families increased and prospered. It is said that eighteen stalwart grandsons of this couple served in the Union army during the Civil War. Many of their descendants are settled in, or near, Columbus City, Louisa county, Iowa. (Thomas Hale Streets)

Edward Hall and Harriet Griffin had the following children:

- i. ALFRED<sup>3</sup> HALL was born on 17 Sep 1801. He died on 12 Oct 1862.
- ii. LOUISA HALL was born on 19 Oct 1803. She died in Oct 1896. She married THOMAS NEAL.
- iii. ISAAC GRIFFIN HALL was born on 15 Nov 1805 in Green Co., PA. He died on 13 Jun 1848 in Louisa, Iowa, USA. He married Elizabeth A. House in 1828. She was born about 1818 in Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 21 Aug 1860 in Louisa, Iowa, USA.

Notes for Isaac Griffin Hall: Burial - Bretz Cemetary, Columbus Cty,Louisa Co. Iowa

Notes for Elizabeth A. House: Burial - Bretz Cemetary, Columbus Cty,Louisa Co. Iowa

- 9. iv. JAMES GRIFFIN HALL was born on 12 Apr 1808. He died on 02 Jun 1873. He married CELESTIA MILLER.
  - v. JOHN HALL was born on 04 May 1809. He died on 25 Sep 1876. He married FANNIE PATTERSON.
  - vi. JOSEPH TILTON HALL was born on 27 Jul 1812. He died on 09 Oct 1893. He married Mary Louisa Stewart.

- vii. MARY MORRIS HALL was born on 08 May 1815. She died on 29 Sep 1854. She married JOEL BRONSON.
- viii. LEWIS HALL was born on 16 Jul 1817.
- ix. ANN NICHOLSON HALL was born on 31 Oct 1819. She died on 07 Jan 1853. She married G. BARSTOW WILLIAMS.
- x. ELIZABETH HALL was born on 06 Feb 1822. She married ZEBINA WILLIAMS.
- xi. SAMUEL HALL was born on 24 Jun 1824. He married NANCY HANNON.
- xii. HARRIET HALL was born on 14 Nov 1827. She died on 25 Sep 1877. She married JOSHUA S. MURRAY.
- 4. **SAMUEL<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN** (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 16 Aug 1785. He died on 09 Mar 1838. He married **ESTHER SMYTH**. She was born in Virginia, USA.

#### Notes for Samuel Griffin:

Samuel Griffin, for some years after his marriage, resided in Pennsylvania. He emigrated from that state to Ohio, where he lived eight years. From Ohio he went to Kentucky, where he died. After his death his family returned to Ohio, whence they

scattered, James going to Lawrenceburg, Indiana, and Isaac to Iowa. (Thomas Hale Streets)

Samuel Griffin and Esther Smyth had the following children:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 19 Oct 1810. She died on 06 Oct 1895.
- ii. LIVINIA GRIFFIN was born on 04 Dec 1811. She died on 20 Dec 1879.
- 10. iii. JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN was born on 24 Aug 1813. He married (1) MARGARET COX on 23 Sep 1840. He married (2) HANNAH MASON on 29 Dec 1850.
  - iv. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS GRIFFIN was born on 26 Aug 1815. He died on 10 Sep 1843.
  - v. ISAAC HALL GRIFFIN was born on 03 Aug 1817. He married Susan K. Streeter on 25 Dec 1879.
  - vi. SARAH ANN GRIFFIN was born on 23 Oct 1819.
  - vii. MARY GRIFFIN was born on 16 Oct 1821. She died on 23 Mar 1822.
  - viii. HARRIET GRIFFIN was born on 23 Feb 1823. She married Richard Hanke on 04 Apr 1843.
- 11. ix. THOMAS MASTERSON GRIFFIN was born on 21 Mar 1825. He married Amanda Farris on 03 Mar 1859.
  - x. SAMUEL GRIFFIN.
- 5. **MARY MORRIS<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN** (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 01 Jan 1787. She died on 09 Jul 1842. She married Andrew Oliphant, son of Andrew Oliphant, on 24 Jun 1804. He was born in 1774.

# Notes for Andrew Oliphant:

John and Andrew Oliphant, sons of Andrew Oliphant, Sr., were born in Chester county. They commenced the iron business together at Old Fairfield furnace, on George's creek, in George's township, Fayette county. This was one of the first places where pig-iron was made west of the Allegheny mountains - Jacob's Creek, in Westmoreland county, being the only place which contests the honor of priority with it. The Oliphant brothers soon added Fairchance furnace to their works; subsequently, they built Sylvan Forges, all on the same creek. These were lower down, near New Geneva. They made pig-iron at Fairchance, and converted it into bar-iron at Sylvan Forges. They built boats on the Monongahela river at New Geneva, and floated their iron down the river to Pittsburgh and other places on the Ohio. They continued in business together until 1816, when they dissolved partnership and divided the property. Fairchance and Sylvan Forges being of equal value, John gave his brother the choice. He chose Sylvan Forges. (Ellis' " History of Fayette County.")

Andrew Oliphant and Mary Morris Griffin had the following children:

12. i. MARY ANN<sup>3</sup> OLIPHANT was born on 01 May 1807. She died on 12 Jul 1842. She

married Edgar C. Wilson on 22 Nov 1831.

- I. JAMES MORRIS OLIPHANT was born on 11 Jun 1810. He died on 09 Feb 1866. He married (1) CAROLINE TOUCEY on 12 Apr 1832. She was born in Lawrenceburg, Dearborn, Indiana, USA. He married (2) MARGARET HERTZOG on 08 Jun 1837. She was born in Smithfield, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. He married (3) MARY BERRY CORSE, daughter of James Rigby Corse and Rebecca Morris, on 30 Apr 1845. She was born on 22 Apr 1814. She died on 08 Feb 1858.
  - iii. NATHANIEL BREADING OLIPHANT was born on 27 Jun 1821. He died on 26 Apr 1822.
- 14. iv. ELIZABETH HAYMOND OLIPHANT was born on 19 Apr 1826. She married James Johnson Linn, son of ? Linn, on 19 Feb 1850. He was born in Brownsville, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA.
  - v. OMER TOUCEY OLIPHANT was born on 13 Feb 1833. He died on 25 Apr 1835.
- EBENEZER<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Aug 1788 in Kent, Delaware, USA. He died on 13 Sep 1848 in Burnt Hill, Williamstown, Wood County, (West) Virginia. He married LEAH CLAWSON. She was born on 03 Apr 1791 in Greene, Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 Jan 1878 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Ebenezer Griffin:

About 1836, this family moved from Pennsylvania to what is now West Virginia. Many of their descendants are still living in the latter state. (Thomas Hale Streets)

Ebenezer Griffin and Leah Clawson had the following children:

- THOMAS<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 13 Jun 1810 in Pennsylvania, United States. He died on 11 Mar 1885 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married Elizabeth Caseman, daughter of John Caseman and Lydia Boyd, on 13 Sep 1832 in Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. She was born on 13 Sep 1813 in Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 May 1892 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.
- 16. ii. MARY F. GRIFFIN was born on 21 Nov 1811. She died on 15 Nov 1862. She married (1) DAVID HUSTED on 15 Sep 1832. She married (2) WILLIAM ZERLEY in 1845.
- GARRETT CLAWSON GRIFFIN was born on 22 May 1815 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 13 Jun 1861 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He married Lydia Husted on 07 Nov 1833. She was born on 03 Nov 1813. She died on 06 Feb 1876 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States.
- iv. MARIA N. GRIFFIN was born in 1818 in Fayette City, Fayette, Pennsylvania, United States. She died on 17 Nov 1852 in Wood Co, VA now, West Virginia, United States. She married Edward M. Roe on 20 Nov 1838.
- 19. v. KEZIAH GRIFFIN was born on 15 Mar 1820. She married Richard W. Dotson on 15 Jan 1837.
- vi. ALPHEUS ALFRED GRIFFIN was born on 06 Jan 1827 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. He died on 13 Mar 1922 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Sonetta Sidney Padget, daughter of Charles Padget, on 16 Mar 1848 in Williamstown, VA (Now WVa). She was born on 23 Feb 1821 in Williamstown, VA (Now WVa). She died on 02 Feb 1892 in Williamstown, VA, Wood Co., (Now WVa).
- ELIZABETH<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 26 Nov 1791. She died on 14 Mar 1831. She married Daniel Haymond, son of William Haymond and Cassandra, on 08 Jan 1824 in Harrison County, VA. He was born on 28 Apr 1787. He died on 10 Dec 1874.

# Notes for Daniel Haymond:

Daniel Haymond was a man of prominence and wealth. He held county offices, and was a member of the Virginia legislature at Richmond. He was married four times, and he and his wives are buried at Mole Hill, Ritchie county. West Virginia. These facts and dates were obtained from "The Genealogy of the Sharpless Family."

Daniel Haymond and Elizabeth Griffin had the following children:

- i. CASSANDRA<sup>3</sup> HAYMOND was born on 22 Dec 1824. She died on 01 Jun 1871.
- ii. MARY ANN HAYMOND was born on 01 Oct 1826. She died on 28 Jul 1871. She married SAUL THOMAS.
- iii. FRANCES HAYMOND was born on 18 Feb 1829.
- 8. **ISAAC<sup>2</sup> GRIFFIN** (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 27 Dec 1793 in Duck Creek, New Castle. DE.. He died on 20 Feb 1826. He married **ANN GRIFFIN**. She was born in 1801 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pennsylvania, United States. She died in 1870.

#### Notes for Ann Griffin:

Ann Griffin accompanied her son to Texas in 1851, and died there. She was second cousin, once removed, of her husband. (Streets)

Isaac Griffin and Ann Griffin had the following child:

 JOSEPH EZEKIEL<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN was born in 1821 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pa.. He died on 01 Dec 1888 in Harris County, Texas, USA. He married (1) ELLEN E. ALLLISON in 1858. She was born in Waynesburgh, PA. She died in 1859 in Montgomery, Texas, USA. He married (2) MARTHA HUGHES.

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9. **JAMES GRIFFIN<sup>3</sup> HALL** (Harriet<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 12 Apr 1808. He died on 02 Jun 1873. He married **CELESTIA MILLER**.

James Griffin Hall and Celestia Miller had the following child:

- ARTHUR WRIGHT<sup>4</sup> HALL was born in 1852. He died in 1931. He married ELLA ANNETTE YOUNG. She was born in 1861. She died in 1939.
- JAMES MORRIS<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 24 Aug 1813. He married (1) MARGARET COX on 23 Sep 1840. He married (2) HANNAH MASON on 29 Dec 1850.

James Morris Griffin and Margaret Cox had the following children:

- i. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 13 Oct 1841. He married LUCY SMEAD.
- ii. ESTHER ELIZA GRIFFIN was born on 23 Jul 1844. She died on 23 Mar 1878. She married EDWARD STANLEY.

James Morris Griffin and Hannah Mason had the following children:

- iii. LAVINIA GRIFFIN was born on 09 Oct 1852. She married Hiram Wasson on 04 Jul 1876.
- iv. AMANDA GRIFFIN was born on 09 Nov 1854. She married RANDOLPH MILES.
- v. ALBERT GALLATIN GRIFFIN was born on 15 Oct 1856. He died in Sep 1859.
- vi. JAMES MADISON GRIFFIN was born on 27 Apr 1858.
- vii. ROSABEL GRIFFIN was born on 03 Dec 1859. She died on 27 Jan 1890. She married CORNELIUS JOHNSON.
- 11. **THOMAS MASTERSON<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN** (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 21 Mar 1825. He married Amanda Farris on 03 Mar 1859.

Notes for Thomas Masterson Griffin:

Thomas M. Griffin was a soldier in the Mexican War. At the close of that war he settled at Utica, Hinds County, Mississippi, where, later, he became engaged in cotton planting. He was a captain in the Confederate army during the Civil War. He has been twice elected to the state legislature of Mississippi. (Thomas Hale Streets)

Thomas Masterson Griffin and Amanda Farris had the following children:

- i. WILLIAM TAYLOR<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 10 Jun 1860.
- ii. MARTHA ESTHER GRIFFIN was born on 03 Aug 1864. She married F. A. PEYTON.

- iii. HARRIET MARIA GRIFFIN was born on 26 Apr 1867.
- iv. SAMUEL FARRIS GRIFFIN was born on 23 Nov 1869. He died on 26 Dec 1869.
- v. FANNIE LIZZIE GRIFFIN was born on 24 Jan 1871. She married JAMES C. ROSS JR..
- vi. CHARLES FARRIS GRIFFIN was born on 13 Jan 1874.
- vii. THOMAS MASTERSON GRIFFIN was born on 28 Jul 1876.
- viii. ROSA PEARL GRIFFIN was born on 23 Oct 1879.
- ix. FRANK EUGENE GRIFFIN was born on 09 Dec 1882.
- 12. **MARY ANN<sup>3</sup> OLIPHANT** (Mary Morris<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 01 May 1807. She died on 12 Jul 1842. She married Edgar C. Wilson on 22 Nov 1831.

#### Notes for Edgar C. Wilson:

Edgar C. Wilson was a native of Virginia ; was a son of Thomas Wilson, of Virginia ; was a Representative in Congress from that State from 1833 to 1835; died at Morgantown, Va., May, 1860." (Lanman's "Biographical Annals.") (Thomas Hale Streets)

Edgar C. Wilson and Mary Ann Oliphant had the following children:

i. EUGENIUS M.<sup>4</sup> WILSON was born on 25 Dec 1833. He died on 10 Apr 1890. He married ELIZABETH KIMBALL.

Notes for Eugenius M. Wilson:

"Eugene M. Wilson, born in Morgan county, Va. . December 25, 1833, graduated at Jefferson College in 1852, studied law and removed to Minnesota in 1855; was United States District Attorney for Minnesota from 1857 to 1861; served as a Captain in the war for the Union; was elected a Representative from Minnesota to the Forty-first Congress, serving on the Committees on Public Lands and the Pacific Railroads. His father, Edgar C. Wilson, his grandfather, Thomas Wilson, of Virginia, and his great-grandfather, Isaac Griffin, were all Representatives in Congress." (Lanman's "Biographical Annals.") "Thomas Wilson was a Representative in Congress from Virginia from 1811 to 1813. He died January 24, 1826." (Ibid.) Eugene M. Wilson died at Nassau, Bahama Islands. (Thomas Hale Streets)

- ii. JAMES OLIPHANT WILSON was born on 16 Jun 1836. He died on 23 Sep 1853.
- iii. LOWRIE WILSON was born on 04 Feb 1838. He died in Mar 1867.

Notes for Lowrie Wilson: Died unmarried (Streets)

- iv. CAROLINE LOUISA WILSON was born on 16 Mar 1840. She married WILLIAM WOODBRIDGE MCNAIR. He was born in Minneapolis, Anoka, Minnesota, USA.
- 13. JAMES MORRIS<sup>3</sup> OLIPHANT (Mary Morris<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 11 Jun 1810. He died on 09 Feb 1866. He married (1) CAROLINE TOUCEY on 12 Apr 1832. She was born in Lawrenceburg, Dearborn, Indiana, USA. He married (2) MARGARET HERTZOG on 08 Jun 1837. She was born in Smithfield, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. He married (3) MARY BERRY CORSE, daughter of James Rigby Corse and Rebecca Morris, on 30 Apr 1845. She was born on 22 Apr 1814. She died on 08 Feb 1858.

James Morris Oliphant and Caroline Toucey had the following children:

- i. MARY LYDIA<sup>4</sup> OLIPHANT was born on 27 May 1833. She died on 27 May 1835.
- ii. LUCINDA TOUCEY OLIPHANT was born on 20 Dec 1834. She died on 03 Aug 1835.

James Morris Oliphant and Margaret Hertzog had the following child:

iii. CAROLINE TOUCEY OLIPHANT was born on 18 Mar 1839. She died on 11 Apr 1862.

Notes for Caroline Toucey Oliphant: Unmarried (Streets)

James Morris Oliphant and Mary Berry Corse had the following children:

- iv. REBECCA CORSE OLIPHANT was born on 12 Feb 1846. She died on 25 Mar 1884. She married JOHN BECHOP GILFILLAN. He was born in Minneapolis, Anoka, Minnesota, USA.
- v. MARY ALICE OLIPHANT was born on 23 Feb 1848. She married CARROLL T. HOBART. He was born in Red Bank, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA.
- vi. ANDREW JAMES OLIPHANT was born on 05 Nov 1849. He died on 02 Oct 1850.
- 14. **ELIZABETH HAYMOND<sup>3</sup> OLIPHANT** (Mary Morris<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 19 Apr 1826. She married James Johnson Linn, son of ? Linn, on 19 Feb 1850. He was born in Brownsville, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA.

James Johnson Linn and Elizabeth Haymond Oliphant had the following children:

- i. ANNA M.<sup>4</sup> LINN was born on 02 Apr 1851.
- ii. LIZZIE BELLE LINN was born on 25 Nov 1855. She married CLARENCE OSBORNE NASH.
- iii. FLORENCE LINN was born on 17 Nov 1858. She died on 19 Feb 1859.
- 15. THOMAS<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 13 Jun 1810 in Pennsylvania, United States. He died on 11 Mar 1885 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married Elizabeth Caseman, daughter of John Caseman and Lydia Boyd, on 13 Sep 1832 in Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. She was born on 13 Sep 1813 in Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 May 1892 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.

Notes for Thomas Griffin: Moved to Ritchie Co in September of 1837.

Died of Pneumonia and buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co, WV. His death record in Ritchie County gives his date of death as 1 March, 1884, his age as 75, and his birthplace as PA. This information reported by Isaiah Griffin.

The following information was provided by K. William Bailey:

He was a farmer. One account says he and his family came to the area of present Ritchie County in September, 1837 (Ritchie County was formed in 1843 from Harrison, Wood and Lewis counties). There is a Thomas Griffin listed in Tyler County in the 1840 census index. He and Elizabeth Caseman appeared on the census of 1850 Doddridge Co., VA; his age was given as 40 and he was described as a "sawyer". She was said to be 34, born PA. Others listed in the household were: Isaiah, 13; William J., 12; Lydia A., 10; Ebenezer, 8; Alpeus, 6; Amandy, 4; and Sarah E., age 2. All children, but for Isaiah, were born in VA - he was born in PA. He and Elizabeth Caseman appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was listed as a farmer, age 50, born in PA, while she was reported as 47, also born in PA. Others in the home were Isaiah, age 24; William J., age 22; Lydia A., age 21; Ebenezer, age 19; Alpheus, age 17; Amody (male), age 14; Sarah E., age 12; Daniel F., age 9; and Cassy, age 4. He and Elizabeth Caseman appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; he was described as a carpenter, age 60, while she was listed as a housekeeper, age 47. Also living in the home were Sarah E., age 21; Daniel F., age 18; Cassander, age 15; and Amos Whitecotton, age 35, a stone mason born in Virginia. He and Elizabeth Caseman appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV; his age was given as 70, and hers as 66.

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Great Grandaughter Delcie Geneva Griffin Haymond had Thomas' family bible as of 1970 according to Great Grandaughter Lydia Williamson Ireland.

Notes for Elizabeth Caseman: Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co. WV.

Elizabeth Caseman was also known as Elizabeth Casement. She was born on 13 September 1813 Fayette Co., PA. She appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV; her age was listed as 66, and birthplace recorded as PA, as were her parents. She died on 25 May 1892 Ritchie Co., WV, at age 78. She was buried Molehill, Ritchie Co., WV. She was also known as Elizabeth Wiseman in the death record for Isaiah Griffin. As of 1937, she was also known as Elizabeth Coseman in the death record of Daniel F. Griffin. (K. William Bailey)

I remember Grandpop (Isaiah) Griffin's mother (Elizabeth). She had a cancer all over her face. It was eatin' her nose off. Eat her upper lip, nose, she was an awful looking thing. I know that to be a fact. Will Caseman and my dad (Isaac "Ike" Rowe) both had a cancer on their nose and they went to Pennsylvania and saw a cancer doctor and the old man fixed them up with a lot of medicine they could use and they come back home. Well, dad, he took to his midicine faithful and used it and he cured his cancer, and lived and I doubt that's what killed him, but Uncle Will, he fiddled around and 'cause it hurt a little, he neglected it and it finally killed him. (Gt Grandson Wilbert Marcellus Rowe)

Thomas Griffin and Elizabeth Caseman had the following children:

- i. MARY S.<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 07 Jun 1833 in Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. She married Daniel Lacy on 15 Sep 1855 in Ritchie Co., VA.
- ISAIAH GRIFFIN was born on 17 Jan 1836 in Greene, Pennsylvania, USA. He died on 17 Apr 1923 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married (1) ELIZABETH B. DOAK, daughter of Alexander Doak and Eliza Ireland, on 04 Oct 1860 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 30 Sep 1839 in Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 Dec 1891 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married (2) ELIZABETH GRIMM, daughter of Samuel Grimm and Martha J. Doak, on 27 Oct 1895 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 22 May 1860 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 17 Aug 1910 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.
  - iii. WILLIAM ERVAN GRIFFIN was born on 21 Oct 1837 in , , Virginia, USA. He married Harriet S. Griffin on 24 Feb 1884. She was born about 1846 in Ohio.

Notes for William Ervan Griffin:

Although the Streets genealogy of the Griffin family gives his name as William E., the 1860 census of Ritchie Co. gives his name as William J. and the 1880 Tyler Co. census reports it was William C. He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; his age was listed as 22, and his occupation as farm hand. He was living with his parents. He appeared on the census of 1880 Tyler Co., WV; also listed in the home was Fenora B. Hess, a niece, age 14. (K. William Bailey)

iv. LYDIA ANNA GRIFFIN was born on 02 Sep 1839. She died on 02 Oct 1867 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Lydia Anna Griffin: No children, lived in Wick, WV.

She appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; she was 21 and living with her parents. (K. William Bailey)

- v. EBENEZER GRIFFIN was born on 18 Jan 1842 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He died on 27 Dec 1894 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married Lydia M. Freeman on 15 Aug 1869. She was born on 16 Oct 1844 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She died on 26 Apr 1923 in West Virginia, United States.
  - vi. ALPHEUS GRIFFIN was born on 18 Dec 1843.

Notes for Alpheus Griffin: WPA records showed an unmarked grave for an "Alphaus" Griffin at the Molehill

cemetery.

He appeared on the census of 1850 Doddridge Co., VA; he was listed as "Alpeus", age 6, born VA, in his parents' home. He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was 17 and living with his parents. Source - K. William Bailey

vii. ALMADA GRIFFIN was born on 01 May 1846.

Notes for Almada Griffin:

He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was listed as "Armody", age 14, in his parents' home. Source - K. William Bailey

- 25. viii. SARAH ELIZABETH GRIFFIN was born on 05 Jan 1849 in Tyler Co., VA. She died on 16 Jan 1875. She married David Jackson Kendall, son of Jeremiah Kendall and Delila ??, on 25 Jan 1872 in Tyler, Charles, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1851 in Virginia. He died on 28 Jul 1882 in Tyler County, West Virginia, USA.
- 26. ix. DANIEL FLOYD GRIFFIN was born on 05 Jun 1851 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. He died on 08 Mar 1937 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married MARGARET VIRGINIA WILLIAMSON. She was born on 29 Jul 1856 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died on 02 Dec 1939 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.
- x. CASANDRA GRIFFIN was born on 14 Feb 1855 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 03 Feb 1902. She married Andrew Jackson Whitecotton, son of Cornelius Whitecotton and Sarah Sponaugle, on 12 Sep 1872 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 25 May 1851 in Highland, Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Dec 1930 in Shawnee, Pottawatomie, Oklahoma, USA.
  - xi. MARRY ICY GRIFFIN was born about 19 Feb 1905.
- MARY F.<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 21 Nov 1811. She died on 15 Nov 1862. She married (1) DAVID HUSTED on 15 Sep 1832. She married (2) WILLIAM ZERLEY in 1845. David Husted and Mary F. Griffin had the following children:
  - i. JAMES THOMPSON<sup>4</sup> HUSTED was born on 10 May 1833. He died on 27 Oct 1859. He married MARY FAIRCHILD.
  - ii. SARAH HUSTED was born on 18 Jul 1836. She died on 17 Jun 1862.
  - iii. LEAH JANE HUSTED was born on 24 Jun 1838. She died on 05 Nov 1857.

William Zerley and Mary F. Griffin had the following children:

- i. MARIE LOUISA<sup>4</sup> ZERLEY was born on 02 Dec 1846. She died on 08 Feb 1866. She married Charles Stantz in 1865.
- ii. MARY ELIZABETH ZERLEY was born on 14 Apr 1850. She died on 19 Jul 1882. She married ? Showalter on 05 Mar 1871.
- iii. ALICE LAVINIA ZERLEY was born on 28 Apr 1852. She married Ellis A. Billingslee on 25 Apr 1872.
- 17. GARRETT CLAWSON<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 22 May 1815 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 13 Jun 1861 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He married Lydia Husted on 07 Nov 1833. She was born on 03 Nov 1813. She died on 06 Feb 1876 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States.

Garrett Clawson Griffin and Lydia Husted had the following children:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 16 Apr 1835. She died on 13 May 1848.
- ii. JOHN ALEXANDER GRIFFIN was born on 05 Mar 1836. He died on 24 Aug 1868. He married SERENA WALKER.
- iii. LOUISA GRIFFIN was born on 09 May 1839. She died on 07 Mar 1891. She married (1) DAVID LOVE. She married (2) A. J. PETIT.
- iv. JAMES OLIPHANT GRIFFIN was born on 31 Dec 1841. He died on 27 Apr 1865.

Notes for James Oliphant Griffin:

James Oliphant Griffin was a soldier in the 50th Ohio regiment of infantry, from 1862 to 1865. He was a prisoner at Andersonville, Ga., and, returning home after hostilities had ceased, lost his life on the steamer "Sultana", which blew up near Memphis, Tennessee. (Streets)

- v. WILLIAM HUSTED GRIFFIN was born on 22 Jan 1844. He married CLARA ANNABELLA UHL.
- vi. GRANT MORRIS GRIFFIN was born on 07 Oct 1846. He married SARAH E. PAGE.
- 28. vii. THOMAS ALPHEUS GRIFFIN was born on 29 May 1849 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 30 Sep 1889 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He married (1) MARY ANGELINE RIDER. She was born on 07 Jul 1853 in Virginia, United States. She died on 19 Sep 1881. He married (2) SARAH HALL.
  - viii. CALVIN MAXWELL GRIFFIN was born on 17 Jan 1852 in Wood Co, VA now, West Virginia, United States. He died on 15 Mar 1861 in Wood Co, VA now, West Virginia, United States.
- MARIA N.<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1818 in Fayette City, Fayette, Pennsylvania, United States. She died on 17 Nov 1852 in Wood Co, VA now, West Virginia, United States. She married Edward M. Roe on 20 Nov 1838.

Edward M. Roe and Maria N. Griffin had the following children:

- i. JAMES M.<sup>4</sup> ROE was born on 02 Nov 1840. He died on 17 Mar 1841.
- ii. MARY LOUISA ROE was born on 29 Sep 1842. She married SAMUEL PATTERSON.
- iii. THEODORE C. ROE was born on 23 Oct 1844. He died on 23 Jul 1846.
- iv. AMERICA ROE was born on 24 Sep 1846. She died on 14 Jan 1877. She married JOHN D. HUTCHINSON.
- v. GEORGIE ANNA ROE was born on 02 Feb 1850. She married ANDREW MCKIBBIN.
- vi. LOUIS EDWARD ROE was born on 07 Nov 1851. He married Ann Patterson on 21 Jun 1894.
- 19. **KEZIAH<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN** (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 15 Mar 1820. She married Richard W. Dotson on 15 Jan 1837.

Richard W. Dotson and Keziah Griffin had the following children:

- i. HELEN MARY<sup>4</sup> DOTSON was born on 12 Aug 1842. She married Preston Groves on 23 May 1884.
- ii. Edgar Dotson.
- iii. ELIZABETH ANN DOTSON was born on 22 Aug 1845. She married JAMES MURPHEY.
- iv. FRANCES CLAWSON DOTSON was born on 21 Sep 1850. She married GEORGE DYE.
- 20. ALPHEUS ALFRED<sup>3</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 06 Jan 1827 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA. He died on 13 Mar 1922 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Sonetta Sidney Padget, daughter of Charles Padget, on 16 Mar 1848 in Williamstown, VA (Now WVa). She was born on 23 Feb 1821 in Williamstown, VA (Now WVa). She died on 02 Feb 1892 in Williamstown, VA, Wood Co., (Now WVa).

Alpheus Alfred Griffin and Sonetta Sidney Padget had the following children:

- i. JAMES A.<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 15 Mar 1849. He married Mary E. Baker on 19 Oct 1880.
- ii. THOMAS HENRY GRIFFIN was born on 13 Jun 1850 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 11 Nov 1930 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 29. iii. WILLIAM GARRETT GRIFFIN was born on 20 Nov 1851 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 12 Jul 1909 in Williamstown, Wood, West

Virginia, United States. He married SARAH JANE RIDER. She was born on 12 Jun 1855 in Williamstown, Wood Co., WV. She died on 02 Nov 1909 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States.

- iv. EDWARD R. GRIFFIN was born on 30 Jun 1853 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 26 Dec 1853 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- v. CHARLES E. GRIFFIN was born on 27 Oct 1855. He married RUTH DEVOL.
- vi. LEAH A. GRIFFIN was born on 06 Oct 1857 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died in 1898 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married CHARLES M. MCKINZIE. He was born in 1851. He died in 1899 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 30. vii. GEORGE EBENEZER GRIFFIN was born on 02 Feb 1859 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 10 Jan 1944 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Lucy Berry Hazlerigg, daughter of John Hazlerigg and Maria Noffsinger, on 06 Nov 1881 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 03 Jun 1861 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died on 04 Mar 1953 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 21. **JOSEPH EZEKIEL**<sup>3</sup> **GRIFFIN** (Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1821 in New Geneva, Fayette, Pa.. He died on 01 Dec 1888 in Harris County, Texas, USA. He married (1) **ELLEN E. ALLISON** in 1858. She was born in Waynesburgh, PA. She died in 1859 in Montgomery, Texas, USA. He married (2) **MARTHA HUGHES**.

#### Notes for Joseph Ezekiel Griffin:

Joseph E. Griffin was a member of the state legislature of Pennsylvania, from Fayette County, in 1849 and 1850. In 1851 he moved to Montgomery county, Texas, where he died. His first wife also died there, of the yellow fever. he was a soldier in the Civil War for four years or more. Much information of the early history of the family was obtained from Joseph E. Griffin, who inherited traditions through two lines of descent. (Streets)

Joseph Ezekiel Griffin and Ellen E. Alllison had the following child:

 CHARLES BLACK<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 29 Mar 1859 in Montgomery, Texas, USA. He died on 23 May 1917 in Puerto Rico, USA. He married (1) MARY SITTON. He married (2) LEE KENNEDY. She was born on 12 Dec 1869 in Texas. She died on 10 Oct 1943.

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22. **ARTHUR WRIGHT**<sup>4</sup> **HALL** (James Griffin<sup>3</sup>, Harriet<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born in 1852. He died in 1931. He married **ELLA ANNETTE YOUNG**. She was born in 1861. She died in 1939.

Arthur Wright Hall and Ella Annette Young had the following child:

i. JAMES NORMAN<sup>5</sup> HALL was born in 1887.

Notes for James Norman Hall: Author - Wrote "Mutiny on the Bounty" WWI Aviator

23. ISAIAH<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 17 Jan 1836 in Greene, Pennsylvania, USA. He died on 17 Apr 1923 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married (1) ELIZABETH B. DOAK, daughter of Alexander Doak and Eliza Ireland, on 04 Oct 1860 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 30 Sep 1839 in Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 25 Dec 1891 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married (2) ELIZABETH GRIMM, daughter of Samuel Grimm and Martha J. Doak, on 27 Oct 1895 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 22 May 1860 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 17 Aug 1910 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.

Notes for Isaiah Griffin: Marriage information from Hardesty, Vol 7, p 70. Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co, WV.

Isaiah's estate was probated 21 April 1923 Ritchie Co., WV; the will was dated 2 Dec 1914 and witnessed by J. H. B. Cunningham and W. M. Haymond. Fiduciaries named were sons-in-law, Newton R. Strickling, I. B. Rowe and W. M. Ash. Named in the will were the following children: Eliza, Edgar, Ida B., Cora E., Earl G., Betha M., Opal, Tink, and Mary.

He appeared on the census of 1850 Doddridge Co., VA; he was listed in his parents' home, age 13, born PA. He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was listed in his parents' home at age 24, a farm hand, born PA. He and Elizabeth B. Doak appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; he was listed as age 34, a farmer, while she was reported as age 32, a housekeeper. Also in the home was William Montgomery, age 23, born Virginia. He appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV.Isaiah was listed as age 44, a farmer, born in PA as were both his parents. Also listed in the home were wife Elizabeth, age 41, born in VA as were both her parents, and their children: Eliza F., Ida Bell, Edgar W., Tinker, Cora Ellen, Dolly B. and Mary T. Also in the home was a boarder, Lindsey Gray, age 22. He was widowed in 1891. He and Elizabeth Grimm appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; he was said to be 64 and she was reported as age 40. They had been married for four years. Others in the home were Earl, son, age 2; Eliza, daughter, age 37; Bertha, daughter, age 16; Ella Richards, step-daughter, age 15; and step-son Homer Richards, age 13. He was a farmer and also had interests in gas and oil leases. (Source - K. William Bailey)

ISAIAH GRIFFIN WILL - (As read into a tape recorder from the document on file in the Ritchie County courthouse by Ted Griffin)

I, Isaiah Griffin, of Mole Hill, Ritchie County, do hereby make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in the manner and form following:

FIRST - I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as conveniently as can be done.

SECOND - I give and bequeath to each and every of my following named children, to wit, Eliza F. Griffin, Edgar Griffin, Ida B. Rowe, Cora Strickland, Earl Griffin, Bertha Griffin and Opal Griffin all of Mole Hill, Ritchie County, West Virginia, and Tink Griffin, Mary Ash and Dolly Racer, all of Tyler County, West Virginia, any surviving, an equal 1/10 share of all of my estate, real personal and mixed, wheresoever situate, of which I may die siezed or possessed, or to which I may be entitled at the time of my decease, and in the event that any of such children shall die before me, leaving no lawful issue surviving, then I give and bequeath to the surviving children, all of my estate as above described, the same to be distributed among such children, share and share alike, that in the event that any of such children shall die before me, I give and bequeath to the surviving, then I give surviving issue of each child, so dying before me, a share in which such child would have inherited under this will, had such child survived me, the same to be distributed among such issue, share and share alike for stirpes and not per-capita.

THIRD - I authorize and empower my executors, hereinafter named, and the survivors and survivor of them to adopt whatever measures they may think best, as fully as I could do if living to make distribution and carry out the provisions of this will.

FOURTH - I nominate, constitute and appoint N. R. Strickling and I. B. Rowe of Ritchie County, West Virginia and W. M. Ash of Tyler County, West Virginia as (?) survivors and survivor of them, as executors of this my last will and testament. I further direct that none of the persons above named as executors shall be required to give any bond or security for the proper discharge of their duties.

FIFTH - I hereby revoke all former or other wills or testamentary dispositions by me at any time heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the 2nd day of December, 1914 in the presence of J. H. B. Cunningham and W. M. Hammond.

Barbara and I visited Mole Hill in 1970 and parked our camper at the old Isaiah Griffin home. Mid & Ben McCullough lived there at that time and had restored the house. This is a transcription of a tape recording I made of her:

Mid - They called him "Gabe"

Ted - How do you suppose he got that nickname?

Mid - I don't know. We had a horse and we called him Gabe Frost, after Isaiah. But that's what they called him. Isaiah hitched up his oxen and he scooted this house across the run (creek). They said the run at that time wasn't as deep as it is now.

Ted - He moved this whole house.....?

Mid - No, he didn't move this part. This part wasn't built. You can see where they've built on later. On the inside of this, there was a great big old chimney. We took it out. The man that lived on our place went up to the top and he let those big rocks down through the throat of the chimney. There were too big to throw over the side of the roof. We've lived here 11 years. We started fixin' about the first of July of 1959. Ben (my husband) later bought Opal's part. It was just 21 acres. Earl wanted him to buy it. It was just woods and brush. Earl's been here. I never had seen him before until he came up from Texas. Isaiah made coffins and one of his businesses was to go and get popular trees wherever he heard tell of one. I suppose he made his coffins out of popular. Most of this house is out of popular. He had an old wagon pulled by oxen, and Ben said it had a thing underneath where it would grab up the logs. That's the way he hauled 'em. He said he went for miles and miles and got popular trees. All of this lumber is popular. Paint sticks on it like nobody's business. This old porch floor here never had been painted. We've put some new ones in to replace some that was rotted out, but the rest had never been painted until we painted them. (Ted Griffin - 1970)

On a visit to Parkersburg in 1970 I (Ted Griffin) made a tape recording of Uncle Carl Griffin -

Carl - John & Mable Miracle, Uncle Bill's daughter, used to stay there (at Isaiah's house) and take care of Opal, Bertha and Liza for a couple of years after Zayre (Isaiah) died. Mable was their first cousin and she took care of them and John fished. John was a fisherman. He didn't do anything but fish. There's not a place on Middle Island that John Miracle don't know and hasn't ever waded, except devil's hole, he never tackled that.

Ted - Why, was it bad?

Carl - There's a lot of people disappeared in Devil's Hole. Never got accounted for. That's in Middle Island. There seems to be a whirlpool that takes 'em down and they never appear again.

Ted - I wasn't aware until yesterday that Isaiah was such a craftsman.

Carl - Oh, he was a wonderful craftsman. So was Grandad Daniel Griffin. He was a craftsman in his own trade, stone-mason. Grandad Daniel Griffin could tell you things on a square that you and I never think of today. There's where your dad Fred gets his knack from, Grandad Daniel right on down through Lindsey. Now Dad Lindsey could read but his writing was very, very vague. You couldn't hardly make it out. But you give him a square and a saw and a hammer, and he could tell you, and lay out things on that square.

Ted - Were the doors in Isaiah's place as pretty when you were there?

Carl - Yes sir! When I was there it was run down. Ben McCullough has give it a face lifting.

Ted - The panels were chestnut. It's just beautiful. I've never seen the like. The wainscoating was also all chestnut. Mid's got a cabinet that she ways was made by Isaiah's dad. That'd be Thomas. You said before that you stayed at Isaiah's. Why?

Carl - I was over to visit and stay with John and Mable Miracle.

Ted - Mid said that Zayr always carried his field glasses with him. Looking for honey bees.

Carl - There was a lot of bee trees over around through there.

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Isaiah had "barrels" of money, with oil wells coming in. He built a church over in Deep Valley, at least he gave a very large donation to it. They were in need of money and he just handed it out to them. That was his church.

(Delcie Geneva Griffin Haymond, Isaiah's grandaughter)

Notes for Elizabeth B. Doak:

Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co, WV

Isaiah Griffin and Elizabeth B. Doak had the following children:

i. ELIZA FRANCIS<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 04 Jul 1862 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 29 Apr 1941 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV.

Notes for Eliza Francis Griffin:

She appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; she was in her parents' home, age 7. She appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; she was 37 and residing with her father and step-mother. She did not marry. Source - K. William Bailey

Eliza's brother Edgar and his wife is the one that looked after 'Liza all the time. He lived there close by and had a farm adjoining. Source - Fred Griffin - 1970

- IDA BELLE GRIFFIN was born on 13 Feb 1864 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She married Isaac B. Rowe on 15 Mar 1883 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born in Nov 1856 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.
  - iii. ALEXANDER GRIFFIN was born on 09 Nov 1865 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He died on 14 Dec 1867 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.

Notes for Alexander Griffin: Lived 1 month and 5 days (according to Mole Hill Cemetery records). An Alexander Griffin was born Nov 9, 1867 according to Ritchie Co Court house records.

- iv. EDGAR W. GRIFFIN was born on 05 Nov 1867. He died on 28 Mar 1967 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married Fayetta C. Peck on 05 Oct 1890 in Ritchie Co., VA. She was born on 04 Dec 1872 in Highland, Virginia, USA. She died on 05 Jan 1911.
- 34. v. TINKER ISAAC GRIFFIN was born on 14 Feb 1870 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Sep 1948. He married Geneva Camcie Bishop, daughter of Joseph Bishop and Rachel Harper, on 09 Jan 1897 in Ritchie Co., VA. She was born on 04 Jan 1873 in Somerton, OH. She died on 20 Sep 1958 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV.
  - vi. ISAAC GRIFFIN was born on 14 Feb 1870.

Notes for Isaac Griffin: According to Hardesty's WVA Counties, Vol 7, p.70

vii. INFANT GRIFFIN was born on 18 Mar 1872. She died on 23 Mar 1872.

- 35. viii. CORA ELLEN GRIFFIN was born on 02 Nov 1873 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV. She died on 23 May 1927 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married Newton Ross Strickling, son of William Strickling and Matilda Lowe, on 16 Apr 1898 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 08 Oct 1872 in Deep Valley, WV. He died on 06 Dec 1926 in Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV.
- ix. DOLLY BIRD GRIFFIN was born on 10 Sep 1876 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died in 1960 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She married Dudley T. Racer on 14 Oct 1899 in New Matamoras, Washington, Ohio, USA. He was born on 28 Dec 1875 in Newport, Washington, Ohio, USA. He died in 1933.
  - x. ANNA MAY GRIFFIN was born on 17 May 1871 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 30 Aug 1872 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Anna May Griffin: Died at age 1 year, 3 months & 13 days (Mole Hill cemetery records).

- xi. MARY THOMAS GRIFFIN was born on 12 Feb 1879 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She married William Morris Ash on 05 Jun 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born about 1875.
  - xii. BERTHA GRIFFIN was born on 09 May 1884 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She died on 10 Jun 1956 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Bertha Griffin:

Bertha had something wrong with her eyes. THey were always just as red, the lids, eyeballs and everything and she couldn't see. She could discern night and day, but she couldn't see, so therefore she couldn't hardly get around. (Fred Griffin - 1970)

Notes for Elizabeth Grimm:

He was listed as age 59, born Greene Co., PA. She was listed as Mrs. Elizabeth J. Richards, age 35. She was an aunt of Isaiah's first wife. (K. William Bailey)

Isaiah Griffin and Elizabeth Grimm had the following children:

xiii. EARL G GRIFFIN was born on 02 Jul 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died in Mar 1982. He married (1) HARRIET MARIE BRADFORD, daughter of W. P. Bradford and Mattie E. Lowther, on 30 Aug 1919 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born in 1901. He married (2) LILLIAN EDWARDS in 1932. She was born in 1907.

Notes for Earl G Griffin:

Oil field worker, 609 W. Foster St., Pampa, TX (Doak p43) I have several letters from him on file from the mid to later '60s. (Ted Griffin)

"I remember how I used to admire Earl Griffin as being one of the nicest looking men I knew." J(Fred Griffin)

xiv. OPAL GRIFFIN was born on 22 Feb 1903. She died in 1957.

Notes for Opal Griffin:

Opal was mentally retarded. I'm sure you've heard me talk about her. Sometimes I would be in Oopal's presence and she was fine, then as I got older, I got afraid of her. She would do such funny, ueer, odd things. Maybe it's because of an inner-family marriage problem, and I think there was there, and I think if you'll check back in the history maybe you'll find out that there's relations married relations. I've often wondered about that, I don't believe that anyone's ever told me that this is the case, but I have a feeling that was true. (Fred Griffin - 1970)

24. EBENEZER<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 18 Jan 1842 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He died on 27 Dec 1894 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He married Lydia M. Freeman on 15 Aug 1869. She was born on 16 Oct 1844 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She died on 26 Apr 1923 in West Virginia, United States.

Notes for Ebenezer Griffin:

Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co, WV. Stone reads "WPA - Co. A, 6th WV Cav., CW"

An E. Griffin died Dec 27, 1897, age 52 - Ritchie Co Records

He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was 19 and living with his parents. He served during the Civil War as a member of Company K of the 6th Regiment of the WV Calvary Volunteers. He and Lydia M. Freeman appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., VA; he was listed as a farmer, age 28 and she was reported to be 25, a housekeeper. He appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV; listed as farmer, age 39, born in VA. Source - K. William Bailey

Notes for Lydia M. Freeman:

She appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; she was listed as the head of the household, a widow aged 55, with children Alvin E., 23; Joseph K., age 20; Flora E., 14; and Thomas E., age 9. (K. William Bailey)

Ebenezer Griffin and Lydia M. Freeman had the following children:

- 38. i. AUTIE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN. She married JIM LOWE.
- 39. ii. JODE GRIFFIN. He married NANCY DAVIS.
  - iii. LEOTA GRIFFIN was born about 1871.
- 40. iv. MILTON GRIFFIN was born on 04 Mar 1874 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He died in 1958 in Coleman Cemetery, West Union WV. He married Millie Vore, daughter of Ellis Vore and Hannah Long, on 18 Oct 1894 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Dec 1872 in Belmont Co., OH. She died on 30 May 1931 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.
  - v. ALVIN GRIFFIN was born on 04 Nov 1876. He married Viola Dotson, daughter of Finley Dotson and Margaret Rowe, on 20 Apr 1904 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Alvin Griffin: Birthdate according to Ritchie Co Records.

Laborer, Myrtle St., Parkersburg, WV (Doak p31)

- 41. vi. JOSEPH K. GRIFFIN was born on 31 Jul 1879. He married Nancy B. Davis on 14 Jun 1901 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born about 1882.
- 42. vii. MARY EMMA GRIFFIN was born in May 1881 in West Virginia, USA. She married David Mathew (D. M.) Williamson, son of Perlina ??, on 19 Apr 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born in Oct 1874 in West Virginia, USA.
- 43. viii. FLORA ELLEN GRIFFIN was born on 10 Feb 1886 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 22 Jan 1972 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States. She married Charles Braxton Harris on 24 Dec 1903 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 30 Oct 1879 in Doddridge, West Virginia, United States. He died on 20 Sep 1955 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
- 44. ix. THOMAS EMERSON GRIFFIN was born on 25 Aug 1890 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, West Virginia, United States. He died on 04 Jan 1965 in Fairfield County, Ohio, United States. He married Beulah Rosa Monroe on 03 Aug 1913 in Tyler, West Virginia, United States. She was born in May 1896 in West Virginia.
- 25. SARAH ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 05 Jan 1849 in Tyler Co., VA. She died on 16 Jan 1875. She married David Jackson Kendall, son of Jeremiah Kendall and Delila ??, on 25 Jan 1872 in Tyler, Charles, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1851 in Virginia. He died on 28 Jul 1882 in Tyler County, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Sarah Elizabeth Griffin:

She appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; she was 12 and living with her parents. She appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; she was living with her parents. Source - K. William Bailey

David Jackson Kendall and Sarah Elizabeth Griffin had the following child:

- 45. i. HARRIET LOUISE<sup>5</sup> KENDALL was born on 05 May 1873 in Stuart Run West Virginia. She died in Kanawha, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) ISAAC C ANDERSON on 05 Jul 1890 in Tyler, West Virginia, United States. He was born about 1868 in Monroe,Ohio. He died on 18 May 1907. She married (2) GIDEON F GODFREY on 16 Jul 1901 in Gilmer Co., WV. He was born on 05 May 1871 in Gilmer Co., WV. He died on 18 Apr 1933 in Gilmer Co., WV.
- 26. DANIEL FLOYD<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 05 Jun 1851 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. He died on 08 Mar 1937 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married Margaret VIRGINIA WILLIAMSON. She was born on 29 Jul 1856 in Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died on 02 Dec 1939 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Daniel Floyd Griffin: Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co., WV

He appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; he was 9 years old and living with his parents. He appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; he was 18 and residing with his parents. He appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV; name is recorded as "David" F. He and Margaret Virginia Williamson appeared on the census of 1900 Central District, Doddridge Co., WV; his age was given as 49 (born June.1850) and hers as 43 (born july/1856). Also in the home were William C., age 23; Silas F., age 20; Laura J., age 12; Della V., age 9; George O., age 6; and James E., age 3. (K. William Bailey)

Dan had some talent for music. He'd always come to our place and we'd be expectin' him to play. This wasn't a piano, it was a dulcimer I believe. Why, he played that by the job! He'd come over there at Lindsey Griffin's, he'd come over that hill...people visited a lot back then... and he'd just play and play. (Delcie Geneva Griffin Williamson - 1970)

Dan had erisipalis (some kind of lesions) on his face. His son Everon and Dorothy took care of him and Ginny. I don't know how Uncle Dan ever stood it, but they would have a towel so hot that they couldn't wring it with their hands, they'd put it in another towel and twist it, each end you know, to wring it, and they'd put that on his face. We was down there to see him one time and he just was sufferin' awful with it. I don't think that's what killed him, I don't remember what he died from. They ran a boarding house at Central Station for a couple of years. You know, if he'd a kept this place down here, it was a gold mine. They drilled a well there, fter Beards' got it. It was there from 1910 up to just a few years ago, they plugged it. Course the farmer didn't get much out of it. It was strong enough that it blew the tools out. When they tapped the stand, and they couldn't fit it. They just capped it in and let 'er go. (Mellie Cain Rowe, Grand niece in-law)

If you look at the pictures of Grandad Dan & Ginny, they look exactly as I remember them so plain. If you'll notice Grandad's hands, you know he was a stone mason and he got his hands crushed some, and I think he got his shoulder cruhed once pretty severly. His hands and fingers were very crooked. He couldn't straighten them out at all. They always were in a half-closed fist. I used to tease him and he would love to pinch me and I'm telling you, I've never seen anyone have as much strength in his fore-finger and thumb! Those were the only fingers he could close clear up. But that fore-finger and thumb was like a pair of pliers. He would just laugh and laugh when he'd pinch me. He was a great old fella I'll tell lyou. He always smoked his pipe. I'm surprised he doesn't have it in his mouth in the pictures. Grandma Ginny would always say, "Dan, get that old pipe out of your mouth". I can hear her now. When they lived in the little house down there below our house (by Mole Hill). I would go down there to stay at night just to go away from home, and they had a little cot in their bedroom and they would have me go in there to sleep in their bedroom. Grandma Ginny was always complaining about having neuritis or arthritis or some kind of "itis" and she'd make him rub her back with linament. I can remember how he used to grumble and complain but some nights he'd go in and rub her back all over and never say a word, and she'd lay there and complain "you're rubbing to hard, don't rub up there, it don't hurt there". She was a complainer from the beginning. Old Grandpa, he was a great old guy. When I was just a kid, I must have been 10, 11 or 12, when they lived at Central Station (that's about 1/3 of the way to

Clarksburg from Pennsboro) I would go up there and stay, sometimes a week at a time. I'd help him hoe corn and hoe in the garden. The rest of the time we'd sit on the porch and swing and Grandpa'd smoke his pipe. (Fred Griffin - grandson - 1970)

Notes for Margaret Virginia Williamson:

According to the Doak Family History & Geneology, by B. E. Hanes, Mrs. Jennie Griffin, RD Mole Hill, WV, was still living at the time the book was published in 1931.

Buried in Mole Hill Cemetery, Ritchie Co, WV

Daniel Floyd Griffin and Margaret Virginia Williamson had the following children:

- 46. i. LAURA MADGE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN. She married (1) P. S. CAMPBELL. She married (2) ORIS W. GARNER.
- 47. ii. JOHN LINDSEY GRIFFIN was born on 04 Sep 1875 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 06 Aug 1951. He married Mauda Cline, daughter of George H. Cline and Susannah Mercer, on 20 Jun 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 16 Aug 1875 in Noble, Ohio, USA. She died on 20 Aug 1961 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- WILLIAM CHARLES GRIFFIN was born on 28 Apr 1877 in Mole Hill, Ritchie. He died on 24 Nov 1955 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married Orphia Clemans on 18 Jan 1902 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Jan 1879 in West Virginia. She died on 08 Nov 1959 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.
- 49. iv. SILAS FLOYD GRIFFIN was born on 15 Jun 1879 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 04 May 1943 in Taylor, West Virginia, United States. He married (2) LUCRETIA AMERICA MIRACLE on 06 Feb 1902 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married (3) LILY TRUADOR.
  - v. NORA GRIFFIN was born on 16 Feb 1882 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Nora Griffin: According to Ritchie Co records.

- vi. MINNIE J GRIFFIN was born on 12 Jul 1884 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died in Jul 1979 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, USA. She married Walter Wesley Fleming in 1899. He was born on 27 Jul 1867 in Parkersburg, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He died on 10 Sep 1936 in Oklahoma, USA.
  - vii. DELLA GRIFFIN was born in Sep 1890.
  - viii. VIRGINIA T. GRIFFIN was born on 09 Sep 1890.

Notes for Virginia T. Griffin: According to Ritchie Co records, she was the 7th child.

- 51. ix. GEORGE OLIVER GRIFFIN was born on 10 Jun 1894 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He married Cloe Felicia Morris, daughter of Basil Morris and Ascineath Odell, on 10 Sep 1916 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Apr 1901 in West Virginia, USA. She died in Aug 1963 in New Jersey, USA.
- 52. x. JAMES EVERON GRIFFIN was born on 14 May 1897 in Tyler County, West Virginia, USA. He died on 06 Oct 1968 in Kanawha County, West Virginia, USA (Age: 71). He married DOROTHY DOTSON. She was born in 1897 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She died on 12 Dec 1970.
- 27. CASANDRA<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 14 Feb 1855 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 03 Feb 1902. She married Andrew Jackson Whitecotton, son of Cornelius Whitecotton and Sarah Sponaugle, on 12 Sep 1872 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 25 May 1851 in Highland, Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Dec 1930 in Shawnee, Pottawatomie, Oklahoma, USA.

Notes for Casandra Griffin:

She appeared on the census of 1860 Ritchie Co., VA; she was listed as Cassy, age 4, and living with her parents. She appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; she was listed as "Cassander", age 15, in her parents' home. (K. William Bailey)

Andrew Jackson Whitecotton and Casandra Griffin had the following children:

- i. LILLIE BELLE<sup>5</sup> WHITECOTTON was born on 17 Jan 1874.
- ii. ROSIE A. WHITECOTTON was born on 01 Sep 1875.
- iii. MARY ELIZABETH WHITECOTTON was born on 24 Jul 1877.
- iv. LYDIA MAY WHITECOTTON was born on 27 May 1880.
- v. ALPHEUS HOMER WHITECOTTON was born on 23 Jul 1882.
- vi. WILLIAM OSCAR WHITECOTTON was born on 03 Oct 1886.
- vii. CLYDE WHITECOTTON was born on 16 Aug 1890.
- viii. GUY WHITECOTTON was born on 16 Aug 1892.
- ix. HETTIE MYRTLE WHITECOTTON was born on 03 Aug 1895.
- 28. THOMAS ALPHEUS<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Garrett Clawson<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 29 May 1849 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 30 Sep 1889 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He married (1) MARY ANGELINE RIDER. She was born on 07 Jul 1853 in Virginia, United States. She died on 19 Sep 1881. He married (2) SARAH HALL.

Thomas Alpheus Griffin and Mary Angeline Rider had the following children:

- i. GERTRUDE C<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN was born in 1883.
- ii. HOMER GRIFFIN was born in 1874.
- 53. iii. ETHELBERT LAFAYETTE GRIFFIN was born on 14 Mar 1873 in West Virginia. He died on 09 Sep 1940 in Ohio, USA. He married BLANCHE G THORNLEY. She was born in May 1879 in Ohio.
- 29. WILLIAM GARRETT<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 20 Nov 1851 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He died on 12 Jul 1909 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States. He married SARAH JANE RIDER. She was born on 12 Jun 1855 in Williamstown, Wood Co., WV. She died on 02 Nov 1909 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States.

#### Notes for William Garrett Griffin:

William G. Griffin was a river pilot on the Ohio River and a Captain on the ferry Emma Uhl.

William Garrett Griffin and Sarah Jane Rider had the following children:

- CHARLES ALPHEUS<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 28 Jul 1872. He died on 03 Apr 1927. He married Edna Perdew in Apr 1896 in Henry, Illinois, USA. She was born on 27 Jul 1877. She died on 01 Dec 1971.
- STELLA BLANCH GRIFFIN was born on 10 Jul 1874 in Williamstown, Wood Co., WV. She died on 09 Feb 1955 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. She married Charles A. McConnell on 26 Oct 1892 in Wheeling, WV. He was born on 23 May 1870 in Moundsville, WV. He died on 14 Aug 1919 in Sistersville, WV.
  - iii. Bessie Griffin was born about 1875.
- 56. iv. SIDNEY GRIFFIN was born in 1877. He died in 1955. He married ERNESTINE SCHMIDT.
- V. LUCILE ALICE GRIFFIN was born in 1879 in Williamstown, West Virginia, USA. She died on 14 Jun 1971. She married Edward Alexander Galbreath on 01 Jun 1899. He was born on 22 Oct 1876 in Vincent, Ohio, USA. He died on 29 Oct 1949 in Akron, Ohio, USA.
- 58. vi. MARY INEZ GRIFFIN was born on 22 Dec 1881. She died on 04 Dec 1973. She

married MERRILL WILLIAMS.

- vii. JESSIE U GRIFFIN was born in Jun 1884 in West Virginia. She died on 12 Mar 1973. She married WILLIAM STRACHAN. He was born in 1882. He died in 1976.
- viii. WILLIAM GRIFFIN was born in 1889. He died in 1918.

Notes for William Griffin: A Marine, killed in action, buried in France. Was unmarried.

- 59. ix. MILDRED GRIFFIN was born in 1894. She died in 1919. She married WILLIAM HOUSE.
- 30. GEORGE EBENEZER<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 02 Feb 1859 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 10 Jan 1944 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Lucy Berry Hazlerigg, daughter of John Hazlerigg and Maria Noffsinger, on 06 Nov 1881 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 03 Jun 1861 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died on 04 Mar 1953 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.

George Ebenezer Griffin and Lucy Berry Hazlerigg had the following children:

- PEARL JACKSON<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 04 Jul 1885 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Jan 1919 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Georgianna Ryder, daughter of John Ryder and Eleanor McKibben, on 19 Nov 1907 in Pleasants, West Virginia, United States. She was born in 1884.
- 61. ii. WILLIAM O. GRIFFIN. He married EDNA ?.
  - iii. MAY M. GRIFFIN was born in 1884 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married JAMES M. CARRACO. He was born in 1875. He died in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 62. iv. NELL J. GRIFFIN was born in 1894 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died in Batavia, NY. She married CLINTON E. PATE. He died in Batavia, NY.
- CHARLES BLACK<sup>4</sup> GRIFFIN (Joseph Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 29 Mar 1859 in Montgomery, Texas, USA. He died on 23 May 1917 in Puerto Rico, USA. He married (1) MARY SITTON. He married (2) LEE KENNEDY. She was born on 12 Dec 1869 in Texas. She died on 10 Oct 1943.

Notes for Charles Black Griffin:

Charles Black Griffin was born in Montgomery, Texas, and was educated at Waynesburgh, Green County, Pennsylvania. He was the manager of the "Southern land and Lumber Company", of Shreveport, Louisiana. (Streets) In the 1880 Census his occupation was listed as "Lumber Clerk".

Charles Black Griffin and Mary Sitton had the following children:

- 63. i. GEORGE LONNIE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN was born about 1893 in Texas. He married ROBBIE ANN FULLEN. She was born on 15 Jan 1893 in Oleatha, Limestone, Texas. She died on 29 Jun 1933 in Camp County, Texas.
- 64. ii. AMY LOUCRETIA GRIFFIN was born on 20 Jul 1894 in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. She died on 09 Jul 1979 in Austin, Travis County, Texas. She married DOYLE BENJAMIN MURRAY. He was born on 06 Mar 1881 in Blanco, TX. He died on 25 May 1958 in Austin, Travis County, Texas.
  - RAY HAMMOND GRIFFIN was born on 15 Feb 1900 in VanAlstyne, TX. He married Mildred Anna McCasland on 30 Jul 1928. She was born on 12 Jan 1907 in Ashland, Kansas.
  - iv. LILLY M GRIFFIN was born about 1898 in Texas.
  - v. VERNIE L GRIFFIN was born about 1899 in Texas.
- 65. vi. CLIFFORD BLOUNT GRIFFIN was born on 26 Sep 1900 in Henly, Hays, Texas, United States. He died on 21 Apr 1988 in Austin, Travis, Texas, United States. He married GRACIE LEE TINNEY. She was born on 19 Mar 1909 in Blanco, Blanco, Texas, USA. She died on 16 Oct 1997 in Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas, USA.

- vii. BESSIE BEORA GRIFFIN was born on 22 Mar 1902 in Henly, Hays Co., Texas. She died on 12 Dec 1982 in Georgetown, Williamson Co., Texas. She married Findlan Bartley on 14 Dec 1921 in Austin, Travis Co., Texas. He was born on 02 Apr 1899 in Cedar Creek, Bastrop Co., Texas. He died on 04 Feb 1980 in Texas.
- viii. VIOLA M GRIFFIN was born about 1906 in Texas.
- ix. THULA F GRIFFIN was born about 1908 in Texas.
- x. MARY E GRIFFIN was born about 1910 in Texas.

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32. IDA BELLE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 13 Feb 1864 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She married Isaac B. Rowe on 15 Mar 1883 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born in Nov 1856 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Ida Belle Griffin:

She appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; she was 6 and living in her parents' home. She and Isaac B. Rowe appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; he was listed as age 43 and she as 36, married for 17 years. Also in the household were daughter Ila M., 15, and son Wilber M. (sic), age 13. (K. William Bailey)

Isaac B. Rowe and Ida Belle Griffin had the following children:

i. ILA MYRTLE<sup>6</sup> ROWE was born in Sep 1884. She died about 1916. She married Ray Kelley on 11 Apr 1914 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Ray Kelley: Farmer, Mole Hill, WV (doak p39)

- 66. ii. WILBERT MARCELLUS ROWE was born on 15 Feb 1887 in Ritchie, West Virginia, United States of America. He died on 13 Sep 1973. He married Mellie Blanche Cain in 1908. She was born on 13 Sep 1889 in Deep Valley, Tyler County, West Virginia. She died in Jul 1974 in Pennsboro, Ritchie, West Virginia, United States of America.
- 33. EDGAR W.<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 05 Nov 1867. He died on 28 Mar 1967 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married Fayetta C. Peck on 05 Oct 1890 in Ritchie Co., VA. She was born on 04 Dec 1872 in Highland, Virginia, USA. She died on 05 Jan 1911.

Notes for Edgar W. Griffin: Farmer, Mole Hill, WV (Doak p39)

His Social Security Number was 235-78-7570. He appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; he was listed in his parents' home as "E.W.T. (male)", age 2. He and Fayetta C. Peck appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; his age was given as 32 and hers as 27 (her name was given as "Faetta C."). Others in the home were daughters Lula E., age 8; Stella M., age 7; and Delcie G., age 2. (K. William Bailey)

Edgar W. Griffin and Fayetta C. Peck had the following children:

- 67. i. LULA ETHEL<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 24 Jul 1891 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She died on 28 Feb 1971 in West Union, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) S. B. RIGGS. He was born on 15 Sep 1887. He died on 11 Jul 1959. She married (2) ANCEL DOAK. He was born on 28 Sep 1890.
- 68. ii. ESTELLA MAY GRIFFIN was born on 09 Apr 1893 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died in Dec 1964. She married Austin Thomas Meredith on 26 May 1912 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born on 13 Nov 1887. He died on 08 Dec 1964.
- 69. iii. DELCIE GENEVA GRIFFIN was born on 21 Dec 1897 in West Virginia, USA. She married WILLIAM FLOYD HAYMOND. He was born in 1891. He died in 1977.
- 70. iv. MARY I. GRIFFIN was born on 19 Feb 1905 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She

died on 25 Jun 1981 in Marietta, Washington, Ohio, USA. She married Harold Floyd Bishop, son of James Oliver Bishop and Lenora E. Cain, on 01 Feb 1920 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born about 1898. He died in 1960.

34. TINKER ISAAC<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 14 Feb 1870 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Sep 1948. He married Geneva Camcie Bishop, daughter of Joseph Bishop and Rachel Harper, on 09 Jan 1897 in Ritchie Co., VA. She was born on 04 Jan 1873 in Somerton, OH. She died on 20 Sep 1958 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV.

Notes for Tinker Isaac Griffin: Farmer, Mole Hill, WV (Doak p40)

He appeared on the census of 1870 Ritchie Co., WV; he was three months old and in his parents' home. He and Geneva Camcie Bishop appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; his age was given as 29 and hers as 27, where her first name was spelled "Genevera". Also in the home was Rachel Bishop, mother-in-law, age 64, widow of Joseph. (K. William Bailey)

Tinker Isaac Griffin and Geneva Camcie Bishop had the following child:

- WILLIAM ORA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 31 Aug 1905 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV. He married Edith Amanda Hess, daughter of E. E. Hess and Rose McCullough, on 02 Jul 1927 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 05 Dec 1905. She died on 15 Dec 1987 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 35. CORA ELLEN<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 02 Nov 1873 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV. She died on 23 May 1927 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married Newton Ross Strickling, son of William Strickling and Matilda Lowe, on 16 Apr 1898 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 08 Oct 1872 in Deep Valley, WV. He died on 06 Dec 1926 in Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV.

#### Notes for Cora Ellen Griffin:

Death certificate No. 7000 states she died at 2:00 P.M. from hyperthyroidism (Dr. William R. Goff of Parkersburg) and was the widow of Newton Strickling, and a housewife. She was reported to be the daughter of Isaac Griffin and "Liffa Haymond" (Ruth McCullough of Mole Hill was the informant); bur. 25 May 1927 Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV. (K. William Bailey)

Notes for Newton Ross Strickling: Merchant, Greenwood, WV (Doak p40)

His obituary reads as follows: NEWTON R. STRICKLING DIES SUDDENLY. Newton R. Strickling, son of the late Dr. and Mrs. William Strickling, was born October 8th, 1873, and passed away suddenly at Greenwood, Dec. 6th, 1926, ages 53 years, 1 month and 28 days. He was united in marriage to Croa [sic] E. Griffin of Mole Hill, and to this union one son, Clyde Strickling, of West Union, who with his mother mourn the loss of a true companion and a loving father. He is also survived by seven brothers, F. E, John, David, James, Albert, Benton and Lawrence Strickling.

The deceased was a member of the Arnolds Creek Christian church up to the time of his passing. He was a prominent merchant of Deep Valley for a few years and later moved to the Mole Hill Section where he conducted a mercantile establishment for a number of years, and about three months ago moved his residence to Greenwood, where he purchased a small farm and was just getting ready to open up a grocery and confectionary along the Northwestern Turnpike near his home when death, perhaps due to hard work, claimed him.

Funeral services [illegible] conducted at his late home on Wednesday at 1:30 P.M. by Rev. L. R. Doak, pastor of the West Union Christian Church... C. J. Smith of Pennsboro, funeral director in charge. He was buried Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV. According to Earl Strickling, he was buried there because he had earlier stated his intention to make this village his permanent home.

(K. William Bailey)

Newton Ross Strickling and Cora Ellen Griffin had the following child:

- i. CLYDE EDDIE<sup>6</sup> STRICKLING was born on 15 Dec 1899 in Deep Valley, WV. He married Mildred Catherine Boyce on 25 Jul 1921 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 07 Jul 1901 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died on 15 Dec 1984 in Williston, Levy, Florida, USA.
- 36. DOLLY BIRD<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 10 Sep 1876 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died in 1960 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She married Dudley T. Racer on 14 Oct 1899 in New Matamoras, Washington, Ohio, USA. He was born on 28 Dec 1875 in Newport, Washington, Ohio, USA. He died in 1933.

Notes for Dolly Bird Griffin: Hardesty's History says she was born Sept 10.

Notes for Dudley T. Racer: Farmer, Friendly, WV (Doak p40)

Dudley T. Racer and Dolly Bird Griffin had the following children:

- i. ELSIE ANNA<sup>6</sup> RACER was born on 11 Oct 1901 in Reno, Washington, Ohio, USA. She died on 19 Dec 1988 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) GORDON THORN. He was born on 13 Mar 1897 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. He died in 1936. She married (2) BEATTIE CLARK. He died in 1965.
- WILLIAM VIRGIL RACER was born in 1906 in New Matamoras, Washington, Ohio, USA. He died on 02 Nov 1990 in Wheeling, Ohio, West Virginia, USA. He married Estel McMullen, daughter of Charles McMullen and Etta Riggs, on 04 Oct 1928 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 24 Jul 1908 in Middlebourne, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died on 01 Jun 1985.
  - iii. FREDA RACER. She married BURL HAMMETT.
  - iv. T. SHERMAN RACER. He married THELMA E. GRIFFITH.
- 37. MARY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Feb 1879 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She married William Morris Ash on 05 Jun 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born about 1875.

Notes for Mary Thomas Griffin:

According to Ritchie County records, a Mary Griffin was born April 7, 1880

Notes for William Morris Ash:

Asst. Dist. Foreman, Hope Natural Gas Co., Pennsboro, WV (Doak p40)

William Morris Ash and Mary Thomas Griffin had the following children:

- 75. i. ESTA MAY<sup>6</sup> ASH. She married (1) W. M. MEREDITH. She married (2) SHIRL TAGGERT.
- 76. ii. LAWRENCE T. ASH. He married GOLDE GLENDENNING.
- 77. iii. VONDA G. ASH. She married ROY A. WAGGONER.
  - iv. CARRIE ASH. She died in 1989. She married ? DOTSON.
- 38. AUTIE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>). She married JIM Lowe.

Jim Lowe and Autie Griffin had the following children:

- i. ESTA<sup>6</sup> LOWE. She married ? DAVIS.
- ii. Myrtle Lowe.
- iii. LILLY LOWE. She married ? ANDREWS.
- iv. ALVIN LOWE. He married ? SHEPHERD.
- v. CLAUD LOWE.
- vi. Charles Lowe.

# 39. JODE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>). He married NANCY DAVIS.

Jode Griffin and Nancy Davis had the following children:

- i. SAMMY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN.
- ii. Amada Griffin.
- iii. MAMIE GRIFFIN. She married ? DAVIS.
- iv. ICA GRIFFIN. She married CHESTER SCHNIEDER.
- v. Nora Griffin.
- vi. GOLDIE GRIFFIN.
- vii. Elmer Griffin.
- viii. JAY GRIFFIN.
- ix. CLOE GRIFFIN.
- 40. MILTON<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 04 Mar 1874 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He died in 1958 in Coleman Cemetery, West Union WV. He married Millie Vore, daughter of Ellis Vore and Hannah Long, on 18 Oct 1894 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Dec 1872 in Belmont Co., OH. She died on 30 May 1931 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

#### Notes for Milton Griffin:

He appeared on the census of 1880 Ritchie Co., WV; age given as 6. He and Millie Vore appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; his age was given as 25 and hers as 27. Also in the home were sons Leroy E., age 4, and Arlie E., age 2, as well as father-in-law Ellis Vore and brother-in-law, James C. Vore. (K. William Bailey)

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#### OBITUARY - from Lydia Ireland

Milton Griffin, 83 of Haymond's Ridge, Mountain (West Virginia), died at 2:40 P.M. on Thursday, at the home of a son, Elmer L. Griffin. He was a retired farmer.

Born March 4, 1874 at Mole Hill, Ritchie County, the son of the late Ebenezer and Lydia Freeman Griffin, he was married to Millie Vore, who preceded him in death in 1931.

He is survived by 4 daughters, Mrs. H. A. Stephens of Central Station; Mrs. Elsie Shinn of Parkersburg; Mrs. Leon Rhoades of Monica, IL; Mrs. Clarence Wagner of Mountain (West Virginia); four sons, Roy Griffin of West Union, Rt 2; A. E. Griffin of Morrisville, PA; D. M. Griffin, Central Station and Elmer L. Griffin of Mountain (WV); One sister, Mrs. Flora Harris of Columbus, Ohio; three brothers, Alvin Griffin of Central Station; J. K. Griffin of Point Pleasant; Thomas Griffin of Lancaster, Ohio, 18 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Casto Funeral Home at West Union, with evangelist R. Ray Dotson of Harrisville officiating. Burial will be in the Coleman Cemetery at West Union. Friends may call at the Casto Funeral Home at West Union.

Milton Griffin and Millie Vore had the following children:

- 78. i. ELMER LEROY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN. He married THELMA MARKLE. She was born on 13 Nov 1895 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.
  - ii. ROY GRIFFIN.

Notes for Roy Griffin: Lydia Ireland said he may have Ebb's family Bible.

iii. Delbert M. Griffin.

Notes for Delbert M. Griffin: Lived in Central Station, WV.

iv. FLOSSIE GRIFFIN. She married LEON RHODES.

Notes for Flossie Griffin: Lived in Monaca, Illinois acording to Milton's obituary.

- v. DELMA GRIFFIN. She married HARRY A. STEPHENS.
- vi. ELZIE GRIFFIN. She married ? SHINN.
- vii. IRENE GRIFFIN. She married CLARENCE WAGNER.

Notes for Clarence Wagner: Of Mountain, WV

viii. ARLEY ELLIS GRIFFIN was born on 28 Apr 1898. He married Freda Williams on 08 Sep 1918 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Arley Ellis Griffin: Birthdate according to Ritchie Co Records. Lived around Morrisville, PA.

- ix. LEROY EVERETT GRIFFIN was born in Nov 1895. He married Lulu Mabel Davisson on 28 Apr 1918 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.
- 41. **JOSEPH K**.<sup>5</sup> **GRIFFIN** (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 31 Jul 1879. He married Nancy B. Davis on 14 Jun 1901 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born about 1882.

Joseph K. Griffin and Nancy B. Davis had the following children:

- i. AMIDY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born in 1904 in Mole Hill, West Virginia, USA. She died on 12 Mar 1950 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She married SUSAN MCGEORGE. She was born in Wilbur, West Virginia, USA.
- ii. MAMIE GRIFFIN was born about 1905. She married Emerson Davis, son of John Davis and Lydia Pratt, on 07 May 1924 in Tyler Co., WV.
- 42. **Маку Емма<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN** (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in May 1881 in West Virginia, USA. She married David Mathew (D. M.) Williamson, son of Perlina ??, on 19 Apr 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born in Oct 1874 in West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Mary Emma Griffin:

She and David M. Williamson appeared on the census of 1900 Pennsboro, Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; his age was listed as 25 and hers as 19. Others in the home were daughter Bessie E., daughter, age two months, and Perlina Williamson, mother, age 71, a widow. (K. William Bailey)

David Mathew (D. M.) Williamson and Mary Emma Griffin had the following children:

- 79. i. BESSIE E.<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON was born in Mar 1900. She married OVA CUMBERLEDGE.
- 80. ii. LYDIA WILLIAMSON. She married (1) HOMER RICHARDS. She married (2) WILLIAM PORTER IRELAND.
- 81. iii. JESSIE WILLIAMSON. He married (1) FLOSSIE ?. He married (2) LILLIS ?.
- 82. iv. LOYD HARVEY WILLIAMSON. He married ESSIE HOSKINS.
- 83. v. HARLEY WILLIAMSON. He married CONNIE HARRIS.
- 84. vi. CLARENCE ALFRED WILLIAMSON. He married ? HARRIS.
- 85. vii. FLORENCE WILLIAMSON. She married SAMUEL SHUMAN.
- 86. viii. CLYDE WILLIAMSON. He married GRACE SCHROEDER.
- 87. ix. Roy WILLIAMSON. He married IRENE WELLS.
- 43. FLORA ELLEN<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 10 Feb 1886 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died on 22 Jan 1972 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States. She married Charles Braxton Harris on 24 Dec 1903 in Ritchie Co., VA. He was born on 30 Oct 1879 in Doddridge, West Virginia, United States. He died on 20 Sep 1955 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.

Notes for Flora Ellen Griffin:

Birthdate according to Ritchie Co Records.

Charles Braxton Harris and Flora Ellen Griffin had the following children:

- i. EDNA VELMA<sup>6</sup> HARRIS was born on 22 Nov 1908 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, United States. She died on 19 Oct 2003 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
- ii. CHARLES FRANKLIN HARRIS was born on 03 Apr 1907. He died on 23 Apr 1907.
- SHIRLEY LIVINGSTON HARRIS was born on 21 Nov 1911 in Sunnyside, Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 26 Sep 2003 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States. She married (1) EDWARD J. VON REUSS. He died in 2001 in Flordia, USA. She married (2) DENVER MARETIN. He died in AZ, USA. She married (3) CHARLES TURNER RAIKE. He was born on 25 Oct 1907 in Ironton, Lawrence, Ohio, USA. He died in May 1974 in , , Minnesota, USA.
- iv. TRENA ORA HARRIS was born on 10 Apr 1905 in Long Run, Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 16 Oct 1984 in Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma, United States. She married Melville Edson Trusdell on 01 Jun 1927 in Columbiaville, Tuscola, Michigan, United States. He was born on 24 Jun 1905 in Belfontaine, Ohio, United States. He died on 24 Jan 1971 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
- V. ORVILLE THEOPLER HARRIS was born on 20 Aug 1921 in Williamsport, Pickaway, Ohio, USA. He died on 25 Oct 2002 in Westerville, Franklin, Ohio, USA. He married ALTA FAITH SUTHARD. She was born on 28 Sep 1925 in Kelso, Cowlitz, Washington, USA. She died on 01 Jan 1994 in Pasco, Franklin, Washington, USA.
  - vi. COSMA WILLEMENA HARRIS was born on 28 Apr 1919 in West Union, Doddridge, West Virginia, United States. She died on 27 Nov 2001 in New Albany, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
  - vii. BRAXTON EBENEZER HARRIS was born on 17 Apr 1916 in Doddridge, West Virginia, United States. He died on 03 Oct 1973 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
- 90. viii. HOPE HARRIS was born on 30 Oct 1923 in Williamsport, Pickaway, Ohio, USA. She died on 07 Dec 1987 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, USA. She married (1) GEORGE OWEN LINDERMAN. He died on 04 Mar 1945 in Belgium. She married (2) JAMES EDGAR ROBERTS SR. in 1946 in Ohio, United States. He was born on 02 Aug 1908 in 2862 Johnstwon Road, Mifflin Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Born in the Roberts house.). He died on 10 Jan 1982 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.
- 44. THOMAS EMERSON<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 25 Aug 1890 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, West Virginia, United States. He died on 04 Jan 1965 in Fairfield County, Ohio, United States. He married Beulah Rosa Monroe on 03 Aug 1913 in Tyler, West Virginia, United States. She was born in May 1896 in West Virginia.

Notes for Thomas Emerson Griffin:

According to Ritchie County Records, he was the 7th child. He is buried at Mt. Tabor Cemetery, Lancaster, OH.

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Thomas Griffin age 74, died Monday, January 4, 1965 at 4 pm at his Rt #3, Lancaster, Ohio home, following a heart ailment. He was a retired Anchor Hocking employee.

Mr. Griffin leaves his wife Rose, 4 sons, Dale, Charles and Robert all of Route 2, Lancaster, Glen Route 4, Lancaster, 3 daughters Mrs. Don Wilson, Bremen, Mrs. Gerald Good, and Mrs. Charles Smith all of Lancaster. 29 Grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, one brother Alvin Griffin, West Union, West Virginia, and one sister Flora Harris of Columbus, Ohio.

Funeral was Thursday, January 7, 1965 at 10 am at Ray Wise Funeral Home. Burial was in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

(Source - Obituary in posession of Lydia Ireland)

Thomas Emerson Griffin and Beulah Rosa Monroe had the following children:

i. LOVIE<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN.

Notes for Lovie Griffin: Died about age 12.

- ii. DALE A GRIFFIN was born in 1914 in Clay, Ritchie County, West Virginia, United States. He died on 21 May 1969 in Fairfield County, Ohio, United States. He married ? JEWEL.
- iii. CHARLES GRIFFIN.
- iv. ROBERT LEE GRIFFIN was born on 12 Jan 1928 in Lancaster, Fairfield, Ohio, United States. He died on 19 Nov 2009 in Lancaster, Fairfield, Ohio, United States.
- v. GLEN GRIFFIN was born about 1920 in West Virginia. She died in Apr 1974 in Lancaster, Fairfield, Ohio. She married DON WILSON.
- vi. ?2 GRIFFIN. She married GEARALD GOOD.
- vii. ?3 GRIFFIN. She married CHARLES SMITH.
- 45. HARRIET LOUISE<sup>5</sup> KENDALL (Sarah Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 05 May 1873 in Stuart Run West Virginia. She died in Kanawha, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) ISAAC C ANDERSON on 05 Jul 1890 in Tyler, West Virginia, United States. He was born about 1868 in Monroe,Ohio. He died on 18 May 1907. She married (2) GIDEON F GODFREY on 16 Jul 1901 in Gilmer Co., WV. He was born on 05 May 1871 in Gilmer Co., WV. He died on 18 Apr 1933 in Gilmer Co., WV.

Isaac C Anderson and Harriet Louise Kendall had the following child:

91. i. SARA ELIZABETH (BESSIE)<sup>6</sup> ANDERSON was born on 23 Jun 1891 in Mole Hil, Tyler Co W.Va.. She died on 27 Dec 1948 in Teays, Kanawha Co. W. Va.. She married WILLIAM EMMETT TIFFNER. He was born on 28 Apr 1887 in Cokely, Richie Co. W.Va.. He died on 13 Sep 1951 in Teays, Kanawha Co. W. Va..

Gideon F Godfrey and Harriet Louise Kendall had the following children:

- i. COY M<sup>6</sup> GODFREY was born about 1910 in West Virginia.
- ii. ALBERT GODFREY was born in 1897 in West Virginia.
- 46. LAURA MADGE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>). She married (1) P. S. CAMPBELL. She married (2) ORIS W. GARNER.

Notes for P. S. Campbell:

He was a driller in the Tulsa, OK oilfields. (Doak Book)

P. S. Campbell and Laura Madge Griffin had the following children:

- i. PHYLLIS<sup>6</sup> CAMPBELL was born in 1902 in West Virginia, USA.
- ii. PAUL CAMPBELL was born in 1910 in West Virginia, USA.

Notes for Oris W. Garner:

Oris was an electrician in Perth Amboy, NJ (Doak Book)

47. JOHN LINDSEY<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 04 Sep 1875 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 06 Aug 1951. He married Mauda Cline, daughter of George H. Cline and Susannah Mercer, on 20 Jun 1897 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 16 Aug 1875 in Noble, Ohio, USA. She died on 20 Aug 1961 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for John Lindsey Griffin:

He and Maude Cline appeared on the census of 1900 Clay District, Ritchie Co., WV; both were reported to be 24 years of age, married for 2 years.

GRIFFIN, John L....John L. Griffin, of 2001 46th St., Vienna, died yesterday at 4:50 at his home. A former resident of Mole Hill, he was born September 4, 1875, the son of Daniel and Virginia Griffin. He was a member of the Buck Run Methodist Church. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maude Cline

Griffin; four sons, William Floyd Griffin, Parkersburg, Eddie E. Griffin, Clarksburg, James Carl Griffin, Vienna, and Freddie V. Griffin, New Cumberland, W. Va.; one sister, Mrs.Minnie Fleming, Okmulgee, Okla.; three brothers, George and Everon Griffin, both of Perth Amboy, New Jersey; and William C. Griffin, of Greenwood; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. from the Mole Hill Methodist Church, with Evangelist Tom W. Butterfield officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The body will be taken to the family home tomorrow, where brief rites will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Thursday. The Franklin funeral home is in charge of arrangements[The Parkersburg News, Tuesday, August 7, 1951].

(K. William Bailey)

JOHN LINDSEY GRIFFIN WILL - (As read into a tape recorder from the document on file in the Ritchie County courthouse by Ted Griffin)

I, J. L. Griffin of Mole Hill, Ritchie County, West Virginia, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and declare this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me.

FIRST - I direct my executor, hereafter designated, to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. I further request that each of my heirs herein named, to pay an equal share of my said debts and funeral expenses, and if any heir so named refuse to pay his just share of said debts and funeral expenses, I request that his share of my estate be withheld from him and divided among my other heirs named.

SECOND - I direct my executor to furnish a home and properly care for my wife Mauda Griffin during her lifetime, to give her proper medical care and on her death pay all funeral expenses.

THIRD - I will to my sons Floyd, Eddie, Carl and Fred Griffin all the estate, both real and personal of which I may die seized, and I desire that should any of my said sons desire the farm property on which I now live, if it still be owned by me at my death, the other three sons, and the one desiring said farm, agreeing on a fair price for said farm, three shall convey by proper deeds said farm to the fourth desiring said farm. And I further direct that should one of my said sons and heirs want any of my personal property at the time of my death, he shall pay to the other heirs a fair price for said personal property.

FOURTH - I direct that should either of my said sons and heirs be no longer living with their wife as husband and wife, then said wife shall have no part in the settlement of my estate and shall receive no part of the same.

FIFTH - I appoint my son Floyd Griffin as executor of this my last will and testament. He to serve without giving bond and I empower him to sell any real estate that I may own at the time of my death for the purpose of proper division of my estate. He to execute proper deed or deeds thereafter.

Dated at Mole Hill, West Virginia this the 26th day of October, 1943.

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Conversation with Dad (Fred), Uncle Eddie & Uncle Floyd about 1970 - (Ted Griffin)

Dad - I think dad (Lindsey) was just renting that log cabin. (In the picture with Lindsey, Maude & Floyd 02000002.jpg)

Eddie - That house was down at the road.

Dad - Now wait a minute, the one down at the road was not a log house.

Eddie - Yes it was. Mother's told me time and time again. The palings around the fence and all. That house sat exactly where Greely Hurst built.

Dad - But it's not the same house is it?

Eddie - Greely Hurst built a new house there.

Floyd - Grandad (Daniel) come over there and did some trading somehow or t'other and Grandad built that house that Pearl Beard lived in. He built it for himself. He got in some hard circumstances. They lived up there with dad and if I understand, they had a falling-out and then they come down there, and I don't know... how that little log cabin came in to being, but anyway they lived there for a while and maybe that they went up there then after they left that place, over on short run or somewhere. And they come down there to the Johnny Steele property right below where Arthur Flemings used to live, here I showed you the picture this evening, where you and dad and mom was standing in the front door. Grandad come over there at that place. Him and dad (Lindsey) split out the sticks out of lots of wood, cut off certain lengths and made the chimney. They laid the stone up, Grandad Daniel did, and then they ried out them sticks. The chimney was built out of inch square sticks. Dad Lindsey tore it down and moved it up to the old house that's still standing where it is now. The land that he bought up there, and there's where we lived when... there was a little barn that stood over there where the gate is.

Ted - I don't know where you're talking about.

Carl - Over there at Arthurs.

Floyd - And I got ahold of a little red wagon. I suppose Dad Lindsey & Mom (Maude) bought it for me, and Eddie, you was the baby that I wheeled in the little red wagon from there up to where we spent the rest of our lives at home. Dewey Wilson, Ad Wilson lived up there, and he had an old Billy Goat that Dewey played with. He'd get out there and hook that billy goat up to some of his contraptions and go all over the bottom there by the hour. I loaded you in the little red wagon. Me and Dewey played together as kids. I just remember that as well as if it was yesterday. Dad - When you moved up there, was the log house still standing?

Floyd - No.

Dad - Now wait a minute! The log house that was standing there below the new house. It wasn't standing? What happened to it. Did it burn down?

Floyd - I don't know about that. It must have burned down because there was a heap of rock and piled up there with dirt over it.

Eddie - It'd a been a Morgan who lived in the old log house there then when something happened to it, they built the new house up on the bank there where we lived all our lives.

Floyd - There's where we moved. I remember that.

Ted - It does have a splendid view.

Eddie - I think that's why he built it up on the bank like he did.

Ted - He had a lot of digging there to level it off.

Eddie - No, that front corner was at least 5 foot off the ground.

Floyd - I don't know which one of you boys... I didn't do it but I know... well I might have dug a little of it out.

Dad - Well, it was Maple and Carl and Dad Lindsey and I. I remember digging back there. Dad used horses and scrapers there.

Eddie - There was never no front yard at all until we built that front porch on it. I remember thinking what a nice yard we're gonna have here, and by golly when they got the porch built it didn't leave nothing.

Floyd - If you remember Sol Thomas, the contrary one of the outfit, he wouldn't agree to anything. He was afraid someone was a gonna cheat him out of something.

Eddie - That's the reason he was so dilitary about signing a lease.

Floyd - Wasn't he at one time in the service of the Government somehow?

Dad - I know that Dad Lindsey live up there in the Beard property before he was married, becaue I've heard him tell many times about Grand Daniel making hime get up when he'd come home late from dates and many times he wouldn't get home til way late in the morning, sometimes only get an hours sleep and Grandad'd make him get up and lite the fire.

Floyd - I remember him tell that.

Dad - That's where it was. That house was just below Hadsell Rowe's and the house set up on the hill. Is that where they lived when Mom (Maude) and Grandma (Ginny) had their falling out? Floyd - It must have been. Mom didn't want to live in with them. She wanted to get out in a house of her own. I kind of got it in my head that there's where Dad (Lindsey) went and built this little house above Shepherdstown, between the Shepherdstown school, and John Fleming lived above there just a short distance.

Dad - I never knew that Dad (Lindsey) lived there.

Floyd - There's where I was born.

Dad - That wouldn't have been the cabin then that the picture was in front of?

Floyd - Oh no. I recognize this house. There's no picture anywhere that I know of, of that place. Dad - Well you wasn't old enough to go to school when you lived there?

Floyd - Nope. There's where I was born and I wasn't old enough to go to school. When we moved down there to that house at the road at the John Steele farm, when I first started to school was up after we moved up there in that house where we was all raised. Eddie was born down there at Arthur Flemings place.

Dad - Then there was three born there at home then, Johnny Darryl, and the other baby that died. Carl - George Arley was born 1902.

Floyd - I must have started to school when we lived down there at the road because Uncle Bill taught that year that I started. There was a family as I recall, Ad Wilson, with 2 or 3 girls and the come along that path there from the gate where Dad (Lindsey) built the little house. They come along that path out around that oak tree and I'd wait for them to come along and I'd go on up to school with them.

Dad - I never knew until yesterday that Uncle Zayre (Isaiah) was a coffin maker. He had a regular shop right across from the old house. Where he built his coffins.

Eddie - Homer Richards lived there with Zayre.

Floyd - He took care of the girls for a long time.

Dad - I was never in Zayre's house til yesterday. I was always scared to death of Opal and Bertha.

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Notes for Mauda Cline:

One of Maude's babies died very young. It would have been either George Arley or Johnny Darrell that Floyd Griffin remembers. This is a conversation recorded around 1970 with me (Ted Griffin), Uncle Floyd and Uncle Carl:

Floyd - The baby was sick and we started to Mole Hill to the doctor and the baby died on the way to the doctor. Mom just turned around and come back home. Now I remember that, and that's all. The baby, whichever one it was, died on the way up there.

Ted - How come her to just go back home?

Floyd - We come back to our place there at home. They didn't have records then like they do now. Ted - Where's he buried?

Floyd - I don't know. Whether it was buried at Arnold's Creek, whether it was buried at Mole Hill or whether it was just took out in the garden and buried. I don't know.

Carl - I don't know either.

Floyd - I don't know as I ever heard dad and mom ever say. It might have been a little family plot somewhere. They used to be up around John Steele's, on one of them points above his sheep barns there. Back on the hill there above the school house, right across there from where Johnny Steele lived was a little family plot and graveyard up there. Now I don't know who's buried in that. Ted - By family plot, do you mean Griffin family?

Carl - No. Just whoever might be living around there, they'd fence off a plot.

Floyd - There'd be a half a dozen or so graves of neighbors who lived close together.

Ted - Is there markers there?

Floyd - Used to be.

Carl - There above the Hill house above the iron bridge, there on that point, there's a small cemetery up there.

Floyd - Yeah, I remember that since you mention it.

Ted - This cemetery above the old school house, could you walk it from your place?

Carl - Yes, it was on up the road to the Johnny Steele property and the Thomas property.

Ted - You couldn't walk across the hill from your farm though?

Carl - No, go down to the road and go up.

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There was life and enjoyment and pleasure that I remember about my Mother (Maude), until Maple died. She used to sing a lot, sing and whistle around the house, and then when Maple died, I never heard her sing a note from that time on. It seemed as though her life changed so

completely, and as I got older and think back, it's so vivid now in my thinking. I've heard her talking to other people about this very thing, and I remember how true it was. This was a case where, even though she had had 7 children, two of them had died, and Maple making the third one, you would think with four of us left, that it still wouldn't take all the happiness away but evidently it did in her. And it wasn't because that she thought any more of Maple than she did Carl and I, I know that. It was so unnecessary and so cruel for a boy 21 years old to contact typhoid fever, and the doctor being so stupid that he didn't know what was wrong with him until he died, and then he diagnosed the case and told us what was the matter with him. It's ironic when you think about it. And Maple, not because he died at that age do I say this, but everyone, neighbors and all of the people that he was acquainted with, that knew him, always said that he was the best one of us boys, as far as personalities and it was just outstanding. (Fred Griffin - 1970)

MAUDE GRIFFIN OBIT, #2876 The Parkersburg (WV) News Saturday, 10/21/1961

Mrs. Mauda Cline Griffin, 86, 316 Rice St., died at 11:55 a.m. yesterday at Green Lawn Nursing Home in Vienna where she had been a patient for the past five months.

She was the widow of John L. Griffin, who died in 1951, and was a member of the Oak Grove Methodist Church in Doddridge county.

Born Aug. 16, 1875, in Ohio, she was a daughter of the late George and Susan Cline. Surviving her are four sons, William F. Griffin, Parkersburg, Eddie G. Griffin, Clarksburg, James C. Griffin, Roswell, N.M., and Fred V. Griffin, Clearwater, Fla.; a sister, Mrs. Ella Dotson, Pennsboro; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Mrs. Griffin was preceded in death by three sons, Johnny, George and Asa (Maple) Griffin. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the Franklin funeral home, with the Rev. James H. Reed officiating. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery (near Pennsboro, WV). Friends may call at the funeral home.

John Lindsey Griffin and Mauda Cline had the following children:

- 92. i. WILLIAM FLOYD<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 20 Aug 1900. He died on 10 Oct 1977. He married (1) GRACE MAE MOORE, daughter of James Lewis Moore and Virginia May Darnall, on 19 Jun 1921 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 11 Sep 1901 in Stewarts Run, Ritchie, WV, USA. She died on 21 Nov 1970 in Spencer, Roane, WV, USA. He married (2) CARRIE BUNNER on 26 Nov 1943. She died on 17 Dec 1973.
  - ii. GEORGE ARLEY GRIFFIN was born on 27 Jun 1902 in Ritchie County, West Virginia (West Virginia, Births Index). He died about 1903.
- 93. iii. EDDIE EMMIT GRIFFIN was born on 22 Jan 1906 in Mole Hill, Ritchie, West Virginia (West Virginia, Births Index). He died on 14 Feb 2002 in Clarksburg, Harrison County, West Virginia (Social Security Death Index). He married Edna Emma Jolliffe, daughter of Ira Jolliffe and Lettie Kirkpatrick, on 28 Aug 1926 in Baltimore, MD. She was born on 08 Feb 1901 in Littleton, Wetzel County, West Virginia (West Virginia, Births Index). She died on 02 Jan 1994 in Clarksburg, Harrison County, West Virginia (Social Security Deaths Index Web: West Virginia, Find A Grave Index).
  - iv. As MAPLE GRIFFIN was born on 06 Aug 1908. He died on 06 Aug 1928.

Notes for Asa Maple Griffin: Buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, near Pennsboro, WV. Stone reads, "Son of Maude Cline Griffin"

I have the shaving kit that Uncle Eddie & Edna Griffin gave to Maple on his 21st

Birthday, I believe it was. He never got to use it as he died shortly thereafter. Typhoid fever they think.

v. JOHNNY DARRELL was born on 30 Apr 1911. He died about 1912.

Notes for Johnny Darrell: Uncle Carl & Floyd said 1902, County records say 1900.

- 94. vi. JAMES CARL GRIFFIN was born on 09 Sep 1912. He died on 05 Feb 1985. He married (1) BETTY SMOOT in 1947. She died on 20 Feb 1993. He married (2) ETTA GENEVIEVE LANTZ on 27 Oct 1934 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 16 Oct 1912 in West Virginia, United States. She died on 26 Jul 1993 in Ohio, United States (Age: 80). He married (3) EDNA DAVISSON. He was born about 1914. He died about 1980.
- 95. vii. FRED VERL GRIFFIN was born on 15 Mar 1916 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He died on 01 Sep 2000 in Clearwater, Pinellas, Florida, USA. He married Dorothy Rowena Prince, daughter of George Prince and Ellen (Ella) Ray, on 15 Mar 1937 in Chester, Hancock, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 23 Sep 1914 in Shoals, Wayne, West Virginia, USA. She died on 29 Dec 1992 in Chicago Heights, Cook, Illinois, USA.
- 48. WILLIAM CHARLES<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Apr 1877 in Mole Hill, Ritchie. He died on 24 Nov 1955 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married Orphia Clemans on 18 Jan 1902 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Jan 1879 in West Virginia. She died on 08 Nov 1959 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA.

## Notes for William Charles Griffin:

His age was given as 24 and hers as 18 in the (marriage) application. He lived in Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV as of 1951. (K. William Bailey)

Notes for Orphia Clemans:

Orpha was a teacher in Central Station, WV.

William Charles Griffin and Orphia Clemans had the following children:

 MABEL M<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born in 1904 in West Virginia. She married John Andrew Miracle on 19 Jan 1924 in Doddridge, West Virginia, United States. He was born on 25 Dec 1901 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 13 Feb 1945 in Roane, West Virginia, USA.

Notes for John Andrew Miracle: John was a farmer in Mole Hill, WV.

- 96. ii. PAULINE IRIS GRIFFIN was born on 23 Jul 1909 in Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 06 Apr 1976 in Wood County, West Virginia. She married William Donivan Miller on 23 Jan 1928. He was born about 1905 in West Virginia.
  - iii. LILLIAN MADGE GRIFFIN was born on 05 Mar 1913 in Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 18 Jan 2005 in Coolville, Athens County, Ohio. She married Warden Willis Turrill on 03 Mar 1935 in Greenwood, Doddridge County, West Virginia. He was born on 03 Mar 1907 in Greenwood, Doddridge County, West Virginia. He died on 31 Aug 1989 in Parkersburg, Wood County, West Virginia.
- 49. SILAS FLOYD<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 15 Jun 1879 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 04 May 1943 in Taylor, West Virginia, United States. He married (2) LUCRETIA AMERICA MIRACLE on 06 Feb 1902 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He married (3) LILY TRUADOR.

Notes for Silas Floyd Griffin:

He was a car inspector in Central Station, WV. It is assumed that this means he worked for the Rail Road.

Silas Floyd Griffin had the following child:

i. CLARA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN.

Silas Floyd Griffin and Lucretia America Miracle had the following child:

- ii. CLARA LEA GRIFFIN was born on 22 Jul 1914 in Central, Doddridge.
- 50. MINNIE J<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Jul 1884 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died in Jul 1979 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, USA. She married Walter Wesley Fleming in 1899. He was born on 27 Jul 1867 in Parkersburg, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He died on 10 Sep 1936 in Oklahoma, USA.

Notes for Minnie J Griffin: This address is perhaps 25 years old as of 1995.

A Minnie Griffin was born July 12, 1884 - Ritchie Co records.

Notes for Walter Wesley Fleming: He was a pumper in Gypsy, OK. According to the Doak book, his address was Box 92 but that was probably back in the 1930's.

She lived in Okmulgee, OK in 1951. (K. William Bailey)

Walter Wesley Fleming and Minnie J Griffin had the following children:

i. NINA B.<sup>6</sup> FLEMING was born on 11 Jun 1901 in Arnolds Creek, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She married BARNEY W. BRADY.

Notes for Barney W. Brady: A stenographer in Sapulpa, OK according to the Doak Book.

ii. LEWIS WESLEY FLEMING was born on 30 May 1903 in Central Station, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. He died on 06 Feb 1965. He married ALINE FIELDS.

Notes for Lewis Wesley Fleming: Lewis was an oil field worker in Mannford, OK according to the Doak Book.

- 97. iii. HARRY D. FLEMING was born about 1907 in West Virginia. He married LILLIE F LOVALL. She was born about 1908 in Oklahoma.
- 98. iv. LAURA V FLEMING was born about 1908 in West Virginia. She married EUGENE LOFTIN.
  - v. ETHEL J. FLEMING was born on 27 Sep 1911 in Ohio, USA.
  - vi. CATHERINE FLEMING.
  - vii. MADELINE FLEMING was born about 1916 in Arkansas.
  - viii. BETTY LOU FLEMING.
- 51. GEORGE OLIVER<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 10 Jun 1894 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He married Cloe Felicia Morris, daughter of Basil Morris and Ascineath Odell, on 10 Sep 1916 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born in Apr 1901 in West Virginia, USA. She died in Aug 1963 in New Jersey, USA.

Notes for George Oliver Griffin: George was an employee of a tin plate mill in Clarksburg, WV. (Doak Book) A George Griffin was born June 7, 1893 according to Ritchie Co Records.

He appeared on the census of 7 June 1893 Central District, Doddridge Co., WV; he was 6 (born June/1893) and in his parents' home. He lived in 1951 Perth Amboy, NJ. (K. William Bailey)

George Oliver Griffin and Cloe Felicia Morris had the following children:

- MILDRED VIRGINIA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 21 Feb 1919 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. She died on 07 Mar 1991. She married Samuel Howard Snyder on 02 Dec 1939. He was born in 1917 in Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in 1989 in Churchville, Augusta, Virginia, USA.
- 100. ii. EVELYN MARIE GRIFFIN was born on 29 Nov 1921 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West

Virginia, USA. She died in Aug 1983 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA. She married JOHN PETER KUCHAREK. He was born on 27 Nov 1921 in Fords, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA. He died in Jun 1979 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA.

- iii. EDNA GRIFFIN was born in 1924.
- 101. iv. GEORGE OLIVER GRIFFIN JR was born on 28 Jan 1926 in Nutter Fort, Harrison, West Virginia. He married LOUISE ?.
- 52. JAMES EVERON<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 14 May 1897 in Tyler County, West Virginia, USA. He died on 06 Oct 1968 in Kanawha County, West Virginia, USA (Age: 71). He married DOROTHY DOTSON. She was born in 1897 in Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She died on 12 Dec 1970.

Notes for James Everon Griffin: James Everon was a farmer in Middlebourne, WV.

Notes for Dorothy Dotson: Obituary of Dorothy (Dotson) Griffin

Rites for Mrs. Dorothy Griffin, 73, of Woodbridge, N.J., who died Dec. 12 in a New Jersey hospital, will be held at 2 pm Thursday at the McCullough Funeral Home at Pennsboro. The Rev. James W. Wright will officiate with burial to be in the Duckworth Cemetery, Doddridge County.

Born in Doddridge county, she was a daughter of the late Arlington and Zoe Garrison Dotson. She was a member of the Arnolds Creek Christian Church at Deep Valley.

Survivors include four sons, Paul Griffin, Robert, George and Keith Griffin, all of Woodbridge, New Jersey; one daughter, Betty Griffin of Woodbridge; three brothers, L. H. Dotson of Vienna, Marvin and Richard, both of Bradenton, Florida; one sister, Mrs Asia Groves of Bradenton, Florida. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Everon Griffin.

Friends may call at the funeral home.

James Everon Griffin and Dorothy Dotson had the following children:

- i. ROBERT<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born in 1923.
- KEITH GRIFFIN was born in 1928 in West Virginia. He died on 20 Jun 1973 in Woodbridge, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA (Birth: Oct. 3, 1927 Death: Jun. 20, 1973 Woodbridge Middlesex County New Jersey, USA Burial: Duckworth Cemetery Doddridge County West Virginia, USA Edit Virtual Cemetery info [?] Created by: Barbara Nicholson Record added:).
- iii. BETTY LUCILE GRIFFIN.
- iv. GERL GRIFFIN was born about 1929 in West Virginia, USA.
- v. PAUL GRIFFIN was born in 1931 in West Virginia.
- 53. ETHELBERT LAFAYETTE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Thomas Alpheus<sup>4</sup>, Garrett Clawson<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 14 Mar 1873 in West Virginia. He died on 09 Sep 1940 in Ohio, USA. He married BLANCHE G THORNLEY. She was born in May 1879 in Ohio.

Ethelbert Lafayette griffin and Blanche G Thornley had the following child:

- MARY SUE<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 11 Jan 1916 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States Of America. She died on 29 Nov 2010 in Victorville, San Bernadino, California, United States Of America. She married RICHARD BRAND FENTON. He was born on 22 Nov 1911 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States Of America. He died on 01 Aug 1951 in Steubenville, Jefferson, Ohio.
- 54. CHARLES ALPHEUS<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Jul 1872. He died on 03 Apr 1927. He married Edna Perdew in Apr 1896 in Henry, Illinois, USA. She was born on 27 Jul 1877. She died on 01 Dec 1971.

Notes for Charles Alpheus Griffin:

Charles Griffin left Williamstown, WV at the age of 17 going to Illinois in the early 1890's. He and his family moved from Henry to Reynolds, ND in 1907, thence to Trail in 1911, and to Gully in

1914. He is buried in the family plot in Henry, IL with wife Edna, and children Cassie, Violet, Charles and Helen.

Charles Alpheus Griffin and Edna Perdew had the following children:

- 103. i. IVAN<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 16 Jul 1896. He died on 05 May 1978 in Anacortes, WA. He married Clara Hanson in 1920 in Gully, Polk, Minnesota, USA.
  - ii. CASSIE GRIFFIN was born on 02 Nov 1898. She died on 24 Sep 1905.
  - iii. VIOLET GRIFFIN was born on 14 Jan 1901. She died on 29 Dec 1973.
  - iv. HELEN E. GRIFFIN was born on 28 Feb 1903. She died on 18 Sep 1981. She married Gordon Hamrey in May 1921 in Gully, Polk, Minnesota, USA. He died in 1972.
  - v. CHARLES GRIFFIN was born on 01 Mar 1905. He died on 15 Mar 1905.
  - vi. MILDRED GRIFFIN was born on 10 Aug 1906. She died on 03 Jun 1986. She married Eugene Ditto in 1927. He died in 1960.
- 104. vii. HAROLD W. GRIFFIN was born on 24 Aug 1910 in Reynolds, Grand Forks, North Dakota, USA. He died on 04 Nov 1997. He married (1) AMELIA MARKOVICH. She died on 25 Apr 1970. He married (2) EDNA JENSEN on 26 Aug 1977.
- 105. viii. HERBERT L. GRIFFIN was born on 07 Aug 1913 in Tfail, MN. He died in 2001. He married Katherine Jaeger on 08 Mar 1943 in San Francisco, California, USA. She was born on 18 Sep 1914.
- 55. STELLA BLANCH<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 10 Jul 1874 in Williamstown, Wood Co., WV. She died on 09 Feb 1955 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. She married Charles A. McConnell on 26 Oct 1892 in Wheeling, WV. He was born on 23 May 1870 in Moundsville, WV. He died on 14 Aug 1919 in Sistersville, WV.

Charles A. McConnell and Stella Blanch Griffin had the following children:

- i. LORA CORRINE<sup>6</sup> MCCONNELL was born in Oct 1894 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. She died on 17 Jan 1976 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV.
- ii. MARIE LOUISE MCCONNELL was born in Aug 1899 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. She died in Dec 1984 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV.
- iii. CHARLES CAMPBELL MCCONNELL was born in 1907 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. He died on 17 Jan 1986 in Camden-Clark Mem. Hospital, Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV.
- iv. MAX MCCONNELL was born on 30 Mar 1897 in Parkersburg, Wood Co., WV. He died on 07 Mar 1985 in Covington, KY.
- 56. **SIDNEY<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN** (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1877. He died in 1955. He married **ERNESTINE SCHMIDT**.

Sidney Griffin and Ernestine Schmidt had the following child:

- i. LOREN<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN. He died in 1965.
- 57. LUCILE ALICE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1879 in Williamstown, West Virginia, USA. She died on 14 Jun 1971. She married Edward Alexander Galbreath on 01 Jun 1899. He was born on 22 Oct 1876 in Vincent, Ohio, USA. He died on 29 Oct 1949 in Akron, Ohio, USA.

Edward Alexander Galbreath and Lucile Alice Griffin had the following children:

- i. MARGARET<sup>6</sup> GALBRAITH.
- ii. ERNEST WILLIAM GALBREATH was born on 01 Feb 1905. He died on 11 Jun 1971 in Akron.
- iii. HAROLD GALBRAITH was born on 20 Mar 1902. He died on 29 Mar 1926.
- iv. JOHN H. GALBRAITH was born on 12 Dec 1914. He died on 29 Jul 1918.
- 58. **MARY INEZ<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN** (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 22 Dec 1881. She died on 04 Dec 1973. She married **MERRILL WILLIAMS**.

Merrill Williams and Mary Inez Griffin had the following children:

- i. SARA<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMS.
- ii. MERRILL WILLIAMS.
- iii. RICHARD WILLIAMS was born in 1918.
- iv. MARY GERTRUDE WILLIAMS was born in 1920.
- 59. **MILDRED<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN** (William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1894. She died in 1919. She married **WILLIAM HOUSE**.

William House and Mildred Griffin had the following child:

- i. LELA<sup>6</sup> HOUSE was born in 1918. She married ASA BUNNER.
- 60. PEARL JACKSON<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (George Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 04 Jul 1885 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 21 Jan 1919 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married Georgianna Ryder, daughter of John Ryder and Eleanor McKibben, on 19 Nov 1907 in Pleasants, West Virginia, United States. She was born in 1884.

Pearl Jackson Griffin and Georgianna Ryder had the following children:

- 106. i. JOHN RYDER<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 20 Mar 1908 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 24 Jul 1984 in Spencer, Roane, West Virginia, USA. He married Phyllis Vey Hunt, daughter of Oscar Hunt and Ida Argabrite, on 29 Apr 1928 in Caldwell, Noble, Ohio, USA.
  - ii. FREDRICK GRIFFIN. He married MARY FRANCES RADCLIFF.
  - iii. MARY ELLEN GRIFFIN.
- 61. **WILLIAM O.<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN** (George Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>). He married **EDNA ?**. William O. Griffin and Edna ? had the following child:
  - i. MAXINE<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN.
- 62. NELL J.<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (George Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1894 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died in Batavia, NY. She married CLINTON E. PATE. He died in Batavia, NY.

Clinton E. Pate and Nell J. Griffin had the following child:

- i. PATTY<sup>6</sup> PATE.
- 63. GEORGE LONNIE<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Charles Black<sup>4</sup>, Joseph Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1893 in Texas. He married ROBBIE ANN FULLEN. She was born on 15 Jan 1893 in Oleatha, Limestone, Texas. She died on 29 Jun 1933 in Camp County, Texas.

George Lonnie Griffin and Robbie Ann Fullen had the following children:

- i. VONELLE<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born about 1921 in Texas.
- ii. GEORGIA OZELLE GRIFFIN was born on 27 Oct 1923 in Camp County, Texas. She died on 10 May 1993 in Arivaca, Pima, Arizona, USA.
- iii. CARLINE GRIFFIN was born about 1927 in Texas.
- iv. VALERIE GRIFFIN was born about 1927 in Texas.
- v. ITHA RAY GRIFFIN was born on 11 Jun 1933 in Camp County, Texzas. She died on 20 Jan 2009 in College Station, Brazos, Texas, USA.
- vi. SANFORD RUDOPH GRIFFIN was born on 31 Aug 1930 in Camp County, Texas. He died on 14 Apr 1932 in Camp County, Texas.
- vii. VIDA GRIFFIN was born about 1934 in Texas.
- 64. AMY LOUCRETIA<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Charles Black<sup>4</sup>, Joseph Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 20 Jul 1894 in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. She died on 09 Jul 1979 in Austin, Travis County, Texas. She married Doyle Benjamin Murray. He was born on 06 Mar 1881 in Blanco, TX. He died on 25 May 1958 in Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Doyle Benjamin Murray and Amy Loucretia Griffin had the following child:

- ADELL BERNICE<sup>6</sup> MURRAY was born on 03 Dec 1915 in Henley, Hays County, Texas. She died on 17 Jul 2006 in Kaufman, TX. She married (1) ANDREW B. CRAWFORD about 1935 in TX. He was born on 17 Apr 1914 in TX. He died on 08 Jul 1943 in Austin, Travis, TX. She married (2) FRANK PARRA GOODMAN in 1947. He was born on 11 May 1900 in El Paso, El Paso, Texas, USA. He died on 24 May 1987 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA.
- 65. CLIFFORD BLOUNT<sup>5</sup> GRIFFIN (Charles Black<sup>4</sup>, Joseph Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 26 Sep 1900 in Henly, Hays, Texas, United States. He died on 21 Apr 1988 in Austin, Travis, Texas, United States. He married GRACIE LEE TINNEY. She was born on 19 Mar 1909 in Blanco, Blanco, Texas, USA. She died on 16 Oct 1997 in Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas, USA.

Clifford Blount Griffin and Gracie Lee Tinney had the following children:

- LEROY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 21 May 1928 in Henly, Hays, Texas, USA. He died on 03 Dec 2007 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA. He married Doris Green on 03 Nov 1956 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA. She was born on 29 Oct 1931 in Houston, Harris, Texas, USA. She died on 27 Jul 2002 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA.
- ii. CLIFTON CECIL GRIFFIN was born on 30 Apr 1925 in Henly, Hays, Texas, USA. He died on 07 Oct 2000 in Henly, Hays, Texas, USA. He married Annie Vera Green on 03 Jan 1948 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA. She was born on 07 Jun 1928 in Houston, Harris, Texas, USA. She died on 18 Nov 2003 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA.

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66. WILBERT MARCELLUS<sup>6</sup> ROWE (Ida Belle<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 15 Feb 1887 in Ritchie, West Virginia, United States of America. He died on 13 Sep 1973. He married Mellie Blanche Cain in 1908. She was born on 13 Sep 1889 in Deep Valley, Tyler County, West Virginia. She died in Jul 1974 in Pennsboro, Ritchie, West Virginia, United States of America.

Notes for Wilbert Marcellus Rowe:

Utility for Hope Gas Co., Mole Hill, WV (Doak Book p 39)

Services were held at the Arnolds Creek Christian Church, Sunday, September 16, 1973. Officiating was Evangelist Charles L. Cole. Interment at Masonic Cemetery, West Union, West Virginia. Arrangements by McCullough Funeral Home, Pennsboro, WV. (Funeral Brochure)

Wilbert Marcellus Rowe and Mellie Blanche Cain had the following children:

- i. ORLAN HADSEL<sup>7</sup> ROWE was born on 27 Jul 1910 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He married Lenora Esther Davis on 01 Jun 1935 in Pennsboro, Ritchie County, West Virginia. She was born on 19 Aug 1916 in Mole Hill, West Virginia. She died on 28 Dec 2006 in Pakersburg, Wood County, West Virginia.
- ii. EULA RUTH ROWE was born on 01 Jun 1912 in Mole Hill, Ritchie, West Virginia. She died on 24 Dec 2004 in Columbus, Ohio, USA. She married MERVIL MORGAN.
- iii. LILLIAN LUCILE ROWE was born on 25 Jun 1918 in Mole Hill, Ritchie, West Virginia. She died on 23 Aug 1959 in Clarksburg, Harrison Co, West Virginia.
- 67. LULA ETHEL<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Edgar W.<sup>5</sup>, Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 24 Jul 1891 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She died on 28 Feb 1971 in West Union, Doddridge, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) S. B. RIGGS. He was born on 15 Sep 1887. He died on 11 Jul 1959. She married (2) ANCEL DOAK. He was born on 28 Sep 1890.

Notes for S. B. Riggs:

Oil well pumper for Philadelphia Oil Co., Mole Hill, WV (doak p39)

S. B. Riggs and Lula Ethel Griffin had the following children:

i. MILDRED MURIEL<sup>7</sup> RIGGS was born on 30 Oct 1917. She married Curtis Sanford

Heinzeroth on 23 Oct 1938. He was born on 09 Jan 1909 in Fairview, Guernsey, Ohio, USA.

- ii. DOROTHY RIGGS was born on 04 Sep 1921. She married George Welty on 10 Jan 1942. He was born on 16 Oct 1921.
- iii. CHARLES RIGGS was born on 07 Feb 1923. He died on 08 Oct 1929.
- iv. FREDA RIGGS was born on 21 Apr 1926 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She married Brian Mumford, son of George J. Mumford and Hilda Doris Cundall, on 29 Jul 1956. He was born on 17 Jul 1930.

Notes for Brian Mumford:

Brian is employed with the Hoover Company at North Canton, Ohio. He was in the Korean conflict as a sergeant and cook of his outfit.

68. ESTELLA MAY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Edgar W.<sup>5</sup>, Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 09 Apr 1893 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She died in Dec 1964. She married Austin Thomas Meredith on 26 May 1912 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born on 13 Nov 1887. He died on 08 Dec 1964.

Notes for Austin Thomas Meredith:

Oil well pumper for hope C. & R. Co., Mole Hill, WV (Doak p39)

Austin Thomas Meredith and Estella May Griffin had the following children:

- i. VERL<sup>7</sup> MEREDITH. He married HELEN WHALEY. She was born in Pennsboro, Ritchie, West Virginia, USA.
- GLADYS MARIE MEREDITH was born on 18 Sep 1917 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She married Thomas Edward Anderson on 26 Nov 1938 in Birmingham, AL. He was born on 23 Mar 1905.
- iii. DUWAYNE MEREDITH was born on 11 Feb 1922. He died on 15 Dec 1952. He married DOROTHY MATHENY.
- DELCIE GENEVA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Edgar W.<sup>5</sup>, Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 21 Dec 1897 in West Virginia, USA. She married WILLIAM FLOYD HAYMOND. He was born in 1891. He died in 1977.

Notes for Delcie Geneva Griffin:

Delcie and her husband William, had the store down at Mole Hill, where the Post Office was. They lived upstairs. They hadn't been housekeeping too long but they had a rocker that Grandpa Isaiah just loved. He wasn't too tall and this chair seemed to fit him good. He'd come visit and just sit and rock and rock. (Ted Griffin interview with Delcie - 1970)

Notes for William Floyd Haymond:

Oil well pumper for Consumers Gas Utility Co., Mole Hill, WV (Doak p39)

William Floyd Haymond and Delcie Geneva Griffin had the following children:

- i. HOLBERT H.<sup>7</sup> HAYMOND. He married VELMA ADAMS.
- ii. WILLIAM FLOYD HAYMOND JR.. He married MARYLESS JONES.
- 70. MARY I.<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Edgar W.<sup>5</sup>, Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 19 Feb 1905 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. She died on 25 Jun 1981 in Marietta, Washington, Ohio, USA. She married Harold Floyd Bishop, son of James Oliver Bishop and Lenora E. Cain, on 01 Feb 1920 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He was born about 1898. He died in 1960.

Notes for Harold Floyd Bishop:

Oil well pumper and farmer, Central Station, WV (Doak p39)

Harold Floyd Bishop and Mary I. Griffin had the following children:

- i. OLIVE KATHLEEN<sup>7</sup> BISHOP. She married ORVILLE STOLLAR.
- ii. CLARIS MAY BISHOP was born on 11 Aug 1925. She married KIRBY DOAK.
- iii. CLARENCE BISHOP was born on 15 Aug 1927. He married DOROTHY SCHRADER.
- iv. DONALD RAY BISHOP was born on 17 Feb 1931. He married MARGARET CRAVEN.

- v. JAMES EDGAR BISHOP was born on 18 Apr 1941. He married SUE MCNUTT.
- 71. WILLIAM ORA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Tinker Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 31 Aug 1905 in Mole Hill, Ritchie Co., WV. He married Edith Amanda Hess, daughter of E. E. Hess and Rose McCullough, on 02 Jul 1927 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 05 Dec 1905. She died on 15 Dec 1987 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA.

William Ora Griffin and Edith Amanda Hess had the following children:

- i. VADA LOIS<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 05 Jul 1929 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died on 02 Mar 1986 in Little Rock, Pulaski, Arkansas, USA. She married (1) GLENN C. RAMSEY in Aug 1947. She married (2) DENNIS WEAVER in 1964.
- ii. COLLEEN ROSE CAMCIE GRIFFIN was born on 11 Aug 1931 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married Robert L. Ash on 16 Feb 1951 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA.
- 72. CLYDE EDDIE<sup>6</sup> STRICKLING (Cora Ellen<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 15 Dec 1899 in Deep Valley, WV. He married Mildred Catherine Boyce on 25 Jul 1921 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 07 Jul 1901 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She died on 15 Dec 1984 in Williston, Levy, Florida, USA.

Notes for Clyde Eddie Strickling: Postoffice clerk, West Union, WV (Doak p40)

## Notes for Mildred Catherine Boyce:

An announcement (newspaper unknown) gives the day and month, but not the year, and says "Mrs. Strickling is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Boyce and is a charming and accomplished young lady. Mr. Stricking is the son of N. R. Strickling, a highly respected citizen of Mole Hill, and is one of Ritchie County's splendid young men".

The marriage was performed by the Rev. F. H. Capehart; he and Mildred Catherine Boyce were divorced circa 1945; m. Melda (--?--); he and Melda (--?--) were divorced; d. 30 July 1961 Steubenville, Jefferson Co., OH, at age 61; he died at 6:15 PM at Ohio Valley Hospital as the result of cancer according to death certificate; bur. 2 August 1961 Greenwood Cem., Greenwood, Doddridge Co., WV; services were conducted by McCullough Funeral Home of Pennsboro.

Clyde was considered to be "quite the athlete" when young; in later years he enjoyed hunting and fishing, and was an avid reader. After his marriage he worked at the A + P in West Union, than at the post office. When he lost his position after FDR's election, the family moved to Pennsboro to live with Ida McGregor, and then in their own rented home. He later found work in Wheeling, WV, and then in a factory in Weirton, WV, where he was living when divorced. Later he lived in Steubenville where he was parts manager at a car dealership. He married for a second time, and this ended in divorce with no children. (K. William Bailey)

Clyde Eddie Strickling and Mildred Catherine Boyce had the following children:

- i. LOIS NELL<sup>7</sup> STRICKLING. She married (1) CURTIS ADAMS. He was born on 03 Dec 1915 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. He died on 23 Mar 1976. She married (2) ?? HAYDEN.
- ii. ROSEANN STRICKLING. She married EDWARD EUGENE BAILEY. He was born on 05 Feb 1925 in Greene, Pennsylvania, USA. He died on 25 Oct 1983 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio, USA.

Notes for Edward Eugene Bailey:

Edward Eugene "Bill" Bailey was born on 5 February 1925 Greene Co., PA. His Social Security Number was 200-14-4255. He began military service on 14 July 1943 when he was inducted into the army on 14 July 1943 in Baltimore, MD [residing at time of induction at 225 South Hanover Street], and entered active service as member of Company B, 87th Chemical Battalion on 4 August 1943. The company departed for Europe on 31 March 1945 on the "Queen Elizabeth". They landed at Grenock, Scotland and traveled cross country to Tiverton, Devonshire, to

begin preparations for "D-Day". Here the Battalion attached to the 4th Infantry Division. A few weeks prior to 6 June the company received orders to move to a marshaling area at Torquay. They left Torquay with the 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Division, 4th Division on the USS Barnette and landed on Utah Red Beach. ["Col. James Van Fleet took command of the 8th Infantry Regiment of the 4th Division on July 21, 1941. The 8th had been activated a year earlier for the express purpose of developing tactics to contain a blitzkrieg offensive, but when Van Fleet took over the situation had changed and he trained the 8th 'as an assault unit, the American force that would make the first landings'. He explained, "The initial thrust of our training was how to storm and seize enemy strongpoints such as pillboxes". D-Day June 6, 1944: The Climatic Battle of World War II, Stephen Ambrose (Simon and Schuster, 1994), page 131].

The history of "B" Company describes the events of 6 June as follows:

"Forward observer parties were to go with the infantry assault teams, the mortar companies to follow and land at 'H' plus 50 minutes. To describe that mad dash to the beach in LCVP's, being tossed around like a bar of soap in a bath tub, men grabbing their puke sacks, sheets of salt water drenching all with every dip of the boat, each dip seeming to be the last, rocket boat discharging their loads with a swish of burning powder trailing the rockets, hundreds of planes releasing their bombs along the beach on which we were to land and a million other incidents would require a book in itself.

We hit, 'hell, how we hit it', the beach we had heard to much about, and there was no mistake the 'big' job was at last under way. The first baptism of fire! The whine of an incoming shell and when to hit the dirt was learned immediately, or else! Habits established through long months of training came to our rescue and we began to function. We were learning new habits now, habits established through experience and not 'by the numbers'.

Then - from the beach and across Normandy, fox holes, hedgerows, 88's, 'K' rations and 'D' bars, calvadors (sic) [calvados is a potent brandy] and cider, continuously on the go, fighting - fighting, this unit, that unit, our job was to give close support, not to rest".

The unit was commended by Major General J. Lawton Collins on 6 December 1944 for its actions during the invasion of Europe. The commendation noted:

" Beginning at H plus 50 minutes on D-Day, June 6, 1944, the 87th Chemical Battalion has been in the vanguard of every fight in which the VII Corps troops have participated. The fire support you have the 8th Infantry Regiment in its assault on Utah Beach was an important factor in securing the beachhead and insuring the swift movement of our forces across the inundated area. In our drive up the Cotentin Peninsula to capture Cherbourg, the companies of the 87th Chemical Battalion were integrated with the leading units of the 4th, 79th and 9th Infantry Divisions, and in many instances it was the close support of your fire that enabled the infantry to drive the Germans out of their positions and maintain the relentless pressure which has been the secret of our swift advance.

The same was true following the aerial bombardment north of Marigny-St. Gilles when we broke though the German positions and dislodged them from the hedgerow country of Normandy. When the VII Corps absorbed the brunt of the German counterattack to break through the First Army at Montrain, the 87th Chemical Battalion in support of the 4th and 9th Infantry Divisions helped smother and throw back this German thrust. In the crucial battle around the Mons, elements of your battalion in support of the 1st Infantry Division were an additional factor in

breaking up the attempt of the XV German Corps to swing through Belgium. The carnage and rout which followed our victory there enabled us to continue our relentless pursuit through Belgium and into German itself".

"Bill" distinguished himself during the battle for Cherbourg. The following portion from the citation awarding him the Bronze Star on 24 September 1944 tells the story:

" On June 29, 1944, Company B was occupied in giving supporting fire to the infantry engaged in cleaning out the last resistance in the Cherbourg Peninsula. Private First Class Bailey, as radio operator for the forward observer of his company's 4.3" chemical mortar platoon, had the task of maintaining communication between the advance party and the gun emplacements in the rear. At approximately 1100 a mortar shell struck in close proximity to their position, slightly wounding Private First Class Bailey. He declined evacuation and continued with his mission. From 1100 until 1200 Private First Class Bailey stuck by his job carrying his SCR 300 radio along with him in the face of extremely heavy machine gun, mortar and small arms fire. At 1200 another mortar exploded nearby smashing his radio and seriously wounding him.

Private First Class Bailey continued to attempt to carry on, refusing to be evacuated, and until he received a direct order from his superior officer, refused to be removed from the scene. Though under heavy fire and previously wounded by enemy action, Private First Class Bailey, with unswerving loyalty and courage, continued to carry out his duty as a radio operator, maintaining communication with the mortar position and enabling the platoon to carry on its mission".

The unit joined with Terry Allen's Timberwolves, 104th Division, on December 10. Lucherberg was the first engagement, followed by Merken. Again the company history reports, "On the 25th of December, Christmas Day, we moved into firing position in Sadzot, Belgium and ate our Christmas Dinner by moonlight. We were now with the bewildered 75th Division and had a bitter time indeed! In the bright moonlight of the 27th, the Germans descended upon us in full fury. Despite their greater number we faced them alone at the start/ When daylight came, the paratroopers and tank destroyer men helped us, and then the picture became clear - our heroes, and there were many such - the dead and missing whom we mourn, the wounded. Yet it was out task to stay on and that we did. December 30th saw us back at Havelange, Belgium, diminished in numbers but not in spirit. We welcomed the New Year somberly with the memory of Sadzot still fresh in our hearts".

"Bill" was one of those wounded on the 28th. For his actions in service he was awarded the ETO Ribbon with 4 Bronze Battle Stars, the Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster, the Bronze Star, and other battle and unit badges.

His mother had died on 16 May 1945 (but a letter to his sister reveals he did not receive word until 11 June 1945). Writing to his mother from Germany on 22 May 1945, "Bill" described his service as follows:

#### "Dear Mother,

There are no more restrictions on our writing, so will try to tell you all that has happened, and when. Arrived in England on Easter, went to the marshalling area the 15th of May. Climbed on the U.S. Barnnet [sic] the 1st of June for the invasion, hit the beach 10 minutes to eight. That was 50 minutes after H hour. Was wounded right after Cherbough fell on the 29th of June. Was in the Hosp. in England the 4th of July. Left the hospital to go to France on [sister's] birthday [2

August]. Was back with the outfit the 18th of Sept. Joined the company near Aachen. We were on the Roer River when the big German offensive started. We were sent there to help stop it. I was wounded there the 28th of December. Came back to the Roer River for the drive to Cologne. Then we went to the 7th army sector to cross the Rhine. Our Bn. has been in support of the following Divisions, 1, 4, 9, 82 airborne, 101 airborne, 79, 83, 104, 8."

After discharge from Thayer Hospital, with medical disability due to his wounds, he returned to Carmichaels and celebrated his discharge by burning his uniform one night in the village square. After his service during WWII, "Bill" lived with the grandfather A. J. Stephens and aunt Etta Stephens. He first took a job as a salesman for Sweetheart Soap. He subsequently met Roseanne Strickling when she and her mother were visiting her step-father who was working in the area of Carmichaels. "Bill" obtained employment in construction through Ray Petry's help, and continued in that line of employment for many years as a welder and ironworker. Later he worked as a truckdriver until disabled. He had a life-long interest in horses and ponies. As a young man he accompanied "Doc" Mckim, a local stockman, and did his accounts as he bought and sold livestock. He later raised and showed various types of horses and ponies, and also worked as a rodeo clown and judge at horse shows. As he grew older, and his physical disabilities increased, he developed an interest in Welsh ponies and developed "Coffee Pot Farm" into one of the best known and respected breeding farms in the United States and Canada. He died on 25 October 1983 Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., OH, at age 58. He was buried on 29 October 1983 Zion Cem., Carroll Co., OH: the burial took place on a beautiful fall day. At the cemetery the casket was transferred from the hearse to a pony drawn wagon and friends and family followed on foot to the gravesite where the stone depicts the wagon. (K. William Bailey)

73. ELSIE ANNA<sup>6</sup> RACER (Dolly Bird<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 11 Oct 1901 in Reno, Washington, Ohio, USA. She died on 19 Dec 1988 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. She married (1) GORDON THORN. He was born on 13 Mar 1897 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. He died in 1936. She married (2) BEATTIE CLARK. He died in 1965.

# Notes for Elsie Anna Racer:

OBITUARY states: Elsie Clark, 87, of Friendly, died Monday, December 19, 1988 in St. Joseph Hospital, Parkersburg. She was born October 11, 1901 at Reno, Ohio, the daughter of the late Dudley and Lolly Griffen-Racer. She was a retired cook at Friendly Grade School, a foster grandmother at Colin Anderson Center in St. Marys, and a member of the Friendly Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Gordon Thorn in 1936, her second husband, Beattie Clark in 1965. Surviving are four sons, harry and Charles Thorn of Friendly, Harold Thorn of Paden City, and Joseph Thorn of Waco, Texas; a step-son, Earl Clark of St. Marys; two brothers, Virgil Racer of Friendly and Sherman Racer of Sistersville; a sisters, Mrs. Burell (Freda) Hammett of st. Marys; 12 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren. Friends received at Eckels Funeral Home, Sistersville, where services were held Wednesday, December 21. Interment in Friendly Cemetery; bur. 21 December 1988 Friendly Cem., Friendly, Tyler Co., WV. (K. William Bailey)

### Notes for Gordon Thorn:

State road overseer, Friendly, WV (doak p40)

Gordon Thorn and Elsie Anna Racer had the following children:

- JOSEPH<sup>7</sup> THORN was born on 24 Apr 1923 in Friendly, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. He died on 24 Jan 1998 in Parkersburg, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He married WYNEMA JACOBS. She was born in 1925 in Sistersville, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died on 27 Mar 1997 in Wheeling, Ohio, West Virginia, USA.
- ii. HAROLD THORN. He married EMILY SMYTHE.

- iii. CHARLES NORTON THORN. He married FRANCES MARIE ASHER.
- iv. HARRY LELAND THORN. He married ADA ??.
- 74. WILLIAM VIRGIL<sup>6</sup> RACER (Dolly Bird<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born in 1906 in New Matamoras, Washington, Ohio, USA. He died on 02 Nov 1990 in Wheeling, Ohio, West Virginia, USA. He married Estel McMullen, daughter of Charles McMullen and Etta Riggs, on 04 Oct 1928 in Tyler Co., WV. She was born on 24 Jul 1908 in Middlebourne, Tyler, West Virginia, USA. She died on 01 Jun 1985.

Notes for William Virgil Racer: State road truck driver, Friendly, WV (doak p40)

OBITUARY stated: William Virgil Racer, 84, of Friendly, died Friday, November 2, 1990 at the Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling. He was born in New Matamoras, Ohio, a son of the late Dudley and Dollie Griffen Racer. He was a member of the Friendly United Methodist Church and was retired from Corning Glass of Paden City. He was preceded in death by his wife, Estel Racer in 1985. Surviving is one son, Charles D. RAcer of New Martinsville; one daughter, Mrs. Beverly Sprouse of Paden City; one brother Sheramn Racer of Sistersville; one sister, Mrs. Freda Hammett of St. marys; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson. Services were held Sunday, November 4 at Eckels Funeral Home, Sistersville, with the Rev. William Williamson officiating. Interment in the Middlebourne Cemetery; bur. 4 November 1990 Middlebourne Cem., Middlebourne, Tyler Co., WV. (K. William Bailey)

Notes for Estel McMullen:

OBITUARY stated: Estel A. Racer, 76, of Friendly, passed away Saturday, June 1, 1985 at her home. She was born in Middlebourne, a daughter of the late Charles and Etta Riggs McMullen. She was a member of the Friendly United Methodist Church, the ladies organization of the church, and the Rebekah Lodge. She is survived by her husband, W. V. Racer; one daughter, Beverly Sprouse of Paden City; one son, Charles D. of New Martsinsville; eight grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother, Earnest McMullen. Services were held Monday, June 3, at the Eckels Funeral Home in Sistersville with the Rev. Floyd Richmond officiating. Burial in Middlebourne Cemetery. She was buried on 3 June 1985 Middlebourne Cem., Middlebourne, Tyler Co., WV. (K. William Bailey)

William Virgil Racer and Estel McMullen had the following children:

- i. CHARLES DUDLEY<sup>7</sup> RACER was born on 05 Jan 1930. He died on 19 May 1995 in Friendly Cem., Friendly, Tyler Co., WV. He married PATRICIA A. KRAUS.
- ii. BEVERLY J. RACER. She married NORMAN SPROUSE.
- 75. ESTA MAY<sup>6</sup> ASH (Mary Thomas<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, William Morris). She married (1) W. M. MEREDITH. She married (2) SHIRL TAGGERT. Notes for W. M. Meredith:

Oil well pumper, Hope C. & R. Co., Bearsville, WV (Doak p40)

W. M. Meredith and Esta May Ash had the following children:

- i. HARLAND ALFRED<sup>7</sup> MEREDITH.
- ii. CATHERINE MARGUERITE MEREDITH.
- iii. WILLIAM LORMAN MEREDITH.
- 76. **LAWRENCE T.<sup>6</sup> ASH** (Mary Thomas<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, William Morris). He married **GOLDE GLENDENNING**.

Notes for Lawrence T. Ash:

Principal Smithburg school, Smithburg, WV (doak p40)

Lawrence T. Ash and Golde Glendenning had the following children:

- i. BETTY LOU<sup>7</sup> ASH. She married ?? WINN.
- ii. LAVENA ASH. She married ?? O'SHEA.

77. VONDA G.<sup>6</sup> ASH (Mary Thomas<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, William Morris). She married Roy A. WAGGONER.

Notes for Roy A. Waggoner: Lineman for C. & P. Tel. Co., Weston, WV (doak p40)

Roy A. Waggoner and Vonda G. Ash had the following child:

i. ROBERT A.<sup>7</sup> WAGGONER.

78. ELMER LEROY<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Milton<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>). He married THELMA MARKLE. She was born on 13 Nov 1895 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV.

Notes for Elmer Leroy Griffin: I talked to Elmer on March 13, 2000. He remembered my Father Fred and Uncle Carl. Elmer Leroy Griffin and Thelma Markle had the following child:

i. LARRY<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN.

Notes for Larry Griffin:

Talked to Larry March 13, 2000. He told me about his aunt Irene in Deep Valley.

79. BESSIE E.<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born in Mar 1900. She married Ova CUMBERLEDGE.

Ova Cumberledge and Bessie E. Williamson had the following children:

- i. CLYDE<sup>7</sup> CUMBERLEDGE. He married MAVIS DUNCANS.
- ii. CHARLES CUMBERLEDGE. He married GRACE DUNCANS.
- LYDIA<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). She married (1) HOMER RICHARDS. She married (2) WILLIAM PORTER IRELAND.

Homer Richards and Lydia Williamson had the following child:

- i. HOMER<sup>7</sup> RICHARDS JR.. He married HELEN LOUISE IRELAND.
- 81. JESSIE<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married (1) FLOSSIE ?. He married (2) LILLIS ?. Jessie Williamson and Flossie ? had the following child:
  - i. MARY CATHERINE<sup>7</sup> WILLIAMSON.
- LOYD HARVEY<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married Essie Hoskins.

Loyd Harvey Williamson and Essie Hoskins had the following children:

- i. JUDY<sup>7</sup> WILLIAMSON.
- ii. BETTY WILLIAMSON.
- iii. DAVID WILLIAMSON.
- 83. **HARLEY<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON** (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married **CONNIE HARRIS**.

Harley Williamson and Connie Harris had the following children:

- i. DONALD LEE<sup>7</sup> WILLIAMSON. He married PATRICIA ?.
- ii. MARY ILENE WILLIAMSON. She married JAMES HURST.
- iii. DANIEL WILLIAMSON.
- iv. CAROLYN WILLIAMSON.
- v. ELIZABETH ANN WILLIAMSON.
- 84. **CLARENCE ALFRED<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON** (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married **? HARRIS**.

Clarence Alfred Williamson and ? Harris had the following children:

- i. ORVILLE EUGENE<sup>7</sup> WILLIAMSON.
- ii. CLARENCE WILLIAMSON JR..
- iii. KAREN WILLIAMSON.
- 85. **FLORENCE<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON** (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). She married **SAMUEL SHUMAN**.

Samuel Shuman and Florence Williamson had the following children:

- i. ROBERT<sup>7</sup> SHUMAN.
- ii. GRACE SHUMAN.
- iii. Lydia Marie Shuman.
- iv. JENNINGS SHUMAN.
- v. Louisa Shuman.
- vi. Vonda Mae Shuman.
- vii. Sarah Shuman.
- viii. ROGER LEE SHUMAN.
- ix. TOMMY SHUMAN.
- X. SAMUEL SHUMAN JR..
- 86. CLYDE<sup>6</sup> WILLIAMSON (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married GRACE SCHROEDER.

Clyde Williamson and Grace Schroeder had the following children:

- i. Clyde Earnest<sup>7</sup> Williamson.
- ii. LINDA KAY WILLIAMSON.
- iii. RONALD WILLIAMSON.
- 87. **Roy**<sup>6</sup> **WILLIAMSON** (Mary Emma<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin, David Mathew (D. M.)). He married **IRENE WELLS**.

Roy Williamson and Irene Wells had the following children:

- i. ROY DAVID<sup>7</sup> WILLIAMSON.
- ii. BETTY JEAN WILLIAMSON. She married JOHN F. KENNEDY.
- 88. TRENA ORA<sup>6</sup> HARRIS (Flora Ellen<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 10 Apr 1905 in Long Run, Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 16 Oct 1984 in Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma, United States. She married Melville Edson Trusdell on 01 Jun 1927 in Columbiaville, Tuscola, Michigan, United States. He was born on 24 Jun 1905 in Belfontaine, Ohio, United States. He died on 24 Jan 1971 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.

Melville Edson Trusdell and Trena Ora Harris had the following children:

- i. WAYNE<sup>7</sup> TRUSDELL.
- ii. JUDITH TRUSDELL.
- 89. ORVILLE THEOPLER<sup>6</sup> HARRIS (Flora Ellen<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 20 Aug 1921 in Williamsport, Pickaway, Ohio, USA. He died on 25 Oct 2002 in Westerville, Franklin, Ohio, USA. He married ALTA FAITH SUTHARD. She was born on 28 Sep 1925 in Kelso, Cowlitz, Washington, USA. She died on 01 Jan 1994 in Pasco, Franklin, Washington, USA.

Orville Theopler Harris and Alta Faith Suthard had the following child:

i. FRANCES ROWENA<sup>7</sup> HARRIS was born on 16 Mar 1945 in Washington, USA. She died

in 1989 in NV, USA.

90. Hope<sup>6</sup> HARRIS (Flora Ellen<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 30 Oct 1923 in Williamsport, Pickaway, Ohio, USA. She died on 07 Dec 1987 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, USA. She married (1) GEORGE OWEN LINDERMAN. He died on 04 Mar 1945 in Belgium. She married (2) JAMES EDGAR ROBERTS SR. in 1946 in Ohio, United States. He was born on 02 Aug 1908 in 2862 Johnstwon Road, Mifflin Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Born in the Roberts house.). He died on 10 Jan 1982 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, United States.

James Edgar Roberts Sr. and Hope Harris had the following children:

- i. ROGER CRAIG<sup>7</sup> ROBERTS was born on 18 May 1947 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, USA.
- ii. JAMES EDGAR ROBERTS JR. was born on 07 Jan 1932 in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio. He died on 08 Aug 1979 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio.
- 91. SARA ELIZABETH (BESSIE)<sup>6</sup> ANDERSON (Harriet Louise<sup>5</sup> Kendall, Sarah Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 23 Jun 1891 in Mole Hil, Tyler Co W.Va.. She died on 27 Dec 1948 in Teays, Kanawha Co. W. Va.. She married WILLIAM EMMETT TIFFNER. He was born on 28 Apr 1887 in Cokely, Richie Co. W.Va.. He died on 13 Sep 1951 in Teays, Kanawha Co. W. Va..

William Emmett Tiffner and Sara Elizabeth (Bessie) Anderson had the following children:

- LEWIS EDGAR<sup>7</sup> TIFFNER was born on 30 Oct 1911 in Yawkey, West Virginia, USA. He died on 25 Sep 1985 in Charleston, Kanawha, West Virginia, United States of America.
- ii. TELSA OKLAN TIFFNER was born on 18 Aug 1918 in Samaraco, Lincoln Co. W. Va.. He died on 01 Nov 1987 in Barberton Citizens Hospital.
- iii. VIRGIE EDNA TIFFNER was born on 13 Mar 1915 in Douglas, Calhoun, WV. She died on 16 Sep 1993 in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, USA. She married Walter Simeon Dempsey on 13 Mar 1932 in Caltettsburg, Bayd, KY. He was born on 01 Feb 1903 in Dickinson, Boone, WV. He died on 08 Jan 1970 in Orlando Reginial Hospital Orlando, Orange, FL.
- 92. WILLIAM FLOYD<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (John Lindsey<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 20 Aug 1900. He died on 10 Oct 1977. He married (1) GRACE MAE MOORE, daughter of James Lewis Moore and Virginia May Darnall, on 19 Jun 1921 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 11 Sep 1901 in Stewarts Run, Ritchie, WV, USA. She died on 21 Nov 1970 in Spencer, Roane, WV, USA. He married (2) CARRIE BUNNER on 26 Nov 1943. She died on 17 Dec 1973.

Notes for William Floyd Griffin:

WILLIAM GRIFFIN OBIT, #2903 The Parkersburg (WV) News Monday, 10/10/1977

William Floyd Griffin, 77, of 2807 27<sup>th</sup> St., died in Greenlawn Nursing Home Saturday evening.

He was born in Ritchie County, son of the late James Lindsay and Maude Cline Griffin. He was a member of the Seventh St. United Methodist Church, a former employe of the American Viscose plant for 30 years, and prior to that a teacher in Ritchie County. He was a member of Masonic Lodge 169, a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Mason, and member of the Scottish Rite.

Survivors include one son, W.F. Jr., of Charleston; one daughter, Mrs. Maxine Bridges of Chesapeake; three brothers, E.E. Griffin of Clarksburg, Carl, of Las Vegas, Nev., and Fred of Clearwater, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Carrie Bunner Griffin, and three brothers.

Services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, at Leavitt funeral Home with the Rev. James Reed officiating and burial in Arlington Memorial Gardens with Masonic graveside services.

A Scottish Rite service will be held at the funeral home at 8 p.m. today.

William Floyd Griffin and Grace Mae Moore had the following children:

- i. INFANT<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 31 Jul 1922. He died on 31 Jul 1922.
- ii. WILLIAM FLOYD GRIFFIN JR. was born on 24 Oct 1924. He died on 23 Sep 2003 in Winfield, Putnam, West Virginia, United States of America. He married Jeanette Pearl Birkheimer in 1948 in Pleasants, West Virginia, United States.
- iii. EVELYN MAXINE GRIFFIN was born on 08 May 1929. She married HAROLD OLIVER BRIDGES. He was born on 13 Nov 1924. He died on 08 Mar 1994.

Notes for Carrie Bunner:

CARRIE GRIFFIN OBIT, #2905 The Parkersburg (WV) News Tuesday, 12/18/1973

Funeral services for Mrs. Carrie Jane Griffin, 65, of 2807 27<sup>th</sup> St., who died at her home Monday morning, will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Leavitt Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Arlington Memorial Gardens.

She was born in Dallison and was a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> St. United Methodist Church and the TWUA Local No. 9. Mrs. Griffin was retired in 1970 from the American Viscose Div., FMC Corp., after 42 years of service.

Survivors include her husband, William Floyd Griffin, Sr.; one son, William Floyd Griffin, Jr., of Charleston; a daughter, Maxine Bridges of Chesapeake, Va., three brothers, James J. and David L. Brunner, both of Parkersburg, and Asa M. Brunner of Walker, Rt. 2; and one sister, Delia Brookover of Williamstown.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today.

93. EDDIE EMMIT<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (John Lindsey<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 22 Jan 1906 in Mole Hill, Ritchie, West Virginia (West Virginia, Births Index). He died on 14 Feb 2002 in Clarksburg, Harrison County, West Virginia (Social Security Death Index). He married Edna Emma Jolliffe, daughter of Ira Jolliffe and Lettie Kirkpatrick, on 28 Aug 1926 in Baltimore, MD. She was born on 08 Feb 1901 in Littleton, Wetzel County, West Virginia (West Virginia, Births Index). She died on 02 Jan 1994 in Clarksburg, Harrison County, West Virginia (Social Security Deaths Index - Web: West Virginia, Find A Grave Index).

Notes for Eddie Emmit Griffin:

**OBITUARY** -

Clarksburg - Eddie Emmit Griffin, age 96, 434 Fowler Avenue, Clarksburg, WV, died at 5 a.m. Thursday, February 14, 2002, in Heartland of Clarksburg.

He was born in "Mole Hill" Ritchie County, WV, January 22, 1906, a son of the late John Lindsay Griffin and the late Maude Cline Griffin.

His wife, Edna Emma Jolliffe Griffin, whom he married August 28, 1926, preceded him in death on January 2, 1994.

Surviving are two daughters, Betty June Jenkins, Buckhannon, WV, and Mrs. Gerald C. (Jeannine) McClain, Bridgeport, WV; four grandchildren, Randall Lynn Jenkins, R. Scott Jenkins, Stephen McClain and Mark McClain; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Richard Dale Jenkins; six brothers, Floyd, Carl, Fred and Maple Griffin; and two infant boys.

Mr. Griffin was an active member of the Hammond United Methodist Church, where he had served as Sunday School Superintendent and had also been treasurer of the church building fund. He was a member of Hermon Lodge No. 6, AF&AM and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason

with memberships in the Wheeling and Clarksburg bodies.

He had retired from National Carbon, where he had worked in the control room.

Friends will be received at the Davis-Weaver Funeral Home, 329 East Main Street, Clarksburg, from 7-9 p.m. Saturday and from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. A funeral service will be conducted Monday, February 18, 2002, at 1 p.m. in the Hammond United Methodist Church with the Reverend Dr. Kathryn Ambler and the Rev. Michael Richards presiding. Mr. Griffin's body will lie in state in the church one hour prior to the 1 p.m. service. Interment will be in the Greenlawn Masonic Cemetery. Davis-Weaver Service

Notes for Edna Emma Jolliffe:

EDNA GRIFFIN OBIT, #2907 Clarksburg (WV) Telegram Wednesday, 1/5/1994

MRS. EDDIE E. GRIFFIN

Edna E. Griffin, 92, of 434 Fowler Ave., Clarksburg, died Sunday, January 2, in United Hospital Center, following a brief illness.

She was born in Littleton, Feb. 8, 1901, a daughter of the late Ira Jolliffe and Lettie Kirkpatrick Jolliffe.

Surviving are her husband, Eddie E. Griffin, whom she married Aug. 28, 1926; two daughters, Mrs. Richard (Betty June) Jenkins, Buckhannon, and Mrs. Gerald (Jeannine) McClain, Bridgeport; one sister, Mrs. Dale (Rhea June) Ireland, Arlington, Va.; four grandsons, R. Scott Jenkins, Buckhannon, Randall L. Jenkins and Stephen K. McClain, both of Clarksburg, and Mark D. McClain, Bridgeport; five great-grandchildren, Kristin Jenkins, Richard D. Jenkins II, Monica Jenkins, Amy Jenkins and Benjamin McClain, one niece and one nephew.

She was also preceded in death by one sister, Violet Pearl French, one brother, Ira Arnett Jolliffe, and a grandson, Richard Dale Jenkins.

Mrs. Griffin was a charter member of the Hammond United Methodist Church and a lifetime member of the United Methodist Women.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Mrs. Edna E. Griffin

Friends 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday 2:00-4:00 & 6:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday

Service 1:00 p.m. Friday Hammond United Methodist Church

Interment Greenlawn Masonic Cemetery

Body will lie in state From 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Eddie Emmit Griffin and Edna Emma Jolliffe had the following children:

BETTY JUNE<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 19 Feb 1928 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. She married Richard Jenkins on 11 May 1947 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. He was born on 12 Nov 1925 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. He died on 14 Nov 1994 in Buckhannon, Upshur, West

Virginia, USA.

ii. JEANNINE PEARL GRIFFIN was born on 02 Jul 1930 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. She married Gerald Coy McClain on 26 May 1953 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. He was born on 14 Aug 1927.

Notes for Jeannine Pearl Griffin:

Jeannine was born in Clarksburg, WV. She graduated from Roosevelt Wilson High School in 1949 and worked in the medical field, as Record Librarian at St. Mary's Hospital, and later as Secretary and Receptionist for Andrew J. Weaver, M.C., for eight years. After Stephen and Mark were in High School and College, she went back to work as a Kelly Girl (temporary secretarial services), and then became secretary full time at the Bridgeport United Methodist Church for over nine years, retiring in 1993.

Notes for Gerald Coy McClain:

Bud was born in Clarksburg, WV. He graduated from Washington Irving High School in 1945, served in the U.S. navy, and attended the Western Pennsylvania Horological Institute of Technology, and attended West Virginia University. He retired with 33 years service at Consolidated Gas Supply Corp.

94. JAMES CARL<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (John Lindsey<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 09 Sep 1912. He died on 05 Feb 1985. He married (1) BETTY SMOOT in 1947. She died on 20 Feb 1993. He married (2) ETTA GENEVIEVE LANTZ on 27 Oct 1934 in Ritchie, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 16 Oct 1912 in West Virginia, United States. She died on 26 Jul 1993 in Ohio, United States (Age: 80). He married (3) EDNA DAVISSON. He was born about 1914. He died about 1980.

# Notes for James Carl Griffin:

James Carl Griffin Obituary - Feb 5, 1985

James Carl Griffin, 72, of Flower Street, died Tuesday in Las Vegas. Mr. Griffin was born Sept 9, 1912, in Ritchie County, WV. A resident since 1961, he was an electrician. He is survived by his wife, Betty; daughters, Brenda Griffin and Linda Sue Kelly, all of Las Vegas; brothers, Eddie of Clarksburg, WV, and Fred of Clearwater, FL, and two grandchildren. Friends may call after 9 a.m. Thursday in Palm Mortuary downtown. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Palm Chapel. Burial will be in Palm Valley View Memorial Park.

James Carl Griffin and Betty Smoot had the following children:

- i. Linda<sup>7</sup> Griffin.
- ii. BRENDA GRIFFIN.
- 95. FRED VERL<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (John Lindsey<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 15 Mar 1916 in Mole Hill, Ritchie County, WV. He died on 01 Sep 2000 in Clearwater, Pinellas, Florida, USA. He married Dorothy Rowena Prince, daughter of George Prince and Ellen (Ella) Ray, on 15 Mar 1937 in Chester, Hancock, West Virginia, USA. She was born on 23 Sep 1914 in Shoals, Wayne, West Virginia, USA. She died on 29 Dec 1992 in Chicago Heights, Cook, Illinois, USA.

# Notes for Fred Verl Griffin:

Barbara and I (Ted Griffin) were at Uncle Floyd's around 1970. This is the transcription of a tape recording I made of Dad telling about his first girlfriend Pearl:

Dad - Carl Markle and I were good friends. We ran around a lot together. He had an automobile and plenty of money. I introduced him to Pearl one time and then I went back up to Chester to work and I dreamed one night that she had a date with him. I dreamed what night it was, where they went, and even what the show was. It sounds ironic to you but it's the truth. I came down in a couple of weeks to see her and accused her of it. I was only using psychology. She bitterly denied it at first, and I just kept on. I said, "now Pearl, there's no use for you to lie to me. I know it happened." Finally she admitted it that she had gone to the show with him, on that particular night and it was the show that I had dreamed it was. So I broke the engagement and asked her for the ring back.

Ted - Did you ever think that because you were accusing her so vehemently she just said OK, I did it?

Dad - No, because I talked to Carl. I didn't get mad about it.

Ted - Well, you should have.

Dad - Well, maybe I should have. But I didn't, and Carl and I had talked about it later, and he apologized and he said "Fred, I wouldn't do it any more". But I had already asked for the ring back and, that was before I'd seen Carl. In a short while she married him. I was going to get around to asking her today how long it was. I knew that she married him soon after.

Ted - You never really mentioned any of this today (when we visited her)? You just beat around the bush about it?

Dad - Well, the only way it was mentioned was when I mentioned that song that we used to sing, the "Broken Engagement". She said, "I never heard of it" and snickered, which indicated to me that she did understand.

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A story Dad (Fred) told me (Ted Griffin) -

Greely and Amana Hurst lived in the little house down at the road where you turn in to go up to our place (in Mole Hill), that Arthur Fleming lived in, I believe, when you were a kid. They had a little girl and they bought her one of those little automobiles you peddle. I thought that was the greatest thing in this world. I'm telling you, I can look back on that now and, I can remember how I felt about that little car. We didn't even have a real car of our own to ride in. Greely did, and of course we all looked up to him as he was a school teacher and he had money to buy whatever he needed to buy, and none of the rest of us neighbor on the run had anything like that. Well of course he could buy her all kinds of toys. Anything she wanted, she got. Carl and I didn't have that pleasure. Gee, we would go down there and play with her toys and that little car was just it. I was just a little too large for it, but I'd force myself in. I'm telling you, I had a world of enjoyment out of that thing. And of course she didn't care too much for it, her being little girl, she wasn't too crazy about it. But me, I sure was. She had a tricycle I remember, and oh how I used to love to ride those toys and play with them. I don't know if you've heard me tell this before or not but I think I'll interject it right here. It was the only time in my life that I ever remember stealing anything. They had candy sitting around in dishes all the time, that she could eat candy whenever she wanted it. They were gone from home one day and Carl and I went down apast, and I don't know why we looked in the window, but in the dining room, there set a big dish of candy in the china cupboard. We could see it as we looked in through the window. So we tried to get in without damaging anything, but we had to cut a hole in the screen or something, to unfasten the window. I don't remember now why we cut the screen. But anyway, we knocked a hole in the screen and climbed in through the window and got ourselves some candy, and climbed out, and closed the window. Well, of course, Greely and Amana mentioned it to mother, and she of course took us to task about it, and we first denied it, but we couldn't hold out so we finally admitted it. So she took us down and gee, I'll never forget that talking to that we got. Greely wasn't mad. He was just a nice person. Everyone liked him. He was the type that was a happy-go-lucky sort of person. As I remember him, always cheerful, jolly and friendly with everyone. Of course being a school teacher in the area we all looked up to him, and he was a very good looking man. I remember that. He set us down and started talking to us and I remember he said to us "Do you know that I could call the police? I could turn you over to the authorities." And then he went on to describe what the penalty would be for breaking into a house and how that we could be locked up, put in jail. Well that scared the very life out of Carl and me. I'm telling you, I have thought about that an awful lot of times But I never was guilty of ever doing that ever after, of going into anyone's house, believe me!

A lot of the things that I went through and suffered and I mean suffered really, when I got up to where I had to go to work, and I wasn't very old when this happened, and I don't imagine that you'll believe some of the things that I can tell you that happened at the age that I was when I went to work and did many times a man's job. If kids today had to do what I done and of course this is typical for I've heard it all my life. My Grandad Daniel, I've heard him tell about "well if kids today did what I had to do when I was a boy, they couldn't take it". This, I guess I'm dating myself when I talk like this, but it' very true, the kids today just don't do it, in fact the men don't do it. The men now work 7-7 ½ and not over 8 hours a day and that's it. They're to work at 8 in the morning and get off at 4 or 4:30 in the afternoon and that's it. Now, it didn't work that way back on the farm. We

never worked less than 10 hours a day and many days we worked 12 hours. I used to take the team of horses and go away from home and work for other people. I would get up at 6:00 in the morning, go to the barn and feed and water the horses and harness and get them ready and come back to the house, eat breakfast and be out in the field working at 7 in the morning. I'd take the team into the barn and feed and water them again and go eat my dinner and go right back and we had to be in the field at 1:00.

I don't ever remember seeing Isaiah Griffin. I remember when I was just a little lad, hearing Grandad Daniel and my Dad Lindsey talk about Isaiah but I never did see him. Grandma's name, as I remember was Virginia. She was always called "Ginny". I know Grandad Daniel lots of times when he'd get to joshing her about something, he would call her "Ginny", so I'm sure that's where the nickname arrived. When he was in a good humor and teasing her, and he did once in a while, he would use it.

I went to school with Hadsell, Ruth and Lucille Rowe and I never knew, I guess, what the connection was with the Rowe's and the Doaks but I do know this, the first funeral that I attended was lke Rowe, and he was married to Ida. It sticks in my memory because it was a horse-drawn hearse and it was black and it had curtains on the side and I thought, "Isn't that a beautiful thing". Now the same kind of a horse-drawn vehicle carried my mother's Mother (Susannah Mercer Cline) and I believe that mom was still carrying me some. Ike Rowe lived about a mile on up the road from where we lived and he had a grist mill that he ground corn meal for people. Dad would load up a bag of corn, throw it across a horse and put me on top of it. I'd take this grain up to him to grind and I'd stant around there while he ground the meal. Then he'd load it on my horse and put me on it and I'd start back down the road again. Then when he died, Hadsell then, Marcellus' boy, ran the grist mill.

The little house on our farm (in Mole Hill) where Grandad Daniel lived. I guess now we had sold that house to Arthur Flemings when you were a kid. We didn't own it. You see, Dad Lindsey at one time bought one acre of ground off of Greeley Hearst when he owned that property, to build that house for G'dad Daniel & Gma. They got to the place that they had to be near someone to look after them, to get the groceries and kind of care for them just like my dad and mother needed when Floyd took them to Parkersburg. So Dad bought this acre of ground and built this little house for G'dad and G'ma. They lived there, I don't remember how many years. Then Everon, the youngest son (Dad Lindsey's brother), he came there and lived with them for guite a period of time. You asked me where G'dad and G'ma Griffin came from, on up the road, well, about <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> a mile, maybe ½, they lived on Pearl Beard's farm. And I believe that's where my Dad Lindsey was born. If he wasn't born there, that's the first recollection that I can remember him telling about his growing up. How he used to go out dating girls or be out at night at least, and come in way late in the night and how his Father Daniel always made him get up and build the fire in the fireplace before they would get out of bed. My dad, I've heard him tell that many times and he sort of resented that. In fact I think he resented it a great deal, because of then they slept downstairs in the bedroom just off of the living room, since you don't know the house, but it was similar to our farm home in that respect, in the room locations, and he would have to get up from upstairs and come down the cold stairs and build a fire in the fireplace and get it all warm in there before his dad and mother got up. I think that was unkind too, of them. No matter what he had been doing, or what time he got in, boy, he said he always had to do that. He never did make any of us boys do that. He always got up of a morning and built the fire in the fireplace and when we got up there was always a big roaring fire and he was gone to the barn to feed the horses an cows. Well, that's where G'dad Daniel and G'ma lived for years. When they left there, they went to Central Station. That's where I first remember my G'dad Daniel and G'ma. That was the first place... (isn't it funny how things will come back to your mind)... that I was ever introduced to peanut butter. Oh I'm telling you, that peanut butter was so good I can taste it now. G'ma "Ginny" always kept boarders (at Central Station) and she kept a rooming house. She was one of the greatest cooks in the nation. When we'd go up there, there would always be several of us at the table and of course she had enough of money to buy what she needed for the table and she always had everything that you could think of to eat. This one Sunday she ha peanut butter on the table and I'm telling you, I eat peanut butter until it ran out my ears. I got ashamed of myself and I would slip in and get in that jar and I'd eat it by the spoonfuls. I didn't want to put it on bread. I got sick that afternoon, Lord I got sick. I threw up things that I never eat I'm sure. I never liked peanut butter again for years.

After they lived in the little house there that dad built, my memory becomes a little bit of a blank. They moved away from there, oh Everon I guess bought property at Greenwood, and they moved there. Seems to me that Dad Lindsey and his brother Everon had a falling out. Gee, I just can't remember that. And do you know, I can't remember Grandad Daniel & Ginny's funeral. That would have been years later and I was quite a grown chap. That's odd. I never thought of that until right now. I know they were buried at Mole Hill. They died years after my G'ma Susan Cline and I remember that, because the horse drawn hearse sticks in my memory so vividly. I also remember that Dad Lindsey had a surrey and it had the fringe on top. It was two-seated and that's what we went to the funeral in. He had side curtains that he could let down to protect you if it was cold weather, and it was cold! There was snow on the ground. Mom (Maude) and I was wrapped up in a blanket, and mom was crying. I couldn't understand the whole bit. I was certainly taken with that ambulance.

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Robert Dotson was my school teacher for several different years. I remember him so well! He was a very good teacher. He used to ride horseback to school, tie the horse out by a tree an take the saddle off. Every day at noon a lot of us boys would go with him and help him feed the horse. He would let us take turns riding the horse to water. I'd get to ride it one day and somebody else would get to ride it the next day. Gee, this was a big treat for us, even though I was born and raised on the farm and could ride the horses at home, it never was the same as riding somebody else's horse. We rode horses a lot on the farm without the saddle, but he had a nice one and this was a big thrill to me. I remember one time, there was a boy in school by the name of Chandace Hickman. Mr. Dotson told him to do something and Chandace says, "I'm not gonna do it". Mr. Dotson says, "well you will do it", so he came back and got ahold of Chandace and Chandace started wrestling with him and they upset my desk, and liked to scared the daylights out of me. Until you went to one of those old fashioned country schools, you have never lived. All the classes, geography, history, reading, spelling and arithmetic, the whole bit was all taught in the same room to all grades up through and including the 8<sup>th</sup>. I don't know why students were as large and as old as what they were when they finished the 8<sup>th</sup> grade back then, but it seems to me like some of them, when they finished the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, was great big, almost grown men. I went to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade 3 years. I graduated the first year, got my diploma but I didn't have anything to o the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, so I just went back more or less because I didn't have anything else to do. There was no work. I don't think I went the full year the 3<sup>rd</sup> time but I now I did the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. I enjoyed going to school and I just went through the 8th grade three times. The teacher didn't object. (Fred Griffin - 1970)

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A Mister Mason and his wife at one time ran a grocery store in Pennsboro. Mom (Maude) sold cream to them. We used to milk the cows and separate the cream and then we'd put it in 5-gallon cans and take it to town. Sometimes we'd have two 5-gallon cans. We'd take it in there and it'd be sent to a creamery somewhere and they made utter, cheese etc. Lucy Davis, who lived on up the run above us, her sister one day took in a 5-gallon can of cream to Mr. Mason and she says, "Mr. Mason, I've got to tell you something about this cream. A mouse fell in it and died, but I re-strainded it so it's alright now". I've heard Mr. Mason tell that and laugh about her re-straining the cream to take the dead mouse out, and expecting him to go ahead and put the cream on the market for people to eat. (Fred Griffin - 1970)

### Notes for Dorothy Rowena Prince:

THE DRAW SHEET - Published Monthly for the Personnel of Mease Hospital and Clinic October 25, 1968In special ceremonies this afternoon in the cafeteria it was announced by Donald M. Schroder, administrator, that Dorothy Griffin of the medical records department had been named this month's achievement award recipient.

Mrs. Griffin has been employed at Mease Hospital since May 1957. All of this time, however, has not been spent in the medical records department. Mrs. Griffin served as a nurses aide and ward clerk before joining the medical records staff.

A resident of Clearwater, Mrs. Griffin spends a great deal of her time caring for her elder mother who lives with her, this "caring attitude" is typical of her, employees say.

"She is even tempered, kind to everyone and has a patient and kind approach to everyone she deals with, " one employee said of the award recipient.

Mrs. Griffin loves music and her Wednesday evenings are always spent at her church practicing with the choir. She is the church pianist. Mrs. Griffin also has a son who is endowed with a talent for music. Currently he is a music teacher in the Chicago area.

"She is apparently very faithful to her church work because she is always looking forward to the Wednesday night practices," a fellow worker said.

"She is always more concerned with finishing a job than she is with going to lunch or coffee, " said another employee. Everyone who knows her admits this. She simply enjoys people and she likes to do things for them that make life a little more pleasant.

"Mrs. Griffin has the knack for knowing when others need help, " remarked a friend. "When employees are hospitalized, she sees that they get cards of cheer. "

Comments often made about Mrs. Griffin include: "kind and helpful to everyone; always thinks of others; her help is frequently instrumental in solving departmental problems; 'one in a million' when job comparison is taken into consideration; friendly attitude shows up more and more in dealings with other departments; sincerity and dedication to job are outstanding characteristics; sets a good example for other

employees to follow. "

"Mrs. Griffin is an employee who truly exemplifies what the achievement awards program is all about, " Schroder said in making the presentation. Medical records and all of Mease Hospital are better

places to work because of people like Mrs. Griffin.

It is noteworthy that in discussions about Mrs. Griffin, fellow employees admit it is hard to get information about her. "She simply doesn't dwell on herself," it was said of her, "it seems that her thoughts and actions are always dealing with someone else or some deed that she can do for others."

Thus, it is easily understood why Mrs. Griffin was chosen by the Committee of 21 to be this month's "model employee". She is the type of employee others like to work with and she can always be depended on to pull more than her share of the work load.

She now joins Marge Kenimer, Edith Fullerton RN, Helen Doss and Milbrey James as proud owners of an engraved silver bowl. Her name has also been placed on the permanent achievement award plaque in the Hospital.

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Dorothy's mother died when she was about a month old and she was taken by her Uncle Ross Prince and Aunt Mary Irby Prince to be taken care of.

Dorothy is buried in Hillcrest Cemetery, Wayne Co., WV.

Fred Verl Griffin and Dorothy Rowena Prince had the following child:

i. THEODORE ARNOLD<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 05 May 1939 in East Liverpool, Columbiana, Ohio, USA. He married Barbara Leona Sass, daughter of Albert John Sass and Leona Alberta Foltz, on 18 Jun 1961 in Kankakee, Kankakee, Illinois, USA. She was born on 21 Oct 1938 in Chicago Heights, Cook, Illinois, USA.

Notes for Theodore Arnold Griffin:

Ted was born in East Liverpool, Ohio and grew up on the family farm back of Chester, WV, adjoining the C.A. Smith Hillcrest Farms. The family moved to Clearwater, FL when he was 14 years old, in 1953. He was a member of the class of 1957 at Clearwater High School, the first class to graduate from the new High School. He was a member of the Newell, WV school band, the Clearwater Jr. High band and the Clearwater High School band. He played first the clarinet, then baritone, tuba and trombone. He graduated from Olivet Nazarene University in 1961 where he met Barbara and they were married in June of 1961. He and Barbara both graduated from VanderCook College of Music in Chicago with their Masters Degrees. He taught choral music, general music and the last 7 years also taught computer science, retiring in June of 1998.

Ted's first car when in High School was a 1930 Model A Ford coupe. With his father-in-law Albert Sass' help, he restored a 1929 Model A Tudor Sedan in 1962-65. In 1995 he acquired a 1929 Model A Roadster, in 1998 a 1963 Olds Starfire, in 1999 a 1912 Model T Ford Touring and in December of 1999 a 1959 American-LaFrance Firetruck Pumper followed him home. He and Barbara enjoy touring around the midwest with the Illinois Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America. They are both very active in the Momence, Illinois chapter of the Antique Auto Club of America.

In the summer of 1997 Ted restored a 1936 Model B John Deere tractor which was bought new by Barbara's great Uncle Emil Boicken.

Ted has a long career of church music, beginning in 1960 as choir director of the Central Christian Church in Kankakee, Illinois, then transferring to the First Methodist Church of Chicago Heights, Illinois. In the fall of 2007 he retired from directing music at the United Methodist Church in Crete, Illinois.

Notes for Barbara Leona Sass:

Barbara was baptised June 11, 1939 - at St Paul's in Monee. Barbara graduated from Monee Grade School, Crete-Monee High School in 1956, Olivet Nazarene University in 1960 and completed her Masters Degree from Vandercook College of Music in Chicago. Barbara retired in 1997 after 38 years of teaching music in the Steger Public

Schools. She began her career as organist for St. Paul's Church in Monee in 1956 at age 18, then at Central Christian in Kankakee, First United Methodist in Chicago Heights and finally at Crete United Methodist where celebrations were held for her 50th year of church service on April 30, 2006. Proclamations were presented from the Crete local government, the Township, Senator Halvorson of the Illinois Senate and letters of congratulations from U.S. Representative Jerry Weller and Martha Stewart!! She retired as church organist in 2007.

96. PAULINE IRIS<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (William Charles<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 23 Jul 1909 in Doddridge County, West Virginia. She died on 06 Apr 1976 in Wood County, West Virginia. She married William Donivan Miller on 23 Jan 1928. He was born about 1905 in West Virginia.

Notes for William Donivan Miller: He was a farmer in Central Station, WV.

His age at marriage was given as 23 and hers as 19. (K. William Bailey) William Donivan Miller and Pauline Iris Griffin had the following child:

i. W. BRYAN<sup>7</sup> MILLER.

97. HARRY D.<sup>6</sup> FLEMING (Minnie J<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born about 1907 in West Virginia. He married LILLIE F LOVALL. She was born about 1908 in Oklahoma.

Notes for Harry D. Fleming:

Harry was an oil field worker in Asher, OK (Doak Book)

Harry D. Fleming and Lillie F Lovall had the following children:

- i. IMOGENE<sup>7</sup> FLEMING was born about 1928 in Oklahoma.
- ii. HARRY D. FLEMING JR.
- iii. DANOLEEN FLEMING was born about 1929 in Oklahoma.
- iv. FRANCINE FLEMING was born about 1933 in Oklahoma.
- v. KATHYNE FLEMING was born about 1936 in Oklahoma.
- 98. LAURA V<sup>6</sup> FLEMING (Minnie J<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Thomas<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born about 1908 in West Virginia. She married EUGENE LOFTIN.

Notes for Laura V Fleming:

Laura's address and phone number was as listed in 1969.

Notes for Eugene Loftin: Eugene was a laborer in Gypsy, OK (Doak Book)

Eugene Loftin and Laura V Fleming had the following children:

- i. RONALD<sup>7</sup> LOFTIN.
- ii. NINA JEAN LOFTIN was born about 1930. She married ?? STANGE.
- iii. MARIE FAY LOFTIN.
- iv. JOSEPH W LOFTIN.
- 99. MILDRED VIRGINIA<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (George Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 21 Feb 1919 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. She died on 07 Mar 1991. She married Samuel Howard Snyder on 02 Dec 1939. He was born in 1917 in Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in 1989 in Churchville, Augusta, Virginia, USA.

Samuel Howard Snyder and Mildred Virginia Griffin had the following children:

- i. CRAIG FRANKLIN<sup>7</sup> SNYDER was born on 28 Feb 1942. He died on 28 Oct 1994.
- ii. CAROLYN BERTIE SNYDER was born in 1949. She died in 1950.
- 100. EveLyn Marie<sup>6</sup> Griffin (George Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 29 Nov 1921 in Clarksburg, Harrison, West Virginia, USA. She died in Aug 1983 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA. She married **JOHN PETER KUCHAREK**. He was born on 27 Nov 1921 in Fords, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA. He died in Jun 1979 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA.

John Peter Kucharek and Evelyn Marie Griffin had the following children:

- i. VICTORIA<sup>7</sup> KUCHAREK was born on 15 Jun 1944 in New Jersey, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA. She died on 14 Aug 1993 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA. She married ALBERT CHARLES ABER. He was born on 03 Oct 1944 in New Jersey, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA. He died on 14 Aug 1993 in Keyport, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA.
- ii. JOHN PETER KUCHAREK JR. He married LOIS HUNTER.
- iii. VILMA KUCHAREK. She married ?? ??.
- iv. DANIEL KUCHAREK.
- 101. **GEORGE OLIVER<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN JR** (George Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Floyd<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Jan 1926 in Nutter Fort, Harrison, West Virginia. He married **Louise ?**.

George Oliver Griffin Jr and Louise ? had the following child:

- i. GEORGE OLIVER<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN III was born about 1946 in Perth Amboy, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA. He married LISA DIGIAMBATTISTA.
- 102. MARY SUE<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Ethelbert Lafayette<sup>5</sup>, Thomas Alpheus<sup>4</sup>, Garrett Clawson<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 11 Jan 1916 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States Of America. She died on 29 Nov 2010 in Victorville, San Bernadino, California, United States Of America. She married RICHARD BRAND FENTON. He was born on 22 Nov 1911 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, United States Of America. He died on 01 Aug 1951 in Steubenville, Jefferson, Ohio.
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Richard Brand Fenton and Mary Sue Griffin had the following child:

- i. SARAH LOUISE<sup>7</sup> FENTON was born on 18 Oct 1932 in Steubenville, Ohio, USA. She died on 11 Jan 2011 in Silver Lakes, Helendale, San Bernardino, California, United States of America.
- 103. Ivan<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Charles Alpheus<sup>5</sup>, William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 16 Jul 1896. He died on 05 May 1978 in Anacortes, WA. He married Clara Hanson in 1920 in Gully, Polk, Minnesota, USA.

Ivan Griffin and Clara Hanson had the following children:

- i. VERNE<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 21 Jul 1921.
- ii. DENNIS GRIFFIN was born on 15 May 1923.
- iii. BETTY GRIFFIN was born on 04 Oct 1925. She died on 16 Jul 1979.
- 104. HAROLD W.<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Charles Alpheus<sup>5</sup>, William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 24 Aug 1910 in Reynolds, Grand Forks, North Dakota, USA. He died on 04 Nov 1997. He married (1) AMELIA MARKOVICH. She died on 25 Apr 1970. He married (2) EDNA JENSEN on 26 Aug 1977.

Harold W. Griffin and Amelia Markovich had the following child:

- i. JEANIE MARIE<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 16 Sep 1951. She married EDWARD DECELLE.
- 105. **HERBERT L.<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN** (Charles Alpheus<sup>5</sup>, William Garrett<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 07 Aug 1913 in Tfail, MN. He died in 2001. He married Katherine Jaeger on 08 Mar 1943 in San Francisco, California, USA. She was born on 18 Sep 1914.

Herbert L. Griffin and Katherine Jaeger had the following children:

- i. JAMES<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born on 02 Jun 1945.
- ii. MARY E. GRIFFIN was born on 22 Jan 1947.
- iii. KATHERINE A. GRIFFIN was born on 28 Apr 1948. She married Daniel W. Hammerstrom on 17 Oct 1969. He was born on 10 Oct 1948.
- 106. JOHN RYDER<sup>6</sup> GRIFFIN (Pearl Jackson<sup>5</sup>, George Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Alpheus Alfred<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>1</sup>) was born on 20 Mar 1908 in Williamstown, Wood, West Virginia, USA. He died on 24 Jul 1984 in Spencer, Roane, West Virginia, USA. He married Phyllis Vey Hunt, daughter of Oscar Hunt and Ida Argabrite, on 29 Apr 1928 in Caldwell, Noble, Ohio, USA.

John Ryder Griffin and Phyllis Vey Hunt had the following child:

- i. SHARON LYNN<sup>7</sup> GRIFFIN was born in Spencer, Roane, West Virginia, USA. She married ROBERT EUGENE CRUIKSHANK.
- 107. ADELL BERNICE<sup>6</sup> MURRAY (Amy Loucretia<sup>5</sup> Griffin, Charles Black<sup>4</sup> Griffin, Joseph Ezekiel<sup>3</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>2</sup> Griffin, Isaac<sup>1</sup> Griffin) was born on 03 Dec 1915 in Henley, Hays County, Texas. She died on 17 Jul 2006 in Kaufman, TX. She married (1) ANDREW B. CRAWFORD about 1935 in TX. He was born on 17 Apr 1914 in TX. He died on 08 Jul 1943 in Austin, Travis, TX. She married (2) FRANK PARRA GOODMAN in 1947. He was born on 11 May 1900 in El Paso, El Paso, Texas, USA. He died on 24 May 1987 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA.

Andrew B. Crawford and Adell Bernice Murray had the following child:

i. ROBERT GARY<sup>7</sup> GOODMAN was born on 16 Mar 1957 in Austin, Travis, Texas, USA. He died on 28 Sep 2006 in Irving, Dallas, Texas.

Frank Parra Goodman and Adell Bernice Murray had the following child:

i. LINDA KAY<sup>7</sup> GOODMAN was born on 28 Mar 1948 in Travis, Texas. She died on 04 Apr 2007 in Texas, United States of America.

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