## THE POWERS FAMILY

 James Powers was born 1831 in County Clare, Ireland. He died 14 March 1894 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa [Scott County, Iowa Probate, Book 6 page 230]. James married Mary McMahan, January 1864 in Elmira, New York. She was born 1841 in County Clare, Ireland. Mary died 18 December 1888 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa. They are buried in St. Ann's Cemetery in Long Grove. The Powers family came to Davenport in 1864, moving to Long Grove in 1870.

"Will of James Powers

In the name of God, Amen,

I, James Powers, of the County of Scott and State of Iowa being of the age of sixty three years and being of sound mind and memory do make publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner following. That is to say after paying my funeral expenses and debts.

I give and bequeath to my children as follows, Johanna A Powers (and now the wife of Henry Wood) the sum of one dollar, to Micheal V. Powers, the sum of one dollar, and to Patrick B. Powers, Mary A. Powers, James E. Powers, Andrew M. Powers, Thomas N. Powers, John J. Powers, William J. Powers, Margaret E. Powers, Elizabeth N. Powers and Irene L. Powers, share and share alilke. I, commend the keeping of my younger children in the care of the older ones.

I hereby appoint Thomas F. Smith sole Executrix (without bond) of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In whereof I have unto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of March 1894. A.D.

Witness R. K. Browell

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The above instrument consisting of one sheet was at the date thereof signed and declared by the said James Powers as and for his last Will and Testament inpresence of us who at this request and in his presence have submitted our names as witnesses thereto.

John McManus, residing at Long Grove, Iowa T.J. Glynn, residing at Long Grove, Iowa"

James

## Their children were:

i. Johanna Agnes, was born 21 November 1864 in Davenport, Iowa, died 24 May 1947 in Lanesboro, Mower County, Minnesota, and is buried there in Oakwood Cemetery. Johanna married Henry R. Wood in Lanesboro, Fillmore County, Minnesota. Henry was born 26 February 1854 in Harlem, New York, the son of Henry Roome and Maggie (Cook) Wood. He died 17 October 1924 in Lanesboro, Minnesota. Henry Wood was a depot agent for the CMSTP railway in Lanesboro, Minnesota. They had five daughters and one son, R. E. Wood.

- Michael Vincent, was born 27 April 1866 in Davenport, Iowa, died 24 May 1934 ii. at his home at 1703 Iowa Street, in Davenport. He married Elizabeth Ann Lynch, 30 April 1906 at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. Elizabeth was born 25 February 1873 on a farm in Long Grove, Iowa. Her parents were John and Catherine (McDonell) Lynch, both born in County Clare, Ireland. She died 8 July 1935 in Davenport. Micheal Powers received his education in the Davenport and Long Grove Schools where he learned the carpentry trade. Micheal was a carpenter contractor before working as a foreman for the Bettendorf Company, a position he held for over seventeen years. Micheal and Elizabeth are buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Davenport. Children: a. Wilber James; married Beverly Jeane Easley, children: 1. Mark J.; m Angela Newhouse; 2. Eileen J.; b. Katherine Elizabeth; m 1st James E. Carroll, m 2nd Charles Schneider, children (surname Carroll): 1. Richard, m Betty Gregory, children (surname Carroll): i. James; ii. Brian; 2. Vin; m Barbara Greco, child (surname Carroll): a. Kevin; 3. Jamie; m Pamela Suprenaut, children (surname Carroll): i. Ian; ii. Emily; c. Vincent John: married Margaret Roche, children: 1. Micheal; m Evelyn Dankanics, children, (surname Powers): i. Tera; ii. Nichole; 2. Jim; 3. Maureen; m Bob Cahill, children (surname Cahill): i. Christin; ii. Bobbie; iii. Kevin; iv. Maughn: v. Bridget, vi. Meghan; 4. John; m Diane Lamorgese, children, (surname Powers): i. Carrie; ii. Rebecca; 5. Patrick; m B. J. White, children, (surname Powers): i. Heather; ii Pat.
- iii. Patrick Bernard, was born 30 November 1867 in Davenport, Iowa, died 11 June 1935 at his home at 326 East Ninth Street, Davenport. He married Mary Ellen Thompson, 16 September 1903 at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. Mary Ellen was born 20 December 1878 in Princeton, Iowa, the daughter of Chester and Caroline (Gray) Thompson. She died 20 May 1964 in Davenport, and is buried there with her husband in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Patrick was a member of the Modern Woodmen of the World and was employed for thirty five years at Crook Brothers Laundry in Davenport. Children: a. Bernice; married Jay Derry, Inglewood, California; b. Margaret, married David Bearbower, Clinton, Iowa; c. Loras J.; married Phylis Merrinam, children: 1. Micheal; m Colleen (\_\_\_\_\_); 2. Marilyn; m Rudolf Hughes; 3. Dennis; 4. Betty A.; m Eugene Burlingame; d. Patrick, Jr., Davenport, Iowa.
- 2. iv. Mary Ann, was born 13 February 1870 in Davenport, Iowa.
  - v. James Edward, was born 9 December 1871 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 10 April 1944 in Davenport, from the results of a fall from a second story window at Mercy Hospital. He is buried with his parents in St. Ann's Cemetery

- at Long Grove, Iowa. James was a farmer in Long Grove before moving to Davenport where he worked as a carpenter. He did not marry.
- vi. Andrew Martin, was born 6 January 1875 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 4 June 1931 in Terre Haute, Indiana. At age seventeen he left the family farm and moved to Davenport, shortly thereafter coming to Terre Haute, where he managed the bar of the Terre Haute House. "Andy" was a leader in the field of union labor and in this connection served as president of the Vigo County Central labor union. His obituary tells us that Andrew Powers was "one of Terre Haute's best known residents and for many years an active leader in Democratic political circles." At the time of his death he was city comptroller, a trustee of the boys' club, a Knight of Columbus and a member of the Elk's Club. The flags were flown at half mast, the doorway to the city hall was draped in black and all offices of the city, except the police department, were closed until after his funeral. Family tradition says he married about 1910, however, no mention was made of this in his obituary; he had no children. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and was buried in the Elk's Rest at Highland Lawn Cemetery in Terre Haute.
- vii. Thomas Francis, was born 21 October 1876 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, he died 11 April 1941 in Westmont, Illinois. He married Ann E. Hurley, 15 April 1901, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Davenport, Iowa. Ann was born 13 April 1873, Clinton County, Iowa, daughter of James and Catherine (McCoy) Hurley, who were both born in Ireland. Thomas was a carpenter by trade and lived in Davenport until moving to Chicago in 1920. Ann Powers died 6 April 1945 in Davenport, and is buried there with her husband in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Children: a. William James, b 1904, died age 5; b. Marie Helen; married Forrest L. McKinney of Davenport, children (surname McKinney): 1. Jack; 2. Carol; m William Collins, children (surname Collins): i. Tom; ii. Mike.
- viii. John Joseph, was born 11 July 1878 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 22 October 1955 in Long Grove. John lived in Davenport for sixty-six years, working as a maintenance man for Mercy Hospital and Pine Knoll Tuberculosis Hospital. John is buried with his parents in St. Ann's Cemetery at Long Grove, Iowa. He did not marry.
- ix. William Jerome, was born 26 July 1880 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died July 1955 in Davenport. He married Pearl Drummond 13 December 1906 in Donahue, Scott County, Iowa. Pearl was born 27 July 1887 on a farm near Donahue, Iowa, the daughter of Wm. "Dick" and Hannah (Hite) Drummond. They farmed for many years near Long Grove. She died 19 February 1963 at the

home of her daughter in Davenport; they are buried in the Memorial Park Cemetery, Davenport. Children: a. Martha; married John Brennesh, Princeton, Illinois; b. Myrtle; married George Kremheller, Davenport; children (surname Kremheller): 1. William; 2. Harold; 3. Jeanne; m D. E. McLatchie.

- Margaret Ellen, a twin, was born 3 October 1882 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 23 September 1947 in Helena, Montana. She married Earl E. Bailey 28 April 1903 at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. Earl was born in 1881 in Fulton, Illinois, and died 3 March 1946 in Helena, Montana. After their marriage, Margaret and Earl moved to Anaconda, Montana, where they lived until 1922, at which time they moved to Helena, where he was a painter and paper hanger. Earl Bailey was the Deer Lodge County Clerk and Recorder for many years. Margaret was a member of Royal Neighbors of Woodcraft and St. Helena Cathedral. They are buried in the Resurrection Cemetery at Helena. Children (surname Bailey): a. Margaret; married Ernest A. Baumann, children (surname Baumann): 1. Earlene, 2. Cleo; b. Garnett; m Ovil J. Lupien, children (surname Lupien): 1. Garnette: 2. Vincent: 3. Diana: c. Helen, m Leo V. Kelly, children (surname Kelly): 1. Sharon: m Henry Lang, children (surname Lang): i. Helen; ii. Steve; iii. Chris; iv. Jim; v. Loretta Ann; 2. Kay; m Ben Messina, children (surname Messina): i. Micheal; ii. Tony; iii. Matthew; 3. Leo Jr.; m?, children: i. Teri; ii. Mike; iii. Marc: iv. Shannon: 4. Judy; m Richard Beck, children (surname Beck): i. Greg; ii. Amy; 5. Mary Pat; m Steve Tuss, children (surname Tuss): i. Brandon; ii. Brett: 6. Johnny, 7. Vincent.
- xi. Elizabeth Naoma, a twin, was born 3 October 1882 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 7 October 1949 in Terre Haute, Indiana. She married Ray Sneyd, 1 August 1906 in Terre Haute, Indiana. Elizabeth was employed at the Herz-Aldens Store in down-town Terre Haute. For many years Raymond worked as a salesman at Joseph's Clothing Store, later he was identified with the Terre Haute Brewing Company, where he was vice president of the Brewery Workers Union. He died 20 February 1945 in Terre Haute. They were members of St. Margaret Mary's Church and are buried in Calvary Cemetery, Terre Haute. Children, (surname Sneyd):

  a. Jack R.; married Marcella (\_\_\_\_\_), children, (surname Sneyd): 1. Jack Jr., 2. Richard; b. Richard.
- xii. Irene Leona, was born 31 October 1885 in Long Grove, Scott County, Iowa, died 28 November 1952 in Des Moines, Iowa. She married Clyde Wood, on New Years Eve, 1906 in Rock Island, Illinois. Clyde was born 15 March 1885 in Moline. The family lived in Des Moines, where Clyde was a sheet metal worker. He died in Des Moines, 23 March 1969, and is buried there with his wife in Woodlawn Cemetery. Children (surname Wood): a. Winifred; married Gilbert

Bolton, children (surname Bolton): 1. Joseph; m Sandie Reyes, children, (surname Bolton): i. John; ii. Mark; b. Mary; married Edward Ramirez, children (surname Ramirez): 1. Christine; 2. Daniel; 3. Karen; 4. Thomas; c. James; d. Susan; married Gregory Beye, children (surname Beye): 1. Brenda; 2. Steven; 3. Douglas; e. Micheal; married Madeline Quijano, children, (surname Wood): 1. Theodore; 2. Christopher; 3. Stephanie; f. Richard; married Catherine Delk.

2. Mary Ann<sup>2</sup> Powers (James<sup>1</sup>) was born 13 February 1870 in Davenport, Iowa, the daughter of James and Mary (McMahan) Powers. She married James J. Cannon, 26 December 1895 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Davenport. (See Cannon Family).

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