

<b>Franklin</b>	<b>Spouse</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Book</b>
Franklin, Thomas	Davis, Mary Ann	15 Dec 1853	1-048
Franklin, T. J.	Riens, Caroline	27 Jan 1870	1-197
Cole, Red	Franklin, Annie	08 Sep 1894	1-590
Peters, B. A.	Franklin, Ada	23 Dec 1896	I-635
Kay, Pickens	Franklin, E. J.	30 Dec 1867	I-165
Bozeman, W. P.	Franklin, Eliza	30 Jan 1889	I-469
Pett, B. F.	Franklin, Elizabeth	18 apr 1855	I-058
Peters, Paul E.	Franklin, Julia E.	12 Oct 1887	I-482
Mitchell, Joshua	Franklin, Mary	09 Feb 1854	I-050
Pattison, G. R., Jr.	Franklin, Pearl	20 Sep 1893	I-573

## **Louisiana Soldiers in the War of 1812<sup>2</sup>**

Franklin, John, Private  
Franklin, Ralph, Private  
Franklin, Thomas, Private  
Franklin, William, Private

## **Index to Civil War Pension Applications**

Index to Civil War Pension Applications on Microfilm at Louisiana Department of Archives and History  
3851 Essen Lane, P. O. Box 94125, Baton Rouge, LA 70804

<b>Petitioner? <sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Veteran?</b>
Frankey, John	
Franklin, Abaline (or K. Abeline)	B. Y.
Franklin, Gregory	
Franklin, Isom	
Franklin, J. M.	
Franklin, John	
Franklin, Lafayette	
Franklin, Lucinda Jane.	Lafayette
Franklin, Martha A.	James M.
Franklin, Martha M.	Isom
Franklin, Moses J.	

a. These columns were not labeled in the First Edition. These titles are my best guesses. Editor, 2nd Edition

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2. Pierson, Marion J. B., *Louisiana Soldiers in the War of 1812*, Published by Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society, 1963.

## **Voters Registration, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana**

Franklin, Benjamin born Louisiana 1857

Franklin, Daniel Chester born Mississippi 1828

Franklin, Jacob Baker born Mississippi 1830

Franklin, John born North Carolina 1823

Franklin, William Henry born Louisiana 1856

## **Marriages Of St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.**

Franklin, Mary to Spring, William Issued 18 Jul 1825 by L. H., Parish Judge, married on 8 Sep 1825 by Jacob Smith, J. P. Consent for marriage signed by Henry Franklin:

Parish of St. Helena: Sir these lines is [sic] to inform you that Wm. Spring and my daughter Mary Franklin has entered into a marriage contract and myself and wife has given our consent to said matrimony, July 18th, 1825. Signed H. Franklin

The State of Louisiana Parish of St. Helena \_\_\_ \_\_\_ pray\_\_ of the petition be granted and \_\_\_ \_\_\_ to join in marriage William Spring and Mary Franklin July 18, 1825. L. H. \_\_\_P, Judge

William Spring and Mary Franklin was married by me the undersigned Justice of the Peace agreeable to the written license - Sept 8, 1825. Signed: Jacob Smith, J. P.

## **Saint Tammany Parris, Louisiana Marriages**

*Index to the Marriages of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana 1812-1900*

1895 Franklin, Harvey to Evaline Thomas Vol 3 page 42

## **St. Helena Parish, Louisiana Deeds**

### **Greensburgs, Louisiana**

Book C - Page 055: 23 Jul 1819 Henry Franklin produced and exhibited instrument in writing requesting the same to be admitted of record that Joseph Miliiah sold and delivered unto Henry Franklin six negroes namely a negro woman Numy; a boy John, Sam and Nils; one negro girl named Harriot and Jenny together with all cattle, hogs, horses, household and kitchen furniture for the sum of \$2800.00. Test: William Mc-Michael, Joseph (X) Milah and Iail Ott

Book E - Page 424: Henry Franklin sold to James Bennett

Book J - Page 43: Henry Franklin sold to Newsome J. Maston (Mastows) State of Louisiana, Parish of St. Helena - November 28, 1832 Henry Franklin of the State of Mississippi, Rankin County, sold to James Bennett (of St. Helena Parish, Louisiana) 320 acres of land (lying) to the lower part of a tract, or section, that was settled by Wiley Thompson on the west side of Tangipahoa River, for the sum of \$350.00. Paid to me by James Olivent Alec\_\_\_(?) and James Bennett. Signed, sealed, and delivered by Henry Franklin, in the presence of Alexander B. Kinchen and Joseph (his X-mark) Miley. Note: This deed was presented to Samuel Leonard, Parish Judge, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana. on 13 Jan 1838, by James Bennett (of St. Helena Parish) for the recording thereof.

# Kanawha County, West Virginia Death Records 1853-1934

Compiled 22 Mar 1993 and submitted by Wanda L. Burcham, 4154 57th St., N #172, St Petersburg, FL 33709-5436

<b>Date</b>	<b>Book</b>	<b>Name</b>
1861	1-36	John Franklin White male, age 82 born Prince Edward County, Virginia. Info by Cyrus Cary, son-in-law.
1865	1-34	James Franklin, age 22 son of Wm and Martha Franklin born Bedford County, Virginia.
1865	1-315	Ida Lee Franklin White female age 2 yrs 8 months daughter of J. W. and Eliz. Franklin born Kanawha.
1865	1-60	John W. Franklin white male, married died Union Township. Cause: Consumption. Parents: John and S. Franklin. Birthplace, Virginia. Occupation: Farmer. Informant M. F. (Manda F.) Franklin, Wife.
1875	1-67	Vinson Franklin, age 40; consumption
1879	1-87	Sarah E. Franklin, age 18 died consumption. Parents: J. W. and E. E. Franklin. Informant by J. B. Franklin, brother.
1882	1-98	Martha L. Franklin, age 2 yrs 10 months. Parents: A. J. and Eliz. Franklin.
1895	1-160	Emily E. Franklin, age 77. Cause: Stomach trouble. Parents: John and Sallie Franklin. Born Virginia. Informant: Cyrus Cary, brother-in-law.
1899	1-183	Marga Franklin
1909	1-267	Mrs. R. C. Franklin, age 40. Died: Consumption
1911	1-301	Kate Franklin, age 85. Died: old age, single. Informant: R. S. Franklin
1914	2-34	Ben Franklin, age 74 Kanawha County, West Virginia. Infrimary, Tuberculosis. Widower.
1914	2-34	Press Franklin
1917	2-91	Martha Franklin, age 96, Senility, married.
1918	2-115	Charley Franklin, age 1 yr at Blaksely.
1921	2-134	Samuel Franklin born Indiana.
1922	2-187	Rachel Franklin, age 2. Parents: J. C. Franklin.
1923	2-187	Walter Franklin
1923	2-187	John Wesley Franklin, age 52 yrs 8 mos 17 days. Nitro, Married. Cause of Death: Auto accident. Occupation: U. S. Marshall. Born West Virginia. Parents: John W. Franklin.
1924	2-216	Mahala Jane Franklin born Ohio.
1926	2-278	Ellen Franklin
1928	3-48	Mary Alice Franklin
1929	3-85	Russell R. Franklin
1933	3-235	Lennie Mae Franklin, age 56 yrs 9 mos 18 days, Nitro. Cause of death: sudden cardia, widowed. Parents: John Jenkins. Born Kanawha County, West Virginia. Informant: Irene Franklin, daughter.

## Kanawha County, West Virginia Deeds

Kanawha County Court House. Compiled and submitted by Wanda L. Burcham, 4154 57th St., N #172, St Petersburg, FL 33709-5436. Copied 22 Mar 1993

<b>Date</b>	<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Grantor</b>	<b>Book</b>	<b>Page</b>
1844	John Franklin	John J. Brown	N	508
	For \$800, 300 A Armours Creek, Jopling Branch part of 7000 acre tract on Armour Creek Poca River which is part of the Fry Military Grant surveyed in 1773, from a grant by King George III.			
1854	John W. Franklin Robert W. Franklin	Benjamin Rust	S	
	160A Armours Creek, Jopling Branch.			
1855	Benjamin Franklin	Lilburne Sim	T	135
	100A Flatwoods			
1857	John W. Franklin	Robert W. J. Franklin	UV	15
	160A Flatwoods			
1869	John W. Franklin	Rhoda F. Carey	25	522
	160A Rocky Fork			
1870	John W. Franklin	Emily Franklin, et al	26	408
	100 A Rocky Fork			
1878	Heirs of John W. Franklin		33	106
1883	R. A. Franklin	Heir of Hezekiah Agee	39	598
	Agee Farm, Putnam County			
1891	Charles M. Franklin, Heir of		56	92
1892	John W. Franklin	B. A. Franklin and wife	60	614
	271 A Poca River			
1899	John W. Franklin		79	405
	271 A Rocky Fork			
1903	Lena M. Franklin	Heir of John R. Jenkins	89	77
1905	John Franklin	Lena Pickens	77	422
1935	J. W. Franklin	Heirs of J. W. Franklin	403	112
	180 acre tract			
	Ruby Burcham and Adolphus Burcham		46 acres	Lot No. 2
	Lester Franklin and Ruby Franklin			
	Wesley Franklin and Bethelen Franklin		8 acres	Lot No. 4
	Irene Cole and Ray H. Cole			
	Homer B. Franklin and Osee Franklin			Lot No. 6
	Lucille Franklin			

# Kanawha County, West Virginia Marriage Records Index

Kanawha County Court House. Compiled and submitted by Wanda L. Burcham, 4154 57th St., N #172, St Petersburg, FL 33709-5436. Copied 22 Mar 1993

## Female Marriages 1854-1933

Year	Vol/Page	Name
1856	1-8	Rhoda Franklin married Cyrus Cary daughter of John and Sallie Franklin
1861	1-27	E. J. Franklin
1863	1-31	Julie A. Franklin daughter of Wm and Martha Franklin of Bedford County, Virginia
1864	1-43	Francis Franklin daughter of Ed and Nancy Franklin born Boone County
1869	1-63	Elizabeth L. Franklin
1873	1-90	Sarah P. Franklin born Bedford County
1876	1-111	Amanda F. Franklin, age 37 widow married William S. Rose
1884	1-226	Carrie Franklin married A. G. Rust daughter of J. W. and Amanda Franklin
1885	2-156	Belle Franklin married James Fellowes daughter of J. W. and E. E. Franklin
1886	2-38	Martha E. Franklin
1889	2-156	Carrie A. Franklin
1890	2-182	Carrie Franklin
1893	2-294	Essie Franklin
1894	2-346	Martha Franklin
1903	3-131	Catherine Franklin
1924	9-87	Ruby Franklin married Adolphus Burcham daughter of J. W. and Lennie Franklin
1933	12-17	Irene Franklin married Ray H. Cole daughter of J. W. and Lennie Franklin

## Male Marriages 1854-1933

Date	Vol-Page	Marriage
1853		Wesley Franklin married Eliza E. McCown
1857	1-12	Robert W. Franklin married Martha B. Agee 3 Dec son of John and Sarah Franklin
1861	1-217	Wright Franklin son of Wm. and Martha Franklin born Bedford County, Virginia
1865	1-44	John W. Franklin married Eliz E. son of John and Sarah Franklin born Nelson County <sup>a</sup>
1871	1-79	Benjamin Franklin (colored)
1879	1-149	Charles Franklin
1880	1-154	Charles Franklin
1883	1-214	Benjamin A. Franklin married Melissa Dudding son of J. W. and E. E. Franklin
1885	2-6	James B. Franklin son of J. W. and E. E. Franklin
1895	2-6	J. B. Franklin married Mary A. Johnson

Date	Vol-Page	Marriage
1897	2-480	J. W. Franklin married Lena Jenkins son of J. W. and Amanda Franklin
1926	9-202	Homer B. Franklin married Osee Heckert son of J. W. and Lena Franklin
1932	11-179	J. Wesley Franklin married Bethlene Jefferies <sup>b</sup> son of J. W. and Lena Franklin

- a. Nelson County, Virginia? Editor, 2nd Edition  
b. Note: this is spelt "Jeffries" elsewhere in this Volume. Editor, 2nd Edition

## John W. and Sallie (Bondurant) Franklin

Children of John W. and Sallie (Bondurant) Franklin:

1. John Wesley Franklin, II (born 19 Apr 1832 Nelson, Boone County, West Virginia - died 13 Feb 1873 Union Township, Kanawha County, West Virginia) married Elizabeth E. McGowan (born 30 Oct 1829 - died 25 Jan 1864).

Their children:

- (1) Charles E. Franklin (born 1853 - died 1892) married Martha Ellen Riddle.  
Their children:
  - A. Bertha Franklin (born 1887) married \_\_\_\_\_ Runyon.
  - B. Bessie E. Franklin (born 1889) married \_\_\_\_\_ Allen and \_\_\_\_\_ Phillips (?)
  - C. Beulah Franklin (born 1891 - died 1971) married \_\_\_\_\_ Carney
- (2) Emma Belle Franklin (born 1855) married James D. Fellows
- (3) James B. Franklin (born 1858 - died 1903) married Mary A. Johnson. No issue.
- (4) Sarah E. (Betty) Franklin (born 1861 - died 1879). No issue.
- (5) Ida Lee Franklin (born 1862 - died 1865)
- (6) Benjamin A. Franklin (born 1864 - died 1915) married #1 Melissa Dudding. Children:
  - A. Dana Franklin to Washington State
  - B. Acel Franklin (born 1890 - died 1910)
  - C. Velma Franklin (d 1914)
  - D. Mae Franklin ( Triplets)
  - E. Fae Franklin ( Triplets)
  - F. child did not live ( Triplets)

Benjamin A. Franklin married #2 Grace E. Cowan.

Their child:

- G. Benjamin A. Franklin, Jr. to Washington State.

John Wesley Franklin, II married #2 14 Sep 1865 to Amanda Fitzallan Simms (born 1839 - died 1916).

Their child:

- (7) Helen Franklin (born 1866 - died 1888)
- (8) Caroline Frances "Carrie" Franklin (born 1869 - died 1898) married 1884 to Albert Gallatin Rust.
- (9) John Wesley Franklin III (born 1870- died 1923) and Lena "Lennie" M. Jenkins.  
Their children:
  - A. Ruby Fitzallan Franklin (1898-1954) married Adolphus Burcham
  - B. Homer Blackburn Franklin (1900-1956) married Osee Heckert
  - C. John Wesley Franklin, IV (1902-1957) married Bethelene Jeffries<sup>3</sup>
  - D. James Lester Franklin (1905-1955) married Mrs. Ruby Milam

- E. Reba Irene Franklin (1907- ) married Ray Cole  
 F. Margaret Lucille Franklin (1911-1977) married \_\_\_\_ Norman

In the family papers there is mentioned G. W. Franklin (1859-1881) but I don't know the connection. Wanda L. Burcham.

## Marriage Bonds of Bedford County, Virginia

Submitted by Mary Sue Lauth, 2213 Westmoor Road, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Date	Franklin
6 July 1779	Thomas and Margaret Campbell, daughter of James. Lewis Franklin, Surety.
22 Dec 1788	Edmund and Rosenah Numan. Thomas Creezy, Surety. Married by James Mitchell, 28 Dec 1788.
23 Apr 1792	John Bryant and Marget Numan. Edmund Franklin, Surety. Married by Joseph Drury, 24 Apr 1792.
15 Mar 1794	Edmund and Betsey Pryor, daughter of Hanes (or Harris). William Pryor, Surety.
14 Nov 1796	John and Nancy Boothe. William Boothe, Surety. Married by Isham Fuqua, Nov 14, 1796.
24 Dec 1800	Archer and Mary Weekes, daughter of George. Elijah Weekes, Surety. Married by Alderson Weeks, 25 Dec 1800.
30 Dec 1805	Joseph and Mason Blankenship. Abraham Blankenship, Surety. Married by John Ayers, 9 Jan 1806.
1 Jan 1807	Lawson and Elizabeth McManaway. Robert Lancaster, Surety. Consent of Marthew McManaway. Married by William Harris, 4 Jan 1807.
24 Apr 1809	William and Hannah Morgan, daughter of Thomas and Susanna. Price Snider, Surety. Married by John Ayers, 12 May 1809.
17 Apr 1820	Henry T. and Locky Leftwich, daughter of James. George Turner, Surety.
26 Feb 1821	Francis W. and Polly M. Wright. John Wright, Surety.
23 Apr 1821	Henry W. and Martha T. Holt, daughter of Spradley Holt. Mabey Holt, Surety.
20 Dec 1824	James and Salley Burchfield. John Burchfield, Surety. Married by William Harris, 23 Dec 1824.
12 Aug 1825	Thomas and Catherine Shepard. Jacob Shepard, Surety. Married by William Leftwich, 14 Aug 1825.
27 Apr 1826	Milton and Sally Dakin, daughter of Jonathan, Sr. Jonathan Dakin, Surety.
8 May 1827	John and Mary Percy. Henry Percy, Surety. Married by James Leftwich, Jr., 22 May 1827.
15 Aug 1827	John and Martha I. Anderson. Married by William Leftwich.
3 Jan 1828	Benjamin and Lucy Burchfield. John Burchfield, Surety. Married by William Harris, 8 Jan 1828.
23 Sep 1833	John and Martha J. Hopkins. Price Hopkins, Surety. Married by William Harris, 23 Sep 1833.

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3. Note: this is spelt "Jefferies" elsewhere in this Volume. Editor, 2nd Edition

<b>Date</b>	<b>Franklin</b>
25 Nov 1833	Samuel, S Saml., and Elina Parker. Caleb D. Parker, Surety. Consent of Caleb D. Parker. Married by Alexander W. Campbell, 17 Dec 1833.
30 Sep 1835	John and Elizabeth Franklin, daughter of Sam. Abner Franklin, Surety. Married by William Leftwich, 17 Nov 1835.
31 Oct 1835	Joel and Nancy Wright, daughter of Mary. Isaac Wright, Surety. Married by William Leftwich, 12 Nov 1835.
11 Nov 1835	William and Rebecca Creasy. Pleasant Cresy, Jr., Surety.
8 Jan 1836	Joel and Jinsey Waldron. Nixon W. Thomas, Surety. Married by James Leftwich, 13 Jan 1836.
24 Aug 1839	William and Martha Ann Hogan, daughter of Charles. James Turner, Surety. Married by Benjamin Meador.
16 Nov 1839	Abner H. and Mary A. Wyatt, daughter of Thomas. Joel Franklin, Surety.
3 Oct 1840	James and Emily S. Leftwich, daughter of Wm. Joel Leftwich, Surety.
19 Jan 1841	William and Sarah Snider. Price M. Morgan, Surety. Married by John Ayers, 19 Jan 1841.
1 Feb 1841	Jackson W. and Pamela A. Owens. Ro. C. Mitchell, Surety. Consent of Taliaferro Owens.
24 Jun 1847	John and Elizabeth R. Hopkins, daughter of Frances G. Walter L. Hopkins, Surety.
20 Dec 1847	Archibald and Martha Crouch, daughter of John. Henry L. Lantz, Surety.
2 Jan 1849	James T. and Elizabeth Brown, daughter of Ethelred. John O. Gilpin, Surety.
24 Dec 1849	James C. and Ann Julicia L. Franklin, daughter of Milton. William B. Stump, Surety. Married by Thomas C. Goggin.
22 Apr 1852	Elias and Sarah Jane Franklin. Married by Joseph Spriggs.

## **Campbell County, Virginia Marriage Bonds**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Franklin</b>	<b>Spouse</b>	<b>Notes</b>
1783	John	Sarah Clarke	
4 Jan 1788	Henry	Sally Davis	John Davis, Surety.
3 Mar 1796	Thos.	Letticia Evans	daughter of Reec - W. Alexander, Surety.
8 Dec 1800	Robert	Mary Perrow	daughter of Daniel
4 Dec 1801	John	Anne Dinwiddie	daughter of Frances. Thomas Franklin, Surety.
10 May 1802	Peter	Sally Farthing	daughter of William
24 Oct 1817	Lewis	Elizabeth Jones	daughter of Edward Wood. John F. Wood, Surety.
13 Mar 1818	William L.	Letticia W. Evans	daughter of Daniel
10 Jan 1821	Thomas	Elizabeth Mann	
10 Sep 1821	Robert	Elizabeth North	daughter of Polly. William Thompson, Jr., Surety.
8 Nov 1824	Thomas H.	Judith W. Arrington	daughter of Adler. Thomas Williams, Jr., Surety.
7 Aug 1827	John	Martha J. Anderson	daughter of Sally. Frances Calloway, Surety.
10 Nov 1830	Benjamin	Sarah Ferguson	Robert Franklin, Jr., Surety.



Date	Franklin	Spouse	Notes
24 Dec 1832	Thomas	Judith E. Anderson	daughter of Sally. Carolus G. Terry, Surety.
30 Oct 1838	Robert	Millisant Johnson	daughter of Malisant. Barnet Finch, Surety.
23 Jan 1844	Daniel E.	Leticia J. D. Martin	Anderson Booth, Surety
2 Apr 1844	Thos D.	Sarah J. Dowdy	daughter of Edward H. William H. Burk, Surety.
14 Nov 1844	Joel W.	Calista H. Litchford	Edmund B. Wood, Surety.
8 Dec 1847	John W.	Mary J. Evans	daughter of William. Daniel Evans, Surety.

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Submitted by Mary Sue Lauth, 2213 Westmoor Road, Findlay, Ohio 45840

### **Franklin**

Irwin Chace Franklin (born 23 Apr 1875); received by request at Alex monthly meeting, D.C. 8 Jan 1922 died 26 Sep 1927 buried McNabb, Illinois; son of James Nelson Franklin and wife, Sarah P. (Chace) Franklin married 14 Oct 1902 presumably at McNabb, Illinois) Lucretia M. Smith (born 29 Aug 1874; of Clear Creek monthly meeting, McNabb, Illinois, 9 May 1922; ct Clear Creek MM, McNabb, Illinois, 13 Oct 1940, daughter of Henry R. Smith and wife, Mary (Wilson) Smith); after the death of her husband, Lucretia M. (Smith) Franklin sojourned a while in Canada and then returned to her old home in McNabb, Illinois; during the period of absence she was allowed to keep a dual membership in Alex monthly meeting and Clear Creek monthly meeting, Illinois, but resigned from Alex monthly meeting 1940 and was got Clear Creek monthly meeting.

Children of Irwin Chase Franklin and wife, Lucretia M. (Smith) Franklin:

Sarah Chace Franklin born 6 Oct 1906; received by request at Alex monthly meeting, D.C., 9 May 1920; married 7 Feb 1931 Carleton Garretson Young; ct Clear Creek monthly meeting, McNabb, Illinois, 13 Oct 1940, in the name of her 2nd husband, Feeley

Sarah Chase, daughter of Irwin Chase and Lucretia M. (Smith) Franklin, of Alex monthly meeting, married (1) 7 Feb 1931 Carleton Garrettson Young; married (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Feeley (date and place not listed); got Clear Creek monthly meeting, McNabb, Illinois, 13 Oct 1940.

### **James and Nancy Franklin**

The following is being published in an attempt to address issues which surfaced as a result of materials submitted and published in our Charter Issue (Sep 1990). These materials came from several Franklin Researchers; none of which was researched by FFRU staff.

Our intent here is to provide as much information as possible (provided by our various researchers) so that they may help each other to unite in their final decisions on their lineage.

We hope that, if this family is yours, you will keep an open mind and attempt to help each other in a very positive way.

For the benefit of those who did not see the article published in our FFRU Charter Issue, we will repeat the information. The letters which follow were sent in response to this article and are published in the order in which they were received.

# James and Nancy Whitten Franklin

## Original Article Published Charter Issue 1990

The following combined information was submitted by Iris Rivers, 1336 Chimney Hills Rd., Yukon, OK 73099-3105; Doreen Logsdon Rawlings, 3566 Fairfax Lane, Woodbury, MN 55125-9343; Meta V. Squire, 3732 Barry Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066; Amy M. Franklin, PO Box 146, Whitney, NE 69367). One other researcher who has not yet submitted material, but working on this line is T. L. Franklin, 600 Turner Dr. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87123.

James Franklin, Jr. (born 18 May 1772/74 Amherst County, Virginia - died 12 Jun 1826 Mercer County, Kentucky) married 6 Dec 1802 Amherst County, Virginia to Nancy Whitten (born 1 Dec 1775/84 Amherst County, Virginia - died 1861. ). Some Franklin researchers feel that James Franklin, Jr. may be the son of James Franklin, Sr. and Docia Mayes. Have been unable to prove or disprove this.

Per Chancery Court proceedings (Mercer County, Kentucky, Judgement Box F-29, H. G. Franklin and c VS Debaum and others); in 1846 twenty years after the death of James Franklin, the youngest child, Hamilton Gray Franklin brought suit against Samuel DeBaum's heirs, since Samuel had died. Samuel DeBaum was the executor of James Franklin's Will. DeBaum had been instructed to sell certain lands and turn over to the widow for schooling of the children. But Nancy Franklin never received any of this money. Listed in these papers were names of the Franklin children and their spouses.

Their children are:

1. Archelous W. Franklin (born 2 Oct 1803 Virginia died 1843 Caldwell County, Kentucky).
2. Mary Ann Franklin (born 26 Feb 1805 Virginia died 1848 Crittenden County, Kentucky) married 13 Sep 1825 to Jacob Martin (born 1805 Culpepper County, Virginia) Jacob was the son of William Martin.
3. Susanna Franklin (born 31 Apr 1806 Mercer County, Kentucky) married 14 Aug 1835 to Timothy Condor.
4. James B. Franklin (born 8 Mar 1808 Mercer County, Kentucky) married 7 Oct 1834 to Elizabeth Huff.
5. Julia Ann Franklin (born 7 Dec 1809 Mercer County, Kentucky died 1856 Sullivan County, Indiana) 28 Apr 1890 buried Palmer's Prairie Cemetery, Sullivan County, Indiana) married 27 Mar 1830 Mercer County, Kentucky to Major ? Pleasant Boles. (Doreen Logsdon Rawlings line).<sup>4</sup> Their children:
  - (1) Nancy Boles
  - (2) Elizabeth Boles
  - (3) William Henry Harrison Boles (born 25 Jun 1837/1838 Haddon, Hamilton County, Indiana-died 30 Jul 1914 Hamilton, Sullivan County, Indiana buried Center Ridge Cemetery, Indiana).
  - (4) Tabitha Kate Boles (born 27 Sep 1838 Sullivan County, Indiana; died 4 Feb 1917 Farmersburg, Sullivan County, Indiana buried Westlawn Cemetery, Farmersburg, Sullivan County, Indiana) married 18 Oct 1860 Sullivan County, Indiana to Jacob Harrison Heck.
  - (5) Edward F. Boles (born 1840)
  - (6) Hamilton G. Boles (born 1845)
  - (7) Vardaman Boles (born 1847- died 1939 buried Center Ridge Cemetery, Hamilton, Indiana)
  - (8) Ardilla Boles (born 1856)
  - (9) Vandalia Voudilla Boles

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4. Doreen's resources: *Will of James Franklin, Jr.*, Mercer County, Kentucky 1826 Book 9 page 86; Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT, Book 976.9485 D28i Mercer County, Kentucky; Estate Inventory Mercer County, Kentucky 1827 Book 9 page 38 and 39 Film #191833; Will Settlement 1830 Mercer County, Kentucky Book 9, page 342.

6. Margaret ? (died young)?
7. George W. Franklin (born 27 Aug 1811 Mercer County, Kentucky died 1860 Robertson County, Texas) married 27 Aug 1838 to Rolinda Hurt. <sup>5</sup>
8. William Harrison Franklin (born 12 Jun 1813 Mercer County, Kentucky) married 1 Apr 1841 to Maria J. Clarke (born 7 May 1821 died 5 Sep 1886).
9. Felix G. Franklin (born 26 Mar 1815 Mercer County, Kentucky died 1879 Erath County, Texas) married 4 Aug 1846 Mercer County, Kentucky to Pheobe Cummings (born 1820 Mercer County, Kentucky died 1864 Johnson County, Kansas).
10. Fannie Franklin (born 8 Nov 1816 Mercer County, Kentucky) married 13 Nov 1837 to Lunsford Noel.
11. Elizabeth Franklin (born 24 Apr 1818 Mercer County, Kentucky died 15 Jun 1900 Geary, Blaine County, Oklahoma) married 3 Jun 1840 Mercer County, Kentucky to #1 Harbon McIntire (born 18 Mar 1818 Mercer County, Kentucky died 23 Aug 1855 Cass County, Missouri). Elizabeth married in 1859 #2 Daniel Moore and had 2 more children. (Editors note: no mention of number of children Elizabeth and Harbon McIntire had).
12. Jeremiah Franklin (born 31 Mar 1820 Mercer County, Kentucky died 10 Aug 1859 Grass County,<sup>6</sup> California)
13. Hamilton Gray Franklin (born 5 Jan 1822 Mercer County, Kentucky died 7 Mar 1898 Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas , buried Ward Cemetery, Pursley, Navarro County, Texas) married 22 May 1849 ( Mercer County, Kentucky) to Mary Elizabeth Brady (born 17 Aug 1830 Washington County, Kentucky died 19 Dec 1912 Geary, Blaine County, Oklahoma). (information submitted by Meta V. Squire, 3732 Barry Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066) as indicated plus the following: Mary Elizabeth Brady was the daughter of Thomas Brady and Elizabeth Drury.  
Their children were:
  - (1) Zachariah Taylor Franklin (born 10 Feb 1850 Mercer County, Kentucky died Jun 1925) married Margaret Jane Alderson.
  - (2) Melissa Jane Franklin (born 16 May 1852 Mercer County, Kentucky died 29 Feb 1890) married 1871 to Willis Henry Hamilton.
  - (3) George Washington Franklin (born 29 May 1854 Mercer County, Kentucky died 14 Nov 1939) married 29 Dec 1886 to America Ann Owen.
  - (4) John Wm. (Steve) Franklin (born 9 Jul 1856 Mercer County, Kentucky died 22 Sep 1934) married 8 Apr 1888 to Fannie Lasley.
  - (5) Christopher Columbus Franklin (born 11 Jun 1858 Mercer County, Kentucky) married Anna Roberts.
  - (6) Nancy Elizabeth Franklin (born 4 Jul 1863 Mercer County, Kentucky died 12 May 1945) married 27 Nov 1881 to George William Owen.
  - (7) James Archelous Franklin (born 5 Jul 1867 died 1868)

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- 30 Nov 1796 Bibb, Jesse (middle of Bond) Pryor, Jesse (top and bottom of bond) to Nuckols, Polly; parent or Guardian of Husband Nicholas Pryor (consent from my son Jesse Pryor); Se-

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5. Editor's note (First Edition): The 1860 Texas Census index lists a George W. Franklin living in Lockhart, Caldwell County, Texas. and a George W. Franklin living in Owenville, Robertson County, Texas.
  6. There is no "Grass County" in the United States. Possibly should be "Grass Valley, California" ?  
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- curity and witnesses W. R. Crawford, William Ware.
- 10 Dec 1796 Tooley, John to Witt, Milley (each of Amherst Parish); Parent or Guardian of Wife, Jean Witt, father; Security and witnesses David Witt, W. R. Crawford, Joseph Roberts, James Clark.
  - 15 Dec 1796 Franklin, James to Crews, Nancy; Security and witnesses Reuben Crawford, W. R. Crawford.
  - 19 Dec 1796 Harris, Edward to Diggs, Kitty (each of Amherst Parish); parents or Guardian of wife Jno Diggs; Security and witnesses William Lee Harris, Elizabeth ?.
  - 19 Dec 1796 Lankford, James (middle of bond) Landford, Matthew (top and bottom of bond) to Lyon,<sup>7</sup> Philadelphia; Parent or Guardian of wife Peter Lyon (consent for Matthew Lankford to have my daughter); Security and witnesses Wm. Lankford, Philadelphia Lyons and William Crawford.
  - 19 Dec 1796 Lee, Ferdinand (middle and top of bond) Leigh Ferdinand (bottom of bond) and Lea Ferdinand (on back of bond) to Cash, Elizabeth (born 25 Jan 1770); Security and witnesses Benjamin Rogers, Bartlett Cash, W. Warwick.
  - 20 Dec 1796 Pryor, David to Brown, Lucey (from Lexington Parish); Security and witnesses Leroy Brown, W. R. Crawford.
  - 24 Dec 1796 Ennis, George to Campbell, Frances (both of Amherst Parish); Security and witnesses Ambrose Campbell, Reuben Crawford.
  - 27 Dec 1796 Marr, Alexander to Rucker, Matilda (each of Lexington Parish); Parent or Guardian of wife Ambrose Rucker; Security and witnesses Isaac Rucker, John Ranburd ?, W. R. Crawford.

***Amherst, Amherst County, Virginia Deed Book K***

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Indenture made 6 Sep 1805 between heirs of Jemimiah Whitten, dec., named as: Wm. Nowell, and Lucinda, his wife; Robert Nuckols and Frances, his wife; James Franklin and Nancy, his wife; James Biase and Elizabeth, his wife; Tibatha Whitten of Mercer County, Kentucky (Wm. Whitten, her guardian).

***Register of Marriages, Amherst County, Virginia.***

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- 29 Oct 1802 Hugo, Moses, Jr. to Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth; Parent or Guardian of wife, John Fitzpatrick; Security and Witness, William Perry and Benjamin Hughes.
- 05 Nov 1802 Merritt, Thomas to Mahone, Moaning; Parent or Guardian of wife, Daniel Mahone; Security and Witness, John Mahone, S. Garland, and Wm. Mahone.
- 05 Nov 1802 Stratton, Abram to Larender, Mary; Security and Witness William, Lavender and S. Garland.
- 08 Nov 1802 Bibb, James, Jr. to Alford, Sally; Parents or Guardian of wife, Jno Alford; Security and Witness Carey Bibb; S. Garland, Jno Loving and Austin Smith.
- 20 Nov 1802 Bias, James to Whitten, Elizabeth; Parents or Guardian of wife Jeremiah Whitten, father decd., Wm. Whitten, guardian; Security and Witness John C. Goode, S. Garland, David Bailey, Berry Whitten, Larkin Bias.
- 20 Nov 1802 Jones, William to Edwards, Lucy; Parents or Guardian of wife, Thomas Edwards; Security and Witness William Edwards, Lewis Padgett, William Crawford.
- 29 Nov 1802 Turner, Richard to Ham, Sally; Parents or Guardian of Husband William Turner; Parents or Guardian of wife, Stephen Ham and Milley Ham; Security and witnesses Bartlett

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7. Note: This is variously “Lyon” and Lyons” in this same passage. Editor, 2nd Edition.

Ham, S. Garland, Allen Wade.

- 06 Dec 1802 Franklin, James to Whitten, Nancy; Security and witnesses William Camden, Jr.
- 06 Dec 1802 Garner, Jno to Johns, Only, widow; Security and witnesses William Stennett, S. Garland.

From the Mercer County, Kentucky land records: Page 364

Franklin to Franklin For the consideration of one hundred dollars, George W. Franklin of Robertson County, Texas deeds to Hamilton G. Franklin of Mercer County, Kentucky an undivided twelfth part of a tract of land lying on Deep Creek, a branch of Chaplin in Mercer County, Kentucky, the same tract of land on which James Franklin, the father of George W. and Hamilton G. Franklin resided until his death, containing about 345 acres, which undivided twelfth of 345 acres decended to George W. Franklin from his father James Franklin Dated 13 Jul 1853.

According to Pedigree Chart submitted by Amy (Mrs. H. D.) Franklin, PO Box 146, Whitney, NE 69367 Phone: 308/667-2856) there was a child #14 that connects to this family:

14. Dr. Thomas Shelton Franklin (born 12 Apr 1826 Mercer County, Kentucky. died 20 Mar 1889 Gering, Nebraska) married Eliza Jane House (born 21 Sep 1845 Canton, Stark County, Ohio died 29 Apr 1885 Livonica, Putnam County, Missouri).  
Their child:
  - (1) Clarence "Ike" Virgil Franklin (born 19 Mar 1877 Livonica, Putnam County, Missouri died 27 Sep 1943 Gates, Custer County, Nebraska) married 21 Sep 1901 to Ella May Lilly (born 20 Mar 1883 Palmyra, Otol County, Nebraska died 17 Aug 1951 Gates, Custer County, Nebraska).  
Their child:
    - A. Howard D. Franklin (born 10 Mar 1909 Broken Bow, Custer County, Nebraska) married Amy M. Strong.
  - (2) Lavitha (Lou or Luella) Franklin (born 11 Nov 1879 Missouri- died 22 Aug 1944 Portland, Oregon) married #1 Aug 1886 to Elijah Weir; #2 Forrest Mutton.

She also indicates that the father of James R. Franklin (born 1776) was the son of Major James Franklin (born 1756 Amherst County, Virginia died 23 Jun 1813 Amherst County, Virginia) and Anna (Crews) Franklin (born 1760 Amherst County, Virginia). Major James Franklin was the son of Henry Franklin, Sr. (born 1728 died 17 Sep 1792 Amherst County, Virginia and Margaret Hensley (born 1732 Amherst County, Virginia died 7 Apr 1788 Amherst County, Virginia). Anna Crews was the daughter of Joseph Crews (born 1730 died 1800 Amherst County, Virginia. and Agnes Stone (born 1722 Hanover, Virginia. ). Joseph Crews was the son of Gideon Crews (born 1698 Amherst County, Virginia died 1798 Amherst County, Virginia). Agnes Stone was the daughter of Nicholas Stone and Mary \_\_\_?

#### **Calendar of Wills 1791-1795 page 139**

1794 Dec 19 Franklin, Samuel, of Mansfield, Burlington County, Int. Adm'r -Thomas Thorne. Fellow-bondsman - Bethanath Hodgkinson. Lib. 33, page 480.

#### **Calendar of Wills 1801-1805 page 169**

1804, Nov 20, Franklin, Letitia, of Northampton, Twsp., Burlington County.<sup>8</sup> Inventory, \$721.00; made by Levi Norcross and William Woolman. Sworn to by William Deacon, Jr., 29 Nov 1804. File 12168 C.

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8. State not listed for Burlington County in first edition, however, there is only one Burlington County in the United States, Burlington County, New Jersey. Editor, 2nd Edition

## Swedes Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

page 410 Franklin, Samuel of County of Burlington, New Jersey Yoeman and Latitia Burrows married 14 Jun 1785. Surety John Crossley of County of Burlington, New Jersey, Yoeman. Witness James Trimble.

Crossley, John of County of Burlington, New Jersey Yoeman and Tamer Vickers married 14 Jun 1785. Surety Samuel Franklin, Yoeman of County of Burlington, New Jersey. Witness James Trimble.

Noah Webster (1946 Copyright) New 20th Century unabridged Dictionary defines Yoeman - A man possessed of a small estate in land; a gentleman, farmer; a freeholder; a farmer or other person living in a country, occupying a position between a gentleman and a laborer.

Franklin, Samuel married 1 Jul 1762 Philadelphia Esther Mitchell (could this be Samuel's parents?).

## Correspondence Received from Franklin Researchers

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Letter #1 dated 30 Mar 1993 from Mary Sue Lauth Member #059, 2213 Westmoor Road, Findlay, OH 45840.

"I copied these records years ago while going through the Sullivan County, Indiana Census. All I knew at that time was that my Great Grandmother's maiden name was Franklin and that she settled in Sullivan County, Indiana. Charter Issue - page 17 - covered this family - James and Nancy Elizabeth (Whitten) Franklin. My ancestor is Child #5 - Julia Ann Franklin.

Charter Issue - page 4 - Amy Franklin stated that "Nancy Elizabeth Whitten died 1861 Indiana." I wrote to ask where in Indiana and included these census sheets. Amy believes that Thomas on the 1850 census is the 14th child discussed on page 20 of the Charter Issue. Her research also shows this James P. (Pane) is the son of James and his 1st wife Nancy Crews (pg 4). She does not list the James born 1808 that a number of researchers of this family have.

I wonder if printing this census information in FFRU would bring forth additional clues. It all does not fit together. I keep wondering if we aren't talking about two families - perhaps cousins. This seems to be a case of the more I learn, the more confused I am."

### Extract from 1850 Turman Twp., Sullivan County, Indiana

Copies by Sue Lauth.

Page	Dwelling	Name	Age	Race	Occu	Born	
			Sex				
309	541/541	Rigsby	John	38	wm	farmer RE \$100	IN
			Margaret	22	wf		IN
			Reid	03	wm		IN
			Sarah	02	wf		IN
		Franklin	Coleman	20	wm		IN
309	545/545	Franklin	Thomas	24	wm	farmer	KY
			Hannah	20	wf		VA
312B	588/588	Franklin	James P.	46	wm	farmer RE \$150	KY
				Rebecca	43	wf	

Page	Dwelling	Name	Age Race Sex	Occu	Born
		John	22 wm	C. L.	KY
		Coleman	21 wm	C. L.	KY
		Rhoda Ann	18 wf		IN
		James S	17 wm		IN
		Moses	12 wm		IN
		Benjamin	12 wm		IN
		Walker	06 wm		IN

**Extract from 1860 Turman Twp., Sullivan County, Indiana**

Copied by Sue Lauth.

Page	Dwelling	Name	Age Race Sex	Occu	Born
120	824/824	Franklin James	26 wm	Cooper PP \$200	KY
		Mary	28 wf		KY
		Sarah J.	03 wf		IN
		William	11/12 wm		IN
122	845/845	Franklin John R.	32 wm	Cooper RE \$125	KY
		Elizabeth	28 wf		IN
		Rebecca	05 wf		IN
		James	04 wm		IN
		John	03 wm		IN
		Cerenia	01 wf		IN
		Franklin Coleman B.	31 wm		FL PP \$50
123	851/851	Sarah N.	35 wf	IN	
		Lewis	07 wm	IN	
		James	03 wm	IN	
		Ann M.	2/12 wf	IN	

Note: Pg #120, 122 and 123 are brothers - the sons of James P. and Rebecca Franklin (pg #312B).

**Extract from 1850 Columbus, Bartholomew County, Indiana**

Taken from FFRU Charter Issue pages 19 and 20.

Page	Dwelling	Name	Age Race Sex	Occu	Born
634	403/403	Franklin Thomas J.	40 wm	RE \$250	IN
		Eliza	28 wf		OH

			Sarah	12 wf		IN
			Wesley	10 wm		IN
638	432/432	Franklin	Margaret	69 wf	RE \$1600	NC
			Anderson	17 wm		IN

**In memory of Jane Franklin born 26 Apr 1818, died 30 Jun 1863**

**James R. Franklin, died 13 Aug 1856.**

The above two Franklin gravestone inscriptions graves were discovered in the tiny Foster Cemetery located in the SW corner of Colerain Township, Hamilton County, Ohio.

We have collected information on this cemetery because it is located on land mentioned in the will of my husband's great-great-great grandfather Absolem Foster (born 1766 Baltimore County, Maryland). The land is in Section One, Township One, Range One of the Miami Purchase. On 28 Jun 1837 Absolem and his wife Agness (Meredith) Foster deeded the premises as a "neighborhood burying ground."

Many of the graves uncovered here have turned out to be connected to this Foster family. Can anyone tell me who Jane Franklin and James R. Franklin are? A coincidence is that I have traced my family to James Franklin - Mercer County, Kentucky. He died in 1826. To my knowledge, this Ohio family is not connected. (Mary Sue Lauth #059, 2213 Westmoor Road, Findlay, OH 45840).

**1850 Mortality Schedule Ohio**

Franklin, Benjamin, Hamilton County, Ohio 20 M Apr IA Cholera

Franklin, Francis W., Mercer County, Ohio 8 M Aug CH Unknown

Franklin, John, Muskingum County, Ohio 2 F June CH Burned

Letter #2 dated 12 May 1993 from Doreen Rawlings Member #062, 3566 Fairfax Lane, Woodbury, MN 55125-9343:

"In November, 1992, I wrote regarding info submitted by Amy Franklin in the Charter Issue of FFRU page 20. The information was regarding the lineage of James Franklin and Nancy Elizabeth Whitten who are my direct ancestors. Amy stated that this James had another marriage prior to the Whitten marriage and that there was a son from his first marriage to Nancy Crews by the name of James Pane and an additional child from the second marriage to Nancy Whitten by the name of Thomas Shelton.

I have thoroughly researched this family and cannot document any of the information submitted by Amy Franklin. Iris Rivers (member #073) and Meta Squire (Member #56) and Mary Sue Lauth (member #59) have all corresponded with me and have also been unable to prove the claims made. I suspect that Amy has tracked the incorrect line, and her submission to FFRU could definitely alter this Franklin lineage.

The following sources in which I have hard documentation was used to substantiate my original submission to FFRU in the Charter Issue.

1. *Franklin Bible Records*, SLC Family History Library Book #976.9485 D28i: Lists James and Nancy and their children and their birth dates.
2. *Will and Inventory Book 9, page 86, Mercer County, Kentucky, 1820*: Lists wife Nancy and children.
3. *Marriage Register Book 1, Amherst County, Virginia*; Page 161: James and Nancy Whitte's marriage.



4. *Biography of McDonough County, Illinois*,<sup>9</sup> page 247: Biographical records of James and Nancy Franklin's son: William Harrison Franklin.
5. *Amherst County, Virginia, Deeds Book K*, page 300, Sep 1805: Lists Nancy as heir of Jeremiah Whitten (he was her father).
6. Mercer County, Kentucky, Judgement Box F-29 Franklin vs. DeBaun: This states all of the children of James and Nancy Franklin (as listed in the Bible Records). It also states that the infant children at the time of James' death were Hamilton, Felix, Fanny and Elizabeth and they were also referenced in the Will. If there were the other two sons as stated by Amy, why were they not mentioned in either the Will or the Judgement?
7. Mercer County, Kentucky census for 1810, 1820: James as Head of Household, Nancy as wife, and all the children listed in the Bible. Census for 1830, 1840 with Nancy as Head of Household with the children listed in the Bible. (James died in 1826).
8. All children listed on Pedigree Chart and from the Bible fit into the age bracket of all of the census returns.

Amy reports that James was married in 1796 to Nancy Crews and they had 1 son named: James Pane born 1801 and Nancy Crews died in 1802. then she reports that James married Nancy Elizabeth Whitten in 1802 and their children were: William Harrison who married Maria Clarke, Elizabeth married Harbon McIntyre, Hamilton G. married Mary Brady, George Washington married Rolinda Hunt, (I agree on the children so far), but she mentions an Issac who married Melinda Coffee (No record of him in my documents), and she mentions Thomas Shelton married Hannah Minear and Eliza House (No record of him in my documents), and she then reports they had more than the 6 children, but no one agrees.

Amy also mentioned in a letter to Mary Sue Lauth that Nancy Whitten Franklin was the only mother that "James Pane" knew and he helped her raise all the children. Thomas Shelton unborn at the time of James death in 1836, also is not mentioned in James Will. Neither of these names are mentioned in any of the documentations that I have.

Amy then reports that James Pane and Thomas Shelton Franklin are half-brothers and James R. (the father) died about the time Thomas was born and after his death his widow Nancy moved to Scott County, Indiana and was there with 2 young sons age 10-15 and 15-20 in 1840.

I have Nancy Whitten Franklin on the 1840 Census in Mercer County, Kentucky with her children. She then reports that Nancy (widow of James R. ) died about 1861 in Scott County, Indiana. All of my documentation refers to James without a middle initial of "R" but Amy always refers to him as James "R".

My documentation for the 1840 Census in Mercer County, Kentucky is as follows: SLC Film #7830, page 164: Nancy as Head of Household, 2 white males age 15-20 (Jeremiah born 1820, Hamilton Gray born 1822), 1 white female age 50-60 (Nancy born 1784). This corresponds to the children listed in the Bible and his Will.

My documentation for the 1830 Census in Mercer County, Kentucky, is as follows: SLC Film #7818, page 369: Nancy as Head of Household, 2 White Males age 5-10 (Jeremiah born 1820, Hamilton Gray born 1822), 1 White Male age 10-15 (Felix born 1815), 2 White Males age 15-20 (George William born 1811, William Harrison born 1813), 2 White Females age 10-15 (Fannie born 1816, Nancy Elizabeth born 1818), 1 White Female age 20-30 (Susanna born 1806), 1 white Female age 40-50 (Nancy born 1784). This corresponds to the Bible record, Will which names the children.

I have not located Nancy on the 1850 Census in Mercer County, Kentucky or the 1860. If living on the 1850 Census she would have been 66 years old and could have been living with one of her children. This certainly is an area to explore and would explain where she went after the 1840 Census.

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9. Not sure precisely which book this refers to. There are a number of books that match this. Editor, 2nd Edition

I have also received a letter from Meta Squire in Jul 1991 stating that “James (Major) in Amherst County, Virginia who married Nancy Crews is not part of the James and Nancy Whitten Franklin Lineage.” She said this confusion came about because there was another James Franklin in Amherst County, Virginia at the same time and she took a lot of time sorting this out. Our James who married Nancy Whitten did not have much while in Amherst County, Virginia because he was too young whereas the “other” James did. There were other Franklins in Virginia and she has been unable to find their lineage. She also provided the names of the children of James and Nancy (Crews) Franklin. They were: son, John R., daughter Elizabeth H. (Brown), Sally Wilson (Davies) and Nancy C. Also mentioned in his Will was Mrs. Ann C. Davis, sister of wife Nancy. No mention of a son named James Pane, yet Amy claims he is a part of this family. Amy mentioned that Nancy Crews Franklin died after son James Pane was born, yet there are additional children per Meta Squire. I intend to write Meta Squire for additional information.

There possibly might be a connection between these families, but we need hard, documented proof. I therefore feel Amy Franklin has confused the two “James” Franklins in Amherst County, Virginia.

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Letter #3 dated 4 Jun 1993 from Doreen Rawlings, 3566 Fairfax Lane, Woodbury, MN 55125-9343: “It is very important that something is published so other Franklin researchers are informed regarding the family of James and Nancy Whitten Franklin.

I have recently received information from Iris Rivers regarding the 1850 Census in Mercer County, Kentucky listing Nancy Whitten Franklin living with her son Hamilton Gray Franklin. In the 1860 Census for Mercer County, Kentucky, Hamilton Gray is listed, but Nancy does not appear with him. I have asked Iris to send me a copy of the actual census.

I also heard from Meta Squire regarding Nancy Whitten Franklin and she has the 1860 Mortality Schedule in Mercer County, Kentucky in which it states that Nancy died of old age. I have asked Meta to send me a copy of this before proceeding.

The two above-mentioned pieces of information should provide additional help regarding the issue of James and Nancy Whitten Franklin’s lineage in Mercer County, Kentucky.

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Letter #4 dated 16 Jun 1993: from Amy Franklin, PO Box 146, Whitney, NE 69367.

I have been asked for resources for the information quoted from me on page 22 of the FFRU Charter Issue. First, I want to correct an error. I did not say, or “indicates that the father of James R. Franklin (born 1776) was the son of Major James Franklin (born 1756 Amherst County, Virginia died 23 Jun 1813 Amherst County” Major James Franklin is the father of James R. Franklin. My sources are as follows:

**On Henry Franklin, Sr. and wife Margaret (Peggy) Hensley<sup>10</sup>**

*Amherst County, Virginia Wills, Book 3*

Virginia Historical Society

*DAR Roster, Texas 1976*

Sweeny, William Montgomery; *Marriage bonds and other marriage records of Amherst County, Virginia, 1763-1800*; Lynchburg, Virginia: J. P. Bell Company, 1937.

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10. Many of these references were incorrect, or incomplete, with the wrong author, etc. I have done my best to correct them and look up the complete references in the Family History Library Catalog. - Editor, 2nd Edition

Sweeny, Lenora Higginbotham; *Amherst County, Virginia, in the Revolution: including extracts from the lost order book, 1773-1782*; Copyright 1951 (Lynchburg, Virginia: J. P. Bell Company

Reeves, Emma Barrett; *Three Centuries of Ballingers in America*; Nacogdoches, Texas: Reeves, Copyright 1977

Sorley, Merrow Egerton; *Lewis of Warner Hall: the history of a family, including the genealogy of descendants in both the male and female lines, biographical sketches of its members, and their descent from early Virginia families*; Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing, 1979, Copyright 1964.

Gorin, Franklin; *The times of long ago: Barren County, Kentucky*; Louisville, Kentucky: John P. Morton, 1929. 141, 18 p.

Jean A. Watters Bowman; Whittier, California, 1964

Worrell, Mrs. Lawson; *Amherst And Bedford, Virginia Research* , 1950

### **On Henry Franklin, Jr., and wife Mary Ann Higginbotham**

*Amherst County, Virginia Will Book 2*

*Amherst County, Virginia Deeds Book 4*

Harrison Family bible

DAR Index

### **On Major James Franklin, and Anna Crews**

Amherst County, Virginia Will Book 5

Amherst County, Virginia Marriages: married Anna Crews, 15 Dec 1776

#67 Guardian Bond for orphans of James Franklin, 19 Jul 1813

#64 Guardian Bond for John R., Son of James Franklin, 17 Dec 1821, and for orphans of James.

National Archives - Military Record

Virginia Military in the Revolution

*Virginia DAR Roster - 1938*

Virginia State Library

### **On James R. Franklin**

Franklin, W. H.; *History of McDonough County, Illinois* 1885. Note: W. H. Franklin is the son of James R. Franklin

Hancock, McDonough and Henderson Counties, Illinois - 1894

*Mercer County, Kentucky Wills, Book 9*

Amherst County, Virginia Marriage - married Nancy Crews 15 Dec 1796 at Lexington. married Elizabeth (Nancy) Whitten 6 Dec 1800 at Lexington.

Mercer County, Kentucky Census, Marriage, Estate Records

Scott County, Illinois Census 1840

Jeremiah Whitten Will, *Amherst County Will Book K*

Dr. T. S. Franklin - records in Scottsbluff County, Nebraska

Word of James Pane Franklin from his granddaughter, Bertha Crawford, and from Kentucky Marriages, Missouri Deaths, Indiana Census.

## **On Thomas S. Franklin**

Scottsbluff County, Nebraska records - Will, Estate, Birth, Death, Guardianship.

National Archives - Military Record

Putnam County, Missouri Land Records

Minear Family Records from Mrs. Glen Smith, Queen City, Missouri

St. John's Cemetery, Putnam County, Missouri

Carroll County, Ohio Marriages

Indiana Marriages

History of Putnam County

Census records Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Nebraska

Putnam County, Missouri probate records

Shumway, Grant Lee, *History of Western Nebraska and its people: Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, and Sioux counties; a group often called the Panhandle of Nebraska*; Tucson, Ariz.: W.C. Cox and Company, 1974

Wood, Asa Butler (Main Author), *Fifty years of yesterday: an autobiographical history of a western Nebraska region from its initial settlement, its half century of progress and final development into the most fertile, prosperous and populous section of the state*; Gering, Nebraska: Courier Press, 1945

Moomaw, Leon A.; *Pioneering in the Shadow of Chimney Rock*; Gering, Nebraska: Courier Press, 1966

Wood, *Pioneer Tales*<sup>11</sup>

I also have the word of the sons of Thomas, and of his brother Wm. Franklin in family history stories - All agree that Thomas was one of thirteen children of James and Nancy Whitten Franklin; that James died at about the time of Thomas' birth; that when Thomas died he was survived by one brother, William in McDonough County, Illinois.

Another thing I'd like to mention on researching this family:

1. Often times a child was apprenticed to someone - Anthony, a son of Henry and Margaret, was apprenticed to Gen. Nathaniel Massey about ten years before Henry died. He went to Ohio with Massey, who taught him, helped set him up in business, etc. This was common on the frontier - usually the child did not inherit from his parents, but from the other person, so was not mentioned in the will. It was almost like adoption today, except that there was no name exchange.
2. Or if a child lived with grandparents or uncle, or other relatives would be expected to inherit from them, so was not mentioned in a will.
3. And, of course, a child unborn at time of death would not be mentioned in a will, and often in probate only as "any other".
4. There is nothing unique about father and son having the same wedding date - in the case of Major James and James R. Franklin, the date was separated by 20 years - in the case of my mother and her mother, the date was separated by 27 years.

It might be nice if our ancestors have stayed in the same place for generations, and if they had kept a complete written record, at least a diary, but these holes in the line are what makes family history research so interesting - and it is really fun to learn that the people who live just down the road are actually relatives

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11. Unable to track down exactly what this is... Editor, 2nd Edition.

several generations back. As my grandfather said, "It's not very important who is right or who is wrong - the important thing is that we all get along with each other".

The Brady Bible has been quoted to me several times but I have been unable to find out the date of the Bible's publication.

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Letter #5: dated 5 Jul 1993 from Meta V. Squire (Member #056), 3732 Barry Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90066.

"There has been considerable confusion and controversy about "James" Franklin in Amherst County, Virginia in the early days. Some have contended that there was only one "James" and attempted to fit all known facts into this one man's life. This has created a genealogy full of errors. I have spent many hours searching the records of early Virginia which show clearly that there were two (and possibly three) James Franklins living in Amherst County at the same time.

I am enclosing a chronology of these two men which proves there were two men, two wives and two separate families. What made the process more confusing was that they both married women named Nancy.

I have been in correspondence with Doreen Rawlings who is, as am I, a descendant of the James Franklin who emigrated to Kentucky.

## **Chronologies of two James Franklins of Amherst County, Virginia**

Submitted by Meta V. Squire

There may have been three James Franklins at one time. The 1800 Virginia census shows three James. One listed as one male with one horse; one as one male and 3 horses and one slave; and the other as one male with 9 horses and a total of 22 slaves. The first was probably our ancestor; the last was probably the Captain; the other??

A James Franklin appears on the Amherst County, Virginia tax list for 1787, list b: one white male over 21 (none); and a total of 22 slaves. Was this the Captain?

### **Captain (or Major) James Franklin**

1. There are frequent mentions of Captain Franklin in the records showing military action in the Revolution.
2. He married Nancy Crews on 15 Dec 1796. Marriage record shows him to be a bachelor and she a spinster.
3. He appears on the 1810 Amherst County Census showing one male under 10 and 4 females ages under 10 to 26-45; also one male and one female over 45.
4. James died in 1813 leaving a will naming wife Nancy and children.
5. Nancy (Crews) Franklin died 1842 leaving a will to her surviving children and grandchildren.
6. There are numerous records showing real estate transactions of James and Nancy with various people in Amherst County. These ended with his death in 1813.

### **James Franklin (of Amherst County, Virginia and Mercer County Kentucky)**

1. He first appears on 6 Dec 1802 when he married Nancy Whitten in Amherst County, Virginia.

2. 30 Sep 1806: Jas. Franklin, acting for Edmd Boles and wife Tabitha, to Robert Nuckles, Amherst County, part of tract of Jeremiah Whitten, dec'd. 90 acres by division at Whitten's death to daughter Tabitha (Whitten) Boles. Deed Book K, page 475.
3. 30 Sep 1806: Heirs of Jeremiah Whitten; James Bias and wife Betsy, James Franklin and wife Nancy, Wm. Noel and wife Lucy, Edmond Boles and wife Tabitha, to Robert Nuckles of Amherst County, 136 acres north side Otter Creek. Lines: Jer. Whitten, Jno Hog. Witnesses: Robert Tinsley, Peter Suliman, John Biliam. (page 476, K).
4. James appears for first time on tax rolls in Mercer County, Kentucky in 1806.
5. James and his family appear on the Mercer County Tax Rolls in 1810 and 1820. The counts are consistent with the known children and wife.
6. James died in 1826 and left a will naming Nancy his wife, but did not name his children.
7. Litigation following his death names all 12 children and his widow, Nancy in Mercer County
8. Nancy appears in subsequent censuses in Mercer County until her death in 1860/61. The 1850 census shows her living with her youngest son, Hamilton Gray and his wife Mary Brady Franklin (my great grandparents). Also living with them was Lucy Noel (Lucinca), Nancy's sister. Nancy's age was obviously wrong. (Page 343 in Mercer County 1850 Census).
9. Nancy appeared on the 1860 mortality schedule in Mercer County. Cause of death was listed as "old age."
10. In addition to the children listed in the litigation against Debaum, James and Nancy's children are listed in the Bible of Mary Elizabeth Brady Franklin, wife of Hamilton Gray Franklin. Location of the Bible at present is unknown, but the list came from two different sources, both grand children of Mary and Hamilton, so this should be considered authentic.

## **Amherst County, Virginia Courthouse Minutes**

*Amherst County, Virginia Courthouse Minutes* by Davis,<sup>12</sup> Fort Wayne, Indiana Submitted by Bev Petersen, 16305 Chandler Blvd., Mishawaka, Indiana 46544. Book found at Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

### **55 Angeline Franklin**

24: 104 8 Aug 1912; 22 Nov 1915. Witnesses: J. J. Martin; Jennie Carter. Son, Jas Franklin; only child.

### **56 Eliz. H. Franklin**

5: 235 GB 19 Jul 1813. Thos. Crews, guardian Bondsman: Benj. Brown. Orphan of Jas. Franklin, dec'.

### **57 Henry Franklin, Jr. and Sr.**

2: 60 AB Mary Ann Franklin, 3 Jun 1782. Bondsmen: Rich. Ballenger, Jno. Franklin

3: 68 Inv. 3 Aug 1782: L234-11-9. Edmd. Powell; Rich. Oglesby; Jos. Higginbotham.

2: 205 AB Mary Ann Arnold, 2 Nov 1784. Bondsmen Saml. Higginbotham, Hendrick Arnold.

This second Henry is not father of one above called Jr. but his son, called Henry in will, is seen to have been Henry Tarlton Franklin.

3: 233 10 Apr 1792; 17 Sep 1792. Witnesses: Philip Smith; Aaron Franklin; Andrew Harrison; Joel Fran-

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12. This is probably Bailey Fulton Davis, who has written many books about Amherst County records. I was unable to determine from this short description exactly which of his books this is. Ed, 2nd Edition

klin. Son-in-law Jos. Ballenger; son, John Franklin; daughter. Eliz. Ballenger; son Henry Franklin; son Jas. Franklin; daughter, Peggy Harrison; daughter, Phebe Franklin; son, Joel Franklin; son, Saml. Franklin--land at mother's death. Daughter, Philadelphia Smith; Ux, Margaret; daughter, Judith Franklin. Exrs.: Sons, Joel and Saml. Franklin.

3: 239 AB Joel and Saml. Franklin, 17 Sep 1792, for both.

3: 252 Inv., Oct court order, 1792. Saml. Franklin, an admr. Rich. Oglesby; Jno. Sale; Jno. Brockman; Leonard Henley. Wm. Sidney Crawford, clerk.

## **58 Henry Tarlton Franklin**

3: 247 GB 15 Oct 1792. Reubin Franklin, guardian Bondsman; Saml. Franklin. Ward: orphan of Henry Franklin, dec'd.

## **59 Major James Franklin**

5: 235 AB 17 Jul 1813. Thos. Crews. Bondsmen: Benj. Brown, Edmd. Winston; Jno. McDaniel; Henry Turner.

5: 370 (Note, page 369 is blank. ) Top of 370 begins: Memo: my plantation on south side of Rutledge with mansion house--to Nancy C. Franklin (she is called ux later in document. She was Nancy Crews 15 Dec 1796, Jas. Franklin, bachelor, and Nancy Crews, spinster. Reuben Crawford, surety, married by Rev. Wm. Crawford. Daughter, Sally W. Franklin gets land on Turkey Mt. where Jeremiah Franklin lives. He then employs initials only and says "JRF-tract called B Plain and bought from P. Slaughter." Daughter, Betsy H. Franklin, at death of my ux, Nancy Franklin. Daughter Sally Wilson Franklin. Admr.: N. F. T. Crews. 11 Mar 1813; 16 Aug 1813. Handwriting attested by Jno. Camm; Jas. P. Garland; Benj. Brown.

5: 370 AB Thos. Crews, 16 Aug 1813. Bondsmen: Benj. Brown, Henry Turner; Jno. Camm.

5: 520 Inv., very long and many slaves, 22 Aug 1815. T. S. Holloway; B. Stone; Gideon Rucker.

6: 623 Divison of estate of Major Jas. Franklin as of Dec 1820; rec. 19 Sep 1825. Comm.: Jas. Powell; Jno. McDaniel; Lot 1: Miss Sally W. Franklin. Lot 2: Jno. R. Franklin. Lot 3: Eliz. H. Franklin. Lot 4: Mrs. Ann C. Davis. Mention of Mrs. Nancy Franklin.

## **60 Jasper Franklin**

3: 245 GB 15 Oct 1792. Reuben Franklin, guardian Bondsmen: John and Wm. Smith. Ward: orphan of Henry Franklin.

## **61 Jeremiah Franklin**

6: 214 AB Henry Franklin, 21 Jun 1819. Bondsmen: Wm. Staples, Chas. Moore(?); Jno. Mountcastle.

## **62 Joel Franklin**

4: 473 16 Dec 1806; 19 Oct 1807. Witnesses: Ro. Rives; Bartlett Cash; Thos. Penn; Jas. Franklin. Ux, Susannah- 842a where I live. My five daughters and child that ux is to deliver. Landgon Big Maple Run, Indian creek road, Church field, and main road. If any child dies before marriage or lawful age. Admrs.: ux, Jas., and Jer. Franklin.

4: 474 AB 19 Oct 1807: Susannah, Jas. and Jer. Franklin. Bondsmen: Thos. Crews, Benj. Brown, Spotswood Garland.

4: 492 Inv., no total, Jan 1808. Hill Carter; Bartlett Cash; Jno. Smith.

6: 304 Inv. of 1 Sep 1820, for purpose of assigning property to one heir, Polly Franklin, who married Ro. W Carter. To widow, Mrs. Franklin. Polly gets one fifth. Total: \$474.41. Jno. Smith; Hill Carter; Wm. M. Waller; David S. Garland. Susannah Franklin, admrx. 17 Jun 1822, rec.

6: 383 Sale at late residence of Mrs. Franklin, 28 Aug 1823, rec. Hill Carter and Wm. M. Waller.

### **63 Jno. Franklin**

3: 394 Ind. as GB, but not there or in 4 or 5 on 394.

6: 180 Ind. as 181-Ordinary bd., 21 Nov 1820, at house in county. Bondsman: Thos. Aldridge.

6: 386 Ordinary bond, 18 Aug 1823, at house in county. Bondsman: Saml. R. Davies.

7: 285 AB 20 Nov 1829. Polly Franklin. Bondsman: Powhatan D. Franklin.

### **64 John R. Franklin**

6: 268 GB 17 Dec 1821. Henry. L. Davies, gda. Bondsmen: Arthur B. Davies, Thos. Crews. Ward: orphan of James Franklin

6: 665 GA by Henry L. Davies. Very interesting: Races, whiskey, springs, many clothes. \$1330.87. Lindsey Coleman; Wilkins Watson; S. Heiskell. Rec. 15 May 1826.

6: 744 Inv., 23 Mar 1827. \$3080.00. Thos. Crews; Wilkins Watson; Lindsey Coleman.

### **65 Judith Franklin**

5: 38 12 May 1810; 18 Nov 1811. Witnesses: Jas. Frankling, Jr.; Abner Franklin; Willis Franklin. Sister, Phebe and nephews: Henry and Benj. Franklin.

5: 86 AB 18 Nov 1811. Henry Franklin. Bondsman: Jer. Franklin.

### **66 Nancy Franklin**

11: 314 30 Jun 1842; 19 May 1845. Witnesses: Edmd. Penn, Jno. H. Roberts. One third to children of my decd sister, Ann C. Davies; one third to Sally W. Davies and her children; my decd daughter, Eliz. H. Brown her children or issue. Admr.: Henry L. Davies, Howell D. Brown, and Sally W. Davies. Codicil: my grand-daughter Ann E. Scott, ux of Dr. Saml. Scott--surviving issue; rest of my grandchildren--Ann Scott's brothers and sisters. 15 Mar 1843.

11: 378 AB Sarah W. Davies, 15 Dec 1845. Bondsmen: Henry L. Davies, Howell D. Brown.

12: 46 inv. Jan 1847. \$2275.00. Saml. M. Garland; Marshall S. Harris; Albert C. Harrison.

12: 47 Division, 19 Jun 1848. 1. Howell Brown, gdn of four children of decld ux, Eliz. Brown. Sarah W. Davies lifetime interest with remainder to her children. Children of Ann C. Daveis, decd. Saml. M. Garland and Marshall Harris, comm.

12: 81 AA by Sarah W. Davies. To H. L. Brown as gdn of his children. To Dr. Davies' grandchildren. H. L. Davies amt. due from him to Mrs. Franklin. From 15 Dec 1845. Rec. 18 Dec 1848. Mention of accts. "doubtful if not worse."

13: 166 AA by same admrx. from 9 May 1818. Postage to Petersburg and Botetourt. To Sarah W. Davies and children-1/3; Children of Eliz. H. Brown -1/3; and same to children of Ann C. Davies. Rec. 16 May 1853.

### **67 Nancy C. Franklin and C.**

5: 234 GB Thos. Crews, guardian Bondsmen: Edmd. Winston, Jno. McDaniel, Henry Turnr<sup>13</sup>, 19 Jul 1813. Wards: Nancy C., Sally, and Jno R. Franklin, orphans of James Franklin. Another GB for 6:261, but not

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## **68 Peachy Franklin**

3: 242 GB Jeremiah Franklin, 15 Oct 1792, guardian of Peachy Franklin, orphan of Henry Franklin. Bondsman: Nelson Crawford.

4: 464 Cons. bd., 15 Jun 1807, 3rd Hundred. Bondsmen: George Dillard and Thos. Page. There is an ordinary bond indexed as 6:78, but it is not there.

## **69 Peggy Franklin**

A: 10 GB 27 Apr 1812. Benj. Franklin guardian of Peggy Franklin, orph. of Joel Franklin, decd. Bondsman: Benj. Brown. It should be noted that the 26 will books covered in the index from 1761 to 1919 include A and B of old circuit wills, too. This explains the use of A and B for some items.

## **70 Phoebe Franklin**

11: 66 27 Jul 1841; 20 Jun 1842. Witnesses: Jno. Pryor; Julius Simpson; Thos. Lain. Phebe is also employed. Sons, Henry, Benj., and Willis Franklin; daughter, Jane B. Moss, ux of Anderson Moss; children of decd daughter, Lucinda, ux of Wm. Clarkson; land in Virginia, North Carolina, and Alabama. Daughter-in-law, Jane C. Franklin, ux of my son Henry Franklin, and her children. Henry is to admr. page 67 is his bond on probate date.

## **71 Samuel Franklin**

4: 249 Tobacco inspector at Camden's Ware House, 21 Dec 1801. Bondsman Joel Franklin.

4: 252 Same, 20 Sep 1802. Bondsman: Micajah Camden.

4: 278, Same., 15 Oct 1804. Bondsman: Joel Franklin.

4: 283, Same., 15 Sep 1806 Bondsman: Lewis Tindal.

4: 513, Same., 21 Sep 1807. Bondsman: Anderson Moss.

## **72 Wm. M. Franklin**

23: 433 14 Dec 1896; 15 Mar 1897. Witnesses: C. J. Campbell; A. W. Franklin; Nichl. Pryor. Daughter, Julia Simpson; sons-in-law: Wm. Simpson; S. C. Burks; Jno. Peters. Son, Jno. J. Franklin. My children: Julia Simpson; Emma Myers; Edith Peters; Alice Burks; Wm. . E. Franklin; Mollie J. Franklin, ux of my son Jno. J. . . . My grandchildren: Mollie Pryor's heirs: Eddie, Jno. W. Pryor and Mary Bettie Phillips. My 7 grandchildren or heirs. Grandson, Chas. C. Myers, trustee for childern, grandchildren, and exr.

## **Major Anthony Franklin**

Major Anthony Franklin (born 17 Jul 1778 Amherst County, Virginia - died 1859 buried Hillsborough, Ohio) moved to Manchester, Ohio in 1795. He married 15 Feb 1802. Mercer County, Kentucky to Polly Nelson, daughter of Captain Nelson of Virginia and Kentucky, she died 1864, buried Hillsborough, Ohio. Ten children were born to them, as follows:

1. Nelson A. Franklin born Kentucky, lived Pickaway County, Ohio and later moved to Jasper County, Missouri. His son, Spencer, served with Guthries Grays during the Civil War.
2. Maria Franklin married John W. Sprague, died at her home near Marshall, Highland County, Ohio. Her daughter, Sarah Amanda married Addison Gall and resides in Brush Creek Township, Highland County, Ohio.
3. Susannah Franklin died unmarried at her parents home.

4. Joel Lewis Franklin lived Circleville, Ohio then moved to Marion County, Ohio. Later moved to Lincoln, Nebraska. Had a son Nelson Gregg Franklin who served in the Union Army, first as a private, later as a Major.
5. Thomas Wingfield Franklin died in Knox County, Illinois leaving a large family.
6. Patsey Franklin married J. P. Keech and lived in Highland County, Ohio Their son, John H. Keech, was elected Recorder in Highland County, Ohio in 1878. John H. Keech served in the Civil War.
7. Polly Franklin married Elijah Garrett and lives in Knox County, Illinois. Their son, Benjamin O. Garrett, served in the Union Army and died 1864 at Marietta, Georgia.
8. Cyrus Franklin lived near Sloane, Woodbury County, Iowa in his later years went to Mexico in 1846 2nd Reg. Ohio Inf. Went Overland to California, returned to Ohio and married Maria Ferneau daughter, of Henry Ferneau of Highland County, Ohio, moved to Council Bluffs, Iowa, then to Missouri and served in Civil War in the Confederacy, then moved to Memphis, then back to Iowa.
9. Henry Daniel Franklin died at Circleville, Ohio in early manhood.
10. Capt. John Nelson Franklin of Chariton Mills, Missouri. Was a "Union Man" and served in the Civil War.

Reference for above biographical sketch: *History of Ross and Highland Counties, Ohio*, pub. 1880. Pages 511 and 512. This book in St. Louis Public Library and Kansas State Historical Library at Topeka. Submitted by Elaine F. Giddens, Rt 2, Box 212, El Campo, TX 77437

## Will of Robert Franklin

Will Book # of Campbell County, Virginia. page 6 in Rustburg

"In the Name of God, Amen. I, Robert Franklin, of County of Campbell and State of Virginia.

**1st.** I give to son, Benjamin Franklin, my set of blacksmith tools.

**2nd.** I give to daughter, Margaret Roper, the sum of \$2.50

**3rd.** I give to son, Robert Franklin, one negro boy named Henry, during his lifetime.

**4th.** Whole of estate to be sold except for boy, Henry and set of blacksmith tools, before mentioned on a credit of twelve months and after paying the above named Margaret Roper the sum of \$2.50 and all my just debts and funeral expenses, then the residue to be divided equally amongst the following of my children: Owen Franklin, John Franklin, the children of Elizabeth North, Thomas Franklin, Robert Franklin, during his life, Benjamin Franklin, Sally Leonard, Mary Jennings and Nancy Stearees.

**5th.** Part of my estate which shall fall to my son Robert Franklin, according to the foregoing should be placed in the hands of my son Benjamin Franklin as trustee for said Robert's benefit, during his life and at the death of Robert, to be hired by said Benjamin.

**6th.** Appoint sons, Benjamin and Lewis as executors to my last will and testament.

Witnesses: Robert Franklin, David Robertson, John Shannon.

Probate At the court held for Campbell County, July 11, 1831 the within last will and testament of Robert Franklin, deceased, was produced in court and proved by the oaths of Robert Franklin and two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Lewis Franklin one of the executors therein named certificate granted him for obtaining probate thereof, wherefore he together with Z. E. Cheatham, Robert Franklin, James Parkey, Benjamin Franklin, Robert Franklin, John Roper, Allen Tweedy and Wm. McKinney entered into and acknowledge this bond in the penalty of twelve thousand dollars conditioned for the said executors due and faithful administration on said deceased state and performance of his will, the other executor there in named in open court refusing to qualify. Teste. . John Alexander, c. c. c.

Lewis Franklin, Extr. at the court held in Campbell County, Virginia, September 12, 1831. The within inventory and appraisal of Estate of Robert Franklin, deceased, was produced in court and ordered to be recorded. Teste--John Alexander, c. c. c.

Account of Lewis Franklin with Estate of Robert Franklin. Balance due the estate from sales, etc., \$6, 573.29 3/4.

Note: The above data copied in County Courthouse at Rustburg, Virginia (Campbell County) by Lurana Franklin (descendant of John M. Franklin, son of Robert) of Jefferson County, Tennessee. Jul 1924, ---who kindly allowed me (another descendant of above Robert Franklin, through his daughter Margaret Franklin Roper) to copy her data, 1924.

And now, on 22 Jan 1942, I have copied it for another relative also descended, through Margaret Roper. Mrs. Lady Kate Branner Burnett. signed: Ruth M. Rodgers, Knoxville, Tennessee. Submitted by Nona I. Bassett, PO Box 1445, Merced, CA 95341-1445

## Wilson (Willson) Franklin and Elizabeth Perry

Submitted by Jean Boley, 300 University #7-G, Seattle, WA 98101

Wilson (Willson) Franklin (born 10 Apr 1752) married Elizabeth Perry on 20 May 1784 at Rehoboth, Massachusetts. \*Note: According to records of the Continental Army, Wilson Franklin enlisted in 1777, (variously given as Sep 23 and Feb 18) serving in DeVarnajoul's Company, 2nd Regiment, Light Dragoons under Colonel Elisha Sheldon. (Commonwealth of Massachusetts) His residence was given as Rehoboth, occupation shoemaker (he served as a "waggoner") Description: 5 feet, 10 inches, complexion dark, hair and eyes, dark.

Their four known children:

1. Joseph Franklin born 26 Sep 1785 Rehoboth
2. Esther Franklin born 1786 Rhode Island Esther Franklin married \_\_\_\_\_ McIntyre. Mr. McIntyre was lost on a trading expedition to Lake Erie. Esther then married Benjamin Nelson (born 1782, Virginia) 12 Dec 1816 Belmont County, Ohio.<sup>14</sup>

Children of Esther Franklin and \_\_\_\_\_ McIntyre:

- (1) Wilson McIntyre
- (2) Charlotte McIntyre
- (3) Lydia McIntyre

Children of Esther Franklin and Benjamin Nelson:

- (1) Caroline Nelson
- (2) Franklin Nelson
- (3) Hiram Nelson
- (4) Jackson Nelson
- (5) Levina Esther Nelson born 3 Apr 1818 Levina Ester Nelson married James Alexander 23 Aug 1838 Powhatan Point, Ohio.

Their children:

- A. James Franklin Alexander (born 13 May 1841 died 8 Jun 1928)
- B. Leander Alexander (born 12 Nov 1843 died 9 Mar 1925).
- C. Alfred Alexander (born 25 Aug 1846 died 14 Jul 1898)
- D. Levina Caroline Alexander (born 20 Mar 1849 died 29 Jul 1928). Levina Caroline Alexander married Conda B. Morris in Breckenridge, Missouri 26 Dec 1872.

Their children:

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14. McIntyre and Nelson information provided by granddaughter Levina Caroline Alexander Morris.

- (A) Eugene Elwood Morris (born 8 Mar 1874)
- (B) Ross Butler Morris (born 18 Sep 1885) married Anna E. Steffen, Seattle, Washington, Apr 1917.  
Their children:
  - a. Jean Morris (born 9 Jun 1918) married Jack Boley 29 May 1937.  
Their children:
    - (a) John Ross Boley (born 4 Apr 1940)
    - (b) Steven Kent Boley (born 19 Sep 1942)
    - (c) Todd Alexander (born 7 May 1948)
    - (d) Peter Duncan (born 7 Apr 1950)
    - (e) Caroline Suzanne Boley (born 18 Jan 1952)
  - b. Kathleen Morris (born 17 Dec 1928)
- E. Oliver Alexander (born 20 Jun 1852 died 19 Jun 1926)
- F. Editha Medora Alexander (born 5 Oct 1854 died 22 Aug 1878)
- G. Harvey Alexander (born 28 Dec 1856 died 13 Oct 1876)
- H. Emma Alexander (born 17 Sep 1869 died 17 Dec 1901)
- (6) George Nelson
- (7) Alicia ? Nelson
- 3. Nathan Franklin born 1793 Woodstock, Connecticut
- 4. Calvin Franklin born 1795

## Queries

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Would like information on Sarah Franklin daughter of Samuel Franklin of Williamstown, Orange County, Vermont who married Otis Ainsworth on 12 Mar 1814, Randolph, Vermont (Book 1, page 157 of Bristol General Records). It is possible Sarah Franklin Ainsworth died between 12 Mar 1814 and 18 Nov 1917 as Otis Ainsworth is an heir in her father's probate record but no Sarah. He was in Agdensburg, New York.

Would like information on Samuel Franklin, Jr., son of Samuel Franklin, Sr., Orange County, Vermont. Samuel Franklin, Jr. married Abigail<sup>15</sup> Adams 31 Jul 1815. He volunteered for army service in the War of 1812 in Sep 1814. Was a resident of Williamstown, Vermont in Nov 1817.

Would like information on Timothy Burroughs, who was an heir in the probate records of Samuel Franklin 18 Nov 1817. He was living in Brookfield, Massachusetts at the time. Was he the husband of a deceased daughter of Samuel Franklin, Sr.?  
Edna Groetken, 1525 Court Street, Sioux City, IA 51105-1524

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My ggf Esias Earl (E. E. ) Franklin served in the Civil War in the 17th Kentucky Cavalry. He and his wife Tabitha M. M. J. Matthews died very young in the early 1870's leaving the following orphaned children: (1) Green Anderson Franklin (born 25 Sep 1866), my grandfather who married Florence Elizabeth Brasher on 4 Jan 1899; (2) William Newton Daffett Franklin (born 2 Sep 1864); (3) James Jasper Franklin (born 24

15. In the first edition this said "Abibail"

Jan 1869); (4) Nancy Temperance Franklin (born 23 Apr 1871).

This family lived in Crittenden County, Kentucky. E. E. Franklin was born about 1841 in Hopkins County, Kentucky the son of Caleb D. and Catharine (Davis) Franklin.

I'm interested in exchanging information with anyone researching this branch of the Franklin family in the Western Kentucky Counties of Crittenden and Hopkins.

J. Donald Franklin, 18 Entrada East, Irvin, CA 92720. Prodigy ID #TDDG64A.

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Need information on William Franklin son of James B. Franklin. Was his first wife Peggy Grigsley? In 1850 census William is in Henry County,<sup>16</sup> wife Sarah and a small girl. His will, 1873 Pike County, Georgia does not give any children's names. William's oldest son James R. Franklin is my great great grandfather - who was born in North Carolina, 1822.

Will gladly pay for information of other children of William L. Franklin.  
Nina M. Martin, 34953 Mathews Road, Eugene, Oregon 97405).

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Would like to correspond with anyone having information on Samuel Franklin, New York City, Merchant of "The House of Franklin Robinson and Company" Samuel purchased land in Grafton County, New Hampshire in 1793-1798-1801 in association with four men from New York City. Two land parcels were Dartmouth College land grants.

Edna Groetken, 1525 Court St., Sioux City, IA 51105-1534

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Would like to correspond with anyone having information on Charles Franklin, born in 1769 in Maryland and married 26 Apr 1792 in Maryland. He was the son of Thomas Franklin?? Charles was killed in 1830 in Ohio by a falling timber helping a neighbor build a barn. He is listed as a second cousin of Benjamin Franklin.

Edna Groetken, 1525 Court St., Sioux City, IA 51105-1534

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Was John Franklin who married Melinda Simpson in Nov 1842, Hamilton County, Ohio the son of Otis and Charlotte Case Franklin and the brother of Cynthia Franklin married Daniel Curtis 6 Apr 1840 Butler County, Ohio and Margaret Franklin married Elridge Parker 30 Aug 1843 Butler County, Ohio.

Edna Groetken, 1525 Court St., Sioux City, IA 51105-1534

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Would like to correspond with anyone having information on Samuel Franklin born about 1793 Williamstown, Vermont; was in the War of 1812. In the 1830 US Census he was in Guilford, Vermont. He had three younger brothers, John Franklin, Benjamine Franklin and Levi Franklin who died in Brookfield, Massachusetts 1849. There were four older sisters in the house hold at the time of the 1790 US Census report. Edna Groetken, 1525 Court St., Sioux City, IA 51105-1524)

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“In memory of Jane Franklin born 26 Apr 1818, died 30 Jun 1863 James R. Franklin, died 13 Aug 1856.” These two Franklin graves have been uncovered in the tiny Foster Cemetery located in the southwest corner of Colerain Township, Hamilton County, Ohio. We have collected information on this cemetery because it is located on land mentioned in the will of my husband’s great-great-great grandfather Absolem Foster (born 1766 Baltimore County, Maryland). The land is in Section one, Township one, Range one of the Miami Purchase. On 28 Jun 1837 Absolem and his wife Agness (Meredith) Foster deeded the premises as a “neighborhood burying ground.”

Many of the graves uncovered here have turned out to be connected to this Foster family. Can anyone tell me who Jane Franklin and James R. Franklin are? A coincidence is that I have traced my family to James Franklin - Mercer County, Kentucky. He died in 1826. To my knowledge, this Ohio family is not connected. Mary Sue Lauth #059, 2213 Westmoor Road, Findlay, OH 45840

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