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THE DESCENDANTS

OF

ALFRED AND NANCY MORRIS

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THE MORRIS FAMILY

HISTORY

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INTRODUCTION

This MORRIS FAMILY HISTORY (as it pertains to the descendants of Alfred L. Morris and Nancy (Buckley) Morris) has been a labor of love not only for my immediate family but also for all of the descendants of Alfred and Nancy Morris. This history is authentic as I could possibly make it, but in some instances I have added additional background information which is based on fact and history.

Since I have been researching this history for many months, some of you may be asking why has it taken so long. Therefore, I would like to give you a short explanation.

The first census of the United States was taken in the Year 1790 and until the Year 1850 only the head of the household was listed; in other words, if the husband was the head of the household, his name would be listed only; not the wife or the children. The first time the wife and children were listed by name (with their ages) was on the 1850 Census.

In the Year 1800, Greenbrier County extended West to Gauley Bridge; Kanawha County extended East to the same point; and Montgomery County (which no longer exists in West Virginia) extended North to the same point. In the Year 1830 the above counties had been reduced in size to form Nicholas, Logan (eliminating Montgomery County entirely from Western Virginia) and Cabell Counties. Nicholas County as of the Year 1830 included the area it now occupies as well as the present Clay County (formed in 1858) and part of Webster County (formed in 1860). Logan County as of the Year 1830 included all of Fayette County which was created in 1831.

When I started this search for my roots, I had no idea who was the father of Alfred Morris. This will come to light later. Since all vital statistics records are filed by counties, it required many hours to finally determine from whom we descended.

THE MORRIS FAMILY HISTORY

INTRODUCING THE AUTHOR

Since many of the descendants of Alfred and Nancy Morris have never heard of me, I will, in a very few words, try to introduce myself. I, Morris Edward Morton, was born in Handley, Kanawha County, West Virginia, on October 26, 1915. I am the oldest child of my father, Walter Albert Morton, by his second wife, Mary Elizabeth (Morris) Coon. My father's first wife, Molly Martin, died within a year after giving birth to my half-brother, Lawrence Walter Morton. My mother's first husband, Henry Coon, was accidentally killed while working on the railroad at Handley. Mary Elizabeth, my mother, was the oldest daughter of Alfred and Nancy Morris.

My two half-brothers by my mother's first marriage to Henry Coon are Chester Lewis Coon who died November 14, 1974, and William Henry Kuhn. My two younger sisters are Mary Kathryn (Morton) Hickman and Margaret Ann (Morton - Smart) Larson.

I had for many years wanted to know my "roots" but until I was forced into retirement with my third heart attack in 1975, I was too busy to perform the research that was required.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of the surviving descendants of Alfred and Nancy Morris for their cooperation in sending to me the information on their respective families. This information has been included herein.

In my search for our roots I have accumulated an enormous amount of data on the Morris family in general, but since it does not pertain to our roots in particular, I have purposely omitted this data from this history. However, if any you are interested in a particular person or persons about whom you would like to have information, I will be glad to scan the material for your benefit.

HISTORY

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IN THE BEGINNING

Since you, who have requested copies of this history, are members of the MORRIS family (or MORRISS as it is spelled in some instances), or are descendants of this family, I present the following information for your benefit. To give credit where credit is due, I have listed on Page No. 8 the sources from which the information was obtained.

The grand patriarch of our branch of the Morris family was William Morris who was born in London, England of Scotch-Irish parentage in the Year 1722. He was born during the reign of George I who reigned from 1714 to 1727. William, so the story goes, at the age of 12 was playing on the docks where the ocean-going ships were being loaded; and, out of curiosity, went aboard one of the ships. While inspecting the hold, the ship left her moorings and set out for sea. Since sailing ships must take advantage of the tide and wind, it was too late, when he was discovered, to return him to the dock; thus young William found himself unexpectedly bound for America. Whether this was the way it happened, or whether he purposely stowed away, we don't know for certain; but the owner of the ship liked the boy, and when the vessel arrived in Philadelphia, he wrote to William's father asking that he be permitted to stay with him. When a young man, William left Philadelphia and went to Orange County, Virginia where he met and married Elizabeth Stepps (one record shows her name as "Stipes"). They reared a large family consisting of eight boys and two girls whose names were: William Jr. (born 1746); Henry (born 1747); Leonard (born 1748); Joshua (born 1752); Levi (born 1753); John (born 1755); Achilles (born 1760); Benjamin; Elizabeth; and Frances.

Although Orange County, as of the Year 1979, is located in the Piedmont Plateau area of Virginia, it is believed that it extended much farther West around the Year 1735 which is the year in which many Scotch-Irish families migrated from Pennsylvania into the Valley of Virginia where they settled on the best lands on the waters of the Shenandoah, the James, and the Roanoke Rivers.

For your information, the first white wedding west of the Alleghenies was that of William Inglee and Mary Draper at Draper's Meadows in the Year 1750, and their son, Thomas, was the first white child born west of the Alleghenies in the Year 1751. Several times parties of Shawnee Indians, from north of the Ohio, had passed and repassed the Draper Meadow settlement to make raids on the Catawbas, their enemies, living farther south, but they had made no attack upon the white settlers or gave them cause for alarm. However, on July 8, 1755, the Shawnees attacked the settlement killing or wounding all except Mrs. William

Ingles, Mrs. John Draper, and Henry Lenard who were taken prisoners. Mr. Ingles and Mr. Draper were not at the settlement at the time of the attack and thus escaped being murdered. The route that the Indians took back to north of the Ohio was down Paint Creek and then down the Kanawha Valley. They stopped, after crossing the Kanawha River, just east of Campbell's Creek for rest and feasting themselves on the abundance of game they killed, as it came to the "Licks" for salt. It is believed that Mrs. Ingles and the other captives were the first white people to have set foot in the Kanawha Valley; and that she and Mrs. Draper were the first to help make salt in the Kanawha Valley or elsewhere west of the Alleghenies.

Some of the names given by the Indians to our most familiar rivers were:

- OHIO RIVER ---- "Oligon-Sipan" meaning the Beautiful River by the Iroquois.
 A map of 1710 calls it "O-c".
 A map of 1711 calls it "Ochio".
 A map of 1744 calls it "Hohio"
 "Oheeo" and "Oheezuh" also by the Iroquois.
- KANAWHA RIVER - "Pi-que-me-ta-mi" by the Miami
 "Ken-in-she-ka-cape" by the Delaware
 "Chi-no-da-cha-tha" by an unknown origin
 "Conoys"; "Conoiss"; "Canawess"; "Cohnewas";
 "Caneways"; and "Kanawhas" - probably derived
 by evolution from the Indian tribe Nanticokes.
 "The Great Conoway" from a map of 1770
 Kenhawa --- in the Year 1789
 "Conhawway" -- by Daniel Boone in survey of 1791
- POCOTALICO --- Signified, in the Indian tongue, "The River of Fat Doe."
- ELK RIVER ---- "Tiskelwah" meaning river of Fat Elk.
 "Pe-quo-ni-cape" by the Miami
 "To-que-min-cape" or Walnut River by the Delaware.
- PAINT CREEK ---- "Moa-coos-cape" by the Miami
 Ot-to-wa-cape" or Deer Creek by the Delaware
 The present name comes from painted trees, blazed and stained with red ochrous earth, by the Indians, to mark their early trail, and also to mark the number of scalps taken.

In the Year 1773, the first white persons to set up a camp in the Kanawha Valley were Simon Kenton, a famous Indian scout, and two companions by the name of Yaeger and Strader. Their camp was located at the mouth of Elk Two Mile Creek. They were attacked by Indians, and Yaeger was killed and Kenton and Strader were injured. In the same year, Walter Kelly, a refugee from South Carolina, settled at the mouth of a creek which today bears his name "Kelly's Creek" - east of Charleston at the town of Cedar Grove. In the same year more white people came to the valley, one of whom was Joshua Morris, son of William Morris, looking for lands on which to settle.

It is believed that Joshua Morris, after scouting the area, returned to Orange County to report to his father. In the same year, William Morris and his wife, along with his sons, their wives, daughters, and grandchildren pulled up stakes and left Orange County on a difficult trek to establish new homes in the western mountains. Having no roads on which to travel, they loaded their personal belongings and farming implements on their horses; they walked, driving their cattle ahead of them, over the "baggage" trails to the new frontier, now known as Greenbrier County. However, they had hardly got settled when news arrived that Walter Kelly had been killed by the Indians at his settlement on the Kanawha. At the same time, scouting reports indicated that a general uprising by the Indians was planned and that several of the tribes were joining together to eliminate the white settlers in western Virginia.

On September 11, 1774, an army, consisting of about eleven hundred frontiersmen, under the command of General Andrew Lewis, but piloted by Captain Matthew Arbuckle, left Camp Union (now Lewisburg) for the Kanawha Valley and Pt. Pleasant. It being only an additional eighty miles to the Kelly settlement on the Kanawha, William Morris and all of his family pulled up stakes again and followed the trail made by General Lewis' army. The trail that was made through the wilderness from Greenbrier County area to the Kanawha River area was by the way of Muddy Creek, Keeny's Knobs, Rich Creek, Gauley, Twenty Mile, Bell Creek, and Kelly's Creek (with a branch trail down Campbell's Creek). William Morris and his family occupied the abandoned Kelly settlement and thus became the first permanent white settlers in the Kanawha Valley. It is also recorded that several of the Morris family men joined up with General Lewis' army which arrived at Pt. Pleasant on September 30, 1774. It is recorded that the Indians, under the command of Chiefs Cornstalk, Logan, Red Hawk, Blue Jacket, and Elinipaico, consisted of 800 to 1000 braves. The

battle took place on October 2, 1774. It was a very hard-fought battle, and is recorded in one instance as "the important, desperately contested, finally victorious, and ever-memorable battle of Point Pleasant". There is no mention that any of the Morris family were killed in the battle. (See Note 1, Page 8)

Although the Battle of Point Pleasant was over, there was still danger from small band of Indians who roamed the wilderness for revenge against the white settlers.

The sons of William Morris were vigorous, fearless men. Henry was a giant in size and strength. They set to work clearing land and building dwellings for their families. They also built a fort on the creek about 200 yards from Walter Kelly's cabin. It required a vigilant and hardy type of people to maintain a home under the conditions in which the Morris family lived. Upon their own ingenuity and industry depended the lives of their families. Day and night, wherever they went, whatever they did, a loaded shotgun was always at hand. It is recorded that an underground tunnel was built from the fort to the river's edge where the opening was concealed. This would allow a means of escape in case the fort happened to be attacked and overrun. After providing protection from the Indians and dwellings in which to live, they also built a combination church and school. The Morris family was Baptist and they were rigid in their interpretation of rules.

In April of 1788 sounds of men building a fort broke the silence of a dense forest beside the beautiful Kanawha River. This work was being done about 15 miles west of the Morris family settlement and marked the practical beginning of Charleston. The date was about six months before creation of Kanawha County was authorized, six years before Charleston was formally established and 75 years before West Virginia became a state. It was one year before George Washington took office as the first president of a new nation.

Indians still prowled in the Kanawha Valley timberlands during that April of 1788. The fort was ordered built as a military outpost in the Virginia system of frontier defense. Col. George Clendenin marched in from Camp Union (Lewisburg) with a company of rangers to construct the fort near the present intersection of Kanawha Boulevard and Brooks Street.

The only white settlements in the valley as of the Year 1788 were at:
(1) Point Pleasant, (2) mouth of Coal River (Tackett's Fort, later destroyed),
(3) John Morris' place opposite the mouth of Campbell's Creek and (4) the William Morris settlement at the mouth of Kellys Creek (Cedar Grove).

*(Fort was named Fort Morris)

Now it was that some of the Morris brothers got drafted as privates to help build the fort, I don't know. However, listed among the twenty-six privates of Col. Clendenin's rangers were: Benjamin, Levi, William, Jr., and Henry Morris. They were the builders of Fort Lee, the official military name given later to the two-story, bulletproof, arrow-proof log structure with a clapboard roof and two fieldstone chimneys. The name was in honor of Gen. Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee, who served in the Continental Army under Washington and was governor of Virginia from 1792 to 1795. He was the father of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee.

After the death of William Morris Sr. in the Year 1792, it is believed that William, Jr. (the eldest son) headed up the Morris settlement. However, a few years prior to this, the other sons started looking for new horizons. As mentioned above, John had already settled opposite the mouth of Campbell's Creek. Leonard settled at the mouth of Slaughter's Creek (Marmet) where he also built a fort. He was a quite an extensive land owner in that area, and Lens Creek and Lens Creek Mountain are named after him. It was his daughter, Sarah, (or Sallis) who married Fleming Cobbs who made the daring canoe ride to and from Point Pleasant for powder, lead, and flints when ammunition supplies were extremely low, and the danger of attack by Indians on Fort Lee was imminent. Cobbs, one of Clendenin's rangers, gained the distinction of shooting the last Indian killed in the Kanawha Valley about the Year 1791. When Kanawha County was authorized, effective Oct. 1, 1789, Leonard Morris was appointed a "gentleman justice".

By 1810, the population of Charleston was about 100. The population of Kanawha County was 3,866, including 352 slaves. Among those who were slave holders were: Joshua Morris with 10, and John Morris and William Morris, Jr. with two each. Among those nonowners of slaves was Leonard Morris.

Henry Morris and his family moved to a 600 tract of land in Nicholas County. It was located on Peters Creek with the beginning line on Line Creek. Peters Creek is named for Peter, a slave of Henry Morris, who left alone by his master, had spent a winter in a camp on the creek. In the Spring of 1792, two of Henry Morris' young daughters were killed and scalped by the Indians. Their names were Margaret (Peggy) and Betsey. Henry always maintained that the renegade, Simon Girty, who was as much an Indian as he was a white man, had led the Indians in this raid. It has been said that some years later a drunken Indian at Fort Clendennin exhibited two red-haired scalps and boasted he had taken them. Morris then at the fort was told this, and it is reported that when the Indian left the fort Morris followed and killed him. Lineal descendants of Henry Morris still live on the original grant of 600 acres, and own the land where his

cabin stood. Henry's wife was the former Mary Bird (or Byrd) who had been a captive of the Shawnee Indians for seven years. They had seven daughters and one son. A marker commemorating the tragedy of the two young daughters of Henry Morris stands to their memory on the Court House grounds in Summersville.

Levi Morris settled first in Greenbrier County and then moved to the Montgomery, W. Va. area. He was also an owner of many slaves. It is said that his son, James, was the owner of much of the land where the town of Handley now is located. (See SIDELIGHTS on Page 24). Morris Creek, west of Montgomery, is probably named after Levi Morris.

William Morris, Jr. was a man of decision and high integrity. He exercised authority with a rigid hand, but was kind, just, and charitable. He wielded great influence in his family and community. Being the eldest son, he early assumed some of the responsibilities of his father, and was an able lieutenant in the migration to the Valley and the subsequent settlement and development of the County. He was well educated, and was in 1792 elected a delegate from Kanawha County to the legislature in Richmond. He was elected again in 1794, 1796, 1798, 1800, 1805, 6, and 7. The journey was made on horseback, and being a fine horseman and riding the best horses in his stables, he thought nothing of the journey. (Note: One record lists his death in 1802; however, another record shows him as a delegate from Kanawha County in 1805, 6, and 7). Carroll, son of William, Jr., was a delegate in 1804; and Edmund, son of Joshua, was a delegate in 1808.

John Morris was early identified with the public affairs of Kanawha County. He was a Captain of the Kanawha Militia, and was one of the active participants in the organization of the County. His services are stated in the Memorial Stone in the yard of the Kanawha County Court House. He eventually moved to Cabell County where he owned a one thousand acre tract of land on which he engaged in the stock-raising business.

Reference sources for above information:

Trans-Allegheny Pioneers by John P. Hale
History of Nicholas County West Virginia by William Griffes Brown
History of Charleston 175 by John G. Morgan
The Morris Family by Miss Julia Wintz

Note 1: William, Jr. was wounded in the Battle of Point Pleasant, and the event is commemorated on the monument on the battleground.

There is not much mentioned regarding Joshua, the fourth son of William and Elizebeth Morris, except that he was a kind and affectionate father and a very good man. He was quiet, religious, and devoted to his wife and children. It is assumed he settled in the Kanawha Valley.

There is not much recorded regarding Benjamin except he was a great hunter and that he settled in the Montgomery area as did Levi.

Achilles grew up in the Kanawha Valley, but when a young man he went to Cabell County where he married Elizabeth Jarrett. After a short time there, he and his family migrated to Henry County, Indiana.

HARDSHIPS IN THE WILDERNESS

In reading the above, you may have been wondering what kind of people were the Morris' and other early settlers of then Western Virginia. Some, no doubt, were ignorant and ruthless adventurers, who left the older communities because of some grievance or crime, or perhaps they had wanted to get away from the restraints of orderly living. But the pioneers of Kanawha County and the surrounding area came from the older counties in Virginia and Pennsylvania, and were in the main the descendants of the Scotch-Irish and Germans who had come to America in quest of religious freedom and liberty in civil rights. They were not ignorant; and usually had been given the rudiments of an English education. They were very religious and usually, after building a settlement, they would build a meeting place for school and worship.

The clothing of the men was a fur cap, moccasins, buckskin leggings, and a fringed hunting shirt of deerskin or home spun. The women and girls wore about the same garments as the men, except the buckskin or home spun skirt took the place of the hunting shirt.

The food of the earliest settlers was often only meat from the wild game, and with wild fruits and nuts, until the corn crops and "truck patch" could furnish roasting ears, corn meal and such vegetables as beans, pumpkins and potatoes grown with corn. Journey cake and pone in the early days were the only forms of bread used for breakfast and dinner. For supper corn meal mush or hominy was eaten with bear's oil or gravy from fried meat, till later milk could be had. Coffee and tea could not be had in the early settlements, and teas made from dittany, spicewood and sassafras was frequently served.

Medicines and medical treatment were lacking--wounds and snake bites were common and poorly treated. Poultices from various plants, applications of salt and gunpowder, and cupping were resorted to in treating wounds; and "sucking" the wound and applying the raw flesh of the snake, was about the only treatment for snake bite. Constant exposure in bad weather and the arduous toil of the frontier brought on such ailments as rheumatism, pleurisy and tuberculosis, for which the sufferers found little remedy. Fevers, flux, diphtheria and croup took heavy toll of the children. Severe labor, exposure, and lack of medical aid shortened the life span of the pioneers.

Sickness and death saddened many a lonely backwoods home. Often the parents must look after the burial of a dead child, fortunate if even a solitary neighbor was present; and children often had to perform the last sad rites for a parent. In the earliest settlements the only casket for the dead was a shield of rough slabs laid around and over the body.

However, even in the toil and hardships of these early years, amusements were not wanting. They engaged in log rollings, house-raisings, corn-huskings, and other social affairs, including fiddling and dancing. Men and boys had diversion in wrestling, jumping and shooting at targets. (Henry Morris, son of William Morris, Sr., was considered to be one of the best wrestlers in the Valley and he hardly ever lost a contest). Playing the game of mumble-the-peg and tomahawk throwing were boyish sports.

The tools of the first settler were very primitive and limited. He went into the wilderness with rifle, ax and fire to clear his fields. To build his cabin he needed beside his ax, a large auger and broadax. If he lacked some of the necessary tools, a friendly neighbor (if available) would loan him the tools.

The growing of crops must be guarded from the deer, squirrels, crows and other animals that preyed on them. The sheep, cattle, and hogs must be kept out of the woods and kept in pens, especially at night, to protect them from bears, panthers and wolves. Chickens and geese must also be housed and continually guarded against hawks, owls, wolves, foxes and other prowlers. In this the children usually aided by watching the crops, and caring for the sheep, pigs and poultry.

Some time was also required that the husband and older boys supply venison or other wild meat for food, and to join with their neighbor in cutting out and widening the game trails into passable roads for pack animals and sleds and by slow degrees to be made fit for wheels.

Despite all these hardships, the pioneer life had its compensations. Although there were no electric lights, pine knots, tallow dips and candles lighted a sturdy and happy family; though there were no tropical fruits and nuts, chinquapins and filberts were plentiful and the chestnuts, walnuts and hickories showered down delicious nuts that could be gathered by the bushel to be feasted on around the cabin hearth on winter nights; though there was no fancy fishing tackle, fish could be taken from any stream at any time with a pole and line. While there was no newspaper, almost every family had a Bible and hymnbook, dictionary, grammar, arithmetic, and possibly a few volumes of poetry and fiction.

We can only learn and know of our early family struggles in conquering the wilderness from fading family traditions and the scant records they have left us. They were too much engaged in making history to record its details. They lie in many unmarked graves in the soil they loved, and the paths they trod and the sites of their cabin homes have long since been lost and forgotten.

DISCOVERING OUR IDENTITY

After settling in the Kanawha Valley, participating in the Battle of Pt. Pleasant, erection of Ft. Lee, the sons of William Morris, Sr., their children and grandchildren began their migration to the four points of the compass. Many remained in the Valley but others took up land in the surrounding counties.

Without doubt or reservation, I have concluded that our branch of the Morris family are descendants of Joshua Morris who was the fourth son of William Morris, Sr.

Joshua Morris was born in Orange County, Virginia in the Year 1752. His wife was Frances Simms whom he married in 1771. She died in 1795. He was considered to be a reliable man of good judgment and a very good father to their nine children who were: William, Edmund, Henry, Elizabeth, Lucy, Nancy, Thomas, Mary, and John. It is through William that our lineage comes as he was the father of Allen E. D. Morris who was the father of Alfred L. Morris.

William, who was born around the Year 1767, married his cousin Sarah Maria Hansford in the Year 1814. She was born in the Year 1792. Sara Maria was the daughter of Major John Hansford by his wife Jane Morris who was the daughter of William Morris, Jr. William and Sarah Maria, who settled at Gauley Bridge near the Falls, were the parents of several children including Allen E. D. Morris who was the youngest son having been born in the Year 1824. Besides Allen, the other children born to William and Sarah Maria were Susannah, Fenton Mercer, Joshua, Richard, Henry, Isaac, James, John, and Nancy. William, the father of Allen, patented 2300 acres of land on Scrabble Creek in the Year 1832. I could not find a probated will in Fayette County, so I assume that he died without leaving a will. However, there is a record where he was a witness to the will of a George Blake in the Year 1832, and that he purchased from the estate one cupboard for \$10.00 and one beehive for \$1.50. Also, a record of debts owed the estate of M. I. Sandcraft (who evidently was a merchant) included \$2.56 by Fenton and \$12.15 by Henry, who were sons of William and brothers of Allen.

The first record I found listing Allen by name was on the list of marriages in Fayette County. This record showed that Allen E. D. Morris and Elizabeth Shumate were married September 12, 1844. The wedding was performed by The Rev. Mr. Matthew Ellison who was evidently the Uncle of Elizabeth. The Rev. Mr. Ellison also performed the weddings of James Morris to Martha Acord on 11-9-1841 and of Nancy Morris to Enoch B. Jones on 9-30-1845; James and Nancy were brother and sister of Allen.

The next record of Allen and Elizabeth was on the 1850 Census of Wyoming County where both of their ages are listed as 26, and their oldest son, Lewis, Age 5 is shown. Also listed on this census were Amos and Mary Shumate, Age 35 and 26 respectively, (Amos was a brother to Elizabeth) and their five children John, Mary E., Matthew, Tollison, and Virginia C. (It was indicated on this census that Allen could not either read or write). Evidently being among the youngest of many children his education was neglected.

The next record of Allen and Elizabeth was on the 1860 Census of Raleigh County where they were living in the Coal River Marshes which is now near Daniels. Four more children had been born to them; they were Daniel (Age 9); James (Age 7); Mary (Age 5); Martha (Age 4); and Ballard (Age 4 months). Lewis' age was listed as 16. Also listed on this census

was Allen's brother, Henry with his wife Lucy A. (their ages 41 and 29 respectively) with their children Cornelia (Age 7); Eliza (Age 6); and James (Age 4). Also living in the Rock Creek (or Marsh Fork) area was another of Allen's brothers, James Morris (Age 39).

Evidently the reason that Allen and Elizabeth moved from Wyoming County to Raleigh County was through the influence of Elizabeth's father, Daniel Shumate, Sr. (who was born in 1781 and died in 1854 at the age of 73) and her brothers, Daniel, Jr., Newton, and Tollison, with their families, who also were living in Raleigh County.

RALEIGH COUNTY IN THE CIVIL WAR

The Year 1860 ended the peaceful and tranquil life of farmer Allen Morris and his wife Elizabeth. With the firing on Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861 bitter warfare raged between the states that lasted almost four years. The warfare, hatreds, and division of families and friends extended into the remotest parts of Raleigh County. When Virginia seceded from the Union in the Year 1861, she took with her all of Western Virginia which is now West Virginia. There were no major battles fought in Raleigh County, but during the entire period of the War, it was occupied several times by the South and then by the North. It was used by both sides in troop movements into battle or retreats from battle.

It was into this environment of hostility that the last child of Allen and Elizabeth Morris was born. His name was Alfred; born February 28, 1863. He was my grandfather. (West Virginia became a State on 6-20-1863.)

Non-combatant citizens were constantly involved no matter how carefully they tried to carry on peacefully. Neither side hesitated to carry off the property of any person that might be even in the slightest way suspected of sympathizing with the other party. Horse stealing was continually carried on by a lawless element that had no interest in the principles involved in the war. For this class it was an opportunity to steal, plunder, and even kill. It is believed that it was during the latter part of the Year 1863 that Allen Morris died. He was 39 years old. How he died is not known since during this time of more than four years, there were no public officials to control crime, enforce legal rights, or keep records.

Two of Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris' nephews, George W. and Hiram K. Shumate served in Company C of the Thirty-sixth Regiment of Virginia Volunteers, Army of the Confederate States of America, under

RALEIGH COUNTY IN THE CIVIL WAR (Continued)

Captain Benjamin R. Linkous.

On the death of his father, Lewis Morris, who was age 19 in the Year 1863, became head of the household along with his mother, Elizabeth. Being the oldest male member of the Morris family, Lewis was mustered on April 15, 1864 into the Raleigh County Scouts (a Home Guard outfit) under Captain William Turner. He was required to serve for one year in trying to maintain some semblance of order in the area in which he lived.

The close of the War in 1865 ended the reign of lawlessness, and refugees slowly returned to their devastated homes and farms to begin the slow, hard work of returning to peaceful living. The war had divided families, estranged friends, and left hatreds that for more than a generation was to dominate politics, and even affect churches and schools.

THE FAMILY OF ALLEN MORRIS MOVES TO KANAWHA COUNTY

It is assumed that as soon as conveniently possible following the War, Lewis and his mother decided to move the family from Raleigh County to Kanawha County. It was on the 1870 Census of Kanawha County (Malden Township location) that I found the family listed. Those living at home with Elizabeth were Daniel (Age 19); James (Age 16); Mary (Age 14); Ballard (Age 9); and Alfred (Age 6). Lewis, who was listed as a foreman of a salt furnace, had married and he and his wife, Litesse, had children whose names were* Martha (Age 13) and Allen (Age 6 months). Daniel and James were listed as coal miners.

Sadness again came to the Allen Morris family on December 20, 1871 when Elizabeth died from what was called "dropsy". On the death of their mother, the five children were orphaned. Mary (Age 15), with help from the older brothers, evidently kept the family together.

Ten years later, as of the 1880 Census (Malden District), Mary, who was 25 years of age, had married Albert G. Carter (Age 33), and Ballard (Age 18), and Alfred (Age 17) were living with them. The occupation of both of the boys was Coal Miner. Three more children had been added to Lewis' family; they were: James (Age 7); Cora (Age 4), and Newton (Age 2). Daniel had married (wife's name Emily) and they had four children who were Elizabeth (Age 8); Carlila (Age 5); John (Age 3) and Sarah (Age 1). James also had married (wife's name Beda) and they had four children who were John (Age 8); Bettie (Age 6); Masely (Age 4); and Allen (Age 9 months).

(*Martha, Elizabeth's daughter, was living with Lewis and his wife.)

THE FAMILY OF ALLEN MORRIS MOVES TO KANAWHA COUNTY (Continued)

In the Year 1881 Alfred (Age 18) married Nancy Buckley (Age 18). Nancy was the daughter of William and E. Sarah (Gay) Buckley who lived in the Kanawha City area of Charleston. While residing in the Malden area two sons were born to them; they were Harry, born 5-10-1882, and Henry, born 5-3-1885.

HANDLEY, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE EARLY 1900'S

Handley, West Virginia (located in the eastern end of Kanawha County) was laid out by the Wyoming Manufacturing Company and was named for a Mr. Handley who was connected with the company. The company began the mining of coal, opening up the Kanawha seam of coal. These operations began in the Upper Creek area of the town; and later the Chesapeake Mining Company began the mining of coal in the Lower Creek area of town.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway which runs through the town was completed in 1873. The depot was built about 1891; before this the town was a flag stop only. The C. & O. R. R. located its marshalling yards and round house at Handley in 1891; and the original railroad YMCA was started in 1894 and completed in 1896.

In 1911 the town claimed a population of 1000, not including those who worked in Handley but lived at Pratt and Montgomery. Among the business establishments in Handley in 1911 were: The Chesapeake Mining Company General Store; Harry Woodruff General Store; Hugh Pike General Store; S. W. Brady General Store; F. B. Irvin & Co. General Store; and Dalton & Harbour General Store. Later when the town became a divisional terminal the Fitzgerald Store (a store where the railroad employees could obtain credit) was built.

It was in the early beginnings of this town that Alfred and Nancy Morris came to live in the Year 1887. He found employment as a coal miner. Other children born to them were: Mary Elizabeth (born 6-10-1888); Flora (born 5-2-1891); Sary (born and died in 1894); Alfred (born 1-12-1895); Ruby (born 1898); Cecile (born 6-18-1902); and Nannie (born 9-30-1905).

Although Alfred never remembered his father Allen since he was a baby when his father died, and he was only 7 years of age when his mother died, it is said that he was a good husband, a father who was proud of his children, and a good provider. However, he had one fault which led to his death at the age of 46 on May 9, 1909. On this particular occasion he had become intoxicated (which many of the miners did in those days) and he stopped

HANDLEY, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE EARLY 1900'S

at Harry's home where he also drank some vinegar thinking it was whiskey. After leaving, the whiskey, which he had already drunk, and the vinegar started reacting in his stomach. He stopped at the town pump where he drank a large quantity of cold water which was too much of a shock to his system and he died immediately .

GRANDMOTHER NANCY MORRIS

Ma Morris was a typical grandmother. She not only loved her own children but she was proud of all of her grandchildren. After all of her sons left home, she took in boarders. She was an excellent cook and for a long time all of the meals were prepared on a coal stove. I don't recall of ever hearing her complain about anything. Nannie, her youngest daughter, and my half-brother William Kuhn lived with her until she died at the age of 75 on August 13, 1938. At the time of her death she was survived by three sons (Harry, Henry, and Alfred L., Jr.) and five daughters (Mrs. W. A. "Mary Elizabeth" Morton, Mrs. J. M. "Ruby" Lake, Mr. I. W. "Cecile" Houchins, Miss Nannie Morris, and Mrs. C. A. "Flora" Cash); two brothers Henry Buckley of Reed, and William Buckley of Charleston, and two sisters Mrs. Frank "Mettie" Cunningham of Reed, and Mrs. Samuel "Sally" --"Aunt Doll"--Wraith of Handley; 29 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

CONCLUSION

For information regarding who each of the Morris sons and daughters married, and who and how many children each had, refer to the Family Chart as well as to the list of descendants.

Although this concludes the History of the Morris Family as it pertains to the descendants of Alfred and Nancy (Buckley) Morris, may I suggest that each of you who are descendants of Alfred and Nancy continue this history as it pertains to your respective family for your descendants. You will leave them no greater legacy then for them to know their roots.

Morris Edward Morton

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UPPER CREEK



THE MORRIS EARLY HOME

CEMETERY

* JESSE & MARY JANE MARTON AND ALFRED & NANCY MORRIS BURIED IN CEMETERY.

TO MINES

TRAM ROAD

TO TIPPLE

DIRT ROAD

BAPTIST CHURCH

MAMORRIS' HOME

TO PRATT

PUMP

STABLE

AUNT DOLL WRAITH'S HOME

LEWIS RESIDENCE

UNCLE HARRY MORRIS' HOME

MINING CO. STORE

DIRT ROAD

STEPS

MORRIS MARTON BORN HERE

FITZGERALD STORE

AUNT FLOA CASH'S HOME
W.M. MARTON RESIDENCE

WALTER MARTON RESIDENCE

LAKE RESIDENCE

AUNT NANNIE'S HOME (LATER)

SCHOOL

METHODIST CHURCH

FORMER LAKE RESIDENCE

HIGHWAY

MAMORRIS' LAST HOME

DIRT ROAD

FRONT STREET

STORE

POST OFFICE

RUTH KEGGERS HOME

TENNIS COURTS

AUNT NETTIE'S HOME

P.R. / M.C.A.

DEPOT

YARD MASTER'S OFFICE

C. & O. R.R.

ROUND HOUSE

SHOP TRACK

HANDLEY, W. VA.

(IN THE 30'S & EARLIER)

NOT TO SCALE -

KANAWHA RIVER

BY MORRIS MARTON FROM MEMORY

William Morris, Sr. (Born in England -- Came to the Kanawha Valley in 1774)
 B)1722 D)1792

Married

Elizabeth Stepps (or "Stipps") -- Married in 1746 in Orange County, Virginia)
 B)1729 D)1795

William Morris, Sr. and Elizabeth (Stepps) Morris

<u>William, Jr.</u> B)1746 D)1802 Married Cathrine Carroll	<u>Henry</u> B)1747 D)1824 Married Mary Bird	<u>Leonard</u> B)1748 Married a Miss Price and later Margaret Likens	<u>Joshua</u> B)1752 Married Frances Simms	<u>Levi</u> B)1753 D)1834 Married Margaret Stark and Droddy next to Margaret Jarrett	<u>John</u> B)1755 D)1818 Married Margaret Droddy	<u>Achilles</u> B)1760 D)1821 Married Elizabeth Jarrett	<u>Benjamin</u> B)1770 D)1829 Married Nancy Jarrett	<u>Elizabeth</u> B)1772 Married Michael See	<u>Frances</u> B)1773 Married John Jones
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Joshua Morris and Frances (Simms) Morris (Married in 1771)
 D)1795

<u>William</u> B)1787 Married Sarah Maria Hansford	<u>Edmund</u>	<u>Henry</u>	<u>Elizabeth</u> Married Edmund Price, Sr.	<u>Lucy</u> Married a Mr. Chapman	<u>Nancy</u> Married John Harriman	<u>Thomas</u>	<u>Mary</u> Married a Mr. Chapman	<u>John</u> B)1794 D)1862 Married Mary Everett Second marriage to Mary Kinard
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(William and Sarah Maria were cousins)

William Morris and Sarah Maria (Hansford) Morris (Married in 1814)

<u>Susannah</u> B)1815 Married Henry Miller	<u>Fenton Mercer</u> B)1816 Married Rebecca Lloyd	<u>Joshua</u> B)1817 Married Nancy Say	<u>Richard</u> B)1818 Married Lucy W. Miller	<u>Henry</u> B)1819 Wife's name Lucy A.	<u>Issac</u> B)1820 Married Martha Vermillion	<u>James</u> B)1821 Married Martha Acord	<u>John</u> B)1823 Married Eleanor Rose	<u>Allen E.D.</u> B)1824 Married Elizabeth Shumate	<u>Nancy</u> B)1825 Married Enoch P. Jones
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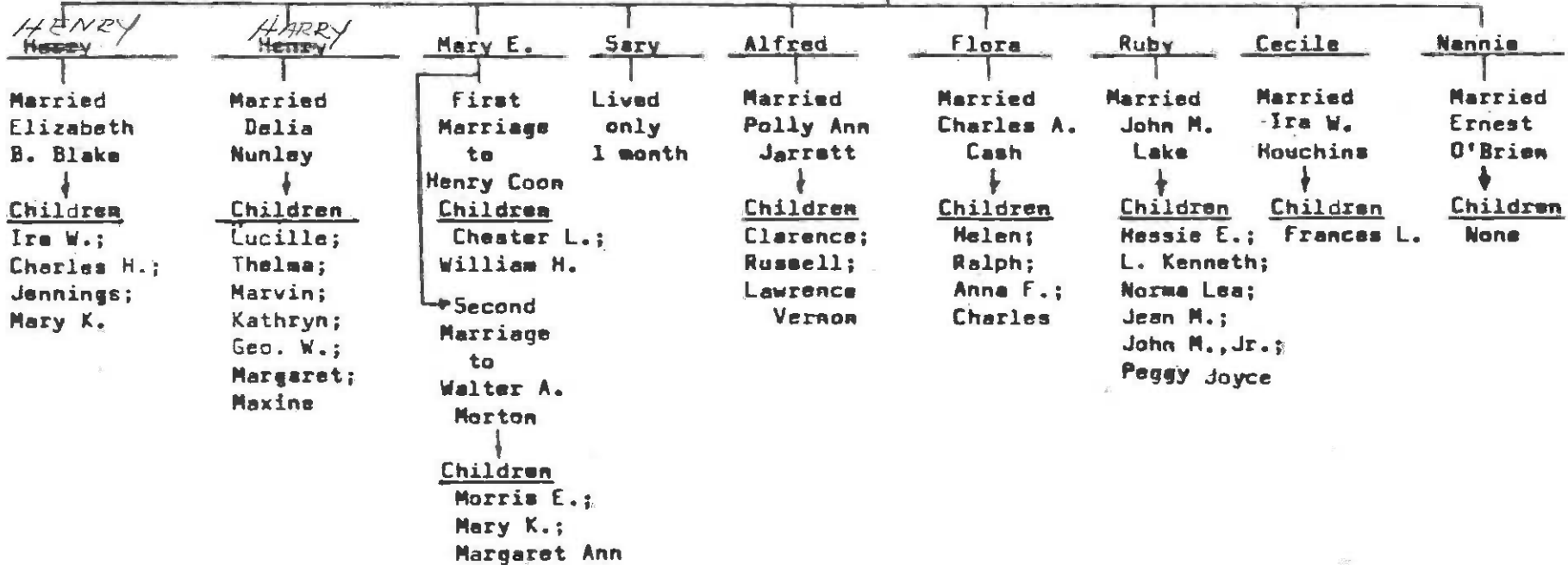
ALLEN AND ELIZABETH (SHUMATE) MORRIS
 B) 1824 D) 1863

(Married 9-12-1844)
 Wedding performed by The Rev.
 Mr. Mathew Ellison

Other Children
Lewis B) 1845 Daniel B) 1851 James B) 1853 Mary B) 1855
Ballard B) 1860 Martha B) 1856

Alfred
 Married
 Nancy Buckley

Alfred Morris and Nancy (Buckley) Morris
 B) 2-28-1863 D) 5-9-1909 B) 4-9-1863 D) 8-13-1938



(FOR INFORMATION PERTAINING TO DATES OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS, AND DESCENDANTS, REFER TO
 LISTS OF DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRIS)

For example of lineage, Allen and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris are great-great-great grandparents to Joshua Ray Southall, the son of Brenda Joyce (Duncan) Southall, whose mother is Peggy Joyce (Lake) Duncan, the daughter of Ruby (Morris) Lake whose parents were Alfred and Nancy (Buckley) Morris; Alfred's mother and father were Allen & Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris.

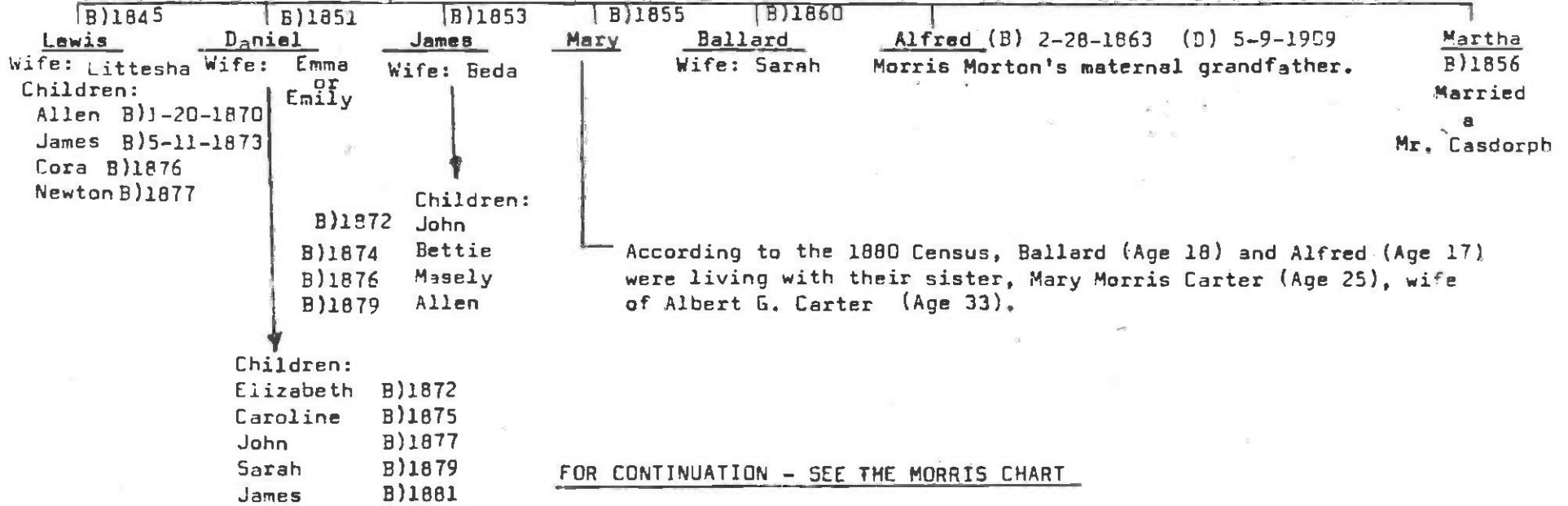
Notes: Alfred and Nancy (Buckley) Morris are buried in cemetery at Handley, W. Va. (No grave markers)

Allen and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris

B)1824

B)1824 D)1871

(It is believed that Elizabeth Shumate came originally from North Carolina)



THE SHUMATE FAMILY CHART

(As it pertains to the descendants of Daniel and Elizabeth (Ellison) Shumate)

Monsieur de la Chaumette was a lawyer and a Huguenot of the town of Rochouard, France in 1650. He died in France.

Was forced to flee to England around the Year 1690. Had brothers whose names were JOSUE and ANTOINE.

DANIEL de la CHAUMETTE
(married a daughter of Joseph Fourgeaud)



son

JEAN de la CHAUMETTE
(First wife died in France)
(Married a widow Elizabeth Bourgeois Bouvet in London on 9-29-1695. She died in Martinique in 1715.)
On arrival in Virginia he changed his name to:
JOHN SHUMATE (I)

Was living in London, England in the Year 1692. Served in the English army. Moved to the West Indies about 1708. Arrived in Elk Run, Stafford County, Virginia about 1722.

sons

SAMUEL (I)
B)1710
D)1790
Married
Lucy Blackwell

JOHN (II)
E)1709
D)1784
Married
Judith Bailey
(Settled in Elk Run Area)

DANIEL (I)
B)1712
D)1784
Married
4 times

children

WILLIAM
B)1728
D)1785
Married
Anne McCormick

RICHARD
B)1730
D)1749

JOSUA (I)
B)1735
D)1790?

THOMAS (I)
B)1732
D)1814
Married
Elizabeth (Pron. Shepard)

DANIEL (II)
B)1734
D)1806
Married
Sarah Ann James

JAMES
B)1738

JOHN (III)
B)1740
D)1814

JEMIMA
B)1742
M) John Win

LETTICE
B)1744

BAILEY (I)
B)1746
Married
Mary Davidson

NOTE: DANIEL (II) was married three times. He participated in the Revolutionary War as a Second Lt.

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DANIEL SHUMATE (II)

children

<u>DAVID</u> B)1760 Married Lucy Sprouce 10-1-1784	<u>WILLIAM IV</u> B)1768 Married Frances Norman	<u>SAMUEL III</u> B)1755	<u>DONALD</u> B)1753 Married Milly Skinner 2-26-1791	<u>DANIEL (III)</u> B)1759 D)1826 Married in 1774 to Millicent (Milly) Callison B) 1758 D)1841 (Settled in Greenbrier Co.)	<u>JUDAH</u> B)1764 Married John Parris 2-10-1796	<u>DEANNA</u> B)1755 Married Moses Johnston Sr.	<u>DIANAH</u> Married Samuel Luttrell
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children

<u>TOLLISON</u> B) 1775 D)1861 M)Elizabeth Burdette 1-2-1798 M)Nancy Green 8-12-1813	<u>SILAS</u> B)1779 Married Sarah Cornwell 2-15-1802	<u>JOHN (VIII)</u> B)1781 Married Sarah Milburn 5-22-1807 M) a Wolfinbarger 8-25-1808 M) Rachel Gibson 9-12-1814	<u>HARDIN</u> B)1782 D)1873 Married Elizabeth Leach 6-9-1806	<u>POLLY</u>	<u>DANIEL (IV)</u> B)1784 D)1857 Married Elizabeth Ellison daughter of Capt. James Ellison on 7-29-1802 (Settled in Raleigh Co.)	<u>MARGARET</u> B)1795 Married John Caperton 7-13-1813	<u>RHODA</u> B)1797 D)1840 Married Archibald Burdette in 1815	<u>MALINDA</u> B)1799 Married Larkin Tuggle	<u>RACHEL</u>	<u>ELIZABETH</u> B)1782 Married Jacob Peters 10-12-1800
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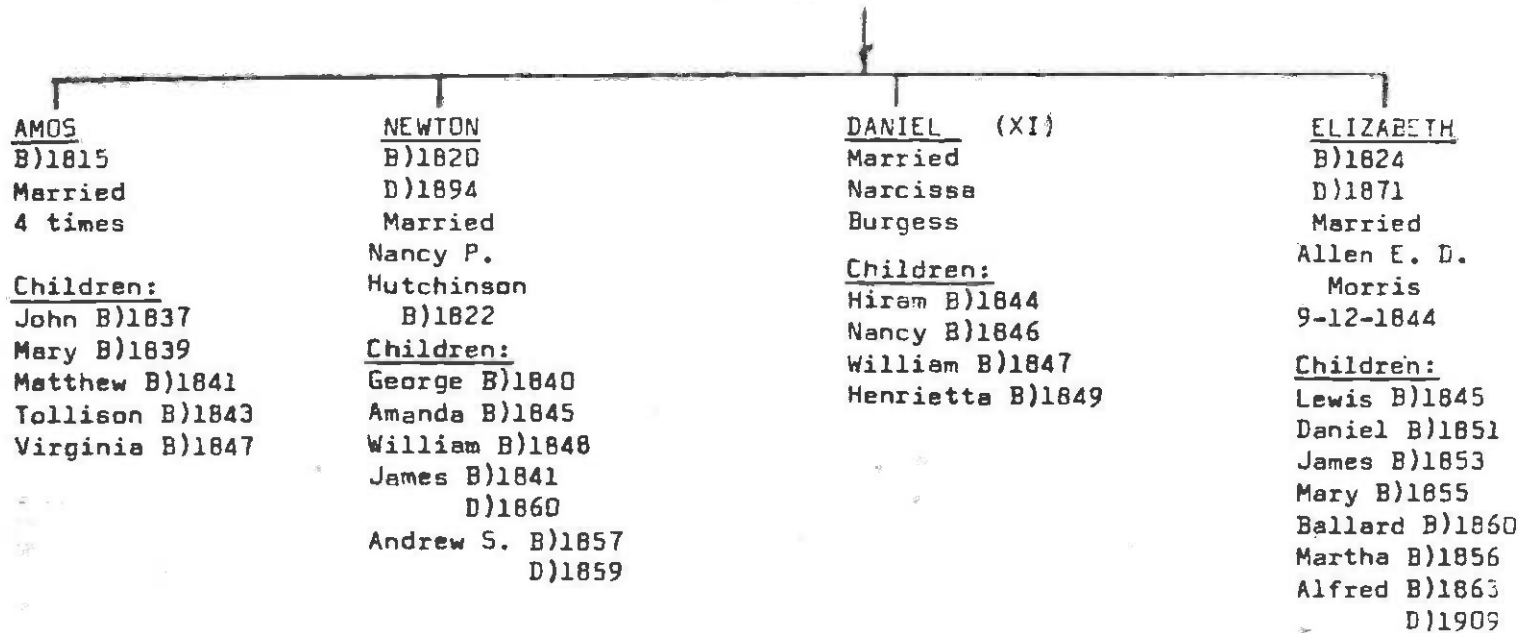
children

<u>JAMES</u> (Never married)	<u>NANCY</u> Married James Moore	<u>RUTH</u> Married Pemberton Cook	<u>MARY</u> Married Jesse O'Neal	<u>JOHN</u> Married Sarah Harper 12-7-1837	<u>TOLLISON</u> B)1817 D)1885 Married Nancy Massey
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<u>AMOS</u>	<u>NEWTON</u>	<u>DANIEL (XI)</u>	<u>ELIZABETH</u>
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(Children of Daniel (IV) and Elizabeth
Ellison Shumate)

- Notes: 1. The Roman Numeral following a name indicates the sequence of the name appearing in the Shumate Family History.
2. The Amos Shumate Family and the Allen Morris Family were living in Wyoming County in the Year 1850.
3. The families of Tollison, Newton, and Daniel (XI) were living in Raleigh County in the Year 1860.
4. The Allen Morris family was living in Raleigh County in the Year 1860.
5. Nancy, the daughter of Daniel (XI), married James A. Cook, a Captain in the Confederate Army.
6. The Allen Morris family, except for Allen the father who had died, moved to Malden Township, Kanawha County following the Civil War.
7. George, the son of Newton, and Hiram, the son of Daniel (XI), served in the Army of the Confederate States.
8. For information, a William H. Shumate, with his wife Finella, was living in Raleigh County as of the Year 18
9. This information was prepared by Morris E. Morton from the Shumate Family History and researched data.
10. Alfred Morris, son of Allen and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris) was the grandfather of Morris E. Morton.

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THE SHUMATE FAMILY HISTORY

MISCELLANEOUS
DATA

FROM THE MARRIAGE RECORDS - FAYETTE COUNTY - WEST VIRGINIA:

1. 12-7-1837 John Shumate to Sarah Harper (Marriage performed by Rev. M. Ellison)
2. 3-10-1842 Newton Shumate to Nancy P. Hutchison.

FROM LAND GRANT RECORDS - WEST VIRGINIA STATE CAPITOL:

Daniel Shumate, Sr. (IV) was given a land grant of 228 acres on Millers Camp Run (Raleigh County) in 1846.

FROM "THESIS OF RALEIGH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE CIVIL WAR" by Hila Appleton Richardson

(Obtained from Raleigh County Library - Beckley, W. Va.)

1. George, son of Newton and Nancy Shumate, and Hiram, son of Daniel and Narcissa Shumate, served in Company C of the Thirty-sixth Regiment of Virginia Volunteers, Army of the Confederate States of America, under Captain Benjamin R. Linkous.
2. Lewis Morris, son of Allen and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris, was mustered on April 15, 1864 into the Raleigh County Scouts under Captain William Turner.

U. S. CENSUS DATA

Fayette County - West Virginia - 1850

John Shumate (Age 37); wife Sarah (Age 32); children: Labina (Age 11), Sumirna (Age 9), Felix (Age 7), Elizabeth A. (Age 4)

Raleigh County - West Virginia - 1850

Daniel Shumate, Sr. (IV) (Age 69); Daniel, Jr. (Age 28); wife Narcissa (Age 25); Hiram (Age 6); Nancy (Age 4); William T. (Age 3); Henrietta (Age 1).

Newton Shumate (Age 30); wife Nancy P. (Age 28); Children: George (Age 10), Amanda (Age 5), William (Age 2)

Tollison Shumate (Age 33); wife Nancy (Age 31); daughter Clary (Age 15).

Wyoming County - West Virginia - 1850

Allen Morris (Age 26); wife Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris (Age 26); child Lewis (Age 5).

Amos Shumate (Age 35); wife Mary (Age 26); children: John (Age 13), Mary E. (Age 11), Matthew (Age 9), Tollison (Age 7), Virginia C. (Age 3).

Raleigh County - West Virginia - 1860

Allen E. D. Morris (Age 36); Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris (Age 36); children: Lewis (Age 16), Daniel (Age 9), James (Age 7), Mary (Age 5), Martha (Age 4), Ballard (Age 4/12).

SHUMATE FAMILY CHART

Daniel and Milly Shumate

Captain James Ellison

Son Daniel

Daughter Elizabeth

married

DANIEL AND ELIZABETH (ELLISON) SHUMATE

B)1784 D)5-20-1857

children

Amos (4)
B)1815

Wife's name
Mary B)1824

Children

John B)1837
Mary B)1839
Matthew B)1841
Tollison B)1843
Virginia B)1847

William H. (5)

Wife's name
Finalla
B)1732 D)8-14-1902

Ruth (5)
B)1804

D)8-15-1885
Married a Mr. Cook

Tollison (5)

B)1817 D)5-10-1885

(3) Married
9-7-1847

Wife's name
Nancy B)1819
(Daughter of
Henry Massey)

Children

Clary B)1835

Newton (5)

B)1820 D)7-1-1894

(3) Married
3-10-1842

Wife's name
Nancy P. B)1822
(Family name
Hutchenson)

Children

(6) George B)1840
Amanda B)1845
William B)1848
James Henderson
B)1841 D)9-20-1860
Andrew S. B)1857
D)9-15-1859

Daniel, Jr. (5)

B)1822

Wife's name
Narciassa B)1825
(Daughter of
Hiram Burgess)

Children

(6) Hiram B)1844
(1) Nancy B)1846
(2) William B)1847
Henrietta B)1849

Elizabeth

B)1824

(3) Married
9-12-1844
to

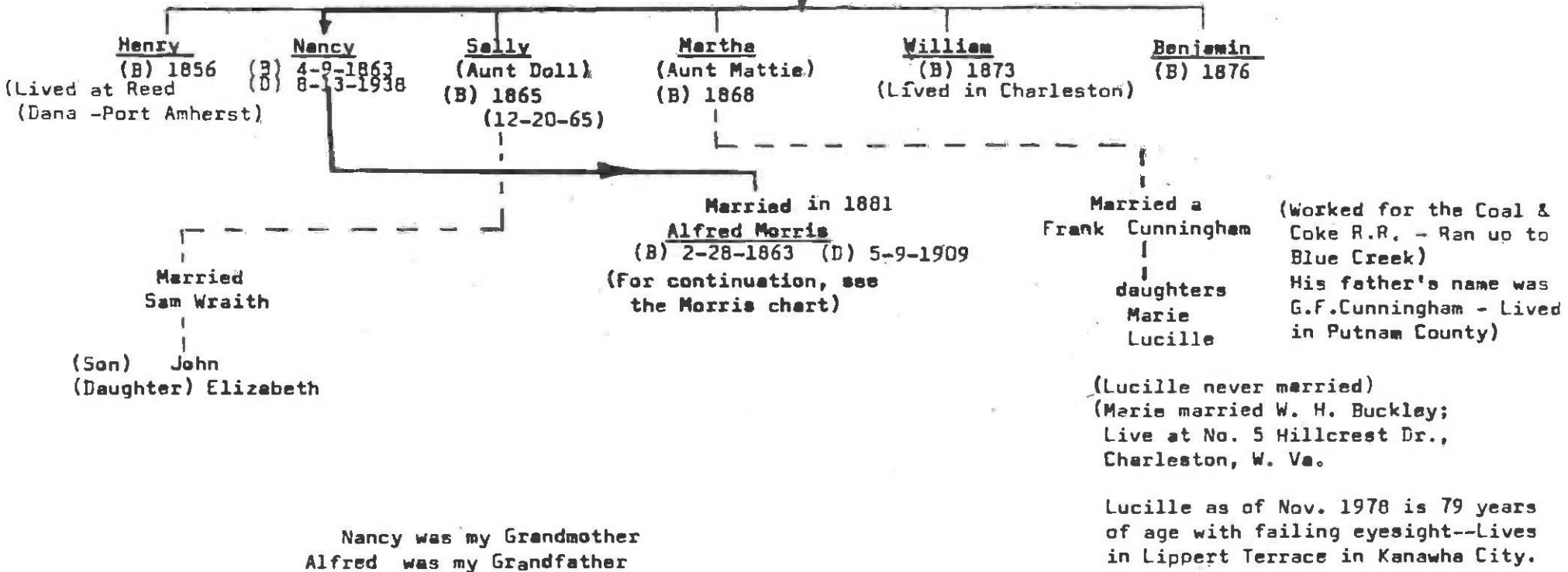
(4)(5) ALLEN MORRIS
B)1824

FOR CONTINUATION
SEE
THE MORRIS CHART

John
Married
Sarah Harper
12-7-1837

- (1) Married James A. Cook (Captain in the Confederate Army)
- (2) Married Ruhama Palmer on 2-12-1869
- (3) Married in Fayette County
- (4) Family was living in Wyoming County in 1850.
- (5) Family was living in Raleigh County in 1860.
- (6) George and Hiram served in the Army of the Confederate States.

William and Eliza Sarah (Gay) Buckley
(B) 1826 (B) 1830



Lucille as of Nov. 1978 is 79 years of age with failing eyesight--Lives in Lippert Terrace in Kanawha City.

Lucille seems to think that the Buckley name is of Irish descent.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM MORRIS AND SARAH MARIA (HANSFORD) MORRIS.

William is a son of Joshua Morris who is the fourth son of William Morris, Sr. He and Sarah lived at Gauley Bridge near the Falls. They were married in 1814. He patented 2300 acres of land on Scrabble Creek in Fayette County in 1832. Sarah Maria Hansford was a first cousin of her husband, William. She was the daughter of John Hansford and Jane (Morris) Hansford. Jane was the daughter of William Morris, Jr.

Children:

Susannah Morris B)1815 married Henry Miller on 8-21-1835.

Fenton Mercer Morris B)3-3-1816 married Rebecca Loyd on 3-23-1837
Settled in Nicholas County

Joshua Morris B)1817 --- married Nancy Say on 5-25-1843
Settled in Nicholas County ----

Richard Morris B)1818 --- married Lucy W. Miller on 8-25-1837

Henry Morris B)1819 ---- Wife's name Lucy A. --- married (No record)
Had three children as of the 1860 Census of Raleigh County. (near Daniels)
Names: Cornelia (Age 7); Eliza (Age 6); and James (age 4).

Isaac Morris B)1820 --- married Martha Vermillion on 4-9-1840
No record as to where he settled.

James Morris B)1821 --- married Martha Acord on 11-7-1841
Was living in the neighborhood of Rock Creek (or Marsh Fork) in Raleigh County as of the 1860 Census. (A son, Wm. T. and daughter Martha)

Edward Morris B)1822 --- married Sarah Ann Jones on 5-4-1841
No record as to where he settled.

John Morris B)1823 --- married Eleanor Rose on 10-18-1838.
Settled in Nicholas County.

Allen E. D. Morris B)1824 --- married Elizabeth Shumate on 9-12-1844 (He was a farmer)
Married in Fayette County. First settled in Wyoming County (1850 Census);
Settled in Raleigh County per the 1860 Census. Children: Lewis; Daniel;
James; Mary; Martha; Ballard; and Alfred.

Nancy Morris B)1825 --- married Enoch B. Jones on 5-30-1845.

SIDELIGHTS

1. William Morris, Allen's father, on the death of Sarah Maria, his first wife, remarried to Ann Chapman.
2. William, in addition to the 75 acres he owned at Kanawha Falls, also owned
** 608 acres on New River.
3. Morris' Creek, west of Montgomery, was originally called Levi Morris' Creek.
Levi owned 191 acres along the Kanawha River in the Montgomery Area.

(*) The 75 acres were located on the South side of the river at Kanawha Falls.

(**) The 608 acres were located near the mouth of Gauley River, as well as the 2300 acres on Scrabble Creek.

SIDELIGHTS (Continued)

4. James Morris, the son of Levi Morris, owned 51½ acres on Morris' Creek as well as 360 acres on Upper and Lower Creeks in the Handley area.
5. Leonard Morris, son of William Morris, Sr., owned 492 acres along the Kanawha River in the Marmet area, as well as 220 acres on Leonard Morris' Creek which is now called Len's Creek.
6. Joshua, son of William Morris, Sr., owned 125 acres on Morris' Fork.
7. Benjamin, son of William Morris, Sr., owned 100 acres along the Kanawha River in the Montgomery area.
8. Benjamin, Jr. owned 100 acres at the mouth of Armstrong Creek.
9. There are some descendants of Alfred and Nancy Morris who thought that our lineage descended from the Henry Morris who was the son of William Morris, Sr. However, this didn't check out. Henry had only one son, John, and seven daughters. The children of John Morris and his wife Jane (Brown) Morris were: William (B 1810); Benjamin (B 1816), Edward (B 1819), Thomas (B 1814), Silas (B 1832), Leonard (B 1812), Ernest, Alfred, Jane (B 1840), Martha, Margaret (B 1827) and Mary.

There are other descendants who thought our lineage came down through Leonard Morris who was a son of William Morris, Sr. This also did not check out. Leonard had ten sons and six daughters. (1) John died in Missouri in 1831; (2) Meredith migrated to Mississippi; (3) Leonard, Jr. moved West; (4) Charles married in Kentucky to Lucinda Crockett; (5) Joshua moved West; (6) Hiram never married; (7) Peter -- no mention of children; (8) Andrew migrated south -- died of Yellow Fever, and body returned to Marmet for burial; (9) Madison (B 1811) settled in Boone County (town of Madison probably named after him); Dickinson (B 1812) married his cousin Susan Morris -- settled at Clifton (now Pratt, W. Va.)

10. Red hair is a common hereditary trait in the Morris family.
11. The road leading to and from the Fayette County area south was by the way of Cotton Hill Mountain which is located west of Kanawha Falls on the south side of the river.
12. In the Year 1774 the Kanawha Valley area, and even as far as Pt. Pleasant, were a part of Botetourt County of Virginia.

THE BEGINNINGS OF THE KANAWHA BAPTIST CHURCH, PRATT (KANAWHA COUNTY) WEST VIRGINIA
 (AS RECORDED IN THE HISTORY OF THE GREAT KANAWHA VALLEY (1891) CHAPTER XVI BY
 VIRGIL A LEWIS)

Nineteen and one-half miles above Charleston, on the south side of the river, and one and one-half miles below the mouth of Paint Creek, is a small stream known as Meeting House branch, and it was here that Rev. James Johnston halted, and in 1793 organized the Kanawha Baptist Church, the first in the valley west of Kanawha Falls. (Note: He had previously organized a Baptist Church at Kanawha Falls in 1785). Here (at Meeting House branch) the first church was erected, by JOHN HANSFORD, but the building was burned by the Federal soldiers (during the Civil War), and the congregation now worship in a building erected by FELIX G. HANSFORD, son of John, at Clifton (now Pratt) three miles farther up the river

Among the members composing this primitive body of Christians (those who started the original church) were:

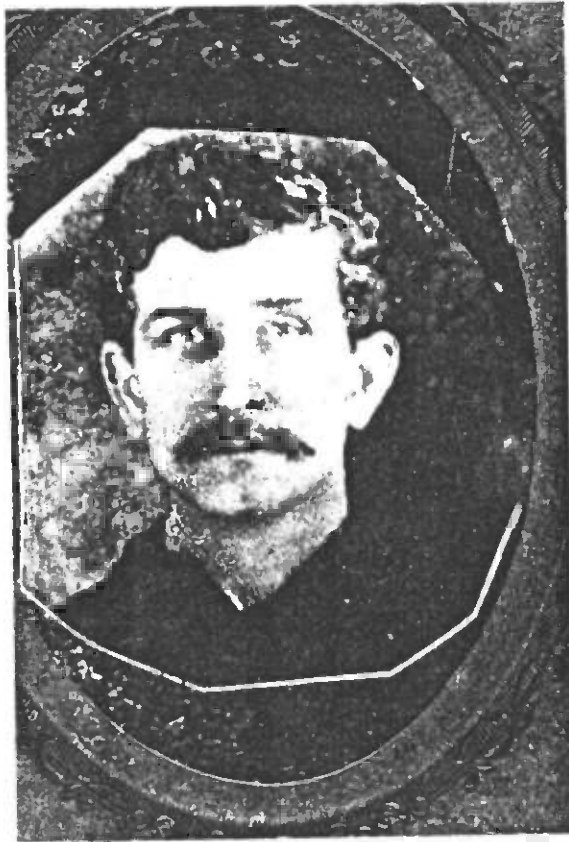
John Hansford (Served as a Major in the Battle of Pt. Pleasant in 1774, and he was the father of Sarah Maria Hansford, my great-great grandmother).
 Jane (Morris) Hansford (Wife of John Hansford, daughter of William Morris, Jr., and mother of Sarah Maria, wife of William Morris, my great-great grandfather).
 Felix G. Hansford (Son of John and Jane (Morris) Hansford.
 Leonard Morris (Son of William Morris, Sr. and brother of my Great-great-great grandfather, Joshua Morris)
 Levi Morris (Same)
 Benjamin Morris (Same)
 William Morris, Jr. (Son of William Morris, Sr., brother of my great-great-great grandfather, and father of Jane (Morris) Hansford).
 Catherine "Katie" (Carroll) Morris (Wife of William Morris, Jr.)
 John Jones (Married to Frances Morris, daughter of William Morris, Sr.)
 David Janett
 William Huddlestone
 Edward Hughes
 Lewis Jones
 Mary Malone
 Susanna Winsor
 Matilda Winsor
 Nancy (Morris) Harriman (Married to John Harriman. Daughter of Joshua Morris).
 Richard Hughes
 John Meadows

Some of the visiting preachers of the first church:

Mathew Ellison (Married Allan and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris in Fayette County in 1844
 My great grandfather and great grandmother)
 Felix Ellison and James E. Ellison (Probably brothers to Mathew Ellison)

By: Morris Morton

Note: Comments in parentheses by Morris Morton)



ALFRED L. MORRIS
AND
NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRIS



DAUGHTERS OF ALFRED AND NANCY MORRIS
Seated L. to R. Cecile; Ruby; Nannie
Standing L. to R. Flora; Mary Elizabeth



SONS OF ALFRED AND NANCY MORRIS

Seated: Henry
Standing L. to R. Harry; Alfred L. Jr.

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISSon

HARRY B) 5-10-1882 D) 12-21-1957 (Harry and his family lived in Handley, W.Va.)
 Married on 10-25-1902 to: Delia Nunley B) 3-6-1886 D) 10-28-1964

Children:

Lucille B) 9-22-1903

Married to: J. D. Scott B) 10-31-1889 D) 3-14-1971

Address: Mrs. J. D. Scott

P. O. Box 1973, Cabin Creek, W.Va. 25035

Their children:

Betty Lee Scott B) 11-29-1921 D) 10-15-1973

First Marriage to: William Earl Vest

Their Children: Michael Scott Vest B) 11-23-1941

Second Marriage to: Robert Allen Hastings

Their Children: Margeret Helen Hastings B) 11-2-1956

David Allen Hastings B) 11-3-53

William M. Scott B) 12-8-1923

Married to: Helen Maria McLaughlin

Address: Mr. & Mrs. William M. Scott

Box 217, Pinch, W.Va. 25156

Their Children: Janet Lee Scott; John Stanwood Scott

Thelma Morris B) 2-24-1905 D) 3-23-1968

Married to (first marriage): Emmett Martin D) 1936

(second marriage): Herbert Snyder D) 1972

Children byFirst Marriage

Betty Jeanne Martin B) 6-24-1923

Married to: Robert Sneed

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sneed

411 5th St., Belle, W.Va. 25015

Their children: David Martin Sneed

Harry Emmett Martin B) 10-21-1925

Married to Betty Sneed

Address: Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Martin

1202 Kenawha Blvd., E Charleston, WV 25301

Richard Marvin Martin B) 8-21-1932

Married to: Mary Susan Miller

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Richard M. Martin

Montgomery, W. Va. 25136

Their children: Michael; Andrea

B) = Born

D) = Died

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISSon

HARRY MORRIS (Continued)

Children: (Continued)

Marvin B) 10-24-1906 D) 3-6-1929

George B) 7-15-1914 D) 10-4-1977

His son: Rodger Morris B) 3-28-1940 D) 6-30-1973

MARY Kathryn B) 1-27-1909*MARY*
Address: Miss Kathryn Morris
Hendley, W. Va. 25102

Margaret B) 12-12-1920 D) July 1934

Maxine B) 10-24-1923

Married to: John W. Hatcher B) 3-11-1921

Address: Mr. & Mrs. John W. Hatcher
Edmond, West Virginia 25037Their children:

John W. Hatcher, Jr. B) 5-25-1944

Address: Fayetteville, West Virginia

Steven Bedford Hatcher B) 12-18-1949

Married to: Deborah Marie DiCostantino

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Steven B. Hatcher
Fayetteville, W. Va.

Helen Ruth Hatcher B) 9-17-1957

Address (temp.): 1217 Pineview Dr. - Apt. 11
Morgantown, W. Va.

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISSon

* HENRY MORRIS B) 5-3-1885 D) 2-4-1953 (Lived at Dana (now Port Amherst) W.Va.
 Married to: Elizabeth "Susie" B. Blake B) 2-24-1886 (Married 12-16-1908)
 (Susie is 93 years of age as of 2-24-1979)

Children: Address: Mrs. Elizabeth B. Morris
 (Not in order of birth) 3423 Piedmont Road
 Charleston, WV 25306

Charles H. Morris B) 10-26-1912
 Married to: Elizabeth Cavendish B) 1-15-1917
Address: Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Morris
 238 Dry Branch Drive; Charleston, WV 25306

Their children:

Norma Don Morris B) 1936
 Married to: Estel Raymond Bartlett, Jr.
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Estel R. Bartlett, Jr.
 236 Dry Branch Drive
 Charleston, W. Va. 25306
Children: Elizabeth "Beth" Christie Bartlett
 Linda Kay Morris B) 1946
 Married to: James Edward Walsh, II
Address: Mr. & Mrs. James E. Walsh, II
 34 Woodstead Road
 Ballston Lake, N.Y. 12019

Children: Dawn Jeannie Walsh
 LINDSAY ALLISON WALSH

Charles Henry Morris, Jr. B) 1948
 Married to: Rita Renae Massey
Address: Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Morris, Jr.
 1620 W. Central Ave.; Belle, W. Va.

Children: Charles Henry Morris, III
 James Scott Morris
 Tracy Louise Morris
 Terra Renae Morris

Jennings Morris B) 8-19-1914 D) 10-2-1974
 Married to: Mary Zell Mitchell (Has remarried)
 Children: Jenny Lynn Morris (Address unknown)

*Uncle Henry lost a part of his foot when he was 7 years of age. The accident was caused when he hopped the "dingy" which pulled mining cars to the tipples and his foot slipped under one of the wheels. Uncle Henry and Aunt Sussie moved from Mendley to Dana in 1918.

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISSonHENRY MORRIS (Continued)Children (Continued)

Mary Katherine Morris B) 4-14-1927 (DIVORCED)
 Married: Thomas Robert Jenkins B) 12-26-1926
Address: Mrs. Mary K. Jenkins
 3949 38th St., North
 St. Petersburg, Fla. 33714

Children:

Karen Elizabeth Jenkins B) 7-20-1951 (Marriage annuled)
 Children: Chad Allen Jenkins B) 12-24-1970
 Theresa Antionette Jenkins B) 6-6-1974
 Kathy Jane Jenkins B) 6-14-1957
 Monte Lynn Jenkins B) 8-24-1964
 (CHILDREN LIVE AT HOME WITH MARY K.)

Ira W. Morris B) 12-31-1909
 Married to: Arita Jane O'Conner B) 5-4-1914
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Ira Morris
 230 Dry Branch Drive
 Charleston, WV 25306

Children:

Ira W. Morris, Jr. B) 8-27-1933
 Married to: Dorothy Shannon
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Ira W. Morris, Jr.
 16941 S.E. Francis; Portland, Oregon 97236
 Children: David Alan; Robin Lynn;
 Jeffrey Shannon; Jerry Lance

Jerry Leonard Morris B) 3-10-1935
 Married to: Phyllis Payne
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Jerry L. Morris
 742 Bays Dr.; Charleston, W.Va. 25306
 Children: Kelly Lynn; Jerri (Dickie) Leah

Donzella Jean Morris B) 4-2-1936
 Married to: John Edwin Fleck
Address: Mr. & Mrs. John E. Fleck
 209 Fleck Drive; Charleston, W.Va. 25306
 Children: Pamela Jean Shannon; Cynthia Janine
 Sims; Tamara Kay; Katharina Ann;
 Paul Edwin.

Allen and Elizabeth (Shumate) Morris

(Married in Fayette County - 1844)

B)1824
D)1863

B)1824
D)1871

Son

Alfred L.

Other Children

Lewis Daniel James Mary Martha Ballard
B)1836 B)1851 B)1854 B)1855 B)1856 B)1861

Alfred L. and Nancy (Buckley) Morris

B)1863 D)1909

B)1863 D)1938

Daughter

Mary Elizabeth

Other Children

Henry Flora Alfred Ruby Cecile Harry
B)1885 B)1891 B)1895 B)1898 B)1902 B)1882
D)1883 D)1975 D)1971 D)1949 D)1978 D)1957

Other Children

Nannie Sary (Lived one month)
B)1905 B)1894
D)1969 D)1894

First Marriage

Henry Coon and Mary E. (Morris) Coon

D)1909

B)1888 D)1965

Second Marriage

Walter A. Morton and Mary E. (Morris)(Coon) Morton

B)1884 D)1954

B)1888 D)1965

Chester Lewis
B)1906 D)1974

Married
Ruth Owens

Children
Ronald Coon
Grandchildren
Ronda Lu Coon

William Henry
B)1909

Married
Pauline Samuels

Children
Sue Lynn Kuhn
Wm. H. Kuhn, Jr.
Grandchildren
Gyan Hardman
Elizabeth Hardman
Angela Jannette Kuhn

Morris Edward
B)1915

Married
Mary Frances Ashley

Children
Marianna A. Morton
Barbara Jo Morton
Grandchildren
Kara Lynn Burkheimer

Mary Kathryn
B)1919

Married
William Hickman

No Children

*Margaret Ann
B)1920

First Marriage
James A. Smart

Children
Charles Smart
Grandchildren
Sandra Ann Smart
Julie Ann Smart

*Second Marriage to:
Arthur L. Lasso

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

MARY ELIZABETH MORRIS B)6-10-1888 D) 5-1-1965 (Lived in Handley, W. Va.)

First Marriage: (12-20-1905) To William Henry Coon D) 9-18-1909
Mr. Coon was killed accidentally while working on the
C. & O. R. R. yards at Handley.

Children:

Chester Lewis Coon B)11-1-1906 D) 11-14-1974 (Chester worked for
the C. & O. R. R. at Handley and at Huntington as
a car repairman and tool car foreman)
Married to: Ruth Owens B) 3-28-1911 -- of Montgomery,
West Virginia.
Address: Mrs. Chester L. Coon
122 Leeward Avenue, Huntington, W.Va.

Their children:

Ronald Lewis Coon B) 8-24-1935 (Ron is trainmaster for
the C. & O. R.R. at Chapmanville, W.Va.

Married to: Eileen Pearl (Bias) Ross
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Ronald L. Coon
Box 69 - Route 2 Chapmanville, W.Va.
25508

Their Children: Ronde Lu B) 4-20-1964

William Henry Kuhn B) 11-17-1909 (Bill is retired. He worked for the
Hooper-Holmes Bureau in Charleston, W. Va. He served
in the infantry during World War II, and was in the
battle at Anzio Beach in Italy. He was in the army
that liberated Rome, and he was wounded at the battle
of Leghorn, Italy)
Married to: Pauline Samuels B)7-22-1917 (Pauline was
a teacher in the Kanawha County School Sys.)
Address: Mr. & Mrs. William H. Kuhn
7010 Sissonville Drive (Pocatolico)
Charleston, W. Va. 25320

Their children:

Sus Lynn B) 2-26-1946 -- Married to Guy Hardman
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Guy Hardman
2038 Montana Avenue; St. Petersburg, Fla.
33703

Their children: Gyan B)1975
Elizabeth B) 1978

William H. Kuhn, Jr. B)11-24-1951 (Billy teaches school in
Summers County, W. Va.
Married to: Rebecca Ann Hypes B) 5-16-1951
Address: Mr. & Mrs. William H. Kuhn, Jr.
Box 268 - Kessler Cross Lanes, W.Va. 26675
Their children: Angela Jannette B) 5-28-1977

Daughter

MARY ELIZABETH MORRIS (Continued)

Second Marriage: To Walter Albert Morton B) 5-17-1884 D) 10-20-1954
(Mr. Morton was a car repairman, inspector, and airman
for the C. & O. R. R. at Handley, W. Va.)

Children:

Morris Edward Morton B) 10-26-1915 (Morris was associated with the Union
Carbide Corporation nearly 38 years - Retired 1975)

Married to: * Mary Frances Ashley B) 2-5-1916 (Mary Frances
is a descendant of the Gebhart family who were
early merchants in Charleston, and her father was
one of the founders of the Ashley Bread Company)

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Morris E. Morton
868 Chester Road, Charleston, W.Va. 25302

Their children:

Marianne Ashley Morton B) 6-26-1942

Married to: Jerry L. Burkheimer (Divorced)

Address: Mrs. Marianne A. Burkheimer
26-B Hillcrest Drive, Charleston, WV 25302

Their Children: Kara Lyn Burkheimer B) 4-21-70

Barbara Jo Morton B) 8-26-1947

Married to: William E. Ross B) 2-24-52

Address: Ms. Barbara Jo Morton
Mr. William Ross
3507-B Staunton Ave., Charleston, WV 25304

Mary Kathryn Morton B) 1-26-1919 (Mary K. was associated with Pureoil Co.
for several years, and is now with the West
Virginia State Rehabilitation Department)

Married to: William D. Hickman B) 4-28-1904 D) 6-3-1967
(3-15-1958)

Address: Mrs. William D. Hickman
No. 5 Kenna Drive
South Charleston, W. Va. 25309

(*Mary Frances, Morris' wife, is also a descendant of the Morris family through
the original Henry Morris (son of William Morris, Sr.). Henry's daughter
Polly married Jessie James, and their daughter Deborah James married Mary
Frances' great-grandfather John L. Ashley).

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

MARY ELIZABETH MORRIS (Continued)

Second Marriage (Continued)Children: (Continued)

Margaret Ann Morton B) 11-30-1920

First Marriage to: James A. Smart B) 3-21-1912 (Deceased)
Second Marriage to: Arthur L. Larson B) 7-26-1912Address: Mr. & Mrs. Arthur L. Larson
4816 Marine Drive - Apt. 4
Cape Coral, Fla. 33904Children by
First Marriage

Charles Smart B) 12-28-1943

Married to (first marriage): Delsia Hill (Divorced)

Their children: Sandra Ann Smart

Married to (second marriage): Ruby Nell Lantrip

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Smart
5240 Tower Drive
Cape Coral, Fla. 33904

Their children: Julie Ann Smart B) 7-13-74

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

FLORA B) 5-2-1891 D) 1975 (Lived in Mandley and South Charleston, W.Va.)
 Married to: Charles A. Cash B)1890 D) 1968 (Married 9-25-1913)
 (Worked for C&O R.R. as a fireman and an engieer)

Children: (Not in order of birth)

Helen Cash B) 1915 D) 3-14-1927

Ralph Joseph Cash B) 6-17-1917 (Retired from Union Carbide Corp.)
 Married to: Bess Hazel Euwer B) 8-18-1920
Address: 5136 Kentucky Ave., So. Charleston, WV 25309
Their children:

Charles David Cash B) 6-17-1942
 Married to: Carolyn Ruth Jividen
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Charles D. Cash
 4405 Blackwell St., So.Charleston, WV

Their children: Charles David, Jr.
 Susan Beth

Ralph Joseph Cash, Jr. B) 12-28-1945
 Married to: Edith Diane Mirah
Address: 1212 Lyndale Dr., Charleston, WV

Their children: Michell Diane; Julie Elizabeth;
 Kelly Nicole.

Rebecca Jane Cash B) 3-5-1949
 Married to: Herbert Dempsey Peters
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Herbert D. Peters
 65 Cloverleaf Circle; Malden, W. Va.

Charles Cash B) 8-1-1922
 Married to: Phyllis Joan Crawford B) 10-3-1925
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cash
 1906 SE 40th St., Cape Coral, Fla. 33904

Children:

Charles Alfred Cash, Jr. B)12-3-1946
 Married to: Patricia Gagne
Address: Mr. & Mrs. C. A. Cash, Jr.
 10138 Willa Lane, Manassas, Va. 22110
Their children: Diane; Amy; Tracy

Mary Jo Cash B)11-20-1949
 Married (first marriage) to: Gary Flester (DIVORCED)
 Married (second marriage) to: Dale Bryan
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Dale Bryan
 9907 Whitewater Dr., Burke, Va. 22015
Children: Toni Flester

Deborah Ann Cash B) 12-18-1953
Address: 341 Linda Loma; Ft. Myers, Fla.

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

FLORA (Continued)

Children (Continued)

Anna Florence Cash

Married to: George Brown

Address: Mr. & Mrs. George Brown
716 Green Road, South Charleston, WV 25309Children:George A. Brown, III
Flora Ann Brown

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED MORRIS AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISSon

ALFRED L. MORRIS, JR. B) 1-12-1895 (Alfred worked for the C. & O. R.R.
 D) 11-21-1971 at Russell, Kentucky)
 Married to: Polly Ann Jarrett B) 7-31-1893 D) 3-31-1952
 (6-6-1914)

Children:

Clarence E. B) 3-16-1915 (Retired from C.&O.R.R.)
 Married to: Ruby B) 9-23-1914
Address: Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Morris
 Rt. 4 - Box 249-O, Catlettsburg, Ky. 41129

Their children:

Phyllis Rose B) 1-12-1938
 Married to: Jerry L. Kessinger
Address: Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Kessinger
 Box 802, Flatwoods, Ky. 41139

Their children:

Jerry Lee Kessinger, Jr.
 Becky Lynn Kessinger

Ruby Jean B) 8-9-1939
 Married to: Dan M. Gearheart
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Dan M. Gearheart
 Box 178, Worthington, Ky. 41183

Their children:

Karen Lynn Gearheart; John Edward Gearheart

Russell B) 4-26-1917 D) 12-19-1965
 Married to: Margie Maggard B) 9-25-1921 D) 8-17-1961

Their children:

Alfred Lee Morris B) 5-30-38
 Married to: Ramona Marshall
Address: Mr. & Mrs. Alfred L. Morris
 335 Kenwood Drive, Russell, Ky. 41169

Their children:

Jeffrey Marshall Morris B) 6-7-60
 Christopher Lee Morris B) 5-19-62
 Amy Elizabeth Morris B) 12-20-67
 Joseph Russell Morris B) 10-24-75

Margie Ann Morris B) 3-9-42
 Married to: Lewis Pocock

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Pocock
 Rt. 3 Snyder Road, Warren, Ohio

Margie's child by former marriage:
 Thomas Allen Brown

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRIS

ALFRED L. MORRIS, JR. (Continued)

Children (Continued):Lawrence Vernon Morris B) 2-26-1920 (Works for the C. & O. R. R.
at Russell, Ky.)

Married to: Hazel LeMaster B) 9-5-1921

Address: Mr. & Mrs. L. V. Morris
724 Williams St., Raceland, Ky. 41169Children:

Danny Roger Morris B) 12-23-1944

Married to: Colleen Gilliam

Address: Mr. & Mrs. D. R. Morris
Route 4, Box 518; Palatka, Fla. 32077

Their children: Danielle Renee Morris

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

RUBY M. MORRIS B) 2-9-1898 D) 1-16-1949 (Lived in Handley, W. Va.)

Married to: John McClellan Lake B) 1-8-1898 D) 11-8-1947 (Married:
6-19-1918)

Children:

Hessie E. Lake B) 3-31-1919 (Works for C&O R.R. - Handley, W.Va.)
Married to: Prudence Hall on 11-27-1946 (Born 8-10-1919)

Address: Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Lake
Pratt, W. Va. 25162 (P.O. Box 253)

Their children: Edith Sharon Lake B) 7-6-1949

Lloyd Kenneth Lake B) 12-15-1921 (With Brown Chevrolet Co., Montgomery, WV)
Married to: Alberta Settle on 12-15-1952

Address: Mr. & Mrs. L. Kenneth Lake
Pratt, West Virginia 25162

Their children: * Jeanne Elaine Lake B) 10-2-¹⁹⁵³~~1952~~
Kenneth McClellan Lake B) 8-24-1961

Norma Lea Lake B) 8-29-1923

Married to: Okey Russell on 3-31-1943 (B) 9-26-1923

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Okey Russell (P.O. Box 180)
Handley, W. Va. 25102

Their children: Jerald Bruce B) 7-14-1945
Married to: Teresa Boggs

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Jerald B. Russell
123 Oak St., Kernersville, N. C.

Their children:
Suzanne Joel Russell B) 1-20-1967

Jean Morris Lake B) 2-16-1926

Married to: Shirley W. Stevens on 11-28-1944 (B) 1-1-1920

Address: Mr. & Mrs. S. W. Stevens
215 North Cravens St - P. O. Box 201
Sweetser, Indiana 46987

Their children: Judith Kaye Stevens B) 7-5-1949
Married to: Dennis Roger Holcom
on 12-10-1967 (B) 9-23-1945

Their children:
Dennis Kevin Holcom B) 12-20-1969
Lori Ann Holcom B) 3-22-1971

Address:
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis R. Holcom
515 Nancy Road
Sweetser, Indiana 46987

*Jeanne Elaine Lake is married to Randolph Bailey. They live in Pratt, W. Va.

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRISDaughter

RUBY M. MORRIS (Continued)

Children (Continued)

Peggy Joyce Lake B) 10-4-1935

Married Darrell R. Duncan (on 3-17-1956) B) 5-5-1933

Address: Mr. & Mrs. D. R. Duncan
514 Douglas Avenue; Ravenawood, WV 26164Their children:

Brenda Joyce (Duncan) Southall B) 2-16-1957

Married to: Gary Ray Southall B) 9-13-1956

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Gary R. Southall
Box 44 Rt. 2 Ripley, W. Va.

Their children: Joshua Ray Southall B) 4-15-78

Darrell Allen Duncan B) 1-20-1964

John McClellan Lake, Jr. B) 8-22-26

Married to: Norma Jean Black B) 6-12-29 (Married: 8-27-1950)

Address: Mr. & Mrs. John M. Lake, Jr.
887 Gretna Lane; Cincinnati, Ohio 45240Their children:

John William Lake B) 2-13-1956

James Ernest Lake B) 12-26-1961

Joseph Edward Lake B) 5-12-1964

Jeffrey Alan Lake B) 11-17-1966

DESCENDANTS OF ALFRED AND NANCY (BUCKLEY) MORRIS

D-14

Daughter

CECILE MORRIS B) 6-18-1902 D) 12-27-1978 Both are buried in Montgomery
Married to: Ira W. Houchins (Deceased) D) 11-17-1937 Mem Park - London, WV

Children:

Frances Louise Houchins B) 12-22-1922 (Live in Pratt, W. Va.)
Married to: Harlan Sparkmon B) 10-13-1922

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Harlan Sparkmon
P. O. Box 621 - Montgomery, W. Va. 25136

Their Children:

Richard Logan Sparkmon B) 2-25-1947
Married to: Jana Lynn Roberts

Address: Mr. & Mrs. Richard L. Sparkmon
2339 Country Club Drive
Conyers, Georgia 30207

Children: Stephanie Leigh Sparkmon B) 8-20-74

William Russell Sparkmon B) 6-8-1952
Married to: Dortha Louise Spaulding

Address: Mr. & Mrs. William R. Sparkmon
East Bank, W. Va. 25067

Children: Carl Andrew Sparkmon B) 7-26-1977

Daughter

NANNIE MORRIS B) 9-30-1905 D) 6-16-1969 (Lived in Mandlay, W. Va.)
Married to: Ernest O'Brien B) 2-3-1888 D) 7-15-1962

No children

Daughter

Sary Morris B) 2-9-1894 D) 3-9-1894

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