

## Hays/Hayse Family

### Generation 1

1. JOHN HAYS b. 1807 NC to TN d. @1850; his family from England <sup>Ireland</sup> to NC in Colonial Period; moved to Claiborne Co., TN (Tazewell) and settled near the Clinch River on his wife's family farm who obtained the land in Hawkins Co., TN upon TN statehood from NC in 1796.

#### John's Land

1839 Claiborne Tax List: 50 acres

1860 Claiborne Tax List: 445 acres

\*possible parents for John: John Ransom Hays, Sr. & Mille Medaris from Watauga Co. NC

#### John's Marriage @1828

To (Mary) Sarah/Sallie Dodson b. 1812 in TN d/o Samuel Dodson & Eleanor Grisham & who died after 1880; at age 69, Sallie was living with her son A.C. Sallie was named for her aunt Sallie Dodson 1789-1877. ( She had one sister Mary Polly b. 1808 and married to Jonathan Barnard, Claiborne; their children were James, 1830; Samuel, 1832; Eleander, 1833; John, 1835; Marena, 1837; Elvavena, ? )

Samuel Dodson b. 1784 VA; m. 1801 to Eleanor b. 1783 d/o William Grisham 1772 & Susannah Chew-Elo-Ka, 1774, Cherokee; another marriage to Miss Elizabeth Barnett/Bernard of Sycamore, TN; Samuel was in the War of 1812

Dodson "Old Time Tazewell"; first deeds of Claiborne Co., TN, 1801-1865  
Hawkins Land Grants, Book I, from North Carolina

"Samuel Dodson lived 2 ½ miles east of Tazewell on land now owned by Frank Welch. He was described as owning several servants and a peaceable citizen who m. Miss Barnett of Sycamore, TN. Their daughter Sallie married John Hays and settled on the Dodson farm to raise their family. Sons William and Calvin are described as 'nice and respectable'. Calvin m. Nancy Vermillion d/o John Vermillion and belonged to the Baptist Church in Tazewell. William m. Laura Ann, 'a nice looking young lady'. Sallie lived past 80 years of age. She remarried a Mr. Rowlett after John Hays died. Laura Ann Brooks was also known as Laura Ann Rowlett. John Hays apparently died after 1850. "

Children of John & Sallie Hays: Malinda, 1828; A. (Alexander) Calvin, 1829; William, 1830; Jane, 1831; Rice, 1833-1900; Richard 1836, all born in Claiborne.

a. Malinda/Matilda b. 1828 TN, named for Sallie's aunt Matilda (1805-1875); may have married Fielding Turner of Jacob Hipster

b. A. Calvin b. 1829 TN, m. Nancy Vermillion in 1853, d/o John (1797) Vermillion & Anna McClanahan (1806). In Claiborne, A. C.'s occupation was farmer and tanner; registrar for Claiborne 1870-74; no children; member Tazewell Baptist Church

- c. WILLIAM b. 1830 (SEE GENERATION 2)
- d. Nancy Jane b. 1831, m. Jacob Culp; one child: Elizabeth
- e. Rice 1833-1900, m. 1854 Sarah Phelps (Fultz) b. 1835 TN, Claiborne who died @ 74 years & bur. Cave Springs Cem., Claiborne; children: James, 1855; Elizabeth, 1857; Angeline, 1860; Thomas, 1863; Sarah, 1868; Margaret, 1868; Mary, 1877; Sharah, 1865; Alice, 1873; Liddy, 1874; Caldena, 1876; John, 1879. His second marriage to Nancy Osborne, a Cherokee, b. 1843 and one child together, Dora, 1869.
- f. Richard 1836-1952; m. Sarah Engle, Knox Co., KY

1839 Claiborne Co., TN Tax List  
 John Haze, 50 acres worth \$50  
 1840 Claiborne Co., TN Census  
 John Hayes, 1 adult female, 3 sons, 1 daughter  
 1850 Claiborne Co., TN Census  
 John Hays, 43; Sallie, 40; Richard, 14

1860 Claiborne Co., TN Census  
 John Hayse, 50, laborer; 445 acres of personal property; Sarah, 45; Martha A. 10, g/d  
 1870 Claiborne Co., TN Census  
 Sarah, 65, TN, living with son A. C.  
 1880 Claiborne Co., TN Census  
 Sarah Hayes, 69, housekeep, TN, parents both born in NC; grandchild Sarah 11

## Generation 2

2. WILLIAM B. HAYS b. TN 7-14-1830 Claiborne Co., TN; d. 8-26-1916 Knox Co., KY; listed as Claiborne pioneer farmer; Union soldier, 8<sup>th</sup> Reg. TN Infantry, Co. G, private 1863-65; after the Civil War, he was tax assessor for Claiborne; traveled 20 years to Barnard & Topeka, Kansas where they lived at Pawnee Rock Township, Washburn Precinct in 1874 (Victor, KS in 1887 on Hayes Hill) and traveled to California; then lived with son Samuel in Barboursville, KY at "Old William Locke Place" after his wife's death; he died from heart trouble.

## William's Marriage 7-9-1848

To Laura Ann/Sarah Laura Brooks b. VA, 1828/1830 Prince Edwards Co., VA. d. 1909, Topeka, Kansas; family from Ireland in Colonial Days. She was the d/o Levi & Nancy Brooks and a member of the Baptist church at 17.

Levi Brooks 1788-1829, VA/ TN ( s/o David Brooks 1758, Prince Edward Co., VA & Sarah?1765) & Nancy 1789-1855; they moved to Claiborne @ 1838.

Nancy Brooks was married three times:

A. James Nevils 1789-1823, 7 children

B. Levi Brooks , 5 children

C. Mackness/Rowlett 1768-1848; m. @ 1838 in Claiborne, no children with Nancy but raised Nancy's as his own; named Ann C. Brooks & Zachariah P. Brooks & his own children in his will.

Levi's & Nancy's children:

1. Andrew Jackson Brooks 1824, VA, m. Mary J. ?
2. Travis Brooks 1825, VA, m. Elizabeth Whitaker in 1843
3. Anna Brooks 1826-1910 VA
4. Zachariah Calvin Brooks 1827-1896, VA m. Sarah Whitaker
5. Laura Brooks 1829, VA m. William Hays

Sarah Laura Brooks' siblings: Andrew J. 1824; Travis 1825; Zachariah Calvin 1827

At Laura's death in Topeka, Kansas, William was still alive with 7 children. Their daughter Laura Ann and her husband S. J. Johnson accompanied William to Topeka for Laura's burial.

Children of William & Laura Hays: John 1849; Martha E. 1851-1905; Calvin 1854; Mary 1855; James N. 1857; Samuel 1859; Nancy Jane 1861; Cornelia 1863; William 1865; Laura A. 1867; Mattie 1869, all born Claiborne Co., TN

a. John 1849; dead by 1870 Census

b. Martha E./A. 1851-1905; m. Preston Asher Rice, 1842/1848-1927, Harlan, KY, s/o Stephen & Rebecca Woolum Rice; occupation was farmer; 12 children; Preston served in

Union Army & married twice more

1. Sally 1868
2. Rebecca 1870
3. Ellen 1873
4. John 1875
5. Lucy 1877
6. William 1880
7. Margaret 1883
8. Samuel 1885
9. Dock 1886
10. Finley 1890
11. Arthur 1892
12. White 1893

c. Calvin b. 1854 m. Marinda Slusher b. 1860, worked on Santa Fe railroad, Topeka, KS & Los Angeles, CA

1. Ellen/Ella 1879, Los Angeles, m. Dr. Brockett of Topeka; child: William
2. William
3. Kenneth
4. Robert

\*also listed as Alexander Calvin, b. @ 1866, Los Angeles, m. "Rindie" with one child, Ellen

d. Mary, b. 1855, worked as a midwife, m ? Hatfield; then Jake?

1. Haysel m. ? Clark
2. Edna
3. Esther
4. Loretta
5. Mildred
6. Margaret
7. Hatfield/ "Haysie" m. George Beighley of Elsworth, KS

e. James N., b. 1855/58-1919, m. 1877 in Bell Co., KY to Martha Rice, 1859, d/o James & Mary Burns Rice of Harlan; listed in Census of Victor, KS., bur. Barbourville City Cem.; cause of death listed as cerebral hemorrhage; listed on death certificate as s/o W.

M. Hays b. NC & Laura Nevels b. NC; occupation of carpenter

1. Mary 1883
2. Laura 1885/86
3. Lela 1889

f. SAMUEL D. (see Generation 3)

g. Nancy Jane, 1861/65-1908, m. Nelson Hurst 1854-1935, Claiborne, s/o Rhodman 1831 & Eliza Bowers Hurst; bur. Rose's Creek Cem./Hurst Cem., Coleman Gap, Claiborne. Nelson's second marriage to Alice Waller with one child, Walter Hurst

h. Cornelia 1863-1863

i. William b. 1858/65 TN, worked on Santa Fe Railroad, m. 1881 Bates Co., MO to Cornelia Lucretia Hague 1862 from Washington Co., OH d/o John & Ansina Smith Hague TN to KS in 1858; NEB 1933; resided Barnard, KS; see obit below

1. Homer 1883, MO, KS, OH
  2. Mabel May 1885, NEB
  3. Macy 1887 CO
  4. John 1890, called "Jack", NEB
  5. Russell 1891, also called William Russell, NEB
  6. James 1895? M. Estella NEB
  7. Anna Elizabeth 1898 NEB
- j. Laura A. b. 8-29-1867, Tazewell; d. 12-1951; m. Stephen Johnson, 1861-1937, TN; lived in Tacoma, Wash. by 1887; also lived in Victor, KS
1. Edna
  2. Frank
  3. Leslie
  4. Gladys
  5. Haysel Laura, 1900-1992, m. William Clark, 1898-1988, bur. Seattle, King, WA. She is buried in Naches Cemetery, Plot I, Row B, Union Gap, Yakima, WA; from KS to WA
- k. Mattie, 1869, m. Ed Newcomb/ Neucal, Tazewell, TN to Brown's Point, Tacoma, WA

#### 1860 Claiborne Census

William Hayse 1829

Laura 1830

John 1849

Martha 1851

A. Calvin 1853/54

Mary 1855

James 1856

Samuel 1857

Nancy 1858

#### 1870 Claiborne Census

William Hays 1830

Laura Ann 1830

Calvin 1854

Mary 1855

Samuel 1859

Nancy 1861

Cornelia 1863

William 1865

Laura A. 1867

Mattie 1869

#### 1870 Claiborne Census

William Hayes 40, TN

Laura A. 40, TN

Calvin 16  
 Mary 15  
 James N. 13  
 Samuel 11  
 Nancy 9  
 Cornelia 7  
 William 5  
 Laura 3  
 Mattie 1

References to William Hays b. 1858 above:

Woodcox-Dexter researcher: The Hays family moved from MO to NEB in 1884. "They came in a covered wagon and they drove a team of mules across Nebraska," Jim Hays said. "Mabel was born in a sod house at Cozad." By April, 1885, the family moved to Doniphan Co., KS, member Kansas Methodist Episcopal Church. By the fall of 1880, the family moved to Bates Co., MO. In 1884, they moved to Cozad, Nebraska. Cornelia Lucretia Hague Hays died in Cozad, NEB. In 1914.

Obit: Nov. 17, 1933, "William M. Hays died at Cozad at age of 75, 10 months and 1 day. Buried Cozad, NEB. Died at son James & wife Estella Hays home after a lingering illness of many months. Seven children, 4 boys, 3 girls. 25 years ago, he joined the ME church at Bethel. He was a member of Cozad Masonic Lodge. Interment in Cozad Cemetery with Masonic lodge in charge of burial rites.

Others buried in Cozad Cemetery: Nettie Z. Hays 1850-1940; Andrew 1858-1906; William 1858-1933; Cornelia 1862-1914.

\*Knox Co., KY records: William Hayse b. 1858 TN at 70 years old s/o John TN and Sarah TN m. S.J. Patterson Reynolds at Flat Lick in 1928, her fourth marriage and listed as a mechanic.

William Hayse b. 1843 m. to Minnie E. May of Clay in 1913 at 70 years old and listed as mechanic

## Generation 3

3. SAMUEL D. HAYS b. 5-5-1858, Claiborne Co., TN; lived 1876-1909 at Straight Creek, Bell Co., KY, at Sims Fork & Artemus; moved to Barbourville by 1909 after living with his parents in Kansas, and he bought a farm called "Old William Locke Place". He lived with his family on Old US 25 E in what was known as the Mattie Hays Cole house, now destroyed. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Barbourville, KY. He was on the board of directors for Union National Bank and Bell National Bank in Pineville, KY. d. 12-27-1933 at Fort Sanders Hospital, Knoxville, TN, bur. Barbourville City Cem.

Samuel's Marriage to Sarah Alice Hendrickson in 1878

Sarah Alice b. 5-26-1860 & d. 10-27-1922; b. Bell Co., KY d/o William Hendrickson (1811, Harlan, KY) & ~~Debbie Duprey~~ <sup>Bridget</sup> ~~Depriest~~ (1819-1865, Harlan, KY). William was the s/o Reuben & Hannah Davis Hendrickson. Samuel married Sarah Alice at her father's home in Bell Co., KY in 1878. Witnesses were William Hendrickson and J. R. Rice. The wedding was performed by Robert G. Evans. Both Samuel & Sarah are buried in the Barbourville City Cem. She died of "acute flu."

Sarah's siblings: Mary, 1840; John, 1843; Eleanor, 1845; Hannah, 1847; Marinda, 1847 who married ? Slusher.

Children of Samuel & Sarah Alice, all born in Bell Co., KY: William H., 1881; Boyd Robert, 1883; John S, 1887; Mattie, 1891; Marcellus, 1895.

Children of Samuel & Sarah Alice

a. William M. b. 9-13-1880; d. 9-13-1963 at Clear Creek, Pineville, KY; bur. Barbourville City Cem.; lived at Arjay, KY; teacher for 21 years in Bell, then superintendent after brother John's death; graduated Cumberland College, Williamsburg, KY; republican, member of the Masons & Delaware Tribe #157 Improved Order of the Red Man (named from Boston Tea Party descendents); stockholder Bell National Bank; bur. Barbourville City Cem.; m. 1910 Katherine Elizabeth Howard 1-20-1885 to 6-30-1955 from Claiborne, d/o F. B. & Hannah Smith Howard; d. Clear Creek, Pineville, KY

1. William Curtis Hays 11-23-1915 to 1971, bur. Barbourville City Cem., S. Sgt. 67 Ordinance Bt. World War II

b. Boyd (Robert B.) b. 8-16-1883; d. 6-8-1917 in Boulder, Colorado while seeking cure for TB; bur. Barbourville City Cem.; lived at Cary, Bell Co.; teacher in Knox and Bell Counties; m. 1914 to Gertrude Wilson 1892-1953, d/o Daniel Garrett Wilson (1861-1939) & Mattie Belle Asher Wilson (1871-1942)

- \* Mattie d/o Dillon Asher & Euphemia Horn & g/d Jackson Asher, 1816, Clay Co., KY & Margaret Henrickson 1821, Bell Co., KY
- 1. Verna b. 1917, Kettle Island, Bell Co., KY

c. Alvers d. at 9 months

d. John S. b. 9-7-1888/89; d. 3-16-1921; bur. Barbourville City Cem.; teacher, then superintendent of Bell Co., KY schools elected 1918-1922, died during term; d. Asheville, NC seeking cure for TB; draft reg. World War I 1917-1918.

e. Mattie 1891-1973 m. Charlie Cole 1889-1964, a traveling salesman and grocer; bur. Barbourville City Cem.

1. Earl, 1914-1996, m. Ruth Blankenship 1914  
children: Earl, Jr.; Cindy m. ? Marstellar, VA; Linda m. John Mahoney, CA
2. Charles, Jr. 1919
3. Samuel m. Joyce  
children: David; Kathy

I lived with Aunt Mattie and her companion Lula for about six years so they would have someone younger in their house; so many sweet memories; she was a true lady and loved me.

f. MARCELLUS J. 1894 (see Generation 4)



## Generation 4

f. Marcellus J. "Silas" b. 7-14-1894, Claiborne; d. 12-14-1954, Knox, bur. Barbourville City Cem. Marcellus was a businessman, a teacher at Artemus School, and a guest lecturer at Union College since his passion was history. He was a stockholder in Union National Bank. He held property both on the old and new US 25 E and was in several business concerns. He was an avid reader and poet and told his grandchildren history stories instead of fairy tales. He worked for a time in Cincinnati, OH and bought property there when separated from his wife Rosa. On his WWI draft card, he is listed with black hair and black eyes with a broken, unhealed arm. Perhaps because he grew up in the Depression, he would bury gold coins in his garden. He was a fanatic about saving money. Once he hopped a train to Corbin, KY to bid on a downtown block of buildings. Since he was wearing overalls and a tattered hat, the auctioneer told him not to bid until the president of First National Bank of Corbin said, "That's Mr. Hays. Let him bid." He purchased the city block and would not pay the .25 cents so he hopped a train back home. The height of parsimony! He has also been described as proud and quiet. He was reading a book called "Diseases of Cattle" published by the Dept. of Agriculture in 1912 and the inscription reads: Marcellus Hays, 8/26/1916, while Grandpa lying as a corpse in the hall. Today is Sunday. Thus, William lived with his son Samuel on his return from KS. Silas was diagnosed with a heart condition by a cousin who was a doctor in Pineville but considered the medicine dope and threw it over the hill from where he lived. He died of a heart attack the next day. He would not mix cola and aspirin believing it to be dope as well. His hand-written will left his earthly good to Jane, his daughter, Hugh Maxwell, his son, and "not one cent to Rosa". She later went to court to break the will.

## Child of Marcellus &amp; Vergie Howard Hays

a. Hugh Maxwell b. 2-24-1924, Artemus, KY; d. 2001, VA. Hugh was a basketball player for Barbourville High School and a World War II veteran. He was a minister and church planter in VA. He married Gabrielle ? Their children are Sharon, Susan, and Tia. His half-sister was Jewell Howard Mills, w/o Columbus Mills.

## Children of Marcellus &amp; Rosa Smith Hays

a. Jane b. 3-13-1926, Knox Co., KY; d. 3-11-1974, bur. Barbourville City Cem.; m. Cecil Calles 12-24-1946

1. Vivian Louise b. 1-13-1947, Knox Co., KY; lived MD; m. Rufus Vicars of Kay Jay, KY; then m. Charles K. Resh, Jr. 7-21-1936 MD

i. Charles Bryon Vicars 6-21-1960, m. Tammy Hash, PA; & their child Heather Grace (Maloney) 8-19-1978

- ii. Parrish Jay Vicars 10-12-1967, m. Kim Fleegel 8-8-1966, PA; & their children Parrish Bryon 1-28-1991 and Joseph Jay 6-19-1996
- 2. John Cecil 12-25-1948, m. Carolyn Asher d/o Clem & Evelyn Asher, Knox Co., KY; lived New Richmond, OH
  - i. April m. Bucky Bentley, OH; & their children Kaitlyn & Zachery
  - ii. Lisa m. Paul Brondhaver, OH; & their children Tanner, Morgan & Conner
- 3. Judith Alice 6-15-1950, m. David Unthank, Knox Co., KY
  - i. Todd David 5-25-1973 m. Emily New, KY; & their children Nathaniel Hays, Mason, & Sarah
  - ii. Erik Dean 1-22-1976 m. Lora Miller, KY; & their children Andrew David & Rachel
  - iii. Derik Scott 1-22-1976 m. Carla Ellison, KY; & their child Jacob; then m. Angela Saylor; & stepdaughter Lindsay
- 4. Sheila Gail 4-17-1953 m. Orville Jordan, KY; & their child Christy; then m. Harold Bryant
- 5. Marcella Ann 7-25-1954 m. Larry Cain, KY; & their children
  - i. Joshua & & their child Levi Cain
  - ii. Danielle
- 6. Richard Dean 10-18-1958 m. Terry Bell, NC; & their children Lee Ann &
  - i. Jessica m. Daniel Clark NC & their children Taylor, Ally Jane, & Caleb 9-18-2008 d. newborn
  - ii. Lee Ann m. & their child Knox

b. John Grant 12-21-1929; d. 6-11-1947, bur. Barbourville City Cem.; died from heat stroke from 11 hours at a lumber mill; very handsome

\*Rosa Smith Hays's children with William Barrett: Thurman 5-6-1938 to 3-10-1938 d. from "bronchial convulsions" and Robert Lewis 1933-2007

\*See also Smith Family Tree

\*See also Callebs Family Tree

\*See also Unthank Family Tree

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