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Nancy Kisire "Seana" Swearingen Dyer

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Birth: Nov. 12, 1851
Jackson County
Tennessee, USA

Death: Dec. 8, 1929
Thebes
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Riley an (Seana) Dyer came to Illinois about 1886 from Cooksville, TN by walking most of the way. The following account of their journey was related by Ida Caldwell to her son, (Doc) Caldwell and his wife Edna Mae, shortly after they got married. At that time Doc and Edna were living in the old Caldwell home just off State Route 3 near Thebes, IL. (Edna and Doc related the story to me on August 12, 1997, which I tape recorded and have transcribed, Floyd L. Bennett).

Nancy K. (Seana) Swingum was married to a man with the last name of "Stevenson" (first name unknown) but believe to be "Tom", about 1870. This man, while drunk, killed Seana's brother about 1875 and was sent to prison for 30 years. About 3 years later, she married Riley Dyer. Her two children, born in this marriage to Stevenson, Mary and Sam, took the name "Dyer" for the remainder of their life. [Source: Finley S. (Doc) Caldwell, 21 Oct 1998]. (Floyd L. Bennett Notes and References).

Family links:

Spouse:
[William Riley Dyer \(1849 - 1932\)](#)

- Children:
- [Samuel Edmond Dyer \(1876 - 1948\)*](#)
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