

Descendants of Henry Smith

Based on research of Wanda Smith Jones and compiled by Mary Paul Smith Jespersen

Generation No. 1

1. HENRY¹ SMITH was born 1714 in Possibly in Stafford, Virginia^{1,2}, and died Bet. 1787 and 1789 in Stafford, Virginia³. He married SARAH CROSBY 1736, daughter of DANIEL CROSBY and MARY ROUTT. She was born Abt. 1718⁴, and died Aft. 1756.

Notes for HENRY SMITH:

Southern Genealogies lists Henry's birth as 1714 and Sarah's as 1718 with a marriage date of 1736. It also states Sarah died in 1756

Children of HENRY SMITH and SARAH CROSBY are:

2. i. WILLIAM² SMITH, b. 28/10/1742, Stafford, Virginia; d. 11/11/1816, Montgomery county, Kentucky.
3. ii. LYDIA SMITH, b. Bef. 1741.
4. iii. MARGARET SMITH, b. Bef. 1741, Stafford, Virginia.
5. iv. MARY JANE SMITH, b. Bef. 1741, Stafford, Virginia; d. Unknown.
6. v. HENRY SMITH, b. 05/02/1740-41, Stafford, Virginia; d. 15/02/1801, Russell county Virginia.
6. vi. GEORGE SMITH, b. 19/10/1745; d. Unknown.
7. vii. DANIEL SMITH, b. 1748, Stafford, Virginia; d. 16/06/1818, Rock Castle, Sumner county, Tennessee.
- viii. SARAH SMITH, b. 1748; d. 1748.
8. ix. ENOCH SMITH, b. 21/06/1750, Stafford County Virginia; d. 18/04/1825, Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.
- x. WILLIAM SMITH, b. Unknown; d. 17/09/1740, Stafford.
- xi. SARAH SMITH, b. 20/01/1751-52, Stafford County Virginia; d. Unknown; m. KERR; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- xii. THOMAS SMITH, b. 04/10/1754; m. ANNA BROWN.
- xiii. JOSEPH SMITH, b. 06/06/1756; d. Bef. 01/1803, Prince William county Virginia; m. ANN BROWN; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOSEPH SMITH:

Although other sources show Joseph dying in Prince William county, this will information below indicates that Joseph may have been living in Kentucky at the time of his death. At least Enoch Smith was the guardian for his children.

Montgomery County, KY Will Abstracts for the surname, Smith.

Will Book A

Will Book A, Page 114

Jan 1803

Inventory of property rec'd into hands of Enoch Smith, guardian for Sarah, Polly, Harry, Elizabeth and Nancy, heirs and orphans of Joseph Smith, dec'd. [Handwritten note in book of abstracts: "Deed Bk. 2 - pg. 285"]

Will Book A, Page 184

7 Jan 1805

Report of Enoch Smith, guardian for Henry Smith, orphan of Joseph Smith, dec'd.

Will Book A, Page 184

Jan 1805

Acct. of Henry Smith, orphan of Joseph Smith, dec'd returned by Enoch Smith his guardian.

Will Book A, Page 251

May 1807

Allot to Davis Ramey, his part of Joseph Smith, dec'd estate, entitled to by his marriage with Polly Smith, one of heirs of J. Smith. 107 pounds including 1/5 part of Betsy Smith's of her father's estate. Also laid off 62 acres for said Davis Raney, it being part (his) of said Joseph Smith land. Also allot. to Presley Willson, 25 pounds, his part of estate of Betsy Smith, dec'd, one of legatees of Joseph Smith, which he is entitled to by his marriage with Peggy Smith, heir of Said Joseph Smith. Allot. paid and settled by Enoch Smith guardian for heirs of Jos. Smith. By: Thomas Moseley, John Jamison, Jacob Coons.

Will Book A, Page 253

1807

Enoch Smith Guardian for Joseph Smith heirs rec'd of John Ramy the former guardian, Interest and bonds on the following: John Hardwick, John Crawford, Sam Dedman, James Crump, William and Ben David, (?) Lane, Henry Smith, Joseph Mansbrough, Nancy Smith, accts. Mentions suit of Smiths heirs vs Dunley.

Will Book A, Page 254
1803-1807

E. Smith to Mary Smith, dau. of Joseph Smith, dec'd.

Will Book A, Page 497
14 Aug 1811

Assign. to Henry Smith, one of heirs of Joseph Smith, dec'd, 65 acres on Brush Cr. in Montgomery Co., KY, bounded by Presley Wilson, Samuel Tamy, Joseph Hansbrough. Adm. settled with Enoch Smith guardian, of Henry Smith - by James Mapin, Thomas Moseley, John Jameson. (See Montgomery Co. Deed Book 3, page 238 - 3 Sept 1804. Henry Smith turned 21 on 26 Mar 1811. He had been bound, until he turned the age of 21, as an apprentice to John Mason, Jr. in order to learn the trade of carpentry and house joiner.)

Generation No. 2

2. WILLIAM² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born 28/10/1742 in Stafford, Virginia, and died 11/11/1816 in Montgomery county, Kentucky. He married (1) JOICE HUMPHREY in Virginia, daughter of WILLIAM HUMPHREY and ELIZABETH. She was born 06/03/1745-46, and died 20/09/1774 in Virginia. He married (2) MARY ELEANOR HOLLEY^{5,6}. She was born Unknown in Virginia, and died Unknown in Kentucky.

Notes for WILLIAM SMITH:

Southern Genealogies #1, 1600s-1800s Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families p. 84

William Smith served in the Rev. War under Col. Dan Morgan 11th and 15th Regt. 1775-1777.

WILL BOOK B, Page 173

Oct. 18, 1806 - 6 Jan 1817

Will of William Smith

Wife: Mary E. (plantation where I now live)

To Francis Smith, dau. of son Daniel Smith (land adjoining John Crawford, part of where I now live.)

Sons: Robert Smith, Elkanah Smith

Daughters: Sarah Crump, Elizabeth McClenny, Nancy Smith, Lydia Smith

Reserves 1 acre for a meeting house on the Main Street on the North side thereof

between my house and John Mason's lot, to the Baptist Church. Sons: George Smith, William Smith, Henry Smith, Enoch Smith, granddaughter: Frances Smith (of Daniel) land where John Wilson lives, adjoining Enoch Smith's line.

Ex: wife, son Enoch and son John Smith

WILL BOOK B, Page 183

28 Feb 1817

Appraisal estate William Smith, dec'd.

Genealogy From The Louisville Herald-Post - 1930's

Edited By J. Emerson Miller

Editor's Note: In the mid-1930's The Louisville Herald-Post newspaper conducted a genealogy column featuring materials sent in by its readers. We thought our readers would find the column interesting. We will reprint parts from this column each month. Because they were printed some sixty years ago, we do not have any other facts except those given below. We hope our readers enjoy the new Kentucky Kinfolks column.

William Smith (date and place of birth unknown) settled in Montgomery County, Kentucky, 1790, married firstly, Joice Humphrey (date and place of birth unknown) and by her had five children: (1)George, (2)Daniel, (3)William, (4)Henry who settled in Warren County, Missouri, in 1821, married Nancy Davis and had 10 children: a. George, distinguished lawyer who died in Kentucky; b. Mary, married Anthony Wyatt of Warren County; c. Sally, married Ira Nash; d. Nancy, married James McClure (the McClures were from near Natural Bridge, Virginia); e. Elizabeth, married James J. Smith; f. Owen, married Eliza Post of Calloway County,

Missouri; g. Maria, married Hon. Henry Abington (they lived in St. Charles County, Missouri, in 1876); h. John D., married Susan Gizer; i. Rebecca, married firstly, Grenade Harrison, and secondly, Thomas Travis; j. William, married Elizabeth Wright. (5) Enoch Smith (believe his was the Enoch Smith, born June 7, 1772, in Shenandoah County, Virginia, and died August 24, 1824, aged 52, in Clark County, Kentucky. William Smith married secondly Mary E. Holly, of Virginia, and by her had seven children: (6) John Smith, married Elizabeth Lyle and settled in St. Charles County, Missouri, in 1819; (7) Robert T. Smith; (8) Elkenah, married firstly Fanny Botts of Kentucky, and secondly Sarah Green of Missouri (Note: Marriage of one Elkenah Smith to Frances Botts in Montgomery County, Kentucky, on December 24, 1819, is in McAdams' Kentucky Records, page 158.); (9) Sarah, married 1796, Richard Crump, born 1772, and had James, John, Robert, William, Elizabeth, Isabella, Dorothea, Nancy, Polly, Jane, Martha, Margaret, and Ann. This family settled in Calloway County, Missouri, in 1820, and at Fulton, in 1826; (10) Elizabeth, married Micajah McCleenny (The McCleennys came from the vicinity of Natural Bridge in Virginia, and settled early in St. Charles County, Missouri.); (11) Mary; (12) Lydia. (Note: See McAdams' Kentucky Records, page 263, for record of marriage of Lydia Smith and William Higgins, January 7, 1808, from the Higgins Bible, in the hands of Mary Elizabeth Coons, of Fayette County, Kentucky, in 1829, when the book was published.)

Children of WILLIAM SMITH and JOICE HUMPHREY are:

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 - i. WILLIAM³ SMITH, b. Bet. 1770 and 1780, Virginia; d. 1838, Montgomery county, Kentucky.
 - ii. GEORGE SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
 - iii. DANIEL SMITH.
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 - iv. HENRY SMITH, b. 26/08/1770, Virginia; d. Bet. 17/09 and 29/10/1841, Warrenton, Warren county Missouri.
 - v. ENOCH SMITH.

Children of WILLIAM SMITH and MARY HOLLEY are:

- vi. JOHN³ SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. ELIZABETH LYLE; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN SMITH:

Settled in St. Charles county Missouri in 1819 according to Pioneer Families of Missouri

- vii. ROBERT T SMITH.
- viii. ELKANAH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. (1) FANNY BOTTS, 24/12/1819, Montgomery County Kentucky⁷; b. Unknown, Kentucky; d. Unknown; m. (2) SARAH GREEN, Unknown, Missouri⁸; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for ELKANAH SMITH:

Settled in Callaway County Missouri and built a wool factory according to Pioneer Families of Missouri

- ix. SARAH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. RICHARD CRUMP; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for SARAH SMITH:

Settled in Callaway county Missouri

- x. ELIZABETH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. MICAJAH MCCLENNY; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- xi. MARY SMITH.
- xii. LYDIA SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. WILLIAM HIGGINS, 07/01/1808, Kentucky⁹; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- xiii. ANN SMITH.

3. LYDIA² SMITH (*HENRY*¹)¹⁰ was born Bef. 1741. She married PETER HANSBOROUGH 27/05/1752 in Stafford, Virginia. He was born Abt. 1724, and died 1781.

Notes for PETER HANSBOROUGH:

Was a cabinet maker living in Philadelphia. His son made furniture for his uncle Daniel Smith (see Daniel Smith Frontier Stateman)

Children of LYDIA SMITH and PETER HANSBOROUGH are:

- i. PETER SMITH³ HANSBOROUGH, b. 30/06/1753.
- ii. SARAH HANSBOROUGH, b. 13/03/1756.

4. MARGARET² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born Bef. 1741 in Stafford, Virginia. She married JOSEPH JEFFERIES 24/10/1754 in Stafford, Virginia. He was born Unknown, and died 1807 in Fauquier co. Virginia.

Children of MARGARET SMITH and JOSEPH JEFFERIES are:

- i. ENOCH³ JEFFERIES.
- ii. HENRY JEFFERIES.
- iii. WILLIAM JEFFERIES.
- iv. JOSEPH JEFFERIES.
- v. GEORGE JEFFERIES.
- vi. DANIEL JEFFERIES.
- vii. THOMAS JEFFERIES.
- viii. MARY JEFFERIES.
- ix. SARAH JEFFERIES.
- x. LYDDA JEFFERIES.
- xi. LUCY JEFFERIES.
- xii. PEGGY JEFFERIES.
- xiii. AGGATHA JEFFERIES.

5. MARY JANE² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born Bef. 1741 in Stafford, Virginia, and died Unknown. She married JAMES HARDAGE LANE 12/01/1758 in Stafford, Virginia. He was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Children of MARY SMITH and JAMES LANE are:

- i. JAMES HARDAGE³ LANE, JR., b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. SARAH SMITH; b. 27/05/1786; d. Unknown.
- ii. DR. WILLIAM LANE.
- iii. JOHN LANE.
- iv. GEORGE LANE.
- v. ELIZABETH LANE.
- vi. REBECCA LANE.
- vii. HENRY SMITH LANE.

Notes for HENRY SMITH LANE:

Thomas Nevitt Date: February 01, 1999 Genealogy.com Message Board Post

I want to confirm that the Evelina Lane who married my Great Great Grandfather Enoch Reid is the sister to Henry Smith Lane the Senator from Indiana who nominated Lincoln in 1856. She was born in 1808 and their son is Washington A. Reid

- viii. DANIEL CROSBY LANE, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. MARY SMITH; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for DANIEL CROSBY LANE:

First State Treasurer of Indiana

6. HENRY² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born 05/02/1740-41 in Stafford, Virginia, and died 15/02/1801 in Russell county Virginia¹¹. He married MARY JAMES STROTHER¹² 1773 in Fauquier county Virginia. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Notes for HENRY SMITH:

Smith family Papers, Library of Virginia

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Henry Smith II, son of Henry and Sarah Crosby Smith, married Mary Strother nee James. She was a widow with three children: Mollie, married Ficklen James (had granddaughter Mrs. William Hutchison); Betsy, married ___ Green. Mrs. Strother lived in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and was a neighbor and friend of Mary Ball Washington.

Henry Smith II built his homestead on the Clinch River in Russell County, Virginia, in 1776 and called it "Clifton". This home was covered in red cedar shingles and nailed with nails wrought in a shop in Staunton, Virginia. The roof wore in holes, and the house was recovered in 1876 after 100 years of service. It burned in 1890.

Henry Smith and wife Mary Strother, and his son Henry Smith III and wife Mry McCandless Taylor, are buried at Clifton near Lebanon, Virginia, and near Elk Garden, Virginia. This land was all sold to William A. Stuart.

Children of HENRY SMITH and MARY STROTHER are:

11. i. HENRY³ SMITH III, b. 07/06/1774; d. 09/07/1850, Russell county, Virginia.
12. ii. SALLY SMITH, b. 16/09/1774; d. 1840.
- iii. MARGARET SMITH, b. 1776; d. Unknown; m. JOSEPH SMITH; b. 13/05/1781; d. Unknown.

7. DANIEL² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born 1748 in Stafford, Virginia, and died 16/06/1818 in Rock Castle, Sumner county, Tennessee. He married SARAH MICHIE 20/06/1773 in Probably Albemarle county Virginia. She was born Unknown in Virginia.

Notes for DANIEL SMITH:

The life of Daniel Smith is told in Daniel Smith Frontier Statesman by Walter T. Durham. His surveys were the basis of the first map of Tennessee made by him. He laid out Nashville and built Rock Castle in Sumner county Tennessee. He was an Indian fighter and negotiated treaties with them. He was a friend of Andrew Jackson and a leading politician of the state of Tennessee. He was a prominent Revolutionary soldier and leader, signer of the Tennessee constitution, sherriff of Washington county, etc.

Daniel Smith

Written by Jay Guy Cisco

From Historic Sumner County, Tennessee

1909

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsumner/smithd.htm>

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Daniel SMITH, son of Henry and Sarah CROSBY SMITH, of English origin, was born in Stafford County, Virginia, on October 28, 1748, and died at his home, Rock Castle, in Sumner County, Tennessee, on June 6, 1818. Upon coming from England the family first settled in Somerset County, Maryland, but later removed to Virginia. He was educated at William and Mary College, and, like many of the young men of talent of his day, became a surveyor. On June 10, 1773, he married Sarah MICHIE, of the eastern shore of Maryland, and soon afterwards settled in the western country. He was appointed Deputy Surveyor of Augusta County in 1773. At that time this county embraced nearly all of Southwestern Virginia; Mr. SMITH settled in that part of the county, which later formed Botetourt, then Fincastle, then Washington and finally Russell County. His place was on Clinch River, twelve miles below Blackmore's Fort, at Maxwell's Hill. It was known as Smith's Station, though the fort was called Fort Christian. As early as 1774 he was Captain in the Colonial troops, and was one of the most active company commanders in Dunmore's war. The correspondence which passed between him and his superior officers shows him to be a man of education beyond most men of his day. He participated in the battle of Point Pleasant in October, 1774, and in many of the engagements with the Indians. He aided in defending the frontier against the Indians during the Revolution. He was a member of the Committee of Safety for Fincastle County in 1775, and of a committee that sent resolutions to the Continental Congress July 15, 1775, in which they declared that they would "never surrender their inestimable privileges to any power on earth but at the expense of their lives."

When Washington County was organized Captain SMITH was appointed one of the Justices of the Peace by Governor Patrick HENRY-December 21, 1776. On the same day he was appointed Major of Washington County militia. In 1780 he was appointed Sheriff of Washington, and the next year upon the reorganization of the militia, he was commissioned Colonel in the Second Battalion. In 1779 he was appointed with Dr. Thomas WALKER to extend the line between Virginia and North Carolina, which line had been run by Jefferson and others. He was in the battle of King's Mountain, and soon after the close of the War, in 1783, with the BLEDSOES, SHELBYs, BLACKMORES, NEELEYS, and others, came to Tennessee. He located a large body of valuable land near the present town of Hendersonville, in Sumner County, and in 1784 began the building of Rock Castle, but owing to the depredations of the Indians the house was seven years in being completed. It is constructed of cut stone, has seven large rooms and is as sound today as when built, and has been "the roof tree" of five generations, and is now the property of Mrs. Horatio BERRY, a great-great-granddaughter of General SMITH. Two carpenters engaged in the construction of the house left work in one Sunday afternoon to fish in Drake's Creek nearby and were killed by Indians. Two youths, one a son of Colonel Anthony BLEDSOE, and the other a son of his brother, Colonel Isaac BLEDSOE, who were living at General SMITH'S and attending school near Hendersonville, were killed by prowling Indians. Samuel DONALDSON, who married General SMITH'S only daughter, was killed by Indians.

In 1790 General SMITH was appointed by President Washington Secretary of the ceded territory south of the Ohio. He was elected by the first Legislature of Tennessee one of the four Presidential Electors. In 1798 he succeeded Andrew JACKSON in the Senate of the United States and was again elected in 1805 and served until 1809. In 1793, in the absence of Governor BLOUNT, he acted as Governor of the Territory. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1796. He made the first map of Tennessee, published by Carey, of Philadelphia, and used by Imlay in 1794. Michaux, a french botanist, who passed through this section of the county in 1792, and after his return to France, published an interesting book of travel, speaks of his visit

with General SMITH, of the beautiful fields of cotton and corn which surrounded his house, of the translations of foreign works his library contained, and of the quiet, studious and exemplary life led by a retired public servant. Living at a time when many public men were justly or unjustly the object, not only of censure, but of official accusation, it is worth while to publish the following from Jefferson's paper.

"Daniel SMITH was a practical surveyor, whose work never needed correction. For intelligence, well cultivated talents, for integrity, and usefulness, in soundness of judgment, in the practice of virtue and in shunning vice, he was equaled by few men, and in the purity of motive excelled by none."

Smith County was so named in honor of General SMITH.

General SMITH had two children, a son, George who was born in Virginia, May 12, 1776, married Tabitha DONELSON, and Mary, who was born in Virginia April 26, 1781. She married Samuel DONELSON, Andrew JACKSON'S law partner, who was later killed by Indians. There was quite a romance connected with their marriage, it being an elopement. Andrew JACKSON made a rope ladder and helped his partner to steal his bride from an upper room in the old Rock Castle homestead of the family. After the death of Samuel DONELSON his widow married James SANDERS of Sumner County, by whom she had several children.

George SMITH, had a son Harry, who was the father of Mrs. Horatio BERRY, who inherited the Rock Castle estate, where she now resides.

More About DANIEL SMITH:

Burial: Rock Castle, Sumner county, Tennessee

Education: Bet. 1768 and 1773, Apprenticed to Dr. Thomas Walker

Occupation: Bet. 1768 and 1818, Surveyor

Children of DANIEL SMITH and SARAH MICHIE are:

- i. GEORGE³ SMITH, b. 12/05/1776.
- ii. MARY ANN MITCHIE SMITH, b. 26/04/1781.

8. ENOCH² SMITH (*HENRY*¹) was born 21/06/1750 in Stafford County Virginia, and died 18/04/1825 in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. He married (1) MARY BELLFIELD LANE 23/04/1778. He married (2) MARY BELLFIELD LANE 23/04/1778. He married (3) FRANCES WREN 1792 in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, daughter of THOMAS WREN and SUSANA. She was born 16/06/1766, and died 08/10/1847.

Notes for ENOCH SMITH:

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY FORMED IN 1795 - EARLY HISTORY

FIRST SETTLERS WERE FOREFATHERS OF OUR PROMINENT FAMILIES

Pioneers Reached This Section of "Old Caintuck" in the Year 1776

(Ed Sargent)

The earliest record concerning the settlement of Montgomery county we find from a brief journal handed down from one of its earliest settlers--William Calk. From this we learn that on Tuesday, March 14, 1775, Enoch Smith, Abraham Hanks, Phillip Drake, Robert Whitledge and William Calk met at the home of Captain Frank Price, on the Rapidan, in Virginia, and the following day set out for the then almost untrodden

regions of "Caintuck."

According to this journal, this party of pioneers reached Boone's fort (Boonesboro) April 20, 1775. Smith, Whitledge and Calk built a house at the fort and moved their "things" in and started housekeeping on April 29 and here they remained, planting corn, battling with the Indians and suffering the perils of frontier life. Later Enoch Smith, William Calk and Robert Whitledge began to explore what is now Montgomery county. Late in the fall of 1775, Enoch Smith and Isaac Davis built a cabin near the present site of the city of Mt. Sterling and in the spring of 1776 John Lane came and assisted Smith to clear 5 or 6 acres near the cabin, which they planted in corn, and this was the first house built in the county and the first crop of corn raised in the county. Smith surveyed 1,400 acres of land, the present site of Mt. Sterling being a portion of it.

Calk also did some exploring and surveying and found the celebrated spring known as "Calk's spring" and in June, 1779, built a cabin on the site of the present Calk farm on the Levee road near Mt. Sterling. John Harper helped with the building of this cabin. In the same year they were joined by John Judy, John Crawford, James French, Moses Thomas and William Sade of Virginia and this composed the little colony of whites that first settled Montgomery county.

The early settlers did not bring their families from Virginia until 1791-92. The branch above the Calk cabin was then called Calk's creek, Hinkston was then called Small Mountain creek, and was so known for many years to the early settlers. It received its name from Captain John Hinkston, noted Indian fighter.

The next visitors and settlers of whom we can find any trace is preserved were Benjamin White, Nicholas Anderson, John Harper, William Meteer, James Poage, Edward Williams, Peter Harper and Samuel Spurgin, some of whom came to a point on the waters of Slate 3 or 4 miles from Estill's battleground, where they marked a large black ash with the letters "White 1779." Here was built a house for White and one for Harper. Meteer, Poage and Spurgeon settled near Mt. Sterling with their families in 1792.

A stockade was built at the mouth of Spencer creek, six miles from Mt. Sterling and named Morgan's Station. Fort Baker was also built about five miles west of Mt. Sterling and a man named Bradshaw built a stockade about a mile north of Mt. Sterling.

The last of the Indian incursion in this section was made on Easter Monday, April 1, 1793, at Fort Morgan when the Indians captured the station and carried away nineteen women and children as prisoners. The men were away in the neighborhood preparing to raise crops.

John Crawford, John Judy, and Jane Lane returned to Kentucky in 1790 and worked one year for Enoch Smith, assisting him in clearing land, for which they received--Judy, 100 acres, on which the town of Mt. Sterling now stands; Crawford, 100 acres adjoining and northwest of Judy's, his house standing near where the Mary Chiles Hospital now stands. Lane chose a rifle and a sum of money.

FORMING OF COUNTY

named in honor of General Richard Montgomery, a major-general in the American Revolutionary army, a brave and gallant Irishman, who fell at the early age of thirty-nine, at the siege of Quebec in December, 1775.

All the country west of Virginia was called Fincastle, then Kentucky county. Kentucky in May, 1780, was divided into three counties--Lincoln, Jefferson and Fayette. Out of Fayette, Bourbon was formed and from Bourbon came Clark and from Clark came Montgomery, which was formed as a full-fledged county in 1795. When first formed the county then extended to the Virginia line. In all eighteen counties have been made out of Montgomery since its organization. Floyd in 1799; Clay in 1806; Bath in 1811; Harlan in 1819; Lawrence and Pike in 1821; Morgan in 1822; Breathitt in 1839; Letcher in 1842; Owsley and Johnson in 1843; Powell in 1853; Magoffin and Wolfe in 1860; Menifee in 1869; Lee and Martin in 1870.

EARLY STATESMEN

The first member of Congress from this district, of which Montgomery was a part, was John Fowler, who was a member for ten years; the next was Benjamin Harrison; the next was David Trimble, who was a resident of Mt. Sterling and elected for five consecutive terms, but having voted for J. Q. Adams against Andrew Jackson in 1824, in 1825 he was defeated by Henry Daniel. Richard French, Richard H. Menefee, Amos Davis and Garrett Davis of Montgomery county were members of the early Congresses. The first circuit and county clerk of Montgomery county was Micajah Harrison. Other early circuit court clerks were James Howard, James G. Hazelrigg, B. J. Peters and James Crawford. Early county clerks were M. Harrison, James Howard, A. J. Wyatt, A. J. Stevens, E. E. Garrett, John N. Gibson, J. R. Garrett, and B. F. Wyatt.

Early county judges were George W. Gist, James H. French, Calvin Brock, M. M. Cassidy and W. H. Winn.

Montgomery county has been the birthplace and Mt. Sterling the residence of several men who have filled with ability and honor the office of Circuit Judge. Among them may be named Silas W. Robbins, Kenaz Farrow, J. W. Moore, N. P. Reid and Richard Apperson, Jr.

SOURCE COLLECTION

Reuben T. Durrett Collection on Kentucky and the Ohio River Valley. Miscellaneous Manuscripts

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The Filson Historical Society

May 7, 1820

Montgomery County May the 7th. 1820

Dear sr.

I Recieved yours dated April the 30th this day, and according to your request I will give you an account of the way I was taken with the Palsey. I felt a numness in my legs a few days before I was taken violent, I got blooded in my arm the blood was very thick and black. and some nights after was taken with a violent pain in my thyes which went down my legs and settled in my feet and ankles, but more violent in one than the other, so acute was the pain that I could not sleep, I got up and soaked my feet in warm water which gave me some ease, and I slep a little before day, but the pain continened violent in one of my legs and a feever in my ankle and foot, and jerking that was powerful, sometimes would jerk so hard that it would jump out of the chare that I kep it on a pillow, no one can concieve of the pain I felt without they had felt the same, one of my sides was affected from my eye to the toes of my feet. The Doctor gave me a purge or two and put a blester plaster on my foot, which discharged a bundance of matter, The Physic that I took did not operate well and put me into a salivation contrary to the expectatation of the Doctor, which blunder perhaps saved my life, when the Doctor found I was in a salivation he then paid more attention, he gave me several doses of Epsim salts, dureing this proces the pain in my foot continened violent, and the sinnews of my leg got contracted, I found that the Doctor despaired of my life and I thought that there was not so muchattention paid to me as there aught to have been I sent for another Doctor he stil applyed Blester plasters to my foot ang gave me a Box of pills that kep my body open for weeks.

My leg was drawn so crooked that I could only put my toes to the ground and went on crutches, the Doctor greased the sinnews in my ham and bore down on my knee until he got it nearly strait and advised me to keep it as strait as possible. I will now give you my opinion what was the cause. I believe it originated in my blood being too thick to circulate well, when it went down into my feet through the arteries it could not return to the heart through the vanes, I have found great benafit from drinking a decoction of sassaparrillah root take it and mash it with a hammer and wind it in a ball and soak it in clear water and every time you drink fill up the vessel again and keep the root covered follow this for weeks or months, I have thought that I have found help from drinking of the decoction of Rattleweed root served the same way as the above mentioned, This is a powerful root and must be tempered with cautiously, it is powerful on the urine, Thus much for the Palsey. I am not yet well of the Gravel and last week discharged a very large one and then I was in hopes it was the last one but I fear there is more behind but through mercy I can go about my farm with the help of my stick which is more than was once expected, I have had my mind much exercised of late on Palls epistle to the Romans and am much satisfyed that the Almighty is the natural governor of the universe and as such rewards the righteous and punnises the wicked and in this government he rewards mankindaccording to their works and we as rational and morral agents are accountable to him, but is pecular people is called out from the world by a holy calling and distinguishing grace in Christ Jesus, This Gods people are made sensible of and they rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory, happy should I be to hear you talk of this exercise, Read the scriptures look to God for instruction and he certainly will make you wise unto salvation. I am dear sir with

the greatest esteem your affectionate Unkle

Enoch Smith

P.s My Love to Beckey {Omitted text, 2 or 3 words} [words missing] Frankey remembers her love to you all, which I heartily join her in E S.

[Address page]

Mt Stirling May 7 Paid

Mr. Asa Bl[a]nchard in Lexington By Post

Early History of Mount Sterling

Mount Sterling is a small, friendly city steeped in the history of early Kentucky and proud of its heritage. Many sites and buildings in our town are found on state and national historic registers. Through almost 200 years of trial and endeavor, Mount Sterling has grown from an infant born in the wilderness into the progressive, mature city its citizens know today.

In the year 1775, Daniel Boone and four of his contemporaries: William Calk, Enoch Smith, Robert Whitley, and Issac Davis, explored the untouched wilderness at this edge of Central Kentucky. Here, according to legend, bluegrass was first noticed at a salt spring. Because of its geographical location, this area became the Gateway to the Mountains and the Bluegrass. Thus, over a period of time, Mount Sterling was the commercial center for a vast portion of eastern Kentucky.

In those early days, hunters and surveyors traveling the Old Harper's Trace that led from Boonesborough to this part of the country, passed by a large mound about 125 feet high and covered with great trees like those in the surrounding forests. They called it The Little Mountain. Later excavations proved the mound to be a burial site of an ancient tribe of mound builders. This mound stood at what is now the intersection of Queen and Locust Streets in Mount Sterling.

The first cabin in the area was built in June of 1779 for John Kelly and was situated just east of the mound, near a large oak tree. After this at least one crude shelter for hunters was built, but no permanent settlement was made until about 1790. At this time Hugh Forbes, a Scotsman who held a land grant for the area adjoining the Little Mountain, laid off a strip (along what later became Locust Street) into lots to be sold to people who wanted to be near pasture land for their stock.

As the lots were sold and the settlement grew, the people met to decide on a formal name for the place, then called Little Mountain Town. Hugh Forbes, having started it, was allowed to name the town. He selected the name Mount Stirling, for the Little Mountain near which it was established, and Stirling for a town in his native Scotland. In December, 1792, the Kentucky Assembly passed an act establishing the town of Mount Sterling (a spelling inaccuracy which was retained) on 640 acres donated for that purpose by Hugh Forbes, John Judy, Enoch Smith, and Samuel Spurgin. The central part of the town was laid off in half-acre "in" lots; farther away, the "out" lots ranged from three to twelve acres. To speed the town's growth, purchasers of lots were required to build a shop or house "16 feet square, of brick, stone, 'hugged' logs, or frame," within twelve months.

Sporadic Indian raids were a part of the area history for nearly twenty years. Ralph Morgan, a cousin of Daniel Boone, had built a fort a few miles east of Mt. Sterling. On April 1, 1793, while the men were working in the fields, Morgan's Station was assaulted. The Indians captured and carried away 19 women and children, killing some and selling a few as slaves. The remainder were released under General Anthony Wayne's Treaty of 1795. This was the last organized Indian raid in Kentucky.

Eleven days before the Legislature's establishment of the town of Mount Sterling, Clark County was created from parts of Fayette and Bourbon Counties. For four years, present-day Montgomery County thus was part of Clark County, whose magistrates soon built a passable wagon trail from Strode's Station to the west to the iron works to the east. Wagon roads also were to be opened to Boonesborough and Paris.

In 1796, Montgomery became the 22nd county created by the Kentucky Legislature. It was named for General Richard Montgomery, an Irishman who was killed in the first volley of the attack on Quebec in 1775. In the beginning, Montgomery County stretched over unpopulated land all the way to the Virginia border. Within a few years, however, other counties had been formed from parts of Montgomery, and it is now one of

the smallest of Kentucky's 120 counties.

A town street overseer was appointed to be assisted in repairs by male resident With the exception of the courthouse square, which was macadamized in 1835, the streets were for most of the 19th century merely graded dirt with some rock covering. They were a problem for several generations.

At the formation of the county, Mount Sterling became the county seat and the first courthouse was built. Mount Sterling has had six courthouses, all located at, or near, the present site, and possibly a seventh, an early log structure.

In 1797, its first year as a county seat, the town's tax lists mention 33 town lots, four retail stores, and three taverns. By 1800, with a population of only 83, Mount Sterling ranked eighteenth in size among Kentucky towns. Ten years later, though the town itself was still small, the area equivalent to today's Montgomery County contained 7000 inhabitants, was agricultural and prosperous, and looked to Mount Sterling as its center.

The early years of Mount Sterling saw the establishment of a number of public facilities. A jail was built; a town pump was installed on Main Street just west of the present Catholic Church. Being an agricultural center, Mount Sterling profited from the establishment of a large, brick market house, where farm produce was bought and sold, adjoining the courthouse yard.

Early mail was carried "by favor" of travelers passing through the settlement. By 1802, post riders came to Mount Sterling twice a week, traveling from Lexington to Washington, Kentucky (near Maysville) via Winchester, Mt. Sterling, and Flemingsburg. The post rider left Lexington at the beginning of the week and returned by the same route at the end of the week. A mail stage began carrying the mail about 1828, and by 1830 a post office was in operation in a local store.

Mount Sterling's earliest newspaper, the Kentucky Laurel, was established in 1818 and was published twice a week by John Spencer.

Churches and schools were early additions to the community. Probably by 1793, the Baptists were meeting in a log building near the Old Mary Chiles Hospital, and in 1794 local Presbyterians were calling a minister and soon building a church (and school) on the land donated by Hugh Forbes on East High Street. the Methodists also had an early church at Grassy Lick, outside the town; this is a Methodist shrine, was founded before 1790, and is the oldest continuous Methodist church in Kentucky.

The first school erected was the Montgomery Academy, established by the Kentucky Legislature in 1798 and located just west of the present Baptist Church. This school was succeeded by the Mt. Sterling Seminary in 1833.

Early Mount Sterling was the trading center for a vast part of Eastern Kentucky. It was the site of several prominent hotels and taverns which served as meeting places, entertainment sites, stagecoach stops, and mail depositories for post riders.

During the Civil War, the northern and southern forces took turns occupying Mount Sterling. The courthouse was finally burned by Confederate troops (with the loss of many early records), in a successful effort to rout out Northern troops who were using it as a fortress. On June 8th and 9th, 1864, General John Hunt Morgan's Calgary (many of whom were dismounted this late in the war) attacked Union forces guarding an important supply depot here. Known as the Battle of Mount Sterling, this conflict ebbed and flowed through the surrounding countryside, leaving a residue of mini balls, sabers, and other memorabilia which still turn up when fields are plowed. The battle ended with defeat of the outnumbered Confederates and this was the last of the actual fighting for Montgomery County. An interesting sidelight of this battle was the theft of about \$72,000.00 from the Farmers Bank. Morgan and his men were accused of having taken the money. He denied that he had done so, but it was thought that some of his men might have. An officer in particular was suspected, but he disappeared and was never brought to trial.

Source: A History of Mount Sterling, Kentucky, 1792-1918. Author Carl B. Boyd and Hazel Mason Boyd. Year 1984

Montgomery County, KY Will Abstracts for the surname, Smith.
WILL BOOK C, Page 82
8 July 1824
Will of Enoch Smith

Wife: Francis Smith

Sons: Enoch Smith, Sandford Fer(?) Smith, Franklin Smith (land)

Daughters: Nancy Reid, May Lane, Sarah Jameson, Susanna Ferguson, Frances Ferguson, Betsy Willson, Anna Garrett.

Witness: George M. Page, David Stewart.

Historical Markers and Tablets, The D.A.R. Fort Boonesborough Marker; On the top of the stone is the following;

"Site of Fort Boonesborough, 1775-1783." On the side next to the entrance is this inscription: "In Memory of the Pioneers of Kentucky. Erected by the Boonesborough Chapter D.A.R., 1907." Then passing around the stone counter clock-wise appear the names of the following: "Bartlett Searcy, Robert Rodes, Pemberton Rollins, Michael Stoner, Peter Taylor, Thomas Tribble, Col. Isaac Shelby, Lt. Jared Williams, *Capt. Archibald Woods, Rev. Jas. Quisenberry, Christopher Harris, Richard Gentry, Galen White, Enoch Smith, James McMillan, Sr., Daniel Boone, Rebecca Boone, Jeimima Boone, Squire Boone, William Bentley, Col. Richard Callaway, Betsy Callaway, Frances Callaway, Adam Caperton, Gen. Green Clay, Capt. John Holder, Col. John Snoddy, Capt. John Kennedy, Capt. William Bush, David Chenault, Capt. James Estill, Samuel Estill, Col. Ezekial Field, Col. Nathaniel Hart, Col. Richard Henderson, Dr. Hines, Richard Hogan, *Capt. David Gass, Col. Wm. Irvine, Abraham Newland, Jesse Oldham, Yelverton Peyton, Anne Cuffey Peyton, Thomas Phelps, Josiah Phelps, George Phelps, Lucy Phelps, John Phelps, Joseph Proctor."

National Register of Historic Places

Smith, Enoch, House (added 1980 - Building - #80001660)

Also known as Happy Hill

SR 1, Mount Sterling

Historic Significance: Architecture/Engineering, Person

Architect, builder, or engineer: Unknown

Architectural Style: Federal

Historic Person: Smith, Enoch

Significant Year: 1810

Area of Significance: Exploration/Settlement, Architecture

Period of Significance: 1800-1824

Owner: Private

Historic Function: Domestic

Historic Sub-function: Single Dwelling

Current Function: Domestic

Current Sub-function: Single Dwelling

Children of ENOCH SMITH and MARY LANE are:

- i. NANCY³ SMITH, b. 23/03/1779.
- ii. JOSEPH SMITH, b. 13/05/1781; d. Unknown; m. MARGARET SMITH; b. 1776; d. Unknown.
- iii. MARY SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. DANIEL CROSBY LANE; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for DANIEL CROSBY LANE:

First State Treasurer of Indiana

- iv. SARAH SMITH, b. 27/05/1786; d. Unknown; m. (1) THOMAS JAMISON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. (2) JAMES HARDAGE LANE, JR.; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Children of ENOCH SMITH and FRANCES WREN are:

- v. JOHN³ SMITH, b. Unknown.
- vi. SARAH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. THOMAS JAMESON; b. Abt. 1780; d. Unknown.

Notes for SARAH SMITH:

Genealogies of Virginia Families, Vol. III, The Jameson Family p. 143

Her husband Thomas Jameson built a brick house in full view of the battle-field [Estill's Defeat] about 1804 or 5, and it is still occupied.

Generation No. 3

9. WILLIAM³ SMITH (*WILLIAM*², *HENRY*¹)¹³ was born Bet. 1770 and 1780 in Virginia, and died 1838 in Montgomery county, Kentucky¹⁴. He married (1) ELIZABETH HANEY 27/05/1800. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown. He married (2) MILDRED "MILLIE" PEARSE 10/11/1803. She was born Abt. 1770 in Virginia, and died Bet. 1854 and 1860 in Possibly Johnson county Missouri.

Notes for WILLIAM SMITH:

Moved to Montgomery county Kentucky about 1790 according to Pioneer Families of Missouri

Will Book E, page 40, Montgomery County, Kentucky William Smith's Will

In the name of God Amen! I William Smith of the County of Montgomery and State of Kentucky, make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills and codicils made by me. May the blessings of the most high be with all my descendants until time shall be no more. I appoint my wife Milly Smith & my two sons Henry and Hansborough my executors and executrix, or the survivor of them.

I wish my Funeral to be plain and decent. I will and bequeath unto my two sons Henry and Joseph my lands in Missouri, which I estimate at six hundred dollars to be divided between them. Joseph is to have two hundred and forty and Henry one hundred and sixty acres they having so divided it; and I have paid Henry one hundred dollars to make him equal to Joseph. To my daughter Lydia I have given heretofore eighty five dollars. To my son Hansborough I will to him a good bed and furniture one cow and calf and four sheep. I give to my daughters Ann and Sally's children one dollar, as I have heretofore given them their equal part of my estate. To my wife I will and bequeath the residue of my Estate, both real personal and mixed during her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided between Henry, Joseph, Hansborough, Lydia and Elizabeth Smith my five children to be equally divided between them by deducting from their respective shares the amount they have already received so as to make them equal inclusive of what they have already received. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of August 1834

William Smith seal

Attest

Kenaz Farrow

Thomas Connely

State of Kentucky

Montgomery County December Court 1838

A Writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William Smith Decd was this day produced in court and proven by the oath of Kenaz Farrow, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto to be his act and deed examined by the court; and ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done

Attest James Howard

Children of WILLIAM SMITH and ELIZABETH HANEY are:

- i. ANN⁴ SMITH, b. 1801; d. 1868; m. (1) WILLIAM DAVIS; b. 02/11/1820; d. Unknown; m. (2) WILLIAM NELSON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- ii. SARAH SMITH, b. 1802; d. 1827; m. WILLIAM NELSON, 16/02/1820; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Children of WILLIAM SMITH and MILDRED PEARSE are:

13. iii. JOSEPH⁴ SMITH, b. 12/01/1808, Montgomery county, Kentucky; d. 09/05/1884, Mercer county Missouri.
- iv. LYDIA SMITH, b. 1805, Kentucky; d. Unknown; m. SAMUEL B. RAMSAY; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. HENRY SMITH, b. 05/10/1809, Kentucky; d. 09/08/1888, Montgomery County Kentucky; m. ELIZABETH HAYDEN; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vi. ELIZAH HANSBOROUGH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vii. ELIZABETH SMITH, b. 1813; d. Bet. 1857 and 1860; m. LEWIS CORBIN THOMLINSON, 17/02/1831, Montgomery County Kentucky; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- viii. JAMES SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

10. HENRY³ SMITH (*WILLIAM*², *HENRY*¹) was born 26/08/1770 in Virginia, and died Bet. 17/09 and 29/10/1841 in Warrenton, Warren county Missouri¹⁵. He married NANCY DAVIS 22/02/1797 in Clark county Kentucky¹⁶, daughter of IGNATIUS DAVIS and UNKNOWN. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Notes for HENRY SMITH:

According to Pioneers of Missouri Henry moved to Warren county in 1831

Children of HENRY SMITH and NANCY DAVIS are:

- i. GEORGE⁴ SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown, Kentucky.
- ii. MARY SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. ANTHONY WYATT; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for ANTHONY WYATT:
Lived in Warren county Missouri

- iii. SALLEY SMITH, b. Unknown.
- iv. NANCY SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. JAMES MCCLUER; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. ELIZABETH SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. JAMES J. SMITH; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for JAMES J. SMITH:
Marriage ceremony performed by Rev. Dr. Smith and all 17 attendants were named Smith

- vi. OWEN SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. ELIZA POST, Callaway county; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vii. MARIA SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. HENRY ABINGTON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- 14. viii. JOHN D. SMITH, b. 21/05/1815; d. 17/10/1857, Warrensburg, Missouri.
- ix. REBECCA SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. (1) GRENADE HARRISON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. (2) THOMAS TRAVIS; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- x. WILLIAM SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. ELIZABETH WRIGHT; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

11. HENRY³ SMITH III (*HENRY*², *HENRY*¹) was born 07/06/1774¹⁷, and died 09/07/1850 in Russell county, Virginia. He married MARY MCCANDLASS TAYLOR, daughter of ELIZABETH CAMPBELL. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Notes for HENRY SMITH III:
Information on Henry Smith II and III from Smith Family Papers in Library of Virginia

More About HENRY SMITH III:
Burial: Clifton, Russell county, Virginia

More About MARY MCCANDLASS TAYLOR:
Burial: Clifton, Russell county, Virginia

Children of HENRY SMITH and MARY TAYLOR are:

- i. DR. JOHN TAYLOR⁴ SMITH, b. Unknown; m. MARY ANDERSON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- ii. MARY JAMES SMITH, b. 31/10/1807, Russell county, Virginia¹⁸; d. 02/10/1868.

Notes for MARY JAMES SMITH:
Never married according to Smith Papers

More About MARY JAMES SMITH:
Burial: Clifton, Russell county, Virginia

- iii. HENRY DANIEL SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. MARY PARKER; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for HENRY DANIEL SMITH:
No children according to Smith papers

- iv. ELIZA CAMPBELL SMITH, b. Unknown; d. 1897; m. DALE CARTER; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. SARAH THOMPSON SMITH, b. 05/06/1815¹⁹; d. 26/01/1846; m. ALEXANDER R. PRESTON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About SARAH THOMPSON SMITH:
Burial: Clifton, Russell county, Virginia

- vi. MARGARET BUCHANAN SMITH, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. J.W. LAMPKIN; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vii. CHARLES ALLAN SMITH, b. 06/02/1822; d. 26/10/1891.

Notes for CHARLES ALLAN SMITH:
According to smith papers he never married

More About CHARLES ALLAN SMITH:
Burial: Clifton, Russell county, Virginia

12. SALLY³ SMITH (*HENRY*², *HENRY*¹) was born 16/09/1774²⁰, and died 1840. She married JAMES TAYLOR 1803, son of ELIZABETH CAMPBELL. He was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Children of SALLY SMITH and JAMES TAYLOR are:

- i. MARY⁴ TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. CREED FULTON; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

- ii. JOHN TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. MARIA TATE; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- iii. CHARLES TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. ELLEN BOWEN; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- iv. SARAH TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. WILLIAM BYARS; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. MARGARET TAYLOR, b. 1812; d. Unknown; m. JOHN STUART CROCKETT, 1833; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vi. HENRY TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. INDIA TAYLOR; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vii. ELIZA TAYLOR, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. CRUTCHFIELD; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 4

13. JOSEPH⁴ SMITH (*WILLIAM³, WILLIAM², HENRY¹*)²¹ was born 12/01/1808 in Montgomery county, Kentucky, and died 09/05/1884 in Mercer county Missouri^{22,23}. He married (1) ELIZABETH HUNT^{24,25} 07/10/1830, daughter of JAMES HUNT and POLLY HIGGINS. She was born 17/11/1814 in Montgomery County, Kentucky, and died 17/10/1846 in Putnam county Indiana. He married (2) MARY FOSHER 26/03/1849 in Putnam county, Indiana, daughter of JOHN FOSHER and ELIZABETH LANDIS. She was born 19/02/1818 in Preble County, Indiana, and died 13/06/1912 in Mercer County, Missouri.

Notes for JOSEPH SMITH:

1840 census Putnam county Indiana Clinton Township
 p. 405 Roll M704-91
 Records 1 Male 30-40
 1 Female 40-50
 2 boys under 5 and 2 girls between 5 and 10

The Post Telegraph April 23, 1953 By Mrs. H.E. Boher, Princeton, Missouri, Modena Correspondent
 Copied by Jean Richard, Erie, Kansas

Brick House Built In 1850 By Early Settler Torn Down

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Nigh and children, Linda and Garry, moved several weeks ago into their new home a mile south of Modena, and are now tearing down the old brick house that has been a land-mark for 103-years. The place has been known as the Uncle Charley Stewart farm.

Joseph Smith settled on the farm now owned by the Nigh's in 1850. The brick house was built that year. All through the years the Smith's and their descendant's have owned and operated the farm until it was sold to the Nigh's.

It is said that Joseph Smith operated a vineyard in 1862 with 10,000 grape vines and sold grapes at 2-cents a pound. He also had an apple orchard of a thousand trees.

The Nigh's have torn down the walls and dumped the bricks into a large cellar under the house. Mrs. Nigh says the walls came down easily but the fireplace chimney was solid and difficult to tear apart.

Brick House, 103 Years Old, Makes Way For New Home

Modena, Mo., May 3

A brick house built 103-years ago, and which had seen a lot of living, has been torn down to make way for the modern home of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Nigh, a mile south of Modena in Mercer County. Some of the bricks are being used to build a drive-way.

The most difficult task in tearing down the old house were in taken down the big chimney and in taking down the original log house at the side. Mortised and with the logs fitted tightly by the early builders, it had withstood a tornado in September 1920, which ripped off the second floor of the brick house and carried books and feather mattresses 12-miles away to Spickard.

The log and brick house was built in 1850 by Joseph Smith (not of Mormon fame) who had arrived with his family in a covered wagon from Indiana. Smith, widower with one son, James, had married a widow, Mrs. Mary Todd, who had two children, Nancy and John Todd.

Log House Too Small

The log-house, built when they first arrived, was not large enough for the family and the two-story brick house was built the same year. A great-grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, Mrs. H.W. (Iva) Beecher, said "Great-Grandfather Smith had his children, his wife, her children and the two of them had theirs, two daughters, Amanda and Lucinda.

When the children married they seldom left home for long. They raised their chilies there too. We were four generations deep."

Amanda married Charles Steward. They were Mrs. Beecher's grandparents. They owned the farm for many years, and it was known as the Charles Stewart place.

Mrs. Beechner remembers her great-fran-father Smith as a man who knew alot about the Bible, and liked to

have tin-type pictures taken holding his Bible.

Talked Much of Lincoln

Mrs. Beechner's great-grand-mother's first husband was related to Mary Todd Lincoln, a great deal. So much - so that the children were borned with it and never took the trouble to find out exactly what the relationship was.

Until the Nigh family purchased the farm, 30 years ago, the Smiths and their descendants owned and operated the farm. Joesph Smith was said to have had 10,000 grape vines in his vineyards and a orchard of a thousand apple trees.

Besides all the children and children's children who lived in the house there was a great deal of company according to Mrs. Beechner "We'd entice our friends to visit us and help pick the ten-acre patch of strawberries. It was the same with the apples and the grapes. Then there would be another company meal.

Friendly tip to Minister "So many ate there every meal that we children had to eat at the second table, and by then all the best pieces of the fried chicken were gone." Mrs. Beechner said.

Mrs. Beechner's grand-father Steward was County Clerk and a Justice of the peace. An added thrill for the children were the many weddings being performed in the house, many of them at night after the family had gone to bed. There would be a loud knock at the and if the children slept thought it they would hear about it at breakfast the next morning.

Mrs. Beechner said that her grand-mother Stewart "Prided herself on setting a good table. One time I embarrassed her by warning a visiting minister not to take too much on his plate. It was well meant advice on my part, because what I could-not eat was saved for me to eat at the next meal. This was supposed to keep the children from being wasteful, and I thought that the minister would have to eat what-ever he left on the plate.

Nearing Completion

The six room modern house of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Nigh, two miles south of Modena, is nearing completed. It has a large living room, kitchen, dining area, bath, hall, utility room, and three bedrooms. The new house is near the Nigh home which was one of the first brick houses built in Mercer County. It was a house with double brick walls and will be torn down.

Note -- Mrs. Iva Beechner Jaynes is a daughter of Amanda Smith Stewart.

Copied by Jean Richards, Erie, Kansas

Notes for ELIZABETH HUNT:

Book 17, page 414, Montgomery County Kentucky

This Indenture made the 1st day of August 1836 by Putnam & State of Indiana and William Tatman of the County of Montgomery and State of Ky of the other part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred and ninety one dollars in hand paid to the said Joseph and Eliza his wife (late Eliza Hunt). The said Joseph and Eliza his wife have this day granted bargained sold confirmed and released to the said William Tatman and his heirs forever All the right title and interest they have in and to One hundred and seventy five acres of land, situated lying and being in the County of Montgomery Ky the same on which James Hunt resided and also on which said James Hunt died (The said Eliza Smith being one of the heirs at Law of the said James Hunt Decd) To have and to hold all and every part and parcel of the interest aforesaid or any accruing interest which the said Smith may hereafter have or acquire in right of his said wife Eliza in and to the land aforesaid unto the said William Tatman and his heirs and assigns forever hereby warranting the title aforesaid for the consideration aforesaid to the said Tatman & heirs from the claim of themselves their heirs or any person claiming any right title or interest in through or by us. As also from all and every claim or claims whatever. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the date above written

Joseph Smith seal
Eliza Smith seal

Witness

James Sill

Caroline M Rankins

State of Indiana

Putnam County

Be it remembered that on the first day of August 1836 Personally appeared before me the subscribed one of the associate Judges in and for the said County Joseph Smith and Eliza Smith his wife and granters named in the foregoing deed or conveyance who acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purpose described specified and the said Eliza Smith being by me examined separate apart from her said husband and the contents of said deed fully explained to her declared that she signed sealed and delivered said Deed freely and voluntarily and not through fear or coercion from her said husband - Given under my hand and seal this first day of August 1836

James Rankins one of the
Associate Judges for the County
of Putnam State of Indiana

Children of JOSEPH SMITH and ELIZABETH HUNT are:

- i. WILLIAM⁵ SMITH²⁶, b. 14/05/1840, Putnam county Indiana; d. 10/11/1919, Hereford, Texas; m. MARTHA ANN GARDNER, 22/07/1863, Greencastle, Putnam County, Indiana²⁷; b. 12/05/1838, Putnam county Indiana; d. 19/01/1896, Mercer County, Missouri.

Notes for WILLIAM SMITH:

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Wm. Smith Dies in Texas

William Smith, a pioneer of Mercer County and formerly a well known citizen of the Modena vicinity, died at his home in Hereford, Texas, November 10th, at 9:30 A.M., age 79 years, 5 months, and 26 days. His body was brought to Spickard and conveyed to the home of his nephew, Jesse T. Butcher, and on Friday at eleven o'clock his funeral was conducted at the Modena Christian Church by Rev. J.P. Schooler of Spickard, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The interment was at Brummett Cemetery.

William Smith was born in Putnam County, Indiana, May 14, 1846. He moved to Missouri in about 1856. He was united in marriage to Martha Gardner in 1861. To this union 7 children were born, all of whom are present today. They are Clarence and Lewis of Hereford, Texas, John and Edd of Dimmitt, Texas, Bern of Quannah, Texas, Ella Stevens of Erie, Kansas, and Cora Burk of Arkansas City, Kansas. Mr. Smith made his home near Modena, Mo. until the year 1899 when he moved to Hereford, Texas where he resided until his death, November 10, at 9:30 A.M., 1919. His wife preceded him in death about 24 years ago. In his early life he united with the Christian Church and since that time has lived a devoted Christian life.

Hereford Brand May 19, 1905

William Smith Celebrates his Sixty-fifth Birthday at his Home near Dimmitt

Another happy reminder that life is full of sunshine, and of glad things, was on Sunday, May 14, when a large number of the friends and relatives of Wm. Smith gathered at his home five miles southwest of Dimmitt, to remind Mr. Smith in a most pleasant way that he had reached the sixty-fifth mile stone in his life.

Everything was auspicious for the occasion. "Mother Nature" was clothed in her beautiful robes of green and her ornaments [sic] were the wild flowers of the plains. The grand old "Monarch of Day" as he ascended his throne in the heavens, sent his refulgent beams over the broad landscape; the soft zephyrs of the morning came kissing the tiny dewdrops and beating them away in their softest embrace while the birds carolled in the morning sunshine. On Saturday evening, J.K.P. Gilliland of Hereford, who has a ranch near Mr. Smith's and being at his ranch at the time, went over to the Smith home, and in his little visit there, casually spoke of some bean seed he had and told Mr. Smith that if he would go home with him and spend the night he would divide the seed with him. Mr. Smith was beguiled into going, and soon these gentlemen were riding over the plains to the Gilliland home. On Sunday morning when all had arrived and were in hiding in the house, Mr. Smith in company with Mr. Gilliland and Herbert Gilliland returned home in blissful ignorance of what was going on. As Mr. Smith was very about entering the house, one of the ladies stepped to the door telling it was his birthday, and giving him a cordial invitation to step in. The surprise was complete, and Mr. Smith was almost speechless for a moment. When the noon hour came, and the many baskets were relieved of their burdens, a feast was spread that was fit for the gods of Olymlus [sic]. The table was beautifully decorated with roses and foliage. When the Guest were seated at the table Mr. Smith in the honored chair. Eugene Renfro of Arney "Kodaked" the scene. After all had been bountifully feasted, the end of the beginning only had been reached, for cakes, pies, jellies, salads, etc. were still in substantial evidence. In the afternoon the guest were shown the splendid orchard and vineyard of which Mr. Smith is very proud, and a general good time of friend meeting friend prevailed. Soon after 4 o'clock the guest began preparing to return to homes, wishing Mr. Smith, many happy returns of the day.

Those present were Clarence Smith and family of Hereford, Ed Smith and family, Bern Smith and wife, the gentlemen all being sons of Wm. Smith. E. Renfro and family of Arney, J.K.P. Gilliland and wife of Hereford, Mr. James and wife, W.A. Hubbard, Walker Hubbard and wife, Richard Collins and wife of

Hereford, Ollie Burch and wife, Will Evants and wife, Geo. W. Irwin and wife, Herbert Gilliland and Miss Millicent Griffith of Hereford.

Mr. Smith came to Texas six years ago from North Missouri and purchased the six-section ranch where he now lives. When Mr. Smith purchased this land, it was in it's native state, but with faith in the country, and industry and good -----orchard and vineyard, consisting of one thousand plum, two thousand cherry, one hundred apple, thirty pear and two thousand peach trees, and his vineyard and berries of all kind covering a few acres. In this orchard this year there is a fine prospect for an abundant crop of cherries, plums, grapes, gooseberries, and quite a good many peaches and apples. This fine orchard and vineyard has never received one drop of water from irrigation. If there be anyone, who is skeptical concerning the productiveness of the soil of the Panhandle of Texas, let him visit the ranch of Wm. Smith of Castro county and see for himself, "as things seen are mightier than things heard".

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Castro County 1891-1981

Castro County Historical Commission, Taylor Publication Co., Dallas, Texas, 1981

Uncle Bill Smith

Wm. Smith was born May 14, 1840 [sic] in Putnam County, Indiana. He married Martha Gardner in Blakesburg, Indiana, July 22, 1863. They moved to Modena, Missouri on February 22, 1864. To this union five sons and two daughters were born. They were: Lewis, Clarence, J.E. (Edd), J.T. (John), B.H. (Bern), Mrs. George (Ella) Stephens and Mrs. Jasper (Cora) Burk. Martha died January 19, 1896.

Mr. Smith had a sister who lived in Hereford and wanted him to come to Texas which was a "Land of Opportunity". Then the land promoters helped convince Mr. Smith to come to Texas. He sold his farm in Missouri and bought land five miles west of Dimmitt in 1897 and lived there until the time of his death in 1919.

Mr. Smith built a three room "Tee shaped" frame house with lumber hauled by wagon from Canyon, Texas, the nearest shipping point. He also planted a large orchard which was a favorite show place for realtors from the area. People came for miles around to haul away fruit by the wagon load. Almost every Easterner who saw that orchard ended by buying land which was selling from \$2 to \$6 an acre. The trees had to be replaced every five to seven years because of drought. This orchard gave Mr. Smith the nickname "Peach Orchard Smith".

Edd Smith, a son, and his wife, came in 1899 and lived with Mr. Smith for eighteen months.

In 1900, J.T. (John) Smith and his wife Bertha, came and lived with Mr. Smith until their deaths. John died on June 12, 1960 and Bertha November 17.

They had one daughter who died, and an adopted son, Franklin. John was born December 17, 1878 in Modena, Missouri.

Another son, B.H. (Bern) Smith, came in 1900 too. He married Miss Mollie Smith in Hereford and moved to Quanah, Texas. He was an undertaker there. They are both deceased.

More About WILLIAM SMITH:

Burial: Brummett Cemetery, Mercer County Missouri, Lot 9

Notes for MARTHA ANN GARDNER:

Princeton Telegraph, Princeton, Missouri, Wednesday, January 22, 1896

Martha Gardner Smith

Mrs. Smith, wife of Wm. Smith, a highly respected and well-to-do farmer residing just south of Modena, died very suddenly Sunday of heart failure.

Princeton Telegraph, January 29, 1896

Martha Smith died Sunday, January 19, 1896, at her home near Modena, Missouri. Deceased was born in Putnam County, Indiana, May 12, 1838; was married to Wm. Smith, July 22, 1863, and moved with her husband to Missouri February 22, 1864. She leaves a husband and seven children.

Death had not before entered the family circle and on this his first visit, bore away the central figure.

The funeral services were conducted by Elder William Everett at the Christian Church in Modena Tuesday Morning, January 21.

Let the surges of sorrow that sweep o'er the soul,
Be broken and calmed; for hear and behold! 'Tis
the promise of God. He has left us his word that shall we
live again who die in the Lord.

- ii. MARY ELIZABETH SMITH, b. 15/08/1831, Montgomery County Kentucky; d. 14/04/1840, Putnam county Indiana.
- iii. MILLIE SMITH, b. 1833; d. Unknown; m. (1) JOHN CLODFELTER; b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. (2) JOHN VANDERPOOL; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- iv. MARGARET A. SMITH, b. 1835; d. 11/11/1891, Putnam county Indiana; m. ? CRODIAN; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. JAMES H. SMITH, b. 25/07/1837, Putnam county Indiana; d. 02/02/1863, Benton Barracks, St. Louis, Mo.; m. NANCY A. TODD, 03/11/1859; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vi. CAROLINE SMITH, b. 1842; d. Unknown; m. SAMUEL CHESTNUT; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

- vii. JOHN SMITH, b. 08/08/1844; d. 21/02/1863, Union Army, Keokuk, Iowa.

Children of JOSEPH SMITH and MARY FOSHER are:

- viii. AMANDA⁵ SMITH, b. 02/01/1850, Putnam county Indiana; d. 31/03/1925, Mercer County, Missouri; m. CHARLES HOLLAND STEWART, 31/01/1868, Mercer county, Missouri; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
ix. LUCINDA SMITH, b. 01/04/1852; d. 30/03/1937; m. WILLIAM A. BUTCHER, Mercer county, Missouri; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

14. JOHN D.⁴ SMITH (*HENRY*³, *WILLIAM*², *HENRY*¹) was born 21/05/1815²⁸, and died 17/10/1857 in Warrensburg, Missouri. He married SUSAN OLDHAM GEIGER²⁸ in Lincoln county, Missouri²⁸. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Children of JOHN SMITH and SUSAN GEIGER are:

- i. ANN MARIAH⁵ SMITH²⁹, b. 1842, Lincoln county Missouri; d. Unknown; m. WILLIAM GEORGE COLLINS, 17/10/1858, Warrensburg, Missouri³⁰; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
ii. JAMES MONTGOMERY SMITH, b. Unknown.
iii. WILLIAM HENRY SMITH, b. Unknown.
iv. MARY ELIZABETH SMITH, b. Unknown.

Endnotes

1. Daniel Smith Frontier Statesman, The text says he was the first of his family to be born in America and his family came from Stafford in England.
2. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 84, Gives birth date as 1714 and death as 1780 marriage as 1736.
3. Will Abstract, Will probated between these dates. Will book destroyed.
4. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 84, birth 1718 and death 1756.
5. Pioneer Families of Missouri Part III Families of St. Charles County, 185.
6. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 84.
7. MCAdams Kentucky Records, 158.
8. Pioneer Families of Missouri Part III Families of St. Charles County, 185.
9. MCAdams Kentucky Records, 263.
10. Daniel Smith Frontier Statesman, 3, 75, gives birth and marriage information.
11. Inscription on Monument, Clifton Farm, Russel county Virginia Copied by Mrs. William Morgan Eaves Smith Family Papers Bible Collection, Library of Virginia.
12. Daniel Smith Frontier Statesman, p. 19.
13. Wanda Jones information from Mrs. Grant D. Brown directly descended from Elizabeth Smith.
14. Will of William Smith, book E, Montgomery County Kentucky, 40.
15. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 84, This source lists the prove date as 24 Oct. 1857. However, Warren county wills lists the will as being presented on 29 Oct. 1841.
16. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 84.
17. Smith Mermorial, Clifton, Both birth and death dates taken from Memorial dates from Smith Papers, Copied by Mrs. William Morgan Eaves.
18. Smith Mermorial, Clifton, birth and dates from Smith Memorial dates in Smith Papers.
19. Smith Mermorial, Clifton, birth and death dates from Smith Papers.
20. Smith Papers.
21. Hazel Mason Boyd, Some Marriages in Montgomery Co., KY before 1864.
22. Will of Joseph Smith, Mercer Co. Vol. B pp. 244-46.
23. Mercer Co. General Record Book E p. 524, Settlement of estate of Joseph Smith.
24. Montgomery Co. Kentucky, Book 20., 121, This indenture made and entered into this twenty eight day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty one between Joseph Smith and Eliza his wife of the County of Putnam and State of Indiana of the one part and Lewis Tomlinson of the County of Montgormery and the State of Kentucky of the other part, Witnesseth, that the said Josph Smith and Eliza his wife of the first part, for the consideration of the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars has this day bargained, granted, and sould, and by these presents bargain, grant sell and convey unto the said Lewis Tomlinson, his heirs and assigns the fifth part of the following tract of land, it being one hundred acres lying in the County of Montgomery and the State of Kentucky formerly owned by William Smith of said County, it beign the farm which the said William Smith died in and lying on the waters of Summerset, and bounded in the North by Martin Sidner, on the West by James Allison, and on the South by William Davis's heirs and William Scott, on the East by Benjamin Hart, to have and to hold the said sixth part of the above described land at the death of the said Joseph Smith's Mother, with all the appertainances thereunto belonging to the said Lewis Tomlinson his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Joseph Smith, and Eliza his wife bind themselves and their heirs will forever and will warrant and defend unto the said Lewis Tomlinson his heirs and assigns the within described land against the claim or claims of all and any person or persons whatsoever, interesting whearof, the said Joseph Smith and Eliza his wife has hereunto set their hands and affixed there sealthe day and date above written.

25. Montgomery Co. Kentucky, Book 17., 414, This Indenture made the 1st day of August 1836 by and between Joseph Smith and Eliza his wife of the County of Putnam & State of Indiana of the one part and William Tatman of the County of Montgomery and State of Ky of the other part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred and ninety one dollars in hand paid to the said Joseph & Eliza his wife (late Eliza Hunt). The said Joseph and Eliza his wife have this day granted bargained sold confirmed and released to the said William Tatman and his heirs forever All the right title and interest they have in and to One hundred and seventy five acres of land, situate lying and being in the County of Montgomery Ky the same on which James Hunt resided and also on which said James Hunt died (The said Eliza Smith being one of the heirs at Law of the said James Hunt Decd) To have and to hold all and every part and parcel of the interest aforesaid or any accruing interest which the said Smith may hereafter have or acquire in right of his said wife Eliza in and to the land aforesaid unto the said William Tatman and his heirs and assigns forever hereby warranting the title aforesaid for the consideration aforesaid to the said Tatman & heirs rom the claim of themselves their heirs or any person claiming any right title or interest in through or by us As also from all and every claim or claims whatever In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the date above written Joseph Smith Eliza Smith.

26. 25 Jul 1860 Census, Mercer County, Missouri, Roll 633, 216, 28 Joseph Smith, 52, m, w, farmer, real estate value 3000, value of personal estate 1500, place of birth Kentucky²⁹ Mary Smith, 42, f, w, place of birth Ohio³⁰ John Smith, 15, m, w, farm laborer, place of birth Indiana³¹ Amanda Smith, 10, f, w, place of birth Indiana³² Lucinda Smith, 8, f, w, place of birth Indiana³³ William Smith, 20, m, w, farm laborer, place of birth Indiana.

27. Marriage Record, Putname county records certificate filed 14 Oct. 1863 and sealed 25th July 1863.

28. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 85.

29. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 85, children's names given.

30. Historical Southern Families, Vol. XI, Collins of South Carolina, Kentucky and Missouri, with Related Families, 85.