# THE ELLIS FAMILY

My line of the Ellis family seems to begin in America with one James Ellis. Some say he was born in New York, others say New Jersey. He served in the Revolution and shortly afterwards moved to North Carolina and then to Tennessee. Here he married Sarah Riggs. Their daughter Hulda married John Neece, also in Tennessee. Robert Neece later married Penninah Weaver and moved to Illinois. In Greene County, Illinois, their daughter, Elizabeth, married Josiah Jones. This is how the Ellis family became an early part of my Jones Heritage.

## **JAMES ELLIS**

I honestly know nothing about the parents or the early life of James Ellis. It has been accepted that he was born near Albany, New York on May 8, 1755. I question this, but can neither prove nor disprove this entry.

Likewise, most researchers accept the Muster Roll of Captain Mynderse's Company of the New York Militia which shows one James Ellice served in the Revolution. Whether or not it is our James is in doubt as far as I am concerned.

Our James, if he did serve in the Revolution, did so only a short while as he was in Tennessee by 1780 and had gone to North Carolina first.

Frankly I feel he was related to the Evan Ellis family who were in old Rowan County, North Carolina in the 1750s. This Ellis family originally came from eastern New Jersey settled in what was called *The Jersey Settlement* in which is now included in Davidson County and then moved in the 1750s to what is now Davie County. All this area was part of Rowan County at the time.

This family relationship makes the most sense. Others say James was from New Jersey, and I think this is correct, and I do not feel he has any connection to any Ellis family from New York. He simply could not have been in two places at the same time.

Everything prior to 1780 is pure conjecture. What I do know is that James Ellis was in Jefferson County, Tennessee in 1780 when he married Sarah Riggs. Sarah's family was also from New Jersey and from North Carolina prior to moving to Tennessee. I think it is logical they both came from New Jersey and did so sometime in the 1750s which we know is the case of the Riggs family and that of the New Jersey Ellis family.

Shortly after they were married, James and Sarah moved inland to Lincoln County, Tennessee. Their oldest child was born in Jefferson County in 1782 and the next child in Lincoln County in 1784.

The family remained in Lincoln County until after 1818 when James Ellis died of cancer of the face. Knowing that he was dying, he wrote his will on September 17, 1817. He died after the beginning of the next year. Sarah Riggs Ellis died sometime afterwards, also in Lincoln County, Tennessee.

The following is what I know about the seven children of James and Sarah Ellis.

#### William Ellis

William Ellis was born in Jefferson County, Tennessee on November 14, 1782. He married Mary (Polly) Elliott in 1804. They moved to Greene County, Illinois with some of the Neece families in 1830 and then moved to Shelby County, Illinois in 1832.

Both William and Polly died in Shelby County. William died on August 9, 1839, and Polly died there on August 31, 1862. They are buried in the Ellis Cemetery in Gays, Illinois.

William Ellis had the following children:

**ELIZABETH ELLIS** was born in 1805. She married Ambrose McCully and they had eight children:

William McCully
David McCully
Marion McCully
John McCully born in 1831.
Jesse L.B. McCully
Melvina McCully
James McCully
Hulda McCully born in 1845.

**DAVID ELLIS** was born October 17, 1806. He married Judiah (Juda) Katherine Brown on March 29, 1829 in Shelby County, Illinois. Juda died there January 22, 1840, probably a result of childbirth of their sixth child, Elizabeth. Children of this marriage were:

**Nancy America Ellis** born April 23, 1830. She married Perry Hood. They had six children.

**Jesse Louis Barton Ellis** born November 22, 1832. He married Malissa Jane Curry. They had six children.

**Mary Ann Ellis** born August 5, 1834. She married Martin Hood in Benton County, Arkansas in 1870. They had two children.

**Delilah Emeline Ellis** born August 26, 1836. She married Samuel Parks. They had four children.

**William Brown Ellis** born September 7, 1838. He first married Ellen Curry and then married her sister Sarah Curry.

Elizabeth Catherine Ellis born January 11, 1840 and married Samuel Brady.

David then married Margaret Dixon in 1842 in Shelby County. They had seven more children born in Shelby County, Illinois. The family moved to Benton County, Arkansas about 1860. David died there in 1870 and is buried in the Woods Cemetery, Benton County. Children of this second marriage were:

**Joseph Franklin Ellis** born February 8, 1843. He married Princess Fowler in Benton County. There were four children.

**Muhulda Jane Ellis** born November 18, 1845. She married John Riley Woods in Benton County, Arkansas in 1884 and died in Oklahoma in 1933. They had one child.

Martha Caroline Ellis was born November 14, 1846 and died in 1863.

**Mariah Eleanor Ellis** was born December 20, 1848. She married in Arkansas in 1874 to John Paulk. She died in Oklahoma in 1940. They had one child.

**James Alexander Ellis** was born January 21, 1851. He married Nancy E. Nelson in 1868, probably in Illinois. He died in Missouri in 1928.

Elvira Isabel Ellis was born November 19, 1855 and died a year later in 1856.

**Margaret Terrisa Ellis** was born April 10, 1858. She married Hiram Dailey in Arkansas in 1882. She died in 1933 in Missouri. They had two children.

David Ellis died February 14, 1870. Margaret Dixon Ellis died January 9, 1892.

**JESSE ELLIS** was born in 1808, and was killed by lightning in 1831.

**LEWIS ELLIS** was born in 1810, and killed by lightning in 1831.

**ISAAC BARTON ELLIS** was born in 1812, and killed by lightning in 1831.

**DELILAH ELLIS** was born 1814 in Tennessee. She married Nathaniel 'Nate' Curry. They had five children:

**Charlotte Curry** She married a Woodland in 1870 and then married George Akers in 1872.

Belle Curry Elizabeth Curry Leah Ann Curry Jane Curry

**WILLIAM E. ELLIS** was born September 19, 1817. He married Mary H. Price in Shelby County, Illinois on July 16, 1840. He died on January 9, 1889 in Benton County, Arkansas. I do not have any information on children, if any.

**MAHULDA ELLIS** was born in 1816. She married Joseph Rankin. They had these children:

Sarah Rankin She married a cousin, a Rankin.

**Mary Rankin** 

Jane 'Deal' Rankin She married a Goode.

Jobe 'Joe' Rankin He married Jane Goode.

John Rankin He married Jane Reed.

**Wesley Rankin** 

**JAMES HOPWOOD ELLIS** was born in 1817. He married Lydia Gaddis and they had 7 children, but I do not have the names.

**SARAH ANN ELLIS** was born about 1820. She married Samuel Rankins. I have no information on children, if any.

**CLISBE ELLIS** was born July 4, 1824. He first married Sarah Rankin and then Nancy Mahan. He remained in Shelby County, Illinois where he died September 25, 1891. He had three children in his first marriage, and none in his second. They were:

William Ellis born in 1849.

**Samuel Ellis** born in 1854. **Margaret E. Ellis** born in 1856.

The three sons, Jesse, Louis and Barton were all killed by lightning while taking shelter under a tree in a violent thunderstorm in 1832.

## Jesse K. Ellis

Jesse was born May 6, 1784 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. He married Jennie Elliott in Lincoln County, Tennessee on August 2, 1804 and lived in Lincoln County until about 1835 when he moved to Coles County, Illinois. Jennie died there in 1839.

Jesse then married Isabella Elliott Curry, a widowed sister of Jennie's. Isabella died in 1846, and Jesse then married Nancy Chowning. Nancy also died in 1846 and Jesse tried it again. He married for the fourth time on March 14, 1847 to Mariah (Bennett) Curry. He appears to have liked Curry widow women.

Jesse had a total of fifteen children; nine by Jennie, one by Isabella and five by Mariah.

He died in Cole County, Illinois on October 5, 1853 six months before the birth of his last child, Nathan. Mariah died at the home of one of her children in Guthrie, Oklahoma on January 30, 1891. She was returned to Illinois and buried beside her husband in the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Coles County, Illinois.

The children of Jesse Ellis by his first wife Jennie were:

**JAMES ELLIS** was born May 20, 1805. He married Talitha Keller on November 30, 1826 and had 5 children:

Willis Hopwood Ellis born February 21, 1829. He married Sarah Johnson. There were eight children, five of whom lived past infancy.

Mary Jane Ellis who married David McCully.

Wiley C. Ellis who married Sidney Fuller and then Anna McCarty.

Elizabeth Ellis who married Robert Nevill and then John Grimsley.

Eliza Ellis who died in infancy.

**JOHN ELLIS** was born May 19, 1806. He married Nancy Langston then Sarah Cross. John Ellis remained in Lincoln County, Tennessee where he died September 2, 1852. There were thirteen children, ten in the first marriage and three in the second marriage:

Elizabeth Jane Ellis born December 8, 1827. She married William Cartmell.

William L. Ellis born April 2, 1830 and died unmarried in 1850.

Willis Ellis born August 8, 1831 and died in 1853.

Mary Ellis born October 16, 1833 and died as a child.

Sarah Ellis born November 17, 1836. She married J. Casstevens.

**Jesse Ellis** born March 1, 1838 and died as a child.

James U. Ellis born November 2, 1839.

John P. Ellis born September 10, 1841. He married a Slayback.

Richard M. Ellis born September 11, 1843 and died soon thereafter.

Rachel H. Ellis born January 31, 1846. She married William Southerland.

**WILLIAM ELLIS** was born February 12, 1808. He married Eliza Hart in Lincoln County, Tennessee.

**CLISBY ELLIS** was born April 10, 1810. He married Jane Keller on November 30, 1830. After Jane died (date unknown), he married Nancy Curry in about 1843. He had a total of 10 children, 7 by Jane and the last three by Nancy:

Margaret Phynette Ellis born July 28, 1832. She married William Fuller.

**Henry C. Ellis** born February 13, 1835. He married three times, but I do not have any of their names.

**Emiline Elis** born in 1838. She married John Blythe.

Jessie D. Ellis died in infancy.

**John K. Ellis** died in infancy.

**Joseph Ellis** died in infancy.

**Leah Ellis** died in infancy.

A child Ellis born and died in 1844.

Rebecca Ellis born November 5, 1845. She married S. W. Berryman.

Clisby Anderson Ellis born June 10, 1849. He married Ella Gilchrest.

**MARGARET ELLIS** was born December 3, 1811. She married Joseph Keller on January 18, 1829. They had 11 children:

Ellis M. Keller born March 31, 1830 and died in 1836.

**Polly Ann Keller** born May 16, 1832. She married George W. Dalby on February 21, 1850. He was a hard shell Baptist Preacher.

**William A. Keller** born February 13, 1834. He married Sarah Ellis and later married Olivia Wade.

**Emily B. Keller** born February 19, 1836. She died September 11, 1836 at age eight months.

**Joseph Keller** born March 9, 1838 and died May 3, 1855.

**Lucy Emeline Keller** born February 20, 1840. She married Abram Fuller in February 1858. They had five children. Abram died in 1878 and she then married William Curry in the fall of 1888. She died November 13, 1893.

Pleasant E. Keller born April 13, 1842 and died October 4, 1843.

Pleasant M. Keller born April 11, 1845 and died March 24, 1864.

Arminta Keller born June 7, 1846. She married Benjamin Barnett.

Jesse C. Keller born August 13, 1851 and died August 17, 1884.

James C. Keller born December 28, 1853 and died August 30, 1863.

**PLEASANT MOORE ELLIS** was born on April 8, 1813. He married Tyra Melvina Keller on July 15, 1834. They had seven children:

William Smith Ellis born July 10, 1835, died July 17, 1835.

Elizabeth Emmaline Ellis born September 20, 1837. She married David Robinson. Margaret Ann Ellis born January 4, 1840. She married Joshua Massey Curry in about

1857. They had seven children, one who lived to adulthood. Joshua died in the fall of 1916, Margaret died in the summer of 1922.

**John Green Ellis** born January 11, 1843. He married Jane Checkley.

**James Thomas Ellis** born January 2, 1845. He married Maria Caroline Curry.

Mariah Caroline Ellis born September 26, 1848. She married Preston Doty.

Lauriet Jane Ellis born July 12, 1853. She married William Curry.

Tyra Ellis died February 20, 1855. Pleasant then married Rebecca Renfro on November 20, 1856. They had two more children:

**Pleasant Tyra Ellis** born April 4, 1859. He married Perline Ashby. **Smith Taylor Ellis** born November 14, 1861. He married Martha Luce.

Rebecca Ellis died March 13, 1875. Pleasant then married a widow, Susan Cartwright on March 21, 1876. There were no children in this marriage. Pleasant Moor Ellis died April 9, 1885.

**WILEY C. ELLIS** was born March 12, 1815. He married Margaret Waggoner on February 8, 1838. He died before 1857. There were two children:

David Ellis James Ellis

**JESSE KELLER ELLIS** was born February 20, 1817. He came to Coles County, Illinois with some of his brothers in 1836. He farmed and was a Justice of the peace. He married Nancy Fuller on August 30, 1846. They moved to Matton, Coles County, Illinois in about 1887. Jesse died there July 20, 1894 and Nancy died there March 14, 1895. Both are buried in the Mt. Zion Baptist Cemetery. They had ten children:

**James Wiley Ellis** born May 2, 1847. He married Helen Burron.

Elizabeth Jane Ellis born May 15, 1849. She married Jackson Hearn.

**Henry Wilson Ellis** born January 27, 1851. He never married.

William Ellis born February 8, 1852. He married Amanda E. Blythe.

Samuel Fuller Ellis born December 18, 1853. He married Mary Bell.

Stephen Douglas Ellis born September 16, 1855. He married Rosetta Jane Fuller.

Mary E. Ellis born September 2, 1857. She married John Votaw.

Willis Clayton Ellis born November 23, 1859. He married Catherine J. Luce.

**David Jesse Ellis** born December 25, 1861. He married Amanda Luce.

Nancy Isabel Ellis born May 10, 1866 and died February 14, 1867.

**WILLIS H. ELLIS** was born September 20, 1819, and died six months later on March 30, 1821.

Jesse and Isabella Elliott Ellis had one child:

**SARAH MINERVA ELLIS** was born July 2, 1841. She married William Hendrix. William Hendrix was a school teacher in Coles County. They had five children:

Elizabeth Hendrix who married Alfred King.

**Jesse Henrix** 

George F. Hendrix born February 6, 1868. His wife was Clara.

William C. Hendrix born October 24, 1873. His wife was Katie.

Charles C. Hendrix born July 1875. He married Maude Ellison.

There were no children with Jesse and Nancy Chowning Ellis.

With Mariah Curry Bennett, Jesse had five more children:

**ISAAC U. ELLIS** was born January 2, 1848 died two weeks later on January 16, 1848.

**BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ELLIS** was born January 2, 1848 (a twin of Isaac) and he died four weeks later on February 1, 1848.

MARY ANN ELLIS was born April 5, 1849. She married Salem Harden.

**JOSEPH B. ELLIS** was born September 5, 1851. He married Ella Stearns.

NATHAN CURRY ELLIS was born April 27, 1854. He married Nora Webb.

#### Mahulda Ellis

Hulda Ellis was born in about 1776. She married John Neece on May 31, 1800 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. John Neece was born in about 1782 and probably in Virginia although no records exist.

John Neece and his family lived in the northeastern portion of Lincoln County. There are numerous land transactions all through the 1820s and 1830s covering lands on or about Mulberry Creek. These lands are in the general area of the present day Bellville and Booneville in Tennessee.

John Neece must have died sometime in the late 1830s before the 1840 census as he does not appear in it. Hulda is listed as head of household at that reporting time. It is felt he is buried in an unmarked grave near others of his family in the Charity Church Cemetery some 3 miles north of Booneville, Tennessee.

In the 1840 Tennessee census, we find separate households for Hulda, Jesse, John junior and H. H. Neece. By 1840 Robert Neece is in Apple Creek Township (White Hall today) of Greene County, Illinois as is his brother William Neece who obviously went west with him.

In 1850 we have Hulda (now 63), and John junior the only remaining Neece families left in Lincoln County. I have a will of James Neece dated 1843. In it he mentions his mother Huldy, wife Martha and guardian Jesse Neece. It was also witnessed by Hardy H. Neece. There was also a 1847 will for Jesse Neece mentioning his wife Sarah Jane Neece. She appears in the 1850 census as head of that household.

Sometime in the later 1850s, Ellis Neece traveled west to establish a new Baptist Church in Aurora, Lawrence County, Missouri. His mother, Hulda, traveled with him and died in Lawrence, Missouri in November of 1861 and is buried there in the Buck Prairie Cemetery.

There is a great deal more in my **NEECE FAMILY HISTORY**.

The following is what I know about the fourteen children of John and Hulda Neece.

**ROBERT NEECE** was born on March 25, 1801 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. In about 1821, Robert married Penninah Weaver in Lincoln County, Tennessee. Nina was the daughter of Craven and Winnifred Weaver. Late in 1829 or early in the year 1830, Robert, Nina and their first five children left for new lands in Illinois. They were joined by the families of his brother, William Neece and in-laws James Chinn and Jacob Godwin. They all

settled on adjacent properties in Greene County near Belltown, Illinois. Robert appeared on the 1829 tax list in Tennessee, and was carried on the Illinois census in 1830. The move took place between these two time periods. Robert and Penninah remained in Greene County for the rest of their lives. The remaining six of their eleven children were born there. He was a farmer. His brother William Neece and his family had accompanied them on their trip west. The two families lived near each other in northwest Greene County. Robert Neece died just short of his 50th birthday on January 13, 1851. Penninah lived another thirty years and died on March 21, 1881. Both are buried at the High Street Cemetery in White Hall, Illinois. The following is what I know about the eleven children of Robert and Penninah Neece:

**Elizabeth Adaline Neece** was born December 25, 1822. On June 17, 1838 she married Josiah Jones in Belltown, Greene County, Illinois. Here is where these lines joined into my Jones Family.

Cincinnate Caroline Neece was born about 1824 or 1825 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. She married Luther Emory in Greene County on February 17, 1840. Eliza Ann Neece was born about 1825. She married George Washington Crane in Greene County on April 14, 1841. He was a farmer and they lived near Athensville, Illinois all their lives.

**William M. Neece** was born about 1827 in Tennessee. He married Ann Marian Warren in Greene County on September 10, 1845. He was listed as a renter in White Hall in the 1879 History of Greene County.

**Alfred Walker Neece** was the last child born in Lincoln County, Tennessee. He was born on December 9, 1828. He married Margery Malissa Allen in Greene County on September 10, 1845. He served in C Company of the 1st Illinois Regular Volunteers in the Mexican War. The men of Greene County signed on for service in June of 1846 and on July 19th left for Mexico. They fought at the Battle of Buena Vista and other battles and returned in 1848. Alfred later moved to Christian County, Illinois where he remained until his death on July 24, 1905.

James Neece was the first born in Illinois and probably about 1831. He married Alice Wells in Greene County on August 1, 1850. And yes, Alice is one of Robert Wells daughters from North Carolina. James and Alice later moved to Newton Co, Missouri. Robert Newton Neece was born in 1833 in Belltown He was married twice. First to Sarah Allen and then to Sophia Jane Wilkenson on December 3, 1857 in Greene County, Illinois. He died on July 19, 1860 and is buried in Patterson, Illinois. Madison Curry Neece was born on September 18, 1833. On January 4, 1855 he married Ann Swindon in Greene County. They remained there the rest of their lives. He died on March 21, 1915.

**John C. Neece** was born in about 1836 and I know nothing more.

**Jesse Hopwood Neece** was born in 1838. He married Julia Talkington and they moved a few miles north into Macoupin County, Illinois. She died there in 1896 and he died on April 24, 1907.

**Penina Jane Neece** was born on January 6, 1841 in Greene County. She was married three times. First to Louis Hahn on December 31, 1857, then to Samuel B. Hart on November 4, 1862. Both these marriages were in Sangamon County. After Sam's death, she married Charnock W. Self in Hamilton, Illinois on August 23, 1887. Penina died in Keokuk County, Iowa on June 10, 1916 and is buried in the Oakland Cemetery.

**ELLIS NEECE** was born October 2, 1803. He was married twice. First in Lincoln County, Tennessee to Mary Ann Hale in 1824. He moved to Lawrence County, Missouri in the 1850s and was a preacher. He established the Baptist church in Aurora, Missouri. Ann died in Lawrence County on December 20, 1867. Ellis remarried there on May 3, 1868 to Mary Long. Ellis died in Lawrence County, Missouri on June 21, 1882 and is buried in the Buck

Prairie Cemetery along with his mother, Hulda. Ellis and Ann had fourteen children:

**John Neece** born March 17, 1825 in Lincoln County, Tennessee and died in Lawrence County, Missouri on February 1, 1892. He married Margaret Stuart in Lawrence County on March 22, 1849.

**Sophia Neece** born April 17, 1826 and died in Aurora, Missouri in 1906. She married Daniel Jones in Barry County, Missouri on November 30, 1841.

Robert Neece was born in 1827.

**Matilda 'Huldah' Neece** born May 28, 1830 and died April 22, 1926. She married William C. Elsey in Lawrence County on July 4, 1852.

**Harrison Neece** was born in 1831 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. He married Mary Magdeline Derric on January 20, 1853 in Lawrence County, Missouri.

**Charlotte Neece** born in 1833. She married Jacob B. Wheat in Lawrence County on September 13, 1855.

**Permelia Neece** born March 9, 1835 and died June 24, 1901 in Marionville, Missouri. She married Elliot B. Robinson in Lawrence County on September 30, 1855.

**Nancy Neece** born September 23, 1836 and died in Lawrence County on September 29, 1894. She married Neill Gist on August 30, 1855.

**William Neece** was born in Lawrence County, Missouri in 1839. He married Irena Clementine Moore.

**G. Spencer Neece** born August 28, 1841 and died May 6, 1860, all in Lawrence County, Missouri.

**Jane Ann 'Alcy' Neece** born December 8, 1843 and died April 22, 1926. She married Levi Gibson Hillhouse in Lawrence County on December 6, 1866.

**Elizabeth Neece** born March 22, 1846 and died March 7, 1926. She married John Wesley Smart in Lawrence County on October 14, 1865.

**America B. Neece** born in 1849. She married Thomas B. Elsey in Lawrence County on December 27, 1863.

**Sarah Neece** born in 1852 and died September 28, 1935. She married James M. Askins in Lawrence County on October 3, 1869.

**SARAH NEECE** was born about 1804 in Jefferson County. She married Jacob Goodwin in Lincoln County, Tennessee. She went to Illinois with her family and remained in Belltown, Illinois all the rest of her life.

**WILLIAM NEECE** was born in about 1805. He married Sarah Weaver in Lincoln County in the late 1820s. Sarah was the sister of Peninnah Weaver who married Robert Neece. William and Sarah accompanied Robert and Peninnah to Greene County, Illinois in 1830. They raised 10 children in Greene County. William died there in April of 1850. I do not know when Sarah died. Their children were:

**John B. Neece** was born in Greene County in 1831. He married Julia Ann Oakes there on July 28, 1850.

**Craven Weaver Neece** was born in 1832, He married Rebecca C. Allen on October 29, 1851.

Julia Neece was born in 1833.

**Ellis C. Neece** was born in 1834. He married Eveline Butler in Greene County on September 6, 1856.

**James W. Neece** was born in 1836. He married Mary Jane Nash on December 10, 1862.

**Alfred N. Neece** was born May 13, 1837 and he died March 12, 1905. He married Rebecca Thurman in Greene County on October 6, 1859.

**Sarah C. Neece** was born in 1844 and died in 1905. She married William G. Leeper on January 1, 1857.

**William Francis Neece** was born October 5, 1845 and died April 28, 1928. He married Julia Morrison.

Robert Neece was born in 1847.

**Mary Florence Neece** was born in 1848. She married William H. Dirsh on March 28, 1867.

MARY ANN NEECE, or Polly as she was known, was born in Jefferson County, Tennessee on April 25, 1808. She married John Keller. They moved to Jefferson County, Illinois and remained there all their lives. John died on January 11, 1848. Polly remarried to Reuben Crosnoe sometime later. Polly died December 3, 1869 and is buried in the Hickory Hill Cemetery in Waltonville, Illinois. They had eight children:

Willis Keller first married Mary Dodds and then Lucy Adams.

Jesse N. Keller first married Liddie C. Farthing and later married Sarah Hays.

George Keller also was married twice. First to Susan Hicks and, then to Sarah Palmer.

Martha Emeline Keller was born September 31, 1845. She married James Shelton.

Jane Keller married John Hodge.

James Keller married a Quinn.

Sarah Keller married Andrew Thompson.

Elizabeth Ann Keller married William Moore.

**JOHN NEECE JR.** was the last child born in Jefferson County, Tennessee. He was born about 1810. He married Jenetta Cole in Lincoln County about 1833. The family remained in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They had eleven children, all born in Lincoln County:

**John Evans Neece** was born October 20, 1834 and died in Moore County, Tennessee on January 24, 1906. He married Elizabeth Ann Steelman in Moore County on November 6, 1853.

**Joel R. Neece** was born in 1837. He married Sarah E. Jones in Lincoln County on February 4, 1857.

**William F. Neece** was born about 1839. He married Matha M. White in Lincoln County on June 30, 1858.

**Littleberry Cole Neece** was born August 22, 1840 and he remained in Lincoln County until his death on February 20, 1916. He married Frances Ann Hodge there on January 9, 1866.

Elizabeth Neece was born about 1845.

**Hulda Neece** was born about 1847. She married W. D. Price in Lincoln County on November 6, 1864.

**Jesse Neece** was born about 1848. He married Martha Ann Reece in Lincoln County on December 20, 1868. He died in Lynchburg, Moore County, Tennessee in 1929.

Finetta Almeda Neece was born September 27, 1850.

Mary Neece was born about 1852.

Moses Neece was born about 1855.

Andrew Neece was born about 1858.

**NAOMI NEECE** was the first child to be born after the family moved to near Booneville in Lincoln County, Tennessee. She was born May 22, 1812. She married Dempsey Sullivan in Lincoln County about 1833. They had ten children, apparently all born in Lincoln County. Sometime later they moved to Moore County Tennessee where they remained the rest of their lives. Naomi died on September 18, 1884 and Dempsey on February 12, 1888. Both are

buried in the Charity Baptist Church cemetery. Their children were:

**Paul Sullivan** was born February 10, 1834 and died at age two on July 22, 1836. **America Sullivan** was born April 25, 1835. She married A. M. Prosser in Lincoln County on November 14, 1850. She died in Moore County, Tennessee on October 8, 1912.

**Sarah Jane Sullivan** was born October 17, 1836. She married John D. Stacey in Lincoln County on July 21, 1853. She died July 6, 1926.

John N. Sullivan was born November 2, 1838. He married Elizabeth Logan.

**Martha E. Sullivan** was born September 1, 1840 and she died in Lincoln County on May 9, 1934. She married Joel T. Pigg on August 21, 1859.

Parmelia Sullivan was born December 14, 1842 and died March 18, 1848.

Jesse E. Sullivan was born September 15, 1845. He married Emma Williams.

**Hulda Ann Sullivan** was born December 2, 1847. She married John S. Carriger in Lincoln County on February 22, 1871.

Mary Frances Sullivan was born July 15, 1851 and she died February 4, 1919. She married George W. Enochs on September 3, 1868. She lived in Lincoln County all her life.

**James Holman Sullivan** was born February 1, 1854 and died January 16, 1896. He married Nancy 'Nannie' Moore.

HARDY HOLMAN NEECE was born on December 18, 1815. He married Alice Catherine Small sometime about 1835 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. The family moved to Apple Creek in Greene County, Illinois in 1843 and remained there until 1853 when they moved to Lawrence County, Missouri to join his brother and mother. During the Civil War Hardy served in Company I of the Third Kansas Volunteer Cavalry and served for most of the War. Afterwards he returned to farming. Alice died on January 20, 1892 and Hardy died on July 14, 1895. Both are buried in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery. They had nine children:

**Sarah Elizabeth Neece** was born September 2, 1836. She was married twice, first to William H. Poindexter on September 12, 1855 and next to William S. Bell on June 17, 1861, both in Lawrence County, Missouri. She died in Lawrence County on September 22, 1910.

**Susan Parmelia Neece** was born January 19, 1838 in Lincoln County and she died in Lawrence County, Missouri on December 14, 1915. She married John F. Hunter in Lawrence County on July 31, 1855.

**James E. Neece** was born in Lincoln County on March 3, 1839. He married twice, first to Milly Jane Garrison on October 27, 1859 in Lawrence County, and then later to Mary P. Brown in Cedar County, Missouri on June 22, 1884. He died May 25, 1917 in Lawrence County, Missouri.

**Phinetta E. Neece** was born in Lincoln County in 1841. She married Houston S. Hammer in Lawrence County on January 12, 1860.

**William B. Neece** was the first born in Greene County, Illinois on January 30, 1846. He married Sarah Elizabeth Ramsey in Lawrence County, Missouri on February 24, 1867. He died in Lawrence County on May 17, 1917.

**Martha A. Neece** was born in Illinois on March 27, 1848. She married William C. White in Lawrence County on September 9, 1866. She died there on February 23, 1923. **Naomi Neece** was born in September 1850 in Greene County.

**Robert Chilton Neece** was born in 1853 in Greene County, Illinois and he died in Lawrence County, Missouri in 1924. He married Mary E. Daniels on April 30, 1871 in Lawrence County.

Hopwood W. Neece was born August 22, 1856 in Greene County and he died April 26,

1924 in Lawrence County, Missouri. He was married twice in Lawrence County, first to Sarah M. Bell and then to Margaret Mann.

**PERMILIA NEECE** was born in 1817 and married William Logan on January 30, 1834 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. They remained in Tennessee until about 1853 when they went with others of the family to Lawrence County, Missouri. They remained there for the rest of their lives. She died in 1869 and he on May 19, 1877. Both are buried at the Marionville Cemetery. They had thirteen children, all born in Lincoln County, Tennessee:

**Jane Logan** was born January 10, 1835 and died July 12, 1855. She was briefly married to R. Bryant.

**James Logan** was born March 22, 1836 and died in Lawrence County, Missouri on January 22, 1909. He married Mary Jane Williams.

**John Logan** was born October 8, 1837 and he died September 11, 1914. He was first married to Harriett Hendricks on April 3, 1860. He later married Julia Ann Stacey. **Hardy Logan** was born August 27, 1839. He married Elizabeth Stewart on January 25, 1859 in Lawrence County, Missouri. He returned to Tennessee where he died before June of 1871 when his will was probated.

**Jasper Logan** was born September 20, 1842 and he died October 12, 1859 in Missouri. **Newton Logan** was born September 20, 1842. He married Belinda Ashlock in Lawrence County on January 12, 1862 and he died there in 1920.

Reuben Logan was born October 4, 1844. He married Eveline Stacey.

**William Barksdale Logan** was born April 22, 1847 and he married Lavinia A. Patterson in Lawrence County, Missouri on February 17, 1867. He died in Lawrence County on February 10, 1931.

**Sarah Frances Logan** was born January 5, 1850. She married Dr. William Henry Means in Lawrence County on May 23, 1869. She died in Marionville, Lawrence County on August 4, 1889.

**George Wilson Logan** was born April 2, 1852 and he died March 25, 1923. He married Alice Millikin on November 6, 1874.

**Rev. Benjamin Franklin Logan** was born in Lawrence County on January 6, 1855. He married Edith Lantz in Lawrence County on August 19, 1877.

Mary Commons Logan was born February 24, 1857. She married J. M. White.

**Buchannan Logan** was born November 7, 1858. He married Mattie Slaughter in 1879 and died April 16, 1943. He lived all his life in Marionville, Missouri.

**JESSE NEECE** was born about 1818 in Lincoln County. He married Sarah Jane Leftwich about 1834. He died just before the birth of their eighth child in November of 1847. He spent his entire life in Lincoln County, Tennessee. Jesse had the following children:

**Littleberry Neece** was born in 1835 and died in 1864. He married Frances Williams in about 1857.

**John Neece** was born about 1837.

Eglentine Neece was born about 1839. She married Mark Pyrdom August 25, 1853.

Hulda Neece was born about 1841. She married Joel B. Raney on August 17, 1856.

Harrison Hopwood Neece was born about 1842.

**James K.P. Neece** was born about 1844. He married Mary Martin on October 6, 1868. **Jane Neece** was born about 1846.

**Rebecca Catherine Neece** was born about 1848. She first married N. H. Barbry on January 1, 1867 and then later married a Leftwich.

**HARRISON HOPWOOD NEECE** was born about 1819 or 1820. He married Margaret Carns in Lincoln County on September 16, 1842. They later moved to Waverly, Morgan

County, Illinois where they remained the rest of their lives. He died on January 24, 1901 and she on November 13, 1901. Both are buried in the Pulliam Cemetery. Their children were (I think):

**Hulda Neece** was born about 1843. She first married S. P. Chinn and later married William Pinkerton. She died in Greene County, Illinois May 6, 1909.

**Daughter Neece** married Morris Printy.

Sarah Jane Neece married a Pruitt.

**Daughter Neece** married August Smith.

Maggie Neece married a Mann.

Lyde Neece married a Barton.

Hardy Neece born in 1849

**HARVEY W. NEECE** was born about 1823. He died unmarried in August of 1841 at the age of eighteen.

**JAMES K. NEECE** was born in 1825 in Lincoln County. He married Ermine Leftwich there on September 16, 1842. James died a year later in September of 1843. I do not believe there were any children.

**BARKSDALE NEECE** was born about 1828. He married Sarah Eaton on September 11, 1852. They moved to Lawrence County, Missouri about 1860 and spent the rest of their lives there. They had three children:

Mary Neece born in 1853. Elizabeth Neece born in 1854. James Neece born in 1859.

## **Elizabeth Ellis**

Elizabeth Ellis was born about 1788 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. She married Joshua Massey in Jefferson County, Tennessee on February 20, 1808.

They had some thirteen children. I only know of these:

**HESTER MASSEY** born March 2, 1809.

THOMAS MASSEY

HARLEY MASSEY

## Mary (Polly) Ellis

Polly Ellis was born on March 24, 1795 and she married James Curry in about 1810 in Lincoln County. They moved to Coles County, Illinois in December 1832.

In 1838 the family moved to Ash Grove Township in Shelby County, Illinois where they remained all their lives. The first 13 children were born in Lincoln County, Tennessee and the rest in Coles County, Illinois.

Mary died on August 6, 1855. She is buried in the Mt. Mariah Cemetery near Etna, Illinois.

James Curry was born February 2, 1791. He was the son of Isaac Curry and Rhoda Gresham. He died on March 5, 1846 and is buried with Polly.

Polly and James Curry had some 17 children. They were:

**THOMAS JEFFERSON CURRY** was born September 7, 1812 and died in 1900. He was married three times. First to Martha Langston (October 27, 1814 to August 29, 1846) on March 29, 1833, then to Deborah Mathews (May 11, 1815 to September 5, 1893) on December 8, 1845, and then to Susan Mathews, Deborah's sister. The first seven children were with Martha, the next eight with Deborah.

Mary Ann Curry born February 7, 1834. She married Daniel S. Hart.

Rhoda Curry born June 2, 1835.

**James Ellis Curry** born December 27, 1836 and died December 25, 1924 in Washington County, Arkansas. He married Sally Prior and after her death married Louisa Richardson on March 11, 1869.

**William Langston Curry** born March 1, 1839 and died in Coles County, Illinois on August 9, 1919. He married Permelia Hood on September 9, 1860.

**Stacy Jane Curry** born January 26, 1841. She married Samuel W. Hart on September 5, 1861 and after his death in the Civil War, married his brother William Hart on September 30, 1870.

**Pernina Neece Curry** born July 31, 1842 and died in 1924 in Arkansas. She married Samule Locjhart on November 1, 1859.

Thomas Thrallkill Curry born November 24, 1844.

**Martha Elizabeth Curry** born August 20, 1846 and died April 28, 1911. She married George Lippert on February 6, 1868.

**Sarah Blaine Curry** born March 8, 1849 and died August 10, 1920. She married Augustus C. Lippert on December 29, 1869.

**John Hopkins Curry** born January 19, 1850 and died December 5, 1934. He married Mary E. Malsbury on November 1, 1874.

Maria Curry born September 30, 1851.

Susan Mathews Curry born September 30, 1853.

**Daniel Wilson Curry** born May 4, 1855 and died January 23, 1934. He married Melissa Aldridge on December 22, 1874.

Margaret Ellen Curry born April 27, 1857.

**Angelina Curry** born in 1860.

RHODA CURRY born December 6, 1813 and died January 4, 1814.

**SILAS CURRY** was born September 14, 1815 and died April 4, 1816.

**ISAAC CURRY** was born January 23, 1817 and died July 28, 1828.

**JAMES ELLIS CURRY** was born September 3, 1818. His wife was Matilda Massey. They were married October 18, 1838, and they had five children. James died March 8, 1847. The children were:

**Joshua Massey Curry** born about 1840. He married Margaret Ann Ellis on February 28, 1858.

**James Ellis Curry** born October 10, 1840. He married Margaret E. Akers on November 7, 1861.

**Silas Curry** born about 1842. He married Minnie Bathelia. He was named `One Arm Silas.'

**Mary E. Curry** born in October 1843. She married Madison B. Jackson on September 5, 1860.

**John Lewis Curry** (?) born in 1849.

**LAVINIA CURRY** was born June 16, 1820 and died March 16, 1877. She married William Bell Bennett on July 4, 1836 in Shelby County, Illinois. He died there September 2, 1903. Their children were:

**Orville Bennett** 

Polk Bennett who married Nina Wilson.

Sarah E. Bennett who married David Frank Stone.

Rhoda Bennett who married Preston Calson.

Nannie Bennett who married Alex Luby.

Eli Bennett who married Alice Veech.

**Ech Bennett** who was married three times. First to Etta Wilson, then to a Ferguson then to Alice Jacobs.

**JOHN W. CURRY** was born in December 1821 and died August 4, 1890 in Shelby County. He married Mary Catherine Bennett February 23, 1843 in Shelby County. Catherine was born November 13, 1822 and died May 1, 1874. He then married Faith Champion on March 5, 1876. His children, all by Mary Catherine, were:

**Lafayette E. Curry** born January 6, 1844 and died at age eighteen on February 27, 1862.

Mary E. Curry born January 12, 1846 and died February 19, 1864. She married Daniel W. Warren on September 22, 1861.

**James Bennett Curry** born December 31, 1848. He married Gabrella Wilson on December 26, 1869. He died March 5, 1873.

**Dr. William Jasper Curry** called Tobacco Bill was born January 30, 1851. He married Emma Neal and went to Benton County, Arkansas. He died there January 4, 1947.

Franklin Pierce Curry born June 13, 1853 and died as a child on August 2, 1854.

**George F. Curry** was born in 1855. He married Edna 'Puss' Worley on December 20, 1877. He died March 5, 1935.

Nancy Ella Curry born September 1, 1858 and died May 11, 1862 at age three.

Mariah Anna Curry born September 1, 1858 and died March 4, 1862 at age two.

**NATHAN CURRY** was born June 29, 1823. He married Jennie Storm on June 25, 1844. He died July 27, 1895 and she died April 4, 1908. Their children were:

**Mary Ann Curry** born January 20, 1848. She married William A. Storm on December 24, 1865, and may have later married William Blodgett.

**James A. Curry** born about 1850. He married Diza Caroline Clawson on December 18, 1875. He died January 15, 1941 in Butler County, Kansas.

**David Jefferson Curry** born June 16, 1851 and died March 21, 1939. He married Elnora Hardy on May 18, 1886.

**Sarah Catherine Curry** born in April 1854. She married Lawson P. Ross on January 25, 1872.

Robert F. Curry born May 1, 1858. He married Martha E. Warren. He died August 24,

1936.

**Levina Jane Curry** was born about 1860. She married Isaac N. Storm on January 22, 1888.

**Ellen Dora Curry** was born about 1863. She married James W. Brown on August 27, 1882.

**William B. Curry** born about 1865. He was called Grasshopper Bill. He married Ora Bell Colbert on November 18, 1888.

**ALEXANDER CURRY** was born December 12, 1824. He married Amelia Worley Hart in Shelby County on February 13, 1851. She was born July 20, 1834 a daughter of Aaron and Elizabeth Hart. They moved to Tarrant County, Texas in 1854 and then to Brown County, Texas about 1882. Amelia died there November 4, 1898 and Alex died there October 8, 1905. The family bible showed these children:

**Mary Ellen Curry** born December 6, 1851. She married Samuel Thomas Pruit on September 9, 1868.

**Nanny E. Curry** born July 6, 1853. She married John D. Pruit. John died February 20, 1933 and Nannie died June 21, 1937. Both are buried in Causey, New Mexico.

**Juila Ann Curry** born October 9, 1855 and married to James M. Grimet on December 24, 1872.

**Narcissus `Belle' Curry** born December 15, 1857. She married James Graham on July 21, 1875.

Thomas Jefferson Curry born March 8, 1862.

**Martha Frances Curry** born March 19, 1864. She married Doc Thompson on May 24, 1886.

**Miles Henry Curry** born May 18, 1866. He married Martha Mae Owen on March 17, 1896. He died June 15, 1936 and Martha died July 11, 1964.

William Emmett Curry born January 15, 1868 and married to Sarah Rheams.

**James Samuel Curry** born April 20, 1873. He married Sallie Evatt on November 15, 1898. He died in 1957.

**Ada Mae Curry** born November 19, 1874. She married Joseph Davis about 1897. He died June 27, 1947. No date is known for Addie's death.

**SARAH CURRY** was born December 9, 1826 and died in infancy.

**ELIZABETH CURRY** was born March 13, 1828. She married Samuel P. Nichols on November 23, 1850. Their children were:

James Nichols married Puss Floydd.

Benjamin Nichols married Ida Coke.

John Nichols married Bettie Woods.

Jefferson Nichols died as a child.

Elvira Nichols married John Champion.

Laura Nichols

Betty Nichols died in infancy.

**HULDAH N. CURRY** was born April 15, 1830. She married James Storm on August 18, 1858. She died April 5, 1904. Their children were:

Thomas Jefferson Storm married Harriet Richardson.

Edward Storm married Lizzie Wilson.

Nora Storm married Defert Bennett.

**MARY** (**POLLY**) **B. CURRY** was born December 28, 1831 and died March 7, 1920. She married Henry Alexander on June 10, 1852. He was a son of Ebenezer and Doras Alexander and was born September 2, 1827. Their children were:

Mary Alexander married Basil Wheat.

James Alexander married Jane Wilson.

William Alexander married Mattie Wilson.

Margaret Alexander married Milton Wilson.

Leatha Alexander died as a child.

George Alexander married A Tremble and then Mary Wilson.

**ROBERT N. CURRY** was the last to be born in Tennessee. He was born September 29, 1832. He died in Coles County, Illinois October 10, 1895. He married Drusilla Akers on September 27, 1853. Drusilla was born in Stark County, Ohio February 13, 1835 and died March 25, 1924. Their children were:

James W. Curry born in 1855 and died as a child in 1865.

**Samuel Nathan Curry** born in 1857. He married Hebsibeth Sue Snapp on December 12, 1876.

**Mary Catherine Curry** born in 1859. Molly married Henderson Frazier Phillips on September 21, 1880.

**Stephen Douglas Curry** born February 16, 1860. He married Nancy Catherine 'Nanny' Hart on May 6, 1885.

**Dora Jane Curry** was born in April 1863. She married Herschel Phillips on October 16, 1881.

**Alice Belle Curry** was born January 24, 1866. She married James William Gray October 9, 1883.

**Edward Clarkson Curry** born September 8, 1868. He married Emma Lulu Rutger on October 12, 1890. They had a daughter:

**Ruth D. Curry** born in June 1892 and died in 1902 of diphtheria.

Emma died in 1893. He later married Bessie Skates April 11, 1908 in Shelby County Illinois. They had 4 children and 2 miscarriages:

**Monte Curry** born December 1, 1909 in Shelbyville and died February 24, 1981 in Castro Valley, California.

**Evelyn Curry** born November 19, 1913. She married a Sandal and as of 2010 was living in Pierre, South Dakota.

**Essie 'Dimp' Curry** a twin born August 1, 1924 in Carlin, South Dakota. She married Olson and as of 2010 lives in Pierre, South Dakota.

**Bessie 'Dolly' Curry** the other twin born August 1, 1924. She married \_\_ Nafus and as of 2010 is alive and well in Pierre.

**Emma Viola Curry** was born October 17, 1870. She married Charles C. Clark on March 23, 1890.

**Sarah Elizabeth Curry** was born March 24, 1872. She married Ernest Armery Galbreath in March of 1893.

**WILLIAM J. CURRY** 'Geeslin Bill' was born in Coles County on October 8, 1835 and he died August 21, 1916. He married Elizabeth Moore in Coles County on December 10, 1855. Elizabeth was born May 12, 1834 and died February 17, 1888. Their children were:

**Mary Ann 'Mollie' Curry** born May 11, 1857. She married George Turner on October 31, 1877.

**William Franklin Curry** was born February 14, 1859. He married Ruth J. Blythe November 22, 1882. He died November 2, 1900.

**James Logan Curry** born May 11, 1862. He married Lou Martin September 5, 1886 and moved to Sedgwick County, Kansas.

**Oscar Curry** moved to Tennessee. I have him in one list, but not the other one so am not certain about Oscar.

MALISSA JANE CURRY was born in Coles County on November 1, 1837. She married Hiram Storm in Strasburg, Illinois February 13, 1866. She was his second wife. Hiram was a son of John Storm and Sarah A. Morgan. Their children were:

Otto Storm
Bay Storm married Mary Jane Richardson.
Edward Storm
Beldon Storm married another Richardson.
Hattie Storm married a Grandstalk.
Bertha Storm married a Ferguson.

#### **Delilah Ellis**

Delilah was born in 1796 and died as a child.

### James Ellis Jr.

James junior was born in Lincoln County on December 18, 1799. In September of 1818, he married Stacey Douthitt. Stacey was born on August 2, 1807 and was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Douthitt.

James and Stacey had fifteen children, all in Lincoln County. James died there on March 8, 1843.

Stacey remarried to James Brent on December 3, 1854. Stacey died on July 31, 1885 and is buried at the Pigg Cemetery, Lincoln County, Tennessee. James Brent died there on January 7, 1886. There were no children in this marriage.

James and Stacey's children were:

**PLEASANT MILLER ELLIS** was born July 15, 1819. He married Nancy Patterson on December 2, 1841 in Lincoln County. He died September 20, 1891. Nancy was born April 22, 1817 and died May 12, 1888. They had five children:

James Richard Ellis born in 1843.

**Robert Ellis** born in 1844.

Charlotte Ellis born in 1846. She married William Horn.

**Isabella Ellis** born in 1847. She married Robert Harkness.

Clisby Walker Ellis born December 8, 1851 and died December 9, 1883. He married Mary Elizabeth Williams in Hill County, Texas on January 28, 1877.

WALKER ELLIS born June 14, 1821 and died November 6, 1838;

**CLISBY ELLIS** born July 21, 1823. He married Nancy Snow on February 5, 1842.

**NANCY ELLIS** born November 1, 1825. She first married Felix Douthitt December 13, 1844. She later married Isaac Coles. Children in the first marriage were:

**Finetta Jane Douthit** born October 13, 1845. **Stacy Minerva Douthit** born in 1848.

MINERVA ELLIS born in 1827 died September 5, 1828.

**JASPER P. ELLIS** born August 30, 1828 and died May 19, 1908. He married Elizabeth McElroy July 15, 1852. Their children included:

William M. Ellis born in 1856 and died May 26, 1890.

**James Ellis** born in 1857 and living in Meneola, Texas in 1908.

Izora Lee Ellis born in 1865.

Annie Ellis born in September 1869. She married John Henson.

In 1908, his listed children in the will were Mrs William Fletcher, James Ellis, Mrs. J. L. Buchannan and Mrs. John Hensen. There obviously was at least one more daughter, but I do not know who married whom.

**JOHN ELLIS** born March 25, 1831 died May 4, 1848;

**WILLIAM H. ELLIS** born May 6, 1832. He married Jennette Pigg on September 12, 1853. They had three children that I know of, but may have had other children:

Thomas C. Ellis born in 1860.

Elizabeth B. Ellis born in 1873.

A Daughter Ellis born in 1876.

**ELIZABETH ANN ELLIS** born October 15, 1833. She married Stephen Smith on October 24, 1849. Among their children were:

Stacy Jane Smith born September 2, 1851.

James A. Smith born August 16, 1853.

**JAMES CARROL ELLIS** born January 14, 1835. He married Nancy Della Pigg on March 27, 1856. She was born January 4, 1836 and died February 28, 1911. James died May 27, 1904. They had these children and may have had more:

Wiley B. Ellis born about 1858.

Sarah L. Ellis born March 8, 1859 and died March 16, 1869.

**Fannie Ellis** 

**Edward Ellis** 

Annie L. Ellis born August 7, 1868.

**James E. Ellis** born in 1871.

Rebecca Ann Ellis born in 1875.

Stacy L. Ellis born in October 1879.

**LUCINDA ELLIS** born September 4, 1836 and died August 6, 1837;

**SARAH ANN ELLIS** born March 11, 1838. She married William E. Hunter on February 11, 1854. Sarah died July 12, 1888, William died November 17, 1899. They had twelve children:

**Thomas Hunter** born in 1855 and died as a child.

Mary 'Molly' Hunter born in 1857 and died young.

**William Lafayette Hunter** born January 10, 1859 and died April 29, 1941. He married Mattie Williams on September 26, 1888.

**Sherrod Hunter** a twin born in 1861. He married Polly Morgan.

Nancy Hunter the other twin born in 1861. She married Joseph Sherrill.

Finetta Hunter born about 1863 and died in infancy.

**Martha Virginia Hunter** born February 3, 1866 and died March 1, 1945. She married Daniel Scott Owens on September 23, 1882.

**Stacy Ella Hunter** born March 18, 1868 and died January 22, 1948. She married David Lafitte White.

**Lucy Avarilla Hunter** born July 21, 1871 and died January 17, 1928. She married D. James Anderson.

**Dora Ellis Hunter** born July 21, 1873 and died May 21, 1932. She married Joseph Hugh Walton.

**James Walker Hunter** born in 1876 and died June 4, 1968. He married Ollie Swink. **George E. Hunter** born November 12, 1877 and died in June 1906. He never married.

FINETTA JANE ELLIS born January 4, 1840 and died August 6, 1844.

**WILEY BENTON ELLIS** born September 20, 1841. He married Harriet Lula Chitwood on December 3, 1866. He died July 19, 1926. Harriet was born May 16, 1847 and died December 12, 1932. They had seven children:

**Laura Izora Ellis** born January 6, 1868 and died in October 1909. She married Boone Talley on September 15, 1886.

**Gothie Leona Ellis** born November 15, 1869 and died October 7, 1949. She married John Mack Warden.

Nancy A. Ellis born July 30, 1871 and died February 18, 1873.

**William Arthur Ellis** born August 6, 1873 and died November 11, 1950. He married Minnie Jarvis on October 5, 1897.

**James Calvin Ellis** born May 7, 1875 and died October 3, 1959. He married Carrie Crawford on December 21, 1899.

**Ida Elizabeth Ellis** born January 10, 1877 and died November 17, 1909. She married Joseph Thomas on December 21, 1898.

**Ola Mai Ellis** born May 2, 1879 and died January 6, 1962. She married William Edward Smith on November 30, 1904.

**JESSE WALKER ELLIS** was born June 16, 1843. He married Fannie Elizabeth Kines on March 2, 1865. She was born in 1845 and died April 5, 1886. Jesse moved to Hunt County, Texas in about 1880. After Fannie died, he married Mrs. Mary McNatt. Her maiden name was Mary Caroline England. He had nine children in the first marriage and two in the second. He was a grocer and farmer. Jesse died August 30, 1935. The children I have information on are:

Mary Ellis born in 1866. Finetta Ellis born in 1868. Cynthia Ellis born in 1870. **James Ellis** born in 1872. He died young.

Sarah Ellis born in 1875.

James Ellis born in 1877.

John Ellis born in September 1879.

**Ulmont Harrison Ellis** Born in Greenville, Hunt County November 22, 1890. He married Kittie Jewel Hayter December 7, 1916. Like his father, he was a grocer. He died December 5, 1963, and Kittie died August 31, 1975. They had one son:

**James Ulmont Ellis** born January 24, 1918. He married Mary Lou McGaughey October 17, 1946. He died in 1968, Mary Lou was still alive and kicking in Greenville in 2004. They had two children James Charlton Ellis and Emma Lou Ellis.

Irene Ellis born December 17, 1894.