

DRONE GENEALOGY 1620-2000:

ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS of JOSEPH F. AND MARGARET (BARTEL) DRONE of GALLATIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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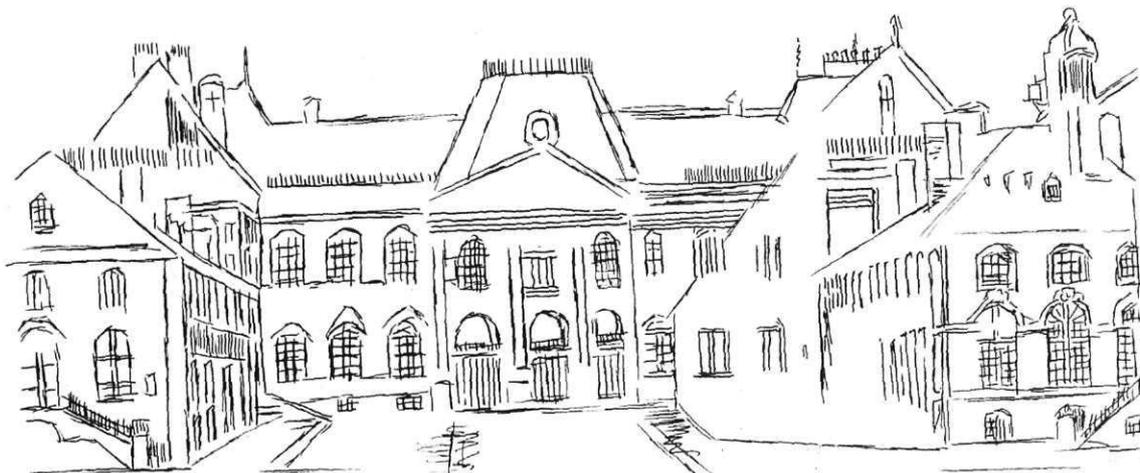
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Preface

The main purpose of this book is to tell the story of the ancestors, descendants and related lines of the Drone Family of Lorraine, France, Clermont County, Ohio and Gallatin County, Illinois. The book is organized chronologically; it finds the Drone ancestors in France, accompanies them to America and expands upon their years in Ohio, Illinois and thereafter. The core challenge was identifying, in early 1800's France, the ancestors of Gallatin County Drones. The questions to be answered were: Who were the Drone ancestors? Where were they to be found? How does one know the correct family has been located? Answering these and many other questions involved a twenty year journey pursuant to my unwittingly becoming aware that I even had ancestors and, in fact, needed them for my very existence. This realization rushed upon me late one evening in 1980 as I turned my car westward for the three hour return trip to St. Louis following my first visit to the county of my Mother's birth.

The long slow ancestor-locating process, for which I had precious little time, introduced me to a strange new world already well known to historians and genealogists: endless obscure, imprecise, veritably illegible, misspelled, fading records in myriads of locations in America and France. In glancing at this book's footnotes and bibliography one can glean a small sampling of places visited, letters written, records and books reviewed. Of the many hundreds of contacts involved, certainly the State Historical Society of Wisconsin in Madison stands out as central in my finally realizing this book.

Story telling about the Drones is primary in this book; chart-making is secondary. Part I has ascendancy charts; Part III has descendancy charts. (For those who wish, readily available family tree-making software can create comprehensive individualized charts from information and the extensive index in this book.)

The original Drone book, *The Joseph F. Drone Family History 1817/1978*, published in 1978 and containing some 1,500 names, was assembled by devoted family members in Gallatin County, Illinois. With their generous permission, that book has been updated and integrated as Part III of this book. The 1998 book, *The Drone Family 1789-1858*, covering the Drone's origin in France and their twenty-five years in Clermont County, Ohio, has been greatly expanded into Parts I and II of this book. Part IV and the appendices contain new family stories.

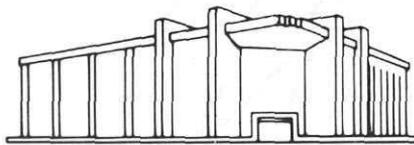
The stories are the property of the four centuries of ancestors whose lives created them, lives ranging from colorful to ordinary, from obviously courageous to quietly stalwart. The book is the domain of numerous descendants who participated in its publication. Central to publication was Jill Boese Stamp who produced the book while concurrently shuttling biweekly between Chicago and Texas with her full-time job. My grandmother Maggie Drone Kohl is the precious, priceless link between my life and the Drone family. And finally, I gratefully acknowledge my parents, Norma Katherine Kohl and Wallace Harrison Wright; their love inspired this book.

Rebecca Wright, Brookfield, Wisconsin

May 31, 2000

From one ancestor God made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live....

Acts 17:26

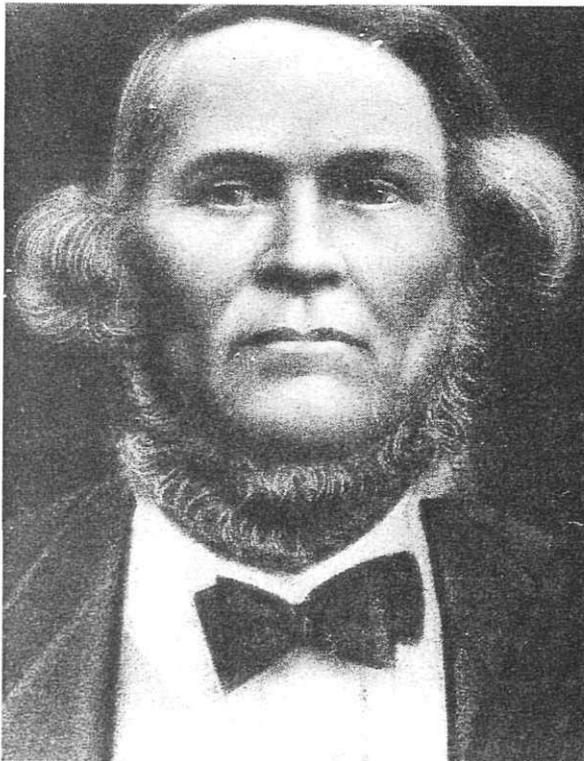


Part I: France





Margaret Bartel Drone
May 11, 1820
December 6, 1895



Joseph F. Drone
November 20, 1817
July 12, 1892

Overview of Dron Ancestors

The Drone family covered in this book came from Lorraine, France. They spelled their name Dron in France and also in early American records as shown in transcriptions of those records included in this book. They sometimes used the French "La" in front of the name¹ and later used an "e" at the end. Spelling variances were common for immigrants of all nationalities.² The name Dron, though found in several European countries, is French in origin.³

Familial Line

Joseph F. Drone, born in Lorraine November 20, 1817, and Margaret (Bartel) Drone are the originating couple for an extensive Drone family in America, many of whom are shown in Part III of this book. **"Joseph F." is used in this book as a reference point for ancestors/ascendancy to 1620 and for descendants/descendancy to the present.** This is done periodically to orient the reader since the book covers a large span of time. Therefore, when the term "Dron/ Drone Ancestors" is used it refers to Joseph F.'s ancestors who, of course, are also the ancestors of Joseph F.'s progeny listed in the thousands in this book.

Francois and Catherine (Blaise) Dron were Joseph F.'s parents who took him and his sister Catherine to America as children.

Francois and Francoise (Laurent) Dron, Nicolas and Barbe (Colin) Blaise were Joseph F.'s grandparents and first generation "French".

The other five generations of Dron ancestors shown herein back to 1620 were Lorrainers as possibly their predecessors were also.

Historical Events During this Period

Joseph F. and Margaret were born several years after Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo 1814-15.

Francois and Catherine were born in the early years of the French Revolution which started in 1789.

Francois, Francoise, Nicolas and Barbe were born as Lorraine became a Province of France in 1766.

Genevieve, Marguerite, Isidore, Pierre, Dominique and other earlier ancestors were born when Lorraine was a freestanding Duchy (843-1766). 1620 was the Richelieu era in France.

¹ McGuire, Pauline, Hazel Pate and William McCormick, *The Joseph F. Drone Family History 1817/1978* (Ridgway, Illinois: Michael A. Drone, 1978), 3.

² Brown, Barbara J., C.G.R.S., "Some Genealogical Pitfalls and Fallacies," *DAR Magazine* 114 (1980): 150.

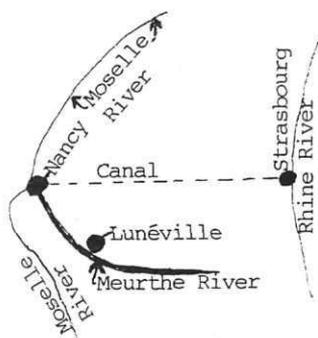
³ Hanks, Patrick and Flavia Hodges, *A Dictionary of Surnames* (New York: Oxford University, 1988), 154. The Dictionary says **DRON** is a cognate of DROGO which originated with a son of Charlemagne and subsequently became popular throughout France. The name DRON appears on page 154 of the Dictionary as one of three 'endnotes' (cognates) to an overall entry of DREW. The overall Drew entry is extensive, complex and on two pages, 153 and 154, thus making it difficult to track and easy to miss the fact that the endnotes apply to the overall entry and not to the last entry, O Druaidh. The **DRON** endnote refers the reader back to #2 DROGO, page 153. (Drew also came from DROGO, among others.)

Finding the Drons/ Drones in France

The International Genealogical Index (IGI) of the Family History Library (FHL) of Salt Lake City is available at: <www.familysearch.org>, as well as on fiche and computer in most medium and large U.S. cities, at their local FHL.

The IGI has entries for Joseph F. Dron and Catherine Dron gleaned from French records. IGI entries provide information about ordering microfilms of the original records. A search of the microfilmed records produced not only the original records of the births of Joseph F. and Catherine, but also the marriage record of their parents Francois Dron and Catherine Blaise. From this point it became possible, over a period of years, to access information from the many other resources in France. A major breakthrough occurred with the generous help of a distant French relative who was found by chance during the search process: Jacques Chamagne of Lorraine.⁴

Also by spending many hours with the IGI it was possible to extrapolate the overall finding that 92% of Dron name entries in France appear in the very same Department (county) of Joseph F. Drone's ancestors: Meurthe-et-Moselle. In that Department/ county there were some 500 Drons between 1750 and 1850 alone, many of whom may be relatives.⁵ The other five Departments/ counties where the Dron name appears are: Ardennes – 2; Charente – 5; Maine et Loire – 20; Meuse – 9; Nord – 4. There are at least three published Dron biographies⁶: two appear to bear no relationship to the Joseph F. family even though the name of one is Francois⁷; the third, Gustave⁸, is intriguing, but inconclusive.



As George Stephenson aptly comments, "The task of writing the history of the commoner is immeasurably more difficult...The material is scattered and scanty, difficult for later generations to interpret and animate."⁹

Along a fifteen mile stretch of the Meurthe River extending from east Nancy to Lunéville there were 176 Dron entries in the IGI for the fifty year period 1770-1820¹⁰. This 176 is 78% of total Dron entries for the Department/ County of Meurthe. Surely many of these 176 were aunts, uncles, cousins of Joseph F. Dron or his ancestors. (92% of all France Dron entries are in Meurthe.)

⁴ We are grateful to Jacques Chamagne for the documents, photos and other information which he has provided; these items, which appear subsequently in this section, have been valuable contributions to this book. His address is: U.C.G.L., B.P.8; 54131 Saint-Max Cedex, France.

⁵ Dron entries, International Genealogical Index (IGI, France) (Salt Lake City: Family History Library, 1992), citing multiple microfilms of original French records, pages 26,627-26,642. The IGI does not claim to represent all records of a given country.

⁶ Dwyer, Helen and Barry, editors, *Index of Biographique Français*, 4 volumes (New Jersey: K.G. Saur, 1993), 2: Drouart section.

⁷ [Anonymous], *Nouvelle Biographie Générale*, 46 volumes (Paris: Firmin Didot frères, 1855), XIII: 780.

⁸ Le Poutre, M. Robert, researcher, "Gustave Dron," *Nord-Généalogie* (1973): 139-40. Procured from archives. Du Nord, 22, rue Saint-Bernard, F-59000 Lille, France.

⁹ Stephenson, George M., PhD, *A History of American Immigration: 1820-1924*, (Boston: Ginn and Company, 1926), 7.

¹⁰ Dron, IGI, France, 26, 627-26, 642.

Verification That the Correct Dron Family Has Been Identified

Overall correlation of records: Records and history from Clermont County, Ohio and from Gallatin County, Illinois shown in subsequent sections of this book correlate with the records from France. The records of the three locations confirm and corroborate one another and are compelling evidence that the 1817-31 Dron family of Hudiviller, France are the same as the Drone/ La Drone/ Drone family of Clermont County, Ohio. The following is a summary of some of these records.

Joseph F. Dron/ Drone:

In the France records¹¹,

- the birth date, November 20, 1817
- the birth place, Lorraine
- the father's name, Francois

all match the information in the 1978 Drone history book¹² which was written in Gallatin County, Illinois twenty years before the France research was done in 1998.

The birthdate recorded in the 1978 book came from family sources, specifically: The date was given by Joseph F. Drone's wife (Margaret Bartel Drone) to the wife (Teresa Bahl Drone) of Joseph Drone III, grandson of Margaret (Bartel) Drone and Joseph F. Drone. Teresa knew the date because her Grandmother Margaret (Bartel) Drone in her later years lived with Teresa and Joseph Drone III. Hazel (Drone) Pate, granddaughter of Teresa, had procured the birthdate of Joseph F. Drone along with other historical information from Teresa and later provided the date for the 1978 Drone history book¹³ of which she was one of the compilers.

Francois Dron:

Francois as the parent of Joseph F. is found in:

- Joseph F.'s birth record¹⁴
- Francois' will¹⁵
- Clermont County History¹⁶

¹¹ Joseph Francois Dron entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial Sheet 190, Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

¹² McGuire, et al., *The Joseph F. Drone Family*, 3.

¹³ Interview by phone with Hazel Pate (P.O. Box 214, Ridgway, IL 62979) by Rebecca Wright, January 24, 1999. Transcript held in 1999 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005).

¹⁴ Joseph Francois Dron entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial Sheet 190, Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781.

¹⁵ Francois Dron will (1851) Clermont [County, Ohio] Docket 1:209, Probate Office, Batavia, Ohio.

¹⁶ [Anonymous], *History of Clermont County, Ohio* (Philadelphia: L.H. Everts, 1880), 538.

Francois' age is shown in:

- marriage record: February 18, 1793¹⁷
- Le Havre, France, embarkation record 1831: "...38 years"¹⁸
- Clermont County death record: 1792¹⁹
- Gravestone: February 12, 1793²⁰

"If you find a town record of death, and a church record of the same, and also a record of death from the man's stone, there is a very fair chance that you will have three different dates."²¹

Francois' embarkation record, which is the only one from Le Havre for a Francois Dron in the years 1830-1831 when that was the almost exclusive port of embarkment for Lorrainers²², contains the following:

- Francois departed July 1831; this agrees with the 1978 Drone history²³
- Francois' age is compatible with other records
- Francois is from France
- Baltimore was the destination, consistent with what great-grandson Marion Kohl related that "They landed in Baltimore."²⁴

Catherine (Blaise) Dron: Catherine as the mother of Joseph F. and his sister Catherine is found in their birth records,^{25, 26} and is compatible with her marriage date.²⁷ The name of the daughter is the same as that of the mother. The date of Catherine's sad death given in the 1978 Drone book²⁸ is consistent with absence of records about her in America and with a grieving period of some five years before Francois' remarriage.

¹⁷ Department of Meurthe [France], Arrondissement de Lunéville, Commune de Hudiviller Etat Civil Mariages 1817. Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781, FHL, Salt Lake City, Utah.

¹⁸ Letter from Fabrice Cavelier (Groupement Généalogique du Havre et de Seine – Martime; B.P.80; 76620 Le Havre, France) to R. Wright September 27, 1999; held in 1999 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005).

¹⁹ Francis Drone entry, Probate Office Records of Clermont Co., 1856 Deaths, Probate Office, Batavia, Ohio.

²⁰ Beech Forest Chapter DAR, *Cemeteries in Clermont County Ohio* (Williamsburg, OH: no publisher, 1951), 6.

²¹ Jacobus, Donald Lines, M.A., F.A.S.G., *Genealogy as Pastime and Profession*, 2nd edition (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1971), 75.

²² Maire, Camille, *L'émigration des Lorrains en Amérique 1815-1870*, Publications du Centre de recherches Relations internationales de l'Université de Metz: 13 (Metz: l'Université de Metz, 1980), 80.

²³ McGuire, et al., *The Joseph F. Drone Family*, 3.

²⁴ Interview with Marion (Mack) Kohl (101 S. Belt West, Belleville, IL 62220) by Rebecca Wright, April 28, 1996. Transcript held in 1999 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005). Mr. Kohl is now deceased.

²⁵ Joseph F. Dron, entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial Sheet 190. FHL Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781.

²⁶ Catherine Dron entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial Sheet 215. Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

²⁷ Department of Meurthe, Arrondissement de Lunéville, Commune de Hudiviller Mariages 1817. FHL Microfilm 1115788, batch C815781.

²⁸ McGuire, et al., *The Joseph F. Drone Family*, 3.

Catherine Dron, the daughter: Catherine's birth record²⁹ shows the same parents as Joseph F. The date of Catherine's birth, January 11, 1820, is compatible with that of her brother Joseph F. and with the date of her marriage³⁰, July 29, 1839. Catherine is named in the will of Francois as one of his children.³¹ Catherine is listed after Francois and Joseph F. in the Clermont County history.³²

Spelling of the Name: Francois' signature: in his will April 28, 1851, he signed his own name "francois Dron."³³ "If you have not checked the surname...under all possible spellings you may have missed important data."³⁴ The following early spellings of today's Drone name are referenced elsewhere in the text of this book.

Dron:	1817 Francois and Catherine (Blaise) marriage record 1817 Joseph F. and 1820 Catherine Dron birth records 1839 marriage record of Joseph F. 1850 Joseph F. family census entry 1851 Francois' own signature on his will
La Drone:	reported in the 1978 Drone history as an early spelling
Drone:	1837 land purchase
Dren:	1837 marriage record (2 nd marriage of Francois)
Dronn:	1838-43 tax map 1838-43 household heads
Drunn:	1839 land purchase
Droan:	1840 census for Francois
Drones:	1856 estate sale

Conclusion Regarding Verification: This section described the records which make the compelling case that the 1817-31 Dron family of Hudiviller, France is the same as the 1830's, 40's, 50's Dron/Drone, et al, family of Clermont County, Ohio and later the Drone family of Gallatin County, Illinois.

The past we explore and the people we seek are a fascinating spiral of false leads, confused identities, and tangled lives. As family historians, we inherit the job of unearthing every clue and weighing every fragment of evidence so carefully that we piece together an accurate mosaic of each ancestral life.³⁵

²⁹ Catherine Dron entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial Sheet 215. FHL Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781.

³⁰ Clermont County Genealogical Society, *Marriage Records of Clermont Co. Ohio 1800-1850* (multi-vol) (Evansville: Unigraph, Inc. 1979), 3-180.

³¹ Clermont [County] Docket 1: 209.

³² *History of Clermont*, 538.

³³ Clermont County Docket 1: 209.

³⁴ Brown, "Some Genealogical Pitfalls and Fallacies," 150.

³⁵ Mills, Elizabeth Shown, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, *Evidence!* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1997), 17.



VILLAGE OF HUDIVILLER, FRANCE

Birthplace of Joseph F. Drone

Sketch made from photo provided January 27, 2000 by Jacques Chamagne, BP 8,
54131 Saint-Max, France

1817

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November

Le mil huit cent dix sept le vingt novembre en la mairie de Hudiviller,
 pardevant nous Joseph Francois Colin maire et officier de l'Etat Civil de la com-
 mune de Hudiviller, de l'arrondissement de la Meurthe arondissement de Lunéville Canton
 (Nord) Est comparu Francois Dron vigneron domicilié audit Lieu de Hudiviller, lequel
 nous a présenté son enfant de sexe masculin né aujourd'hui vingt novembre audit lieu
 à trois heures après midi de lui déclarant et de Catherine Blaise son épouse, lequel
 a déclaré lui vouloir donner le prénom de Joseph Francois, Les quelles professions
 et déclaration nous ont été faite en présence de Joseph Francois Blaise vigneron
 âgé de vingt sept ans et de son frère à l'enfant, et d'Anne Françoise Dron âgé
 de trente deux ans cousin à l'enfant tous deux domiciliés à Hudiviller. Les quels ont le
 père et les témoins signés avec nous après que lecture leur en a été donnée

---Francois Dron

---Catherine Blaise

---Joseph Francois

Dron

Blaise

Blaise

Colin
mairie

Dron signature

BIRTH RECORD of JOSEPH FRANCOIS DRON
 November 20, 1817
 HUDIVILLER, FRANCE

Source: Joseph F. Dron entry, Hudiviller, France (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. Serial sheet 190.
 Microfilm number 1115788, batch C815781, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Marriage of Francois Dron and Catherine Blaise: 2-9-1817.

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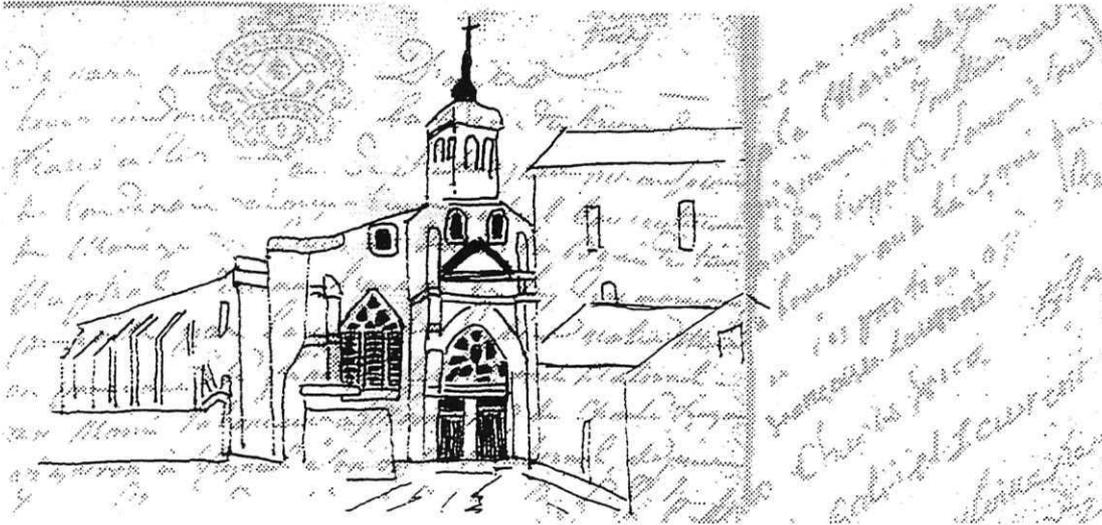
Translation from the original French of the marriage record of Francois Dron and Catherine Blaise (parents of Joseph F. Dron and Catherine Dron). The record is dated February 5, 1817 in Hudiviller, France.

This day, 5 February 1817, 10:30 a.m., in the city hall of Hudivilliers, before us Joseph Marie Colin, the mayor of the civil government of the commune of Hudivilliers, department of la Meurthe, district of Luneville, Canton (North), are gathered Mr. Francois Dron, a young man, resident of Damlivièrre, same department, age 23 years, 11 months, and 18 days, born at Damlivièrre the 30th of Ventose [a month according to the calendar in use in France in the years after the French Revolution] of the second year, (or 18 Feb. 1793), son of Francois Dron, a wheelwright, resident of Damlivièrre, present and giving his consent to the marriage, and the deceased Francoise Laurent his wife, deceased at Damlivièrre the 20th of Vendémiaire in the fourth year of the Republic. And Miss Catherine Blaise, age 25 years and 26 days, born at Hudivilliers the 9th of January 1792 at 5 p.m., adult daughter of Nicolas Blaise, wine grower, resident at the same place, present and consenting to the marriage, and the deceased Barbe Colin, who died here the third Ventose of the 6th year (21 Feb. 1798), her father and mother on the other part.

To whom we have directed to proceed the celebration of the marriage proposed between them, for whom the publication has been made in Hudivilliers, the residence of the bride, Sunday, the 26th of January, and the second of the present [month], 1817, and have posted during the times required by law, at the main door of our residence, serving presently as the city hall, at noon; the same publication has been made in the community of Damlivièrre, the residence of the groom, the same days, Sunday 26 January, and 2 February 1817 at noon, the times required by law and have remained posted at the main door of the city hall, in the latter case for the proper time, as is stated by the certification of the Mayor of Damlivièrre, where no opposition to the upcoming marriage was indicated to us.

Assured of the consent of the parents of the future couple, present as required, after having read all the details mentioned above, and chapter six of the civil code dealing with marriage. Having asked the bride and groom if they wanted to take each other as man and wife; both having responded strongly in the affirmative, we have declared that according to law that Mr. Francois Dron and Miss Catherine Blaise are united together in marriage, all of which we have put down in this record.

(Translation courtesy and kindness of James L. Hansen, FASG, Reference Librarian, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 816 State Street, Madison, WI 53706. August 9, 1999.)



16th Century Church, Varangeville, France, cradle of Dron ancestry, according to Jacques Chamagne³⁶. Sketch is superimposed on the marriage record of grandparents of Joseph F. Drone, Francois and Francoise (Laurent) Dron, who were married there January 13, 1789.

The document above, on which the sketch is superimposed, recorded the marriage of Francois and Francoise (Laurent) Dron which occurred in 1789. In 1782, a publication from Nancy, France analyzes Lorraine Customary Law and links it with the *modus operandi* of the Dukes of Lorraine about 1500 and the 1420 intermarriage between leading families of Lorraine and the Duchy of Bar (note the logo on the above record). Covering marriage, the Customs have sixteen chapters and sixty-five pages, the first three-and-one-half of which explain that marriage is both a sacrament and a civil contract. The following pages go on to distinguish in some detail where church has jurisdiction and where Lorraine Customary Law has jurisdiction.³⁷

Information gleaned from the original marriage and birth records:

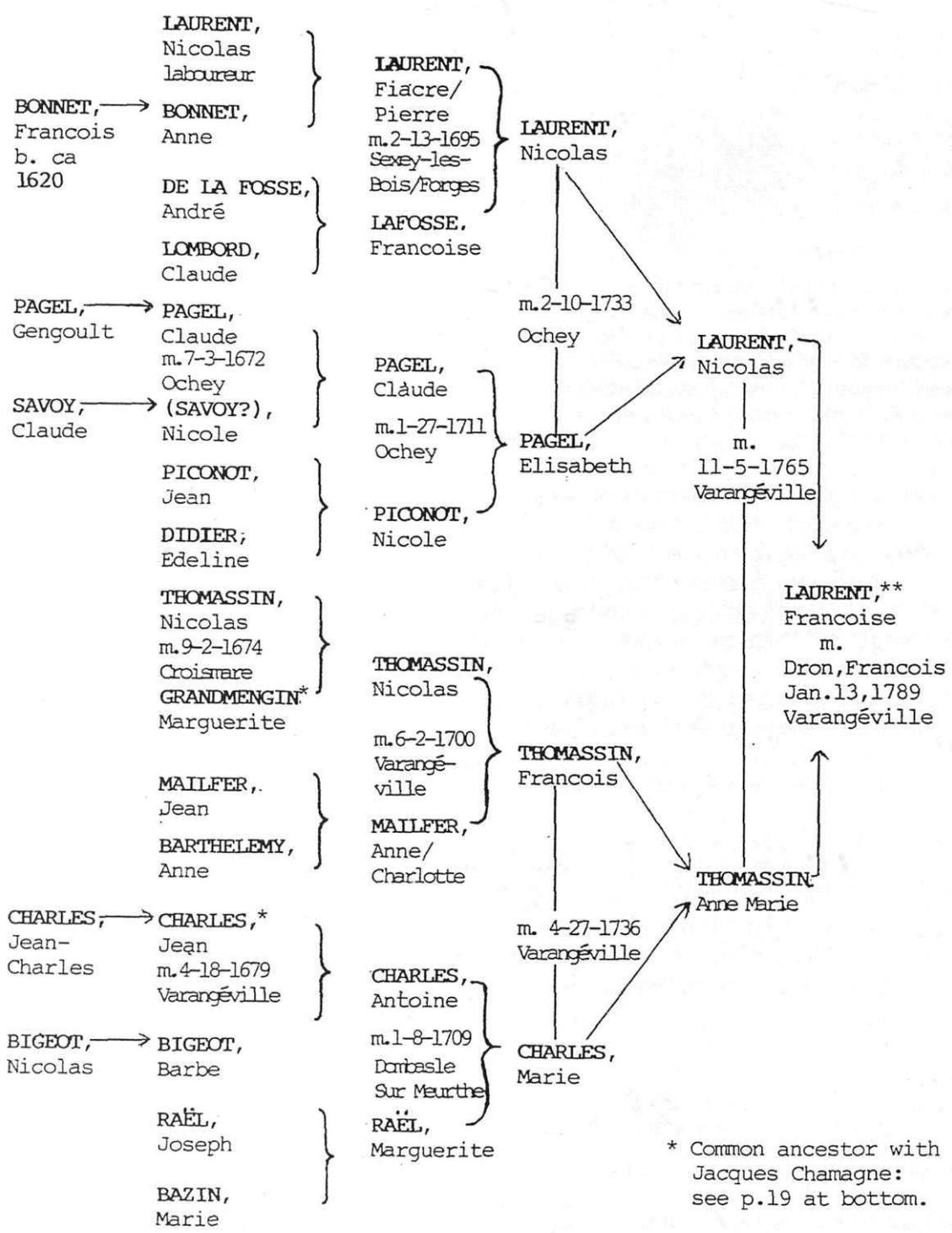
- Francois, b. 1793, father of Joseph F., was a winegrower.³⁸
- Francois, father of Francois b. 1793, was a wheelwright.³⁹
- Isidore Dron, great-grandfather of Joseph F. was a wheelwright.
- Nicolas Blaise, father-in-law of Francois b. 1793, was a winegrower.
- Francois b. 1793's mother died when he was two years old.
- Catherine Blaise Dron's mother (Joseph F.'s grandmother) died when Catherine was six years old.

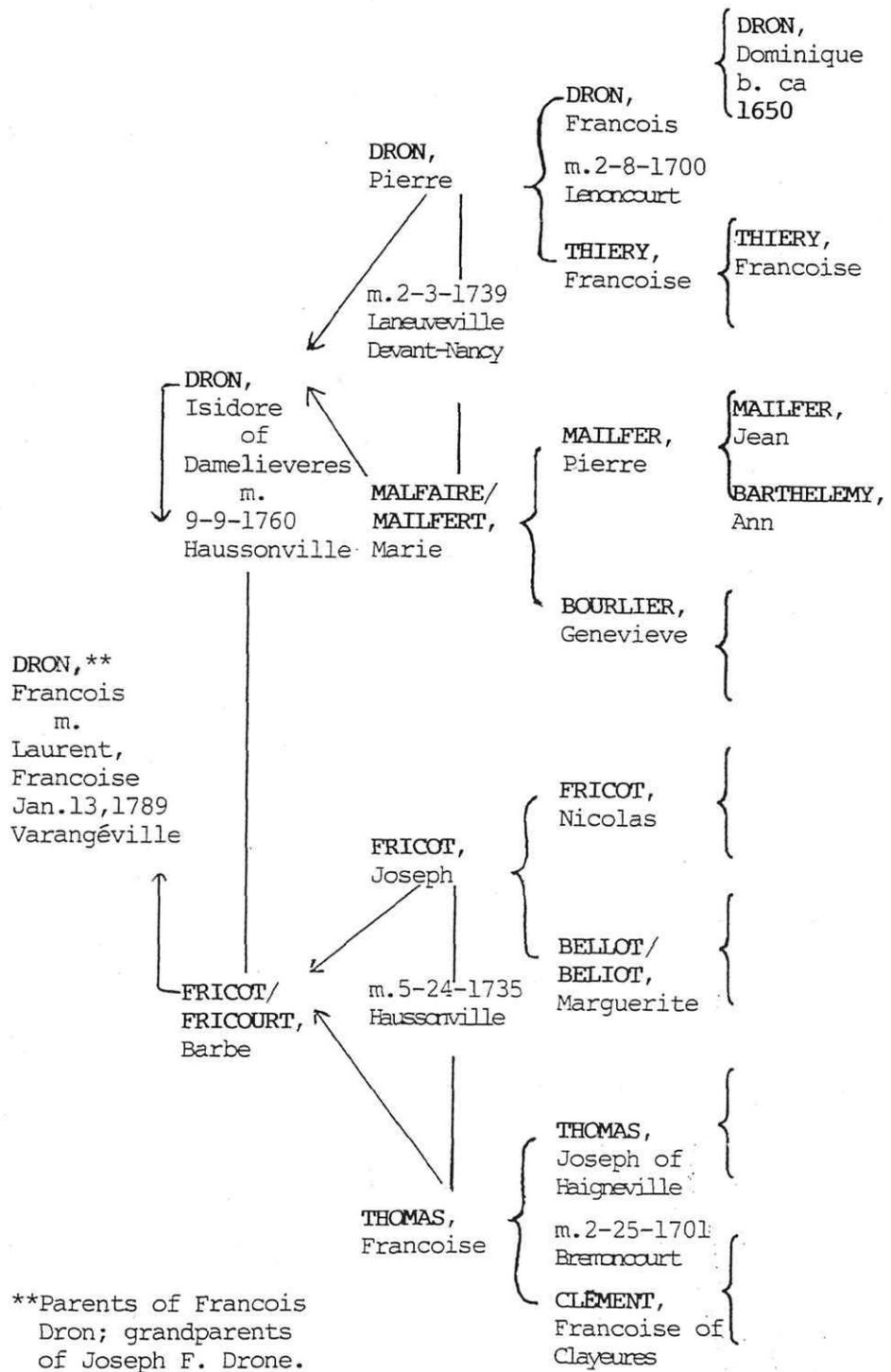
³⁶ Jacques Chamagne provided, on January 27, 2000, the photo from which the sketch was made, and on November 16, 1999 the marriage record on which the sketch is superimposed. His address is B.P.8; 54131 Saint-Max Cedex, France.

³⁷ Riston, Albert, *Analyse des coutumes sous le ressort du Parlement de Lorraine* (Nancy: D. Mathieu, 1782), v., 237-302.

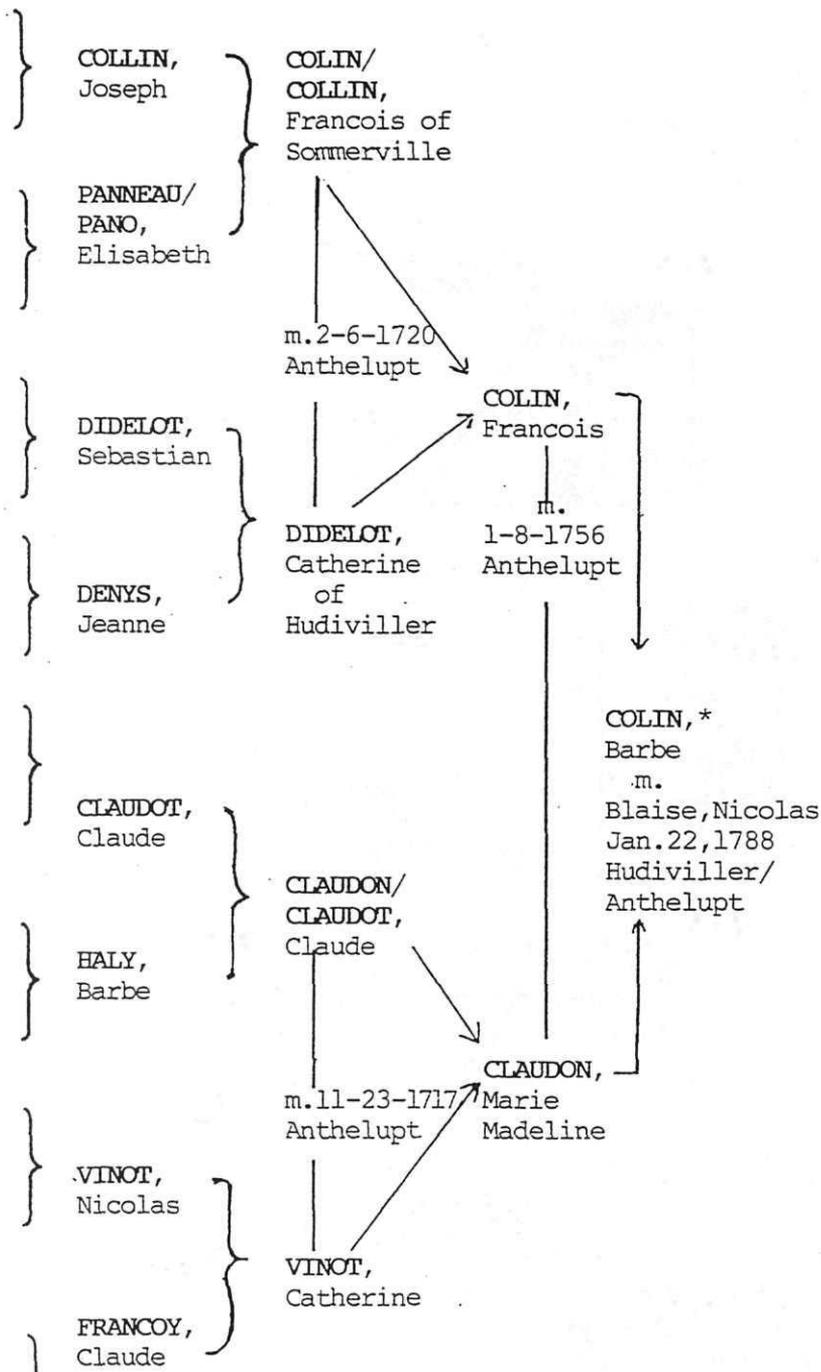
³⁸ "[T]here is a greater profit for the vineyardist whose crop had always been sold [than for the farmer]...the vineyardist can supply them [his family] on two hundred and forty square yards." Duby, Georges, *A History of French Civilization [by] Georges Duby and Robert Mandrou: Translated by James Atkinson* (New York: Random House, 1964), 356-7.

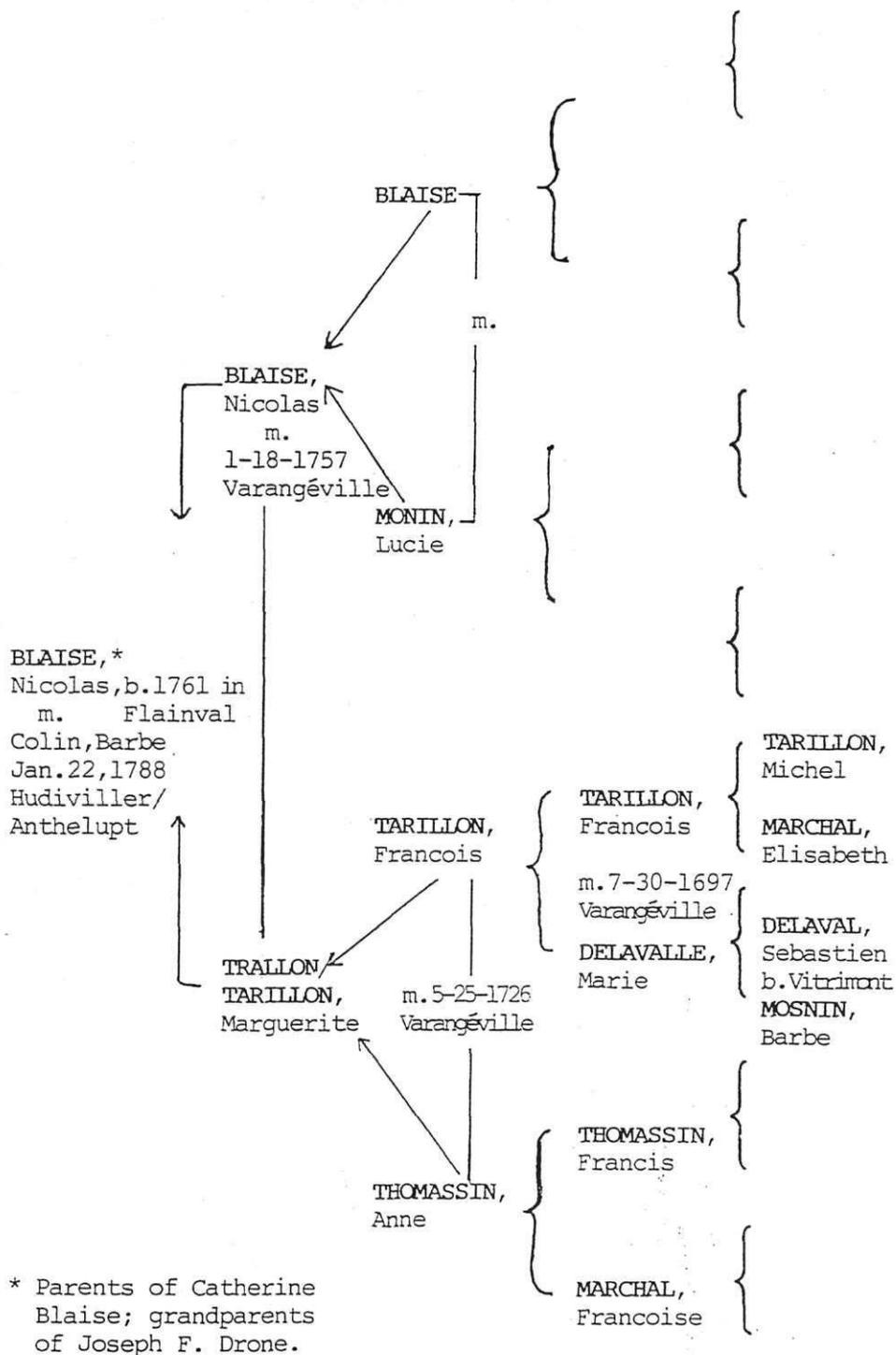
³⁹ "[about 1700] Both the government and public opinion feel the need to develop roads, encouraged by the real advances in carriage-making technique – better and better suspension, more and more resistance to shocks and jolts." Duby, *A History of French Civilization*, 366.





From Dron Ancestry chart provided November 16, 1999 by Jacques Chamagne,
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From Blaise Ancestry chart provided January 21, 2000 by Jacques Chamagne, U.C.G.L.; B.P.8; 54131 Saint-Max Cedex, France.

Towns/ Villages⁴⁰ Where Dron Ancestors Lived

All of these towns had their origin in the ancient Duchy of Lorraine. This area is now in the central section of the Department of Meurthe-et-Moselle: **See Map, p.24.**

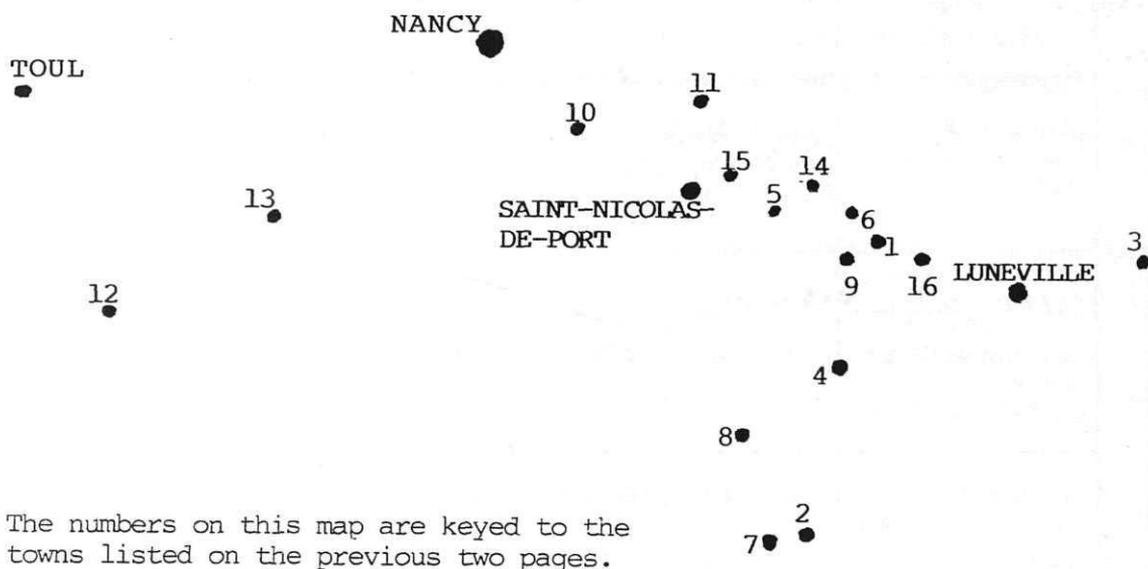
Name of Town/ Village	Habitants 1710 1842	Ancestor There Prior To:	First Discovered Historical Reference to the Town	Other Comments
Anthelup pg. 22, #1 on map	80 499	1697-1788	1123 in a memo by Pope Calixte II	Near royal route from Paris to Strasbourg
Brémoucourt, pg. 90, #2 on map	35 272	1701	1285 property transaction by Duke Ferry	
Croismare pg. 132, #3 on map	107 947	1674	1157 mentioned in Lunéville Court	On River Vezouze
Damelievers ³⁹ pg. 141, #4 on map	75 475	1730-89	1203 Abby of Belchamps	12 different spellings – left bank River Meurthe – name derived from St. Libaire, 1 st martyr of Lorraine
Domblase pg. 158, #5 on map	182 1137	1709	747 referencing Pepin, Father of Charlemagne	Near royal route from Paris to Strasbourg
Flainval pg. 188, #6 on map	18 183	1761	1613 archives (of Crévic?)	On Sanon Waterway
Haigneville pg. 234, #7 on map	21 149	ca 1700	1097 referencing St. Jacques – Neufchateau and the Fountain of the Abby of Belchamps	
Haussonville pg. 244, #8 on map	66 608?	1735-60	1176 referencing Abby of Beaupre	On right of River Moselle

⁴⁰ Lepage, Henri, *Le Département de la Meurthe, Statistique Historique et Administrative* (Meurthe [Department], France): Lucien Arnault, 1842), **page no. is shown next to town name.** Microfiche 3972, University of Wisconsin Madison, Microfilms Center. Unless otherwise noted, information on this chart is from Lepage.

Name of Town/ Village	Habitants 1710 1842	Ancestor There Prior To:	First Discovered Historical Reference to the Town	Other Comments
Hudiviller ^{41,42} pgs. 258-9, #9 on map	25 313	1720-1831	1522 referencing Nancy	Birthplace of Joseph F. Drone – near route from South Nancy to Luneville and Paris to Strasbourg
Laneuveville-Devant- Nancy pg. 280, #10 on map	72 821	1739	from Roman times according to archeologists	Not to be confused with Lunéville – on River Meurthe
Lenoncourt pg. 290, #11 on map	68 521	1686-1700	1069 referencing Duke Gerard of Alsace	
Ochey pg. 442, #12 on map	59 511	1672-1733	1033 referencing Gerard- le-Salique	14 miles NE of Joan of Arc Birthplace, Domremy
Sexey-Aux Forges (or Les Bois) pg. 547, #13 on map	90 439 44 451	1695 1695	1050 & 1279 referencing Abby St. Mansey	
Sommerville pg. 550, #14 on map	86 559	1720	1528 referencing Duke Antoine	By Canal Marne – Rhine – on Sanon
Varangéville pg. 590, #15 on map	108 669	1679-1789	758 referencing Abby of Gorze	On right of River Meurthe
Vitrimont pg. 615, #16 on map	50 367	1697	1258 referencing Duke Ferry III	Near royal route from Paris to Strasbourg

⁴¹ France métropolitaine Départements d'outre-mer Rattachements et Statistiques, *Dictionnaire Des Communes*. Trente-deuxième édition (Paris: Editions Berger-Levrault, 1970), 40, 71.

⁴² Meurthe, France (Dept.) Prefecture, *Memoire Statistique de Department de la Meurthe* (Paris: Imprimerie Imperiale, ca 1805), 64. Microfiche 1342, University of Wisconsin Madison [WI] Microforms Center.



The numbers on this map are keyed to the towns listed on the previous two pages.

12x25 Mile Section of Central Meurthe-et-Moselle Department⁴³

Nancy is in the upper center of the above map, **Lunéville** is center right, **Saint-Nicolas-de-Port**, center, and **Toul**, created about 55 BC⁴⁴ and the most ancient town in the vicinity, is shown in the upper left corner.

The Town: “[early] ‘towns’ were mainly military and administrative centers or the seats of bishoprics, but...[about 1100 A.D.] a new element was added to the castle or the cathedral. The town, in an economic and social sense, was coming into being, and in a legal sense, too, for it demanded corporate rights and privileges from the feudal lords; from the inhabitants of the French ‘bourg’ has come the term ‘bourgeoisie’.”⁴⁵

⁴³ Map, *Les 4 Départements Lorrains*, provided November 16, 1999 by Jacques Chamagne, B.P.8; 54131 Saint-Max, France.

⁴⁴ Parisse, Michel, *Grandes Dates de l'Histoire Lorraine* (Nancy: Services des Publications de l'Université de Nancy II, 1982), 9.

⁴⁵ Butterfield, Herbert, et al, *A Short History of France From Early Times to 1972*, 2nd edition (London: Cambridge University Press, 1974), 42.

Dron Town/ Villages "Proxys": Lunéville, Nancy, Saint-Nicolas-de-Port

As shown on previous pages, Dron towns/ villages back to 1620 are in a 12X25 mile area of which Lunéville, Nancy and Saint-Nicolas-de-Port are prominent historically; knowing more about these three towns helps convey a notion of Dron ancestor history. Nancy, being the center of the Dukes of Lorraine over the centuries, is more sophisticated, thus not as good of a "proxy" as Lunéville and Saint-Nicolas-de-Port. Therefore, the latter two will be the main focus of this section, though certainly life in the vineyards and small villages would be distinct from even Lunéville and Saint-Nicolas-de-Port. But in some way all the people of an area are affected by nearby events, even those of "haughty Nancy".⁴⁶

Lunéville: As early as the tenth century, Lunéville had a "chateau palais"⁴⁷ which shows up again on an 1100 A.D. map⁴⁸ and is later cited in the 1200's as "Ducuax Chateaux"⁴⁹. In 1702 Duke Leopold took refuge in the Lunéville Chateau on the occasion of the third occupation of Lorraine by France; in 1703 construction began on the Chateau⁵⁰ for which André Dron later became designated gilder.⁵¹

Lunéville, a Versailles-type town is a mini-Nancy...Its celebrated château was built at the beginning of the 18th century by Duke Léopold...He surrounded himself with the artists and intellectuals of the day. Voltaire was one. He claimed that he found it difficult to believe that he had changed places when he went from Versailles to Lunéville.⁵²

Duke Léopold died at the chateau in 1729 and his widow Elisabeth-Charlotte lived there until March 1737. In April 1737 Duke Stanislaus was installed at Lunéville and after he died there Lorraine became a Province of France in 1766.⁵³

Napoleon signed the Treaty of Lunéville there between November, 1800 and February 7, 1801. Through the centuries many famous French leaders of various disciplines visited Lunéville because of its strategic positioning on the route between Paris and Strasbourg.⁵⁴

Lunéville was second to Nancy only in size in the Department/ County of Meurthe-et-Moselle. At the time Francois Dron and Catherine Blaise married in nearby Hudiviller in 1817, Lunéville's population was 12,000.

⁴⁶ Duby, *A History of French Civilization*, 365.

⁴⁷ Parisse, Michel, *La Noblesse Lorraine: XIe-XIIIe*, 2 volumes (Lille: Atelier Reproduction des thèses, Université Lille III; Paris: diffusion, H. Champion, 1976), 1:134.

⁴⁸ Parisse, *La Noblesse*, 2: map "Chateaux" [no pagination].

⁴⁹ Parisse, *La Noblesse*, 1:478.

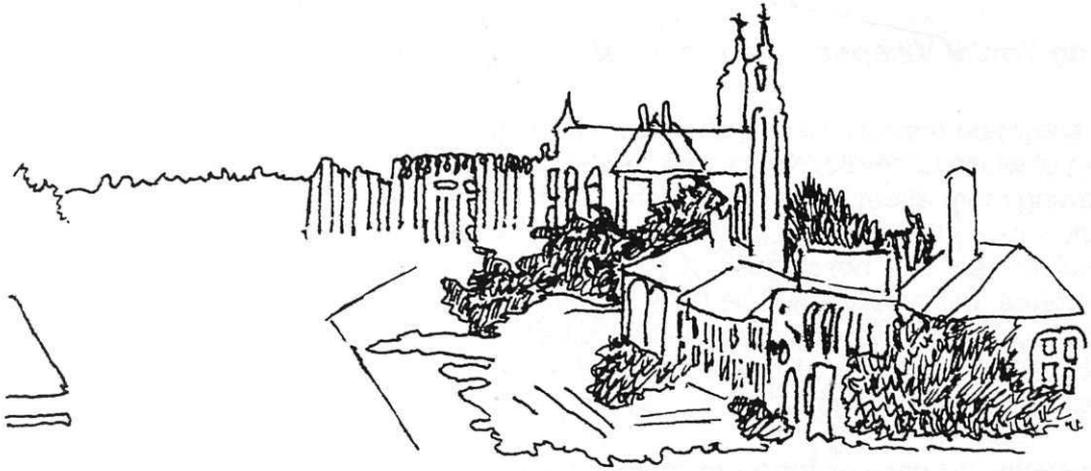
⁵⁰ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 43.

⁵¹ Soulange-Bodin, Henry, *Châteaux Anciens de France, Connus et Inconnus* [Delemont, Suisse] Editions du Jura [1962], 372.

⁵² Elsy, Mary with Jill Norman, *Travels in Alsace and Lorraine* (London: Merehurst, 1989), 100.

⁵³ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 44, 45, 48.

⁵⁴ Lepage, *Le Département de la Meurthe*, 325-332.



Basilica of Saint-Nicolas-de-Port; Saint Nicolas is the patron of Lorraine⁵⁵

Saint-Nicolas-de-Port: This town was/ is famous for its “colossal basilica...expanded on the base of the 11th century original...besieged by pilgrims.”⁵⁶ The basilica was the very early spiritual center for 75% of the Drons’ Towns/ Villages (Varangeville was just across the Meurthe River) so perhaps some Drons were baptized or married there in antiquity.⁵⁷ Between 1481 and 1514 the basilica was one of four in Lorraine for which the façade was developed with flamboyant art.⁵⁸

Joan of Arc is believed to have made a pilgrimage to the basilica at Saint-Nicolas-de-Port in February 1429.⁵⁹ Shortly thereafter it was Joan’s intervention in France’s war with England that was a decisive factor in France prevailing at Orléans. “She was a peasant girl from Domremy, a village on the Meuse [river] near the eastern frontier...She was burnt in 1431, and as the crowd broke up, an English soldier muttered ‘We are lost. We have burnt a saint.’”⁶⁰

In 1597, the town of Saint-Nicolas-de-Port became the grand commercial center of the Duchy of Lorraine. The Duke established two markets annually, one starting June 20 and the other December 20; each lasted 15 days.⁶¹ During the Burgundian War Saint-Nicolas-de-Port served from 1475-77 as a reinforcement site.⁶² From November 4-11, 1635 there was a pillage and sack of Saint-Nicolas-de-Port. In 1789 Saint-Nicolas-de-Port had a hospital called St. Francis with 69 beds, and a college that taught Latin, philosophy, history and geography.

⁵⁵ Sketch was made from photo provided January 27, 2000 by Jacques Chamagne, B.P.8; 54131 Saint-Max, France.

⁵⁶ Paulus, Conrad L., Editor, *Fodor’s France* (NY: Fodor’s Travel Publ. Inc., 1994), 301.

⁵⁷ Lepage, *Le Département de la Meurthe*, 90-590.

⁵⁸ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 27.

⁵⁹ *Ibid.*, 26.

⁶⁰ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 35.

⁶¹ *Ibid.*, 34.

⁶² *Ibid.*, 27.

Historical Profile of Central Meurthe-et-Moselle Department/ County

- Bronze Age: There is evidence of habitation in the Saint-Nicolas-de-Port area and the Nancy area.⁶³
- ca. 55 B.C. Creation of city of Toul 15 miles west of today's Nancy.⁶⁴
- 485 A.D.: Clovis, predecessor of Charlemagne, visited Toul.⁶⁵
- 800: There were four major churches in a 20-25 mile radius of today's Lunéville.⁶⁶
- ca 1000: There was an economy of salt production in what is today's Lunéville.⁶⁷
- 1061: Nancy is first mentioned in history.⁶⁸
- 1300: Benedictine Abbey in Lunéville and priory in Saint-Nicolas-de-Port.⁶⁹
- 16th century: Textile and glass industries in today's Lunéville area.⁷⁰
- 1572: First book printed in Nancy⁷¹ and soon after Lunéville became a minor printing center.⁷²
- 1585-1618: In the Lunéville area, rural heads of households increased 5.7% and in Nancy they decreased by 11.9%.⁷³
- 1600: Lunéville had a rural-heads-of-household density of 4.37 per sq. km.⁷⁴ and had 373 urban-heads-of-households, which was 28.8% of the 1,295 total heads-of-households.⁷⁵
- 1640: There was a Jesuit college in Nancy and Strasbourg, 35 miles east, was a center of Protestantism.⁷⁶
- 1668: The Lunéville area had 500 urban-heads-of-households.⁷⁷
- 1712: The Lunéville area heads-of-householes increased 59.5% since 1596.⁷⁸
- 1743-4: Lunéville experienced a prolonged inquietude following advancement of troops in the war of Austrian succession.⁷⁹
- 1745: Consecration of the Church of St. Jacques in Lunéville.⁸⁰
- 1766: Central Meurthe part of Lorraine becoming a Province of France.
- 1768: Pottery making began in Lunéville.⁸¹

⁶³ [Anonymous], *Aux Origines de la Lorraine Rurale: De 6000 Avant Notre Ere A L'An Mil* (Metz: Editions Serpenoise, 1993), 10.

⁶⁴ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 9.

⁶⁵ *Ibid.*, 10.

⁶⁶ Jones, Colin, *The Cambridge Illustrated History of France* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1994), 68.

⁶⁷ *Ibid.*, 104.

⁶⁸ *Ibid.*, 17.

⁶⁹ Parisse, *La Noblesse*, vol. 2, unpaginated map "Ordre Bénédictin en Lorraine Avant 1300".

⁷⁰ Duby, *A History of French Civilization*, unpaginated map "French industries at the close of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries".

⁷¹ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 33.

⁷² Jones, *The Cambridge Illustrated*, 131.

⁷³ Laperche-Fournel, Marie-José, *la Population du Duché de Lorraine de 1580 à 1720* (Nancy: Presses Universitaires de Nancy, ca 1985), 70.

⁷⁴ *Ibid.*, 78.

⁷⁵ *Ibid.*, 93.

⁷⁶ Duby, *A History of French Civilization*, unpaginated map "Protestant Expansion Until 1560 and the Large Roman Catholic Colleges Around 1640."

⁷⁷ Laperche-Fournel, *la Population*, 125.

⁷⁸ *Ibid.*, 172.

⁷⁹ Parisse, *Grandes Dates*, 46.

⁸⁰ *Ibid.*

The Overall Department / County of Meurthe-et-Moselle

The Department (county) which was the birthplace of Joseph F. Dron ancestors for almost 400 years is today named "Meurthe-et-Moselle" because two significant rivers of those names merge just north of Nancy on the way to the Rhine River and thence to the ocean. Meurthe-et-Moselle is sometimes shortened to "Meurthe", but never to "Moselle" because that is the name of a separate department in the Province of Lorraine, where Meurthe is located.

An official publication of the Department (county) of Meurthe-et-Moselle about 1805 profiled multiple aspects of the Department during the years that Joseph F.'s parents, Francois and Catherine (Blaise) Dron were growing up there.⁸² The following excerpts of that report written almost two centuries ago provide some interesting insights into the local area which Dron ancestors called home for centuries. Some of the modes of expression may seem stilted; this results not only from the age of the document but also from literal translation from French to English done for this book. The French language reflects French culture and thinking; these cannot be transmitted adequately by the simple word/ phrase translation used in this section. Nevertheless, the Meurthe document does provide a unique glimpse otherwise unavailable; hence, it is included as follows.

Excerpts from 1805 Meurthe Report

Population Statistics (some numbers are rounded)

	<u>1789</u>	<u>1801</u>
<u>Total Population</u> ⁸³ (p. 113)	320,139	337,915
under 15	38%	38%
15-30	23%	22%
30-50	22%	22%
over 50	17%	18%
 <u>Births</u> ⁸⁴		
Male	6,000	6,600
Female	5,600	5,800
 <u>Deaths</u> ⁸⁵	10,300	9,400
 <u>Marriages</u>	2,422	2,546

⁸¹ *Ibid.*, 48.

⁸² Meurthe, *Memoire Statistique*, 106-226.

⁸³ Population density in 1801 was 50-70 per sq. km., a density comparable to 40% of France; this density was approximately the same in 1831. Comité National De Géographie, *Atlas De France* (Paris: Éditions Géographiques De France, no date), no. 76.

⁸⁴ Births 1801-1810 per 1,000 inhabitants were approximately equal to 40% of France. *Ibid.*, no. 77.

⁸⁵ Deaths 1801-1810 were 28-32 per 1,000 inhabitants, equivalent to the 40% of France that was in the higher death range. *Ibid.*

Excerpts from 1805 Report, continued:

The People

The character and lifestyle of the people is a mixture of composure and vivacity; this results from the varieties of people who settled in the region over the centuries. The people live on good terms with their neighbors in other departments and provinces.

The people who occupy the vineyard area, which is the large part of the Department / county, are less beautiful than those in the northern extreme of the Department/ county. It appears that the vineyard area culture nets beauty of forms. The average height is at least 5' 2". Hair is brown and shiny.

Women do not appear as beautiful in Lorraine but they have a happy temperament; they do not become sterile until 45-46 and some at a more advanced age. The girls, whose development is earlier than the boys, marry generally between eighteen and twenty years. In dress, the women of Meurthe always try to imitate the wealthy, albeit lacking adequate resources to meet the standards of the wealthy, who reside mostly in Nancy and Lunéville. [There was no comparable entry in the report for men.]

The people who have lived a moderate life preserve all their forces until fifty years; they decline quickly in the interval between fifty and sixty years. Seventy years ordinarily is a time of frailty.

The Classes

- Proprietors, 18% of Meurthe's population in 1789; 21% in 1801;
- Persons of independent means;
- Salaried public employees;
- Artisans;
- Laborers;
- Domestic.

Arts, Professions, Trades

The Department/ county of Meurthe lists more than 200 categories in this section. Of the 200+, the following are those which have the greatest number of workers:

▪ Coopers (barrels, etc.)	650
▪ Wheelwrights	811
▪ Carpenters	900
▪ Cotton workers	1,200
▪ Blacksmiths	1,400
▪ Tailors	1,600
▪ Wine merchants	1,700
▪ Shoemakers	2,000
▪ Police / guards	2,146
▪ Weavers	3,200
▪ Winegrowers	3,500
▪ Technical workers	17,000

Wheelwright was the occupation of Joseph F.'s grandfather Francois Dron and great grandfather Isadore Dron

Winegrower was the occupation of Joseph F.'s father Francois Dron and grandfather Nicolas Blaise

Excerpts from 1805 Report, continued:

Institutions / Buildings

- Buildings: the small towns of Meurthe imitate the buildings of Nancy: red stone and very solid;
- Grade schools: about 1,000 students annually, closely divided between male and female;
- High schools and Junior Colleges: six total; one in Lunéville;
- Hospitals: 17 in department / county; two in Lunéville , one in Saint-Nicolas-de-Port.

Religion

Religion generally is not controversial in the area.

Agriculture

Twenty percent of the Department / county's vineyards lay in the Lunéville area where Joseph F.'s immediate ancestors had been winegrowers. The Lunéville area produced about 17% of the Department's wine.

Vines: There is a considerable area planted in vines in Lunéville, Nancy and Saint-Nicolas-de-Port. The vine is quite productive but the quality of wine is average. Despite the quantity of wine, the people drink much beer, especially in the years when the vine harvest is not abundant. In 1798, the Nancy area alone had forty active breweries.⁸⁶

Animals

<u>Whole Department</u>	<u>Lunéville area's share</u>
64,000 horses	18%
18,000 steers	25%
57,000 cows	30%
1,400 mules	3%
110,000 sheep	29%
57,800 pigs	30%
11,000 goats	40%

Revenues

In 1843, of the five arrondissements of the Meurthe Department, the Nancy arrondissement ranked first in revenues, Lunéville arrondissement second, at about 70% of Nancy.⁸⁷

N.B. The information in this section on the overall Department / county of Meurthe-et-Moselle only skims the very surface of the publications referenced in this section. A person fluent in French could glean a wealth of information from the books referenced, thus building a much richer picture of this Department / county of origin of Dron ancestors.

⁸⁶ LeCreulx, Francois Michel, *Description Abérgéé du Department de la Meurthe* (Paris: De l'Imprimerie de la Republique, An VII [i.e. ca. 1798-99], 3. Microfiche 1301, University of Wisconsin Madison, Microforms Center.

⁸⁷ LePage, *Le Department de la Meurthe*, 79.

Lorraine

The Province of Lorraine is often attached by hyphen to the name Alsace, but the two areas are nothing alike. "Though united in their historical vicissitudes, the two provinces are totally different from each other in landscape, tongue, customs, architecture and, of course, people...Lorraine is a contrast of vast plateaux, precipitous hills and valleys that are warm and peaceful. It is by and large a rough diamond."⁸⁸

Lorraine is historically Celtic whereas Alsace is historically Germanic. From at least ca. 1500 B.C., Celtic peoples occupied many parts of what is now France, Britain, Ireland and Northern Italy.⁹⁰ Modern day concepts tend to equate the Celts and Irish, but in fact, the Irish are only one of the branches of Celts. Celtic Lorraine was conquered first by the Romans and then by the Franks. Genes of the Romans, 58 B.C. - 476 A.D., the barbarians, 406 A.D. and the Franks after 476 A.D. intermingled with those of the Celtic population.

The name Lorraine first attached to the area in 843 A.D.; it "derives from the Latin 'Lotharii Regnum', 'the kingdom of Lothar', who was one of the three grandsons of Charlemagne, among whom his empire was divided by the Treaty of Verdun in 843 A.D.,"⁹¹ the same Verdun which became the scene of bloody battles in recent centuries. At the time, 843, "Lotharingia" stretched from the Mediterranean on the south to Cologne on the north, and covered about one-third of today's eastern France. The Meditterean Sea connects with the ocean via the Saone and the Moselle in Lorraine⁹².

Over a number of centuries the Grand Duchy of Lorraine became gradually smaller. Precision regarding the border seems to have been lacking, as can be seen in an excerpt of a thirteenth century letter from the Pope to Louis IX regarding France's eastern frontier, "We do not find it determined in any document; although for a long time

Cultures in Lorraine

B.C.

Neolithic Prehistoric

5500 Rubane

5000 Grossgartach, Roessen

4000 Michelsberg

3000 Groupe Seine-Oise-Marne

2800 Groupe Mosellan

2400 Campaniforme

Bronze Age

1800 Bronze a Cordon Digite

1500 Bronze Moyena Ceramic Excisee

1250 Group A Ceramic Cannelee

1100 Rhin-Suisse-France Orientale

750 Hallstatt

450 Latene

Then Came

52 BC – 476 AD Roman Period

476 – 751 Merovingien

751 – 987 Carolingien⁸⁹

⁸⁸ Ardaugh, John, *Rural France: The People, Places and Characters of the Frenchman's France* (Salem, NH: Salem House, 1984), 71.

⁸⁹ *Aux Origines De La Lorraine Rurale*, 4.

⁹⁰ Morse, Joseph, editor, *Funk & Wagnalls Standard Reference Encyclopedia*, multi-vol. (New York: SRW, 1960), 6: 1899-1900.

⁹¹ Baillie, Kate, et al, *France: The Rough Guide* (London: Rough Guides, Ltd., 1999), 257.

⁹² Meurthe, *Memoire Statistique*, 217.

we have dared to say that, in certain places, it was fixed by rivers, by ecclesiastical provinces, or by dioceses, we cannot clearly demark it; we are in complete ignorance."⁹³

"Lorraine has been the principal route of invasion from the German lands across the Rhine ever since [843 A.D.], even though the trench-like valleys of the rivers Meuse and Moselle form a main line of defense."⁹⁴ (That same Moselle had seen human activity as far back as one million years, based on archaic tools discovered there.)⁹⁵

Lorraine came under French domination in the 1500's.⁹⁶ A 1590 map shows much of north France, to include most of Lorraine, being the greatest extent of something called "The Catholic League," while large sections of southern France are shown controlled by the Huguenots.⁹⁷ In 1766 Lorraine became a Province of France; it was no longer a free-standing Duchy.⁹⁸ Thereafter Lorraine's history parallels that of France.

Dron roots in Lorraine go back centuries, probably long before 1620 when we find them in the early records. "[T]he formation of France has deep historical roots...ancestral rootedness in the land contributed to the formation of those French 'pays' so admired."⁹⁹ "Lorraine...forebearers, very thrifty, regular in their ways, generally owning their modest homes and very different in character...extraordinary communal pressures applied by the popular classes in their efforts to preserve their traditional way of life."¹⁰⁰

Today's Fodor's has the following to say about Lorraine:

Farther from the sea than anywhere else in France, the area has a Continental climate, with extremely cold winters and mighty hot summers....

Lorraine, creased by the cheerful Moselle Valley, is the birthplace of France's patron saint, Joan of Arc – who fought invaders from England....

At its heart...is Nancy former capital of the powerful Dukes of Lorraine, a city of great appeal, imbued with medieval, classical, and Art Nouveau elegance. And the rich, rolling countryside is dotted with orchards of the yellow, plumlike mirabelle, and with abbeys, fortresses, and historic towns. It is the home of Baccarat and St-Louis crystal, the birthplace of Gregorian chant, madeleines, and the famous quiche-Lorraine....¹⁰¹

⁹³ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 38.

⁹⁴ Baillie, et al, *France: The Rough Guide*, 257.

⁹⁵ *Aux Origines De La Lorraine Rurale*, 3.

⁹⁶ Ely with Norman, *Travels in Alsace and Lorraine*, 15.

⁹⁷ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 140.

⁹⁸ Hall, Charles M., *The Atlantic Bridge to Germany*, multi. vol. (Salt Lake City: Everton Pub., ca 1976), 4:3.

⁹⁹ Noiriél, Gérard, *The French Melting Pot: immigration, citizenship, and national identity* (Minneapolis:

Univ. of Minn. Press, 1996), 258.

¹⁰⁰ Noiriél, Gérard, *Workers in French Society in the 19th and 20th centuries* (Providence, RI: Berg Publishers, Ltd., 1990), 67 and 41.

¹⁰¹ Paulus, ed., *Fodor's France*, 280 and 301.

France: From Early Times Until Drons Emigrated in 1831

One-half million years ago today's France was part of the northernmost habitation of Homo Erectus.¹⁰² Sometime between 2000 BC¹⁰³ and 1000 BC,¹⁰⁴ tribes from central Asia were pressing westward; these tribes were later called Celts. Many of these tribes reached Gaul (France) and settled there while others continued westward to today's British Isles. Much later in 55 B.C. the Britons "were sending help to their Celtic kin in Gaul."¹⁰⁵ Today, 3000-year-old mummies are being found in central Asia clad in criss-crossed colored cloth with patterns now called Scotch plaid.¹⁰⁶

The Celts did not stay aloof from the original population in Gaul.¹⁰⁷ "In the first millennium B.C. the Celts gradually imposed themselves on the earlier inhabitants as a sort of ruling class. Their tribal leaders became the landlords of great estates."¹⁰⁸ They performed a prominent role in the evolution of western culture.¹⁰⁹ "Prior to Roman colonization, the Celts had established themselves throughout Gaul, leaving only marginal areas in the Southeast and Southwest still dominated by indigenous peoples. Celtic Gaul formed a crazy-quilt of tribes and sub-tribes making shifting alliances and frequently resorting to war."¹¹⁰

In 121 B.C. some Celt tribes brought in the Romans to help them against other tribes. At this point Gaul was not a nation but rather a geographical expression.¹¹¹ Farming techniques were fairly advanced,¹¹² but the area was clad with thick and tangled forests inhabited by bison and bears.¹¹³ The Lunéville area was dominated by the Mediomatrici tribe of Celts.¹¹⁴

The Gauls had no animate deities; they had Druids who were not a caste but a corporation that had its center for teaching in Britain. After the Romans came, the Gauls Romanized their gods.¹¹⁵

¹⁰² Moore, R.I., general editor, *Rand McNally Historical Atlas of the World* (Chicago: Rand McNally and Company, 1981), Map #1.

¹⁰³ *Ibid*, Map #5.

¹⁰⁴ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 2.

¹⁰⁵ Rowse, Alfred Leslie, *The Story of Britain* (New York: British Heritage Press, 1983), 8.

¹⁰⁶ Interview with Elizabeth Barber, "Mummies" (To the Best of Our Knowledge) Wisconsin Public Radio WHAD, 5 December 1999. Ms. Barber is the author of *The Mummies of Uramchi*, ISBN 0393045218, Norton Press, 1998.

¹⁰⁷ Guérard, Albert, *France: A Modern History*, rev. ed. (Ann Arbor: The University of Michigan, 1969), 28.

¹⁰⁸ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 2-3.

¹⁰⁹ Reinhardt, Kurt F., *Germany: 2000 Years*, rev. ed. 2 volumes (New York: Continuum Pub. Co, 1994),

1:37.

¹¹⁰ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 25.

¹¹¹ Guérard, *France*, 27.

¹¹² Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 25.

¹¹³ Guérard, *France*, 30.

¹¹⁴ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 25.

¹¹⁵ Guérard, *France*, 28-9.

On the eve of Julius Caesar's becoming Governor of the Roman Province of Gaul 58 B.C., Gaul was:

a region inhabited from time immemorial and covered by layer upon layer of ethnic alluvions...Caesar thus found himself in the presence of a complex population still primitive and fierce, but alert, intente, open to foreign influences: a people not inferior in aptitude to the classical nations, although far behind them in development...[A]bsorption by the Latin world [Romans] meant to Gaul not death, but an accelerated evolution.¹¹⁶

Early in Roman Gaul there was a young Celtic chief name Arvernian who managed to unify the various tribes and prevail against Rome much to the annoyance of Caesar who called them the rabble. "It is not wholly fanciful to trace a resemblance between that brief flaring up of the Gallic spirit, the mission of Joan of Arc, and the mighty surge of the French people in 1792 [the French Revolution]: in all 3 cases, the depths were stirred."¹¹⁷

After the Roman subjection of the Gauls, the spoken Latin of the soldiers, teachers, colonists, and administrators gradually spread among the whole population and by the 4th century [Latin] had virtually replaced the Celtic speech....Conversion to Christianity took place in spite rather than because of the Romans. The first missionaries were Greeks and Levantines who made their way along the Mediterranean trade routes...[T]he new religion spread rapidly among townspeople, although centuries were to pass before the rural population was made Christian.¹¹⁸

In Roman times today's Lunéville was in a Roman provincial area whose capital Durocortorum is today's Reims.¹¹⁹ A millennium later the Cathedral at Reims was the site of Charles VII's crowning following Joan of Arc's victory at Orléans.

After some five centuries of Roman presence in Gaul/ France, Roman authority was crumbling from within and Germanic pressure was prevailing along Roman borders.¹²⁰ In 406 A.D. there were major barbarian raids and settlement¹²¹; in 450 A.D. Attila the Hun devastated Luxeuil fifty-five miles south of today's Lunéville.¹²²

"When the Roman garrisons were withdrawn from the Rhine early in the 5th century, Gaul was overrun by Tartans and Huns, Goths and Visigoths, Allemans and Burgundians."¹²³ But most of all, the Franks prevailed throughout Gaul/ France, though they actually settled in the northeast, including today's Lorraine and Alsace areas.¹²⁴

¹¹⁶ *Ibid.*, 31.

¹¹⁷ *Ibid.*, 33.

¹¹⁸ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 4-5.

¹¹⁹ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 40.

¹²⁰ *Ibid.*, 4.

¹²¹ *Ibid.*, 336.

¹²² Wells, Rosalie, *Walled Towns of France* (Paris: [42 bis, rue Cardinet], 1937), 130.

¹²³ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 5.

¹²⁴ *Ibid.*

The fall of the Roman Empire in the west is conventionally placed at 476 A.D.¹²⁵ The Romans had been in Gaul/ France longer than Europeans have claimed North America.

From 481 Clovis was leader of the Franks who prevailed throughout Gaul after the Romans left. Clovis managed to hold the huge area he claimed by tapping into Christian alliance. This he did by getting himself and his court baptized, thus closely aligning Church and State, an affiliation which endured for centuries with the Franks and their Carolingian successors.

About 590 Columbanus, a monk, left his monastery in Ulster, Northern Ireland, and showed up in Frankish Gaul where he reported "the love of mortification was scarcely to be found even in a few places."¹²⁶ He founded the monasteries of Luxeuil, south of today's Lunéville.¹²⁷ From that vantage point he would have become aware of additional moral concerns: in Metz 35 miles north of today's Lunéville and Verdun 54 miles northwest of Lunéville there were major slave markets, an outcome of being on major trade routes between the German interior and the routes to Spain and Africa via Marseilles.¹²⁸

The Franks were culturally inferior to those they subjugated in Gaul and thus gave up their native Frankish language¹²⁹; they did however manage to name Gaul after themselves: "France." Charlemagne became ruler of the Frankish lands from 771-814; he was a leader of exceptional accomplishment.¹³⁰ By 800 A.D. Charlemagne was spending most of his winters in his version of Rome, Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen, northeast of Lorraine), a region that had evolved into and has remained, "the cockpit of Europe."¹³¹

The Beginning of France

After Charlemagne's death "the great Frankish empire fell into anarchy: Its partition by his grandsons in 843 forms a convenient beginning to the historic record of the separate states of France and Germany."¹³² It also marks the creation of Lotharingia/ Lorraine as a separate kingdom/ duchy, which it remained for nine centuries, though at times claimed by others and gradually reduced in size.

Some of the following list of events did not directly impact Lorraine during its nine centuries, but they are significant to mention because they formed the country where Lorraine ultimately became a Province in 1766. Contemporary events affected Dron ancestors' lives so that generalizations about ancestors can be drawn from broader events.

¹²⁵ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 44.

¹²⁶ Reinhardt, *Germany: 2000 Years*, 38.

¹²⁷ *Ibid.*

¹²⁸ Moore, *Rand McNally Historical Atlas*, 55.

¹²⁹ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 7.

¹³⁰ *Ibid.*, 6.

¹³¹ Moore, *Rand McNally Historical Atlas*, 48.

¹³² Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 11.

Events in France

- 885: Vikings/ Norsemen/ Normans brought much death and destruction, but after several generations they settled down into citizenship in France.
- 987: Hugh Capet established the Capetian dynasty after becoming king.
- 1095: First Crusade
- 1337: Hundred Year War with England starts.
- 1348: Black Death: huge population loss
- 1412: Joan of Arc born
- 1431: Joan of Arc burnt at stake
- 1470: First printing press in France
- 1534: Jacques Cartier to Canada
- 1589: Bourbon dynasty starts
- 1620: First Dron records
- 1624: Richelieu is principal minister
- 1643: Louis XIV, king of France
- 1648: France controls part of Lorraine
- 1659: Duke of Lorraine gets territory back
- 1679: France occupied Lorraine
- 1697: France returns Lorraine to its Duke
- 1738: France gets some rights in Lorraine
- 1756-63: Seven-Years War; France suffers losses to England in Europe and America
- 1766: Lorraine sold to France by last Duke
- 1778: France joins rebel Americans against England
- 1789: Bastille stormed in Paris; French Revolution starts

France "Takes Root" [About 1000 A.D.]

The great business of colonizing waste land sketched out in the Carolingian epoch [Charlemagne's era], was taken up again and continued actively for the next century and a half. Both the Capetian kings and the French monastic orders stimulated the work of reclamation. Much forest land was cleared and many marshes drained... Production developed enormously and land values greatly increased after about 1050...the vineyards of France acquired a European reputation ...equally true of industry...rise of a new social group that stood in contrast with the rural agricultural peasantry and the territorial nobles. And it is with the appearance of the intermediate category – wealthy merchants... and artisans...that the rise of towns was associated.¹³³

¹³³ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 41-42.

The French Revolution and the Napoleonic Era: 1789 – 1815

Joseph F. Dron and Margaret Bartelle were born at the end of Napoleon's reign; their parents Francois and Catherine (Blaise) Dron, Jean Louis and Margeuritte (Mazal) Bartelle were born in the early days of the French Revolution. Dron ancestor adults at the time of the storming of the Bastille July 14, 1789, which opened the Revolution, were Joseph F's grandparents, Francois the wheelwright and Francoise (Laurent) Dron in Damelieveres on the left bank of the Meurthe River just southwest of Lunéville, and Nicolas the winegrower and Barbe (Colin) Blaise in Huidiviller just northwest of Lunéville.

The purpose of the French Revolution was to destroy noble privilege.¹³⁴ "The towns outside Paris [were]...kept well informed by the Parisian press...[and by] the Jacobin Club and its hundred and fifty provincial affiliates...[at the outset] provincial towns follow...the Revolution, with the temporal lag and calm that result from their non-participation...[and] the rural population [is] affected so far as roads permit...."¹³⁵

Dron town/ village involvement, or lack thereof, in the Revolution might be gleaned from the following information. It is not known if Dron family members were drawn into conscription since old military records are not readily available in France.

Approximate year/ event	Impact near Dron towns/ villages
July/Aug. 1789: "Great Fear" Agrarian revolts	Lunéville area, as well as most of Lorraine not involved. ¹³⁶
1789: In nine major towns a revolutionary committee shared (not replaced) power with the town council.	Nancy was one of the nine. ¹³⁷
1793: Federalist and other civil unrest	Meurthe-et-Moselle Department was involved, though surrounding areas were not. ¹³⁸
1793-4: The Terror/ Executions	Less than 25 executions in Meurthe ¹³⁹
Advance of French Revolutionary Armies	Just to the north of Nancy ¹⁴⁰

¹³⁴ Moore, *Rand McNally Historical Atlas*, 97.

¹³⁵ DUBY, *A History of French Civilization*, 411.

¹³⁶ Moore, *Rand McNally Historical Atlas*, 81.

¹³⁷ Barnes, Ian and Robert Hudson, *The Macmillan History Atlas of Europe* (New York: Simon and Schuster Macmillan Co., 1998), 109.

¹³⁸ *Ibid.*

¹³⁹ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 193.

¹⁴⁰ Barnes, *Macmillan*, 109.

Approximate year/ event	Impact near Dron towns/ villages
1789-99: Emigrés	Meurthe had between 1,000 and 2,000 ¹⁴¹
1799-1805: Military Desertion	Lorraine was among the lowest in the country at 0-19% ¹⁴²
1801: Napoleon's Treaty of Lunéville	Signed in Lunéville
1814: "[w]hat most French people wanted was peace [because] the costs of a generation of revolution and war had been huge: perhaps 1.5 million deaths. More than one in three of all boys born between 1790 and 1795 were killed or wounded." ¹⁴³ The carnage and horrors of the French Revolution were such that even for the initially sympathetic Americans, so fresh from their own Revolution, it ultimately brought "doubt and disgust." ¹⁴⁴	
1815: "France had reached the apogee of power during the Revolutionary and Napoleonic wars, dominating Eurpoe, reaching and even exceeding her 'natural frontiers', the Rhine and the Alps. Then had come stunning collapse, final defeat at Waterloo [1815], and loss of territory, power and wealth." ¹⁴⁵	
1789-1814/5	"[T]he twenty-five years from 1789 to 1814-15 have come to be regarded...[as] most eventful in modern European history." ¹⁴⁶

¹⁴¹ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 193.

¹⁴² *Ibid.*

¹⁴³ Tombs, Robert, *France 1814-1914* (New York: Addison Wesley Langman, Inc., 1996), 330.

¹⁴⁴ Arnow, Harriette, *Flowering of the Cumberland* (Lincoln, NE: Univ. of Neb., 1966), 16.

¹⁴⁵ Tombs, *France 1814-1914*, 35.

¹⁴⁶ Detwiler, Donald S., *Germany: A Short History*, 3rd edition (Carbondale, Illinois: Southern Ill. U. Press, 1999), 102.

France, Some Overall Perspectives

Cultural boundaries¹⁴⁹:

- Linguistic: Langue d'oïl in north France, to include the Lunéville area
- Law: Customary law in the north (vs. Roman Law in south)
- Medieval architectural styles: Gothic in north France
- Roman or hollow tiles are prevalent in the Lorraine area
- Open field agriculture: northeast France
- Gene pool is not distinct except in southwestern France and Brittany

"Frenchness":

- "cannot be explained by national temperament, race, ethnicity or culture, but by history internalized to the point of affecting body language."¹⁵⁰
- "[I]n France, the barrier of origins [aristocratic vs. bourgeoisie] had fallen by the eighteenth century."¹⁵¹
- France has a strong agrarian culture which links to its food fame and reputation. Where else can one find a barrage of tractors stalling traffic in a Paris in late 20th century? Or the trashing of a McDonalds restaurant in Paris a few years later in Oct., 1999, with minimal consequences and great popular support for the perpetrators? Or the attitude of all powerful farmers in late 1999 causing France to be the sole country in the European Union banning British beef related to mad cow disease, and even being taken to court for it?

Centuries before there was a France, the melting pot was already at work. But it never imposed a rigid unity, or established a dead level of indifference: it created a richer scale of values. At all times there were in France idlers and hard workers, aristocrats of the spirit and coarser minds..., lovers of peace and swashbucklers, timid souls clinging to their village, their class, their habits, their little hoard of gold, and adventurers in every field.¹⁵²

Lille, France

Far from Meurthe-et-Moselle is Lille, France. It is about two hundred miles to the northwest of central Meurthe. Lille holds some sort of significance to Dron ancestry. Lille was a frequent topic of conversation in the home of Frank Drone, eldest son of Joseph F. Dron. Marion (Mack) Kohl often visited his grandfather Frank in the early 1900's and he reports hearing animated conversations about Lille, but he never learned the connection.¹⁴⁷ One could speculate that Francois and Catherine migrated to Lille before leaving for America, or that Lille was the hometown of the Bartelles and Mazals whose exact point of origin is yet to be identified, or that Lille factored in after Dron ancestors left France when there was a major migration of French people from east France in the late 1800's due to Prussian incursions in Lorraine.¹⁴⁸ A review of Lille records did not reveal any clues.

¹⁴⁷ Interview, Marion Kohl, 28 April 1996.

¹⁴⁸ Hall, *The Atlantic Bridge*, 4:4.

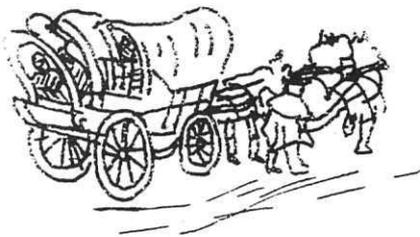
¹⁴⁹ Jones, *Cambridge Illustrated*, 9.

¹⁵⁰ Noiriél, *The French Melting Pot*, 269.

¹⁵¹ *Ibid.*

¹⁵² Guérard, *France*, 10.

Part II: Emigration, Immigration, Resettlement



Leaving Home in France

"French immigration to America was comparatively small--only ten percent of that of German immigration during the nineteenth (century)...the French were attached to native soil and had stable population growth."¹⁵³ Then why were Francois and Catherine (Blaise) Dron, at ages 38 and 39, among the ten percent who decided to leave their vineyards and undertake a move so permanent and final with their children Joseph F., 13 and Catherine, 11? For centuries their ancestors had called Lorraine home; now this family of four was to bid Lorraine farewell forever.

One source listed the following occurrences in France which might have contributed to the family's motivation to emigrate:¹⁵⁴

The depression beginning 1827 ended the Restoration's long years of prosperity in the provinces as well as Paris....In 1828 and 1829 an agrarian crisis stemming from a succession of poor harvests turned recession into grave depression....[then the] July 1830 French Revolution resulted when the hard won gains of the 1789-99 Revolution began to be revoked by the King....Almost everywhere throughout the country Frenchmen accepted the Parisian revolution and generally welcomed it....[But] some priests....warned the faithful that the new government....threatened the Catholic religion.

L'émigration des Lorrains en Amérique 1815-1870 offers information and explanations which provide insight into the French emigration from Lorraine.¹⁵⁵ Maire stresses that it is important to understand the complexity and variety of motivations of emigrants from Lorraine to America. The principal causes of emigration from Lorraine related to the increasing rural population which simultaneously was at the mercy of numerous difficulties such as economic crises, bad weather and epidemics. Cholera, especially, was menacing parts of France. Also, an Administrative Code of 1827 relating to Foresters was offensive to many, and Hudiviller was on the edge of the Vitrimont Forest. At the same time letters with direct testimony were reaching Lorraine from America, letters encouraging family and friends to come to America. One letter made a request for emigration specifically to Clermont County, Ohio, later to be the home of Francois Dron and family. In addition, the press out of Meurthe-et-Moselle, especially Nancy, carried regular articles about America to include, for example, information about General Jackson; President Adams; Congress; growing tensions between North and South; tributaries of and alligators in the Mississippi River; frequent entries about California; the Osage Indians; residence of the President; particular articles about Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Boston, New York and New Orleans. Yet one more source¹⁵⁶ states that in Lorraine between 1830 and 1860 agents went from town to town to recruit

¹⁵³ Morrice, Polly, *The French Americans* (New York: Chelsea House, 1988), 16.

¹⁵⁴ Pinkney, David H., *The French Revolution of 1830* (New Jersey: Princeton Univ. Press, 1972), 225, 60, 44, 198, 199.

¹⁵⁵ Maire, Camile, *L'émigration des Lorrains en Amérique 1815-1870*, (Metz: Centre de recherches Relations internationales de l'Université de Metz, 1980), 17, 38, 28-30, 118-9, 113-17.

¹⁵⁶ [Anonymous], "Alsace and Lorraine," [untitled information binder, France] (Hales Corners, WI: Family History Library, no date), 24.

immigrants for America. As noted later, some people prepaid these agents for the sea voyage when they were in the Lorraine towns recruiting.

Perhaps all of the above reasons factored into the decision of Francois the winegrower and his spouse Catherine to emigrate. Possibly the death of Francois' father, Francois the wheelwright, removed family reasons for remaining in France. The records of Damelieveres list the deaths of two Francois Drons, one in March 1826 and the other May 23, 1829.¹⁵⁷ Certainly many years later Joseph F. did not migrate from Ohio to Illinois until shortly after the death of his father Francois.

Additional interesting information about Lorraine and emigration comes from *L'émigration*,¹⁵⁸ as noted in the following three points. First, the years of highest emigration from Meurthe were 1828-33. In 1831, during this peak period, Francois and family emigrated to America. For many years the number of males emigrating significantly outnumbered females. It was not until 1860 that women and children together equalled the number of men emigrating. At the same time, Meurthe-et-Moselle Administration warned citizens of a number of dangers involved in emigration and stressed the actual dangers of the voyage itself, including misfortunes related to high prices which prevent actual departure once the emigrant arrived at the port of departure. The Administration also warned of death, climate concerns and inhospitable people.

Others who would discourage emigration said, those unfortunates sell their property, realize the capital of their little fortune and leave the country with wife, children and baggage, going to seach beyond the sea for a comfort it is not certain they will find.¹⁵⁹ Probably many would-be emigrants were thus deterred from leaving Lorraine because of these warnings, apparently lacking the strength of their convictions.

When the emigration decision was made, the French emigrants often possessed skills and funds to ease their way.¹⁶⁰ Often payment for the sea voyage had been made to an agent¹⁶¹ before the departure from Lorraine. When emigrants had satisfied all the formalities which the Lorraine administration imposed, when the last hesitation had been conquered, the time had come to break the last bonds that linked them to their land, their parents and the customs of their ancestors, a mode of life which for the most part would be retrievable no more, comments Maire.¹⁶² He also addresses the subject of the trip to the port of embarkation, as well as embarkation itself, noting that the trip to the port of embarkment often included groups of people from the same town. Many of these emigrants made the trip from their town to the port of embarkation by carriage while others traveled by barge on the rivers and connecting canals. Lorraine authorities warned emigrants about crooks who might take advantage of the travelers' inexperience. This trip across France would often be the first time most of the rustic emigrants would

¹⁵⁷ Francois Dron entries Damelieveres [France](2E151) Etat Civil Table Decennale, 1803-72. [unpaginated]. Microfilm no. 1073609, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

¹⁵⁸ Maire, *L'émigration des Lorrains*, 81, 34, 62, 52, 56.

¹⁵⁹ *Ibid.*, 125.

¹⁶⁰ Morrice, *French Americans*, 17.

¹⁶¹ Maire, *L'émigration des Lorrains*, 126.

¹⁶² *Ibid.*, 125.

have seen the great cities of Paris and LeHavre; their previous experiences of city would have been the much smaller cities such as Nancy or Metz.¹⁶³

After the three hundred mile trip across France to LeHavre, which was almost exclusively the port of embarkment for people from Lorraine, many challenges still lay ahead for the emigrants. The lucky ones found their ship ready to embark when they arrived in LeHavre. Others were crammed into inns until it was announced that the ship was ready to board, at which time they traded the crammed inns for crowded areas between decks.¹⁶⁴

Francois, Catherine, Joseph F. and young Catherine were probably among those who stayed in the inns; correspondence from LeHavre¹⁶⁵ explains that LeHavre records show Francois and family in LeHavre a week before ship departure:

Dron, Francois, age 38
Embark Havre 15 July 1831
destination Baltimore
with his family.

The LeHavre correspondence goes on to say that they do not show a ship departing LeHavre on July 15; they suggest that the Drons actually departed 23 July 1831 on the ship MATCHMAN destined for Baltimore. According to port records, MATCHMAN is the only ship departing LeHavre for Baltimore in the month of July 1831. The information in the correspondence brings another piece of the puzzle together: Marion Kohl, born 1904, great grandson of Joseph F. Drone, said¹⁶⁶ he always "heard they landed in Baltimore," but he wasn't sure which family line that referred to.

The main characteristic of the transoceanic trip was its great irregularity. The experiences of many voyagers are detailed in Maire's book;¹⁶⁷ for example, one emigrant from Meurthe in 1828 writes of the deplorable food. The food at the time of the Dron passage in 1831 probably was still of poor quality and quantity because, though complaints evoked promises of future improvements, such did not materialize until many years later. "On the [Dron's] voyage across the Atlantic Ocean by sailing ship, several people died due to the hardships at sea and the lack of good food and medical facilities. Most of the deaths were among the infants and young children, and they were buried at sea. No members of the LaDrone family were among the dead."¹⁶⁸

¹⁶³ *Ibid.*, 128, 166.

¹⁶⁴ *Ibid.*, 80, 131, 135.

¹⁶⁵ Letter from Fabrice Cavelier (Groupement Généalogique du Havre et de Seine-Maritime B.P. 80, 76620 LeHavre, France) to Rebecca Wright 27 September 1999; held in 1999 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005).

¹⁶⁶ Interview, Marion Kohl, 28 April 1996.

¹⁶⁷ Maire, *L'émigration des Lorraine*, 135-7.

¹⁶⁸ McGuire, et al, *The Joseph F. Drone Family*, 3.

Samuel Morison also describes the rigors of the trans-Atlantic passage:

European governments attempted without much success to mitigate the hardships of the passage by requiring a minimum of space, rations, and decent treatment on shipboard. [U.S.] Congress did not legislate on the subject until 1855; prior to that neither the federal nor the state governments attempted to protect the immigrant. Many arrived penniless, having exhausted their savings on the journey; and those who did not, often fell prey to waterfront sharpers. But as soon as they recovered their shore legs, the immigrants were well able to defend themselves....Despite the dark picture of suffering, homesickness, and difficult adjustment painted in those days by Charles Dickens, and in ours by Oscar Handlin, most of the newcomers prospered and helped their friends and relatives to come over.¹⁶⁹

Arriving in America

New York and New Orleans were the principal ports of destination at the time the Drons were traveling. But the Drons picked Baltimore, possibly because at the time it still had a comparatively large French population and Maryland was perceived as friendly to those of minority religions. Overall, the ultimate destinations chosen by the French¹⁷¹ were in a triangular region with the Mississippi River on the west, the Ohio River on the southeast and the Great Lakes on the north, especially Illinois, Indiana and Ohio.

Cincinnati, Ohio was one of the final destinations of Lorrainers,¹⁷² possibly because in the 1700's it had had a strong French presence; it was the Drons' destination after their landing in Baltimore.

After landing in Baltimore, just south of Pennsylvania, the Drons would have taken wagons over the main east-west road across Pennsylvania to Pittsburgh where traders were ready to sell the departing settlers supplies¹⁷³ before they boarded a

French in America

1669-73: French Jesuits had completed exploring the Great Lakes.

1682: LaSalle went down the Mississippi to the Gulf of Mexico and called the area Louisiana

1717: Permanent settlement of New Orleans.

1720: Building of a series of fortified posts along the Mississippi.

1756-63: French and Indian War in America.

1778-83: French helped Americans in the Revolutionary War

1781: Hemmed in the English at Yorktown from the sea while colonists barricaded from land, thus effectively marking the end of the American Revolution.¹⁷⁰

1803: Louisiana Purchase by America from French for \$16,000,000.

¹⁶⁹ Morison, Samuel E. *The Oxford History of the American People* (New York: Oxford Univ. Press, 1965), 480.

¹⁷⁰ Butterfield, et al, *A Short History*, 87-108.

¹⁷¹ Maire, *L'émigration des Lorraine*, 148

¹⁷² *Ibid.*, 147.

¹⁷³ Gass, Charles F., *Cincinnati The Queen City 1788-1912* (Chicago: S. J. Clark Pub. Co. 1912), 93.

steamboat on the Ohio River. The steamboat was the main boat plying the Ohio in those days; the Ohio was "the great road to the west...River travel became a chief form of traffic and one full of interest and romance".¹⁷⁴ Further, "The Monogahela River District [Pittsburgh] was a great starting point and path of emigration into Ohio. The pioneers...[went] down the river to Marietta...and...pushed on to Cincinnati".¹⁷⁵

Cincinnati, along with Marietta and Gallipolis, had been settled, in effect, by the French who were fleeing the French Revolution in the 1790's. In 1795 these three locations were the only permanent settlements in Ohio, hence the Ohio population was then about ninety-five percent French.¹⁷⁶ It was probably chosen by the French because it had been surveyed out of Nathaniel Massie's Station in Manchester and he was sympathetic to the French. However, by the time the Drons and Bartelles arrived in Ohio, the French were in a minority due to mass migration down the Ohio by both Americans and foreigners.

There is a strong possibility that the Francois Dron family was joining other family or friends. In 1830 a Peter Drone family was in Ward 1¹⁷⁷ and a Fredrick Drone family was in Ward 3 of Cincinnati.¹⁷⁸ Peter was age 40-50 and Fredrick age 30-40, the spouses were 30-40 and 20-30 respectively and each couple had four children under ten years of age. If Peter and/or Fredrick were close relatives perhaps the Francois Dron family had a place to stay while getting settled. If not, Cist¹⁷⁹ explains, "In 1826 it was an ordinary occurrence for a stranger who had selected Cincinnati as a residence to be kept waiting at public houses under great expense for weeks before he could procure a habitation for his family." There were also other Drones in Ohio and elsewhere by 1830; these are covered in an Addendum to this book.

Catherine's Death: Regardless of where they were living, sadly and unfortunately Catherine Blaise Drone "died a victim of cholera in 1832 near Cincinnati, Ohio".¹⁸⁰ Extensive searches have not produced a death or burial record either in public records or in church records for the Cincinnati area. Imagine what it must have been like to leave one's native country, weather the hardships of crossing the Atlantic, penetrate a thousand miles into a new country – and — die? – not even a record of her name anywhere in her new country of adoption, America.

Let us **consider Catherine** a moment. Born in Hudiviller, France 9 January 1792 at 5:00 p.m., Catherine was the child of Barbe Colin and Nicolas Blaise the winegrower; she was only six years old when her mother died. It is quite possible that Catherine

¹⁷⁴ *Ibid.*, 92.

¹⁷⁵ St. Louis Genealogical Society, *Tracing Family Trees in Eleven States* (St. Louis: no publisher, 1970),

85.

¹⁷⁶ Williams, Byron, *History of Clermont & Brown Counties Ohio*, multi-vol (Baltimore: Gateway Press, 1987), 139.

¹⁷⁷ Peter Drone household, 1830 U. S. Census, Hamilton County, Ohio, Page 26, line 677; National Archives micropublication 19, roll 132.

¹⁷⁸ *Ibid.*, Fredrick Drone household, 62:11.

¹⁷⁹ Cist, Charles, *Cincinnati in 1841: Its Early Annals* (Cincinnati: E. Morgan and Co., 1841), 40.

¹⁸⁰ [Anonymous], "Joseph Drone", *The Messenger*, St. John's Orphanage Edition (Belleville, Ill: Joseph N. Beuchler, 1919), 115.

helped in the vineyards and might have assisted in the care of younger siblings after her mother died. It is certain that Catherine married at age twenty-five on February 5, 1817, had her first child November 20, 1817, her second January 11, 1820 and a third May 25, 1826¹⁸¹ who died September 30, 1828¹⁸².

For fourteen years Catherine lived a married life in the town of her ancestors, her husband being a winegrower as was her father. Perhaps Francois had come from his home in Dameleiveres to work in the Hudiviller vineyards and that is how he met Catherine. She was a caring mother, interested in taking her children to America. She had heard the warnings of her government about the perils faced enroute across France and in LeHavre awaiting passage, but she also had heard of the exciting city of Paris through which they would pass on their way to LeHavre. Certainly she must have been aware of reports coming back to Lorraine from acquaintances in America about the voyage itself and challenges faced at the point of debarkation in America. If one were to judge based on her son Joseph F. and his offspring, we can deduce that Catherine was a selfless, loving caring mother.

However, before the little family had a chance to put down roots in its own place, the deadly cholera claimed Catherine's life at age forty. As though the journeys, the new land, the unfamiliar lodging had not been enough to ravage the little family, they lost a mother and wife to the violent cholera, which claims its victims within hours to several days. Farewell, Mother Founder of Drones in America.

Piling this grief on top of the recent uprootings Francois, widower with two children, turned to the thing possibly most familiar to them: "Francois then bought a farm in Clermont County"¹⁸³ They picked a beautiful area between the East Fork of the Little Miami River and Stonelick Creek. Perhaps this lush area reminded them of their home near the Meurthe River and Vitrimont Forest in France and provided a comforting effect at this time of immense sorrow.

In Clermont County Ohio

Relocating: If Francois and family had been near Frenchman's Corner in Cincinnati it would have been a fifteen mile trip east as the crow flies to their new home in Stonelick Township of Clermont County. But they probably took the only turnpike available in those days which was a twenty-two mile strip from Cincinnati through Milford and beyond.¹⁸⁴ "Clermont County was...being settled rapidly. The frontier had been pushed well back from the banks of the Ohio into the center of the County, into the fertile bottoms of the Little Miami, the East Fork, and their tributaries."¹⁸⁵

¹⁸¹ Drone entry, Hudiviller [France] (2E267) Etat Civil, 1793-1860. serial sheet 0273. Microfilm no. 1115788, batch C815781, FHL, Salt Lake City, UT.

¹⁸² *Ibid.*, 1828 décès entry no. 3.

¹⁸³ "Joseph Drone", *The Messenger*, 115.

¹⁸⁴ Williams, *History of Clermont*, 220.

¹⁸⁵ Burroughs, Bob, *The Story of St. Philomena Church* (Stonelick Twp., [Clermont Co.] Ohio: no publisher, 1989). 1.

"The fertile hills and teeming plains were working wonders for the people along the river."¹⁸⁶ This description resonates with one's experience when visiting the area. Another notion of terrain can be gleaned from an early travel description: "Safer ford at Broad Ripple by Round Bottom and up [south] the north [Francois] side of the East Fork to Stonelick and Backbone and across level lands..."¹⁸⁷ to Williamsburg which is eight miles southeast of the Drone farm. Though their farm was between Stonelick Creek and the Little Miami East Fork there is no mention in any literature or records of this area being subject to flooding extensive enough to require re-locating.

Stonelick Township was one of the first areas surveyed in Clermont County. It was part of the Massie surveys mentioned earlier in this book in connection with the relocation of French people fleeing their country's Revolution.¹⁸⁸

Land: Indentures^{189,190}, householder lists¹⁹¹ and plat maps^{192,193} show F. Dronn listed on two land parcels on the waters of Stonelick Creek in Stonelick Township and one parcel on the waters of the East Fork of the little Miami on the line between Stonelick Township and Miami Township near J.L. Bartelle. The first two parcels and the latter parcel are not adjacent. Extrapolating from the above records in conjunction with related narratives¹⁹⁴ and census records^{195, 196, 197, 198, 199} the parcels on Stonelick Creek relate to St. Philomena Church and to Joseph F. Dron's home, and the parcel on the waters of the East Fork of the Little Miami are Francois Dron's home.

The Drone location on Stonelick Creek was five miles southeast of Milford and about one mile southeast of Perinville; both towns are in Miami Township. There is no land entry for this Stonelick Township property, but in those days recording did not always occur promptly in sparsely settled areas. It is possible that Francois turned over the Stonelick property to Joseph in 1837 when he (Francois) purchased property at the Stonelick-Miami Township line. We do not know whether Jean Louis and Francois knew each other prior to their living near each other, but the waterways flowing by their homes would have facilitated familiarity. In those days waterways tended to bring people together since water was an important mode of traffic, unlike today when waterways tend to separate peoples.

¹⁸⁶ Williams, *History of Clermont*, 397.

¹⁸⁷ *History of Clermont County*, 88.

¹⁸⁸ Williams, *History of Clermont*, 178.

¹⁸⁹ Real Estate Records, Vol. 2, M36: 434, Clermont County Offices, 270 E. Main, Batavia, Ohio.

¹⁹⁰ *Ibid.*, Q² 40, 383.

¹⁹¹ *Ibid.*, Heads of Households and Town Plats, 12.

¹⁹² F. Dron entry, Clermont County 1838-43 Tax Map, Stonelick Township; Tax Map Office, 399 E. Main, Batavia, Ohio.

¹⁹³ *Ibid.*, J.L. Bartell entry.

¹⁹⁴ Burroughs, *Story of St. Philomena*, 8, 9.

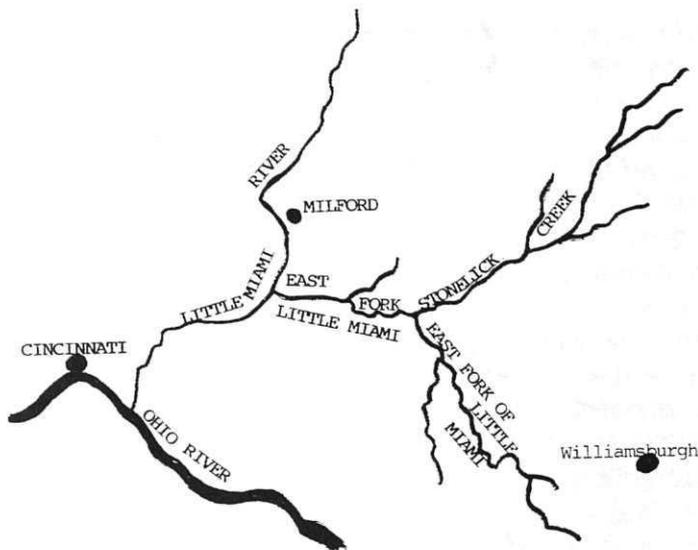
¹⁹⁵ J. Lewis Bartell household, 1840 U.S. Census, Clermont Co., Ohio, page 244, 14th entry; Nat'l. Archives micropublication M-704 [T5-120].

¹⁹⁶ *Ibid.*, Francis Droan household, 26th entry.

¹⁹⁷ Francis Dron household, 1850 U.S. Census, Clermont County, Ohio, population schedule, Miami Twp., District No. 23, page 111, dwelling 827, family 827; National Archives micropublication 432, roll 667.

¹⁹⁸ *Ibid.*, John L. Bartell household, 109: 801/801.

¹⁹⁹ *Ibid.*, Joseph Dron household, 108: 794/794.



Value of real estate owned was listed for Francois Drone²⁰⁰ as \$1,600 in 1850 and that of Jean Louis Bartelle²⁰¹ was listed as \$1,995; there was no entry in the column for Joseph Drone²⁰²

Stonelick Creek and East Fork of Little Miami River in Clermont Co., OH

(Note Cincinnati at left of map) From: Tax Map Office, 399 East Main, Batavia, OH

The first Drone land purchase in America was in Clermont County, Ohio, fifteen miles east of Cincinnati, in 1837.

Indenture²⁰³

This indenture made this first day of April in the year of our Lord **one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven** by and between Aaron Conrad of the County of Clermont in The State of Ohio of one part and **Francis Drone** of the County of Clermont and State aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the said Aaron Conrad and in consideration of the just sum of **Five hundred dollars** to him in handpaid the receipt whereof he does hereby acknowledge has given, granted, be released and conveyed, and do by these presents give grant, bargain, sell, release convey and confirm unto the said **Francis Drone** and his heirs and assigns forever, all that tract and parcel of land....parcel of land of **forty one acres & 18 poles in Survey No. 1349on the waters of the East fork of the Little Miami**, being a part of first and second tracts set forth. Beginning at a stone near a fallen white oak hoopwood and beech original and established corner to said Surveys of Jones, Stark and Hall & Clark thence with Jones line N84 33 E. 170 3/4 poles crossing a run at 104 poles in said line corner to Sarah Conrad's share or grant of said laids thence with her line So. 37 & 39 9/10 poles to a stake in her line corner to George Conrad's part of said lands thence with his line S 84 3/4 W 169 3/4 poles crossing said run at 113 poles to a stake in Starks & Halls line near a beech corner to George Conrad thence with said line of Stark & Hall N 1 1/2 W38 poles to the beginning. To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with all the privileges and appertenances belonging or in any wise appertaining **unto him the said Francis Drone and unto his heirs and assigns forever....**

²⁰⁰ *Ibid.*, Francis Dron household, 111: 827/827.

²⁰¹ *Ibid.*, John L. Bartell household, 109:801/801.

²⁰² *Ibid.*, Joseph Dron household, 108:794/794.

²⁰³ Real Estate Records, Vol. 2, M36:434, Clermont County Offices, 270 E. Main, Batavia, Ohio.

Settling Down: Many informative historical insights about early Stonelick Township are presented by Bob Burroughs in a book prepared in 1989 on the occasion of the one hundred fiftieth anniversary of Stonelick's St. Philomena Church which the Drone and Bartelle families helped found. The following passages from Burroughs are reprinted by permission of the Diocesan Designee for St. Philomena's Church in Stonelick Township, Clermont County, Ohio.²⁰⁴

A large segment of this early population was of Catholic heritage. And so, the stage was early set for the establishment of a flourishing, practicing Catholic Community in the heart of a County barely wrested from the wilderness...

Much of what can be found of the description of life on the Ohio frontier came from the journals of the traveling clergy of all faiths. There were straightforward reasons for this. First, the clergy were literate, in a time and place in which literacy was not all that common. Secondly, the frontier farmers and tradesmen had scant time to do more than struggle to gain a toe-hold in the wilderness. Their work-days stretched from light to dark in an industry which, even in today's world of high-tech agriculture, demands long hours and hard physical effort. Third, clergymen were usually required to submit reports of their travels to their superiors.

It is from the writings of one of these, Father Joseph Machebeuf, a traveling missionary in early Ohio, that the following picture of what life was like in Stonelick Valley during those years can be pieced together...

Sometimes settlers just "settled" and, in due course, exercised "squatter's rights," claiming the land. More often, land was purchased at very low prices from New Englanders who had no interest in "going west." Or, it was purchased from the appropriate governmental body. In any case, it was rather readily available....

Since one man could not, normally, do this work unaided, families tended to travel together and to settle in groups. So it was in Stonelick Valley. Settlements appearing on older maps, such as "Stonelick" and "Cravertown" are not now, and were never "towns" in the formal sense. There were places where several families settled, for some particular reason, or for no reason at all...

Often, the better part of a year might pass before land could be tilled to plant the first crop, so that a harvest might be 18 to 24 months in the future. Provisions had to be brought in to provide food for that period. If spoiled or destroyed by foraging animals, very serious hardship resulted. Here, again, was the advantage of the multi-family settlement....

Cool weather, fast growing crops such as turnips and cabbage, also having the advantage of winter storage, were used to bridge the gap. They could be planted even before stumps were removed. The rich, moist soil of the Stonelick Valley

²⁰⁴ Burroughs, *Story of St. Philomena*. Permission to quote extensively was given by Diocesan Designee for St. Philomena, Marybeth Sandfoss on 6 June 1996 to Rebecca Wright on site at St. Philomena Church, Stonelick TWP, Clermont County, Ohio. Record of permission held in 1999 by Wright (Ste 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005)

bottoms supported these well, and helped families through the critical first months of settlement.

The work was back-breaking. The mature forests contained sycamore, maple, elm, hickory and beech, often very large specimens. None were easily felled nor easily removed. The forest was a blessing, however, in other ways. Byproducts of the weary effort were logs to build housing, and, of course, firewood.

The creek was also a blessing. It provided water for both man and beast, and its limestone bed supplied a valuable building material for foundations, fireplaces and chimneys. Fish, crayfish, turtles and frogs were occasional diet supplements. Like a miniature Nile, its floods kept the bottoms fertile. Native creek stone, in fact, forms the foundation of the present church of St. Philomena, as it had for its preceding structures.

Winters were difficult. Father Machebeuf's journal tells of a visit to a frontier family in the Ohio territory in January of 1840. Seated before the cabin's fireplace, the priest began a letter to his family in France. He had written only a few words when his pen faltered. He discovered that the ink had frozen.

The next morning, as he departed to visit a nearby settlement, he was dressed in a cashmere wool-lined cloak, knit woolen jacket, long woolen underwear and stockings, and fur overshoes. Nevertheless, he had to dismount and run along beside his horse in order to keep warm.

In spite of the hardships, Father Machebeuf wrote to his sister in France, that he was thriving on frontier life, that he was in excellent health, "had gotten fat," and was pleasantly surprised that "even the Protestant settlers were well-disposed" toward him. He concluded by saying that he would not return to Europe "for all the gold in the world."

Hardy folk, these first Ohioans.

Families banding together to establish settlements were often bound by a common faith, as well as other factors, such as national origin or by being interrelated. Thus, they were natural cores for the formation of churches. They also tended to draw newcomers of similar religious beliefs to their particular area, as considerable hostility for persons of other beliefs was common. In fact, *The Catholic Telegraph* remarked in 1833 that, "We live in the midst of a people who have been taught to look upon us with suspicion."

Perhaps this was the reason why a strong and active Catholic community existed in Stonelick Valley, a remote place even today. Why should the County's first Catholic parish not have been in one of its larger towns? Bustling New Richmond, the County's major river port, would seem to have been a more logical candidate, as would Milford, a thriving commercial center. The reasons are the stuff of conjecture lost in the proverbial mists of history.

Settlers lived, for the most part, in isolation. Yet, unlike their rural counterparts in Europe, most first generation settlers had considerable exposure. They were, after all, well traveled, many having come from Europe and across the eastern part of the new continent. They were eager for contacts from beyond their own

communities, and especially hungry for the exercise of the faith, coming with the infrequent visits of missionary priests.

Father Machebeuf wrote that whenever he visited the settlements in the woods, "where most of the Catholics were, " he wore "old clothes"....

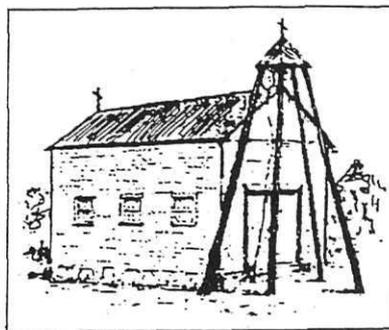
Whenever he reached a settlement, the usual practice was for the first family he encountered to send out one of the children to announce his arrival to the neighbors. Great excitement ensued. Work stopped. People gathered quickly to celebrate the sacraments, especially Baptism, Penance and the Eucharist.

When his visit was the first visit, he reported that it also caused some concern to the settlers. "Their conveniences for receiving visitors are limited, and they think the priest is some extraordinary person who should not put up with ordinary things." Later visits seldom resulted in any embarrassment.

In the early 1830's the Catholic community in Stonelick Valley and its environs grew steadily. Occasional visits by traveling priests, bringing the sacraments, were by no means the limits of their spiritual lives. They met on Sunday mornings, Holy Days, and other times, especially during Lent, in the homes of various members of the community. In the period from 1835 to 1837, meetings were held in the homes of John Cline, Joseph Gomien, Francis Gerard, **Louis Bartell**, **Francis Drone**, and John Rapp. Mounting desire for the organization of a regularly constituted parish resulted in further appeals to the Diocese....

In 1835, the Archdiocese commissioned Amos Hill to purchase one acre of land, assessed as a tax penalty against a plot of some 20 acres, situated on the bank of Stonelick Creek, for the amount of penalty: 49 cents and 3 mills! Thus, the parish was organized, and over the next four years, parishioners constructed a log church on the site. Accustomed to labor of this sort, the parishioners, with care and love, gave of the strength of their backs and the skills of their hands, as time and weather permitted. Items and materials they could not manufacture themselves... were purchased for a total of approximately \$50.00. This sum was donated, significantly, by the Bishop of Paris, France....

The first Board of Trustees included John Cline, **Francis Drone**, **Louis Bartell**, and Louis Christman. The congregation numbered an even 100 souls at the time of the organization. Surnames in the original parish rolls include some found among the active parishioners 150 years later. Original families were: 'Cline, **Bartell**, Morgantulor, Gerard, **Drone**, Rapp, Yeager, Gros, Christman, Luen, Roselott, Reno, Odenville, Gomien, Good, Snell and Schunter.' There is, in these records too, some uncertainty about proper spelling....



Original Stonelick Church built by Drones, Bartells and others

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Records establish the first burial from the parish was that of Margaret **Bartell**, in 1839....

[Years later] Father Meyer wrote: 'the Catholic parish of Stonelick breathes the charm of the busy country in contrast to the gloom of lonely towns and cities. The appeal and surroundings of Stonelick are irresistible to the lover of nature...'
[This well expresses the experience of a visitor to the church even today.]

The first marriage...Leona Bartell, daughter of **Louis Bartell** and **Margaret Mazal**....²⁰⁵

The following were constituent members of St. Philomena in 1838: Lewis Bartell, Sr., Mrs. Margaret Bartell, Catherine Bartell, Lewis Bartell, Jr., Mary Bartell, August Bartell, Livorce Bartel, Francis Drone, Joseph Drone, Catherine Drone, et al.²⁰⁶ In addition to the role of Drone ancestors in St. Philomena, and the great spiritual meaning of that, the church itself is worth a visit if one is ever in the Cincinnati area. To find St. Philomena Church with the east belt around Cincinnati as a starting point: From I-275 and Hwy. 50 go east 5 miles on Hwy. 50 (passing through Perintown). At Stonelick Williams Corner Road turn north (left) and go almost a mile to Balsinger/Balzhiser Road and turn right; several blocks down Balsinger is St. Philomena Church and Cemetery on the left and Stonelick Creek on the right. To gain entry call ahead to the Church's administrative office in Owensville at 513-732-2218.

Unsettling and Re-settling: Shortly after the listing of the constituent members of St. Philomena, one of them died, our own Mother-Ancestor and one of the four founders of our Drone line in America:

Margaret [Mazal]²⁰⁷ Bartel
Age 39
October 4, 1838

This is according to the county cemetery records.²⁰⁸ Margaret was the first person to be buried in the St. Philomena Church Cemetery.²⁰⁹ However, the Church was not at that time completed and the formal interment did not occur until September of 1839. A copy of the original interment record was obtained from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati; it is written in French and lists the interment date as September 31, 1839.²¹⁰ We do not

²⁰⁵ *Ibid.*, 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 47, 48.

²⁰⁶ *History of Clermont County*, 538.

²⁰⁷ Burroughs, *The Story of Philomena*, 48, references Margaret Mazal, mother of Leona Bartell, sister of Margaret Bartel Drone. Also, Mazal is stated in the Genealogical Exchange card file in the Clermont County Public Library, Batavia, OH, as the maiden name of Jean/John L. Bartel's wife, Margaret, by Jean R. Ruse in an entry dated February 1, 1985; at that time, Ms. Ruse's address was 3033 Scott Crescent, Flossmoor, IL 60422.

²⁰⁸ Margaret Bartell entry, Cemetery Records, V.4:9 Clermont County Public Library, Batavia, Ohio.

²⁰⁹ *History of Clermont County*, 543.

²¹⁰ Letter from Gail Cassini (Archdiocese of Cincinnati Historical Archives of the Chancery; 6616 Beechmont Avenue; Cincinnati, OH 45230) to Rebecca Wright December 11, 1996; held in 1999 by Wright, Ste. 392, 125 North Executive Drive; Brookfield, WI 53005). The letter transmitted a copy of the original Interment Record of Margeurite [Mazal] Bartel.

know the cause of death; perhaps childbirth? She left seven children ages four to eighteen and a husband Jean Louis forty-eight or forty-nine years old. She had been in America some ten years at the time of her death.

The year prior, 1837, another widower, after raising a son and daughter through teenage, married a second time: "Francis Dren" married Christena Stackles on March 27, 1837.²¹¹ Shortly after, Francois purchased property on the Little Miami East Fork near Jean Louis Bartelle. Two years later in 1839 both children of Francois, Catherine²¹² first and then Joseph, married.²¹³

So the 1830's was a decade of immense change for the founding families:

For the Drones:

- across France to port of departure;
- across the Atlantic to America;
- across America to Cincinnati;
- loss of a wife and mother;
- re-location to Clermont County;
- establishment of a church;
- a second marriage;
- another move in Clermont County;
- two first marriages, one to a Bartel.

For the Bartelles:

- possibly already in America before 1830;
- four children added to the family;
- establishment of a church;
- loss of a wife and mother;
- a daughter marries a Drone.

The 1840's: Re-marriage, Annulment, Grandchildren, Naturalization: The 1840 census shows Francis Droan and his wife alone in their home and J. Lewis Bartel with seven children and a mother figure. That same year Francois and Jean Louis were blessed with the birth of their grandson Francis (Frank) Drone on December 12, 1840 to Joseph and Margaret (Bartel) Drone. Frank's life is covered in Part IV of this book. More grandchildren blessings followed, as shown in Part III. Francois' daughter Catherine and her husband Benjamin Goss were on the 1840 census in Clermont County; that is the last record that can be found of that couple, despite thirteen census searches in ten states through 1880.

In 1843 Jean Louis Bartelle re-married; it had been some five years since the death of his beloved wife; mother of their seven children. But this second marriage was short-

²¹¹ Clermont Co. Genealogical, *Marriage Records*, 3:100.

²¹² *Ibid.*, 3:180.

²¹³ *Ibid.*, 3:212.

lived and annuled; the Archdiocese will not release the record even though it is more than one hundred and fifty years old. This marriage is shown on the chart that follows.

Naturalization was an item of some priority since the naturalization of the father served to naturalize the remainder of the family. The following information was gleaned from the Batavia (Ohio) Public Library.²¹⁴

Drun, Francis, from France:

- Intention filed May 1840 (CP-K-422)
- Certificate Aug 1844 (CP-O-15) (*Note: The Naturalization Act of 1798 required residence period of 14 years this makes it appear the certificate came through in 13 years.*)

Bartelle, John Lewis, from France:

- Intention filed Sept 1835 (CP-H-421)
- Intention filed Aug 1844 (CP-O-18)
- Certificate March 1856 (CP-Y-305)

Extensive efforts in both Clermont County and neighboring Hamilton County failed to produce the actual naturalization certificates themselves. A search was undertaken from the Batavia Public Library, to Clermont County Probate Court of Common Pleas, to the Federal Building in Cincinnati, to Hamilton County itself, to the University of Cincinnati, to the Ohio Historical Society, to the Cincinnati Historical Society, to the National Archives in Chicago. Based on the input from all of these it seems the records are indeed in Common Pleas; a second visit there netted a statement that the records were "destroyed in a fire", often a sure sign that records are lost, but frequently enough not in a fire. After extensive questioning the clerk admitted the records being sought were not burned and allowed access to the basement storage area which was a sea of partial organization and at least as much disorganization. The records were never located. The following was supplied by the Clermont County Genealogical Society,²¹⁵ presumably from Clermont County Court records, though not so stated:

May Term A.D. 1840, p. 422:

Francis Drun on this day came into open court and declared on oath that it is bonafide his intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign prince potentate State or sovereignty whatever and particularly to Louis Phillip King of France.

September Term A.D. 1835, p. 421:

John Lewis Bartelle on this day came into open court and declared on oath that it is bonafide his intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign prince potentate State or sovereignty whatever and particularly to Louis Phillip King of France.

²¹⁴ [anonymous] *Naturalization Records* (Batavia, Ohio: Clermont County Public Library, no date), page no. unavailable.

²¹⁵ Letter from Clermont County Genealogical Society (P. O. Box 394; Batavia, OH 45103) to Rebecca Wright, July 9, 1996; held in 1999 by Wright (Ste 392, 125 No. Executive Dr., Brookfield, WI 53005).

The 1850's: Pre-Nuptial Agreement, Third Marriage, Wills, Deaths, Estates and Farewell to Clermont County: Some twenty-plus years after planting their feet on American soil, Francois stepped back, assessed and prepared a will, and Jean Louis prepared a pre-nuptial contract and entered into his third marriage.²¹⁶ The 1850 census shows Joseph and Margaret with their first five children²¹⁷ and the foreign born population as: Stonelick Township 150 French, 99 German and 8 Irish; Miami Township 15 French, 43 German and 164 Irish.²¹⁸

There was a brief period in Clermont County when they undertook a register of deaths and that happened to be the year that founder Francois died. From that register we have the following entry.²¹⁹

Francis Drone 64 years
May 29, 1856
Cause of death: Gravel
Farmer, Miami Township
Born in France

"Gravel" was the term used in those years for kidney stones.

One could try to image who Francois was and what he was like. Grandson Frank who lived nearby was high-spirited; had he spent time with the Grandfather after whom he was named? Did he imitate Francois? Why was Francois one of the four trustees on the St. Philomena board when there were one hundred souls in the parish? What was Francois doing in Hudiviller with all of the other Drons in Meurthe-et-Moselle in other towns? How was it to raise teenagers in the wilderness frontier without a wife?

Shortly after Francois' death, Joseph and Margaret (Bartel) Drone and family moved to Gallatin County Illinois in 1857. Part III of this book covers this story in detail.

Will of Francois Dron: April 28, 1851²²⁰

In the name of God amen.

Being in my right mind and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, I do hereby make this my last will and testament of my worldly goods and effects, in pursuance whereof I do hereby give and bequeath to my beloved [second] wife Christina all of my property both

²¹⁶ Transcripts of records are on following pages.

²¹⁷ 1850 U.S. Census, Clermont County, OH, Population Schedule, Stonelick Twp., 108, dwelling 794, family 794.

²¹⁸ [anonymous] "Clermont County, Ohio-1850 Foreign born Population & Homeland Country", *Population Manuscript Schedules, 1850* (Batavia, Ohio: Clermont County Public Library, no date), unpaginated.

²¹⁹ Francis Dron entry, Death Records, Clermont County Probate Office, Market & North Streets, Batavia, Ohio.

²²⁰ Francois Dron will (1851), Clermont County Probate Court Record, May 31, 1856: 497, 8, Probate Office, Batavia, Ohio.

real and personal to have and to hold the same during the term of her natural life. After which the same shall be divided equally between my two children, Joseph and Catherine, their heirs or assigns forever. This will and testament to take effect after my death, otherwise to remain void. Whereunto I do hereby set and seal.

Attest: John Kline
Fidel Gute
George Adams



Francois' own signature

There are two interesting comparisons/ contrasts between Francois' will and the will of his son Joseph F. shown in Part III: 1.) Francois signed his own name and Joseph F. marked his; 2.) Joseph F.'s will reflects a prosperity far beyond that of his father's will and estate.

In 1858 or 1859 Jean Louis Bartel died in Miami Township at about sixty-eight years of age. We do not have a cause of death. His burial is indexed²²¹ but the record referenced was not found. He is indexed to the page of our ancestor Margaret, his first wife, and not to the page of his third wife who is also buried in St. Philomena Cemetery; her name was Mary Ann and her gravestone is very prominent in the Cemetery. Jean Louis' list of household and farm items from the estate is very lengthy²²²; it covers ten pages.

As with Francois, one wonders what Jean Louis/John Lewis was like, and where in France he had come from; There were Bartelles and Mazals in Meurthe-et-Moselle, but none can be identified definitely as ancestors. There is no way of knowing whether the Bartelles knew the Drones before they moved to Stonelick Township.

Let us now sing the praises of...our ancestors in their generations. Some of them have left behind a name...But of others there is no memory...But these also were godly people whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten; their wealth will remain with their descendants and their inheritance with their children's children. Their descendants stand by the covenants; their children also, for their sake. Their offspring will continue forever and their glory will never be blotted out.

Sirach 44:1, 9-13.

²²¹ J. L. Bartell entry, Cemetery Records, V.4:9, Clermont County Public Library, Batavia, Ohio.

²²² John L. Bartell inventory, Clermont County Probate Court Record, February 8, 1860, Probate Office, Batavia, Ohio.

Marriage Summary: France and Ohio

Date	Groom	Bride	Location	Source
Feb. 9, 1817	Francois Dron	Catherine Blaise	Hudiviller, France	Dept Meurthe, Arr. Lune Comm. Hudiviller Etat Civil Mariages 1817.FHL1115788, batch C815781 (Copy of original record is on cover of book.)
ca 1818	Jean Louis Bartelle	Margueritte Mazal	France	Burroughs, <i>Story of St. Philomena</i> , 48 and Bartel entry, Genealogical Exchange File, Clermont Co. Public Library, Batavia, Ohio.
Mar. 21, 1837	Francis Dren	Christena Stackles	Clermont Co. Ohio	Clermont Co. Genealogical, <i>Marriage Records</i> , 3:100
July 29, 1839	Benj. Goss	Catherine Dron	Clermont Co. Ohio	<i>Ibid.</i> , 3:180
Sept. 28, 1839	Joseph Dron	Margaret Barlett	Clermont Co. Ohio	<i>Ibid.</i> , 3:212
Jan. 25, 1843	John Louis Barter	Louisa Louter	Brown Co. Ohio (entered in Clermont Co. Records)	Clermont County Genealogical, <i>Marriage Records</i> , entry by "Garcony", Catholic Priest and Genealogical Ex. File: Bartel entry, Clermont Co. Public Library
Aug. 24, 1850	John Louis Bartel (wid) 61	Mary Ann Cloud Quittear (wid) 46	Clermont Co. Ohio	Bartel marriage entry by J. B. Baumgortney, Catholic priest, in misc. County Records; Clermont Co. Public Library and Genealogical Exchange File: Bartel entry, ClermontCo. Public Library (Original "anti-nuptial" agreement follows.)

Pre-Nuptial Agreement: 1850: Jean Louis Bartel²²³

Jean Louis Bartel and Marie Anne Quitter "Anti-Nuptial" Agreement: August 21, 1850

Know all men by these presents that John Louis Bartell of the County of Clermont and Mary Ann Quitter of the same place expect to join in the bands of matrimony and both of them having children by former marriages have mutually agreed to enter into the following contract so that all difficulty hereafter may be avoided in relation to the property that each of them now owns or what may come to either of them hereafter in their own right during coverture. The said Bartell agrees on his part to let the said Mary Ann manage and control her own farm at her own pleasure and discretion without any interference on his part and whatever moveable property she takes to his house at the time of marriage he agrees that she may sell or give to any of her children during the time that they live together as man and wife and should he die first he further agrees that his heirs executor or administrator shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Mary Ann two hundred and fifty dollars within one year after his death which amount is all that she is to have out of his estate both real and personal the balance then to deliver up to his heirs peaceably within the same time. That should she die first her heirs is to have no claim on the said two hundred and fifty dollars nor any part thereof and should she die first said Bartell agrees to deliver up all her property that she takes to his house at the time of marriage or that comes to her after said marriage to her heirs, executors or administrators as the case may be. In testimony whereof the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals this 21st day of August 1850.

Attest

Dennis Smith
Peter (G)omien

Jean Louis Bartel
Marie Anne Quitter

²²³ Jean Louis Bartel will (1859), Clermont County Probate Record, January Term 1860: 342-4, Probate Office, Batavia, Ohio.

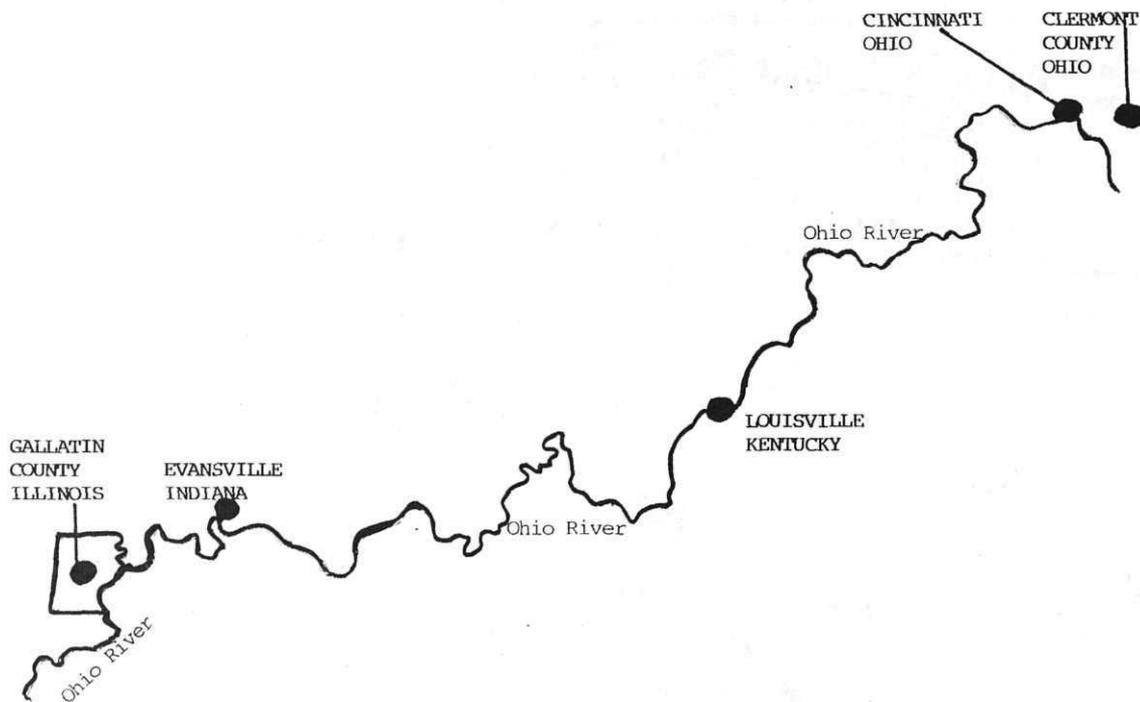
Deaths, Wills, Estates: Summary, Ohio

Name	Will/ Estate	Death Date	Death Age/ Cause	Death Place	Burial Place	Source of Information
Catherine (Blaise) Drone	N/A	1832	39-40 cholera	Cincinnati	unknown	"Joseph Drone" <i>The Messenger</i> , 115.
Marguerite (Mazal) Bartel	N/A	Oct. 4, 1838; Inter- ment ritual, Sept. 1839	39 child- birth?	Miami Twp. Clermont Co., Ohio	First Burial: St. Philomena Cemetery	<i>History of Clermont Co.</i> , 543.; Clermont Co. Cem. Records, 4:9; <i>Burroughs, Story of St. Philomena</i> , 9.; Letter, Gail Cassini to R. Wright, Dec. 11, 1996.
Francois Drone	Will Apr. 28, 1851; Probate May 31, 1856.	May 29, 1856	63 gravel (kidney stones)	Miami Twp. Clermont Co., Ohio	Odd Fellow Cem. Batavia, Ohio	See transcript of record, above
Jean Louis Bartelle	Pre-nup. was will. Estate is 10 pages. Probate Dec. 17, 1859.	1858/9	69-70 un- known	Miami Twp. Clermont Co., Ohio	St. Philomena Cem.; indexed on same page as Margaret.	See transcript of record, above.

Part III: Gallatin County Illinois Roots

The Joseph F. Drone Family

Part III includes all entries in the original 1978 book *The Joseph F. Drone Family History, 1817/1978* except for corrections made for this printing by descendants. In addition, hundreds of names have been added as submitted by descendants. These corrections and additions have been entered verbatim; no attempt was made to cross-check these entries with all other concerned descendants.



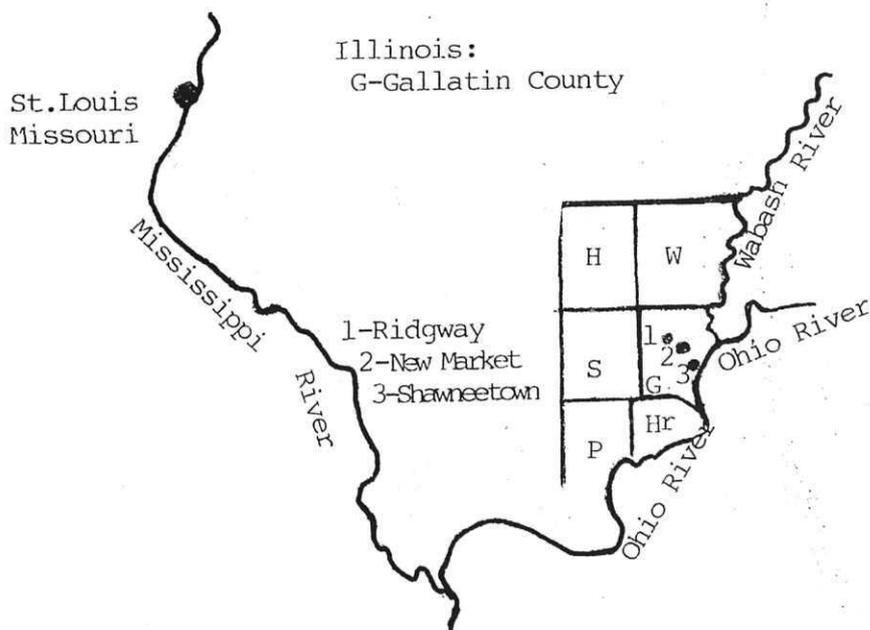
From the 1978 Book: *The Joseph F. Drone Family History 1817/1978*:

1978 Introduction:

This book is dedicated to all the descendants of Joseph F. Drone. Within this family history there are sixteen hundred and fifty seven named descendants [in 1978].

A special thanks to those Drone descendants who willingly supplied information for this book. Among these, special recognition is given to Hazel (Drone) Pate and William (Billy) McCormick for their contributions; and to Pauline Theresa (Drone) McGuire, whose untiring efforts put it all together.

Originally published 1978, Michael A. Drone



The Joseph F. Drone I Family



Front row (left to right): Oliver Drone; Josephine Drone Crogan; Joseph Drone I; Caroline Drone Febuary; Margaret Bartell Drone; Mary Catherine Drone McCormick and George Drone. Standing (left to right): Frank Drone; Alexander Drone; Louis Drone; John Drone and Joseph Drone II.

Joseph F. Drone, born 20 November 1817 and died 12 July 1892, married Margaret Bartel, born 11 May 1820 and died 6 December 1895. They were married in Milford, Clermont County, Ohio. The children of Joseph and Margaret are:

1. Frank: born 2 December 1840 and died 29 January 1930;
2. Joseph II: born 15 January 1842 and died 4 November 1896;
3. John: born 22 November 1844 and died 18 July 1908;
4. Alexander: born 22 April 1847 and died 25 May 1925;
5. Lewis: born 23 February 1850 and died 4 September 1938;
6. Mary Catherine: born 28 October 1852 and died 27 October 1899;
7. Josephine: born 16 November 1854 and died 11 June 1942;
8. Oliver: born 8 June 1857 and died 1 November 1947;
9. George: born 20 February 1860 and died 16 August 1953;
10. Carolina: born 25 July 1864 and died 13 March 1948.



Joseph F. Drone
20 November 1817 – 12 July 1892



Margaret Bartel Drone
11 May 1820 – 6 December 1895

Joseph F. LaDrone, son of Francois [Dron/ LaDrone] Drone and Catherine Blaise was born on 20 November 1817 in Lorraine, France.

In Lorraine, life for the Francois [Dron/ LaDrone] Drone family was not easy. But like so many others in Europe, they heard of that great new country called America. With an intense desire to do better, Francois and Catherine, along with their son Joseph and daughter Catherine, decided to move to America and start a new life in a new land.

The family immigrated to America in 1831. On the voyage across the Atlantic Ocean by sailing ship, several people died due to the hardships at sea and the lack of good food and medical facilities. Most of the deaths were among the infants and young children, and they were buried at sea. No members of the [Dron/ LaDrone] Drone family were among the dead.

Upon arriving in America, the family traveled inland and settled near Cincinnati, Ohio. Joseph's father bought a farm in Clermont County, Ohio. The family name was changed from Dron/ LaDrone to Drone. A year later, in 1832, Catherine, Joseph's mother, died from that dreaded disease, cholera.

Joseph, remained with his father and sister and assisted with the farm for the next several years. He then met his future wife, Margaret Bartel [Bartelle], who was born in France on 11 May 1820. Joseph and Margaret were married in Milford, Ohio in 1838 [28 September 1839].

They settled on a small primitive farm near Milford in Clermont County, Ohio. There was no church or school in this area. Joseph helped erect a log church in which the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered monthly by a priest who traveled the twenty miles distance to Milford from Cincinnati.

Joseph's family grew in number and his farm did not offer adequate returns for their support. By 1857 Margaret had borne seven children and was again pregnant. Joseph had heard of the fertile land located downstream along the Ohio River in Illinois. Consequently, he decided to move westward in search of a better home.

Joseph and Isadore Devous, husband of his sister-in-law, traveled down the Ohio River to Cave-in-Rock, Illinois in the spring of 1857. In their search for good farm land the rocky hills of this area was not to their liking. They continued the search to the north and finally decided on land in Gallatin County, Illinois. On May 22, 1857, Joseph purchased ninety acres of densely wooded land in the Rocky Branch area east of North Fork Creek (see copy of deed which follows); and Isadore purchased land nearby to the west. This land is located about 1.5 miles south of Ridgway, just east and south of St. Joseph Cemetery.

Joseph returned to Ohio, and his son Oliver was born on June 8, 1857. He, along with his wife and eight children, made preparations to move to what they hoped would be a better home. His eight children born in Ohio were as follows:

Frank: born 2 December 1840;
Joseph II: born 15 January 1842;
John: born 22 November 1844;
Alexander: born 22 April 1847;
Lewis: born 23 February 1850;
Mary Catherine: born 28 October 1852;
Josephine: born 16 November 1854;
Oliver: born 8 June 1857.

The family departed Ohio and traveled overland, following trails which paralleled the Ohio River. They arrived in Gallatin County, Illinois in the fall of 1857. Joseph settled the family in a log cabin in the little town of New Market which was located just over a mile southeast of Ridgway.

He and his older sons commuted from New Market to his land near Rocky Branch and proceeded to cut down trees and build a two-room log cabin with a loft. When the work was completed he moved his family from New Market into the log cabin. The first morning, when they awoke, two black bears were standing in the yard. Timber wolves were attracted from the nearby woods by the livestock which the family had brought from Ohio. At times, the wolves would approach almost to the cabin door. A high fence was constructed around the cabin to offer some protection for the children.

In 1858, Joseph's sister-in-law, Catherine Bartel Devous, and her husband, Isadore Devous, together with their children, moved from Ohio to Gallatin County, Illinois. They settled on the land west of the Drone family which Isadore had purchased the previous

year when he and Joseph first came to Illinois. Francis Augustine Bartel, born in October, 1837, the brother of Margaret Bartel and Catherine Bartel Devous, then came from Ohio to Illinois. Augustine drowned in 1870 while watering and washing his horses at Ripple Island, southwest of Junction, Illinois. His body is buried in St. Patrick Cemetery at Pond Settlement.

**Land purchase, Joseph F. Drone, Gallatin County, Illinois, May 22, 1857:
Land Description Portion of Indenture²²⁴**

This Indenture, Made this 22^d day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven
 Between Benjamin Bruce and Sarah Bruce his wife of Gallatin County Illinois, of the first part, and Joseph Drone of the County of Clearwater, and State of Ohio of the second part—
 Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of seven hundred and seventy five Dollars in hand paid by the said party of the second part, (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part forever released and discharged therefrom) has granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, aliened confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm, unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all the following described lot piece or parcel of land, situated in the County of Gallatin and State of Illinois, and known and described as follows, to wit:
 the North West quarter of the North East quarter of Section No. One in Township No. Nine, S. and Range No. Eight E. And also the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section No. Thirty Six, (36), in Township No. Eight S. and Range No. Eight E. Containing Ninety Acres, more or less,

After settling in Illinois, Joseph and Margaret were blessed with two more children making a total of ten. These two children were:

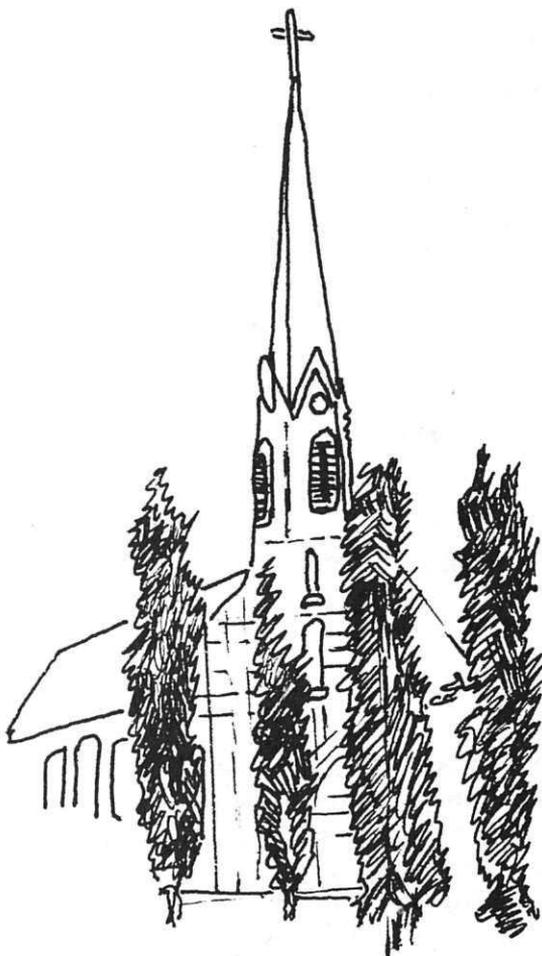
- George - born 20 February 1860;
- Caroline - born 25 July 1864.

The family was now settled into the pioneer lifestyle of the frontier. They raised livestock, grain, fruits, and vegetables to sustain themselves; and the surplus was sold or bartered to fill their other needs. The winter supply of fresh fruits and vegetables was buried in the garden under layers of straw and dirt. Honey and sorghum were used for sweetening. Wild grapes and berries were gathered which were canned, made into jelly and jam, and

²²⁴ Deed Record, Vol. T (1857 – 1906), 15. Gallatin County Courthouse, Shawneetown, IL. Microfilm no. 0977347, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

into wine. The nearby woods and streams supplied nuts, wild game and fish. Medicine for almost all ills was made from herbs, roots, and local things. Even their homemade clothing was washed with soap which was made by cooking together lye and animal fat. The lye was made by allowing water to filter through wood ashes and then collecting the sediment from the drippings. The ingenuity of these hardy people enabled them to survive and thrive on the frontier with very little help from the outside world.

Joseph built the family dwelling on the low ground near Rocky Branch unaware of the occasional spring flooding of the Branch from the backwaters of North Fork Creek. It is not known whether the cabin site was picked at random or because of the belief that most germs were on high ground and not so many on low ground. The family was soon forced by the backwater to move to the loft above the two rooms in the cabin. During the flood, a boat was tied to the door. Vegetables and fruits were obtained from the garden storage by positioning the boat over the submerged mounds and drilling holes with the boat oars to allow the contents to escape and float to the surface. The family soon tired of the flooding and built another cabin on higher ground to the northeast of the original site.



St. Joseph's Church, Ridgway, Illinois

The nearest available school for the Drone and Devous children was four and one-half miles away at New Market. Considering the dangers of travel on the frontier the children did not attend this school and thus were being denied the advantages of an education. Joseph approached the school directors who promised to supply a teacher if he would erect a school near his home. Accepting them at their word, he, along with his sons and the Isadore Devous family, turned to the task of building a log schoolhouse with clapboard roof. With their marvelous pioneer ingenuity, school furniture was made from logs and planks. Upon completion of this work, a teacher was hired and classes were conducted for only three months a year. Nevertheless, they now had a school and teacher for their children, and they were satisfied.

By 1870, the Catholic community of the area was composed of five families: the John Kaufmann's, the Joseph Drone's, the Isadore Devous', the Michael Moore's and the

Caroline Brockerman's. But there was no church in which to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The Most Rev. P.J. Baltus, Bishop of Alton, Illinois, permitted Father A. Demming, Pastor of Shawneetown, to offer the Mass in the homes of Joseph Drone and Isadore Devous.

In 1874, Father James Rensmann was appointed successor to Father Demming as Pastor of Shawneetown. Father Rensmann continued the practice of riding out from Shawneetown on horseback to offer Mass in the Drone and Devous homes. The number of Catholic families moving into the area grew rapidly. Names such as Abell, Bowles, Wathen, Doerr, etc., appeared on the rolls of the Catholic Community.

In 1875, a modest frame church measuring 25 feet by 40 feet was built in Ridgway. A dry goods box was used as an altar. Father Rensmann traveled to the church to offer Mass once a month. The Catholic Community grew and the church was expanded such that in September, 1879, Father Rensmann moved to Ridgway to become the first full time pastor.

A direct quote from the 1917 edition of the Belleville Diocese Messenger²²⁵ tells best the part Joseph Drone played in the history of the Church in Ridgway: "Additional families began to settle here and gradually the church was enlarged. Later on, a residence was built for the parish priest. The church now bears the glorious and beautiful name of St. Joseph, the patron saint of its untiring, zealous, sincere and devoted builder, Mr. Joseph Drone."

Joseph lived in the Ridgway community for the rest of his natural life. As the years passed, he purchased several hundred acres of land and acquired a sizable amount of money and gold. His children married and settled in the area. They followed his example and purchased land and became prosperous farmers. Soon the Drones owned thousands of acres of rich farmland in Gallatin County, Illinois. Most of this land is still owned by the Drone descendants.

Joseph was an uncomplicated man who lived close to the soil. He placed great importance of the basic things in life, such as hard and honest work, love of family, the care and education of his children, and his unshakeable faith in God. All members of the family knelt together and recited the Rosary every evening. No doubt he would be proud if today he could see his many descendants in the generations that succeed him, still following many of his good examples. His descendants are this way because they are proud of their heritage.

Joseph F. Drone died on 12 July 1892. He was followed in death by his beloved wife, Margaret, on 6 December 1895. They are buried along with all their ten children, and their children's spouses at St. Joseph Cemetery. Their final resting place is less than one-half mile from the site of the log cabin home which they built upon coming to Illinois. When God reviewed the lives and works of these good people, our ancestors, he must surely have said, "I am pleased."

²²⁵ "Joseph Drone," *The Messenger*, 115.

Will of Joseph F. Drone, Sr., February 4, 1889²²⁶

I, Joseph Drone Sr. of Ridgway, Gallatin County, State of Illinois, of the age of seventy-one years of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament, in manner following: That is to say,:

First, I give and bequeath unto my wife, Margaret Drone, after deducting expenses of administration on my estate, for her exclusive use, right, control and support during her natural life, all of my personal goods, chattels, money, notes, accounts and personal property of every kind and character, including the increase, issues and profits arising therefrom, and at her death the the same to the children hereinafter named.

Second, I give and devise unto my said wife, Margaret Drone, to have and to hold during her natural life the following lots or parcels of land situated in said County of Gallatin in the state of Illinois, and described as follows: to wit: The North half of the North East quarter of Section numbers one (1) in Township Nine (9), Range Eight (8) East containing ninety-eight & 33/100 (98 33/100) acres; and the N.W. ¼ of the N.E ¼ of Sec 12, Township 9, Range 8 East containing forty (40) acres; and the North half of North West quarter of Sec 12 Township 9 Range Eight (8) East containing 80 acres; and the West part of the S. ½ of the S.W. ¼ of Sec. 29 in Township 8. Range 9. E. containing 65 acres; and the West half of the S. W. ¼ of Sec [31] Township 8, Range 9E, containing 58 51/100 acres, and [part?] the S, W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Sec. 31, Township 8 Range 9, E. containing 29 32/100 acres, and the S. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of Sec. 36. Township 8. R. 8. E. containing 80 acres, and the undivided one half interest in and to lot number one (1) in Block number three (3) in the Village of Ridgway, in Gallatin County, Illinois, together with all the issues, rents and profits arising therefrom, which said rents, issues and profits, whether due and collected or not due at her death shall descend to such of my children as are hereinafter named. She shall have the right to sell and use as much of said personal property, rents, issues, increase and profits of said property as may be necessary for a decent and suitable support for herself, and whatever shall be necessary to keep the said real estate in repair during her natural life.

Third, I give and devise unto my daughter Josephine Croghan, to have and to hold during her natural life, then to the heirs of her body begotten, the following parcels of land situated in Gallatin County, Illinois, and described as follows, to wit: Part of the South West quarter of the North-West quarter of Section thirty-one (31) Township Eight (8) Range Nine (9) East, containing twenty nine & 32/100 (29 32/100) acres; also Eleven (11) acres off of the North part of the West half of the South-West quarter of Section thirty one (31) Township Eight (8) Range Nine East containing in all forty & 32/100 acres.

Fourth: I give and devise unto my daughter, Caroline Febuary, to have and to hold during her natural life, then to the heirs of her body begotten forever, the following described parcel of land situate in said County of Gallatin, and State of Illinois and described as follows, to wit: The south part of the West half of the south-west quarter of section thirty-one (31) in Township Eight (8) Range Nine (9) East containing forty-seven & 51/100 (47 51/100) acres.

²²⁶ Joseph F. Drone, Sr. will (1889); Gallatin County Bond and Will Record B: 275-8. Gallatin County Courthouse, Shawneetown, Illinois. Microfilm no. 0977822, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Fifth, I give and bequeath in Equal parts, to my children, Francis Drone, Joseph Drone Jr., John Drone, Alexander Drone, Lewis Drone, Mary McCormick, Oliver Drone and George Drone all of my personal property, goods, chattels choses in action, the issues, increase and profits arising from the same, the rents, issues and profits arising from all of my real estate hereinbefore described, during the natural life of my said wife, Margaret Drone. Provided, that the said personal goods and property, and rents are given subject to the life control and use of my said wife during her natural life, and thence to my last named children named herein in Fifth part of this instrument; or in the event of the death of either or all of the last named eight children before the death of said Margaret Drone, then his, her or their respective shares to go to his, her or their bodily heirs, if such they have, and if none, then said property to go to such of the last named eight heirs as shall be living at the death of my said wife.

Sixth, I give and devise unto my children, Francis Drone, Joseph Drone, John Drone, Alexander Drone, Lewis Drone, Mary McCormick, Oliver Drone and George Drone, as tenants in common, subject to the life estate of my wife Margaret Drone, the following described lots, parcels and tracts of land situate in said County of Gallatin, in the State of Illinois, described as follows, to wit: The North Half of the North-East quarter of Section one (1) Township Nine (9) Range Eight East, Ninety-eight & 33/100 acres; and the North-West quarter of the North East quarter of Section twelve (12) Township Nine (9) Range Eight (8) east forty (40) acres; and the North half of the North-West quarter Section twelve (12) in Township Nine (9) Range Eight (8) East Eighty (80) acres, and the West Part of the South half of the South-West quarter of Section twenty-nine (29) in Township eight (8) Range nine (9) East containing sixty-five acres, also the South half of the South East quarter of Section thirty-six (36) in Township Eight (8) Range Eight (8) East containing Eighty (80) acres, and the undivided one-half (1/2 und) interest in lot one (1) in Block three (3) in the village of Ridgway, Gallatin Co., IL.

In case of, or in the event of the death of either or any of the last named eight children before the death of their mother, Margaret Drone, my wife, then the property described in the sixth part of this will to go to such of those last named eight heirs as survive her, and to the bodily heirs of those who do not survive her, [Margaret] Drone, in case they leave bodily heirs; but in case they, or any of them, die prior to the death of said Margaret Drone, without issue, then said real estate so described in part sixth of the will, shall be equally divided between such of said eight last named children as shall survive her the said Margaret Drone, and in case the said Margaret Drone, my wife, should die before I do then I devise at my death that all of my personal property, and I hereby give and bequeath all my personal property, in such event, to the said Francis, Joseph Jr, John, Alexander, Lewis, Oliver and George Drone and Mary McCormick, and their heirs of their bodies begotten, to be by them equally divided with or without sale.

And lastly, I nominate and appoint Alexander Drone to be executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of February A.D. 1889.

Attest: W.S. Phillips
H. C. Gregg

his
Joseph X Drone, Sr. (Seal)
mark

In summary, the achievements of Joseph and Margaret Drone can be appreciated more if one considers them in the perspectives of modern times. At forty years of age they left Ohio with their eight children to seek a better life. In the next thirty odd years, they acquired approximately 800 acres of farmland along with a sizeable amount of money and gold. Before the land could be cultivated it had to be cleared of trees and stumps, and then tilled by hand and with horse drawn machinery. They contributed heavily to their Church both in money and labor. They raised and educated a large family of ten. When the children married and left home, each one was established in the business of farming by the parents. And during their retirement years Joseph and Margaret were able to sustain themselves without the aid of government assistance. At their death they left a very large estate. This is quite an achievement about which all of their descendants can be proud to tell.

If the history of the Drone family were continued on through the six generations [in 1978] that followed Joseph and Margaret, volume upon volume would need to be written. However, this book is limited to the brief history of Joseph and Margaret Drone and their immediate family; and to the Drone family tree that follows.

Table of Descendants of Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone

Numbering System: The "Henry System, Numbers and Letters" is used in this section because it most readily incorporates the earlier 1978 Drone book while permitting the addition of new generations. At first the system may seem bewildering, but a few simple guidelines render it usable:

- Numbering starts with the children of Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone. Thus Frank Drone and all offspring down to the present start with "1"; Joseph II and offspring start with 2; John M., 3; Alexander, 4; Lewis, 5; Mary Catherine, 6; Josephine, 7; Oliver H., 8; George, 9; Carolina, 10. For each of the ten, offspring are grouped by generation: children are presented first, then grandchildren, etc.
- All children get the parents' identifier plus an add-on letter or number of their own. In turn, each subsequent generation gets their parents' identifier with an add-on number or letter of their own. Each of the several thousand individuals listed in this Part III has his/her unique genealogical identifier.
- The ancestors of any person can be found by removing the last number or letter of his/her identifier and tracing backwards for that shorter identifier. Descendants²²⁷ of any person can be found by reversing the process and tracing forward for all identifiers starting with the unique identifier of a person.
- The index allows immediate location of any name in the book.
- Codes: b – birth; d – death; m – married; div – divorced; ch – children.

²²⁷ Some families are more complete than others, depending on how much information was submitted by members of the family.



1. *The Frank Drone Family*

First Generation

1. **Frank Drone**, b. December 2, 1840 & d. January 1930; m. Elender Calista ("Listy") Combs, b. September 22, 1851 & d. February 6, 1925. She was the daughter of Jonathan Combs, b. February 22, 1806 & d. 1872, and Icyvilla Dolan Combs, b. 1812 & d. 1876. Frank and Elender Calista were married December 15, 1867. Children of Frank and Elender Calista Combs Drone:
- 1a William Edward
 - 1b Cora²²⁸
 - 1c Frederick
 - 1d Walter
 - 1e Margaret
 - 1f Josephine
 - 1g Cleveland
 - 1h Noah
 - 1i Carrie
 - 1j Mary Emelia "Millie".

²²⁸ Cora, Frederick, and another baby are buried in Crawford Campground Cemetery.

Second Generation:

Frank and Calista Combs Drone's Children

- 1a.** **William Edward Drone**, b. October 21, 1870, Ridgway, Illinois & d. April 1943; m. October 30, 1893 Josephine Maloney, b. September 30, 1871 & d. 1928. She was the daughter of Daniel Maloney and Sarah Dailey. Children of William Edward and Josephine Maloney Drone:
- 1a1 Arthur E.
 - 1a2 Lawrence Herbert
 - 1a3 Claude Martin
 - 1a4 Sarah Ellen
 - 1a5 Daniel
 - 1a6 Loretta Irene
 - 1a7 Eugene Francis
 - 1a8 Mary Roberta
- 1d.** **Walter Drone**, b. 1877 & d. 1935; m. Fannie Wathen, b. 1875 & d. 1964, daughter of William Wathen and Terisa Moore Wathen. Children of Walter and Fannie Wathen Drone:
- 1d1 Virginia
 - 1d2 Lillian
 - 1d3 Frank (twin of William)
 - 1d4 William (twin of Frank)
 - 1d5 Lewis
 - 1d6 Kenneth (twin of Cedric)
 - 1d7 Cedric (twin of Kenneth)
- 1e.** **Margaret M. Drone**, b. 1879 & d. 1946; m. Emil J. Kohl, b. 1873 & d. 1942. Children of Emil J. and Margaret Drone Kohl:
- 1e1 Lillian
 - 1e2 Ben
 - 1e3 Marion
 - 1e4 Norma
 - 1e5 Edna
 - 1e6 Lawrence
 - 1e7 Margaret
 - 1e8 Jeanne
 - 1e9 Emil
- 1f.** **Josephine Drone**, b. 1882 & d. 1958; m. William T. Rider, b. 1872 & d. 1929. Children of William and Josephine Drone Rider:
- 1f1 Violet
 - 1f2 Burtis
 - 1f3 Raphael
 - 1f4 Cecil
 - 1f5 Eugene
 - 1f6 Paul
 - 1f7 Benedict "Bennie"
 - 1f8 James Martin
 - 1f9 Vincent
 - 1f10 Gilbert
 - 1f11 Lawrence Edward

- 1g. Cleveland "Grover" Lewis Drone**, m. Anna Susan Fisher. Children of Grover and Anna Susan Fisher Drone:
- 1g1 Francis
 - 1g2 Celestia Irene
 - 1g3 Barbara Christina
 - 1g4 Andrew Lawrence
 - 1g5 Florence Josephine
 - 1g6 Herbert Willard
 - 1g7 Genevia Ellem
 - 1g8 Edith Elizabeth
- 1h. Noah Alexander Drone**²²⁹, b. February 12, 1888 & d. December 14, 1982; m. Mary Elizabeth Wathen, b. August 17, 1890 & d. November 27, 1967. Children of Noah Alexander and Mary Elizabeth Wathen Drone:
- 1h1 Edward Ambrose
 - 1h2 Ruth Ann
 - 1h3 Ora Marie
 - 1h4 Lucille Irene
 - 1h5 Lillian Agatha
 - 1h6 Stephen Bernard
 - 1h7 Mary Ellen
 - 1h8 James Anthony
 - 1h9 Martha Eugenia
 - 1h10 Dorothy Joan
- 1i. Carrie Drone**, b. 1890 & d. 1977; m. Raymond Kaufman, b. 1888 & d. 1966. Children of Raymond and Carrie Drone Kaufman:
- 1i1 Lawrence
 - 1i2 Louise
 - 1i3 Dorothy
 - 1i4 Paul
 - 1i5 Kathleen
 - 1i6 Hazel
 - 1i7 Helene
- 1j. Mary Emilia "Millie" Drone**, b. 1892 & d. 1970; m. Matthew Mills, b. 1890 & d. 1967. Children of Matthew and Mary Emilia Drone Mills:
- 1j1 Alice
 - 1j2 Earl
 - 1j3 James
 - 1j4 Bernard
 - 1j5 Richard
 - 1j6 George Albert
 - 1j7 Martha Lee

²²⁹ See narrative in Addendum C.

Third Generation:

Frank and Calista Combs Drone's Grandchildren

- 1a1. **Arthur E. Drone**, b. April 27, 1895 & d. February 25, 1976. Arthur never married.
- 1a2. **Lawrence Herbert Drone**, b. March 25, 1898 & d. November 4, 1974; m. Bertha Lorene Lockett, b. April 14, 1899 & d. September 1, 1967. Children of Lawrence Herbert and Bertha Lorene Lockett Drone:
- 1a2a Lawrence Edward
1a2b Thomas Eugene
1a2c Carl Albert
1a2d Mary Rachel
1a2e William Dale
1a2f Howard Martin
1a2g Charles Maurice
- 1a3. **Claude Martin Drone**, b. November 6, 1899 & d. December 19, 1973; m.1. Cornelia K. Kohl, b. 1900 & d. 1926, daughter of Steve Kohl and Lena Zirklebach. m.2. Susie Questell. Child of Claude Martin and Cornelia K. Kohl Drone:
- 1a3a Harold
Children of Claude Martin and Susie Questell Drone:
- 1a3b Dianne
1a3c Judy
1a3d Jeannie
- 1a4. **Sarah Ellen Drone**, b. October 8, 1901 & d. August 19, 1980; m. March 3, 1924 John B. Wathen, b. October 31, 1903, son of Ed Wathen, b. 1877 & d. 1954 and Teresa Bunton, b. 1885 & d. 1958. Child of John B. and Sarah Ellen Drone Wathen:
- 1a4a Avis Ellen
- 1a5. **Daniel Drone**, b. June 1903 & d. in infancy.
- 1a6. **Loretta Irene Drone**, b. July 22, 1905 & d. March 1974; m.1. Lytle Mossman²³⁰, b. December 13, 1909. m.2. Mary Niell Duvall. Children of Lytle and Loretta Irene Drone Mossman:
- 1a6a Mary Magdalene
1a6b Emma Jean
- 1a7. **Eugene Francis Drone**, b. January 26, 1907; m. Helen Coleman. Children of Eugene Francis and Helen Coleman Drone:
- 1a7a Max/ Mac
1a7b David
1a7c Garry
1a7d Russell
1a7e Dan

²³⁰ Loretta Irene and Lytle Mossman lived in Ridgway, Illinois where Lytle was a farmer. After the death of his second wife, Mary Niell Duvall, in 1996, Lytle moved to Redwood City, California to live with his daughter Jean and her husband Michael Marticorina.

- 1a7f Fred
- 1a8.** **Mary Roberta Drone**, m. Robert Abell. Children of Robert and Mary Roberta Drone Abell:
 1a8a Ronnie R.
 1a8b Brenda
- 1d1.** **Virginia Drone**, m. Charles Frey. Children of Charles and Virginia Drone Frey:
 1d1a Carl
 1d1b Walter
- 1d2.** **Lillian Drone**, m. Dr. Lloyd Clark. Children of Dr. Lloyd and Lillian Drone Clark:
 1d2a Harry
 1d2b Perry
- 1d3.** **Frank Sylvester Drone**, b. August 9, 1906 & d. January, 1992; m. January 18, 1938 Leona McDonald, b. May 24, 1921. Children of Frank Sylvester and Leona McDonald Drone:
 1d3a Annetta Marie
 1d3b Jeanette Irene
 1d3c Marjorie Anne
 1d3d Virginia Lee
- 1d4.** **William Drone**, m. Frances Rebstock. Children of William and Frances Rebstock Drone:
 1d4a Donald
 1d4b Jeannette
 1d4c Paul
 1d4d Gregory Alan
- 1d5.** **Lewis Drone**, m. Bernadine DeVoy. Children of Lewis and Bernadine DeVoy Drone:
 1d5a Lawrence
 1d5b Patricia
- 1d6.** **Kenneth Drone**, m. Mary Nell Wenzel. Child of Kenneth and Mary Nell Wenzel Drone:
 1d6a Charles
- 1d7.** **Cedric Drone**, m. Regina Duffy. Children of Cedric and Regina Duffy Drone:
 1d7a Walter
 1d7b Daniel
 1d7c Vivian
 1d7d Stanley
- 1e2.** **Ben Kohl**, m. Elizabeth Lewis. Children of Ben and Elizabeth Lewis Kohl:
 1e2a Mary Katherine
 1e2b Elizabeth Ann
- 1e3.** **Marion Kohl**, b. 1904 & d. 1997.

- 1e4.** **Norma Kohl**, b. January 10, 1906 & d. May 31, 1993; m. February 8, 1930
Wallace Harrison Wright, b. July 23, 1888 & d. October 21, 1953. Children of
Wallace Harrison and Norma Kohl Wright:
- 1e4a Margaret Jean "Peggy"
1e4b Clara Jo
1e4c Wallace Boyd
1e4d Robert Harrison
- 1e5.** **Edna Kohl**, m. Gifford Monarch. Children of Gifford and Edna Kohl Monarch:
- 1e5a Judy
1e5b Jill
1e5c Jack
1e5d Jane
- 1e6.** **Lawrence Kohl**, m. Dorothy Cathman. Children of Lawrence and Dorothy
Cathman Kohl:
- 1e6a Larry
1e6b Dorothy
1e6c Carol
- 1e7.** **Margaret Kohl**, m. Wiltz Wyble. Children of Wiltz and Margaret Kohl Wyble:
- 1e7a Patricia
1e7b Betty
1e7c Tommy
1e7d Robert
1e7e Jimmy
1e7f Margaret
- 1e8.** **Jeanne Kohl**, m. Gerald Mullin. Children of Gerald and Jeanne Kohl Mullin:
- 1e8a Mary Jo
1e8b Jerry
1e8c Michael
1e8d Theresa
1e8e John
- 1e9.** **Emil J. Kohl**, m. Mary Ann Clancy. Child of Emil and Mary Ann Clancy Kohl:
- 1e9a Margaret
- 1f1.** **Violet Rider**, m. Leo Ande. Children of Leo and Violet Rider Ande:
- 1f1a Mary Rowena
1f1b Robert
1f1c Donald
1f1d Virginia
1f1e Charles
1f1f Elizabeth "Betty"
1f1g David
- 1f2.** **Burtis Rider**, m. Alfreda Berkel. Children of Burtis and Alfreda Berkel Rider:
- 1f2a William
1f2b Joseph
1f2c Paul Lewis
1f2d Teresa
1f2e Donald

- 1f2f James Richard
1f2g Joan
- 1f3.** **Raphael Rider**, b. December 3, 1907 & d. July 14, 1985; m. Irma Doherty, b. May 2, 1908 & d. June 3, 1998. Children of Raphael and Irma Doherty Rider:
1f3a Norma Jean
1f3b Robert Raphael
1f3c Judith Ann
- 1f4.** **Cecil Rider**, m. Genevia Abell.
- 1f5.** **Eugene Rider**, d. in World War II; m. Mary Catherine Daily.
- 1f7.** **Benedict "Bennie" Rider**, m. Bernice Murphy; Children of Bennie and Bernice Murphy Rider:
1f7a Margaret
1f7b Aline
1f7c Lawrence
- 1f8.** **James Martin Rider**, b. 1917 & d. 1924.
- 1f9.** **Vincent Rider**, m. Louise Abell. Children of Vincent and Louise Abell Rider:
1f9a Deloras
1f9b Agnes
1f9c Charles
1f9d Thomas
1f9e Jane
1f9f Anthony "Tony"
1f9g Susan
1f9h James
1f9i Rita
- 1f10.** **Gilbert Rider**, m. Eva McCormick, daughter of Joseph McCormick - Mary Drone McCormick family. Children of Gilbert and Eva McCormick Rider:
1f10a Norbert
1f10b Carolyn Sue
1f10c Janet Farrel
- 1f11.** **Lawrence Edward Rider**, d. as a small child.
- 1g2.** **Celestia Irene Drone**, m. Clarence Bassemier. Children of Clarence and Celestia Irene Drone Bassemier:
1g2a Joseph
1g2b David
1g2c John
1g2d Edwin
1g2e Edgar
1g2f Mary Ann
- 1g3.** **Barbara Christina Drone**, m. Ed Commens. Children of Ed and Barbara Christina Drone Commens:
1g3a Larry
1g3b Diana Ann

- 1g4.** **Andrew Lawrence "Bunny" Drone**, m. Pauline "Polly" Hale.
- 1g5.** **Florence Josephine Drone**, m.1. Dr. William Roush, PhD., m.2. Leo V. Gallagher. Children of Dr. William and Florence Josephine Drone Roush:
 1g5a Thomas Leo
 1g5b David Lewis
 1g5c Richard Dean
 1g5d Marilyn Kay
- 1g6.** **Herbert Willard Drone**, b. June 2, 1921 & d. June 20, 1942 as the result of a motorcycle accident.
- 1g7.** **Genevia Ellen Drone**, m. Harold Housbehn. Children of Harold and Genevia Ellen Drone Housbehn:
 1g7a Cynthia
 1g7b Lawrence Joseph
 1g7c Lucinda Jean
 1g7d Keith
- 1g8.** **Edith Elizabeth Drone**, m. August Albert "Al" Drufke. Children of August Albert and Edith Elizabeth Drone:
 1g8a August Cleveland
 1g8b Milance Anne
- 1h1.** **Edward Ambrose Drone**, b. September 8, 1913 & d. December 8, 1962; m. Ruth Ann Naas, b. October 3, 1914 & d. September 19, 1961. Children of Edward Ambrose and Ruth Ann Naas Drone:
 1h1a Regina Marie
 1h1b Patrick Emil
 1h1c Phyllis Ann
 1h1d Alfred Edward
 1h1e Barbara Sue
 1h1f Anthony Noah "Tony"
 1h1g Ronald Joseph
 1h1h Dorothy Jean
 1h1i Timothy Lee
 1h1j John Frederick "Fred"
 1h1k Bernard Raphael "Bernie"
- 1h2.** **Ruth Ann Drone**²³¹, b. September 1, 1915; m.1. Mr. Hall; m.2. Alba Frederick Croteau, b. July 24, 1914 & d. June 26, 1991. Children of Ruth Ann Drone Hall:
 1h2a Mary Alice
 1h2b Joseph William
- 1h3.** **Ora Marie Drone**²³², b. June 21, 1917; m. Herbert William Naas, b. July 28, 1916 & d. September 1, 1977. Children of Herbert William and Ora Marie Drone Naas:
 1h3a Robert Eugene
 1h3b Richard Noah
 1h3c Stephen Ray

²³¹ Ruth Ann lives at 1128 East 25th Street, San Bernadino, California 92404; Tel: (714) 883-4245.

²³² Ora Marie lives at 1700 Eldorado Blacktop Rd., Equality, Illinois 62934; Tel: (618) 273-3546.

- 1h3d Carl "Carlie" William
 1h3e Michael Silvester
 1h3f Dennis "Denny" Herbert
 1h3g David Edward
 1h3h Mary Ann
 1h3i Madonna "Donna" Jean
 1h3j Lawrence "Larry" Joseph
- 1h4. Lucille Irene Drone**²³³, b. May 18, 1919; m. Elmer "Dick" Zirkelbach, b. October 9, 1913 & d. May 12, 1999. Children of Elmer and Lucille Irene Drone Zirkelbach:
 1h4a Mary Joyce
 1h4b Jane Louise
 1h4c Richard Wayne
 1h4d Deborah Joan
 1h4e Mark Edward
- 1h5. Lillian Agatha Drone**²³⁴, b. April 28, 1921; m. Raphael Louis "Ray" Naas, b. September 8, 1919 & d. September 11, 1992. Children of Raphael Louis and Lillian Agatha Drone Naas:
 1h5a Betty Rae
 1h5b Thomas "Tom" Joseph
 1h5c Mary Jo
 1h5d Louis Everett
 1h5e Daniel Emil
 1h5f Theresa Marie
- 1h6. Stephen Bernard Drone**²³⁵, b. May 16, 1923; m. Myrtle Rebecca Burns, b. August 24, 1925. Children of Stephen Bernard and Myrtle Rebecca Burns Drone:
 1h6a Suzanne Verna
 1h6b Phillip Stephen
- 1h7. Mary Ellen Drone**²³⁶, b. February 7, 1925. m. Robert Lewis Morris. Children of Robert Lewis and Mary Ellen Drone Morris:
 1h7a Ellen Jane
 1h7b James Robert
 1h7c Clifford Eugene "Gene"
 1h7d Beth Ann
 1h7e Karen Annette
- 1h8. James Anthony Drone**, b. January 17, 1927 & d. September 12, 1981.
- 1h9. Martha Eugenia Drone**²³⁷, b. February 22, 1930; m. John William "Bill" Spahr, b. February 14, 1927 & d. January 27, 1982. Children of John William and Martha Eugenia Drone Spahr:
 1h9a Mary Katherine "Kathy"
 1h9b Sharel Ann
 1h9c John William, Jr.

²³³ Lucille lives at 3800 Hogue Rd., Evansville, Indiana 47712; Tel: (812) 424-9365.

²³⁴ Lillian lives at 203 West Young Street, Morganfield, Kentucky 42437; Tel: (270) 389-3703.

²³⁵ Stephen and Myrtle live at 904 Agnew Road, Pulaski, Tennessee 38478; Tel: (931) 363-8138.

²³⁶ Mary Ellen lives at 240 Reavis Place, St. Louis, Missouri 63119; Tel: (314) 961-5911.

²³⁷ Martha Eugenia lives at 1425 Dickey Ford Rd., Equality, Illinois 62934; Tel: (618) 273-3618.

- 1h9d Romona Eugenia "Mona"
 1h9e Tamara Joan "Tammy"
- 1h10. Dorothy Joan Drone**, b. March 19, 1933 & d. September 21, 1989; m. Eddie Bartok²³⁸, b. September 27, 1929. Children of Eddie and Dorothy Joan Drone
 Bartok:
- 1h10a Linda Annette
 1h10b Patricia "Patty" Joan
 1h10c David Edwin
 1h10d Joseph Damian
 1h10e Teresa Ann
 1h10f Daniel "Danny" Eric
- 1i1. Lawrence Kaufman**, m. Clem Griffin. Children of Lawrence and Clem Griffin
 Kaufman:
- 1i1a Clara May
 1i1b William Lawrence
 1i1c Clinton
 1i1d Caryln Louise
- 1i3. Dorothy Kaufman**, d. as a small child.
- 1i4. Paul Kaufman**, m. Anna Mary Lawler. Children of Paul and Anna Mary Lawler
 Kaufman:
- 1i4a Dorothy "Dottie"
 1i4b Bernard
 1i4c Michael
 1i4d Kenneth
- 1i5. Kathleen Kaufman**, m. Roy Gates. Children of Roy and Kathleen Kaufman
 Gates:
- 1i5a David
 1i5b Mary Lou
 1i5c Peggy Ann
 1i5d Rita
 1i5e Paul
- 1i7. Helene Kaufman**, m. Charles Hish.
- 1j1. Alice Mills**, m. Carl C. Couser. Children of Carl C. and Alice Mills Couser:
- 1j1a Donald Matthew
 1j1b Carl Robert
 1j1c Bernard Ray
- 1j2. Earl Mills (U.S.A.W.W.)**, m.1. Helen Williams, d., m.2. Annebelle Roasch.
- 1j3. James Mills**, m.1. Alice DeJesus, m.2. Beverly M. Baptista. Children of James and Alice DeJesus Mills:
- 1j3a James M.
 1j3b Sharon E.
 1j3c Howell M.

²³⁸ Eddie lives at State Road 142S, Eldorado, Illinois 62930; Tel: (618) 273-3148.

- 1j3d Debra Ann
Children of Beverly M. Baptista Mills (adopted by James Mills):
- 1j3e Donald
1j3f Bernadine R.
- 1j4. Bernard Mills**, m.1. Grace Caldwell, d., m.2. Wilma Abell Daily.
- 1j5. Richard Mills**, m. Myretta Milligan. Children of Richard and Myretta Milligan
Mills:
- 1j5a Rickey
1j5b Ronald
1j5c Joseph
- 1j6. George Albert Mills**, d. 1976, m. Pauline. Children of George Albert and Pauline
Mills:
- 1j6a Danny
1j6b George
1j6c Beverly Amelia
- 1j7. Martha Lee Mills**, d. as a small child.

Fourth Generation:

Frank and Calista Combs Done's Great-Grandchildren

- 1a2a. Lawrence Edward Drone**, b. January 8, 1925 & d. April 20, 1987. Lawrence never married.
- 1a2b. Thomas Eugene Drone**, b. January 9, 1928; m. Daisy June Fink. Children of Thomas Eugene and Daisy June Fink Drone:
- 1a2b1 Carly
1a2b2 Amy
- 1a2c. Carl Albert Drone**, b. November 25, 1929; m. Patricia Coles. Children of Carl Albert and Patricia Coles Drone:
- 1a2c1 Chris
1a2c2 Francis
1a2c3 Stephen
1a2c4 Lucy
1a2c5 Sarah
- 1a2d. Mary Rachel Drone**, b. May 23, 1931; m. Clarence Edward Etienne Jr., b. February 13, 1929. Children of Clarence Edward and Mary Rachel Drone Etienne Jr.:
- 1a2d1 Constance Sue
1a2d2 Kenneth Edward
1a2d3 James Patrick
- 1a2e. William Dale Drone**, b. April 24, 1933; m. Carol Richmond. Children of William Dale and Carol Richmond Drone:
- 1a2e1 Nancy
1a2e2 Susan

- 1a2e3 Mary (twin of Martha)
 1a2e4 Martha (twin of Mary)
 1a2e5 Billy
- 1a2f.** **Howard Martin Drone**, b. August 7, 1934 & d. February 28, 1992; m. Joyce Wilson. Children of Howard Martin and Joyce Wilson Drone:
 1a2f1 Cathy
 1a2f2 Terry
 1a2f3 Jeff
 1a2f4 Julie
- 1a2g.** **Charles Maurice Drone**, b. May 31, 1937; m. Juanita Bradley, b. 1954. Children of Charles Maurice and Juanita Bradley Drone:
 1a2g1 Randy Lee
 1a2g2 Timothy Clark
- 1a3a.** **Harold Drone**, m. Doris Husky.
- 1a3b.** **Dianne Drone**, m.1. Joseph Monroe. m.2. Dan Patrick. Children of Joseph and Dianne Drone Monroe:
 1a3b1 Yvonne "Dolly"
 1a3b2 Marcus T.
 Child of Dan and Dianne Drone Patrick
 1a3b3 Joseph Claude
- 1a3c.** **Judy Drone**, m. Al Simko. Children of Al and Judy Drone Simko:
 1a3c1 Renee
 1a3c2 Tisney
 1a3c3 Brian
- 1a3d.** **Jeannie Drone**, m. Ken Duncan. Child of Ken and Jeannie Drone Duncan:
 1a3d1 Jennifer
- 1a4a.** **Avis Ellen Wathen**, b. September 18, 1928; m. September 27, 1946 William Cardwell, b. January 26, 1926 & d. December 26, 1995, son of William Edward Cardwell, b. 1898 & d. 1980 and Grace Collins, b. 1900 & d. 1949. Children of William and Avis Ellen Wathen Cardwell:
 1a4a1 Deborah Ellen
 1a4a2 Susan Gaye
- 1a6a.** **Mary Magdalene Mossman**, b. May 13, 1931; m. Fred Storment, Jr. Children of Fred and Mary Magdalene Mossman Storment:
 1a6a1 Stephanie Ann
 1a6a2 Robert Anthony
- 1a6b.** **Emma Jean Mossman**²³⁹, b. February 27, 1933; m. June 10, 1954 Fred Heaton, div. December 1979. m. (as Jean Heaton) March 14, 1987 Michel Marticorena. Children of Fred and Emma Jean Mossman Heaton:
 1a6b1 Frederick "Fred" Lee
 1a6b2 Laura Ann "Lauren"

²³⁹ Jean is a Professor Emerita from San Francisco State University (1961-1994) and is included in national and international biographical publications.

- 1a6b3 Sheri Renee "Taylor"
- 1a7a.** **Max/ Mac Drone**, m. Bernadine Rubenacker. Children of Max/ Mac and Bernadine Rubenacker Drone:
 1a7a1 Jan
 1a7a2 Julia
 1a7a3 Terry
- 1a7b.** **David Drone**, m. Carolyn Diane Guard. Children of David and Carolyn Diane Guard Drone:
 1a7b1 Lisa
 1a7b2 Valeria
- 1a7c.** **Garry Drone**, m. Margaret Maus. Child of Garry and Margaret Maus Drone:
 1a7c1 Steven
- 1a7d.** **Russell Drone**, m. Linda Dunn. Child of Russell and Linda Dunn Drone:
 1a7d1 Melissa
- 1a8a.** **Ronnie R. Abell**, m. Elizabeth Smyth. Child of Ronnie R. and Elizabeth Smyth Abell:
 1a8a1 Craig
- 1a8b.** **Brenda Abell**, m. Denny Wilson. Child of Denny and Brenda Abell Wilson:
 1a8b1 Bryan
- 1d1a.** **Carl Frey**, m. Elizabeth Weber. Children of Carl and Elizabeth Weber Frey:
 1d1a1 Maureen
 1d1a2 Edward
 1d1a3 Robert
 1d1a4 Janie
 1d1a5 Karen
 1d1a6 Donald
- 1d1b.** **John Walter Frey**, m. Nancy Harlen. Children of John Walter and Nancy Harlen Frey:
 1d1b1 Jodie
 1d1b2 John
 1d1b3 Virginia Ruth
- 1d2b.** **Perry Clark**, m. Joan Lashley. Children of Perry and Joan Lasley Clark:
 1d2b1 Rickey
 1d2b2 Randy
 1d2b3 Ross
- 1d3a.** **Annetta Marie Drone**, m. December 26, 1960 Lawrence William Jenneman, Sr.²⁴⁰ Children of Lawrence William and Annetta Marie Drone Jennemann:
 1d3a1 Mary Catherine
 1d3a2 Lawrence William, Jr.
 1d3a3 David Bryan

²⁴⁰ Address of Annetta Marie and William Jennemann: 3810 Coachella Dr., St. Louis, MO 63125. Tel: (314) 544-3769.

- 1d3b.** **Jeanette Irene Drone**, b. September 17, 1939; m. June 27, 1964 Dale John Kopff, b. July 15, 1934; div. Children of Dale John and Jeannette Irene Drone Kopff:
 1d3b1 Karen Ann
 1d3b2 Steven John
- 1d3c.** **Marjorie Ann Drone**, b. July 3, 1941; m. Donald Peters. Children of Donald and Marjorie Anne Drone Peters:
 1d3c1 Terry
 1d3c2 Todd
 1d3c3 Kelly
 1d3c4 Keith
- 1d3d.** **Virginia Lee Drone**, b. April 25, 1947; m. Edward Began. Child of Edward and Virginia lee Drone Began:
 1d3d1. Douglas Edward
- 1d4a.** **Donald Drone**, m. Cindy Reed. Child of Donald and Cindy Reed Drone:
 1d4a1 David Todd
- 1d4c.** **Paul Drone**, m. Pamela McKinny. Children of Paul and Pamela McKinny Drone:
 1d4c1 Mark Edward
 1d4c2 Patrick Alan
 1d4c3 Aaron Keith
- 1d5b.** **Patricia Drone**, m. Edwin Warner. Children of Edwin and Patricia Drone Warner:
 1d5b1 Michael
 1d5b2 Patrick
- 1d7a.** **Walter Drone**, m. Barbara Mandennack. Children of Walter and Barbara Mandennack Drone:
 1d7a1 Jack
 1d7a2 Mike
 1d7a3 Amy
- 1d7b.** **Daniel Drone**, m. Rebecca Rebstock. Children of Daniel and Rebecca Rebstock Drone:
 1d7b1 Debra Ann
 1d7b2 Tamara Lynn
- 1d7c.** **Vivian Drone**, m. Bill Liddell.
- 1d7d.** **Stanley Drone**, d. 1974.
- 1e2a.** **Mary Katherine Kohl**, m. Martin J. Coleman. Children of Martin J. and Mary Katherine Kohl Coleman:
 1e2a1 Liza
 1e2a2 Jack
- 1e2b.** **Elizabeth Ann Kohl**, m. James Quirin.

- 1e4a.** **Margaret Jean "Peggy" Wright**, b. December 14, 1930; m. December 2, 1950
John J. Boese, b. March 14, 1925 & d. September 4, 1989. Children of John J.
and Margaret Jean "Peggy" Boese:
- 1e4a1 Martha Mary
1e4a2 Marc Lawrence
1e4a3 Matthew Joseph
1e4a4 Roger David
1e4a5 John Aquinas
1e4a6 Adam Christian
1e4a7 Jill Anne
- 1e4b.** **Clara Jo Wright**, b. August 12, 1932; member of Franciscan Sisters of Mary of
St. Louis: Sister Rebecca, fsm.
- 1e4c.** **Wallace Boyd Wright**, b. October 4, 1933; m.1. Carolyn James, div. circa 1975,
Children of Wallace Boyd and Carolyn James Wright:
- 1e4c1 Wallace James
1e4c2 Steven Harrison
- 1e4d.** **Robert Harrison Wright**, b. April 22, 1938.
- 1e5a.** **Judy Monarch**, m. Tom Sauer. Children of Tom and Judy Monarch Sauer:
- 1e5a1 Laura
1e5a2 Chris
- 1e5b.** **Jill Monarch**, m. Mark Rome. Child of Mark and Jill Monarch Rome:
- 1e5b1 Robin
- 1e5c.** **Jack Monarch**, m. Sandi.
- 1e5d.** **Jane Monarch**, m. Gary.
- 1e6a.** **Larry Kohl**, m. Jane Mesnier. Children of Larry and Jane Mesnier Kohl:
- 1e6a1 Amy
1e6a2 Tommy
1e6a3 Mary Ann
- 1e6c.** **Carol Kohl**, m. Robert Harris. Children of Robert and Carol Kohl Harris:
- 1e6c1 Susan
1e6c2 Dana
- 1e7d.** **Robert Joseph Wyble**, m. Becky Tomplait. Children of Robert Joseph and
Becky Tomplait Wyble:
- 1e7d1 Theresa Lynn
1e7d2 Lisa Renee
1e7d3 Melissa Nicole
- 1e7e.** **James Edward Wyble**, m. Diana Estep. Children of James Edward and Diana
Estep Wyble:
- 1e7e1 Brent James
1e7e2 Scott Joseph

- 1e8a.** **Mary Jo Mullin**, m. John Kealty. Children of John and Mary Jo Mullin Kealty:
 1e8a1 Jack
 1e8a2 Jeff
 1e8a3 Joey
- 1e8d.** **Theresa Mullin**, m. Michael Callaham. Children of Michael Callaham and Theresa Mullin:
 1e8d1 Marian Mullin Callaham
 1e8d2 David Mullin Callaham
- 1e9a.** **Margaret Kohl**, m. Doug Oliveri. Children of Doug and Margaret Kohl Oliveri:
 1e9a1 Sophie
 1e9a2 Payton
 1e9a3 Vince
 1e9a4 Alex
- 1f1a.** **Mary Rowena Ande**, m. Ray Rankin. Children of Ray and Mary Rowena Ande Rankin:
 1f1a1 Catherine
 1f1a2 Debra
 1f1a3 Linda
 1f1a4 Wilma
 1f1a5 David
 1f1a6 Dale
 1f1a7 Judy
- 1f1b.** **Robert Ande**, m. Doris Wargel. Children of Robert and Doris Wargel Ande:
 1f1b1 Shirley
 1f1b2 Marlene
 1f1b3 Mike
 1f1b4 William
 1f1b5 Keith
 1f1b6 Gregory
- 1f1c.** **Donald Ande**, m. Betty Schmitt. Children of Donald and Betty Schmitt Ande:
 1f1c1 Kevin
 1f1c2 Rex
 1f1c3 Donna
 1f1c4 Carletta
- 1f1d.** **Virginia Ande**, m. Richard Drone, son of Mathias Drone - Joseph Drone Family. Children of Richard and Virginia Andre Drone:
 1f1d1 Rebecca
 1f1d2 Christina
 1f1d3 Brenda
- 1f1e.** **Charles Ande**, m. Beverly Dillard. Children of Charles and Beverly Dillard Ande:
 1f1e1 Tammy
 1f1e2 Dennis
- 1f1f.** **Betty Ande**, m. Raymond Schmitt. Children of Raymond and Betty Ande Schmitt:
 1f1f1 Lori

- 1f1f2 Michael
- 1f1g. David Ande**, d. at the age of eight months.
- 1f2a. William Rider**, m. Philomenia Fromm, daughter of Maggie Fromm - Lewis Drone Family. Children of William and Philomenia Fromm Rider:
- 1f2a1 William Eugene
 1f2a2 Brenda Sue
 1f2a3 James Paul
 1f2a4 Daniel Lawrence
 1f2a5 Nancy Marie
 1f2a6 David Allen
 1f2a7 Jerome Edward
 1f2a8 Valerie Ann
 1f2a9 Phillip John
- 1f2b. Joseph Rider**, m. Gladys Duncan. Children of Joseph and Gladys Duncan Rider:
- 1f2b1 Paul Wesley
 1f2b2 Peggy Sue
 1f2b3 Paula Jean
- 1f2c. Paul Lewis Rider**, d. 1952 in auto and train accident.
- 1f2d. Teresa Rider**, d. as a baby.
- 1f2e. Donald Rider**, m. Sue Hathway. Children of Donald and Sue Hathway Rider:
- 1f2e1 Penny
 1f2e2 Angela Dawn
- 1f2f. James Richard Rider**, d. as a small child.
- 1f2g. Joan Rider**, m.1. Don Parker, d. 1970; m.2. Carl Horn. Children of Don and Joan Rider Parker:
- 1f2g1 Scott
 1f2g2 Rebecca
- 1f3a. Norma Jean Rider**, b. October 22, 1934; m. Robert E. Volkert, b. August 14, 1928. Children of Robert E. and Norma Jean Rider Volkert:
- 1f3a1 Sharon J.
 1f3a2 Mary Ann
 1f3a3 Paul W.
- 1f3b. Robert "Bob" Raphael Rider**, m. Rosean Daily. Children of Bob and Rosean Daily Rider:
- 1f3b1 Stephanie
 1f3b2 Jennifer
 1f3b3 Todd
- 1f3c. Judith Ann Rider**, m. John Robert McGuire, son of Pauline Drone McGuire - Lewis Drone family. Children of John Robert and Judith Ann Rider McGuire:
- 1f3c1 Rebecca
 1f3c2 Robert Michael

1f3c3 Steven John
1f3c4 Kevin Ray

1f7a. **Margaret Rider**, m.1. Clarence Petty; m.2. Benny Rash; Child of Clarence and Margaret Rider Petty:
1f7a1 Brenda

1f7b. **Aline Rider**, m. John Shea. Children of John and Aline Rider Shea:
1f7b1 Jonnie
1f7b2 Ronnie

1f9a. **Deloras Rider**, m. Raymond Scherrer. Children of Raymond and Deloras Rider Scherrer:
1f9a1 Angela
1f9a2 Danny
1f9a3 Joseph

1f9b. **Agnes Rider**, m. Jerry D. Patton.

1f9c. **Charles Rider**, m. Marsha Adams.

1f9d. **Thomas Rider**, m. Barbara Lewis. Child of Thomas and Barbara Lewis Rider:
1f9d1 Jason

1f9e. **Jane Rider**, m. Jeff Whiting.

1f10a. **Norbert Rider**, m. Carla Kuhn. Children of Norbert and Carla Kuhn Rider:
1f10a1 Shawn Francis
1f10a2 Michael
1f10a3 Kimberly Renee

1f10b. **Carolyn Sue Rider**, d. as a baby.

1f10c. **Jane Farrel Rider**, d. as a baby.

1g2a. **Joseph Bassemier**, m. Mary Lee. Children of Joseph and Mary Lee Bassemier:
1g2a1 Rhonda
1g2a2 Joseph

1g2b. **David Bassemier**, m. Sylvia

1g2c. **John Bassemier**, m. Diana Hughes; Child of John and Diana Huges Bassemier:
1g2c1 Jamie

1g2d. **Edwin Bassemier**, m. Carolyn Shaner. Children of Edwin and Carolyn Shaner Bassemier:
1g2d1 Douglas
1g2d2 Mark

1g2e. **Edgar Bassemier**, m. Angie Spivey; Child of Edgar and Angie Spivey Bassemier:
1g2e1 Scott Alan

- 1g5a.** **Thomas Leo Roush**, m. Valinda.
1g5b. **David Lewis Roush**, m. Mary Ann Stoneback.
- 1g8a.** **August Cleveland Drufke**, m. Nancy Luck
- 1g8b.** **Milance Anne Drufke**, m. John Edward Owen.
- 1h1a.** **Regina Marie Drone**, b. January 30, 1935 & d. July 27, 1999; m. Kenneth Edwin "Bud" Schimp, b. September 25, 1930. Children of Kenneth Edwin and Regina Marie Drone Schimp:
 1h1a1 Cynthia Ann
 1h1a2 Mona Jean
 1h1a3 Ken Edwin
 1h1a4 Pamela Ruth
 1h1a5 Douglas Edwin
- 1h1b.** **Patrick Emil Drone**²⁴¹, b. July 4, 1937; m. Donna Kay Bates, b. November 7, 1940. Children of Patrick Emil and Donna Kay Bates Drone:
 1h1b1 Thomas Alfred "T.A."
 1h1b2 Donna Rene
 1h1b3 Patrick Emil, Jr.
 1h1b4 Tammy Jo
- 1h1c.** **Phyllis Ann Drone**, b. May 27, 1939; m. Robert Eugene Baumgart, b. December 12, 1935. Children of Robert Eugene and Phyllis Ann Baumgart:
 1h1c1 Teresa Ann
 1h1c2 Cheryl Louise
 1h1c3 Michael Robert
 1h1c4 Christopher Edward
- 1h1d.** **Alfred Edward Drone**, b. March 4, 1942 & d. October 4, 1959.
- 1h1e.** **Barbara Sue Drone**, b. June 23, 1946; m.1. Dennis Acord, m.2. Bernard Carl Fetch, b. May 3, 1930. Children of Barbara Sue Drone Acord:
 1h1e1 Lena Denise
 1h1e2 Terry Jo
 1h1e3 Nicol Ruth
- 1h1f.** **Anthony "Tony" Noah Drone**, b. January 13, 1949; Child of Anthony Noah Drone:
 1h1f1 Alexander "Alex" Noah
- 1h1g.** **Ronald Joseph Drone**, b. November 23, 1950; m.1. Catherine Ann Bymum, m.2. Karen A. Bates Upton, b. November 27, 1948. Children of Ronald Joseph Drone:
 1h1g1 Edward Joseph
 1h1g2 Todd Eugene
 1h1g3 Mary Michelle
 Children of Karen A. Bates Upton:
 1h1g4 Robin Elaine

²⁴¹ Patrick and Donna Drone live at 14780 New Market Rd., Ridgway, Illinois 62979; Tel: (618) 272-7354.

- 1h1g5 Holly Ann
- Children of Ronald Joseph and Karen A. Bates Upton Drone:
- 1h1g6 Bonnie Lynn
 1h1g7 Lindsay Dawn (twin of Luke Matthew)
 1h1g8 Luke Matthew (twin of Lindsay Dawn)
- 1h1h.** **Dorothy Jean Drone**, b. August 7, 1952; m. Joseph Patrick Fullop, III, b. June 23, 1950. Children of Joseph Patrick and Dorothy Jean Drone Fullop:
- 1h1h1 Joseph Patrick, IV "Joska"
 1h1h2 Julko Edward
 1h1h3 Janos Thomas
 1h1h4 Monika Christina
- 1h1i.** **Timothy Lee Drone**, b. November 17, 1954; m. Melody Renna McGrew, b. May 19, 1960. Children of Timothy Lee and Melody Renna McGrew Drone:
- 1h1i1 Chantay Elizabeth
 1h1i2 Sheena
 1h1i3 Calista
- 1h1j.** **John Frederick "Fred" Drone**, b. May 7, 1956; m. Rosemary Beth Dagley, b. November 24, 1956. Children of John Frederick and Rosemary Beth Dagley Drone:
- 1h1j1 Amanda Kathleen
 1h1j2 Megan Elizabeth
 1h1j3 Katie Marie
 1h1j4 Jessica Abigail
- 1h1k.** **Bernard "Bernie" Raphael Drone**, b. June 7, 1958; m. Carla Marie Bennett, b. June 29, 1959. Children of Bernard Raphael and Carla Marie Bennett Drone:
- 1h1k1 Samantha Marie
 1h1k2 Serena Ruth
 1h1k3 Jake Edward
 1h1k4 Joseph Bernard
- 1h2a.** **Mary Alice Hall**, b. September 1, 1945; m. James Robert Watts, b. April 24, 1934 & d. October 15, 1977. Children of James Robert and Mary Alice Hall Watts:
- 1h2a1 Robert Allen
 1h2a2 Teresa "Terri" Luann
 1h2a3 Larry Joseph "Joey"
 1h2a4 Tamera Joan
 1h2a5 Michael "Mike" William
 1h2a6 Karen Ann
 1h2a7 Mary Kathryn
- 1h2b.** **Joseph William "Bill" Hall**, b. September 22, 1938; m. Angela Marie Gutierrez, b. November 18, 1943. Children of Joseph William and Angela Marie Gutierrez Hall:
- 1h2b1 Alexander Joseph
 1h2b2 Keith Anthony

- 1h3a.** **Robert Eugene Naas**, b. January 20, 1937; m. Barbara Wargel, b. December 18, 1935. Children of Robert Eugene and Barbara Wargel Naas:
- 1h3a1 Carla Jean
 1h3a2 Joyce Ann
 1h3a3 Gary Eugene
 1h3a4 Robert Jerome
 1h3a5 Tammy Sue
 1h3a6 Diane Marie
 1h3a7 Timothy Edward
- 1h3b.** **Richard Noah Naas**, b. December 2, 1939; m. Paula Ann Hedger, b. April 9, 1947. Children of Richard Noah and Paula Ann Hedger Naas:
- 1h3b1 Mark Richard
 1h3b2 Dwayne Richard
- 1h3c.** **Stephen Ray Naas**, b. December 2, 1943 & d. December 30, 1990; m. Pat Gaugher. Children of Stephen Ray Naas:
- 1h3c1 John Stephen
 1h3c2 Jeffrey Scott
 1h3c3 Angela Faye
- 1h3d.** **Carl "Carlie" William Naas**, b. March 16, 1947 & d. July 11, 1956.
- 1h3e.** **Michael Silvester Naas**, b. December 13, 1948; m. Kathryn "Kathy" Lynn Schmitt, b. December 12, 1951. Children of Michael Silvester and Kathryn Lynn Schmitt Naas:
- 1h3e1 Terri Lynn
 1h3e2 Jamie Lynn
 1h3e3 Kristy Michele
- 1h3f.** **Dennis "Denny" Herbert Naas**, b. October 9, 1950; m. Marlene Bynum, b. July 4, 1950. Children of Dennis Herbert and Marlene Bynum Naas:
- 1h3f1 Kelly Ann
 1h3f2 Kristina "Tina" Renee
 1h3f3 Chad Dennis
- 1h3g.** **David Edward Naas**, b. May 9, 1953; m. Shirley Jean Davis, b. October 6, 1954. Children of David Edward and Shirley Jean Davis Naas:
- 1h3g1 Cassandra "Cassie" Jane
 1h3g2 Amie Jean
- 1h3h.** **Mary Ann Naas**, b. June 2, 1956; m. John David Sowels, b. October 20, 1955. Children of John David and Mary Ann Naas Sowels:
- 1h3h1 Danielle Marie
 1h3h2 Joseph Aaron
- 1h3i.** **Madonna "Donna" Jean Naas**, b. January 14, 1958; m. Kenneth Troy Clifford, b. January 13, 1957. Children of Kenneth Troy and Madonna Jean Naas Troy Clifford:
- 1h3i1 Kenneth "Ken" Herbert
 1h3i2 Howard Russell "Rusty"

- 1h3j.** **Lawrence "Larry" Joseph Naas**, b. May 2, 1959; m. Christina "Chris" Ann Newton, b. June 14, 1961. Children of Lawrence Joseph and Christina Ann Newton Naas:
1h3j1 Caleb Joseph
1h3j2 Mary Mercedes
- 1h4a.** **Mary Joyce Zirkelbach**, b. April 4, 1941; m. William "Bill" Reagel Calhoun, b. April 18, 1939. Children of William Reagel and Mary Joyce Zirkelbach Calhoun:
1h4a1 William Christopher "Chris"
1h4a2 Amy Jo
- 1h4b.** **Janet Louise Zirkelbach**, b. October 7, 1943; m. Allen Raymond Hamilton, b. August 16, 1943. Children of Allen Raymond and Janet Louise Zirkelbach Hamilton:
1h4b1 Allen Raymond, Jr. "Chip"
1h4b2 Richard Wayne
1h4b3 Melissa Anne "Missy"
- 1h4c.** **Richard Wayne Zirkelbach**, b. November 6, 1945; m. Billie Jo McBride, b. October 23, 1948. Children of Richard Wayne and Billie Jo McBride Zirkelbach:
1h4c1 Abe W.
1h4c2 Gabe Aaron
1h4c3 Bart Alan
1h4c4 Trish Ann
1h4c5 Megan Alyce
- 1h4d.** **Deborah Joan Zirkelbach**, b. April 4, 1950; m. Joseph Lynn Blake, b. July 15, 1950 & d. April 22, 1991. Children of Joseph Lynn and Deborah Joan Zirkelbach Blake:
1h4d1 Adam Christopher
1h4d2 Alexandra Jo "Ali"
- 1h4e.** **Mark Edward Zirkelbach**, b. February 17, 1957; m. Cynthia Jo "Cindy" Wagner, b. May 5, 1960. Children of Mark Edward and Cynthia Jo Wagner Zirkelbach:
1h4e1 Zachariah David
1h4e2 Lynnsey Gayle
1h4e3 Emily Ann
- 1h5a.** **Betty Rae Naas**, b. October 8, 1944; m. Joseph Michael "Mike" Brady, b. December 29, 1944. Children of Joseph Michael and Betty Rae Naas Brady:
1h5a1 Jennifer Marie
1h5a2 Jessica Ann
1h5a3 Julie Christine
1h5a4 Janna Lee
1h5a5 Joy Kathleen
- 1h5b.** **Thomas "Tom" Joseph Naas**, b. June 17, 1946; m. Betty Lou Cole, b. October 21, 1954. Children of Thomas Joseph and Betty Lou Cole Naas:
1h5b1 Thomas Joseph, Jr. "Tommy Jo"
1h5b2 Eric Caesar
1h5b3 Amberly Marie
1h5b4 Noah Alexander

- 1h5c.** **Mary Jo Naas**, b. August 15, 1948; m. Jessie Wayne Adams, b. May 21, 1948.
Children of Jessie Wayne and Mary Jo Naas Adams:
- 1h5c1 Michael Wayne
1h5c2 Laura Renee
1h5c3 John Jacob
1h5c4 Benjamin David
- 1h5d.** **Louis Everett Naas**, b. June 12, 1953.
- 1h5e.** **Daniel Emil Naas**, b. January 11, 1959; m. Rhoda Jean "Jeanie" Wood, b. June 12, 1960. Children of Daniel Emil and Rhoda Jean Wood Naas:
- 1h5e1 Brianna Lelene
1h5e2 Daniel Aaron
1h5e3 Jordan Matthew
1h5e4 Brian Gabriel
1h5e5 Derek Jadon
1h5e6 Emily Ann
- 1h5f.** **Theresa Marie Naas**, b. December 2, 1960 & d. December 5, 1960.
- 1h6a.** **Suzanne Verna Drone**, b. October 22, 1952; m. Michael Louis Hoyal, b. October 16, 1954. Children of Michael Louis and Suzanne Verna Drone Hoyal:
- 1h6a1 Jessica Drone
1h6a2 Michael Louis, Jr.
- 1h6b.** **Phillip Stephen Drone**, b. January 19, 1956; m. Jeanne Grace Valcarcel, b. August 18, 1960. Children of Phillip Stephen and Jeanne Grace Valcarcel Drone:
- 1h6b1 Rebecca Rose
1h6b2 Stephen Anthony
- 1h7a.** **Ellen Jane Morris**, b. February 7, 1945; m. Allen Jerry Kladiva. Children of Allen Jerry and Ellen Jane Morris Kladiva:
- 1h7a1 John Allen
1h7a2 Samantha Jane
- 1h7b.** **James Robert Morris**, b. August 5, 1948; m. Toni Rath, b. April 10, 1948.
Children of James Robert and Toni Rath Morris:
- 1h7b1 Lorna Lea
1h7b2 Robin Renae
- 1h7c.** **Clifford Eugene "Gene" Morris**, b. February 26, 1950; m. Nancy Lou Wilson, b. March 22, 1951. Children of Clifford Eugene and Nancy Lou Wilson Morris:
- 1h7c1 Kent Eugene
1h7c2 Betsy Lou
1h7c3 Angela Louise
- 1h7d.** **Beth Ann Morris**, b. August 8, 1956; m. Mark Stephen Peters, b. December 17, 1952. Children of Mark Stephen and Beth Ann Morris Peters:
- 1h7d1 Kristen Nicole
1h7d2 Emily Michele
- 1h7e.** **Karen Annette Morris Foster**, b. February 12, 1961. Children of Karen Annette Morris Foster:

- 1h7e1 Jeremy D'Andre
 1h7e2 Jessica Marie
 1h7e3 Justin Morris
- 1h9a.** **Mary Katherine "Kathy" Spahr**, b. July 26, 1951; m. Terry Wayne Williams, b. December 15, 1948. Children of Terry Wayne and Mary Katherine Spahr Williams:
 1h9a1 Terra Tekakwitha
 1h9a2 Jeffrey Noah
 1h9a3 Jill Adrielle
- 1h9b.** **Sharel Ann Spahr**, b. July 4, 1953; m. Charles "Charlie" Edward Goebel, b. July 5, 1950; Children of Charles Edward and Sharel Ann Spahr Goebel:
 1h9b1 Charles Douglas "Doug"
 1h9b2 Amanda Shera'l "Mandy"
 1h9b3 Angela Marie
- 1h9c.** **John William Spahr, Jr.**, b. August 20, 1956; m. Karla Kay Johnson, b. October 7, 1960. Children of John William and Karla Kay Johnson Spahr:
 1h9c1 Sarah Catherine
 1h9c2 Katey Mae
 1h9c3 Hannah Jo
- 1h9d.** **Romona Eugenia "Mona" Spahr**, b. October 9, 1957; m. Martin Goebel. Children of Martin and Romona Eugenia Spahr Goebel:
 1h9d1 Martha Jo "Jodi"
 1h9d2 Joshua Philip
- 1h9e.** **Tamara Joan "Tammy" Spahr Buckman**, b. April 27, 1961; m. Kevin Ray Sapp, b. July 23, 1961. Children of Tamara Joan Spahr Buckman:
 1h9e1 Kenneth William "Trae"
 1h9e2 Jonathan Morgan
 1h9e3 Magan Mechelle
 1h9e4 Jacob Aaron
- 1h10a.** **Linda Annette Bartok**, b. March 25, 1956; m. James Kent Gidcumb, b. January 18, 1955. Children of James Kent and Linda Annette Bartok Gidcumb:
 1h10a1 Lauren Marie
 1h10a2 Luke Anthony
 1h10a3 Caitlin Suzanne
 1h10a4 Clarissa Joanne
 1h10a5 James Coleman "Cole"
- 1h10b.** **Patricia "Patty" Joan Bartok**, b. March 19, 1957; m. Kenneth Stephen "Ken" White, b. October 22, 1955. Children of Kenneth Stephen and Patricia Joan Bartok White:
 1h10b1 Sarah Joan
 1h10b2 Philip Stephen
 1h10b3 Patrick Joseph
- 1h10c.** **David Edwin Bartok**, b. December 20, 1958; m. Cheryl Lynn Harrison, b. December 24, 1958. Children of David Edwin and Cheryl Lynn Harrison Bartok:
 1h10c1 Emily Drue

1h10c2 Jillian Paige
1h10c3 Alexander Harrison

1h10d. **Joseph Damian Bartok**, b. July 28, 1960; m. Ayn Maureen Patton, b. December 24, 1964. Children of Joseph Damian and Ayn Maureen Patton Bartok:
1h10d1 Maura Kathleen
1h10d2 Devin Michael

1h10e. **Teresa Ann Bartok**, b. October 10, 1962; m. Winthrop Willington Williford, b. December 30, 1960. Children of Winthrop Willington and Theresa Ann Bartok Williford:
1h10e1 Dillon Cole
1h10e2 Angela Nicole
1h10e3 Taylor Brianne
1h10e4 Lacey Leanne

1h10f. **Daniel "Danny" Eric Bartok**, b. November 19, 1964; m. Tracy McDaniel, b. July 23, 1965. Children of Daniel Eric and Tracy McDaniel Bartok:
1h10f1 Callie Joan
1h10f2 Caleb Matthew
1h10f3 Hannah Breann
1h10f4 Jordan Joseph

1i1a. **Clara May Kaufman**, m. Steve Sharp. Child of Steve and Clara May Kaufman Sharp:
1i1a1 Tasha Ann

1i1b. **William Lawrence Kaufman**, m. Jeanie Couch. Child of William Lawrence and Jeanie Couch Kaufman:
1i1b1 Shain

1i4a. **Dorothy "Dottie" Kaufman**, m. Roger David. Child of Roger and Dorothy Kaufman David:
1i4a1 Jessica

1i4b. **Bernard Kaufman**, m. Paula Gail King. Child of Bernard and Paula Gail King Kaufman:
1i4b1 Matthew

1i4c. **Michael "Mike" Kaufman**, m. Kim Drone, daughter of Robert Drone - Joseph Drone family. Child of Michael and Kim Drone Kaufman:
1i4c1 Ryan

1i5a. **David Gates**, m. Linda Marshel. Children of David and Linda Marshel Gates:
1i5a1 David
1i5a2 Sherry

1i5b. **Mary Lou Gates**, m. Richard Seil. Children of Richard and Mary Lou Gates Seil:
1i5b1 Renee
1i5b2 Rickey

1i5c. **Peggy Ann Gates**, m. Jim Newman. Children of Jim and Peggy Ann Gates Newman:

- 1i5c1 Jimmie
1i5c2 Bryan
- 1i5d. Rita Gates**, m. Ron Foss
- 1j1a. Donald Matthew Couser**, m.1. Johnie Kay, m.2. Charlene Edwards. Child of Donald and Johnie Kay Couser:
1j1a1 Tammy
Child of Donald and Charlene Edwards Couser:
1j1a2 Holly (twin of Kelly)
1j1a3 Kelly (twin of Holly)
- 1j1b. Carl Robert Couser**, d. 1967 at age 24.
- 1j1c. Bernard Ray Couser**, m.1. Carlene Crayne, m.2. Alice McSparrow. Children of Bernard Ray and Carlene Crayne Couser:
1j1c1 Carl Ray
1j1c2 Sonny
- 1j3b. Sharon E. Mills**, m. Richard Smith. Child of Richard and Sharon E. Mills Smith:
1j3b1 Anna Marie
- 1j3c. Howell M. Mills**, m. Sue Pettipost.
- 1j3f. Bernadine R. Mills**, m. Terry Clifford. Child of Terry and Bernadine R. Mills Clifford:
1j3f1 Tisha Marie
- 1j5a. Rickey Mills**, m. Patty Beaver. Child of Rickey and Patty Beaver Mills:
1j5a1 Chad

Fifth Generation:

Frank and Calista Combs Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 1a2d1. Constance Sue Etienne**, b. November 29, 1951; m. David Anthony Nudo, b. August 11, 1951. Child of David Anthony and Constance Sue Drone Nudo:
1a2d1a Jennifer Etienne
- 1a2d2. Kenneth Edward Etienne**, b. August 20, 1954; m. Tina L. Wiley, b. April 12, 1955. Child of Kenneth Edward and Tina L. Wiley Etienne:
1a2d2a Lora Elizabeth Brothers
- 1a2d3. James Patrick Etienne**, b. March 1, 1967; m. Debora D. Bebout, b. May 9, 1966. Children of James Patrick and Debora D. Bebout Etienne:
1a2d3a Bridgette Nicole Web
1a2d3b Darian Rae
1a2d3c Kirstynn Alexis
- 1a2g1. Randy Lee Drone**, b. 1961; m. Mary Ellen Erbs.

- 1a2g2.** **Timothy Clark Drone**, b. 1962
- 1a3b2.** **Marcus T. Monroe**, m. Stephanie Lewis. Child of Marcus T. and Stephanie Lewis Monroe:
1a3b2a Justine
- 1a4a1.** **Deborah Ellen Cardwell**, b. February 12, 1949; m. June 13, 1970 Stephen Joseph Goldo, b. October 4, 1948, son of Harding Goldo and Violet Derossett. Children of Stephen Joseph and Deborah Ellen Cardwell Goldo:
1a4a1a Joshua Stephen
1a4a1b Sarah Ellen
- 1a4a2.** **Susan Gaye Cardwell**, b. April 26, 1952; m. March 17, 1973, John Richard Youngman, son of John Wilbur Youngman and Anna Morgan. Children of John Richard and Susan Gaye Cardwell Youngman:
1a4a2a Matthew Jay
1a4a2b Elizabeth Gaye
- 1a6a1.** **Stephanie Ann Storment**, m. Ronald Underdown. Child of Ronald and Stephanie Ann Storment Underdown:
1a6a1a Zachary Andrew
- 1a6a2.** **Robert Anthony Storment**, m. Melissa Maloney. Child of Robert Anthony and Melissa Maloney Storment:
1a6a2a Garrett Maxwell
- 1a6b1.** **Frederick "Fred" Lee Heaton**²⁴², b. April 24, 1955 & d. January 25, 1990.
- 1a6b2.** **Laura Ann "Lauren" Heaton**, b. May 15, 1958; m. August 24, 1990 Gary Jones²⁴³. Children of Gary and Laura Ann "Lauren" Heaton Jones:
1a6b2a Garrett Harrison
1a6b2b Christina Victoria (twin of Clark William)
1a6b2c Clark William (twin of Christina Victoria)
- 1a6b3.** **Sheri Renee "Taylor" Heaton**, b. May 29, 1963; m. October 6, 1996 Robert Brakemann²⁴⁴. Child of Robert and Sheri Renee "Taylor" Heaton Brakemann:
1a6b3a Madeline Halley
- 1d1a1.** **Maureen Frey**, m. David Burgner. Child of David and Maureen Frey Burgner:
1d1a1a Zachary Henry
- 1d1a2.** **Edward Frey**, m. Catherine Anne Sanders. Children of Edward and Catherine Anne Sanders Frey:
1d1a2a Jennifer Ann
1d1a2b Donald Edward
- 1d1a3.** **Robert Frey**, m. Josephine Hogan.

²⁴² Fred never married and had no children. He was a product manager at Del Monte Corporation in San Francisco.

²⁴³ Gary was a product manager at Kellogg Corporation in Battlecreek, Michigan.

²⁴⁴ Robert is a software engineer at Flexion Systems in San Francisco. He and his family live in Alameda, California.

- 1d1b1.** **Jodie Frey**, m. John Lipani. Child of John and Jodie Frey Lipani:
1d1b1a Patricia
- 1d1b2.** **John Frey**, m. Frances Anne Palmieri.
- 1d3a1.** **Mary Catherine Jennemann**, b. March 11, 1962; m. September 25, 1993 Alan Joseph Hosting²⁴⁵. Children of Alan Joseph and Mary Catherine Jennemann Hosting:
1d3a1a Kyle Alan
1d3a1b Bryce Alan
- 1d3a2.** **Lawrence William Jennemann, Jr.**, b. October 28, 1965²⁴⁶.
- 1d3a3.** **David Bryan Jennemann**, b. October 20, 1967.
- 1d3b1.** **Karen Ann Kopff**, b. June 4, 1965; m. August 22, 1998 James T. Schlaker, b. August 30, 1963.
- 1d3b2.** **Steven John Kopff**, b. March 21, 1967.
- 1d3c1.** **Terry Peters**, b. October 9, 1963; m. Scott Heggie. Children of Scott and Terry Peters Heggie:
1d3c1a Amber
1d3c1b Austin
- 1d3c2.** **Todd Peters**, b. March 16, 1965.
- 1d3c3.** **Kelly Peters**, b. November 8, 1967; m. Chris Renz. Children of Chris and Kelly Peters Renz:
1d3c3a Conrad
1d3c3b Conner
- 1d3c4.** **Keith Peters**, b. August 21, 1971.
- 1d3d1.** **Douglas Edward Began**, b. March 9, 1980.
- 1e4a1.** **Martha Mary Boese**, b. September 12, 1952; m. 1988 John Christian. Children of John and Martha Mary Boese Christian:
1e4a1a Michael John
1e4a1b Matthew Joseph
- 1e4a2.** **Marc Lawrence Boese**, b. September 8, 1953; m.1. Barbara Cedeno, m.2. Karen Molito. Child of Marc Lawrence and Barbara Cedeno Boese:
1e4a2a Marc Anthony
- 1e4a3.** **Matthew Joseph Boese**, b. March 18, 1955; m. Elizabeth Laky. Children of Matthew Joseph and Elizabeth Laky Boese:
1e4a3a Samuel Joseph

²⁴⁵ Address of Mary Catherine and Alan Hosting: 200 Plantation Dr., Coppell, TX 75019. Tel: (214) 462-0664.

²⁴⁶ Address of Lawrence Jennemann, Jr.: #1 Lone Elm Cr., St. Louis, MO 63125. Tel: (314) 894-7830.

- 1e4a3b George Andrew
1e4a3c James Edward
- 1e4a4.** **Roger David Boese**, b. November 28, 1958; m. 1985 Gina Herbert. Children of Roger David and Gina Herbert Boese:
1e4a4a Holly Rebecca
1e4a4b Benjamin Roger
1e4a4c Jack Joseph
- 1e4a5.** **John Aquinas Boese**, b. January 11, 1963; m. Catherine Marie Aloï. Children of John Aquinas and Catherine Marie Aloï Boese:
1e4a5a Rebecca
1e4a5b John Joseph
- 1e4a6.** **Adam Christian Boese**, b. October 27, 1966; m. Liese Groeger. Children of Adam Christian and Liese Groeger Boese:
1e4a6a Adam Christian II
1e4a6b Katherine
1e4a6c Paul Isaac
1e4a6d Samuel Mason
- 1e4a7.** **Jill Anne Boese**, b. April 20, 1971; m. July 10, 1999 Trent Ryan Stamp, b. April 26, 1970.
- 1e4c1.** **Wallace James Wright**, b. October 10, 1959; m. Amber Dee Marie Lance.
- 1e4c2.** **Steven Harrison Wright**, b. December 2, 1962.
- 1f1a1.** **Catherine Rankin**, m. Bill Bircher. Child of Bill and Catherine Rankin Bircher:
1f1a1a Junica
- 1f1a2.** **Debra Rankin**, m. Randy Tuley.
- 1f1a3.** **Linda Rankin**, m. Robert Pemberton. Children of Robert and Linda Rankin Pemberton:
1f1a3a Scott
1f1a3b Jason
- 1f1a4.** **Wilma Rankin**, m. Robert Winge. Child of Robert and Wilma Rankin Winge:
1f1a4a Jessica
- 1f1b1.** **Shirley Ande**, m. Donald Holbrook. Children of Donald and Shirley Ande Holbrook:
1f1b1a Sherry
1f1b1b Danny
- 1f1b2.** **Marlene Ande**, m. David Sizemore. Children of David and Marlene Ande Sizemore:
1f1b2a Ryan
1f1b2b Robby
- 1f1b3.** **Mike Ande**, m. Beth York.

- 1f1c1.** **Kevin Ande**, d. as a small child.
- 1f1d2.** **Christina Drone**, m. Louie Madden.
- 1f2a9.** **Phillip John Rider**, d.
- 1f2b1.** **Paul Wesley Rider**, m. Mary Ellen. Child of Paul Wesley and Mary Ellen Rider:
1f2b1a Paul Wesley, Jr.
- 1f3a1.** **Sharon J. Volkert**²⁴⁷, b. October 14, 1959; m. Donald W. Seely, b. April 6, 1959.
 Children of Donald W. and Sharon J. Volkert Seely:
1f3a1a Daniel W.
1f3a1b Susannah J.
1f3a1c Dennis P.
- 1f3a2.** **Mary Ann Volkert**, b. November 1, 1960; m. Darrell E. Leach, b. June 1, 1959.
 Child of Darrell E. and Mary Ann Volkert Leach:
1f3a2a Michelle A.
- 1f3a3.** **Paul W. Volkert**²⁴⁸, b. January 2, 1964; m. Toni L. Lanham, b. December 19,
 1969. Child of Paul W. and Toni L. Lanham Volkert:
1f3a3a Brock W.
- 1h1a1.** **Cynthia Ann Schimp**, b. December 15, 1956; m. Jeffrey Allen Small, b.
 November 16, 1957. Children of Jeffrey Allen and Cynthia Ann Schimp Small:
1h1a1a Alexia Nicole
1h1a1b Clayton Ross
- 1h1a2.** **Mona Jean Schimp**, b. April 27, 1959; m. Kim Hausser Edwards, b. August 2,
 1957. Children of Kim Hausser and Mona Jean Schimp Edwards:
1h1a2a Braxton Miles
1h1a2b Colton Andrew
- 1h1a3.** **Ken Edwin Schimp**, b. August 25, 1960
- 1h1a4.** **Pamela Ruth Schimp**, b. September 1, 1961; m. Billy Jo Karns, b. June 29,
 1959. Children of Billy Jo and Pamela Ruth Schimp Karns:
1h1a4a Tashina Marie
1h1a4b Philip Michael
1h1a4c Caitlyn Elizabeth
- 1h1a5.** **Douglas Edwin Schimp**, b. April 5, 1964; m. Kelly Rose Koval, b. April 7, 1965.
 Child of Douglas Edwin and Kelly Rose Koval Schimp:
1h1a5a Nick Douglas
- 1h1b1.** **Thomas Alfred "T.A." Drone**, b. November 4, 1959; m. Kim Nanette Brown, b.
 November 27, 1959. Children of Thomas Alfred and Kim Nanette Brown Drone:
1h1b1a Wesley Scott
1h1b1b Tyler Andrew

²⁴⁷ Sharon and Donald Seely live at 15681 Daily Rd., Ridgway, Illinois 62979.

²⁴⁸ Paul and Toni Volkert live in Belleville, Illinois.

- 1h1b1c Matthew Stephen
- 1h1b2.** **Donna Rene Drone**, b. December 2, 1960; m. John Wesley Denny, b. November 29, 1948. Children of John Wesley and Donna Rene Drone Denny:
 1h1b2a Dana Rene
 1h1b2b Deanna Rene
- 1h1b3.** **Patrick Emil Drone, Jr.**, b. November 20, 1962; m. Lisa Janine Massey, b. November 13, 1964. Children of Patrick Emil and Janine Massey Drone:
 1h1b3a Emily Marie
 1h1b3b Noah Patrick
 1h1b3c Mary Elizabeth
- 1h1b4.** **Tammy Jo Drone**, b. July 20, 1964; m. Stephen Booth Loehr, b. August 14, 1957. Child of Stephen Booth and Tammy Jo Drone Loehr:
 1h1b4a Nicholas Stephen
- 1h1c1.** **Teresa Ann Baumgart**, b. October 2, 1958
- 1h1c2.** **Cheryl Louise Baumgart**, b. June 14, 1960; m. V. Miller Newton, III, b. October 23, 1959. Children of V. Miller and Cheryl Louise Baumgart Newton:
 1h1c2a Quincy Ann Chun
 1h1c2b Nia Louise Le
- 1h1c3.** **Michael Robert Baumgart**, b. October 17, 1961; m. Sheila Diane Fields, b. July 19, 1969. Children of Michael Robert and Sheila Diane Fields Baumgart:
 1h1c3a Mariah Michelle
 1h1c3b Jennifer Nicole
- 1h1c4.** **Christopher Edward Baumgart**, b. November 12, 1963; m. Cynthia Ann Rafferty, b. July 8, 1967. Children of Christopher Edward and Cynthia Ann Rafferty Baumgart:
 1h1c4a Luke Edward
 1h1c4b Ashley Ann
 1h1c4c Tricia Dolores
- 1h1e1.** **Lena Denise Acord**, b. June 5, 1965; m. Mark Allen Etienne, b. October 24, 1965. Children of Mark Allen and Lena Denise Acord Etienne:
 1h1e1a Aaron James
 1h1e1b Morgan Elizabeth
- 1h1e2.** **Terry Joe Acord**, b. February 15, 1967. Child of Terry Joe Acord:
 1h1e2a Samantha Rae
- 1h1e3.** **Nicol Ruth Acord**, b. October 31, 1976; m. Christopher John Himelick, b. April 22, 1973. Child of Christopher John and Nicol Ruth Acord Himelick:
 1h1e3a Kaley Sue
- 1h1f1.** **Alexander "Alex" Noah Drone**, b. December 17, 1982
- 1h1g1.** **Edward Joseph Drone**, b. January 22, 1969
- 1h1g2.** **Todd Eugene Drone**, b. May 21, 1974; m. Dawn Jeannean, b. July 8, 1973

- 1h1g3.** **Mary Michelle Drone**, b. February 9, 1977
- 1h1g4.** **Robin Elaine Upton**, b. January 20, 1971; m. Tracey Joe Johnson, b. April 9, 1966. Child of Tracey Joe and Robin Elaine Upton Johnson:
1h1g4a Logan Matthew
- 1h1g5.** **Holly Ann Upton**, b. December 31, 1974; m. Craig Edward Halbig, b. March 23, 1972
- 1h1g6.** **Bonnie Lynn Drone**, b. October 22, 1982
- 1h1g7.** **Lindsay Dawn Drone**, b. December 18, 1984
- 1h1g8.** **Luke Matthew Drone**, b. December 18, 1984
- 1h1h1.** **Joseph Patrick "Joska" Fullop, IV**, b. April 14, 1973
- 1h1h2.** **Julko Edward Fullop**, b. August 18, 1974
- 1h1h3.** **Janos Thomas Fullop**, b. October 16, 1976
- 1h1h4.** **Monika Christina Fullop**, b. July 15, 1979
- 1h1i1.** **Chantay Elizabeth Drone**, b. December 30, 1981
- 1h1i2.** **Sheena McGrew Drone**, b. October 14, 1985
- 1h1i3.** **Calista McGrew Drone**, b. November 15, 1990
- 1h1j1.** **Amanda Kathleen Drone**, b. March 11, 1977; m. Christopher Charles Berberick, b. November 16, 1976. Children of Christopher Charles and Amanda Kathleen Drone Berberick:
1h1j1a Brendon Charles
1h1j1b Brice Jonathon
- 1h1j2.** **Megan Elizabeth Drone**, b. June 22, 1979
- 1h1j3.** **Katie Marie Drone**, b. August 31, 1981
- 1h1j4.** **Jessica Abigail Drone**, b. April 9, 1986
- 1h1k1.** **Samantha Marie Drone**, b. August 5, 1982
- 1h1k2.** **Serena Ruth Drone**, b. August 19, 1983
- 1h1k3.** **Jake Edward Drone**, b. September 2, 1985
- 1h1k4.** **Joseph Bernard Drone**, b. December 6, 1989
- 1h2a1.** **Robert Allen Watts**, b. August 5, 1954; m. Pamela Remick, b. December 4, 1956. Children of Robert Allen and Pamela Remick Watts:
1h2a1a Emily Elizabeth Ann

- 1h2a1b Joseph Robert James
- 1h2a2.** **Teresa "Terri" Luann Watts**, b. October 27, 1955; m. Mitchell Ray Christian, b. May 10, 1954. Children of Mitchell Ray and Teresa Luann Watts Christian:
 1h2a2a Matthew Ryan
 1h2a2b Adrienne Michelle
 1h2a2c Kathryn Ann "Katie"
 1h2a2d Sarah Elizabeth
- 1h2a3.** **Larry Joseph "Joey" Watts**, b. February 19, 1957 & d. June 24, 1979
- 1h2a4.** **Tamera Joan Watts**, b. September 27, 1958. Child of Tamera Joan Watts:
 1h2a4a Chris
- 1h2a5.** **Michael "Mike" William Watts**, b. December 26, 1959; m. Kim Taylor, b. October 3, 1965. Child of Michael William and Kim Taylor Watts:
 1h2a5a Joshua Michael
- 1h2a6.** **Karen Ann Watts**, b. October 25, 1961; m. Mr. Killibrew. Children of Karen Ann Watts Killibrew:
 1h2a6a Tracy Ann Killibrew
 1h2a6b Bryce Nall McClure
- 1h2a7.** **Mary Kathryn Watts**, b. October 4, 1963 & d. December 1, 1970
- 1h2b1.** **Alexander Joseph Hall**, b. June 12, 1971
- 1h2b2.** **Keith Anthony Hall**, b. June 5, 1975
- 1h3a1.** **Carla Jean Naas**, b. April 18, 1957; m. William "Bill" F. Rister, b. October 26, 1956. Children of William F. and Carla Jean Naas Rister:
 1h3a1a Ashley Dawn
 1h3a1b Audrey Mechelle
- 1h3a2.** **Joyce Ann Naas**, b. May 1, 1959; m. Jeffrey Scott Turpin, b. September 9, 1959. Children of Jeffrey Scott and Joyce Anne Naas Turpin:
 1h3a2a Jessica Nicole
 1h3a2b Jonathon Kyle
- 1h3a3.** **Gary Eugene Naas**, b. May 25, 1960; m. Rebecca Ann Cleveland, b. September 3, 1961. Children of Gary Eugene and Rebecca Ann Cleveland Naas:
 1h3a3a Terra
 1h3a3b Brandon Kyle
- 1h3a4.** **Robert Jerome Naas**, b. May 23, 1961; m. Diane Denise Eck, b. June 19, 1964. Children of Robert Jerome and Diane Denise Eck Naas:
 1h3a4a Kory Robert
 1h3a4b Patrick Michael
 1h3a4c Kinsey Eileen
 1h3a4d Alexa LeaAnn

- 1h3a5.** **Tammy Sue Naas**, b. February 28, 1963; m. Mr. Chaney; Children of Tammy Sue Naas Chaney:
 1h3a5a Joshua Martin
 1h3a5b Laura Michele Tarrant
- 1h3a6.** **Diane Marie Naas**, b. November 4, 1964; m. Steven Clark Taylor, b. February 2, 1960. Children of Steven Clark and Diane Marie Naas Taylor:
 1h3a6a Rachel Marie
 1h3a6b Joseph Clark
 1h3a6c Sarah Lea
 1h3a6d Noah Robert
 1h3a6e Seith Allen
 1h3a6f Jacob Steven
 1h3a6g Benjamin Ray
- 1h3a7.** **Timothy Edward Naas**, b. February 4, 1966; m. Mary Lisa Lynch, b. August 19, 1968. Children of Timothy Edward and Mary Lisa Lynch Naas:
 1h3a7a Grant Edward
 1h3a7b Ethan David
- 1h3b1.** **Mark Richard Naas**, b. June 15, 1973
- 1h3b2.** **Dwayne Richard Naas**, b. June 30, 1977
- 1h3c1.** **John Stephen Naas**, b. October 25, 1963; m. Juli Wood, b. July 19, 1968. Children of John Stephen and Juli Wood Naas:
 1h3c1a Whitney Nicole
 1h3c1b John Ethan
- 1h3c2.** **Jeffrey Scott Naas**, b. November 28, 1965 & d. March 8, 1966
- 1h3c3.** **Angela Faye Naas**, b. April 15, 1968; m. Kevin Smith, b. November 13, 1962. Children of Kevin and Angela Faye Naas Smith:
 1h3c3a Lauren Ashley
 1h3c3b Peyton Dakota
 1h3c3c Cole Anthony
- 1h3e1.** **Terri Lynn Naas**, b. February 29, 1972; m. Kelly Dwayne Lynch, b. December 31, 1967; Child of Kelly Dwayne and Terri Lynn Naas Lynch:
 1h3e1a Caitlin Nicole
- 1h3e2.** **Jamie Lynn Naas**, b. August 8, 1978.
- 1h3e3.** **Kristy Michele Naas**, b. March 5, 1992.
- 1h3f1.** **Kelly Ann Naas**, b. May 22, 1970; m. Gabriel "Gabe" Sutton, b. May 19, 1969. Children of Gabriel and Kelly Ann Naas Sutton:
 1h3f1a McKenna Leig
 1h3f1b Gabriel Chase
- 1h3f2.** **Kristina "Tina" Renee Naas**, b. April 3, 1973; m. Mr. Koester. Children of Kristina "Tina" Renee Naas Koester:
 1h3f2a James Austin

- 1h3f2b Mason William
- 1h3f3. **Chad Dennis Naas**, b. December 10, 1976.
- 1h3g1. **Cassandra "Cassie" Jane Naas**, b. September 22, 1981.
- 1h3g2. **Amie Jean Naas**, b. June 1, 1985.
- 1h3h1. **Danielle Marie Sowels**, b. November 10, 1979.
- 1h3h2. **Joseph Aaron Sowels**, b. January 8, 1982.
- 1h3i1. **Kenneth "Ken" Herbert Clifford**, b. September 12, 1977.
- 1h3i2. **Howard Russell "Rusty" Clifford**, b. September 25, 1981.
- 1h3j1. **Caleb Joseph Naas**, b. March 7, 1983 & d. July 23, 1999.
- 1h3j2. **Mary Mercedes Naas**, b. November 17, 1984.
- 1h4a1. **William Christopher "Chris" Calhoun**, b. April 10, 1966; m. Terri Turner, b. October 15, 1966. Children of William Christopher and Terri Turner Calhoun:
 1h4a1a Nicholas Christopher
 1h4a1b Cloe Christina
- 1h4a2. **Amy Jo Calhoun**, b. December 17, 1969; m. Thomas Robertson, b. October 17, 1968.
- 1h4b1. **Allen Raymond "Chip" Hamilton, Jr.**, b. July 25, 1964. Children of Allen Raymond "Chip" Hamilton, Jr.:
 1h4b1a Noah Parker
 1h4b1b Madeline Elyse
- 1h4b2. **Richard Wayne Hamilton**, b. January 15, 1967; m. Suzanne Hebert, b. November 19, 1970. Child of Richard Wayne and Suzanne Hebert Hamilton:
 1h4b2a Alyssa Carole
- 1h4b3. **Melissa Anne "Missy" Hamilton**, b. December 15, 1970; m. Richard Spencer, b. October 21, 1970.
- 1h4c1. **Abe W. Zirkelbach**, b. April 24, 1969 & d. April 29, 1969.
- 1h4c2. **Gabe Aaron Zirkelbach**, b. April 30, 1970; m. Julie Ann Smith, b. October 30, 1976.
- 1h4c3. **Bart Alan Zirkelbach**, b. October 30, 1971; m. Kristina Marie Carter, b. August 4, 1972. Children of Bart Alan and Kristina Marie Carter Zirkelbach:
 1h4c3a Katlyn Marie
 1h4c3b Mackenzie Ann
- 1h4c4. **Trish Ann Zirkelbach**, b. February 22, 1976; m. Daniel "Dan" Ryan Pleak, b. July 1, 1976.

- 1h4c5. **Megan Alyce Zirkelbach**, b. April 25, 1983.
- 1h4d1. **Adam Christopher Blake**, b. September 23, 1979.
- 1h4d2. **Alexandra Jo "Ali" Blake**, b. October 21, 1985.
- 1h4e1. **Zachariah David Zirkelbach**, b. December 25, 1985.
- 1h4e2. **Lynnsey Gayle Zirkelbach**, b. September 13, 1988.
- 1h4e3. **Emily Ann Zirkelbach**, b. April 27, 1992.
- 1h5a1. **Jennifer Marie Brady**, b. September 24, 1968.
- 1h5a2. **Jessica Ann Brady**, b. January 19, 1971; m. John Kenneth Rich, b. May 26, 1966. Children of John Kenneth and Jessica Ann Brady Rich:
 1h5a2a Ethan Tanner
 1h5a2b Madison Rebecca
- 1h5a3. **Julie Christine Brady**, b. November 14, 1973; m. Christian John Hunter, b. September 24, 1973.
- 1h5a4. **Janna Lee Brady**, b. June 1, 1976.
- 1h5a5. **Joy Kathleen Brady**, b. September 28, 1979.
- 1h5b1. **Thomas Joseph "Tommy Jo" Naas, Jr.**, b. April 7, 1974. Child of Thomas Joseph Naas, Jr.:
 1h5b1a Morgan Marie
- 1h5b2. **Eric Caesar Naas**, b. December 2, 1975.
- 1h5b3. **Amberly Marie Naas**, b. November 6, 1978.
- 1h5b4. **Noah Alexander Naas**, b. February 3, 1982.
- 1h5c1. **Michael Wayne Adams**, b. July 25, 1967 & d. April 11, 1982.
- 1h5c2. **Laura Renee Adams**, b. August 19, 1974; m. Jeremy Ray Shirel, b. September 22, 1971.
- 1h5c3. **John Jacob Adams**, b. July 2, 1982.
- 1h5c4. **Benjamin David Adams**, b. October 14, 1985.
- 1h5e1. **Brianna Lelene Naas**, b. October 2, 1980 stillborn.
- 1h5e2. **Daniel Aaron Naas**, b. July 12, 1982.
- 1h5e3. **Jordan Matthew Naas**, b. November 4, 1983.

- 1h5e4.** **Brian Gabriel Naas**, b. November 29, 1985.
- 1h5e5.** **Derek Jadon Naas**, b. August 11, 1989.
- 1h5e6.** **Emily Ann Naas**, b. December 13, 1990.
- 1h6a1.** **Jessica Drone Hoyal**, b. March 3, 1983.
- 1h6a2.** **Michael Louis Hoyal, Jr.**, b. February 10, 1985.
- 1h6b1.** **Rebecca Rose Drone**, b. April 22, 1985.
- 1h6b2.** **Stephen Anthony Drone**, b. August 18, 1988.
- 1h7a1.** **John Allen Kladiva** , b. July 15, 1976.
- 1h7a2.** **Samantha Jane Kladiva**, b. July 30, 1979.
- 1h7b1.** **Lorna Lea Morris**, b. March 22, 1973.
- 1h7b2.** **Robin Renae Morris**, b. June 1, 1975.
- 1h7c1.** **Kent Eugene Morris**, b. September 11, 1976.
- 1h7c2.** **Betsy Lou Morris**, b. August 13, 1980.
- 1h7c3.** **Angela Louise Morris**, b. January 10, 1984.
- 1h7d1.** **Kristen Nicole Peters**, b. December 22, 1988.
- 1h7d2.** **Emily Michele Peters**, b. May 27, 1990.
- 1h7e1.** **Jeremy D'Andre Foster**, b. February 11, 1983.
- 1h7e2.** **Jessica Marie Foster**, b. July 1, 1984.
- 1h7e3.** **Justin Morris Foster**, b. February 28, 1986.
- 1h9a1.** **Terra Tekakwitha Williams**, b. January 21, 1973; m. Byron Gabriel Farthing, b. December 26, 1973. Child of Byron Gabriel and Terra Tekakwitha Williams Farthing:
1h9a1a Bailey Adriann
- 1h9a2.** **Jeffrey Noah Williams**, b. January 1, 1975; m. Jaclyn Cowsert, b. February 18, 1977.
- 1h9a3.** **Jill Adrielle Williams**, b. February 5, 1978.
- 1h9b1.** **Charles Douglas "Doug" Goebel**, b. October 25, 1972. Child of Charles Douglas Goebel:
1h9b1a Micalea Mary Ann
- 1h9b2.** **Amanda Shera'l "Mandy" Goebel**, b. August 30, 1975.

- 1h9b3. **Angela Marie Goebel**, b. July 3, 1980.
- 1h9c1. **Sarah Catherine Spahr**, b. May 17, 1980.
- 1h9c2. **Katey Mae Spahr**, b. July 22, 1984.
- 1h9c3. **Hannah Jo Spahr**, b. August 26, 1985.
- 1h9d1. **Martha Jo "Jodi" Goebel**, b. March 5, 1976; m. Bryan Thomas Braid, b. March 31, 1973.
- 1h9d2. **Joshua Philip Goebel**, b. February 9, 1978.
- 1h9e1. **Kenneth William "Trae" Buckman**, b. November 30, 1981.
- 1h9e2. **Jonathan Morgan Buckman**, b. November 19, 1983.
- 1h9e3. **Magan Mechelle Buckman**, b. May 15, 1985.
- 1h9e4. **Jacob Aaron Buckman**, b. September 11, 1987.
- 1h10a1. **Lauren Marie Gidcumb**, b. July 5, 1981.
- 1h10a2. **Luke Anthony Gidcumb**, b. February 27, 1986.
- 1h10a3. **Caitlin Suzanne Gidcumb**, b. September 3, 1987.
- 1h10a4. **Clarissa Joanne Gidcumb**, b. April 5, 1990.
- 1h10a5. **James Coleman "Cole" Gidcumb**, b. July 28, 1992.
- 1h10b1. **Sarah Joan White**, b. October 26, 1982.
- 1h10b2. **Philip Stephen White**, b. January 14, 1985.
- 1h10b3. **Patrick Joseph White**, b. February 4, 1995.
- 1h10c1. **Emily Drue Bartok**, b. August 8, 1983.
- 1h10c2. **Jillian Paige Bartok**, b. November 4, 1985.
- 1h10c3. **Alexander Harrison Bartok**, b. September 4, 1990.
- 1h10d1. **Maura Kathleen Bartok**, b. July 11, 1989.
- 1h10d2. **Devin Michael Bartok**, b. November 3, 1993.
- 1h10e1. **Dillon Cole Williford**, b. December 21, 1981.
- 1h10e2. **Angela Nicole Williford**, b. April 13, 1983.
- 1h10e3. **Taylor Brianne Williford**, b. December 18, 1992.

- 1h10e4. **Lacey Leanne Williford**, b. December 12, 1994.
- 1h10f1. **Callie Joan Bartok**, b. September 4, 1991.
- 1h10f2. **Caleb Matthew Bartok**, b. June 30, 1995.
- 1h10f3. **Hannah Breann Bartok**, b. January 6, 1998.
- 1h10f4. **Jordan Joseph Bartok**, b. July 25, 1999.

Sixth Generation:

Frank and Calista Combs Drone's Great-Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 1a4a1a. **Joshua Stephen Goldo**, b. August 23, 1974
- 1a4a1b. **Sarah Ellen Goldo**, b. April 30, 1977
- 1a4a2a. **Matthew Jay Youngman**, b. June 27, 1978
- 1a4a2b. **Elizabeth Gaye Youngman**, b. September 1, 1981
- 1a6b2a. **Garrett Harrison Jones**, b. December 17, 1992
- 1a6b2b. **Christina Victoria Jones**, b. June 21, 1995
- 1a6b2c. **Clark William Jones**, b. June 21, 1995
- 1a6b3a. **Madeline Halley Brakemann**, b. October 13, 1998
- 1d3a1a. **Kyle Alan Hosting**, b. August 30, 1994
- 1d3a1b. **Bryce Alan Hosting**, b. October 13, 1997
- 1e4a1a. **Michael John Christian**, b. September 21, 1988
- 1e4a1b. **Matthew Joseph Christian**, b. April 25, 1990
- 1e4a2a. **Marc Anthony Boese**, b. September 21, 1976
- 1e4a3a. **Samuel Joseph Boese**, b. July 12, 1983
- 1e4a3b. **George Andrew Boese**, b. December 10, 1986
- 1e4a3c. **James Edward Boese**, b. April 24, 1989
- 1e4a4a. **Holly Rebecca Boese**, b. December 19, 1987
- 1e4a4b. **Benjamin Roger Boese**, b. February 27, 1989

1e4a4c. Jack Joseph Boese, b. September 11, 1991

1e4a5a. Rebecca Boese, b. September 10, 1997

1e4a5b. John Joseph Boese, b. May 10, 1999

1e4a6a. Adam Christian Boese II, b. March 15, 1991

1e4a6b. Katherine Boese, b. November 28, 1992

1e4a6c. Paul Boese, b. August 17, 1995

1e4a6d. Samuel Mason Boese, b. January 25, 1998

1f3a1a. Daniel W. Seely, b. January 26, 1984

1f3a1b. Susannah J. Seely, b. October 20, 1987

1f3a1c. Dennis P. Seely, b. July 26, 1990

1f3a2a. Michelle A. Leach, b. February 8, 1981

1f3a3a. Brock W. Volkert, b. September 20, 1999

1h1a1a. Alexia Nicole Small, b. February 6, 1983

1h1a1b. Clayton Ross Small, b. April 26, 1984

1h1a2a. Braxton Miles Edwards, b. April 9, 1989

1h1a2b. Colton Andrew Edwards, b. August 30, 1995

1h1a4a. Tashina Marie Karns, b. July 17, 1985

1h1a4b. Philip Michael Karns, b. September 8, 1987

1h1a4c. Caitlyn Elizabeth Karns, b. June 22, 1992

1h1a5a. Nick Douglas Schimp, b. March 29, 1996

1h1b1a. Wesley Scott Drone, b. March 27, 1983

1h1b1b. Tyler Andrew Drone, b. September 9, 1985

1h1b1c. Matthew Stephen Drone, b. December 30, 1988

1h1b2a. Dana Rene Denny, b. March 31, 1982

1h1b2b. Deanna Rene Denny, b. January 22, 1990

1h1b3a. Emily Marie Drone, b. October 22, 1991

1h1b3b. Noah Patrick Drone, b. December 7, 1995
1h1b3c. Mary Elizabeth Drone, b. November 10, 1998
1h1b4a. Nicholas Stephen Loehr, b. January 4, 1994
1h1c2a. Quincy Ann Chun Newton, b. February 14, 1996
1h1c2b. Nia Louise Le Newton, b. May 25, 1998
1h1c3a. Mariah Michelle Baumgart, b. August 4, 1993
1h1c3b. Jennifer Nicole Baumgart, b. December 20, 1995
1h1c4a. Luke Edward Baumgart, b. March 29, 1991
1h1c4b. Ashley Ann Baumgart, b. August 12, 1993
1h1c4c. Tricia Dolores Baumgart, b. March 16, 1995
1h1e1a. Aaron James Etienne, b. October 20, 1993
1h1e1b. Morgan Elizabeth Etienne, b. October 22, 1996
1h1e2a. Samantha Rae Acord, b. May 12, 1995
1h1e3a. Kaley Sue Himelick, b. April 11, 1995
1h1g4a. Logan Matthew Johnson, b. August 8, 1997
1h1j1a. Brendon Charles Berberick, b. November 5, 1996
1h1j1b. Brice Jonathon Berberick, b. May 1, 1999
1h2a1a. Emily Elizabeth Ann Watts, b. August 12, 1995
1h2a1b. Joseph Robert James Watts, b. November 29, 1997
1h2a2a. Matthew Ryan Christian, b. August 5, 1981
1h2a2b. Adrienne Michelle Christian, b. February 21, 1983
1h2a2c. Kathryn "Katie" Ann Christian, b. July 22, 1986
1h2a2d. Sarah Elizabeth Christian, b. April 15, 1988
1h2a4a. Chris Watts, b. July 28, 1978
1h2a5a. Joshua Michael Watts, b. March 13, 1982
1h2a6a. Tracy Ann Killibrew, b. July 15, 1977. Child of Tracy Ann Killibrew:
 1h2a6a1 Allysa Paige

1h2a6b. **Bryce Nall McClure**, b. September 19, 1996

1h3a1a. **Ashley Dawn Rister**, b. August 18, 1983

1h3a1b. **Audrey Mechelle Rister**, b. September 1, 1991

1h3a2a. **Jessica Nicole Turpin**, b. June 7, 1979

1h3a2b. **Jonathon Kyle Turpin**, b. February 6, 1987

1h3a3a. **Terra Naas**, b. July 1, 1980

1h3a3b. **Brandon Kyle Naas**, b. January 1, 1985

1h3a4a. **Kory Robert Naas**, b. June 10, 1984

1h3a4b. **Patrick Michael Naas**, b. September 24, 1990

1h3a4c. **Kinsey Eileen Naas**, b. September 4, 1994

1h3a4d. **Alexa LeaAnn Naas**, b. October 25, 1998

1h3a5a. **Joshua Martin Chaney**, b. November 2, 1985

1h3a5b. **Laura Michele Tarrant**, b. March 5, 1994

1h3a6a. **Rachel Marie Taylor**, b. September 19, 1982

1h3a6b. **Joseph Clark Taylor**, b. January 12, 1985

1h3a6c. **Sarah Lea Taylor**, b. November 16, 1986

1h3a6d. **Noah Robert Taylor**, b. May 20, 1988

1h3a6e. **Seith Allen Taylor**, b. September 2, 1990

1h3a6f. **Jacob Steven Taylor**, b. June 21, 1993

1h3a6g. **Benjamin Ray Taylor**, b. October 5, 1998

1h3a7a. **Grant Edward Naas**, b. July 8 1989

1h3a7b. **Ethan David Naas**, b. September 18, 1992

1h3c1a. **Whitney Nicole Naas**, b. August 23, 1989

1h3c1b. **John Ethan Naas**, b. September 6, 1995

1h3c3a. **Lauren Ashley Smith**, b. October 17, 1989

1h3c3b. **Peyton Dakota Smith**, b. December 1, 1993

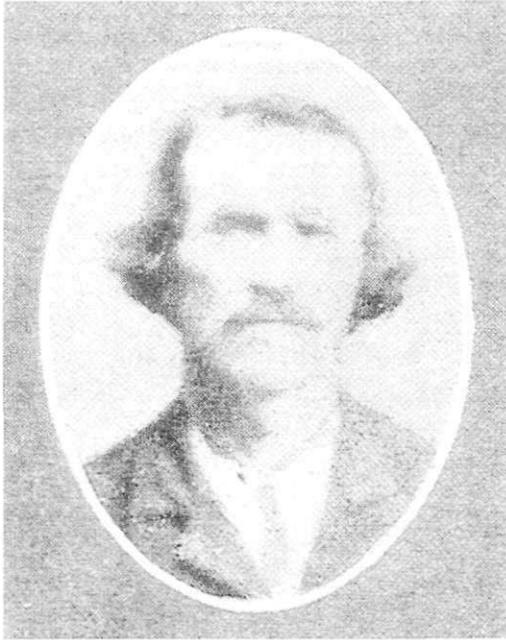
1h3c3c. **Cole Anthony Smith**, b. November 19, 1997

- 1h3e1a. **Caitlin Nicole Lynch**, b. October 5, 1998
- 1h3f1a. **McKenna Leig Sutton**, b. October 5, 1994
- 1h3f1b. **Gabriel Chase Sutton**, b. May 24, 1998
- 1h3f2a. **James Austin Koester**, b. March 25, 1994
- 1h3f2b. **Mason William Koester**, b. May 4, 1996
- 1h4a1a. **Nicholas Christopher Calhoun**, b. September 29, 1989
- 1h4a1b. **Cloe Christina Calhoun**, b. March 1, 1994
- 1h4b1a. **Noah Parker Hamilton**, b. September 21, 1993
- 1h4b1b. **Madeline Elyse Hamilton**, b. April 16, 1995
- 1h4b2a. **Alyssa Carole Hamilton**, b. August 30, 1995
- 1h4c3a. **Katlyn Marie Zirkelbach**, b. March 10, 1994
- 1h4c3b. **Mackenzie Ann Zirkelbach**, b. October 26, 1997
- 1h5a2a. **Ethan Tanner Rich**, b. June 25, 1994
- 1h5a2b. **Madison Rebecca Rich**, b. September 7, 1996
- 1h5b1a. **Morgan Marie Naas**, b. March 31, 1998
- 1h9a1a. **Bailey Adriann Farthing**, b. June 24, 1998
- 1h9b1a. **Micaela Mary Ann Goebel**, b. October 9, 1994

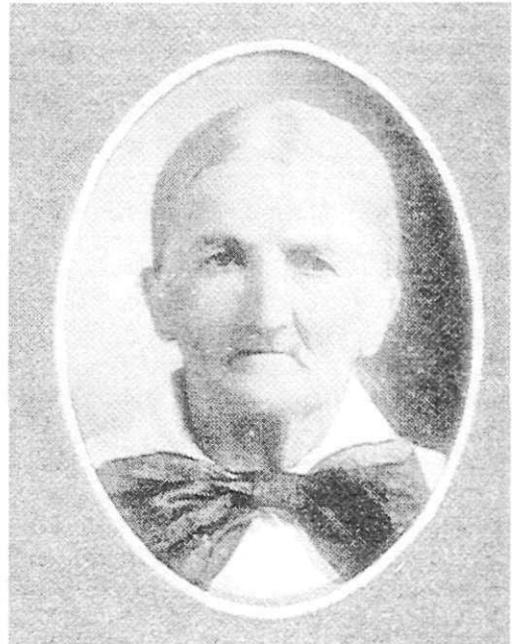
Seventh Generation:

Frank and Callista Combs Drone's Great-Great-Great-Great-Grandchild

- 1h2a6a1. **Allysa Paige Killibrew**, b. September 11, 1994



Joseph Drone The Second



Mary Caroline Brazier Drone

The Joseph Drone II Family

First Generation

2. **Joseph Drone II**, b. January 15, 1842 & d. November 4, 1896; m. January 22, 1865 Mary Caroline Brazier, b. 1841 & d. 1934, daughter of Christopher and Barbara Brazier, natives of France. Children of Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone:
- 2a Charles
 - 2b Mary "Mim"
 - 2c Elizabeth
 - 2d Barbara
 - 2e Christopher
 - 2f Joseph III
 - 2g George
 - 2h Edward
 - 2i Henry (twin of Harry)
 - 2j Harry (twin of Henry)

Second Generation:

Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone's Children

- 2a.** **Charles Drone**, m. Mary Owens. Children of Charles and Mary Owens Drone:
- 2a1 Samuel
2a2 Harry
2a3 Elizabeth
2a4 Minnie
- 2b.** **Mary "Mim" Drone**, b. September 18, 1867 & d. March 6, 1958, m. Michael McDermott. Children of Michael and Mary Drone McDermott (Two other children died in infancy.):
- 2b1 Joseph
2b2 Martin
2b3 John
2b4 Margaret "Maggie"
2b5 Ann
- 2c.** **Elizabeth Drone**, m. Notley Duvall Jr., son of Notley Duvall and Caroline Hill. Children of Notley and Elizabeth Drone Duvall:
- 2c1 Clyde "Stix"
2c2 Trilby
2c3 Ralph "Curly"
2c4 Raymond
2c5 Claud
- 2d.** **Barbara J. Drone**, b. 1871 & d. 1948; m. George W. Rich, b. 1867 & d. 1931, son of George Rich and Ellen Andrew Rich. Children of George W. and Barbara J. Drone Rich:
- 2d1 Charles
2d2 Earl
2d3 Edgar
2d4 Louis
2d5 Roy
2d6 Mae
- 2e.** **Christopher Drone**, b. July 24, 1869 & d. September 17, 1948; m. Alice Larkin, b. May 20, 1889 & d. February 24, 1956, daughter of Thomas and Ellen Larkin. Children of Christopher and Alice Larkin Drone:
- 2e1 Virginia
2e2 Marie
2e3 Anna
2e4 Henry
- 2f.** **Joseph A. Drone III**, b. February 15, 1876 & d. July 25, 1954; m. Teresa Bahl, b. 1881 & d. 1953, daughter of Mathias Bahl and Margaret Wenzel Bahl. Children of Joseph III and Teresa Bahl Drone:
- 2f1 Mathias
2f2 Eugene
2f3 Helen
2f4 Irene
2f5 Cecil

2f6
2f7
2f8
2f9
2f10
2f11
2f12

Harry
Phillip
Albert
Marguerite
Dorothy
Joseph IV
Mary

2g.

George Washington Drone, b. March 9, 1878 & d. October 24, 1919
Shawneetown, Illinois; m. Mary Frances Gabel, b. March 23, 1877 in Indiana & d.
May 31, 1960 Shawneetown, Illinois, daughter of Joseph and Frances Gabel.
Children of George Washington and Mary Frances Gabel Drone:

2g1
2g2
2g3
2g4
2g5
2g6
2g7
2g8

Gilbert Joseph
Leo Edward
Victor Henry
Rosa Margaret
Lillian Marie
Eleanora Helen
William Julius
Lawrence Alonzo

2h.

Edward Drone, m. Rose Mary Bahl²⁴⁹, daughter of Mathias Bahl and Margaret
Wenzel. Children of Edward and Rose Mary Bahl Drone:

2h1
2h2
2h3
2h4
2h5
2h6
2h7
2h8

Edgar
Cecilia
Sylvester
Paul
Jeanette
Mary Rose
John
Clara

2i.

Henry Drone, b. June 14, 1882; m. Anna Basnagle. Children of Henry and Anna
Basnagle Drone:

2i1
2i2
2i3
2i4
2i5

Joseph
Frederick
Carl
Clarence
John

2j.

Harry Drone, b. June 14, 1882 & d. October 18, 1882.

Third Generation:

Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone's Grandchildren

2a1.

Samuel Drone, m. Mary Scheborn.

²⁴⁹ Rose Mary was sister to Teresa who married Joseph, brother of Edward.

- 2a2.** **Harry Drone**, m. Louise Schnipper. Children of Harry and Louise Schnipper
 Drone:
 2a2a Audrey
 2a2b Delvia
 2a2c Debra Ann
- 2a3.** **Elizabeth Drone**, m. Mr. Warren. Child of Mr. Warren and Elizabeth Drone
 Warren:
 2a3a Harold
- 2a4.** **Minnie Drone**, d. at the age of 18
- 2b1.** **Joseph McDermott**, m. Katie Schoney. Children of Joseph and Katie Schoney
 McDermott:
 2b1a Raphael
 2b1b Marie
- 2b2.** **Martin McDermott**, m. Nancy Strong. Child of Martin and Nancy Strong
 McDermott:
 2b2a Joseph B.
- 2b3.** **John McDermott**, m. Essie Mitchell. Children of John and Essie Mitchell
 McDermott:
 2b3a John Martin
 2b3b Mary Ruth
- 2b4.** **Margaret McDermott**, m. James Bepus
- 2b5.** **Anna McDermott**, m. Clay Helmontoller
- 2c1.** **Clyde "Stix" Duvall**²⁵⁰, m. Mary Nell Barley²⁵¹. Children of Clyde and Mary Nell
 Barley Duvall:
 2c1a Mary Elizabeth
 2c1b Judy
 2c1c Michael Ray
 2c1d Rick Dean
 2c1e Brenda Gail
 2c1f Ronnie Joe
 2c1g Becky
- 2c2.** **Trilby Duvall**, m. Roy Gross. Children of Roy and Trilby Duvall Gross:
 2c2a Harry
 2c2b Mary
 2c2c Clulha
 2c2d Raymond F.
 2c2e Shirley
 2c2f Leland
 2c2g Leroy
 2c2h Donald

²⁵⁰ Clyde is buried in Westwood Cemetery along with Mary Elizabeth Duvall Carrigan, Judy Duvall Young, and Byers Lee Young.

²⁵¹ Mary Nell is buried in St. Joseph Cemetery, Ridgway, Illinois.

- 2c2i Maurice
- 2c3.** **Ralph "Curly" Duvall**, m.1. Charlotte Brinkley, m.2. Maudie B. Everly. Children of Ralph and Charlotte Brinkley Duvall:
- 2c3a Ralph Jr.
2c3b Linda
2c3c Irma Joyce
- 2c4.** **Raymond Duvall**, m. Mary Sue Davis.
- 2c5.** **Claud Duvall**, d. in infancy.
- 2d1.** **Charles Rich**, m. Lola Campbell. Children of Charles and Lola Campbell Rich:
- 2d1a Hazel Marie
2d1b Charles Edward
2d1c Kenneth Bryan
2d1d Nancy Jean
- 2d2.** **Earl Rich**, m. Effie Baldwin. Children of Earl and Effie Baldwin Rich:
- 2d2a Jack
2d2b Lawrence
- 2d3.** **Edgar Rich**, m. Ruth Wren. Children of Edgar and Ruth Wren Rich:
- 2d3a Carl
2d3b Max
- 2d4.** **Louis Rich**, m. Beulah Lambert. Children of Louis and Beulah Lambert Rich:
- 2d4a Elaine
2d4b Ewing
2d4c Cheryl
- 2d5.** **Roy Rich**, d. as a child.
- 2d6.** **Mae Rich**, m. Tilford Hewitt. Child of Tilford and Mae Rich Hewitt:
- 2d6a Garland
- 2e1.** **Virginia Drone**, m. Reed Rodgers.
- 2e2.** **Marie Drone**, m. Lawrence Lawler. Children of Lawrence and Marie Drone Lawler:
- 2e2a Larry
2e2b Marion
2e2c James
- 2e3.** **Anna "Annie" Drone**, m. Raphael Berkel. Children of Raphael and Anna Drone Berkel:
- 2e3a Evelyn
2e3b Ben
2e3c Robert
2e3d Rollen "Bill"
- 2e4.** **Henry Drone**, m. Ida Sanders.

- 2f1.** **Mathias Drone**, m.1. Margaret McGuire, m.2. Laurentine Seiner. Children of Mathias and Margaret McGuire Drone:
2f1a Rita
2f1b Deloras
2f1c Mathias, Jr.
2f1d Richard
- 2f2.** **Eugene Drone**, d. in infancy
- 2f4.** **Irene Drone**, m. Chester Hendricks. Children of Chester and Irene Drone Hendricks:
2f4a Melbourn
2f4b Ruth Ann
- 2f5.** **Cecil William Drone**, b. February 28, 1906 in Ridgway, Illinois & d. October 25, 1993; m. Zerita Pfister, b. 1906 in Ridgway, Illinois & d. 1985. Children of Cecil William and Zerita Pfister Drone:
2f5a William J.
2f5b Marion
2f5c Elizabeth "Betty Lou"
2f5d Samuel Alfred
2f5e Dennis
2f5f Teresa Catherine
- 2f6.** **Harry Drone**, m. Lena Koester. Children of Harry and Lena Koester Drone:
2f6a Robert
2f6b James
2f6c Donald
2f6d Agnes Marie
2f6e Benjamin
2f6f Paulette
2f6g John
- 2f7.** **Phillip Drone**, d. in infancy.
- 2f8.** **Albert Drone**, m. Daisy McCormick, daughter of Thomas McCormick - Mary Catherine Drone McCormick clan. Children of Albert and Daisy McCormick Drone:
2f8a Hazel Alice
2f8b Elma Maxine "Muff"
2f8c Virginia Jeanette "Jane"
2f8d Thomas Leland
- 2f9.** **Marguerite Drone**, became Sister Mary Elma Drone, S.S.N.D.
- 2f10.** **Dorothy Drone**, m. Marion Doherty. Children of Marion and Dorothy Drone Doherty:
2f10a Agnes Marie
2f10b Dorris Ellen
2f10c James Michael
- 2f12.** **Mary Drone**, d. in infancy.

- 2g1.** **Gilbert Joseph Drone**, b. March 29, 1901 & d. March 26, 1971; m. Anna Marie Kent, b. April 5, 1902 & d. June 19, 1995. Child of Gilbert Joseph and Anna Marie Kent Drone:
 2g1a Patricia Anne
- 2g2.** **Leo Edward Drone**, b. March 29, 1902 & d. June 17, 1983; m. Jane Walters, b. September 30, 1908 & d. February 14, 1993. Children of Leo Edward and Jane Walters Drone:
 2g2a Leo Edward Jr.
 2g2b Kathryn Joann "Kay"
 2g2c Wanda Rosemary
 2g2d Helen Janet
 2g2e Virginia Ann
 2g2f Carol Jane
- 2g3.** **Victor Henry Drone**, b. May 19, 1903 & d. November 30, 1980.
- 2g4.** **Rosa Margaret Drone**, b. October 19, 1904 & d. April 22, 1924.
- 2g5.** **Lillian Marie Drone**, b. May 26, 1907 & d. September 11, 1982.
- 2g6.** **Eleanora Helen Drone**, b. December 15, 1908 & d. April 18, 1980.
- 2g7.** **William Julius Drone**, b. September 12, 1912; m. Anna Francis Bastnagel, b. June 9, 1920. Child of William Julius and Anna Francis Bastnagel Drone:
 2g7a Elizabeth Jean
- 2g8.** **Lawrence Alonzo Drone**, b. November 29, 1914 & d. March 4, 1974, a Catholic priest.
- 2h1.** **Edgar Drone**, m. Rose Travis. Children of Edgar and Rose Travis Drone:
 2h1a Mary Ann
 2h1b Lavern
 2h1c Robert
- 2h2.** **Cecilia Drone**, m. Ray Stewart
- 2h3.** **Sylvester Drone**, m. Irene Koesterer. Children of Sylvester and Irene Koesterer Drone:
 2h3a Walter
 2h3b Carol Ann
 2h3c Paul Joseph
- 2h4.** **Paul Drone**, d. July 2, 1942, ordained June 23, 1939 as Father Paul O.M.I., killed by the Japanese Army during WWII
- 2h5.** **Jeanette Drone**, m. Ted Schiermier. Children of Ted and Jeanette Drone Schiermier:
 2h5a Sandra
 2h5b Thomas
 2h5c Ricky
 2h5d Donald

- 2h6.** **Mary Rose Drone**, m.1. Elmer Schaeffer, m.2. Clarence Vollenger. Child of Elmer and Mary Rose Drone Schaeffer:
- 2h6a Patricia
Children of Clarence and Mary Rose Drone Vollenger:
- 2h6b Barbara
2h6c Richard
2h6d Janice
2h6e William
- 2h7.** **John Drone**, m. Mary Ann Brey. Children of John and Mary Ann Brey Drone:
- 2h7a Donald
2h7b Debra
2h7c Kenneth
2h7d Janet
- 2h8.** **Clara Drone**, became Sister Mary Urban, S.S.N.D.
- 2i1.** **Joseph Drone**, m. Mildred Muir
- 2i2.** **Frederick Drone**, m. Grace Trail
- 2i3.** **Carl Drone**, m. Namonia Gill. Children of Carl and Namonia Gill Drone:
- 2i3a Lowell Henry
2i3b Ruth Marlene
2i3c James
- 2i4.** **Clarence Drone**, m. Lucille Beeler. Children of Clarence and Lucille Beeler Drone:
- 2i4a Jack
2i4b Mary Ann
- 2i5.** **John Drone**, m. Georgia Fields. Child of John and Georgia Fields Drone:
- 2i5a David

Fourth Generation:

Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone's Great-Grandchildren

- 2a2a.** **Audrey Drone**, d. in infancy.
- 2a2b.** **Delvia Drone**, m. Hugh Minier. Children of Hugh and Delvia Drone Minier:
- 2a2b1 Dawn
2a2b2 Lee
- 2a2c.** **Debra Ann Drone**, d. in infancy.
- 2b2a.** **Joseph B. McDermott**, m. Wilma Ruth Head. Children of Joseph B. and Wilma Ruth Head McDermott:
- 2b2a1 Robert
2b2a2 Roger

- 2b2a3 Paul
- 2b3a.** **John Martin McDermott**, m. Carol Dick. Children of John Martin and Carol Dick McDermott:
- 2b3a1 John
 2b3a2 James
 2b3a3 Margaret
- 2b3b.** **Mary Ruth McDermott**, m. Silby McDowell. Children of Silby and Mary Ruth McDermott McDowell:
- 2b3b1 Carol
 2b3b2 Debbie
- 2c1a.** **Mary Elizabeth Duvall**, m. Larry Carrigan. Children of Larry and Mary Elizabeth Duvall Carrigan:
- 2c1a1 Christina
 2c1a2 Kenneth "Kent"
 2c1a3 Kimberly Van Zant
 2c1a4 Darrell
- 2c1b.** **Judy Duvall**²⁵², m. Byers Lee Young. Child of Byers Lee and Judy Duvall Young:
- 2c1b1 Leslie Lynn
- 2c1c.** **Michael Ray Duvall**, m.1. Alice Holmes, daughter of Iona Holmes, m.2. Lynn McCabe. Child of Michael Ray and Alice Holmes Duvall²⁵³:
- 2c1c1 Michael Jr.
 Children of Michael Ray and Lynn McCabe Duvall:
- 2c1c2 Gregory
 2c1c3 Wesley
 2c1c4 Timothy
- 2c1d.** **Rick Dean Duvall**²⁵⁴, Children of Rick Dean Duvall:
- 2c1d1 Benjamin
 2c1d2 Elizabeth
- 2c1e.** **Brenda Gail Duvall**, m. Thomas Hirsch. Child of Thomas and Brenda Gail Duvall Hirsch:
- 2c1e1 Tara Caitlin
- 2c1f.** **Ronnie Joe Duvall**, m. Cyndia Maloney. Children of Ronnie Joe and Cyndia Maloney Duvall:
- 2c1f1 Ryan Joseph
 2c1f2 Katie Marie
- 2c1g.** **Becky Duvall**, m. Greg Stanelle. Children of Greg and Becky Duvall Stanelle:
- 2c1g1 Julia Lee
 2c1g2 Jon David
- 2c2a.** **Harry Gross**, m. Donna Talbott. Children of Harry and Donna Talbott Gross:

²⁵² Judy and her husband Byers Lee were killed in car accident; both are buried in Westwood Cemetery.

²⁵³ Michael Ray and Alice Duvall live in Marion, Illinois.

²⁵⁴ Rick Dean Duvall lives in Palatine, Illinois.

2c2a1 Mike
2c2a2 Rhonda

2c2b. **Mary Gross**, m. William Ozee. Children of William and Mary Gross Ozee:
2c2b1 Patty Sue
2c2b2 Mary Lou
2c2b3 Brenda Kay
2c2b4 Tena Ann

2c2c. **Clulha Gross**, m. Neal Murphy. Child of Neal and Clulha Gross Murphy:
2c2c1 Larry Neal

2c2d. **Raymond F. Gross**, m. Marie Poole. Children of Raymond F. and Marie Poole Gross:
2c2d1 Becky
2c2d2 Angela

2c2e. **Shirley Gross**, m. Walter Smith. Children of Walter and Shirley Gross Smith:
2c2e1 Gary (twin of Larry)
2c2e2 Larry (twin of Gary)
2c2e3 Roxanna
2c2e4 Linda
2c2e5 Betty Ann

2c2f. **Leland Gross**, killed in World War II.

2c2g. **Leroy Gross**, m. Mary Martin. Children of Leroy and Mary Martin Gross:
2c2g1 Trilby
2c2g2 Ruth
2c2g3 Janette Lee

2c2h. **Donald Gross**, m. Linda McPearson.

2d1a. **Hazel Marie Rich**, m.1. Dan Robbins, m.2. Clarence Scott Siegfried. Child of Dan and Hazel Marie Rich Robbins:
2d1a1 Robert Lee
Child of Clarence Scott and Hazel Marie Rich Siegfried:
2d1a2 Barbara Carol

2d1b. **Charles Edward Rich**, m. Muriel Marie Ranier. Child of Charles Edward and Muriel Marie Ranier Rich:
2d1b1 Charles E. "Buddy" Jr.

2d1c. **Kenneth Bryan Rich**, m. Ruth Headrich. Child of Kenneth Bryan and Ruth Headrich Rich:
2d1c1 Jane Marie

2d1d. **Nancy Jean Rich**, m. Arnold Henry Tiemann. Children of Arnold Henry and Nancy Jean Rich Tiemann:
2d1d1 Bruce Arnold
2d1d2 Douglas Scott

- 2d2a.** **Jack Rich**, m.1. Bessie Head; m.2. Nadine Finley, m.3. Margaret. Child of Jack and Bessie Head Rich:
 2d2a1 Jackie²⁵⁵
 Children of Jack and Nadine Finley Rich:
 2d2a2 Rita Elizabeth
 2d2a3 David Earl
- 2d2b.** **Lawrence Rich**, m. Norma Willis. Child of Lawrence and Norma Willis Rich:
 2d2b1 Rosalie
- 2d3a.** **Carl Rich**, killed in World War II; m. Mary Jean Hamilton.
- 2d3b.** **Max Rich**, m. June Adkisson. Children of Max and June Adkisson Rich:
 2d3b1 Randy
 2d3b2 Amy Jo
- 2d4a.** **Elaine Rich**, m. Herbert Lousey. Children of Herbert and Elaine Rich Lousey:
 2d4a1 Yvonne
 2d4a2 Dana
- 2d4b.** **Ewing Rich**, m. Ethel May Lutman. Children of Ewing and Ethel May Lutman Rich:
 2d4b1 Susan
 2d4b2 Debra
 2d4b3 Craig
- 2d4c.** **Cheryl Rich**, m. Terryl Delagrange. Child of Terryl and Cheryl Rich Delagrange:
 2d4c1 Christin
- 2d6a.** **Garland Hewitt**, m. Alice Baker. Child of Garland and Alice Baker Hewitt:
 2d6a1 Barbara
- 2e3a.** **Evelyn Berkel**, m. Raymond Godard. Children of Raymond and Evelyn Berkel Godard:
 2e3a1 Raymond
 2e3a2 Virginia Lee
- 2e3b.** **Ben Berkel**, m. Louise Chambo. Children of Ben and Louise Chambo Berkel:
 2e3b1 Ronald Ray
 2e3b2 Gary Robert
 2e3b3 Betty Ann
 2e3b4 Mary Beth
- 2e3c.** **Robert Berkel**, m. Dorothy Redenis. Children of Robert and Dorothy Redenis Berkel:
 2e3c1 Carol Sue
 2e3c2 Sandy Lynn
- 2e3d.** **Rollen "Bill" Berkel**, m. Roberta Harris. Children of Rollen and Roberta Harris Berkel:
 2e3d1 Milinda

²⁵⁵ Jackie was raised by his Uncle Lawrence.

- 2e3d2 Patrick
- 2f1a.** **Rita Drone**, m. Charles Hayes. Children of Charles and Rita Drone Hayes:
 2f1a1 Peggy
 2f1a2 Barbara
- 2f1b.** **Deloras Drone**, m. Robert Solger. Children of Robert and Deloras Drone Solger:
 2f1b1 Larry
 2f1b2 Susan
 2f1b3 Patty
 2f1b4 Sandra
- 2f1c.** **Mathias Drone, Jr.**, m.1. Matilda Devour, m.2. Betty Garrett. Child of Mathias and Matilda Devour Drone:
 2f1c1 Judith
 Child of Betty Garrett, Shilda.
- 2f1d.** **Richard Drone**, m. Virginia Ande. Children of Richard and Virginia Ande Drone:
 2f1d1 Rebecca
 2f1d2 Kristie Rose
 2f1d3 Brenda
- 2f4a.** **Melbourn Hendricks**, m. Rebecca Artiz. Children of Melbourn and Rebecca Artiz Hendricks:
 2f4a1 Jeffrey
 2f4a2 Thomas
 2f4a3 Steven
 2f4a4 Christopher
- 2f4b.** **Ruth Ann Hendricks**, m. Robert Nelson. Children of Robert and Ruth Ann Hendricks Nelson:
 2f4b1 Dawn
 2f4b2 Vincent
 2f4b3 Mike
 2f4b4 Scott
- 2f5a.** **William J. Drone**, b. March 31, 1928; m. Dorothy Rash, b. February 23, 1929. Children of William J. and Dorothy Rash Drone:
 2f5a1 Patricia Louise
 2f5a2 Debra Ann
 2f5a3 Jeffrey Joseph
- 2f5b.** **Marion Drone**, m. Betty Poole. Children of Marion and Betty Poole Drone:
 2f5b1 Lucinda Jean
 2f5b2 Susan Anette
 2f5b3 Trudy Ellen
 2f5b4 Mary Jane
- 2f5c.** **Elizabeth "Betty Lou" Drone**, b. August 12, 1932; m. Ben Hale. Children of Ben and Elizabeth Drone Hale:
 2f5c1 Peggy
 2f5c2 Barbara Louise
 2f5c3 Michael Benjamin

- 2f5d.** **Samuel Alfred Drone**, d. in childhood.
- 2f5e.** **Dennis Drone**, m. Deloras Smith. Children of Dennis and Deloras Smith Drone:
 2f5e1 Catherine Ann
 2f5e2 Denise Michelle
 2f5e3 Steven Timothy
 2f5e4 Kelly Marie
- 2f5f.** **Teresa Catherine Drone**, m. Gary Austin. Children of Gary and Teresa Catherine Drone Austin:
 2f5f1 Judith Lynn
 2f5f2 Nancy Jo
 2f5f3 Gregory Dean
- 2f6a.** **Robert Drone**, m. Virginia O'Leary. Children of Robert and Virginia O'Leary Drone:
 2f6a1 Michael
 2f6a2 Mark
 2f6a3 Kim (twin of Kent)
 2f6a4 Kent (twin of Kim)
- 2f6b.** **James Drone**, m. Dora Unthank. Children of James and Dora Unthank Drone:
 2f6b1 Vincent
 2f6b2 Randy
 2f6b3 Douglas
 2f6b4 Kevin
- 2f6c.** **Donald Drone**, m. Lou Zilch. Children of Donald and Lou Zilch Drone:
 2f6c1 Steven
 2f6c2 Julia
 2f6c3 David
 2f6c4 Tom
 2f6c5 Nancy
- 2f6d.** **Agnes Marie Drone**, m. John Mitchell. Children of John and Agnes Marie Drone Mitchell:
 2f6d1 Joseph
 2f6d2 Timothy
 2f6d3 Susan
 2f6d4 Phillip
 2f6d5 Ronald
- 2f6e.** **Benjamin Drone**, m. Mary Beth Dunn. Children of Benjamin and Mary Beth Dunn Drone:
 2f6e1 Benjamin
 2f6e2 Gregory
 2f6e3 Daniel
 2f6e4 Melinda
- 2f6f.** **Paulette Drone**, m. Phillip Morse. Children of Phillip and Paulette Drone Morse:
 2f6f1 Amy Jo
 2f6f2 Scott Phillip

2f6f3 Elizabeth Ann

2f6g. **John Drone**, m. Cindy Doyle. Children of John and Cindy Doyle Drone:
 2f6g1 Allison
 2f6g2 Jennifer

2f8a. **Hazel Alice Drone**, m.1. Cecil Cox, m.2. Troy Pate. Children of Donald and Hazel Alice Drone Cox:
 2f8a1 Janine Marie
 2f8a2 Rita DeLaine
 2f8a3 Alice Annette

2f8b. **Elma Maxine "Muff" Drone**, m. Clarence Jackson Brown. Children of Clarence and Elma Maxine Drone Brown:
 2f8b1 Clarence Jackson Jr.
 2f8b2 Scott Thomas
 2f8b3 Julia Lee

2f8c. **Virginia Jeanette "Jane" Drone**, m. Dayton Thomas. Children of Dayton and Virginia Jeanette Drone Thomas:
 2f8c1 Mark Leland
 2f8c2 Colleen Ann
 2f8c3 Clay Michael

2f8d. **Thomas Leland Drone**, d. 1957 in an auto accident.

2f10a. **Agnes Marie Doherty**, m. Earl Hamann. Children of Earl and Agnes Marie Doherty Hamann:
 2f10a1 Linda
 2f10a2 Sheri
 2f10a3 Earl, Jr.

2f10b. **Dorris Ellen Doherty**, m.1. Leonard Falsing, m.2. William Dieckman. Children of William and Dorris Ellen Doherty Dieckman:
 2f10b1 Michael
 2f10b2 Jeffrey
 2f10b3 Kelly

2f10c. **James Michael Doherty**, m. Kathy Yardwood. Child of James Michael and Kathy Yardwood Doherty:
 2f10c1 Kevin James

2g1a. **Patricia Anne Drone**, b. April 29, 1930; m. Leroy Reinhart, b. March 25, 1921. Child of Leroy and Patricia Anne Drone Reinhart:
 2g1a1 Suzanne Marie

2g2a. **Leo Edward Drone, Jr.**, b. July 21, 1932; m. Marietta Schiff, b. September 21, 1938 & d. September 21, 1998. Children of Leo Edward and Marietta Schiff Drone:
 2g2a1 Edward Leo
 2g2a2 Stephen Timothy
 2g2a3 Lawrence Michael

- 2g2b.** **Kathryn Joann "Kay" Drone**, b. July 18, 1937; m.1. Willard Ray Duff, b. February 28, 1932 & d. February 1993, m.2. Dr. John A. Barrow, b. September 21, 1933. Children of Willard Ray and Kathryn Joann Drone Duff:
- 2g2b1 Michael Stephen
 2g2b2 Rita Ann
 2g2b3 Mary Jane
 2g2b4 Andrea Leigh
 Children of Dr. John A. and Kathryn Joann Drone Barrow:
 2g2b5 Julie Belle
 2g2b6 Jeremiah Andrew
- 2g2c.** **Wanda Rosemary Drone**, b. October 5, 1940; m. James Hayes, b. May 25, 1937. Children of James and Wanda Rosemary Drone Hayes:
- 2g2c1 Michelle Ann
 2g2c2 James Anthony
 2g2c3 Richard Alan
 2g2c4 Kevin Lee
- 2g2d.** **Helen Janet Drone**, b. December 25, 1943; m. John Michael Zilch, b. December 21, 1942. Children of John Michael and Helen Janet Drone Zilch:
- 2g2d1 Dawn Marie
 2g2d2 John Michael, II
 2g2d3 Victoria Ann
 2g2d4 Stephen Christopher
- 2g2e.** **Virginia Ann Drone**, b. July 28, 1947; m. James William Fromm, b. January 25, 1943. Children of James William and Virginia Ann Drone Fromm:
- 2g2e1 Tracy Lynn
 2g2e2 Linda Jane
 2g2e3 Thomas William
 2g2e4 Carla Jean
- 2g2f.** **Carol Jane Drone**, b. January 18, 1951; m. Kevin Ray Adams, b. November 22, 1951. Children of Kevin Ray and Carol Jane Drone Adams:
- 2g2f1 Aaron Mathew
 2g2f2 Amy Sue
- 2g7a.** **Elizabeth Jean Drone**, b. June 20, 1940; m.1. Jacob Bock, Jr., b. September 30, 1936, m.2. William Springer, b. January 15, 1945. Children of Jacob and Elizabeth Jean Drone Bock:
- 2g7a1 Venetia Anne
 2g7a2 Monica Anne
 Child of William and Elizabeth Jean Drone Springer:
 2g7a3 Erica Elizabeth
- 2h1a.** **Mary Ann Drone**, m. Jack Malley
- 2h1b.** **Lavern Drone**, m.1. Ralph Dawback, m.2. Donald Auer. Children of Ralph and Lavern Drone Dawback:
- 2h1b1 Anthony
 2h1b2 Tammy
 2h1b3 Karen
 2h1b4 Joseph B.

2h1b5 Children of Donald and Lavern Drone Auer:
 Donna
 2h1b6 Robert Mike

2h3a. Walter Drone, m. Lou Ann Marder: Children of Walter and Lou Ann Marder Drone:
 2h3a1 Kathleen
 2h3a2 Margaret "Peggy"
 2h3a3 David
 2h3a4 James
 2h3a5 Carolyn

2h3b. Carol Ann Drone, m. John Hall. Children of John and Carol Ann Drone Hall:
 2h3b1 Pamela
 2h3b2 John David

2h3c. Paul Joseph Drone, m. Kathleen Breen. Children of Paul Joseph and Kathleen Breen Drone:
 2h3c1 Paul Joseph
 2h3c2 Douglas Lyman

2h5a. Sandra Schiermier, m.1. Robert Silvey, m.2. Ronald Kienzle. Children of Robert and Sandra Schiermier Silvey:
 2h5a1 Randel David
 2h5a2 Steven
 Child of Ronald and Sandra Schiermier Kienzle:
 2h5a3 Robert Brent
 (Mindy)

2h5b. Thomas Schiermier, m. Farla McKimley. Child of Thomas and Farla McKimley Schiermier:
 2h5b1 Chad

2h6a. Patricia Schaeffer, m.1. Ralph Witt, m.2. Robert Beeker. Children of Robert and Patricia Schaeffer Beeker:
 2h6a1 Mathew
 2h6a2 Jill

2h6b. Barbara Vollenger, m. Michael Herr

2h6c. Richard Vollenger, m. Milda Pathinger

2h6d. Janice Vollenger, m. Bruce Williams. Child of Bruce and Janice Vollenger Williams:
 2h6d1 Bruce Jason

2i3a. Lowell Henry Drone, m.1. Karen Edmonds, m.2. Norma Lou Beasley. Children of Lowell Henry and Karen Edmonds Drone:
 2i3a1 Randa Sue
 2i3a2 Branda Sue
 2i3a3 Kimberly Dawn

2i3b. Ruth Marlene Drone, m. Gerald Raper

- 2i4a.** **Jack Drone**, m.1. Jeannie Barbie, m.2. Joan Davra. Children of Jack and Jeannie Barbie Drone:
 2i4a1 Stacy
 2i4a2 Donna
 2i4a3 Susan
 2i4a4 Chris
 Child of Jack and Joan Davra Drone:
 2i4a5 Steven
- 2i4b.** **Mary Ann Drone**, m. David Wilman
- 2i5a.** **David Drone**, m. Linda Zarecor. Children of David and Linda Zarecor Drone:
 2i5a1 David Eric
 2i5a2 Brent Edward

Fifth Generation

Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren:

- 2a2b1.** **Dawn Minier**, m. Peter Goddard. Children of Peter and Dawn Minier Goddard:
 2a2b1a Dean
 2a2b1b Linda
- 2b2a1.** **Robert McDermott**, m. Christina Nation. Child of Robert and Christina Nation McDermott:
 2b2a1a Robert, Jr.
- 2b3b1.** **Carol McDowell**, m. Myron Wilson.
- 2b3b2.** **Debbie McDowell**, m. Greg Gravett. Child of Greg and Debbie McDowell Gravett:
 2b3b2a Stacy
- 2d1a1.** **Robert Lee Robbins**, m.1. Donna Simms, m.2. Carol Bonneville. Child of Robert Lee and Donna Simms Robbins:
 2d1a1a Craig Scott
 Child of Robert Lee and Carol Bonneville Robbins:
 2d1a1b Douglas Bryan
- 2d1a2.** **Barbara Carol Siegfried**, m. Robert Drew Burton. Children of Robert Drew and Barbara Carol Siegfried Burton:
 2d1a2a Dawn Marie
 2d1a2b Kimberly Ruth
- 2d1b1.** **Charles E. Rich, Jr.**, m.1. Angela Lea Crawford, m.2. Leona Preusser. Children of Charles E. and Angela Lea Crawford Rich:
 2d1b1a Charles Anthony
 2d1b1b Tracy Elizabeth
 Children of Charles E. and Leona Preusser Rich:
 2d1b1c David Kenneth
 2d1b1d Martha Kay

- 2d2a1.** **Jackie Rich**, m. Donna Schmidt.
- 2d2b1** **Rosalie Rich**, m. Lanny Bradley. Children of Lanny and Rosalie Rich Bradley:
 2d2b1a Erin Leigh
 2d2b1b Kyle Marion
- 2d4a1.** **Yvonne Lousey**, m.1. Robert Harold, m.2. William Keeman. Children of Robert and Yvonne Lousey Harold:
 2d4a1a Robert, Jr.
 2d4a1b Jason
- 2d4b1.** **Susan Rich**, m. Ronald Bruno. Child of Ronald and Susan Rich Bruno:
 2d4b1a Christopher
- 2d6a1.** **Barbara Hewitt**, m.1. Edgar Wareham, m.2. John W. Shutter. Children of Edgar and Barbara Hewitt Wareham:
 2d6a1a Mellissa Lynn
 2d6a1b Greg
 John W. Shutter adopted Melissa Lynn and Greg.
- 2e3a2.** **Virginia Lee Godard**, m. Mr. Pettingill. Children of Mr. And Virginia Lee Godard Pettingill:
 2e3a2a Kenneth
 2e3a2b Sandra Lee
- 2f1d2.** **Kristie Rose Drone**, m. Louie Madden.
- 2f5a1.** **Patricia Louise Drone**, b. July 13, 1949; m.1. Charles Harris, m.2. David J. Emerson, b. June 2, 1939. Children of Charles and Patricia Louise Drone Harris:
 2f5a1a Jessica Leigh
 2f5a1b Andrea Christine
 2f5a1c William Neill
- 2f5a2.** **Debra Ann Drone**, b. May 9, 1951; m. Lynn A. Kull, b. December 18, 1945. Children of Lynn A. and Debra Ann Drone Kull:
 2f5a2a Audrey Ann
 2f5a2b Jordon Joseph
 2f5a2c Trenton William
- 2f5a3.** **Jeffrey Joseph Drone**, b. July 17, 1957; m.1. Lisa Edwards, m.2. LuAnn Klitzing, b. January 21, 1961. Child of Jeffrey Joseph and Lisa Edwards Drone:
 2f5a3a Misti Lynn
 Children of Jeffrey Joseph and LuAnn Klitzing:
 2f5a3b Cody Joseph
 2f5a3c Shawn Jeffrey
- 2f5b1.** **Lucinda Jean Drone**, m. Mike Awalt.
- 2f5c1.** **Peggy Hale**, m. James Miles. Children of James and Peggy Hale Miles:
 2f5c1a Christina Leef
 2f5c1b Andrew Allen
 2f5c1c Brian James

- 2f5c2.** **Barbara Louise Hale**, b. February 11, 1955; Children of Barbara Louise Hale:
 2f5c2a Kerry Ann Mitchell
 2f5c2b Kurtis Adam Mitchell
 2f5c2c Kelsey Louise Kraper
- 2f5c3.** **Michael Benjamin Hale**, b. January 25, 1957; m. Sherry Rollman. Children of Michael Benjamin and Sherry Rollman Hale:
 2f5c3a Gregory Michael
 2f5c3b Benjamin Donley
- 2f5f1.** **Judith Lynn Austin**, b. December 24, 1959 Elizabethtown, Illinois & d. November 12, 1976 in an auto accident.
- 2f5f2.** **Nancy Jo Austin (Drone)**, b. June 14, 1961 in Elizabethtown, Illinois. Child of Nancy Jo Austin (Drone):
 2f5f2a Izak Jonstin Climer
- 2f5f3.** **Gregory Dean Austin**, b. October 10, 1964 Marion, Illinois. Children of Gregory Dean Austin:
 2f5f3a Tyler
 2f5f3b Trevor
- 2f6a1.** **Michael "Mike" Drone**, m. Nancy Wilson.
- 2f6a2.** **Mark Drone**, m. Vickie Collins
- 2f6a3.** **Kim Drone**, m. Mike Kaufman, son of Paul Kaufman - Frank Drone clan. Child of Mike and Kim Drone Kaufman:
 2f6a3a Ryan
- 2f6b1.** **Vincent Drone**, m. Jan Roark. Child of Vincent and Jan Roark Drone:
 2f6b1a Randi Lynn
- 2f6b2.** **Randy Drone**, m. Kathy Fuea.
- 2f6c1.** **Steven Drone**, m. Constance Orr. Child of Steven and Constance Orr Drone:
 2f6c1a Amy Albert
- 2f6d1.** **Joseph Mitchell**, m. Jema Thomson. Child of Joseph and Jema Thomson Mitchell:
 2f6d1a Jade Patrick
- 2f6d3.** **Susan Mitchell**, m. Richard Stocke. Children of Richard and Susan Mitchell Stocke:
 2f6d3a Sarah Adria
 2f6d3b Jonathan
 2f6d3c Nathaneal
- 2f6d4.** **Phillip Mitchell**, m. Kimberely Kay. Children of Phillip and Kimberley Kay Mitchell:
 2f6d4a Amanda Kay
 2f6d4b Andrew P.

- 2f6d5.** **Ronald Mitchell**, m. Latonya Gail. Children of Ronald and Latonya Gale Mitchell:
 2f6d5a Caleb Jordan
 2f6d5b Jared Colby
 2f6d5c Hannah Christine
- 2f6e1.** **Benjamin Drone, Jr.**, m. Angela. Children of Benjamin Jr. and Angela Drone:
 2f6e1a Elizabeth Renee
 2f6e1b Madeline Rose
- 2f6e2.** **R. Gregory Drone**, m. Theresa A. Children of Gregory and Theresa A. Drone:
 2f6e2a Martin Gregory
 2f6e2b Timothy Christian
 2f6e2c Caroline Theresa
- 2f6e3.** **Daniel Joseph Drone**, m. Sharon Diane. Children of Daniel Joseph and Sharon Diane Drone:
 2f6e3a Natalie Diane
 2f6e3b Michael Joseph
 2f6e3c Nicholas Daniel
 2f6e3d Emily Katherine
- 2f6e4.** **Melinda Drone**, m. Brian J. Bohinsky. Children of Brian and Melinda Drone Bohinsky:
 2f6e4a Jonathon B.
 2f6e4b Amy Marie
- 2f6f1.** **Amy Jo Morse**, m. James R. Richey. Children of James and Amy Jo Morse Richey:
 2f6f1a Jessica E. Day
 2f6f1b Kayla Jo
- 2f6f2.** **Scott P. Morse**, m. Shelly Jo Hathaway. Children of Scott and Shelly Jo Hathaway Morse:
 2f6f2a Jacob Scott
 2f6f2b Paxton McGwire
- 2f6f3.** **Elizabeth Ann Morse**, m. Michael Gibbs. Her step-children are:
 2f6f3a Joshua
 2f6f3b Krystal
 2f6f3c Kimberly
 2f6f3d Jacob
- 2f8a1.** **Janine Marie Cox**, m.1. Donald Abell, m.2. Michael Abell. Child of Donald and Janine Marie Cox Abell:
 2f8a1a James Albert
 Children of Michael and Janine Marie Cox Abell:
 2f8a1b Thomas
 2f8a1c Jason
- 2f8a3.** **Alice Annette Cox**, d. in infancy.

- 2g1a1.** **Suzanne Marie Reinhart**, b. May 22, 1960; m. Keith Allen Day, b. November 17, 1959. Children of Keith Allen and Suzanne Marie Reinhart Day:
 2g1a1a Kelly Marie
 2g1a1b Steven Allen
- 2g2a1.** **Edward Leo Drone**, b. June 20, 1960; m. Rebecca Skaggs, b. April 23, 1963. Children of Edward Leo and Rebecca Skaggs Drone:
 2g2a1a Megan Elizabeth
 2g2a1b Joshua Scott
- 2g2a2.** **Stephen Timothy Drone**, b. February 28, 1963; m. Marilyn Sue Patton, b. September 20, 1963. Children of Stephen Timothy and Marilyn Sue Patton Drone:
 2g2a2a Jason Edward
 2g2a2b Timothy Michael
- 2g2a3.** **Lawrence Michael Drone**, b. April 22, 1964.
- 2g2b1.** **Michael Stephen Duff**, b. September 3, 1959 & d. December 13, 1977 in an airplane crash.
- 2g2b2.** **Rita Ann Duff**, b. May 29, 1961; m. Stephen Joseph Etienne, b. July 11, 1961. Children of Stephen Joseph and Rita Ann Duff Etienne:
 2g2b2a Jessica Renee
 2g2b2b Daniel Mathew
- 2g2b3.** **Mary Jane Duff**, b. December 15, 1962; m. Lee Hamilton Barrow, b. July 1, 1955; div. Child of Lee Hamilton and Mary Jane Duff Barrow:
 2g2b3a Justin Lee
- 2g2b4.** **Andrea Leigh Duff**, b. January 16, 1973; m.1. Dustin Clay Lane, b. March 4, 1971
- 2g2b5.** **Julie Belle Barrow**, b. January 10, 1976
- 2g2b6.** **Jeremiah Andrew Barrow**, b. October 6, 1982
- 2g2c1.** **Michelle Ann Hayes**, b. October 30, 1959; m. Stanley Weir, b. May 28, 1965. Child of Stanley and Michelle Ann Hayes Weir:
 2g2c1a Zackary Francis
- 2g2c2.** **James Anthony Hayes**, b. June 18, 1961; m. Connie Hellig, b. February 4, 1963. Children of James Anthony and Connie Hellig Hayes:
 2g2c2a Brandon Lee
 2g2c2b Lindsay Nicole
- 2g2c3.** **Richard Alan Hayes**, b. September 30, 1962; m. Debbie Ezell, b. July 20, 1963. Children of Richard Alan and Debbie Ezell Hayes:
 2g2c3a Jeffrey Alan
 2g2c3b Kayla Renee
- 2g2c4.** **Kevin Lee Hayes**, b. February 15, 1964; m. Melanie Cusic, b. October 5, 1968

- 2g2d1.** **Dawn Marie Zilch**, b. April 6, 1966; m. Javier Criedo Nesofsky, b. March 5, 1965. Child of Javier Criedo and Dawn Marie Zilch Nesofsky:
2g2d1a Daniel Ignacio Criedo Zilch
- 2g2d2.** **John Michael Zilch II**, b. April 17, 1969; m. Jocelyn Hope Roberts, b. June 18, 1970
- 2g2d3.** **Victoria Ann Zilch**, b. July 7, 1972; m. Paul David Wember, b. June 15, 1972
- 2g2d4.** **Stephen Christopher Zilch**, b. April 16, 1979
- 2g2e1.** **Tracy Lynn Fromm**, b. December 14, 1965; m. Shawn Healy, b. April 28, 1965. Children of Shawn and Tracy Lynn Fromm Healy:
2g2e1a James Dillon
2g2e1b Austin Samuel
- 2g2e2.** **Linda Jane Fromm**, b. May 23, 1968. Children of Linda Jane Fromm:
2g2e2a Cassandra Ann Reed
2g2e2b Joshua Ryan Raymond
- 2g2e3.** **Thomas William Fromm**, b. June 25, 1969; m. Julie Ann Grubbs, b. November 23, 1972. Child of Thomas William and Julie Ann Grubbs Fromm:
2g2e3a Danielle Christine
- 2g2e4.** **Carla Jean Fromm**, b. September 21, 1973; m. Tony Lee Philipps, b. July 5, 1971. Child of Tony Lee and Carla Jean Fromm Philipps:
2g2e4a Mariah Lee
- 2g2f1** **Aaron Mathew Adams**, b. November 24, 1973
- 2g2f2** **Amy Sue Adams**, b. November 23, 1975
- 2g7a1.** **Venetia Anne Bock**, b. July 14, 1960; m. Kenneth Mink, b. December 3, 1959. Children of Kenneth and Venetia Anne Bock Mink:
2g7a1a Stephanie Anne
2g7a1b Christen Anne
2g7a1c Alexander
- 2g7a2.** **Monica Anne Bock**, b. January 29, 1962; m. Joe Miller, b. September 5, 1959; Children of Joe and Monica Anne Miller:
2g7a2a Jacqueline Anne
2g7a2b Samantha Anne
- 2g7a3.** **Erica Elizabeth Springer**, b. December 10, 1972; m. Jeffrey Michael Grubbs, b. May 16, 1969. Children of Jeffrey Michael and Erica Elizabeth Springer Grubbs:
2g7a3a Kaitlyn Elizabeth (twin of Kylie)
2g7a3b Kylie Ann (twin of Kaitlyn)
- 2i4a1.** **Susan Drone**, m. Clyde Kirby

Sixth Generation:

Joseph II and Mary Caroline Brazier Drone's Great-Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 2f5a1a. **Jessica Leigh Harris**, b. December 22, 1970; m. December 4, 1998 Oliver Richardson
- 2f5a1b. **Andrea Christine Harris**, b. August 11, 1973.
- 2f5a1c. **William Neill Harris**, b. April 6, 1977.
- 2f5a2a. **Audrey Ann Kull**, b. May 24, 1979.
- 2f5a2b. **Jordon Joseph Kull**, b. March 27, 1982.
- 2f5a2c. **Trenton William Kull**, b. March 7, 1986.
- 2f5a3a. **Misti Lynn Drone**, b. January 31, 1978.
- 2f5a3b. **Cody Joseph Drone**, b. August 31, 1994.
- 2f5a3c. **Shawn Jeffrey Drone**, b. March 11, 1996.
- 2f5c1a. **Christina Lee Miles**, b. May 17, 1977.
- 2f5c1b. **Andrew Allen Miles**, b. May 1, 1980.
- 2f5c1c. **Brian James Miles**, b. April 29, 1982.
- 2f5c2a. **Kerry Ann Mitchell**, b. May 15, 1982.
- 2f5c2b. **Kurtis Adam Mitchell**, b. December 3, 1984.
- 2f5c2c. **Kelsey Louise Kraper**, b. August 18, 1993.
- 2f5c3a. **Gregory Michael Hale**, b. May 13, 1976.
- 2f5c3b. **Benjamin Donley Hale**, b. August 23, 1978.
- 2f5f2a. **Izak Jonstin Climer**, b. April 19, 1983 Carbondale, Illinois.
- 2f5f3a. **Tyler Dean Austin**, b. December 17, 1992 Marion, Virginia.
- 2f5f3b. **Trevor Levi Austin**, b. September 25, 1994 Marion, Virginia.
- 2g1a1a. **Kelly Marie Day**, b. November 18, 1986.
- 2g1a1b. **Steven Allen Day**, b. April 12, 1991.
- 2g2a1a. **Megan Elizabeth Drone**, b. March 26, 1990
- 2g2a1b. **Joshua Scott Drone**, b. November 19, 1992.

2g2a2a. Jason Edward Drone, b. December 25, 1982
2g2a2b. Timothy Michael Drone, b. May 6, 1984
2g2b2a. Jessica Renee Etinee, b. March 21, 1985
2g2b2b. Daniel Matthew Etienne, b. October 3, 1987
2g2b3a. Justin Lee Barrow, b. November 4, 1985
2g2c1a. Zackary Francis Weir, b. December 1, 1998
2g2c2a. Brandon Lee Hayes, b. April 9, 1987
2g2c2b. Lindsay Nicole Hayes, b. May 23, 1989
2g2c3a. Jeffrey Alan Hayes, b. April 9, 1984
2g2c3b. Kayla Renee Hayes, b. October 8, 1987
2g2d1a. Daniel Ignacio Criedo Zilch Nesofsky, b. April 24, 1997
2g2e1a. James Dillon Healy, b. March 27, 1996
2g2e1b. Austin Samuel Healy, b. October 31, 1997
2g2e2a. Cassandra Ann Reed, b. October 8, 1988
2g2e2b. Joshua Ryan Raymond, b. May 28, 1992
2g2e3a. Danielle Christine Fromm, b. November 25, 1992
2g2e4a. Mariah Lee Philipps, b. September 24, 1995
2g7a1a. Stephanie Anne Mink, b. October 2, 1979
2g7a1b. Christen Anne Mink, b. February 19, 1982
2g7a1c. Alexander Mink, b. June 4, 1987
2g7a2a. Jacqueline Anne Miller, b. March 1, 1985
2g7a2b. Samantha Anne Miller, b. August 26, 1987
2g7a3a. Kaitlyn Elizabeth Grubbs, b. August 25, 1998
2g7a3b. Kylie Ann Grubbs, b. August 25, 1998



The John M. Drone Family

First Generation

- 3.** **John M. Drone**, b. November 22, 1844 & d. July 18, 1908; m.1. Margaret Devous, daughter of Isadore and Catherine Louise Bartel Devous, m.2. Madeline Willis²⁵⁶. Child of John M. and Margaret Devous Drone:
- 3a Julia
Children of John M. and Madeline Willis Drone:
- 3b Ardel
- 3c James
- 3d Agnes
- 3e Ralph
- 3f Pearl

Second Generation:

John M. Drone's Children

- 3a.** **Julia Drone**, m. Nicholas Hish. Children of Nicholas and Julia Drone Hish:
- 3a1 Mayme
- 3a2 Sylvester "Bud"
- 3a3 Anthony
- 3a4 Rose
- 3a5 Madeline
- 3a6 John
- 3a7 Joseph

²⁵⁶ Madeline Willis is the ex-wife of Melvin Willis. Madeline and Melvin were the parents of Laura Willis who married Junius Rowan. Their child was Doris Rowan who married Paul Hatfield.

- 3a8 Clarence "Pete"
- 3b. **Ardel Drone**, m. John Doherty
- 3c. **James Drone**, m.1. Ethel Lawler, m.2. Jessie Rider Logsdon, m.3. Teresa Buntton Wathen. Children of James and Ethel Lawler Drone:
 - 3c1 John Repheum "Ray"
 - 3c2 James Lawler "Bob"
- 3d. **Agnes Drone**, m.1. Albert Baker, m.2. George Kinnia
- 3e. **Ralph Drone**, m. Jessie Kimbro
- 3f. **Pearl Drone**, d. in infancy

Third Generation:

John M. Drone's Grandchildren

- 3a1. **Mayme Hish**, m. John "Peck" Wenzel. Children of John and Mayme Hish Wenzel:
 - 3a1a Deloras
 - 3a1b John Wilfred "Doc"
 - 3a1c Charles "Todd"
 - 3a1d Eugene "Cotton"
 - 3a1e Cecil
 - 3a1f Arnold "Quail Egg"
 - 3a1g Patricia
- 3a2. **Sylvester "Bud" Hish**, m. Uldene "Cotton" Mann
- 3a3. **Anthony "Tony" Hish**, m. Irene Doyle. Child of Anthony and Irene Doyle Hish:
 - 3a3a William Anthony, Jr.
- 3a4. **Rose Hish**, m. Everett Bozarth
- 3a5. **Madeline Hish**, m. Arnold Downen: Child of Arnold and Madeline Hish Downen:
 - 3a5a John
- 3a6. **John Hish**, m. Mary Kliner. Children of John and Mary Kliner Hish:
 - 3a6a John Lewis
 - 3a6b Helen
- 3a7. **Joseph Hish**, b. 1908 & d. 1928
- 3a8. **Clarence "Pete" Hish**, m. Lucille King. Children of Clarence and Lucille King Hish:
 - 3a8a Bonita
 - 3a8b Betty
 - 3a8c Sharon
- 3c1. **John Repheum "Ray" Drone**, m. Loretta "Larry" Henricks

3c2. **James Lawler "Bob" Drone**, m. Michelle Moundbrand. Child of James Lawler and Michelle Moundbrand Drone:
3c2a John Patrick

Fourth Generation

John M. Drone's Great-Grandchildren

3a1a. **Deloras Wenzel**, m.1. Bryan Endicott, m.2. Fred Smith

3a1b. **John Wilfred "Doc" Wenzel**, m. Alice Eriekson. Children of John Wilfred and Alice Eriekson Wenzel:

3a1b1

Judy

3a1b2

Janet

3a1b3

John William

3a1b4

James Lee

3a1c. **Charles Anthony "Todd" Wenzel**, m. Pauline Parker. Children of Charles Anthony and Pauline Parker Wenzel:

3a1c1

Caryhe Sue

3a1c2

Charles William

3a1c3

Burtis Eugene

3a1c4

Rodney Wayne

3a1e. **Cecil Wenzel**, m. Wanda Cox: Children of Cecil and Wanda Cox Wenzel:

3a1e1

Ronnie Joe

3a1e2

Cecilia Ann

3a1e3

Mary Nell

3a1e4

Douglas

3a1e5

Melinda Sue

3a1f. **Arnold Joseph "Quail Egg" Wenzel**, m. Sharon Janson. Children of Arnold Joseph and Sharon Janson Wenzel:

3a1f1

Bryan Arnold

3a1f2

Blaine Allen

3a1f3

Anettia Jane

3a1f4

Adam Joseph

3a1g. **Patricia Joan Wenzel**, m. Eulan Jace Hise

3a3a. **William Anthony Hish, Jr.**, d. killed in WWII (Navy)

3a5a. **John Downen**, m. Patricia Albright. Child of John and Patricia Albright Downen:

3a5a1

Michael

3a6a. **John Lewis Hish**, m. Louise Harwood. Child of John Lewis and Louise Harwood Hish:

3a6a1

Julia Ann

3a6b. **Helen Hish**, m. Don Baker. Children of Don and Helen Hish Baker:

3a6b1

Mary Emily

3a6b2

Jean

3a6b3

Gregory

- 3a8a.** **Bonita Hish**, m. Gayle Peterson. Children of Gayle and Bonita Hish Peterson:
 3a8a1 Ty Lee
 3a8a2 Kim
 3a8a3 Nicola
- 3a8b.** **Betty Hish**, m. Robert Chiti. Children of Robert and Betty Hish Chiti:
 3a8b1 Kelly
 3a8b2 Robert
- 3a8c.** **Sharon Hish**, m. Harry Johnston. Children of Harry and Sharon Hish Johnston:
 3a8c1 Karl
 3a8c2 Darrin

Fifth Generation

John M. Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 3a1b1.** **Judy Wenzel**, m. Marvin Miller
- 3a1b2.** **Janet Wenzel**, m. Richard Fromm. Children of Richard and Janet Wenzel Fromm:
 3a1b2a Barbara
 3a1b2b Karron
 3a1b2c Ronald "Randy"
 3a1b2d Mary
- 3a1c1.** **Caryhe Sue Wenzel**, m. Willis Ray Montgomery. Children of Willis Ray and Caryhe Sue Wenzel Montgomery:
 3a1c1a Robbin Lynn
 3a1c1b Donald Anthony
- 3a1c3.** **Burtis Eugene Wenzel**, m. Rebecca Sue Rogers. Children of Burtis Eugene and Rebecca Sue Rogers Wenzel:
 3a1c3a Charles Nicholas
 3a1c3b Patty Jean
 3a1c3c Mary Elizabeth
- 3a1e1.** **Ronnie Joe Wenzel**, m.1. Brenda, m.2. Marty. Child of Ronnie Joe and Brenda Wenzel:
 3a1e1a Stephanie
 Child of Ronnie Joe and Marty Wenzel:
 3a1e1b Ronnie Joe
- 3a1e2.** **Cecilia Ann Wenzel**, m. Dick Ploppler: Children of Dick and Cecilia Ann Wenzel Ploppler:
 3a1e2a Veronica
 3a1e2b Douglas
 3a1e2c Shane
- 3a1e3.** **Mary Nell Wenzel**, m. Dale Conour



The Alexander Drone Family

First Generation

4. **Alexander Drone**, b. April 22, 1847 & d. May 25, 1925; m.1. Albertina Vowinkle²⁵⁷, m.2. Mary E. "Molly" Valter, b. 1862 & d. 1941, daughter of Nicholas Valter, b. 1831 & d. 1895 and Barbara Pfarr, b. 1832 & d. 1890. Children of Alexander and Mary E. Valter Drone:
- 4a. Harry
 - 4b. Marian Nance
 - 4c. Lucretia
 - 4d. Vincent
 - 4e. Leonard
 - 4f. Madeline
 - 4g. Phillip
 - 4h. Mary

Second Generation:

Alexander Drone and Mary E. Valter Drone's Children

- 4a. **Harry Drone**, b. 1883 & d. 1883²⁵⁸

²⁵⁷ Albertina Vowinkle died ca age 17 and is buried in Clermont County, Ohio.

²⁵⁸ Harry Drone was the first burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Ridgway, Illinois.

- 4b.** **Marian Nance Drone**, b. 1885 & d. 1970; m. Etta Zipp, b. 1887 & d. 1970.
Children of Marian and Etta Zipp Drone:
- 4b1 Marian, Jr.
4b2 Viola M.
4b3 Hubert B.
4b4 Catherine
- 4c.** **Lucretia B. Drone**, b. 1888 & d. 1973; m. John B. Martin
- 4d.** **Vincent P. Drone**, b. 1891 & d. 1927, m. Carrie Barter
- 4e.** **Leonard Drone**, b. 1894 & d. 1973
- 4f.** **Madeline Drone**, m. Frank Henneberger. Children of Frank and Madeline Drone
Henneberger:
- 4f1 Adrian
4f2 Elizabeth
- 4g.** **Philip Drone**, b. 1903 & d. 1938
- 4f.** **Mary Drone**, b. 1900 & d. 1900

Third Generation:

Alexander and Mary E. Valter Drone's Grandchildren

- 4b1.** **Marian Drone, Jr.**, b. January 2, 1910 & d. January 3, 1910.
- 4b2.** **Viola M. Drone**, b. 1911 & d. 1912
- 4b3.** **Hubert B. Drone**, m. Emily Petkus. Child of Hubert B. and Emily Petkus Drone:
4b3a Hubert B. Jr.
- 4b4.** **Catherine Drone**, m. E.L. Johnstone. Children of E.L. and Catherine Drone
Johnstone:
- 4b4a Karen D.
4b4b Edward M.
- 4f1.** **Adrian Henneberger**, m. Marion Embre
- 4f2.** **Elizabeth Henneberger**, m. Peter Duane Tibbetts. Children of Peter Duane and
Elizabeth Henneberger Tibbetts:
- 4f2a Judith Ann
4f2b Madeline Nyle
4f2c Peter Duane III
4fd Phillip Kare

Fourth Generation:

Alexander and Mary E. Valter's Great-Grandchildren

- 4b3a.** **Hubert B. Drone, Jr.**, m. Vonda K. Allen. Children of Hubert B. and Vonda K. Allen Drone:
4b3a1 Trina Marie
4b3a2 Rachel
- 4b4a.** **Karen D. Johnstone**, m. Ronald Minekime
- 4f2a.** **Judith Ann Tibbetts**, m. Walter S. Bean



The Lewis Drone Family

First Generation

5. **Lewis Drone**, b. February 23, 1850 & d. September 4, 1938; m. Rachel Moore, b. 1854 & d. 1938, daughter of Walker Moore and Susan Bourland. Children of Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone:
- 5a Ella
 - 5b William
 - 5c Emma
 - 5d Frederick
 - 5e Anna
 - 5f Margaret
 - 5g Leo
 - 5h Peter
 - 5i Teresa
 - 5j Marie

Second Generation:

Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone's Children

- 5a. **Ella Drone**, b. December 20, 1876 , entered convent October 30, 1895 and became Sister Gabriel, Precious Blood Order of Ruma, Illinois
- 5b. **William A. Drone**, b. 1878 & d. 1962, m. Anna P. Kohl, b. 1876 & d. 1951, daughter of Roman Kohl, b. 1847 & d. 1936 and Philippine Ottmann, b. 1846 & d. 1914. Children of William A. and Anna P. Kohl Drone:
- 5b1 Lewis Roman

- 5b2 Amos
 5b3 Emma
 5b4 Cora
- 5c.** **Emma Drone**, b. April 14, 1880 & d. May 26, 1938, entered convent June 4, 1900 and became Sister Emma, Precious Blood Order of Ruma, Illinois
- 5d.** **Frederick Lewis Drone**, b. 1884 & d. 1959; m. Catherine Ann Kohl, b. 1883 & d. 1956, daughter of Roman Kohl and Philippine Ottmann. Children of Frederick Lewis and Catherine Ann Kohl Drone:
- 5d1 Wilford Frederick
 5d2 Clarence Leo
 5d3 Pauline Theresa
 5d4 Mary Elizabeth
 5d5 Viola Madylin
 5d6 Raphael Emil
 5d7 Joseph
 5d8 Roberta Barbara
 5d9 Cletus Louis
- 5e.** **Anna Drone**²⁵⁹, b. March 28, 1885 & d. September 17, 1958; Entered the convent September 8, 1904 and became Sister Pelegrena of the Servites of Mary.
- 5f.** **Margaret Drone**, b. 1887 & d. 1953, m. Phillip Fromm, b. 1885 & d. 1956, son of Joseph and Teresa Fromm. Children of Phillip and Margaret Drone Fromm (first infant died.):
- 5f1 Marie
 5f2 Michael
 5f3 Wilford
 5f4 Louise
 5f5 Margaret "Fern"
 5f6 Elizabeth "Betty"
 5f7 Philomenia
 5f8 Catherine
 5f9 Anna
 5f10 Rita
 5f11 Joseph Phillip "J.P."
- 5g.** **Leo I. Drone**, b. 1889 & d. 1972, m. Anna Foster. Children of Leo I. and Anna Foster Drone:
- 5g1 Louis J.
 5g2 Edward F.
- 5h.** **Peter C. Drone**, b. 1892 & d. 1968, m. Lorena Goebel, b. 1894 & d. 1970. Children of Peter C. and Lorena Goebel Drone:
- 5h1 Dorothy
 5h2 Bernice
 5h3 Theodore "Ted"
 5h4 Aaron

²⁵⁹ Anna is buried in Omaha, Nebraska.

5h5 Non (twin of Don)
5h6 Don (twin of Non)

5i. Teresa E. Drone, b. 1895, m. Gus Lawler, b. 1886 & d. 1942, son of William Lawler & Margaret Mooney. Children of Gus and Teresa E. Drone Lawler:

5i1 William Eugene
5i2 Eva Pauline
5i3 Edna Phillipa
5i4 Etta Amadeus
5i5 Mary Rachel (twin of Theresa)
5i6 Theresa Ann (twin of Mary Rachel)
5i7 Margaret Doris
5i8 Elizabeth Louise

5j. Marie Drone, b. 1898 & d. 1926, m. Alvin Bell, son of George Bell and Abigail Foster. Child of Alvin and Marie Drone Bell:

5j1 Kathleen

Third Generation:

Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone's Grandchildren

5b1. Lewis Roman Drone, m.1. Elnora Tizner, m.2. Rosalia Herbert. Children of Lewis Roman and Rosalia Herbert Drone:

5b1a Roger
5b1b Leon D.
5b1c Marilyn

5b2. Amos Drone, m. Winfred Doherty. Child of Amos and Winfred Doherty Drone:
5b2a William Amos "Junior"

5b3. Emma Drone, m. Robert Hipes

5b4. Cora Drone, m. Isadore Dunn. Children of Isadore and Cora Drone Dunn:

5b4a Patricia
5b4b Mary Lou
5b4c Kay

5d1. Wilford Frederick Drone, b. September 23, 1907 & d. December 23, 1908

5d2. Clarence Leo Drone, b. 1909 & d. 1977; m. Marcella Barbara Koester. Children of Clarence Leo and Marcella Barbara Koester Drone:

5d2a Edwin Raphael
5d2b Linda Louise
5d2c LaVerne Marie
5d2d Marilyn Ann
5d2e Ada Irene
5d2f Victor Harry
5d2g Margaret "Margie" Catherine
5d2h Joseph "Joey" Frederick

- 5d3.** **Pauline Teresa Drone**, b. June 25, 1911 in Illinois, m. September 15, 1931 John C. McGuire, b. February 1, 1901 & d. 1975. Children of John C. and Pauline Teresa Drone McGuire²⁶⁰:
- 5d3a Robert John "Bob"
 - 5d3b Carol Ann
 - 5d3c Norma Catherine "Kay"
 - 5d3d Charles Joseph
 - 5d3e Frederick Thomas
- 5d4.** **Mary Elizabeth Drone**, m. Joseph William Daily. Children of Joseph William and Mary Elizabeth Drone Daily:
- 5d4a William Frederick
 - 5d4b Thomas Joseph
 - 5d4c James Keith
- 5d5.** **Viola Madyln Drone**, m. Bernard Conrad Roe. Children of Bernard Conrad and Viola Madyln Drone Roe:
- 5d5a Darwin
 - 5d5b Richard B.
 - 5d5c Conrad Lee
- 5d6.** **Raphael Emil Drone**²⁶¹, ordained to the priesthood September 17, 1943.
- 5d7.** **Joseph Drone**, b. & d. April 21, 1920
- 5d8.** **Roberta Barbara Drone**, m. Cedric Joseph Naas. Children of Cedric Joseph and Roberta Barbara Drone Naas:
- 5d8a Judith Faye
 - 5d8b Sharon
 - 5d8c Darlene
 - 5d8d Cedric John "Teddy"
 - 5d8e George
- 5d9.** **Cletus Louis Drone**, m. Peggy Jean Wright, b. 1923 & d. 1976. Children of Cletus Louis and Peggy Jean Wright Drone:
- 5d9a Allan David
 - 5d9b Michael Anthony
- 5f1.** **Marie Fromm**, m.1. Tony Loeffler, m.2. Peter Bugnei. Child of Tony and Marie Fromm Loeffler:
- 5f1a Jerry
- 5f2.** **Michael Fromm**, m. Mildred Kent
- 5f3.** **Wilford Fromm**, m. Beatrice Unfried. Children of Wilford and Beatrice Unfried Fromm:
- 5f3a James
 - 5f3b Teresa
 - 5f3c Robert

²⁶⁰ All children born in Illinois.

²⁶¹ Raphael entered the U.S.A.F. in 1945 as a Catholic Chaplain.

- 5f4.** **Louise Fromm**, d. in childhood
- 5f5.** **Margaret "Fern" Fromm**, m. Ambrous Unfried. Children of Ambrous and Margaret Fromm Unfried:
5f5a Michael Lawrence
5f5b Clara Margaret
5f5c Dorothy Louise
5f5d Raphael
5f5e Paulette
5f5f Bonita Elizabeth
5f5g Mary Ann
- 5f6.** **Elizabeth "Betty" Fromm**, m. Ray Wilson. Children of Ray and Elizabeth Fromm Wilson:
5f6a Dennis Ray
5f6b Leland John
5f6c Robert Eugene
5f6d Donald Joseph
- 5f7.** **Philomenia Fromm**, m. William Rider, son of Burtis Rider - Frank Drone family. Children of William and Philomenia Fromm Rider:
5f7a William Eugene
5f7b Brenda Sue
5f7c James Paul
5f7d Daniel Lawrence
5f7e Nancy Marie
5f7f David Allen
5f7g Jerome Edward
5f7h Valerie Ann
5f7i Phillip John
- 5f8.** **Catherine Fromm**, m.1. A. E. Childs, m.2. Bob Deloux. Children of A. E. and Catherine Fromm Childs:
5f8a Phillip Earl
5f8b Justin Vincent
5f8c Elbert Keith
5f8d Monica Starlene
5f8e Clifford Neal
- 5f9.** **Anna Fromm**, d. in childhood
- 5f10.** **Rita Fromm**, m. William Ray. Children of William and Rita Fromm Ray:
5f10a Derida Sue
5f10b Loran Paul
5f10c Gordan Lee
5f10d Allen
- 5f11.** **Joseph Phillip "J.P." Fromm**, m. Ruth Francis. Children of Joseph Phillip and Ruth Francis Fromm:
5f11a Brad
5f11b Lee Ann

- 5g1.** **Louis J. Drone**, m. Mary Virginia Higgins. Children of Louis J. and Mary Virginia Higgins Drone:
5g1a Laurie Ann
5g1b Virginia Louise
5g1c James Louis
5g1d Timothy Leo
- 5g2.** **Edward F. Drone**, m. Lelia Leah Merriman. Children of Edward F. and Lelia Leah Merriman Drone:
5g2a Carol Lee
5g2b Edward F. Jr.
5g2c Thomas Merriman
5g2d John Patrick
5g2e Mary Jean
5g2f Samuel Gerald
- 5h1.** **Dorothy Drone**, m. Randolph Zirkelbach. Children of Randolph and Dorothy Drone Zirkelbach:
5h1a Mary Anne
5h1b Rachel Bridget
5h1c Randy Peter
5h1d Eleanora (twin of Theodora)
5h1e Theodora (twin of Eleanora)
5h1f Elizabeth Julia
5h1g Gerald Phillip
5h1h Theodore Michael
5h1i Thomas William
5h1j Pat Louis
5h1k Donnie Eugene
- 5h2.** **Bernice Drone**, m. Benjamin Hemphill, Jr.
- 5h3.** **Theodore "Ted" Drone**, m. Edna Wagner. Children of Theodore and Edna Wagner Drone:
5h3a Cynthia Ann "Cindy"²⁶²
5h3b Sharon Marie
5h3c Martha Sue
5h3d John Michael "Mike"
- 5h4.** **Aaron Drone**, m. Pauline Rether. Children of Aaron and Pauline Rether Drone:
5h4a Philip
5h4b Donna
5h4c Beverly
- 5h5.** **Non Drone**, m. Melissa Farria. Children of Non and Melissa Farris Drone:
5h5a Derwin
5h5b Mary Agnes
5h5c Victoria
- 5h6.** **Don Drone**, m. Phyllis Ande. Children of Don and Phyllis Ande Drone:
5h6a Alan

²⁶² Cynthia lives at 1001 Amherst Dr., Apt. 2049, Bedford, TX 76021.

- 5h6b Marionnette
 5h6c Peter John
 5h6d Nina Anne
- 5i1.** **William Eugene Lawler**, m. Allie Lea Taylor. Children of William Eugene and Allie Lea Taylor Lawler:
 5i1a Francis Eugene
 5i1b Allie Teresa
 5i1c Joyce Althea
 5i1d Mary Margaret
 5i1e Deana Marie
 5i1f Geraldine Michelle
- 5i2.** **Eva Pauline Lawler**, entered the convent September 12, 1946 and became Sister Mary Alma of the Servants of Mary²⁶³.
- 5i3.** **Edna Phillipa Lawler**, entered the convent of Servants of Mary and became Sister Mary Gabriel²⁶⁴.
- 5i4.** **Etta Amadeus Lawler**, entered the convent of Franciscans of the Sacred Heart of Joliet, IL and became Sister M. Lorita.
- 5i5.** **Mary Rachel Lawler**, entered the convent of the Most Precious Blood and became Sister Mary Rachel²⁶⁵.
- 5i6.** **Theresa Ann Lawler**, m. Clifton Lee Johnson.
- 5i7.** **Margaret Doris Lawler**, m. Robert Edward Frederickson. Children of Robert Edward and Margaret Doris Lawler Frederickson:
 5i7a Laurie Ann
 5i7b Joseph Gustave
 5i7c James Robert
- 5i8.** **Elizabeth Louise Lawler**, m. Jack Neal Cook. Children of Jack Neal and Elizabeth Lawler Cook:
 5i8a Kathryn Marie
 5i8b Christopher Neal
 5i8c Mark James
 5i8d Linda Frances
 5i8e Michael Paul
- 5j1.** **Kathleen Bell**, m. Wilburn Patten Holaday. Children of Wilburn Patten and Kathleen Bell Holaday:
 5j1a Nancy
 5j1b Kent
 5j1c Robin

²⁶³ Sister Mary Alma, stationed in Sioux City, Iowa.

²⁶⁴ Sister Mary Gabriel, stationed in Omaha, Nebraska.

²⁶⁵ Sister Mary Rachel, stationed in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

Fourth Generation

Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone's Great-Grandchildren

- 5b1a.** **Roger Drone**, m. Mary Cusick. Child of Roger and Mary Cusick Drone:
5b1a1 William Lawrence
- 5b1b.** **Leon D. Drone**, m. Judith Manning. Children of Leon D. and Judith Manning
Drone:
5b1b1 Dimitri
5b1b2 Heather
- 5b2a.** **William Amos "Junior" Drone**, m. Virginia Adams. Children of William Amos
and Virginia Adams Drone:
5b2a1 Pamela
5b2a2 Patricia
5b2a3 Scott
- 5b4b.** **Mary Lou Dunn**, b. June 24, 1945 & d. December 1, 1948
- 5b4c.** **Kay Dunn**, m. Jerry Mayberry
- 5d2a.** **Edwin Raphael Drone**, m.1. Bonnie Bannick, div, m.2. Charlotte Gripp. Child of
Edwin Raphael and Bonnie Bannick Drone:
5d2a1 Sheri Lynn
Child of Edwin Raphael and Charlotte Gripp Drone:
5d2a2 Craig Alan
- 5d2b.** **Linda Louise Drone**, became Sr. Alicia, A.S.C. (Adorers of the blood of Christ)
- 5d2c.** **LaVerne Marie Drone**, m. William J. Fry. Children of William J. and LaVerne
Marie Drone Fry:
5d2c1 Matthew James
5d2c2 Barbara Jean
5d2c3 Kimberly Marie
5d2c4 John
- 5d2d.** **Marilyn Ann Drone**, became Sr. Raphael Ann, A.S.C. (Adorers of the Blood of
Christ)
- 5d2e.** **Ada Irene Drone**, m. Thomas Kelam
- 5d2f.** **Victor Harry Drone**, m.1. Judy Hayes, div, m.2. Joy Smirolodo, (Joy's child is
Stephen Smirolodo²⁶⁶.) Child of Victor Harry and Judy Hayes Drone:
5d2f1 Stephanie
Child of Victor Harry and Joy Smirolodo:
5d2f2 Zachary (adopted)
- 5d2g.** **Margaret Catherine Drone**, m.1. Dennis Hammann, div, m.2. Michael Klaus.
Children of Dennis and Margaret Catherine Drone Hammann:
5d2g1 Heath

²⁶⁶ Stephen is the step-child and not descendant of Joseph & Margaret.

- 5d2g2 Alicia
Child of Michael and Margaret Catherine Drone Klaus:
- 5d2g3 Courtney
- 5d2h.** **Joseph Frederick Drone**, m.1. Laura Marcquenski, div, m.2. Kim Dickerson, div, m.3. Nancy Jo Austin
Children of Joseph Frederick and Laura Marcquenski Drone:
- 5d2h1 Emily
- 5d2h2 Sarah
Child of Joseph Frederick and Kim Dickerson Drone:
- 5d2h3 Austin
Child of Joseph Frederick and Nancy Jo Austin Drone:
- 5d2h4 Izak Climer²⁶⁷
- 5d3a.** **Robert John "Bob" McGuire**, b. May 29, 1933; m. Judith Ann Rider. Children of Robert John and Judith Ann Rider McGuire:
- 5d3a1 Rebecca Ann
- 5d3a2 Robert Michael
- 5d3a3 Steven John
- 5d3a4 Kevin Ray
- 5d3b.** **Carol Ann McGuire**²⁶⁸, b. November 23, 1935; m. September 12, 1956 Martin James Lawler²⁶⁹, b. July 25, 1931. Children of Martin James and Carol Ann McGuire Lawler:
- 5d3b1 Debra Ann
- 5d3b2 Terry Joseph
- 5d3b3 Madonna Michele
- 5d3c.** **Norma Catherine "Kay" McGuire**, b. December 28, 1937, became Sr. Kathleen, ASC
- 5d3d.** **Charles Joseph McGuire**, b. September 16, 1939; m. Linda Frances Abell. Children of Charles Joseph and Linda Frances Abell McGuire:
- 5d3d1 Timothy Joseph
- 5d3d2 Mark Allen
- 5d3d3 Jerome
- 5d3e.** **Frederick Thomas McGuire**, b. July 7, 1945; m. Peggy Ann Browning. Child of Frederick Thomas and Peggy Ann Browning McGuire:
- 5d3e1 Amy Lane
- 5d4a.** **William Frederick Daily**, m. Suzanne Williams. Children of William Frederick and Suzanne Williams Daily:
- 5d4a1 Gretchen
- 5d4a2 Diane
- 5d4a3 Jonathan
- 5d4a4 Shawn

²⁶⁷ Izak Climer is a descendent through Nancy Jo Austin, via Joseph, Joseph II, Joseph III, Cecil, Teresa, and not Lewis.

²⁶⁸ Carol was an RN.

²⁶⁹ Martin was Production Superintendent of a local independent oil company.

- 5d4b.** **Thomas Joseph Daily**, m. Catherine Faker. Children of Thomas Joseph and Catherine Faker Daily:
 5d4b1 Christopher
 5d4b2 Timothy
 5d4b3 Anthony
- 5d4c.** **James Keith Daily**, m. Melody Barnett. Children of James Keith and Melody Barnett Daily:
 5d3c1 Todd
 5d3c2 Kelly
- 5d5a.** **Darwin Roe**, m. Janet Welte. Children of Darwin and Janet Welte Roe:
 5d5a1 Chris
 5d5a2 Patti
 5d5a3 Kurt
- 5d5b.** **Richard B. Roe**, m. Barbara Reinhart. Children of Richard B. and Barbara Reinhart Roe:
 5d5b1 Cathy
 5d5b2 Jennifer
 5d5b3 Michael
- 5d5c.** **Conrad Lee Roe**, m. Diane DuVall. Children of Conrad Lee and Diane DuVall Roe:
 5d5c1 Matt
 5d5c2 Shawn
- 5d8a.** **Judith Faye Naas**, m. Frank "Sonny" Lee. Children of Frank and Judith Faye Naas Lee:
 5d8a1 Jeff
 5d8a2 Cindy
 5d8a3 Amy
- 5d8b.** **Sharon Naas**, m.1. Pat McGuire, m.2. Jack Foster. Children of Pat and Sharon Naas McGuire:
 5d8b1 Dana
 5d8b2 Lori
 5d8b3 Jennifer
- 5d8c.** **Darlene Naas**, m. Pat Drone. Children of Pat and Darlene Naas Drone:
 5d8c1 Greg
 5d8c2 Todd
- 5d8d.** **Cedric John "Teddy" Naas**, b. March 5, 1947 & d. September 16, 1951
- 5d9a.** **Allan David Drone**, m. Judy Hesselbach. Children of Allan David and Judy Hesselbach Drone:
 5d9a1 Jennifer
 5d9a2 Timothy
- 5d9b.** **Michael Anthony Drone**, m. Mary Spicuzza. Children of Michael Anthony and Mary Spicuzza Drone:
 5d9b1 Michael Christopher

5d9b2 Catherine Ann

5f1a. **Jerry Loeffler**, m. Barbara Barton. Child of Jerry and Barbara Barton Loeffler:
5f1a1 Dawn

5f3b. **Teresa Fromm**, m. Tim Moye

5f5a. **Michael Lawrence Unfried**, m. Sharon. Children of Michael Lawrence and Sharon Unfried:
5f5a1 Michelle
5f5a2 Renee Lynn

5f5b. **Clara Margaret Unfried**, m. Charles Ward. Children of Charles and Clara Margaret Unfried Ward:
5f5b1 Charles Joseph
5f5b2 Angelia Marie

5f5c. **Dorothy Louise Unfried**, m. Jerry Nance

5f5e. **Paulette Unfried**, m. Dale Whetstone

5f6a. **Dennis Ray Wilson**, m. Brenda Abell, daughter of Mary Drone Abell - Frank Drone family. Child of Dennis Ray and Brenda Abell Wilson:
5f6a1 Bryan

5f6b. **Leland John Wilson**, m. Linda Dickey. Children of Leland John and Linda Dickey Wilson:
5f6b1 Keldon John
5f6b2 Steven Dewayne

5f6c. **Robert Eugene Wilson**, m. Mickey Punkett

5f6d. **Donald Joseph Wilson**, m. Melissa Gross

5f7c. **James Paul Rider**, m. Donna Pfister

5f7i. **Phillip John Rider**, d. in infancy

5f8c. **Elbert Keith Childs**, m. Lynn Ann Stocker. Child of Elbert Keith and Lynn Ann Stocker Childs:
5f8c1 Kelly Lynn

5f8d. **Monica Starlene Childs**, m. Eli Vidachak III. Children of Eli and Monica Starlene Childs Vidachak:
5f8d1 Eli Neal
5f8d2 Eric Michael

5f8e. **Clifford Neal Childs**, m. Linda High

5f10a. **Derida Sue Ray**, m. Lennie. Child of Lennie and Derida Sue Ray:
5f10a1 Kevin

- 5f10b.** **Loran Paul Ray**, m. Cynthia Rosey. Children of Loran Paul and Cynthia Rosey Ray:
 5f10b1 Angelia
 5f10b2 Christopher
- 5g1a.** **Laurie Ann Drone**, m. William P. O'Connor
- 5g1b.** **Virginia Louise Drone**, m. John J. Hennelly. Children of John J. and Virginia Louise Drone Hennelly:
 5g1b1 John
 5g1b2 Cara
- 5g1c.** **James Louis Drone**, m. Carolyn Winchester. Child of James Louis and Carolyn Winchester Drone:
 5g1c1 Timothy Reynolds
- 5g1d.** **Timothy Leo Drone**, m. Mary Christine Smith
- 5g2a.** **Carol Lee Drone**, m. Richard E. Krueger. Children of Richard E. and Carol Lee Drone Krueger:
 5g2a1 Cherie
 5g2a2 Richard E.
- 5g2b.** **Edward F. Drone, Jr.**, m. Linda Leyandecker. Children of Edward F. Jr. and Linda Leyandecker Drone:
 5g2b1 Leslie Ann
 5g2b2 Matthew Edward
- 5g2c.** **Thomas Merriman Drone**, m. Sharon Vincent. Children of Thomas Merriman and Sharon Vincent Drone:
 5g2c1 Thomas Merriman Jr.
 5g2c2 Leah Marie
- 5g2d.** **John Patrick Drone**, m. Deborah Vincent. Children of John Patrick and Deborah Vincent Drone:
 5g2d1 Amy Marie
 5g2d2 Sarah Ann
- 5g2e.** **Mary Jean Drone**, m. Steven Wicks
- 5h1a.** **Mary Anne Zirkelbach**, m. Melvin Dwayne Maki
- 5h1f.** **Elizabeth Julia Zirkelbach**, m. Robert Gerald Thomas. Children of Robert Gerard and Elizabeth Julia Zirkelbach Thomas:
 5h1f1 Cheryl Bridget
 5h1f2 William Robert
- 5h1g.** **Gerald Phillip Zirkelbach**, m. Cynthia Phiffer; Children of Gerald Phillip and Cynthia Phiffer Zirkelbach:
 5h1g1 Dennis Dale
 5h1g2 Dawn Marie

- 5h1h.** **Theodore Michael Zirkelbach**, m. Carol Ann Hahn. Children of Theodore Michael and Carol Ann Hahn Zirkelbach:
- 5h1h1 Kevin Todd
- 5h1h2 Lori Ann
- 5h1h3 Kelly (twin of Phillip)
- 5h1h4 Phillip (twin of Kelly)
- 5h1i.** **Thomas William Zirkelbach**, m. Dawn Spencer
- 5h3b.** **Sharon Marie Drone**²⁷⁰, m. Thomas G. Burke. Child of Thomas G. and Sharon Marie Drone Burke:
- 5h3b1 Thomas G., II
- 5h3c.** **Martha Sue Drone**²⁷¹, m. Russell S. Imbler
- 5h3d.** **John Michael "Mike" Drone**, m. Nancy Noel. Child of John Michael and Nancy Noel Drone:
- 5h3d1 Elicia Dawn²⁷²
- 5h4a.** **Philip Drone**, m. Cathy Barton. Child of Philip and Cathy Barton Drone:
- 5h4a1 Tresha
- 5i1a.** **Francis Eugene Lawler**, m. Margaret Berendse. Children of Francis Eugene and Margaret Berendse Lawler:
- 5i1a1 Sheri Lynn
- 5i1a2 Lori Ann
- 5i1a3 Jason Francis
- 5i1b.** **Allie Teresa Lawler**, m. Dennis Hawkins. Children of Dennis and Allie Teresa Lawler Hawkins:
- 5i1b1 Michael
- 5i1b2 Brian
- 5i1b3 Amy
- 5i1c.** **Joyce Althea Lawler**, m. John Hawkins. Child of John and Joyce Althea Lawler Hawkins:
- 5i1c1 Chad

Fifth Generation

Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 5b2a1.** **Pamela Drone**, m. Jim Cinkovich. Child of Jim and Pamela Drone Cinkovich:
- 5b2a1a James Ashley
- 5b2a2.** **Patricia "Patti" Drone**, m. Keith Walker
- 5b2a3.** **Scott Drone**, m. Judy Richerson. Child of Scott and Judy Richerson Drone:

²⁷⁰ Sharon and Thomas live at 955 S. Alvord Blvd., Evansville, IN 47714.

²⁷¹ Martha and Russell's address is: PO Box 169, Lawrenceville, GA 30046.

²⁷² Elicia's address is: PO Box 64, Mt. Carmel, IL 62863.

- 5b2a3a Shauna Lynn
- 5d2a1.** **Sheri Lynn Drone**, m. Carl Simmons. Children of Carl and Sheri Lynn Drone Simmons:
 5d2a1a Michael
 5d2a1b Amy
- 5d2a2.** **Craig Alan Drone**, m. Frances Corrales. Children of Craig Alan and Frances Corrales Drone:
 5d2a2a Meredith
 5d2a2b Madeline
- 5d2c2.** **Barbara Jean Fry**, m. Patrick Boulds. Children of Patrick and Barbara Jean Fry Boulds:
 5d2c2a Matthew
 5d2c2b Jessica
- 5d2c3.** **Kimberly Marie Fry**, m. Carter Reed
- 5d3a1.** **Rebecca Ann McGuire**, b. February 1, 1960 & d. November 4, 1961.
- 5d3b1.** **Debra Ann Lawler**, b. September 5, 1957 in Illinois, m. November 24, 1979 David Denton, b. July 10, 1956 in Illinois. Children of David and Debra Ann Lawler Denton²⁷³:
 5d3b1a Ryan David
 5d3b1b Victoria Elise
- 5d3b2.** **Terry Joseph Lawler**²⁷⁴, b. November 14, 1959 in Illinois; m. Pamela Ann Gregory, b. September 20, 1960 in Washington State. Children of Terry Joseph and Pamela Ann Gregory Lawler:
 5d3b2a Christopher Anthony
 5d3b2b Amy Michelle
- 5d3b3.** **Madonna Michelle Lawler**²⁷⁵, b. November 1, 1965 in Illinois.
- 5d3d3.** **Jerome McGuire**, d. in infancy
- 5d4b1.** **Christopher Neal Daily**, m. Tina Russell. Children of Christopher Neal and Tina Russell Daily:
 5d4b1a David Scott Harris
 5d4b1b Alexander Joseph
 5d4b1c Amelia Elaine
- 5d4b2.** **Timothy Edward Daily**, m. Susan Glogovsky. Children of Timothy and Susan Glogovsky Daily:
 5d4b2a Ashley Michelle
 5d4b2b Elizabeth Rose
 5d4b2c Matthew Thomas

²⁷³ Debbie is an R.N. and David is a professor at Olney Central College.

²⁷⁴ Terry and Pamela live in Midland, Texas. Terry is a Production Foreman with a Midland, TX based oil company. Pamela is employed with a Midland, TX based oil company.

²⁷⁵ Madonna is employed as a substance abuse counselor with Comprehensive Services in Mt. Vernon, IL.

5d4b3. **Anthony Joseph Daily**, m. Heather Norman. Children of Anthony and Heather Norman Daily:
5d4b3a Olivia Nicole
5d4b3b Madeline Christine

5h3b1. **Thomas G. Burke²⁷⁶, II**, m. Sara Brown

Sixth Generation:

Lewis and Rachel Moore Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren

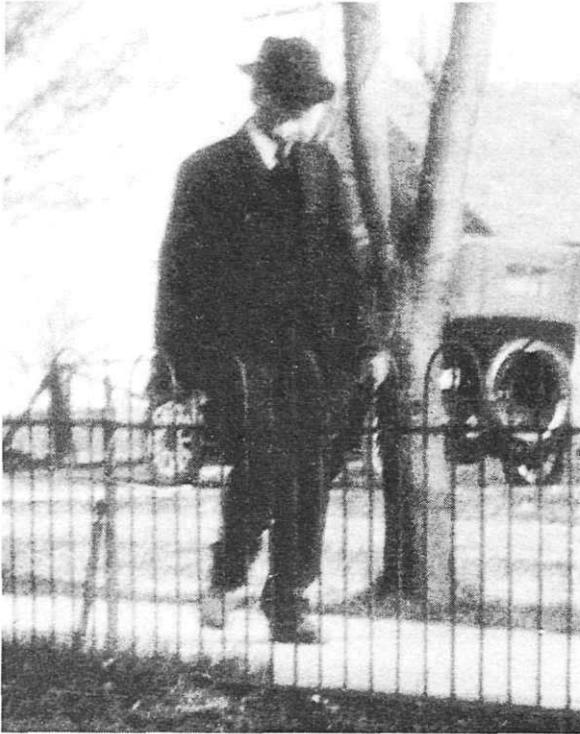
5d3b1a. **Ryan David Denton**, b. December 20, 1980 in Illinois

5d3b1b. **Victoria Elise Denton**, b. October 1, 1984 in Illinois.

5d3b2a. **Christopher Anthony Lawler**, b. May 21, 1984 in Texas

5d3b2b. **Amy Michelle Lawler**, b. May 14, 1986 in Texas

²⁷⁶ Thomas and Sara live at 2910 W. Almondbury Dr., Pasadena, MD 21122.



The Mary Catherine Drone McCormick Family

First Generation

6. **Mary Catherine Drone**, b. October 28, 1852 & d. October 27, 1899, m. William McCormick, b. March 17, 1840 & d. February 16, 1936, son of James McCormick and Christina Ballesty. Children of William and Mary Catherine Drone McCormick:
- 6a Anna
 - 6b James Francis
 - 6c Margaret Christine
 - 6d Thomas George
 - 6e Catherine Eva
 - 6f Joseph William
 - 6g Teresa Mary
 - 6h Hugh Bernard
 - 6i John Raphael

Second Generation:

Mary Catherine Drone McCormick Children

- 6a.** **Anna McCormick**, b. September 15, 1873, d. in infancy.
- 6b.** **James Francis McCormick**, b. 1874 & d. 1963, m. Eliza Lamkin, b. 1880 & d. 1942. Children of James Francis and Eliza Lamkin McCormick:
- 6b1 William Frederick
- 6b2 Lawrence Bernard
- 6b3 Margaret Mary
- 6c.** **Margaret Christine McCormick**, b. December 1, 1876 & d. February 22, 1896.
- 6d.** **Thomas George McCormick**, b. 1879 & d. 1929, m. Mae Siebman, b. 1881 & d. 1951. Child of Thomas George and Mae Siebman McCormick:
- 6d1 Daisy Edith
- 6e.** **Catherine Eva McCormick**, b. March 3, 1881 & d. August 7, 1933
- 6f.** **Joseph William McCormick**, b. 1886 & d. 1959, m.1. Julia Agnes Wallace, m.2. Marie Laber. Children of Joseph William and Julia Agnes Wallace McCormick:
- 6f1 Joseph William
- 6f2 Mary Catherine
- 6f3 Eva Louise
- 6f4 Marjorie Loretta
- Child of Joseph William and Marie Laber McCormick:
- 6f5 Regina Marie
- 6g.** **Teresa Mary McCormick**, b. June 2, 1888
- 6h.** **Hugh Bernard McCormick**, b. February 24, 1892, m. Clara Tiesenbaum. Child of Hugh Bernard and Clara Tiesenbaum McCormick:
- 6h1 William Hugh
- 6i.** **John Raphael McCormick**, b. February 3, 1895, m. Florence E. Caughlin

Third Generation:

Mary Catherine Drone McCormick's Grandchildren

- 6b2.** **Lawrence Bernard McCormick**, m.1. Ruby Floyd, m.2. Pearl Russo. Children of Lawrence Bernard and Pearl Russo McCormick:
- 6b2a Joanna Beth
- 6b2b Coleen Mary
- 6b3.** **Margaret Mary McCormick**, m. Charles Herdis Keasler. Children of Charles Herdis and Margaret Mary McCormick Keasler:
- 6b3a Carol Beth
- 6b3b Judith Louise
- 6b3c Constance Jean
- 6b3d James Dean

- 6b3e Glenda Sue
6b3f John Charles
- 6d1.** **Daisy Edith McCormick**, m. Albert Drone, son of Joseph Drone II - Joseph Drone family. Children of Albert and Daisy Edith McCormick Drone:
6d1a Hazel Alice
6d1b Elma Maxine "Muff"
6d1c Virginia Janette
6d1d Thomas Leland
- 6f1.** **Joseph William McCormick**, m. Audrey Edighoffer. Child of Joseph William and Audrey Edighoffer McCormick:
6f1a Patricia Jean
- 6f2.** **Mary Catherine McCormick**, m. Charles Oldham. Children of Charles and Mary Catherine McCormick Oldham:
6f2a Mary Jo
6f2b Charles Irvin, Jr.
- 6f3.** **Eva Louise McCormick**, m. Gilbert Rider, son of Josephine Drone Rider - Frank Drone family. Children of Gilbert and Eva Louise McCormick Rider:
6f3a Norbert Francis
6f3b Carolyn Sue
6f3c Janet Farrel
- 6f4.** **Marjorie Loretta McCormick**, m. John S. Fals. Children of John S. and Marjorie Loretta McCormick Fals:
6f4a Julia
6f4b William Joseph
6f4c Gary Stephen
6f4d Robert Michael
- 6f5.** **Regina Marie McCormick**, m. Bernard Rieford. Children of Bernard and Regina Marie McCormick Rieford:
6f5a Bernard
6f5b Mark
6f5c Gregory

Fourth Generation:

Mary Catherine Drone McCormick's Great-Grandchildren

- 6b2a.** **Joanna Beth McCormick**, m.1. Clarence Glasgow, m.2. John Booth. Child of Clarence and Joanna Beth McCormick Glasgow:
6b3a1 Tawny Lisa
- 6b2b.** **Coleen Mary McCormick**, m. Wayne Davidson. Child of Wayne and Coleen Mary McCormick Davidson:
6b2b1 Leslie
- 6b3b.** **Judith Louise Keasler**, m. Gene Davis Sanks

- 6b3c.** **Constance Jean Keasler**, m. Roger Dale Genet
- 6d1a.** **Hazel Alice Drone**, m.1. Cecil Cox, m.2. Troy Pate. Children of Cecil and Hazel Alice Drone Cox:
6d1a1 Janine Marie
6d1a2 Rita DeLaine
6d1a3 Alice Annette
- 6d1b.** **Elma Maxine "Muff" Drone**, m. Clarence Jackson Brown. Children of Clarence Jackson and Elma Maxine Drone Brown:
6d1b1 Scott Thomas
6d1b2 Julia Lee
- 6d1c.** **Virginia Janette "Jane" Drone**, m. Dayton L. Thomas. Children of Dayton L. and Virginia Janette "Jane" Drone Thomas:
6d1c1 Mark Leland
6d1c2 Coleen Ann
6d1c3 Clay Michael
- 6d1d.** **Thomas Leland Drone**, b. August 10, 1939 & d. October 19, 1957.²⁷⁷
- 6f1a.** **Patricia Jean McCormick**, m. William Miller, Jr.
- 6f2b.** **Charles Irvin Oldham, Jr.**, m. Elizabeth Logsdon. Children of Charles Irvin Jr. and Elizabeth Logsdon Oldham:
6f2b1 Charles III
6f2b2 Catherine Ann
6f2b3 Mary Beth
- 6f3a.** **Norbert Francis Rider**, m. Cara Kuhn. Children of Norbert Francis and Cara Kuhn Rider:
6f3a1 Shawn Francis
6f3a2 Michael
6f3a3 Kimberly Renee
- 6f3b.** **Carolyn Sue Rider**, d. in infancy
- 6f3c.** **Janet Farrel Rider**, d. in infancy
- 6f4a.** **Julia Fals**, m. Ronald Wargel. Children of Ronald and Julia Fals Wargel:
6f4a1 Renee Kelly
6f4a2 Kristi Rochelle
- 6f4b.** **William Joseph Fals**, m. Vonnie Effie Naas. Children of William Joseph and Vonnie Effie Naas Fals:
6f4b1 Lisa Marie
6f4b2 Tracy Lynn
- 6f4c.** **Gary Stephen Fals**, m. Rita McGrew
- 6f4d.** **Robert Michael Fals**, d. in infancy

²⁷⁷ Thomas Leland was killed in an auto accident.

Fifth Generation:

Mary Catherine Drone McCormick's Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 6d1a1.** **Janine Marie Cox**, m.1. Donald Abell, m.2. Michael Abell. Child of Donald and Janine Marie Cox Abell:
 - 6d1a1a James Albert
 - 6d1a1b Child of Michael and Janine Marie Cox Abell:
 - 6d1a1b Thomas Jason

- 6d1a3.** **Alice Annette Cox**, d. in infancy



The Josephine Drone Croghan Family

First Generation

7. **Josephine Drone**, b. November 16, 1854 & d. June 11, 1942, m. John Croghan²⁷⁸, b. 1845 & d. 1914. Children of John and Josephine Drone Croghan:
- 7a Bessie
 - 7b Charles
 - 7c Margaret
 - 7d Julia
 - 7e Rose

Second Generation:

Josephine Drone Croghan's Children

- 7a. **Bessie Croghan**, b. 1888 & d. 1970, m. John Keane, son of Michael Keane and Bridget Murphy. Children of John and Bessie Croghan Keane:
- 7a1 John Michael
 - 7a2 Joseph
 - 7a3 Robert
- 7b. **Charles Croghan**, b. 1890 & d. 1935, m. Catherine Wolters, b. 1894 & d. 1956, daughter of Gustin Wolters and Mary Wenzel. Child of Charles and Catherine Wolters Croghan:
- 7b1 Iona
- 7c. **Margaret "Maggie" Croghan**, b. December 14, 1892, m. John Dietz²⁷⁹, son of Roman Dietz and Mary Rummele. Children of John and Margaret Croghan Dietz:
- 7c1 Frances

²⁷⁸ John Croghan's first wife was Lizzie. Their children were: Sarah, Ella John, and Mary.

²⁷⁹ John Dietz's first wife was Mary Hill. Their children were: Leonard, Ruth, and Henry.

7c2 Marie
7c3 Raymond (twin of Roman)
7c4 Roman (twin of Raymond)
7c5 Catherine
7c6 Charles
7c7 John

7d. **Julia Croghan**, d. age 12

7e. **Rose Croghan**, d. in infancy

Third Generation:

Josephine Drone Croghan's Grandchildren

7a1. **John Michael Keane**, m. Janice Tucker

7b1. **Iona Croghan**, m. J.B. Holmes. Children of J.B. and Iona Croghan Holmes:

7b1a Donna
7b1b Alice
7b1c Mary Jo
7b1d John

7c1. **Frances Dietz**, m. John Coffee

7c2. **Marie Dietz**, m. Bernard Hasnour. Children of Bernard and Marie Dietz Hasnour:

7c2a Robert
7c2b William
7c2c John B.

7c3. **Raymond Dietz**, m. Vivian Fry; Children of Raymond and Vivian Fry Dietz:

7c3a Robert Charles
7c3b Diane Kay

7c4. **Roman Dietz**, m. Catherine Marie Wolf. Children of Roman and Catherine Marie Wolf Dietz:

7c4a Michael Roman
7c4b Janet Kay
7c4c John Randolph
7c4d Steven Clark

7c5. **Catherine Dietz**, m. Ralph English

7c6. **Charles Dietz**, m. Nellie Bach. Child of Charles and Nellie Bach Dietz:

7c6a Colleen

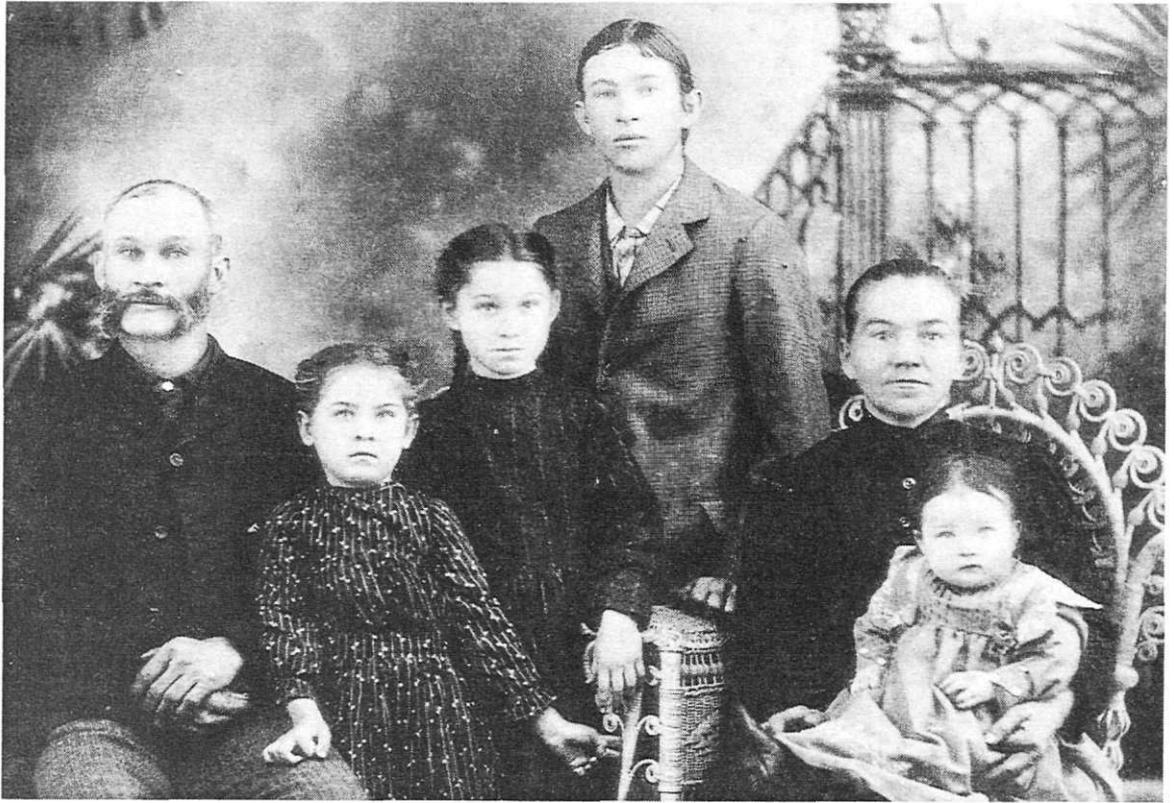
7c7. **John Dietz**²⁸⁰, m. Frances

²⁸⁰ John Dietz was adopted by the Wurm family.

Fourth Generation:

Josephine Drone Croghan's Great-Grandchildren

- 7b1b.** **Alice Holmes**, m. Mike Duvall, son of Clyde "Stix" Duvall - Joseph Drone II family. Child of Mike and Alice Holmes Duvall:
7b1b1 Mike
- 7b1d.** **John Holmes**, m. Emily Smith. Child of John and Emily Smith Holmes:
7b1d1 Carolyn
- 7c2a.** **Robert Hasnour**, m. Nancy Goebel. Children of Robert and Nancy Goebel Hasnour:
7c2a1 Scott Raymond
7c2a2 David Joseph
- 7c2b.** **William Hasnour**, m. Rita Luigs
- 7c4a.** **Michael Roman Dietz**, m. Betty J. Sarga. Child of Michael Roman and Betty J. Sarga Dietz:
7c4a1 Samantha
- 7c4b.** **Janet Kay Dietz**, m. Phillip Baum. Child of Phillip and Janet Kay Dietz Baum:
7c4b1 Angelia Marie



The Oliver H. Drone Family

First Generation

- 8.** **Oliver H. Drone**, b. June 8, 1857 & d. November 1, 1947, m. Sabina "Sally" Klaffer, b. 1865 & d. 1941, daughter of Pondell and Klaffer. Children of Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone:
- 8a Frank H.
 - 8b Steven
 - 8c Anthony
 - 8d Catherine
 - 8e Susan Mary
 - 8f Rosalia

Second Generation:

Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone's Children

- 8a.** **Frank H. Drone**, m. Mary Zelch, daughter of John and Teresa Zelch. Children of Frank H. and Mary Zelch Drone:
- 8a1 John A.
 - 8a2 Bernard
 - 8a3 Christine

- 8a4 Paul
 8a5 Wilford
 8a6 Leonard
 8a7 Aloysius
 8a8 Joseph
- 8b. Steven Drone**²⁸¹, d. in childhood
- 8c. Anthony Drone**, d. in childhood
- 8d. Catherine Drone**, b. 1893, m. Edward Wenzel, b. 1894, son of Wendel Wenzel, b. 1859 & d. 1931 and Frances Sauer, b. 1864 & d. 1948. Children of Edward and Catherine Drone Wenzel:
 8d1 Louise
 8d2 Earl
- 8e. Susan Mary Drone**, b. April 13, 1897 & d. October 20, 1962, m. George L. Zilch, b. July 1, 1895. Children of George L. and Susan Mary Drone Zilch:
 8e1 Frances C.
 8e2 Viola C.
 8e3 Louis L.
- 8f. Rosalia Drone**, m. Frank Jones. Children of Frank and Rosalia Drone Jones:
 8f1 Sabina Kathleen
 8f2 Margaret Rosalia
 8f3 James Bernard
 8f4 Mary Annette

Third Generation:

Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone's Grandchildren

- 8a1. John A. Drone**, b. 1910 in IL & d. 1968, m. Lucy Muensterman, b. 1911 in IL, daughter of Martha Ann Mossman²⁸² and Carl H. Muensterman. Children of John A. and Lucy Muensterman Drone:
 8a1a Charles
 8a1b Cletus
 8a1c Dorothy
 8a1d Dolores
 8a1e Hubert
 8a1f Michael
- 8a2. Bernard H. Drone**, b. 1911 & d. 1979; m. Mary E. Barwe. Children of Bernard H. and Mary E. Barwe Drone:
 8a2a Robert R.
 8a2b Jerry F.
 8a2c Bernard Jr.
 8a2d Gayla Ann
 8a2e Frank
 8a2f Jacqueline

²⁸¹ Steven Drone (#8b) and his brother Anthony (#8c) died of diphtheria.

²⁸² Martha Ann Mossman's parent's were Frank Mossman and Kate Debous.

- 8a3.** **Christine Drone**, d. in infancy
- 8a4.** **Paul Lewis "Tite" Drone**, m. Margaret Brugger. Child of Paul and Margaret Brugger Drone:
 8a4a Margaret Louise
- 8a5.** **Wilford C. "Doc" Drone**, m. Catherine L. Muich. Children of Wilford C. and Catherine L. Muich Drone:
 8a5a Barbara
 8a5b Mary Susan
 8a5c Joan
 8a5d Daniel
- 8a6.** **Leonard Drone**, m. Bernice Catherine Boulds. Children of Leonard and Bernice Catherine Boulds Drone:
 8a6a Janet Lee
 8a6b Leonard Patrick
 8a6c Mary Christine
- 8a7.** **Aloysius "Wick" Drone**, m. Margaret Mitchell. Children of Aloysius and Margaret Mitchell Drone:
 8a7a Donald Mitchell
 8a7b Marietta
 8a7c Steven
 8a7d David
 8a7e Kenny
- 8a8.** **Joseph Marion Drone**, b. November 23, 1926, m. Anna Marie Wagner; Children of Joseph Marion and Anna Marie Wagner Drone;
 8a8a Diane Marie
 8a8b Ronald Joseph
 8a8c Donna Delores
 8a8d Brenda Elaine
 8a8e Gregory Lee
 8a8f Lori Ann
- 8d1.** **Louise Wenzel**, m. Martin Abell. Children of Martin and Louise Wenzel Abell:
 8d1a Don
 8d1b Linda
 8d1c Robert
 8d1d Earl
 8d1e Larry
 8d1f Cathy
 8d1g Patrick
- 8d2.** **Earl E. Wenzel**, b. 1921, m. Hazel L. Dietz, b. 1922. Children of Earl E. and Hazel L. Dietz Wenzel:
 8d2a Earl E. Jr.
 8d2b Judy
 8d2c Kenneth
 8d2d Michael Joseph

- 8e1.** **Frances C. Zilch**, m. James Raphael Spahr. Children of James Raphael and Frances C. Zilch Spahr:
8e1a Bernard R.
8e1b Teresa F.
- 8e2.** **Viola C. Zilch**, m. Ernest J. Ralph. Children of Ernest J. and Viola C. Zilch Ralph:
8e2a George
8e2b Ronald
- 8e3.** **Louis L. Zilch**, m. Lucille; Children of Louis L. and Lucille Zilch:
8e3a Carolyn (twin of Cathy)
8e3b Cathy (twin of Carolyn)
8e3c Carl
8e3d Theresa
8e3e Bernice
8e3f Sharon
- 8f1.** **Sabina Kathleen Jones**, m. Harold Brown. Children of Harold and Sabina Kathleen Jones Brown:
8f1a Carolyn Sue
8f1b James Alan
- 8f2.** **Margaret Rosalia Jones**, m. Harold Lee Akes. Children of Harold Lee and Margaret Rosalia Jones Akes:
8f2a Constance Denise
8f2b Kerry Michael
- 8f3.** **James Bernard Jones**, m. Velma Mae Klaffer. Children of James Bernard and Velma Mae Klaffer Jones:
8f3a Johnny Ray
8f3b Jimmie Lee
8f3c Jerry Bernard
- 8f4.** **Mary Annette Jones**, m. Richard Douglas Abell. Children of Richard Douglas and Mary Annette Jones Abell:
8f4a Cheryl Lynn
8f4b Richard Scott
8f4c Jeffrey Thomas
8f4d Steven Douglas
8f4e David Kurt
8f4f Angela Marie

Fourth Generation:

Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone's Great-Grandchildren

- 8a1a.** **Charles Drone**, b. 1934 in IL, m. June Kingery, b. 1937 in IN. Children of Charles and June Kingery Drone:
8a1a1 Larry Dale
8a1a2 Beth Ann
8a1a3 Karen Sue
8a1a4 Becky Jo

- 8a1b.** **Cletus Drone**, m. Patsy Browning. Children of Cletus and Patsy Browning Drone:
 8a1b1 Mark Anthony
 8a1b2 Timothy Eugene
 8a1b3 Phillip Andrew
 8a1b4 Tara Jane
- 8a1c.** **Dorothy Drone**, m. James Louis Spahr. Children of James Louis and Dorothy Drone Spahr:
 8a1c1 Madonna Marie
 8a1c2 Louis Gilbert
 8a1c3 Judith Ann
- 8a1d.** **Dolores Drone**, m. James Schmitt. Child of James and Dolores Drone Schmitt:
 8a1d1 Terry Joe
- 8a1e.** **Hubert Drone**, m. Linda Baldwin. Children of Hubert and Linda Baldwin Drone:
 8a1e1 Michelle Dawn
 8a1e2 Susan Nicole
- 8a1f.** **Michael Drone**, m. Martha Starto. Children of Michael and Martha Starto Drone:
 8a1f1 Michael Anthony
 8a1f2 Jon Kelly
 8a1f3 Marie Rachel
- 8a2a.** **Robert R. Drone**, m. Mary Lou Girs. Children of Robert R. and Mary Lou Girs Drone:
 8a2a1 Bret
 8a2a2 Jeff
 8a2a3 Chris
 8a2a4 Lisa
 8a2a5 Beth
- 8a2b.** **Jerry F. Drone**, m. Terry Banen. Children of Jerry F. and Terry Banen Drone:
 8a2b1 Denise
 8a2b2 Danny
 8a2b3 Daron
 8a2b4 DeAnn
 8a2b5 Debbie
- 8a2c.** **Bernard Drone, Jr.**, m. Margaret Moore. Children of Bernard Jr. and Margaret Moore Drone:
 8a2c1 Connie
 8a2c2 Cindy
 8a2c3 Angie
 8a2c4 Kristy
- 8a2d.** **Gayla Ann Drone**, m. Jay Arendt. Children of Jay and Gayla Ann Drone Arendt:
 8a2d1 Steven J.
 8a2d2 Scott B.
 8a2d3 Terri L.

- 8a2e.** **Frank Drone**, m. Donna Schweikart. Children of Frank and Donna Schweikart
Drone:
8a2e1 John
8a2e2 Mike
- 8a2f.** **Jacqueline Drone**, m. Jim Kinsler. Children of Jim and Jacqueline Drone
Kinsler:
8a2f1 Sean
8a2f2 Josh
- 8a4a.** **Margaret Louise Drone**, m. Thomas Everett. Children of Thomas and Margaret
Louise Drone Everett:
8a4a1 Angela Melissa
8a4a2 Charlotte
- 8a6a.** **Janet Lee Drone**, m. James Lee Stalcup. Children of James Lee and Janet Lee
Drone Stalcup:
8a6a1 James Michael
8a6a2 Catherine Lenore
8a6a3 Tiffany Leanne
- 8a6b.** **Leonard Patrick Drone**, m. Darlene Madonna Naas, daughter of Roberta Drone
Naas - Lewis Drone family. Children of Leonard Patrick and Darlene Madonna
Naas Drone:
8a6b1 Patrick Gregory
8a6b2 Michael Todd
- 8a6c.** **Mary Christine Drone**, m. William Boyd Scherrer. Children of William Boyd and
Mary Christine Drone Scherrer:
8a6c1 William Anthony "Tony"
8a6c2 Leonard Allen
8a6c3 Bryan Scott
8a6c4 James Eric
- 8a7a.** **Donald Mitchell Drone**, m. Kaye Folz. Children of Donald Mitchell and Kaye
Folz Drone:
8a7a1 Donette
8a7a2 Erinn
8a7a3 Jennifer
- 8a7b.** **Marietta Drone**, m.1. Lenny Anderson, m.2. Bill Barnett. Children of Lenny and
Marietta Drone Anderson:
8a7b1 Lisa
8a7b2 Lori
8a7b3 Joey
Child of Bill and Marietta Drone Barnett:
8a7b4 Steven
- 8a7c.** **Steven Drone**²⁸³, d.

²⁸³ Steven Drone was killed in an auto accident.

- 8a8a.** **Diane Marie Drone**, m. James McKinney; Children of James and Diane Marie Drone McKinney:
 8a8a1 Amy Jo
 8a8a2 Neal James
- 8a8b.** **Ronald Joseph Drone**, m. Brenda Byers
- 8a8c.** **Donna Delores Drone**, m. Wallace Winge. Children of Wallace and Donna Delores Drone Winge:
 8a8c1 Craig Wallace
 8a8c2 Brian Thomas
- 8a8d.** **Brenda Elaine Drone**, m. Donald Rogers. Children of Donald and Brenda Elaine Drone Rogers:
 8a8d1 Donald Ray
 8a8d2 Jason
- 8d1a.** **Don Abell**, ordained to the priesthood on May 1, 1976²⁸⁴.
- 8d1b.** **Linda Abell**, m. Charles McGuire, son of John C. and Pauline Drone McGuire - Lewis Drone family. Children of Charles and Linda Abell McGuire:
 8d1b1 Tim
 8d1b2 Mark
 8d1b3 Jerome
- 8d1c.** **Robert Abell**²⁸⁵, m. Barbara Cull. Children of Robert and Barbara Cull Abell:
 8d1c1 Bobby
 8d1c2 David
 8d1c3 Holly
- 8d1d.** **Earl R. Abell**, m. Barbara Haberman. Child of Earl R. and Barbara Haberman Abell:
 8d1d1 Leann
- 8d1e.** **Larry Abell**, m. Mary Ellen Edwards. Child of Larry and Mary Ellen Edwards Abell:
 8d1e1 Lisa
- 8d1f.** **Cathy Abell**, m. Bill Harmon. Child of Bill and Cathy Abell Harmon:
 8d1f1 Michael
- 8d1g.** **Patrick Abell**, m. Linnie Walters
- 8d2a.** **Earl E. Wenzel, Jr.**, m. Christine Allen. Child of Earl E. and Christine Allen Wenzel:
 8d2a1 Elizabeth Earlene
- 8d2b.** **Judy Wenzel**, m. Robert L. Wilson. Children of Robert L. and Judy Wenzel Wilson:

²⁸⁴ Rev. Don Abell was ordained at St. Joseph's Church in Ridgway, Illinois by Bishop Albert R. Zuroweste. Rev. Father was the first ordination to be held in the church at Ridgway.

²⁸⁵ Robert Abell is a M/Sgt.

8d2b1 Jennifer Ann
8d2b2 Robert

8d2c. **Kenneth Wenzel**, m. Rebecca VanBibber. Child of Kenneth and Rebecca VanBibber Wenzel:
8d2c1 Kimberly Jane

8d2d. **Michael Joseph Wenzel**, m. Susan Churchwell. Children of Michael Joseph and Susan Churchwell Wenzel:
8d2d1 Kelli Michele
8d2d2 Kathi Jo
8d2d3 Kerri Susan

8e1a. **Bernard R. Spahr**, m. Dorothy Punt. Children of Bernard R. and Dorothy Punt Spahr:
8e1a1 Kevin
8e1a2 Brian

8e1b. **Teresa F. Spahr**, m. Norman Barnett. Children of Norman and Teresa F. Spahr Barnett:
8e1b1 Denise
8e1b2 Karla

8e2a. **George Ralph**, m. Janice Wyffels. Children of George and Janice Wyffels Ralph:
8e2a1 Robert P.
8e2a2 Michael J.
8e2a3 Sarah Ann

8e3a. **Carolyn Zilch**, d. in infancy

8e3b. **Cathy Zilch**, m. Robert LeGrave. Children of Robert and Cathy Zilch LeGrave:
8e3b1 Ronald
8e3b2 Brian

8e3c. **Carl Zilch**, m. Shirley

8e3f. **Sharon Zilch**, m. William LaGrave. Child of William and Sharon Zilch LaGrave:
8e3fa Samantha

Fifth Generation:

Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone's Great-Great-Grandchildren

8a1a1. **Larry Dale Drone**, b. 1957 in IL, m. Tammy Marenhoz, b. 1959 in IN. Children of Larry Dale and Tammy Marenhoz Drone:
8a1a1a Fred
8a1a1b John
8a1a1c Matthew

8a1a2. **Beth Ann Drone**, b. 1965 in IN, m. Michael Wead, b. 1965 in TX. Children of Michael and Beth Ann Drone Wead:
8a1a2a Courtney
8a1a2b Brittney

- 8a1a2c Kailyn
- 8a1a3.** **Karen Sue Drone**, b. 1967 in IN
- 8a1a4.** **Becky Jo Drone**, b. 1971 in IN, m. Bobby Jo Oldham, b. 1970 in IN. Child of Bobby Jo and Becky Jo Drone Oldham:
- 8a1a4a Baylee Jo
- 8a2d1.** **Steven J. Arendt**, m. Rebecca J. Datuin
- 8a2d2.** **Scott B. Arendt**, m. Michelle L. Farnam
- 8a2d3.** **Terri L. Arendt**, m. Raymond L. Sippel

Sixth Generation:

Oliver H. and Sabina Klaffer Drone's Great-Great-Great-Grandchildren

- 8a1a1a.** **Fred Drone**, b. 1975 in IN
- 8a1a1b.** **John Drone**, b. 1978 in IN
- 8a1a1c.** **Matthew Drone**, b. 1983 in IN
- 8a1a2a.** **Courtney Wead**, b. 1988 in TX
- 8a1a2b.** **Brittney Wead**, b. 1991 in TX
- 8a1a2c.** **Kailyn Wead**, b. 1994 in TX
- 8a1a4a.** **Baylee Jo Oldham**, b. 1997 in IN



The George Drone Family

First Generation

9. **George W. Drone**, b. February 20, 1860 & d. August 16, 1953, m.1. Mary Etta Abell, b. 1867 & d. January 8, 1891, daughter of Benjamin Abell, m.2. Mary Gerstenfeld, b. 1871 & d. 1922. Children of George W. and Mary Etta Abell Drone:
9a Benjamin
9b Estella

Second Generation:

George W. and Mary Etta Abell Drone's Children

- 9a. **Benjamin Drone**, m. Julia Foster, daughter of Edward Foster and Mary Lamb. Children of Benjamin and Julia Foster Drone:
9a1 Edward
9a2 George
9a3 Veria
9a4 Mary Catherine
- 9b. **Estella Drone**, became Sister Mary Rose of the Servites of Mary (S.O.M.)

Third Generation:

George W. and Mary Etta Abell Drone's Grandchildren

- 9a1.** **Edward Drone**, m. Gertrude Burkemper. Children of Edward and Gertrude Burkemper Drone:
9a1a Edward R. Jr.
9a1b Robert Benjamin
- 9a3.** **Veria Drone**, m. Charles Bernard Slattery. Children of Charles Bernard and Vernia Drone Slattery:
9a3a Kathleen Ann
9a3b Elizabeth Ann
9a3c Janet Marie
9a3d Michael Bernard
- 9a4.** **Mary Catherine Drone**, m. George Weinheimer. Child of George and Mary Catherine Drone Weinheimer:
9a4a Mary Shirley

Fourth Generation:

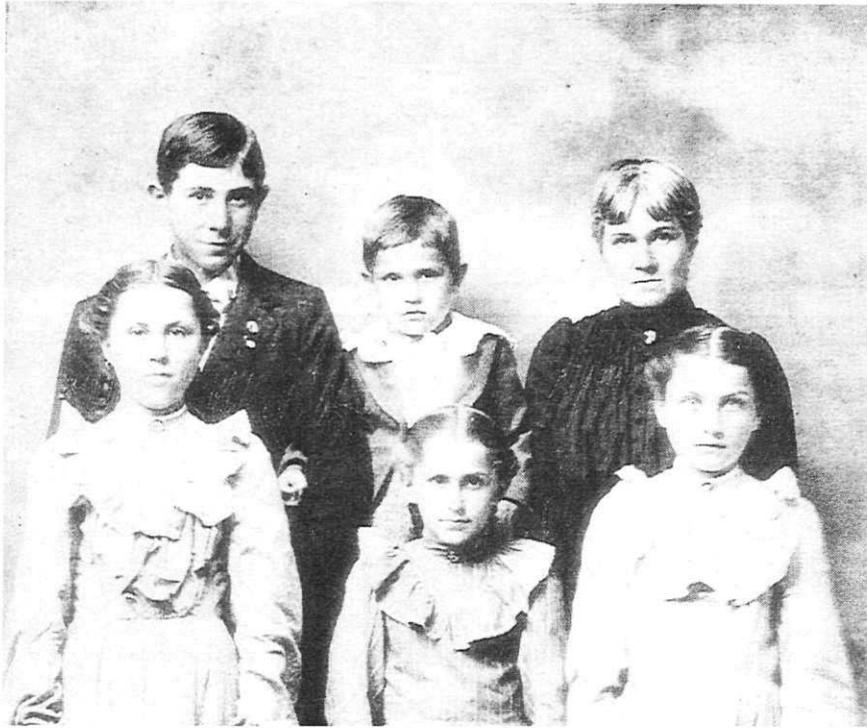
George W. and Mary Etta Abell Drone's Great-Grandchildren

- 9a1b.** **Robert Benjamin Drone**, m. Susan Shelby. Children of Robert Benjamin and Susan Shelby Drone:
9a1b1 Paula Lynn
9a1b2 Robert James
- 9a3a.** **Kathleen Ann Slattery**, m. Timothy John Houghton. Children of Timothy John and Kathleen Ann Slattery:
9a3a1 Nicholas
9a3a2 Timothy John
- 9a3b.** **Elizabeth Ann Slattery**, m. Michael Keith Bolen. Children of Michael Keith and Elizabeth Ann Slattery Bolen:
9a3b1 Michael Keith
9a3b2 Eric
- 9a3c.** **Janet Marie Slattery**, m. Michael McCormick Sayers
- 9a4a.** **Mary Shirley Weinheimer**, m. Steve Blank. Child of Steve and Mary Shirley Weinheimer Blank:
9a4a1 Marsha Lynn

Fifth Generation:

George W. and Mary Etta Abell Drone's Great-Great-Grandchild

- 9a1b1.** **Paula Lynn Drone**, m. Buddy "Edward" Lawson. Child of Buddy and Paula Lynn Drone Lawson:
9a1b1a Michelle



The Carolina Drone Febuary Family

First Generation

- 10.** **Carolina P. Drone**, b. July 25, 1864 & d. March 13, 1948; m. Neuma J. Febuary²⁸⁶, b. June 13, 1861 & d. May 7, 1900. Children of Neuma J. and Carolina P. Drone Febuary:
- 10a Joseph
 10b Elizabeth
 10c Mary
 10d Clara May
 10e Ulysses

Second Generation:

Carolina Drone Febuary's Children

- 10a.** **Joseph Febuary**, b. July 25, 1886; m.1 Louise Isabella Kohl, b. 1887 & d. July 12, 1958, daughter of Roman Kohl and Philippine Ottmann, m.2. Laurentine Seiner. Children of Joseph and Louise Isabella Kohl Febuary:
- 10a1 Richard
 10a2 Edward

²⁸⁶ Neuma's father was an orphan.

- 10b.** **Elizabeth "Lizzie" Febuary**, b. 1889 & d. 1970; m. Thomas Aubrey "Arb" Mills, b. 1889 & d. 1968. Children of Thomas Aubrey and Elizabeth Febuary Mills:
 10b1 Loretta
 10b2 Carl
- 10c.** **Mary Febuary**, b. December 31, 1891; m. Henry Hish. Child of Henry and Mary Febuary Hish:
 10c1 Louise
- 10d.** **Clara May Febuary**, b. January 20, 1894 & d. May 26, 1939
- 10e.** **Ulysses J. Febuary**, b. June 15, 1898

Third Generation:

Carolina Drone Febuary's Grandchildren

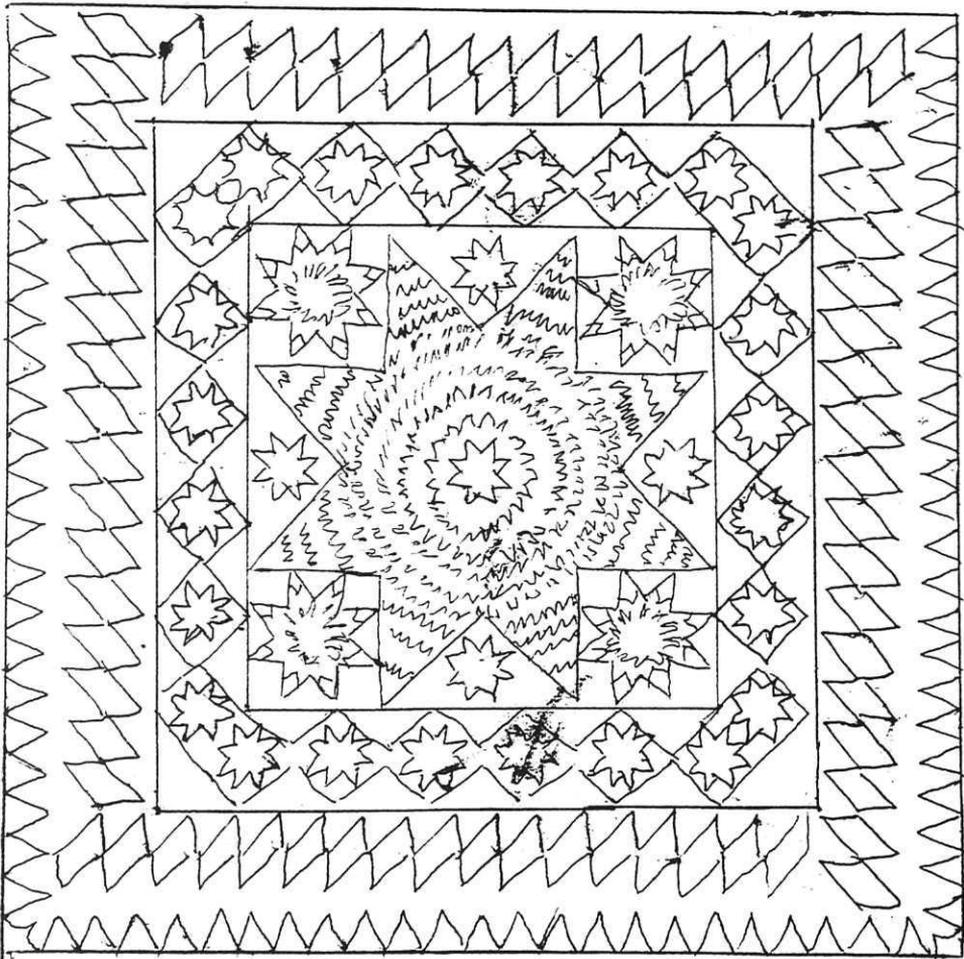
- 10a1.** **Richard Febuary**, m. Doris McDaniel. Child of Richard and Doris McDaniel Febuary:
 10a1a Richard, Jr.
- 10a2.** **Edward Febuary**, m. Kathleen Abell. Children of Edward and Kathleen Abell Febuary:
 10a2a Debra
 10a2b Michael
 10a2c Susan
 10a2d Donna
 10a2e Steve
- 10b1.** **Loretta Mills**, m. Norbert Seely. Children of Norbert and Loretta Mills Seely:
 10b1a Deloras
 10b1b Donna
 10b1c Norbert
- 10b2.** **Carl Mills**, m. Evadeen Roe. Children of Carl and Evadeen Roe Mills:
 10b2a David
 10b2b Susan
- 10c1.** **Louise Hish**, m. Lambert Abell. Children of Lambert and Louise Hish Abell:
 10c1a John
 10c1b Tom
 10c1c Helen Lou
 10c1d Mary Ann
 10c1e Kathleen
 10c1f Charles
 10c1g Robert
 10c1h Carolyn
 10c1i Alice
 10c1j Linda
 10c1k Wanda

Fourth Generation:

Carolina Drone Febuary's Great-Grandchildren

- 10a1a.** **Richard Febuary Jr.**, m. Terri Lynn Atkins. Child of Richard and Terri Lynn
Atkins Febuary:
10a1a1 Landon James
- 10a2a.** **Debra Febuary**, m. Fred Collins. Children of Fred and Debra Febuary Collins:
10a2a1 Shela
10a2a2 Joseph
- 10a2b.** **Michael "Mike" Febuary**, m. Diana Bard. Child of Michael and Diana Bard
Febuary:
10a2b1 LaDawn
- 10a2c.** **Susan Febuary**, m. Kevin Dunn
- 10a2d.** **Donna Febuary**, m. Brent Browning. Child of Brent and Donna Febuary
Browning:
10a2d1 Ryan Brent
- 10b1a.** **Deloras Seely**, m. Fred Lelurno
- 10b1b.** **Donna Seely**, m. Robert Cozad
- 10b2b.** **Susan Mills**, m. Danny Stevens
- 10c1d.** **Mary Ann Abell**, m. James Pankaw
- 10c1e.** **Kathleen Abell**, m. Bob Sims
- 10c1i** **Alice Abell**, m. Vernon Griswold

Part IV: Francis “Frank” Drone and Calista Combs



Lives and Times of Frank Drone and Calista Combs

Frank Drone was born December 2, 1840 in Stonelick Township, Clermont County, Ohio, named Francis J. after his grandfather Francois the winegrower of Hudiviller, France, but always called "Frank". Calista Combs was born September 22, 1851 in Gallatin County, Illinois, named Elender Calista, known as "Listy" or, less frequently, as "Ellie". The story of her youth and ancestors follows later in this volume and in more detail in Volume II, *Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*.

By all accounts Frank was lively, energetic, adventuresome, mischievous, life-loving, fun-loving and just plain loving. But underneath it all he was a very serious, focused, private person.²⁸⁷ He was shorter in stature than his siblings as shown in family pictures in Part III of this book; his Civil War records, copies of which follow, list him as 5' 6 ½", fair of complexion, with brown hair. Certainly he was the product not only of Joseph F. and Margaret's upbringing, but also the influences of his grandfathers Francois and Jean Louis. Frank lived close to both of his grandfathers for the first sixteen years of his life.

Frank's first formal appearance in the records was the 1850 U. S. Census²⁸⁸ where he was nine years old with four younger brothers. But Frank makes an informal appearance earlier through several anecdotes told by his grandson Marion,²⁸⁹ who says Frank did not like school and did not want to go. Frank's father Joseph F. would personally take Frank to school, leave him there, and return home. By the time Joseph F. would get home, Frank would already be back home, obviously having outrun his father by a route known only to Frank. One day after Joseph F. and Margaret had succeeded in convincing Frank to stay at school, Frank was laughing out loud in the middle of class. When the teacher asked him what was so funny Frank said, "Two bugs are chasing each other all around on my desk; they fell out of the bushy hair of the girl in front of me."

In 1857, at age 16 ½, Frank and siblings accompanied their parents to their new home in Gallatin County, Illinois. According to granddaughter Norma,²⁹⁰ the males of the household built a large log house. They had to cut the trees and get the bark and limbs off in order to make the log house, but it was worth it to them to have a permanent home after sleeping under the stars or in the wagon en route to Gallatin County.

The next information about Frank comes from the 1860 U. S. Census for Illinois, Gallatin County. Here Frank, age twenty, is shown twice: first with his parents²⁹¹ and then with brother John, on Stiles farm²⁹² as "Farm Hands", presumably augmenting family income.

²⁸⁷ See various first hand accounts, by descendants who knew him, recounted elsewhere in this section.

²⁸⁸ 1850 Census, Clermont County, Ohio, pg. 108, line 794.

²⁸⁹ Interview, Marion Kohl, 28 April, 1996.

²⁹⁰ Interviews with Norma (Kohl) Wright (Mrs. Wallace Wright; 6420 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63117), by Rebecca Wright throughout July 1989. Transcripts held in 2000 by R. Wright (Suite 392, 125 N. Executive Dr., Brookfield, WI). Mrs. Wright is now deceased.

²⁹¹ Joseph Drone household, 1860 U. S. Census, Gallatin County, Illinois, population schedule, T9R8, Equality post office, pg. 7 (1014), dwelling/family 1093; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 180.

²⁹² William H. Stiles household, 1860 U. S. Census, Gallatin Co., IL, population schedule, New Market Twn, New Market post office, pg. 2 (944), dwelling/family 611; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 180.

Civil War records about Frank are copied on the following pages²⁹³ and much of this War narrative was taken from those records. It was on October 1, 1862 that Frank enlisted at New Market for service in the Civil War of Rebellion. He was a Private in Company E, Fourteenth Regiment, Illinois Cavalry. He served until August 21, 1865 when he received an honorable disability discharge. He was in Sherman's March to the Sea and was shot through the shoulder, neck and jaw while on duty early August 1864 in Marietta, Georgia. From the date of enlistment Frank owned and "kept in service a serviceable horse equipments", as shown on the following records.

The Fourteenth Cavalry was assembled in the autumn and winter of 1862, according to Regiment History in the Adjutant General's Report, and after preparation, discipline and drills the men started for the front 28 March 1863.²⁹⁴ The History goes on to say the 14th Cavalry spent the summer and autumn of 1863 in successful battles covering thousands of miles in and around Tennessee. In early December 1863 the regiment suffered a setback but recouped by mid-December and despite severe battles into North Carolina and environs for the next several months, the regiment generally prevailed. By summer 1864 these troops were in Georgia, again in the midst of hot battle. On August 3, 1864 the 14th Regiment, having been betrayed by a treacherous guide, suffered numerous losses. It was at this time that Frank was wounded at Marietta; the official records show different dates for the wounding, one August 2nd and the other August 8, 1864.

Frank's wound is described variously in the attached records as: "wounded through the sholder and neck while on duty Aug 8 '64 Marietta Ga"; "Penetrating gun shot wound of neck & face"; "Ball pass 'g L. of 7" + vertebra, ranging forward & outward emerging right side of inferior maxilla, fracturing R. side of inferior maxilla, fracture disunited"; and "Compound comminuted, ununited, gunshot fracture of inferior maxilla, right side". Frank was sick in the hospital in Marietta, Georgia, Louisville, Kentucky and Keokuk, Iowa; the latter, where the majority of his stay occurred, reports Frank's character in the hospital as "good".

Some stories augment the official reports. For instance, a 1917 newspaper article²⁹⁵ states that "He took part in numerous battles and engagements and in the Battle of Lookout Mountain was so seriously wounded in the jaw, neck and shoulder that his recovery was despaired of for some time. Gradually his sound constitution overcame the injuries so that he could be mustered out at Keokuk. He still has pieces of the saddle and of the horse's bit he used at the time he was wounded".

²⁹³ Transmittal from National Archives, Washington, D.C. to Michael Mullin, 3722 Inwood Ave., New Orleans, LA, September 15, 1989; copy held in 2000 by Rebecca Wright, (Ste. 392, 125 No. Executive Dr., Brookfield, WI 53005).

²⁹⁴ 14th Illinois Cavalry Regiment History, Adjutant General's Report, The Illinois USGenWeb Project, on line <www.rootsweb.com/~ilcivilw/history/c14cav.htm>, printout 23 June 1998.

²⁹⁵ [anonymous] "Francis J. Drone", *The Messenger*, St. John's Orphanage Edition (Belleville, Ill.:Joseph N. Beuchler, 1919), 104.

Grandson Stephen's wife Becky writes²⁹⁶ that the enemy took Frank's belongings and he heard them discussing whether to shoot him again but they decided not to waste any more gunpowder and left him for dead. Though writhing in pain, he knew his only chance was to lie still as if dead until they went on. Sure enough, this worked and his buddies found him in time to get medical aid and save his life. Unpleasant though it was, this did not spoil his zest for living and the enjoyment he had throughout a long life. Frank wore a beard his whole life to hide the scars, reports his granddaughter Norma.²⁹⁷

U 114 Cav. | III.

Francis Drone

....., Co. B 14, Reg't Illinois Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Descriptive Book

of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 22 years; height 5 feet 6 1/2 inches.

Complexion Fair

Eyes Blue; hair Brown

Where born France

Occupation Farmer

ENLISTMENT.

When Oct 1, 1862.

Where Newmarket Ill

By whom Capt Cran; term 3 y'rs.

Remarks: Wounded through the
Shoulder & neck while on
duty Aug 18 '64 Maritta Ga
Transf'd to Co E

31306291

*ball passing L. of 7" +
vertebra, ranging forward
& outward emerging right side
of inferior maxilla, fracturing
R. side of inferior maxilla,
fracture disunited -*

+ Roll torn -

²⁹⁶ Letter from Rebecca (Burns) Drone (Mrs. Stephen Drone; 904 Agnew Rd.; Pulaski, TN 38478) to Rebecca Wright, 25 October 1999; held in 2000 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005).

²⁹⁷ Interviews, Norma (Kohl) Wright, July 1989.

W | 14 Cav. | Ill.

Francis Droné
Pvt., Co. E, 14 Reg't Illinois Cavalry.

Appears on Returns as follows:

March 1863: Droné's
to Co. E mch. 1
63 at Peoria, Ill.
Sept. to Dec. 64: Absent
sick in Hoop. Ma-
ratta, Ga. Aug.
24, 64.

Jan. 65: Absent sick
Hoop. Lawrence Ky.

Aug. 25, 64.
Feb. 65: Absent sick
in Hoop. Keokuk,
Iowa. Aug. 25, 65.

Apr. to June 65: Absent
sick in Hoop.
Aug. 24, 64. Res.
Kuk, Iowa.

Book mark:

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D | 14 Cav. | Ill.

Francis Droné
Pvt., Co. E, 14 Reg't Illinois Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Jan & Feb, 1864.

Present or absent. Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks: Owned and kept in service
a serviceable horse equipments
from Oct. 31 to Feb. 24, 1864 and
pay is due on horse from May the 23,
1863.

Book mark:

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ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES
CERTIFICATE
OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.



*Ref General Order No. 117 of 1865
 1st Regt of Cavalry
 1st Cavalry Regt
 1st Cavalry Regt
 1st Cavalry Regt*

Private Francis Drown, of Captain _____
 Company, (C) of the _____ 14th _____ Regiment of the United States
 was enlisted by *Capt. Grandle*
 the _____ Regiment of _____ at *New Market, Va.*
 on the *1st* day of *October*, 1862, to serve *three* years; he was born
 in _____ in the State of _____, is _____
 years of age, _____ feet _____ inches high, _____ complexion, _____ eyes,
 _____ hair, and by occupation when enlisted a _____ During the last two
 months said soldier has been unfit for duty *60* days.*

3rd Cav. case Holmes Jan. 9-85.

Capt. Drown
5

 Commanding Company.

I, _____ Surgeon, have personally examined the said *Francis Drown*
 of Captain *C. Co. 14th Cav.* Company, and find him incapable of performing the duties of a
 soldier because of *fracture of jawbone mandible, right side, said to have been*
received in battle at Pleasant Mountain Va Aug 2
1864. Disability one half.

Philip Farney

 Surgeon.

DISCHARGED, this *2nd* day of *August*, 1865 at *Keokuk*
Drown

Wm. G. ...
Surg. Maj. ...

 Commanding the Regt.

The Soldier desires to be addressed at
 Town _____ County _____ State _____

* See Note 1 on the back of this. † See Note 2 on the back of this.
 [A. G. O. No. 100 & 101—First.] [DUPLICATES.]

Marriage: After the War, Frank traveled extensively, visiting Washington and New York and many places of interest in the United States.²⁹⁸ He returned to Gallatin County where a former War buddy, Trenton Combs, who had been a prisoner-of-war, told Frank of the dilemma he encountered when he got back home: His younger sister, Elender Calista Combs, called "Listy" or "Ellie", was now all of fifteen-going-on sixteen years old and fully convinced she was going to be a spinster. Noting that Frank was unattached, Trenton managed to introduce the two; this led to the marriage of Frank and Calista by the end of 1867.²⁹⁹ Frank already had land on which to set up a home because during the War he had arranged for his father, Joseph F., to invest his Army pay by buying corner acres out of four forty acre tracts to hold until he could save enough money to buy each remaining thirty-nine acres.³⁰⁰

Family: One can extrapolate a sense of family life in the Frank and Calista home from stories told by their children and grandchildren. Maggie, their oldest daughter, and Noah their youngest son reminisced to their children who in turn have provided the following narratives for this book. Portions of this material are excerpted and interwoven into the remainder of this Part IV narrative and include: 1) interviews with Marion (Mack) Kohl 29 March 1995 and 28 April 1996; 2) interviews with Norma (Kohl) Wright throughout July 1989; and 3) a mailing from Rebecca (Burns) Drone 25 October 1999. These references have previously been documented fully in earlier footnotes within this book.

Calista/ Listy/ Ellie: Calista's substantial role in the evolvement of the Frank and Calista family line could easily be overlooked or understated because the facts and stories about her are so few in comparison to those about Frank. To avoid such oversight the following material brings together that which has been preserved in memory concerning this woman of substance and true character.

Listy's first known entry in records is in the 1860 U. S. Census; she is listed as eight years old and one of seven children still at home.³⁰¹ Others in the home at that time in addition to her father Jonathan, 53, and her mother Isavillah, 48, were Trenton, 18, soon to enlist in the Civil War; Martha E., 17; John N. P., 14; Thomas W., 11; Alice C., 5; and Samuel G., 3. By the 1870 census, only Isavillah, Alice and Samuel were still at home.

Listy loved nature; she loved to go out in the evening and watch the sunset. She probably appreciated and approved of all of Frank's hunting trips detailed later. One of those trips might have been an exception. He went "hunting" to New Orleans and was not back by the designated date. This caused Listy a prolonged period of deep concern. She expressed her worry that he had fallen prey to river gamblers on the Ohio or Mississippi River, which, in fact, turned out to have been the case. When he finally arrived home she was so glad to see her "Frankdrone", the name she called him her whole life, that she made no mention of her several months of anxious worrying.

²⁹⁸ "Francis J. Drone", *The Messenger*, 104.

²⁹⁹ Interview, Marion (Mack) Kohl, 29 March 1995.

³⁰⁰ Letter, Rebecca (Burns) Drone to Rebecca Wright, 25 October 1999.

³⁰¹ Jonathan Combs household, 1860 U. S. Census, Gallatin County, Illinois, population schedule, T9R9, Shawneetown or New Market post office, page 3 (947), dwelling/family 633; National Archives micropublication M653, roll 180.

But troubles were nothing new to Listy. During the first several years of her marriage she faced some formidable challenges. She lost at least one of the three infants/children she was ultimately to lose. Concurrently, although the youngest of nine siblings already out of her mother's home, at age eighteen she alone of all her siblings sought to provide for her needy father, whose story is covered in Addendum 1 of this book. Shortly after her extraordinary effort, her older brother Dr. George W. Combs assumed full responsibility for care of their father.

Listy demonstrates that ethnic tension was alive and well in her day, for she was quite displeased when her oldest daughter Maggie fell in love with a "loberin dutchman". But this was ethnic, not racial; some of Listy's direct ancestors are said to have participated in the Underground Railroad, a smuggling operation assisting southern slaves heading north. Siblings of Listy's ancestors, however, were in the opposite camp; they were slave owners in North Carolina and Tennessee, including the family of her grandmother's cousin who was Governor Trousdale of Tennessee. More about Listy's ancestry is related later in this volume and documented in detail in Volume II, *Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*.

"Listy was really a worker", says Marion. "She was the 'workingest' woman I ever saw; for instance; she made two quilts and a feather bed for each of their eight adult children. The feathers she plucked from her own geese."

In addition to the three children who died, Cora, Frederick and one whose name is not known, Listy bore eight children who lived into adulthood:

William Edward married Josephine MALONEY; Walter married Fannie WATHEN; Margaret married Emil KOHL; Josephine married William RIDER; Cleveland Lewis (Grover) married Anna Susan FISHER; Noah Alexander married Mary Elizabeth WATHEN; Carrie C. married Raymond KAUFMAN; Mary Emelia (Millie) married Mathew MILLS.



Margaret "Maggie" Drone/Kohl (left) with one of her sisters

Of Maggie, Josie, Carrie and Millie, Norma said "these women were all very beautiful."

Listy and Frank together seem to have been compatibly busy as they went about their respective tasks in life. "Francis J. Drone is one of the large landowners and prominent citizens of Ridgway, Illinois, being the proprietor of 800 to one thousand acres....[this] is

quite a credit to his ingenuity, considering he commenced with almost nothing³⁰² and had limited formal education. He had acquired enough land, as his father Joseph F. before him, to give all his children some acreage when they married. In addition to standard crops, some of the land was dedicated to vineyards for winemaking, skills learned from grandfather Francois. Though a busy farmer, he still had time to be a member of the Democratic Party.

Hunting: Stories about Frank abound. For example, the details of a New Orleans hunting trip are that Frank and his sister-in-law's husband went to Shawneetown and boarded one of the paddlewheel boats that steamed up and down the Ohio River. They returned 3-1/2 months later. They had been robbed of all their possessions and their only way of getting back home was to go on board a paddle-wheeler and work their way back to Shawneetown. There they got off the boat and walked fifteen miles home to Ridgway. Certainly they were in a bad physical condition when they arrived home.

On September 22, 1893 a Gallatin County newspaper reported the following: "Frank Drone is the champion squirrel hunter, he claims to have killed 104 squirrels at Willow Bend in three afternoons".³⁰³ In neighboring Kentucky, "Squirrels...had also become such public nuisance that every white male over the age of 16 was actually obliged to kill a certain number of them annually".³⁰⁴

Noah remembered his dad, Frank, as a great outdoorsman. Several times during the year he would get out his camping gear, load up the "hack" with fishing and hunting equipment and head for his land on Hulda Lake. It took half a day to get there from New Market, so he would stay a good while. A yarn that Noah liked to tell about his dad was "The Big Deer Hunt". In the winter of 1902 there were no longer any deer in Southern Illinois, or they seemed bigger and better elsewhere. A group of men went hunting in Arkansas. They were: Frank DRONE, Peck SMITH, Mr. CRAWFORD, and Mr. COMBS. Each man was responsible for some arrangement for the trip. Frank was to make train reservations; Peck was to get a keg of whiskey; Mr. COMBS to check the luggage; and Mr. CRAWFORD to crate the guns and ammunition. Items were to be at the Ridgway Depot on the afternoon before departure the next morning. At the designated time, all members of the hunting party boarded the train for Arkansas. Upon reaching their destination and unpacking, the gun crate was not to be found anywhere. When Mr. CRAWFORD was asked about it, he said, "by jingos, the crate is ready on my back porch at home." So there were the big hunters in Arkansas without their guns. Right away, Frank's son, Noah, received his first telegram telling him to put the crate of guns on the next train to Arkansas. A "P.S." at the end read: "Better send another keg of whiskey." Noah had to leave home at 4:00 a.m. to take the items by horse and wagon to Shawneetown. Frank did get his big deer.

³⁰² "Francis J. Drone," *The Messenger*, 104.

³⁰³ Shewmake, Shirley Cummins, *Gallatin County, Illinois Newspaper Abstracts*, multivolume (Harrisburg, Ill: no publisher, 1996), 101.

³⁰⁴ Chinn, George M., *The History of Harrodsburg and 'The Great Settlement Area' of Kentucky 1774-1900* (No place: G. M. Chinn, c. 1985), 77.

"He loves to go hunting", reports *The Messenger*³⁰⁵ in 1917, "and for such purpose has repeatedly visited southeastern Missouri, where game still abounds in sufficient quantity to make hunting interesting. In his younger years he ranked with the most successful hunters of southern Illinois, and even today he can shoulder a gun and find as much to shoot at as men one half his age."

Grandniece Pauline McGuire relates³⁰⁶ that Frank Drone was very well known because he was so active all of his life. He would often get on his horse and, accompanied by a friend named Smith, go great distances to numerous locations. This was unusual in those days, says Pauline, so Frank really stood out in all of Gallatin County.

Frank as Parent: Frank's parenting comes through in one story about daughter Maggie which Maggie's daughter Norma liked to repeat. For her sixteenth birthday Frank gave Maggie her own buggy for her horse. Shortly thereafter, already attracted to Emil Kohl, Maggie waited until she saw Emil coming down a narrow road and she started off in his direction and as they passed she "accidentally" got her buggy wheel locked to Emil's. This was the beginning of a love affair between the two which Frank did not approve of. Frank would not allow Maggie to use any family wood to burn in the parlor fireplace for courting purposes. Maggie's brother Walter cut Maggie her own pile of wood and dared Frank to touch it. Frank did not touch it, but he turned to pouring water on the fire once it was going, whereupon Walter once more intervened. Waiting until Maggie was old enough that parental approval was no longer necessary, the couple's plans for the marriage finally proceeded. At that point, Frank commissioned three seamstresses to make Maggie's wedding gown and, says grandchild Norma, Frank shed as much love on his Kohl grandchildren as on his Drone grandchildren.

Other than the quilt and featherbed information, the story of Listy as a mother needs to be derived from observations on her parenting provided by her daughters. Her oldest, Maggie, can serve as a reflection of Listy. Norma said her mother Maggie tenderly and individually loved each of her nine infants/children and somehow managed to give each one his/her own separate time. Norma often spoke of the mother-daughter relationship between herself and her mother Maggie: "We would sit on the back porch steps and watch the sunset together; she would brush my hair, counting 100 strokes each day; I laid on the bed next to her when she was pregnant and I, way too young to understand it all, asked her about the baby and she, with a twinkle in her eye said, "Oh just a bite of the old apple" and somehow I, though not comprehending, felt an enormous amount of wisdom had been conveyed to me; hot summer nights she would run cold water over my arms and that would cool me enough to go to sleep; she was always, always gentle."

Later Years: Listy lived to be 72 ½, dying February 6, 1925. Frank lived into his ninetieth year, dying January 29, 1930. In 1917 when Frank was in his 77th year, *The Messenger*³⁰⁷ reported "Although over seventy-five years of age this veteran of the Civil

³⁰⁵ "Francis J. Drone", *The Messenger*, 104.

³⁰⁶ Interview by phone with Pauline McGuire (P.O. Box 534, Ridgway, IL 62979) by Rebecca Wright May 2, 1998. Transcript held in 2000 by Wright (Suite 392, 125 No. Executive Dr., Brookfield, WI 53005).

³⁰⁷ "Francis J. Drone", *The Messenger*, 104.

War gives every indication of reaching the hundred mark, which his staunch integrity really deserves."

When Frank and Listy were old, they were cared for at their home place by Noah and his wife Mary. Many anecdotes circulate about Frank in his later life. One such story recounts that when Frank's daughters were gathered in the home and Frank was dozing, they would put on a record of "Marching Through Georgia" whereupon Frank would immediately get out of the chair and march around the house until the piece was over. At other times the four daughters would be huddling and giggling while exchanging stories about Frank's latest antics; one time he suspected that something was being said about him, whereupon he called out, "I'm not dead yet, girls." For the most part, however, he was unaware he was being watched so closely; "he was a very private person," said Norma.

On Sundays the family would get Frank ready for church in advance and have him seated on the front porch while they dressed. Frank lasted about three minutes in the chair, whereupon he would get up and storm around the porch exclaiming: "Where is everybody? I've been ready to go for a long time and everybody else takes too long to get dressed. We will be late for church!"

Listy continued enjoying her sunsets till near the end of her life, according to Marion. The night she died, her daughter-in-law Mary Wathen Drone gave birth to a daughter whom she and Noah called Ellen after Elender Calista. Five years later Frank died only a few weeks before Mary gave birth to Martha, and once again death and birth dramas played out in the homestead almost simultaneously.

"Grandpa Drone was quite a character, but he had a real conscience, I mean a real conscience," emphasized Norma, "I treasured him." Frank and Calista are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Ridgway at the top of the hill.

Addendum A: Calista Combs' Ancestors

Combs - Anderson – Pettit Dolin/Dolan - Trousdale – Clendennin

The narrative in this Addendum A is an overview from Volume II, *Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*, which volume contains fully documented facts.

Calista Combs' background was quite different from that of her husband Frank Drone, but the American melting-pot had been at work in both lives from birth, enabling a compatible happy marriage and family. Calista's paternal predecessors the Combs were English, not German as were some other Combs lines in the area. Her maternal line was mainly Scotch and English, having come to America via layovers in Ulster; the exception to this is the Dolin/Dolan line whose origin is not known with certainty. Calista's ancestors were Protestant, but she became Catholic when she married Frank.

Combs – Anderson – Pettit

by Hannah Combs Friedlander

Callista's father was Jonathan Pettit Combs, born in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky on February 22, 1806, the youngest child of seven born to Thomas Combs and Sarah Anderson Combs. Jonathan's father Thomas died in 1807, and his mother Sarah remarried in 1809. As a child, Jonathan was apprenticed to a tanner. Two years later, after the tanner's death, Jonathan was apprenticed again to a blacksmith, and learned that trade for several years. His sister Priscilla was apprenticed to the same household "to learn spinning." As a young man Jonathan left Kentucky and went first to southern Indiana and then to southern Illinois where he worked for a while as a blacksmith at the salt mines. On February 19, 1829 he married Icyvilla Dolan in Gallatin County. She was the daughter of Patrick Dolan and Mary Jane Trousdale Dolan Sullenger Patillo. Jonathan acquired land in Gallatin County and was a farmer as well as a blacksmith, and reportedly he was also an inn-keeper. In his old age, Jonathan wearied of his wife Icyvilla and divorced her, shortly thereafter marrying a much younger widow named Phebe Morris. They sold a large piece of his land, and she subsequently used up all the money and sent Jonathan packing, or so goes the story. He then was cared for by his daughter Calista Drone and her brother George Washington Combs, who was a physician in the area, until he died just two years after the second marriage. The children were upset; it is not known where Jonathan and Icyvilla are buried. Jonathan and Icyvilla's children were:

- Milton: (Sept. 24, 1831 - Sept. 23, 1834)
- Mary Jane: (Feb. 15, 1834 - Sept. 10, 1834)
- William Anderson: (Sept. 30, 1835 - Oct. 28, 1909); married 1866 Parthena Speck

- George Washington: (Feb. 23, 1838 - July 2, 1915); married 1868 Hannah E. Hemphill
- Lemuel Trenton: (Feb. 3, 1841 -); married 1867 Edith P. Rose
- Martha Elizabeth: (Oct. 10, 1843 -); probably married 1865 Michael Combs, her first cousin, son of Jonathan's brother David
- John Napoleon Bonaparte: (May 5, 1846 -); married 1865 Georgianna Phillips
- Thomas Wellington: (Dec. 20, 1848 - Jan. 13, 1932); married 1873 Henrietta Bennett
- Ellender Calista: (Sept. 22, 1851 - Feb. 6, 1925); married 1867 Francis Drone
- Alice Caroline: (Aug. 21, 1854 - after 1928); married by 1875 Michael Moore
- Samuel Gerry: (Apr. 7, 1857 - July 13, 1916); married 1883 E. Jennie Cooper.

Jonathan's father was **Thomas Combs**, born around 1774 in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, or Hampshire County (West) Virginia. He moved as a young man to Nelson County, Kentucky, where on December 25, 1793, he married **Sarah Anderson**. They moved shortly to Muhlenberg County, Kentucky, where he farmed land on Cypress Creek. Thomas and Sarah had the following children:

- Anderson: (1794-1863-4)
- Susannah: (1796 -)
- John: (1798 -)
- Thomas: (1800 - 1865)
- David: (1801 - 1846)
- Priscilla: (1804 -)
- **Jonathan Pettit: (1806 - 1872)**

Sarah Anderson's mother was named **Arabella**, of unknown family name (possibly Burton), who married a man named Anderson, whose first name is unknown. Arabella Anderson received a grant of land in Nelson County which was located almost adjacent to the location of Abraham Lincoln's 1821 birth. Romantic as this may seem, the facts are that Arabella and her later husband, John Ash, sold the land in 1797, so it is likely there is not even a passing acquaintance. Arabella had several Anderson children, and possibly had others with John Ash.

Thomas Combs' father was **another Thomas Combs**, born around 1740 in Hunterdon County, New Jersey or on Long Island. Around 1760 he married **Susannah Pettit**, daughter of Jonathan Pettit and his wife Mary. They moved to Hampshire County,

(West) Virginia, shortly thereafter, where he lived until his death in 1791. Susannah had died around 1785, and Thomas married Martha, surname unknown, who survived him. Thomas and Susannah had the following children (the two youngest may have been Martha's children):

- Jonas: (ca. 1762 - 1832)
- Jonathan: (ca 1764 - by 1845)
- Mary: (wife of Joseph White) (ca 1766 - after 1842)
- David: (ca 1768 - Jan. 19, 1801)
- Daniel: (ca 1770 - after 1852)
- Francis: (ca 1772 - by 1837)
- **Thomas: (ca 1774 - ca Jan. 16, 1807)**
- Moses: (ca 1776 - died under age 21)
- John: (ca 1778 - by 1842)

Except for Jonas, David and Thomas, death dates were estimated by examining court records in the settlement of their father's estate, still going on as late as 1845.

The father of this early Thomas Combs is not definitely known, but it is very likely that he came from Long Island where there were several families of the name, many of whom came to New Jersey, to Monmouth and Hunterdon Counties. Susannah Pettit's ancestors also came from the same area of Long Island. One of her ancestors, **Thomas Pettit**, was a founding member of Exeter, New Hampshire, where he signed the Exeter Compact in 1639, after having come to the Massachusetts Bay colony around 1630. There were also early Combses in the same place. Both Combses and Pettits came from England, the Pettits from the area around Saffron Walden.

The author of this Combs section, Hannah Combs Friedlander, is granddaughter of George Washington Combs, brother of Calista Combs. Hannah resides at 5126 Pepin Place, Madison, WI 53705.

Dolin/ Dolan – Trousdale – Clendennin

Calista's mother was Icyvillah/Isavilla Dolin/Dolan, in this section, spelled Isavilla Dolan. Isavilla is an unusual name, probably a version of Isabella. Isavilla was born October 18, 1812 in Missouri to Patrick and Mary (Trousdale) Dolan in conjunction with a wagon train heading to Missouri from what today is Clarksville, Tennessee and the area north of it in Kentucky. At some point in that trip Isavilla's father disappeared and her mother Mary returned to family in the Tennessee-Kentucky area who, by that time, were on their way

to Illinois. Mary re-married in Kentucky and joined family in Illinois; Isavilla grew up in Gallatin County in a large family of step-brothers and step-sisters. Being the oldest girl, she probably bore the load of helping care for her younger siblings.

Isavilla's first appearance by name in the records was not until some years later when at the age of 16½ she married Jonathan Combs 19 February 1829. It was on that record that her name was spelled "Dolin". The 1830 census shows the new couple living next door to her mother and stepfather and they remained in that same area their entire lives. Isavilla and Jonathan must have had a substantially positive relationship for several decades; those of their children about whom information is available were all solid citizens: Calista one of their youngest, George Washington the physician, Thomas Wellington the beloved blacksmith "Uncle Dellie", William Anderson and Lemuel Trenton the Civil War Veterans. It was after all but two of their children were out of the home that Jonathan divorced Isavilla. She did not attend the court proceedings and an agent, sent to her home to inform her of the action, reported that she had no comment. Isavilla was not known to be a reticent person, so indeed she had no comment.

The census taken that same year 1870 shows Isavilla and her two youngest, Alice fifteen and Samuel thirteen, living next door to her son John twenty-four and his wife Georgiana. Six years after that Isavilla died in 1876 at the age of sixty-four, having been involved in parenting and child-rearing almost to the end of her life.

Patrick Dolin/ Dolan: Patrick was the father of Isavilla Dolan Combs. Descendants spelled his name Dolan, and since no definite official record is available for him, that spelling will be used in this narrative. The only direct information uncovered so far about Patrick comes from a note written in 1936 and appended to a bedspread still extant in the home of descendant Marilyn Callahan, great, great, great, great granddaughter of Patrick; Marilyn resided in Kingsport, Tennessee in 1999. The note, written by Anna D. Combs Gahm, reads, "This bedspread was embroidered by my great grandmother [Mary Trousdale] in Tenn. about 120 years ago. [Great] grandfather Dolan who was a tailor drew the design and I suppose the cloth was homespun [from flax] and the lace handmade. Aunt Liz Sullivan [Isavilla's sister] said it was 80 years old when given to her. She kept it 10 and I've had it 38 years - gave it to me Sept. 1898." Marilyn says the bedspread has a wheat design on it and Patrick grew the flax in Tennessee where he also had a mercantile store. Several years after they created the bedspread, Patrick and Mary (Trousdale) Dolan were emigrating from the Montgomery County, Tennessee vicinity in wagon train to Missouri, probably the St. Louis-St Charles-Missouri River area which was the main destination of persons from that Tennessee-Kentucky border location. After arriving in Missouri, Mary gave birth to Isavilla Dolan and during that same time her husband Patrick was no longer in the picture.

Descendants have two versions about Patrick, the second of which seems more likely due to the certainty with which that line of descendants states it, versus the tentativeness with which the first-version line states their narrative. The first version is that it was Patrick's turn to be one of the scouts for the wagon train on a given day and he did not return to the emigrating party. He was then assumed captured by Indians since he was never heard from again; his fellow scouts had no explanation upon their return. The second version was that Patrick left his family and went elsewhere, possibly

Ireland. Records from Kentucky and from St. Louis can be pieced together to make a somewhat convincing point that Patrick became a full-time tailor and went into business in St. Louis. These records, as well as those of his possible ancestors, are expanded upon in Volume II, *Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*.

Mary Trousdale: Mary's full name is Mary Jane/Polly Trousdale Dolan Sullenger Patillo; she was the mother of Isavilla Dolan Combs. Regardless of where the truth about Patrick Dolan resides, Mary continued with the wagon train with infant Isavilla on pillows on the bench beside her. She managed her own wagon with the assistance of two young boys from the group. She watched for the opportunity to join a different train heading back eastward in order to return to her father's home. According to great, great granddaughter, Norma Kohl Wright, who had heard details of the trip as a child, Mary was driving what was called a four-span, meaning four horses. The other people who were in the train watched over her and helped her and the boys take care of the horses in the evening. This was very important because if something went wrong with a horse the whole company of travelers would have to be delayed. They made about sixteen miles a day, and in many places they had to cut their way through. These travelers had to ford little streams along the way, which meant finding the exact spot to cross while managing so the horses would step into the water in such a way as not to overturn the wagon and suffer the loss of possessions.

Mary had seen single parenting first hand in her own home as a child and she certainly knew about horses and wagons. She had been born 6 July 1793 to Alexander and Fannie (Clendennin) Trousdale, named Mary Jane but often called Polly, which was a common practice in those days. She had grown up in frontier circumstances in Montgomery County Tennessee near the Kentucky border. Contrary to some viewpoints, frontier living is not a matter of raw survival, but for both men and women is the intertwining combinations of complex problem solving; knowledge of many aspects of nature so as to best utilize its resources; cleverness in the use of those resources; many different forms of skilled labor and always long, long hours. In nineteen-year-old Mary's situation, it is almost impossible to imagine how she managed to cope with the additional pressures she faced in the short span of about one year. These amounted not only to the stress inherent in wagon-training across Illinois and into Missouri, but also to the disappearance of her husband en route added to giving birth for the first time in a strange land far from her home. These events led to her having to manage her own four-span wagon by herself at the same time she was nursing her newborn infant and grieving the loss of her husband.

Returning to the Tennessee-Kentucky border home area northwest of Nashville, Mary found her father and family moving westward into Illinois to settle in White County, just north of Gallatin County. Right away she married James Sullenger and they moved to Gallatin County, Illinois where James set up farming. Mary had another child 15 January 1814, fifteen months after Isavilla was born, and named him Alexander T. after her father. Shortly thereafter, James Sullenger died. On April 14, 1816, Mary/ "Polley" married John S. Patillo (Patillo is a Scotch name originally spelled Patilloch) and four years later, in 1820, the census reports them living close to Mary's father and other relatives in White County, Illinois. By the 1830 census the Patillos were back in Gallatin County next door to Jonathan and Isavilla Combs.

John S. and Mary Patillo had seven children. John S. died in 1832 in Texas where he had gone to procure land in preparation for moving the family there. Mary is on the 1840 census as head of a household with several younger children and one young couple with a child under five years old, surely a grandchild.

On the 1843-4 school term records she appears near Crawford, the same area she had been in for the 1840 census; she is shown as the parent of four children under twenty years of age. Crawford, Illinois was a village founded by families with names the same as those adjacent to her parents and grandparents in Tennessee and North Carolina. At the time of the 1843-4 school listing Mary was fifty-one years of age. That is the last record that can be found of her; she does not appear in cemetery records or on the 1850 census. So either she died before age fifty-seven or she married a fourth time thus becoming "invisible" in the records with a different last name, but record of such marriage cannot be found in Gallatin County or White County records. Ponderous was the life of Mary Jane/Polly Trousdale Dolan Sullenger Patillo.

Alexander Trousdale and Fannie Clendenin: Alexander and Fannie were the parents of Mary Jane/Polly. Alexander was born in Lancaster (now Dauphin) County, Pennsylvania on June 23, 1766 and was taken as an infant by his parents to Orange (now Alamance) County, North Carolina, the birthplace of Fannie. The Trousdale and Clendennin properties were close to each other and the many early records show the two families sometimes working and serving side by side. Thus it was certainly likely that Alexander and Fannie, daughter of William Clendennin, had known each other while growing up. In 1790 they married and, as newlyweds, undertook a long journey to just beyond the westernmost edge of settled territory in Tennessee which was, at that time, still part of the state of North Carolina. There they settled on bounty land given to Alexander's father for his service in the **Revolutionary War**.

To get to their new home the couple could not go directly west because of mountains and Indian territory. Rather, they went northwest by wagon to the **Cumberland Gap** and onto the **Wilderness Road** through Kentucky which **Daniel Boone** had marked out fifteen years earlier. South of Harrodsburg, Kentucky they took the **Cumberland Settlement Path** south to the area north of **Nashville** in Tennessee where they turned west and went to their property beyond today's **Clarksville, Tennessee**, at the junction of Blooming Grove Creek and the Cumberland River in today's Montgomery County. A visit to the property reveals land of lush growth and exceptionally scenic beauty even today. Shortly after they settled on the new location two nephews of Tennessee's later Governor Sevier were killed by Indians at the edge of the Trousdale property.



Sevier Station, Montgomery Co, TN

Fannie gave birth to their first child John Cornelius in 1792, to Mary Jane/Polly on July 6, 1793 and to James T. in 1795. In 1796 Fannie, on horseback in a storm carrying young James T., was killed by a falling tree limb which left James unharmed. As a result, very suddenly

Alexander was a single parent on the frontier during a period in which pioneer cabins were miles apart. Perhaps he took his three children under age four to the Valentine Sevier block house, a protective structure against Indian attack some eight miles away, in search of assistance. James T. subsequently lived to a least age 55 in White County, Illinois near his father's home.

In 1799 Alexander married Jean Nelson, probably the daughter of a well-known land speculator in the area. But by late 1799 he married Edah Pearce, suggesting that Jean either died in childbirth or left the frontier for home back east, which was sometimes done in those days. During the twenty-three years the Trousdale were in Tennessee Alexander appeared in many records ranging from militia service as a lieutenant, to oversight of road crews, to various property records, all in addition to the basic functions of land clearing and planting, parenting and spouse seeking.

In March 1813 Alexander sold his Tennessee property and June 1815 he was listed as one of the original property owners in White County, Illinois. His property was in Indian Creek Township in the southwest corner of White County, just north of Gallatin County locations where other family members were settling. The new Trousdale location was about one hundred miles northwest of their Tennessee location, but of course, farther than that on the roads of that time.

So at the age of forty-nine Alexander started all over again in a new location. Once more his presence and community service is well established in the records, to include land, commissioner, church, marriage, probate and finally cemetery. Alexander and Edah had twelve children. Edah died in 1821 leaving all twelve children in the home, this time a number old enough to help with the younger. On December 12, 1822 Alexander married a fourth time to Nancy Harris, born January 4, 1780. Alexander died 1 September 1834 and is buried in Old Village Cemetery, White County, Illinois. Many of his descendants are still settled in southern Illinois today.

John Trousdale, (jr): John was father of Alexander;³⁰⁸ Alexander's mother's name is not known. John (jr) was born to **John (sr)** and **Elizabeth Trousdale** in southeastern Pennsylvania shortly after their arrival there about 1735. In 1766 John (sr) and Elizabeth, along with John (jr), his wife and their infant Alexander, and John (sr)'s other sons William and James moved to North Carolina via the Great Wagon Road in the Shenandoah River-Blue Ridge Mountain part of Virginia, turning south at Roanoke on the Philadelphia-North Carolina Market Road. The Trousdales settled in the Haw River area of Orange (now Alamance) County, North Carolina.

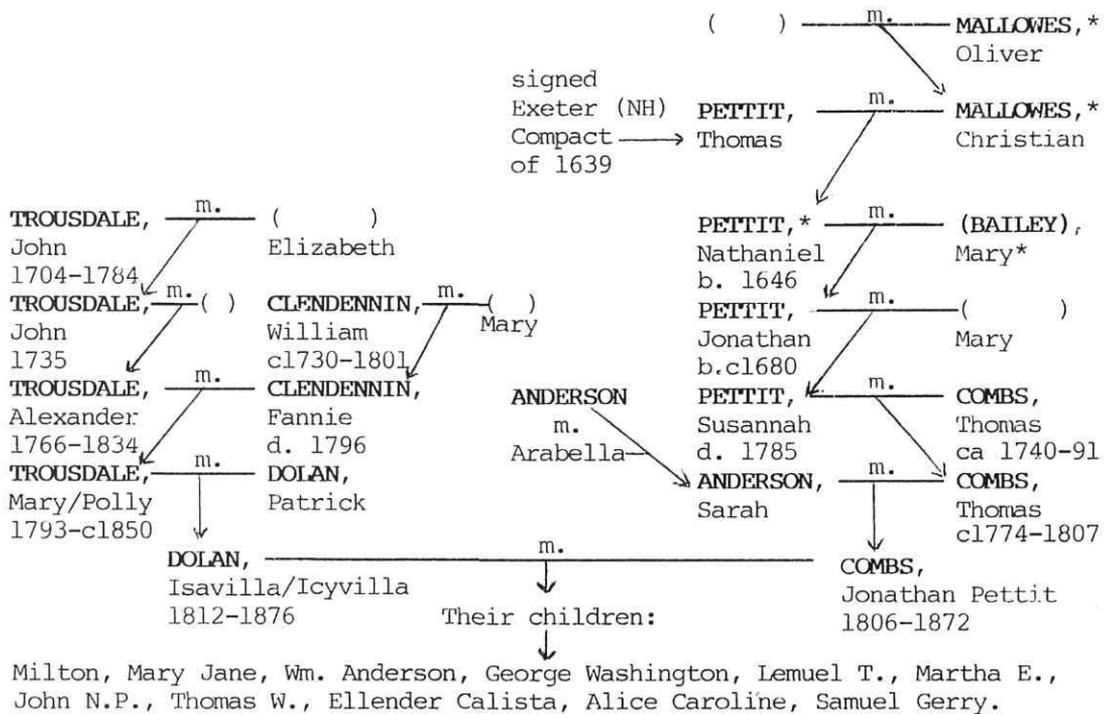
Both John (sr) and John (jr) established land and other records for themselves in North Carolina; to this day descendants provide varying accounts of which John a given record applies to. To complicate the matter, John (sr) had three grandsons and eight great grandsons in North Carolina named John, many of whom were entering or leaving their adult record-making age simultaneously between 1766 and 1810. It is known for certain

³⁰⁸ This family was very close-knit. Some say Alexander was the son of an Alexander, but evidence of this does not exist in Pennsylvania or North Carolina records or in Karl Truesdell's 1952 work *Descendants of John Trousdale of Orange County, North Carolina*.

that both John (sr) and John (jr) rendered service in the **Revolutionary War**; John (jr), being younger, saw more action and thus received a bounty land award, as previously described. John (sr) died in 1784; among other things learned from his will is the fact that he was a "taylor".

Trousdale is an English name from Troutsdale Township in the parish of Brompton, near Scarborough, North Riding, Yorkshire, England. The Trousdales came to America after having fled their ancestral home for temporary political refuge in Northern Ireland, where John (sr) was born in 1704.

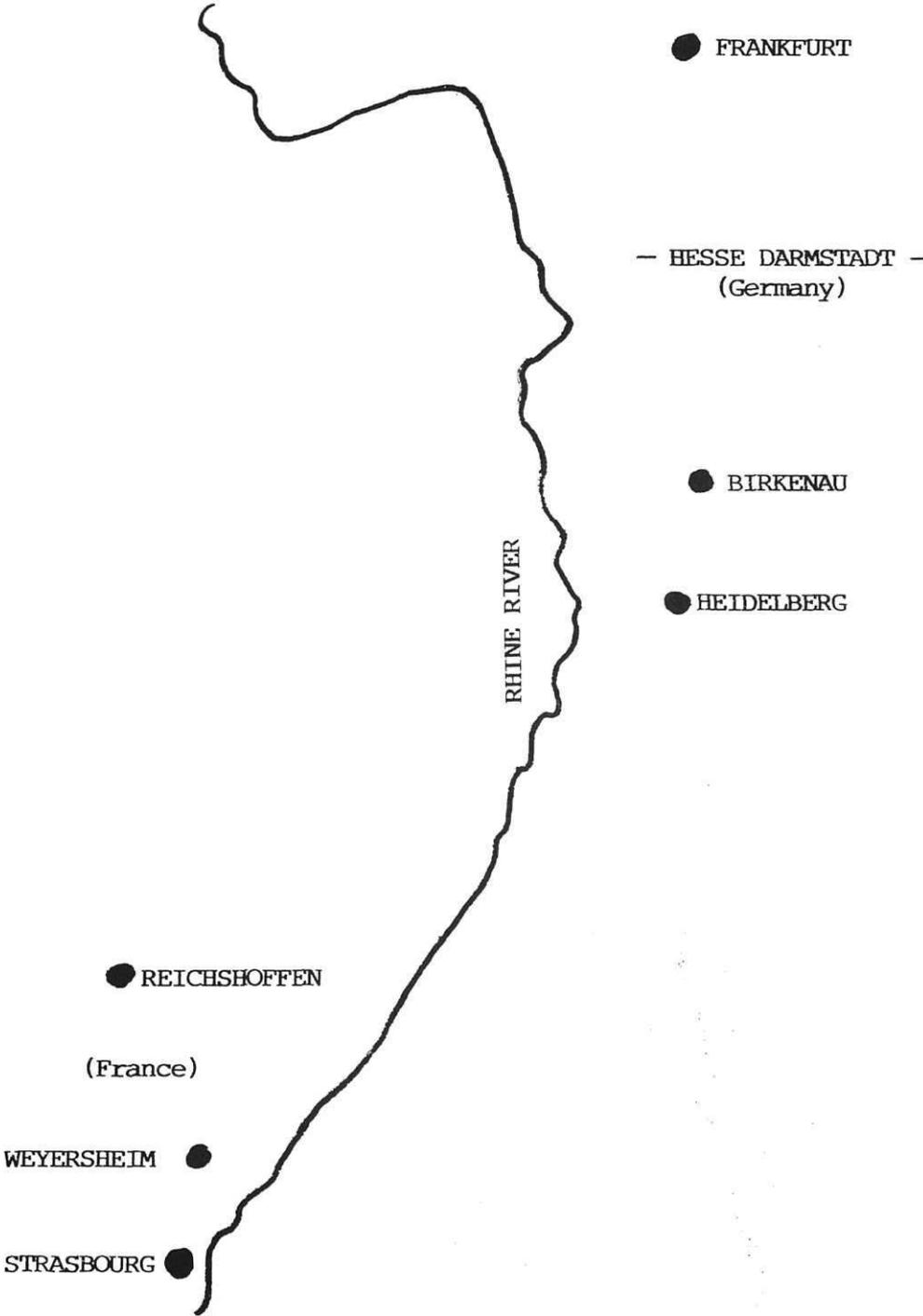
William Clendennin: William was the father of Fannie; her mother is not known for certain. The Clendennin story was similar to that of the Trousdales: the ancestral home was Dumfries, Scotland and their earlier eighteenth century stint in Northern Ireland was in County Down. They left there in 1756, landed in the Philadelphia area and traveled directly to North Carolina over the Great Wagon Road previously described. In North Carolina, Clendennins, like Trousdales, appear frequently in early land, road, church, military, jury, estate and other records. One of the several books published about this very interesting family states that Fannie's father William is the son of the William who fled Dumfries, Scotland. That and other books provide lengthy ancestral history dating back centuries in Scotland. Volume II, *Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*, goes into more detail about the Clendennins. Volume II also contains full documentation of all facts covered in this entire Addendum A.



*From Colonial and Revolutionary Lineages of America, Vol. 15:382. (NY: Am. Hist. Co., Inc., 1950).

Combs - Dolan Ancestor Chart

Addendum B: Drone-Kohl-Ottmann



The narrative in this Addendum B is an overview from *Volume II, Drone-Combs and Affiliated Families*, which volume contains fully documented facts. Interestingly, four of the grandchildren of Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone married Kohls, children of Roman and Philippine (Ottmann) Kohl:

- Margaret (Maggie) Drone married Emil J. Kohl
 - she was the daughter of Frank and Calista (Combs) Drone;
 - their courtship is described in Part II of this book
- William A. Drone married Anna P. Kohl
 - he was the son of Lewis and Rachel (Moore) Drone
- Frederick Lewis Drone married Catherine Ann Kohl
 - he was the son of Lewis and Rachel (Moore) Drone
- Joseph Febuary married Louise Isabella Kohl
 - he was the son of Neuma J. and Carolina (Drone) Febuary



Roman Kohl

Philippine Ottmann

Roman Kohl, age 18, married **Philippine Ottmann**, age 19, on October 11, 1864 in Evansville, Indiana where Roman worked as a grocery drayman; his brother John was a grocer on Mary Street. Her parents lived just outside Evansville where they farmed and also did some grocery delivery. Several siblings and uncles of both Roman and Philippine worked in Evansville as carpenters and other tradesmen/professionals; she had an uncle who was an undertaker and a brother who was a physician in training.

After their marriage Roman and Philippine set up farming ten miles west of Evansville next door to Roman's father, near Blairsville, in Robinson Township, Posey County, Indiana. At that location the couple had all of their eleven children, several of whom died young. The children whose names are in the records are:

- Mary, b. 1865;
- Peter, b. May 1867;
- Stephen, b. 1870;
- Amel/Emil, b. 6 May 1873;
- Anne/Anna P., b. 1875-6;
- Mary, b. October 1879;
- Kate/Catherine Ann, b. January 1882-3;
- Adam, b. April 1885;
- Louise Isabella, b. December 1887;
- Two who died young are not in the records.

About 1890 the Roman and Philippine Kohl family moved to the Shawneetown – Junction – Gold Hill Township area of Gallatin County, Illinois, forty miles southwest of their Posey County, Indiana home. Large numbers of German families had been moving to Gallatin County from Robinson Township of Posey County after 1870, so when the Kohl family arrived in Gallatin County they found many familiar faces. The 1900 census records show 53 year old Roman and 54 year old Philippine in Gold Hill Township with four children at home, Peter 33, was listed as “farmer,” Kate 18, Adam 15, and Louise 12. The 1910 census shows Adam 25, and “Lula” 22 with their parents. Not long after that they moved to Ridgway, Illinois. A granddaughter, Norma Kohl Wright, who had often visited Roman and Philippine as a child, recounts the following stories.

The grandchildren always stood in awe of Roman and Philippine’s home because they were so well organized in their lives that they knew just how much of everything they needed; they never bought over and above what they used within a given period that they had set for themselves. They would make whatever it was last, it didn’t make any difference how much they needed something. They ate a lot of carbohydrates and fattening types of food but none of them seemed to have a weight problem. “Beanie” hummed all of the time and patted us on the top of the head; she pushed the coffee cake in front of us on the table, “zimtkuchen” (cinnamon cake) she would say. She never learned to speak English because she lived among Germans and it wasn’t necessary.

In early 1912 “Grossmutter” (grandmother) had a stroke; this was devastating for “Grossvater” (grandfather). I have memories of her illness; the devotion of her family was beautiful to see. Grossvater in all of his stern disciplined life was gentle as a lamb with Grossmutter. He bought a touring car so that he could put the top all the way back. Grossmutter had had at least two strokes and many other sorts of physical problems. Grossvater would have somebody assist him in getting Grossmutter into the back seat of the car and he would drive. He would go with her day after day after day, first into the town of Ridgway to see the family members that lived in that area, then he would come all the way to Shawneetown where we were living on Smokey Road.

This was always in the summertime and we had that great big front lawn with all the trees and chairs to make everybody comfortable. They would lift Grossmutter out and put her in a special chair. She could no longer speak, even in German, but she was aware of everybody; she still could shake her head ‘Yes’ and ‘No’. She recognized and acknowledged us in her own way; we sort of interacted without saying much. She would get this real sad far-away look on her face; we figured that maybe she was thinking about her home in Alsace and felt like she was in a strange world because she had never learned more than just a few short sentences in English. She would sit there and look at my father (“Pop”, Emil) and tears would begin to roll down her face. It made all of the children real sad to see Grossmutter like that because it hurt Grossvater very very much and it hurt my father to see his mother so helpless.

Pop would be very sad after he and Grossvater got Grossmutter back in the car to take her back home. She had no use at all of one arm and very little use of the other arm; I can still see her waving over the side of the car as they drove

away from us. Being young we all felt very sad for a few minutes, but then we went frisking off to play after they had gone away.

Then it wasn't very long after when Grossmutter died. She was sick and they took her to St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville. Grossvater was staying with her and he was extremely upset because he said Grossmutter had asked for something to eat and they didn't give her anything. (The nurses couldn't give her food because they knew Grossmutter was literally dying.) After Grossmutter died they brought her back home to Ridgway for her burial. Grossvater would never go to a doctor after that; he always said Grossmutter died hungry.

The death certificate from Vanderburgh County, Indiana records that Philippine Kohl died July 8, 1914 at 8:20 p.m. in St. Mary's Hospital at age 68 of "Uremic Coma-Interstitial Nephritis."

Philippine Ottmann Kohl: Philippine was born February 22, 1846 to Pierre Ottmann and Martine Catherine Flori in Weyersheim, France which is described later. Philippine was a common name in her hometown; but by the time she died her name in the American records had been misspelled as "Phillipine," "Philipine," "Philibina," "Philomena," "Philomenia," "Philobena," "Bena." She was most often called simply "Beanie" by her family. Ottmann also was subject of numerous spellings once the family left home; this led to many difficulties for anyone trying to locate them in America.

In 1936 granddaughter Lillian Kohl wrote the following account about Beanie:

At age eight she accompanied her parents to America and aboard ship she, like most, became seasick. Later in that Atlantic crossing her baby brother died and was buried at sea; Beanie never totally recovered from that experience. Unlike the Kohls and Drones, the Ottmanns needed to work their way to America; thus, when they landed in New York Harbor in December 1854 Pierre/Peter had to finish out his contract so Beanie was sent by wagon to Philadelphia, a trip she described as extremely uncomfortable with much jolting about. In Philadelphia she stayed in a convent with her aunt who had entered religious life in Alsace and had been transferred to America. After some months her father completed his contractual service for covering the cost of the voyage and the family went on to Indiana.

As I remember my grandmother Philomena Kohl she was very kind and gentle, a woman of few words, impartial to her children and their spouses, living in peace and harmony with them and her many grandchildren. Her home reflected her personality. Everything was clean, orderly and simple in spite of the fact that for some years she was unable to use her right hand and arm [apparently she had had a small stroke earlier in life.] During this time she was able to do all of her customary house chores with some help from her children. While she was very gentle, she was very firm in whatever she said to her children and each and everyone of them loved and obeyed her. Their welfare was foremost in her thoughts and she underwent many hardships and privations to send all of them to Parochial School in Indiana, which was considered sufficient education for any boy or girl at that time.

Friends and relatives were always welcome in her home but never did she approve of gossip in any form and many is the time I have heard a sharp rebuff to anyone who dared speak ill of another in her presence. Among her many grandchildren she showed no partiality, and I think it must have been that one trait of character that caused them all to love her so much.

She was a dutiful wife devoted to her husband, children, and family. Hers was the good old-fashioned kind of love. Her least worry was that of trying to hold her husband's love for she was assured of it, but on one occasion she didn't feel quite so sure of it. She happened to see a letter addressed in a woman's handwriting in his inside coat pocket when he put it on. She reached for it asking to read it; Grandfather refused to let her have it, at which she said nothing but was somewhat grieved and sad for many days. The 22nd day of February drew nigh and he suggested that they spend the day in town to which she readily consented. After being in town for several hours he wanted to go home, so they went home and upon entering the house she saw gathered there all their brothers and sisters and their families. As soon as she saw the long table creaking under the weight of all sorts of delicious food she knew it was a surprise planned for her birthday; but she was curious when she saw the same letter which had caused her so much anguish lying in her plate. Upon opening it she found a record of her birth from the "Old Country." Indeed she was pleased! The record of her birth had been lost on the way over to this country, and she was never quite sure of the exact date of her birth until then.

After paralysis claimed her as a victim in 1912 she became an invalid; all was done for her that loving hands could do. A number of different physicians were consulted but medical aid proved of no value. She bore her sufferings patiently until her death; it caused Roman much sorrow to have to stand by helpless and see her suffer so much. Though grief-stricken at her death he was relieved for he knew her sufferings were ended. She was laid to rest on the sloping hillside with a tall monument which dwarfed the family tombstones around it.

Pierre and Martine Catherine (Flori) Ottmann: Pierre and Catherine were Philippine's parents. They were married May 23, 1842 in Weyesheim, Department of Bas Rhin, Alsace, France ten miles north of Strasbourg, France and five miles west of the Rhine River. Pierre, a carpenter, was 27, having been born June 30, 1815 in Weyensheim. Martine Catherine, **later called simply "Catherine,"** was 23, having been born January 31, 1819 in Reichshoffen, Bas Rhin, fifteen miles northwest of Weyensheim. Pierre and Catherine were among those deciding in 1854 to emigrate to America with their six children; they do not appear in the *Alsace Emigration Book* nor have their immigration records in America ever been found.

It is know from accounts of their Kohl grandchildren Lillian, Mack and Norma that in America they disembarked in New York where Pierre, **thereafter usually "Peter,"** remained for some months completing contractual obligations related to payment for the family's passage. They then crossed Pennsylvania by land and went down the Ohio River to Evansville, Indiana. There the first records naming Peter and Catherine Ottmann pertain to land and are dated April 5, 1855. They located in Armstrong Township adjacent to Evansville where they engaged in farming while some of their

children obtained employment or training in Evansville with Ottmann relatives who had set up various skilled and professional undertakings there.

The next document about Peter and Catherine is 15 February 1857 from St. Joseph Church of Vanderburgh County recording the baptism of "Josephus Hermanus Ottmann" son of "Petro Ottmann and Catharina Flori." It was not uncommon in those days for church records to be written in Latin as are the above. Three and a half years later a census entry for Armstrong Township shows the family, consistent with Weyersheim birth records, as follows.

1860 Census

Peter	Outman	42*	Farmer	b.	France	\$2000 property
Catherine	"	35*		b.	France	
Louis	"	17		b.	France	
Mary	"	16		b.	France	
Bena	"	14		b.	France	
Peter	"	12		b.	France	
Catherine	"	8		b.	Indiana*	
Emmanuel	"	6		b.	Indiana	
Joseph	"	4		b.	Indiana	
Frederick	"	10 mo.		b.	Indiana	
Peter	Flora**	86		b.	France	Occupation: Gardner

* *Inaccurate*

** *Catherine's father's name was Pierre Flori but he would have been 68 in 1860, not 86; either the numbers were transposed or this is a different relative. It does not seem likely that an 80 year old would have made the arduous trip in 1854 so the transposed numbers is the more likely, meaning this probably was Catherine's father.*

The 1870 Farmers' Records book lists Peter Ottman in Armstrong Township with 37 acres. A will proved 28 March 1874 for Peter Ottman is recorded in the Vanderburgh County, Indiana Will Book C, page 31, thus suggesting that Peter died in 1874 at age 59. The will had been written "about 1870" and leaves everything to Kate Bedy. Record search is underway to verify that Kate Bedy is Peter and Catherine's youngest daughter, Beanie's sister Catherine/Kate, who at the time was eighteen years old. If Catherine (Flori) Ottmann died about 1870 at age 51, this could have occasioned the making of a will by Peter; for a daughter to become the mother figure in the home, in this case with three younger brothers, was not uncommon. This is the last of records found for Peter and Catherine (Flori) Ottmann; they had been contemporaries, more or less, of Martin and Barbara Ann Kohl and Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone. They had had at least nine children and bequeathed exemplary values and strengths to the Drone Family through their daughter Philippine Ottmann Kohl.

Philippine's Ancestors: Philippine's ancestors were neither French nor German; they were Alsatians who spoke Alsatian, although they could also speak both French and German. Alsace is geographically between the Vosges Mountains in France and the Rhine River in Germany. With its own very distinct culture, it is neither French nor German although it borrows heavily from both. Through the centuries Alsace was a buffer zone; it sometimes was ruled by France and less frequently by Germany. The rationale of the French was that France's natural boundary on the east was the Rhine River whereas Germany's rationale was that its natural western boundary was the Vosges Mountains.

Because of excellent record-keeping in France, Philippine's ancestors back to the middle of the 1700's have been found, and with time even more records can be uncovered. A few of these records are reproduced in this Addendum. All of the female ancestors, as well as the male, signed their own names on their marriage records back into the 1700's even though this degree of literacy was not very common in those days.

**Philippine Ottmann's Ancestors
All Were In Alsace**

Relationship to Philippine	Paternal Line	Maternal Line
Parents	Pierre Ottmann (a carpenter) b. June 30, 1815; m. May 23, 1842 Martine Catherine Flori	Martine Catherine Flori b. Jan. 31, 1819; m. May 23, 1842 Pierre Ottmann
Grandparents	Joseph Ottmann (a carpenter) b. 1777; m. Sept. 27, 1802/3 Odile Jund , b. 1778	Pierre Flori (a blacksmith) b. 1793; m. Oct. 23, 1814 Salomee Kehren , b. 1788
Great-Grandparents	born around 1760	George Flori (a blacksmith) m. ca 1790 Rosina Wackerman
Great-Great-Grandparents	born around 1730	Michael Flori m. ca 1760 Catharine Marx Antonius Wackerman m. ca 1760 Marie Salomee Wolf

Roman Kohl: Roman was born January 26, 1847 to Martin Kohl (sr) and third wife Barbara Ann in Robinson Township, near Blairsville, in Posey County, Indiana. Roman was the youngest of thirteen children and appears first in records as a three-year-old on the 1850 census in a household with his parents and seven siblings and a 25 year old farm hand named Lawrence Powel. Roman grew up in that Indiana home learning farming and possibly discovering some interesting fossils, since the region around Blainsville was known as the mecca for geologists, often visited by eminent scientists. Robinson Township was one of the first townships in Posey County and after about 1820 was increasingly more German, until by the time the Kohls left there around 1890 it was almost all German. Posey County ranked first in the State of Indiana in the production of high quality wheat. Posey was home to nearby New Harmony, an experimental utopian-type settlement of some 700 Germans who moved there in 1814 with George Rapp; they left after a decade or so and today the town is an art and cultural community very interesting to visit. Roman's son Emil visited there periodically throughout his life, suggestive that Roman had introduced his son to this unique town in his youth.

As a teenager Roman procured a cash-paying job delivering groceries out of nearby Evansville where other relatives worked. Such employment was a common practice with farm youth who thus were able to supplement family income when the farm work was adequately covered by other family members. Roman's outside work, as previously noted, led to his meeting Beanie which led to their subsequent marriage and long years of parenting.

How he fathered his children could be gleaned from comments of his granddaughter Norma who said he was "very stern but very fine and very disciplined; he played a big part in my life and in 'molding' the lives of all his grandchildren." Norma explained that Roman said his greatest challenge as a father was the anguishing experience of having to travel to the Chicago area in 1918 where his youngest son Adam had contracted influenza; when he arrived Adam was near death and died soon thereafter. Roman spoke of the somber task of accompanying his son's coffin by train back to Shawneetown, and the family often commented on the depths of sorrow in his face when he disembarked from the train in Shawneetown. This was four years after Beanie's death.

Roman lived 22 years after Beanie's death. The 1920 census lists 73 year old Roman in Ridgway and a 53 year old wife Elizabeth, but there are no other records about Elizabeth. Roman died at the age of 89 on 29 February 1936 at 10:25 a.m. of "Artero Scherlosis with Dropsy followed by Gangreen of feet" according to the death certificate; Philabena is listed as his wife. He is buried next to her in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Ridgway, Illinois.

Emil J. Kohl, sometimes spelled the German “Amel,” was born May 6, 1873 to Roman and Philippine (Ottmann) Kohl in Posey County, Indiana. As a young boy he assisted his mother in the home, learning cooking and housekeeping. As a teenager he often accompanied his physician uncle Dr. Peter Ottmann on his rounds; Emil J. Kohl had a talent with sick people and during his life he was often called upon for assistance in homes awaiting the arrival of a physician. Emil accompanied his parents to Gallatin County, Illinois about 1890. Several years later he met, courted, and on May 2, 1899 married Maggie Drone, daring the traditionals by not wearing a “frockcoat” for the wedding, but rather a “sackcoat” which was newly coming into style.

For nine years Emil and Maggie lived in Elba, west of Ridgway; in 1908 they moved to Shawneetown purchasing a home on Smokey Row Road, a very scenic location on the edge of the Shawnee National Forest where their nine children often explored for ancient artifacts. The children also liked to play on the steps of the Shawneetown Bank, which was the first bank in Illinois, having been established in 1813. Of interest, in 1830 when Chicago was a small village, the Shawneetown Bank had refused Chicago a \$1,000.00 loan because **Chicago was too far from Shawneetown to ever amount to anything.**

Emil raised stock, did general farming in the summer, was involved with the grain elevator in Junction and was a stockholder in the Junction Farmers Electric Company. He invented a farm implement but, failing to get a patent, saw it manufactured the following year by a farm equipment company. Emil was a very religious man and led the rosary each evening for the entire family. He enjoyed music and was part of a German band. After retirement he and Maggie moved to Belleville, Illinois near daughter Norma. His matter-of-fact approach to death became obvious, for he looked upon death not as a feared event but a natural part of life. Shortly before he died, his wife Maggie was in the room looking in the mirror and Emil said jokingly, “Oh, Maggie, you look like an old crow!” Maggie retorted, “You’re not so good looking yourself!” “They both chuckled,” commented Norma, who witnessed the exchange.

Martin and Barbara Ann Kohl: Martin and Barbara were the parents of Roman; they were both born in Hesse Darmstadt when it was a Grand Duchy, before Germany was a unified country. Martin was born in 1791 to **Michael Kohl** and **Katherina Mueller**; as learned from his first two marriage records. Michael Kohl was a farmer; he signed his own name as witness on Martin’s marriage record, suggesting he had some schooling. Martin’s signature appears on his children’s baptismal records. Martin grew up in Birkenau in southwest Germany; this is **not** the Birkenau of eastern Europe, site of a World War II concentration camp. Martin’s town of Birkenau is in today’s county of Bergstrasse, fourteen miles east of the Rhine River and just north of Heidelberg by Weinheim. Further north about forty miles, near Frankfurt, the Grimm Brothers of fairy tale fame lived and wrote in Martin’s time; these fairy tales can convey a notion of the Hessian mindset in those days of the early 1800’s. Thomas O’Neill comments, “The editorial fingerprints left by the Grimms betray the specific values of 19th century Christian, bourgeois German society.”³⁰⁹

Martin became a mastercarpenter, according to both his 1826 marriage records and his petition to emigrate, and prior to that he had been a farmer. He was married three times,

³⁰⁹ Thomas O’Neill, “Guardians of the Fairy Tale: The Brothers Grimm,” *National Geographic* 196 (December 1999): 128.

first to Margaretha Schmitt in 1814 who had six children; second to Marie Elizabeth Schutz on December 31, 1826 who had one child; and third to Barbara Ann, surname unknown, in 1828 who had seven children. Since there is no county or statewide index of marriages in Hessen, Germany, the record of Martin's marriage to his third wife Barbara Ann has not been found, indicating that she lived in a town other than Birkenau and that the marriage had occurred in that town. Since the marriage record of Martin and Barbara Ann has not been located, her surname and parents are unknown. She first appears with Martin on the ship passenger list as Anna Barbara which also is the name used on her death record; other records show her as "B. Annie" and "Barbary."

Martin's second wife died shortly after the birth of Johann Jacob and the third marriage took place within a year. Martin (jr)'s birth occurred the following year, 1829, and plans to emigrate were begun; it was Martin (jr)'s birth that occasioned the move, according to great-grandson Mack Kohl. The Kohls had decided to emigrate to America to preclude their male children's mandatory service in the military. Because nearby France had been so militarily aggressive in occupying parts of Hesse over the years, Hesse had contracted with the powerful Prussian Army to protect it in exchange for conscription of Hessian citizens. The Hessian soldiers became known for their military prowess and were frequently sent as mercenaries in other wars, but Martin's family wanted no part of this tradition. Martin petitioned to emigrate in December 1829 and this information has been located, but the record of their port, date of departure, and ship's name has not been found. However, the American arrival record attests that the Martin Kohl family arrived in Baltimore, Maryland on September 30, 1830. Martin's children's names appear on the ship list as they appear in Birkenau birth records; there were also several other Kohls on the ship, probably relatives. At this period in American history, pre-civil war, "German newcomers tended to be independent craftsmen or farmers and their families, who could afford the cost of passage."³¹⁰

In America the Kohls lived in Pennsylvania until about 1840. According to Martin's great-grandson Mack Kohl, "Martin and his bachelor brother set up farming together in Pennsylvania somewhat north of where earlier Germans had settled but in an area still controlled by Germans." Search of Pennsylvania areas matching this description has not yielded any record of Martin Kohl and family. However, wherever they lived in Pennsylvania, Martin and Barbara Ann had three children there in the years 1831, 1835 and 1837.

About 1840, when Martin was 48 and Barbara Ann 36, the family went down the Ohio River to Evansville, Indiana then overland ten miles west to Blairsville, Robinson Township, Posey County, Indiana. They set up farming on an 80 acre tract in the southwest corner of section twelve and there they lived the remainder of their lives. They had three more children in Indiana, the last of whom was Roman, born in 1847. After some years, when the farm was well in hand, Martin (jr) became a carpenter on Jefferson Avenue in Evansville and lived there with his family; John started a grocery and also established his home there. The four girls presumably married since they were out of the home by the 1870 census. Martin's son Jacob, born 1827 in Hesse, stayed at

³¹⁰ Anne Galicich, *The Peoples of North America: The German Americans* (New York: Chelsea House Publishers, 1989), 16.

Addendum C: Drone-Wathen

by Becky (Burns) Drone

Noah Alexander Drone: Noah was the youngest son of Frank and Calista (Combs) Drone; he was beloved not only to his offspring, but by all extended family who knew him. When Noah (1888-1982) married **Mary Elizabeth Walthen** (1890-1967), the wedding at Equality, Illinois was at 5:00 a.m. so they could catch the train to Kentucky for their honeymoon. This was in horse and buggy days. She was so tiny he could lift her to the seat in the palm of one hand.

They lived at the home place in New Market and cared for Frank and Calista when they were older. Noah and Mary were hard-working, good managing farmers who reared a big family of ten children through World Wars I and II and the depression of the 1930's.

A three acre orchard was established in 1934 which was prolific until the mid-1950's when two tornadoes wiped it out. Had Noah known he'd live to be active nearly 35 years more he would have replanted the orchard. He and the children would take produce from orchard and garden, especially apples and potatoes, to "town" (Ridgway) to sell. Many others would drop by to buy fruit, vegetables, or chickens.

A typical school lunch for the children included homemade biscuits and bacon or country ham. Occasionally a "store bought" lunch was a treat. Three dozen eggs would trade for enough cheese and crackers for five children.

The price of eggs got as low as 5¢ a dozen. Wheat was 12¢ a bushel; during the drought years of the 1930's it did well to make 12 bushels to the acre. Wheat threshings were social as well as a means of neighbors pooling the work. Several families would help and move from farm to farm. The women prepared meals - good country cooking. This would be in the summer when all the children were there to help. Nothing went to waste; the mattresses were replenished with new straw at this time.

The wintertime equivalent of work-social events was hog butcherings. Several families would gather at one home with up to 8 or 10 hogs to butcher for the year's supply of meat and lard. When there was no social or work reason for gathering, many times the neighbors would meet at the Noah Drone home, take up the rug, and have a dance. His brothers and nephews provided the music

Before school buses, there was the two mile walk to school - cold and icy or muddy in the winter and hot and dusty when school started in late summer. On really bad days, Noah would take his children to school in the wagon. This embarrassed the older girls.

Some modern inventions brought on additional work, e.g., lawn mowers. When there wasn't a mower, no one had to mow the yard. With big families the traffic and children

playing kept the grass and weeds worn down, so a Saturday chore was to sweep the yard with an old broom kept just for that purpose.

Washday took **all** day. Water was heated in the yard in the big, black wash pot and put into three tubs - one with soap and two rinses. Very dirty clothes were boiled in the pot to loosen the dirt before they were put in the soapy tub with the scrub board. It was important to start with the white load first, then the cleanest colored clothes and on down to the work clothes or overalls and dirtiest clothes last - all in the same water. Clothes were hung to dry on lines, fences, or trees.

One still wasn't through with the wash water. If it wasn't too late or people weren't too tired, the kitchen floor and the back porch got scrubbed. In the summer, if any water was left, the flowers or garden got watered. A lot of mileage was gotten from those tubs of water that most of the time had to be drawn by hand from the well.

Noah carried out the camping tradition with his family. One of his favorite stories was the time some of his children, grandchildren, and a nephew got straw poisoning. The ones who slept on the choice newly threshed wheat straw got a terrible itching and whelps; those who slept elsewhere were all right. When they left, some man wanted the straw for his hogs in the barn. The hogs even wound up rubbing the bark off trees from a terrible itch. It was some time before the campers wanted to go back to Hulda Lake, or the hogs to the barn. Of course this was funny or not, according to the point of view.

Most of the country folks in Gallatin County, Illinois did not have electricity until after WW II. Picture what there is to use today that doesn't take electricity! The few families who had battery radios had a lot of extra company for popular programs like the "soap" Stella Dallas and on Saturday night, the Grand Ole Opry.

Each family has its own story about the 1937 flood. This is Noah's: "Water surrounded or covered everything except the house on the hill (12 miles from the Wabash and Ohio Rivers). But most important, one of his grandsons was born at this time. The doctor came as far as he could and was met by boat to go on to the house to deliver the baby, who is still alive and well and now has grandchildren of his own."

A few inventions that span Noah's lifetime (1888-1982) include telephone, radio, television, computers, cars-from Model T to K Car, airplane, and all space exploration.

Life expectancy has increased during this century from ages in the 40's to ages over 70. Noah far exceeded this, living to be nearly 95. One of his goals had been to outlive his own father's age of 89. The Drones and Wathens came from sturdy stock and have left numerous descendants. Many in the current generation have continued in the occupation of their ancestors who were "planters". Others are in the professions: engineering, nursing, teaching, accounting, secretarial, and the computer field. Because there are so many descendants, there is hardly an occupation not represented by Noah's family. It is evident that there is an unusually large percent of entrepreneurs in a variety of businesses which they have established.

In 1984, Noah and Mary's offspring and in-laws numbered 240 and lived in eight states.

The Parents of Mary Elizabeth (Wathen) Drone (1890-1967) died when she was very young so she missed out on stories about her immediate background. She had a brother, Sylvester, who died as a teemager and an older sister, Ruth. Mary grew up living with various relatives in Kentucky and Illinois and her sister, Ruth (Mrs. Arthur Hamilton, Sr.), in Colorado.

The following has been documented. **John Wathen I, Mary Elizabeth (Wathen) Drone's** great-grandfather eight generations back, was a trader and shipper and came to Maryland in 1643. He lived there a while, married **Mary Mullet**, and later returned to England.

John Wathen II, third child of **John and Mary (Mullet) Wathen**, moved to Maryland in 1670 from Bristol, England. He received a land grant of 50 acres. During the next 30 years he had acquired 200 acres more which he called "Wathen Adventure". His occupations were planter, carpenter contractor, and local debt collector.

Just before 1800 the Wathen family descendants moved on to Calvery, Kentucky. In addition to farming, **Henry Hudson Wathen II** originated Old Grand Dad Bourbon, the business continues today. Henry Hudson, Wathen II was Mary Drone's 3rd great-grandfather.

Migration was westerly. By 1832 Mary E. (Wathen) Drone's great-grandfather lived in Union Co., Kentucky. However, her grandmother, **Elizabeth (Boswell) Wathen** was born in England in 1833 and later came to this country. Mary's grandfather was **John Andrew Wathen**. Mary's parents were **Elisha John Wathen**, born about 1862 and her mother was **Susan Catherine (Fowler) Wathen**. Mary E. (Wathen) Drone was born in 1890.

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Addendum D: Drone-McCormick

This Addendum contains actual stories told by William McCormick about descendants of Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone and other members of many interrelated families. It narrates a wide variety of happenings which create a notion of daily life in Gallatin County, Illinois in the early 1900's. The author, William McCormick, is the grandson of Mary Catherine Drone McCormick, who was the sixth child of Joseph F. and Margaret (Bartel) Drone. William wrote the following in 1985 when he was 78 years of age; his nephew James Keasler of Ridgway, Illinois, who provided the material, said his Uncle William recalled all the dates, prices, and events from memory.

The "Great Grandpa Drone" and "Grandpa Drone" mentioned in this Addendum D are the same person; they refer to Joseph F. Drone b. 1817 in Lorraine France, Great Grandfather of the author.

Here begins the 1985 narration by William McCormick:

In the spring of 1904 before James Francis McCormick married Eliza Lamkin, his father William McCormick let him grow 40 acres of corn in the Cash field east of their house. He put it in with a horse named Barney and two ponies, Fred and Minnie, belonging to his father. Also, the ponies were the team he drove to the (anchor) buggy to see his girl, Eliza Lamkin, daughter of Fred and Mary Marchal Lamkin who lived on a farm joining Muddy in the west. It was a good corn year and he raised a bumper crop. When it came time to gather it and he came in with his load, he used his dad's scoop shovel if he came in before his dad and brother Joe. If not, he threw it out with his hands.

James and Eliza were married Tuesday, February 28, 1905 in St. Mary's Church, Eldorado, Ill. There wasn't a church at Eldorado too long before this time. The McCormicks went to church at Equality, Ill. And perhaps the Lamkins. Father Joseph A. Ricken officiated. James' cousin, Cleveland and Lewis Drone, and his sister, Catherine Eva McCormick, were their attendants. They set up housekeeping on the 100 acre Cash farm owned by his father, which was a half mile west of the home place. They put in a crop on this place in August of the same year. Then they moved to a farm a mile and a half south of Ridgway. This was the farm great grandpa Joseph Drone and family settled on when they came to Illinois from Ohio.

Grandpa McCormick had built a new 5 room house on the place (Frank Schimp was the carpenter) for his son Tom McCormick who married Mae Siebman in 1904. She didn't like it there. She wanted to be close to her mother and father, Amos and Philomena Brazier Siebman, and when she took a drink of water she imagined it came from St. Joseph's Cemetery a half mile to the west.

When James and Eliza started farming, his dad had given him a Jim Oliver riding plow and a Hamilton cultivator and a bed. He had three horses (Barney mentioned before).

He bought a horse named Snip from Jim Pensbottom (a full stock racehorse) and a horse named Baldy from Henry Lockett. Eliza's parents gave them a white cow and furniture and I believe money for farm tools. James' father let him pick a cow from his herd. He chose a red and white heifer. They name it Spot. Dad had never milked a cow before he married. They didn't keep the white cow long. Old Spot they kept until she was 18 years old and had lost her teeth.

Jot Cash, the former owner of the place dad left, had set out an orchard and it was beginning to bear when dad and mom left. They hated to leave it. After they left the Cash place, they went back once a week to get garden stuff. Walter Monday, the new renter, would tease them about their garden. That fall dad would leave before daylight to go back and gather his corn. People laughed at dad for moving his stove wood being they were moving to a woods. It was pieces of old fence rails out of fences he had took out.

Dad kept his horses in the old barn that Grandpa Drone built. It was a little over a quarter mile from the house to the west. Old Snip got in love or crazy over Barney and dad thought that he was fighting Baldy away from him and caused Baldy to strike a manger and run a splinter in his shoulder. Baldy took blood poison and died. After this dad bought a young mare named Fannie from Nick Hish. Fannie didn't work good with Snip and dad put in most of the crop with Barney & Snip. Fannie had a filly colt. When the colt was old enough to work, Uncle Tom McCormick tried to break her but she too was a kicker. Dad sold Fannie back to Nick Hish and her colt to a McLain. Dad then bought a mare named Bess from his father who got her from Pink Goss.

About this time grandpa had a new barn built north of the woods and dad tore down the old barn and used some of the lumber in the new one and the rest went into a tool shed. Finn Reisingen did the work on the barn. Dad also moved a small granary and the insides of the old log house were used in the buildings.

I came along on Saturday, March 2, 1907. I was born at home. Doctor Thomas A. Jones was the doctor and got \$5.00 for the job and grandma Lamkin assisted. We had no telephone and Joe Febuary walked to town to get the doctor. I was baptized about a week later by Father James A. Rensman. Uncle George Drone and Elizabeth Febuary were godparents. My hair was snow white. I told everyone Aunt Caroline Febuary and I had the same color hair. And like kids today, I was always in something. I don't remember it but one day mama was sick and daddy was doing the chores. I wanted to help him and I made a batch of biscuits. I put them in the coal cook stove oven and there was a fire in the stove. Mama heard me rattling things around and told dad to look around. He found the mess in the oven. We had a dog named Pup and he wouldn't eat them. Only God knew what I had in them.

When I was 3 years old when dad milked old Spot, I sometimes would milk a little in a tobacco tin Uncle Joe McCormick gave me. About this time old Barney was 18 years old and had a bone sprain caused by working too hard when too young. Dad sold him and bought a horse that was 3 years old also named Barney from Frank Bauer.

In 1910 Catherine (Kitty) O'Connel, a cousin from Wichita, Kansas was visiting here. This day she and Aunt Katie McCormick were at our house. We were fooling around and she looked at the life line in the palm of my hand and told me I would live a long time. She then looked at Aunt Katie's and told her she wouldn't live too long and she didn't.

When dad and mama went to town to do their trading it was at Harrelsons store. This building was torn down in 1984. It was a general store with 3 warehouses. One was where the Food Park is now and one was made over into Faye Rotrammels home. The other was the old Shamrock Hotel, north of the store. They sold farm supplies, some farm machinery, furniture, groceries, clothing and about anything you had to have. This is where that folding bed and wooden seat rocking chair came from. They had a little red wagon with high wire wheels, metal sides and wooden bottom. When dad and mom were in the store they bought twenty sticks of candy for a nickel. When they were taking their things into the house old Pup got in the candy and ate it all. The little wagon cost a dollar and seventy five cents.

On Sunday, January 1, 1911 my brother, Lawrence Bernard, was born. It was in the night and dad hitched old Snip to the buggy and took his lantern. He went to get a neighbor woman, Mrs. Falton (Magdalena) Doerr, to help. Dr. John Charles Murphy got there when it was all over. He weighed five pounds. Mrs. Doerr came every morning to bathe him and she sure scrubbed him. It seemed to me the louder he squalled the rougher she got. I had to give up my cradle to him. They bought a folding youth bed for me. Later, he got the high chair. When Lawrence began to say a few words, he called me We Wee. Lawrence could climb as soon as he could walk. I could talk before I could walk. One day I told dad I learned to walk when he came in. Lawrence was always getting the croup. They mixed camphor, sugar and something else for him. Lawrence and I had few toys. We had the wagon and dad made us a sled out of scrap lumber. Aunt Kate McCormick gave us a bible story book of the Old Testament, a set of 16 ABC blocks and each of us a china piggy bank that I have. Lawrence soon broke his.

One day I walked to town with Clara Febuary and we went to visit Aunt Kate and Ellen. She gave me a wooden wheelbarrow with a wood wheel and metal tire. I pushed and carried it down the railroad home. It didn't last long. Mama got us a little doll with a china head and hair. I hated mine. Someone gave us a couple of wind-up toys and a little white and brown plush dog. One day Lawrence was sick and dad went to town. He brought home a pop gun for him that shot cork stoppers. It cured him quick. Someone gave Lawrence an iron elephant bank thinking he wouldn't break it. They were wrong.

Uncle Will Devillez gave us a large wire wheel tricycle. I learned to ride it on the back porch. Later on, Lawrence stood on the axle and rode. When I started to school, a boy came home with me and spent the night. We had a cistern with a concrete curb. The boy rode the tricycle and got to running it against the curb. At last the casting broke that held the front wheel and handlebars to the frame. I always thought he meant to break it.

When we moved to town we got roller, sidewalk skates and a cap pistol each. For Christmas we would get 2 or 3 kinds of stick candy, one or two dozen oranges, a dozen bananas and a coconut. One Christmas Mrs. Santa Claus came along. Santy would

ask us if we had been good boys and then he would tell us to pray. One Christmas he brought a bundle of switches for dad and mom to use on us.

In the winter I was troubled with earache. Mom would heat a tablespoon of milk over the lamp chimney and pour it in my ear when I would wake up crying. It usually did the job.

We burned wood in what was called an airtight heater made of heavy tin and we burned wood in the cook stove. A few years before they moved to the place grandpa sold all the prime hickory trees to a man for wagon wheel spokes. He cut one or two cuts off the butt and left the rest. The man got away without paying for them. Grandpa got Bill Mayhew to try to collect it for him. I believe he got a little over a hundred dollars. One year's nuts would have brought more. Dad would hire George Doerr a day or two and they would saw up enough of that hickory to last a year.

We had our garden in different places as the land around the house was poor. Dad and mom had some of their garden at the old Grandpa Drone house. It was black sand and it sure grew fine melons and other garden stuff. Sometimes we planted potatoes at the old oak tree about a quarter mile west of the house. One spring, I believe it was during the 1913 flood, we were planting potatoes there and the boat was tied there. Lawrence would go set in the boat. One spring we were planting potatoes and a lone bumble bee stung ma between the eyes and they swelled shut. Lawrence caught it and killed it when it tried to sting him. The last year we lived there we had a bumper crop of potatoes. When grandpa rented the place he reserved the potato patch and almost had a failure. One day we were at the garden and a storm came up and we headed for the house. Dad was carrying Lawrence and I was running ahead. I had got to the house when a bolt of lightning hit an oak tree I had just passed. Dad, mom and Lawrence hadn't got to it.

We had brown leghorn chickens, turkeys and geese when we lived south of town. They kept the geese for their feathers. When the geese began losing their feathers, mama would catch them and take them in the privy where she would pluck their feathers. It hurt the geese plucking their feathers and they tried every way to bite her. One spring day I found a goose egg under the overturned butchering kettle and was taking it to the house and the gander got me by the seat of the pants and beat me black and blue with his wings. I kept hold of the egg.

One fall a couple bird dogs out of town came and almost wiped them out of the turkey business. All the neighbors had turkey to eat. Some were crippled and others dead. The dogs came back the next day to finish the job. Dad shot at them and thought he hit one. One fall they took the turkeys and geese to Eldorado and bought a davenport. It was dark when we got home and Lawrence and I were cold. I have seen dad follow a turkey hen a half day trying to find her nest. They will lead you every where, except the nest. When she cannot hold out any longer, she will go to her nest. When dad or mom found their nest they gathered and set the eggs under chicken hens.

When the roads were good and we had to go to town or church dad would hitch old Snip to the buggy. In winter and spring when they were bad he hitched old Snip and Bess to it. Several occasions dad and I walked to church. Mama and Lawrence stayed home.

When the road got real bad, we walked the railroad. When Lawrence and I got older, we sat on a board across the front of the buggy bed. In the winter they threw a heavy lap robe over their laps to keep warm. In the summer they had a light one to throw over their laps to keep the dust off their clothes. About 1914 the old buggy was getting old and dad and mom ordered a surrey and new harness from the Hapgood Co. When it came, dad hitched the team to the wagon to go to the freight depot in town to get it. Dad let me go along. It had to be uncrated and the wheels put on. Dad tied the surrey behind the wagon and I got to ride home in it. When the roads were bad or muddy we used the old buggy. When there was enough snow on the ground, we used the sleigh that Fulton Etherington helped him make before he married. I remember one time we went to grandma Lamkins at Muddy in it. I still have the sleigh. Mama, Lawrence and I went on the train a few times to visit grandma.

Grandpa Lamkin had died July 1912. I remember his corpse lying on the board with nickels on his eyes to keep them closed. Mama and I were there before he died.

We would get on the train at Ridgway and go to Norris City, lay over a while and change trains to go to Eldorado. Then got on a street car to go to Muddy. It was a round-about way. A street car would run every hour. They were rough riding. Sometimes when dad and mom went to town they left us at Aunt Caroline Febuary's. We always liked to stay here. When I went to the mailbox once in a while I would go visit Aunt Caroline and her family a little while. One day I helped her weed her pansies and she gave me a penny that was the first money I earned. Lawrence and I ate dinner with them a few times. One day she took me fishing at the trestle at Rocky Branch ditch. We caught nothing.

During the 1913 flood dad built a jon boat out of cypress lumber out of grandpa Drone's old buildings. We could ride almost over all the place. One day some of the Doerr family went with us. They had a small boat for 1 or 2 riders. One day a little shower came up and dad pulled the boat in the old house. Uncle Lou Drone had a big boat called a skiff. They would go to town in it. One day Joe Febuary took our boat to Uncle Lou's to get the skiff for some purpose. When he took the skiff home, he stopped at our house and I went along. We came back in our boat. The skiff was fine riding. Doerrs had a flock of ducks and they were in the water every day having a fine time swimming every where.

Mr. Simon Huenshelman died during the flood and Joe Febuary and dad went to the cemetery in the boat for the burial. They tied the boat to a cherry tree which is still living. During the flood dad's bridge made of logs out of the old house floated off and before the water left he got Bud Hish to help get it back. They tied the bridge to the boat. Bud rowed the boat and dad rode on the bridge, pushing with a pole. The 1913 flood came in April and killed the wheat, clover and grass.

Grandma Christina McCormick and daughter, Ellen Larkin, owned a gray mare, old Mag. Grandpa McCormick raised a black mare, Lou, from her. Lou had 3 or more colts. (Jessinere, Clyde and Sady) One day Uncle Hugh McCormick was home from college and he and Aunt Katie drove Clyde to the buggy to our house. When they were leaving and saying a few words, Clyde got restless and reared up and put his front feet on an

oak tree limb. I was afraid he would fall backwards on the buggy. They got him down ok and left.

One day when Lawrence was 4 years old I persuaded dad and mom to let us go to town to visit Aunt Kate and Ellen and we made it there and back ok.

When dad and mom moved south of town and lived on the edge of the woods, they thought they should have a dog to keep the varmints away from their chickens. They got a black pup from Uncle John Croghan which they named Pup. When threshing wheat, Pup would ride on the wagon hounds. One day when they were threshing at our house Pup fell off and a wheel ran over him. Fred Drone operated on him and he recovered. After this he got fat and would run off to town and I was told he would carry out meat at the store. We found him dead under the house. Dad thought someone dipped a sponge in grease and gave it to him to eat and it caused a blockage. After this, Uncle Will Devillez gave them a collie named Sport who was a full stock dog. A white collie came to their house and they liked him better than Sport. Old Sport was good for nothing. When we would go to Aunt Caroline's at night, old Sport would cry and whine when dad wouldn't let him go along.

One chilly day grandpa McCormick was going or coming from somewhere in the buggy pulled by a bay horse named Henry. He was crossing the railroad either at Junction or Bartley Station. He had his cap ears down and his rig was partly on the railroad track. The horse saw the train and backed off the track. There was a man on the train who knew grandpa and sure thought he would be killed.

When I got big enough to work the pump handle, I would go and pump the horse trough full of water for the horses when dad came in from the field at noon and night. The trough was a hollow log dad found in the woods and hollowed it out a little more. When the horses weren't working they drank at the pond north of the house. When dad drove the pipe for the well he didn't have a water witch to witch for water. He selected a spot north of the barn under a tree and got lots of water. After a time, the well was producing only a trickle of water. Dad decided to go to Joe Bunker who had a hardware and farm machinery store at Equality. I went along with dad in the wagon. Dad bought a new Hays pump, a well point and a hog trough to use as a horse trough. Mr. Bunker gave me a garden set (a hoe, rake and spade). I was so proud of them. The new pump worked fine with the new point. Dad tried the old pump on the new point and it worked as well. We kept the new pump.

At this time they had what they called a Street Fair at Equality. A carnival would come to town. They had what they called the Floral Hall located in the old opera house. It was then named Turner Hall. There was all kinds of grain, vegetables, poultry and all kinds of art work, clothing, quilts and anything you could mention. One day was parade day. This fair would go on a week. It was as good as the County Fair and people would come from all around.

There were several hickory trees left in the woods that weren't fit for spokes and had good nuts. We tried to keep poachers out. Dad, mom and I (when I got big enough) picked them up at odd times and Sundays. They sold them to Mosey Moss who had a

general store in Equality. Some years we would sell over \$20.00 worth, a nice sum at the time. They bought shoes and winter clothes with the money.

One spring a swarm of bees settled somewhere on the place. Dad nailed up a crude hive and hived them. He took them to the old house as it was an ideal place for them and he was afraid I would go poke around them and get stung if he put them close to the house. They did well and the hive was full of honey. Dad was going to rob them when it got cold. Someone else had the same idea and they carried away the hive and all. Dad thought it was one of his cousins who stole it.

In 1913 or 1914 dad and mom ordered an Edison cylinder phonograph from Babson Bros. at Chicago. They ordered the small size with an oak cabinet. They sent the large size with a mahogany cabinet as they were out of the other one at the same price. (I believe \$90.00) The records cost 50 cents each. We had one 75 cents record. The machine was played a lot and it had the best tone of any we heard. Several years after we moved to town Lawrence and another boy were trying to see who could play the most records on one winding and the spring broke. About 20 years ago I ordered a new spring. When it came I took the machine to Charles Keasler to put it in. His hired hand was there and took over. He got the spring in backwards. He tried to wind it and the crank broke where he forced it. He then put the spring in right. A few years ago Ted Kaufman welded a bolt to the end of the crank and it will wind. I can't keep the horn from putting too much pressure on the record.

When we lived south of town we were in Fred Drone's threshing run. After all the wheat was threshed and everyone was caught up with their work they would have a picnic behind Pete Kohl's house on the banks of the North Fork Creek. The whole threshing crew and their families came and brought baskets of food. There was everything imaginable to eat and they had one or two kegs of beer. It was an enjoyable day.

One Sunday about 1913 we were at grandpa McCormicks. He had just taken in two weanling horse mules, one black and the other brown from George Hannah who owed him. Grandpa talked dad into buying them for a hundred dollars. Dad rode old Bess over there and the mules followed her home. The mules were gentle and I would pet them when I pumped water for them. I liked the brown best. The black one was the better mule.

Lawrence and I spent many happy hours playing around grandpa Drone's old house. It was only a log shell then as dad and Uncle Joe McCormick had removed all the insides. Dad used what he took out in the buildings at the new house.

In the spring it was the prettiest when the Easter flowers and other flowers were in bloom. Dad would plow through them every year but it seemed to help them. In nice weather when we got bored we would go down there. We spent a lot of time at Aunt Caroline Febuary's. She was always busy at something. She seemed to enjoy our coming. It was a lonesome place but there was something about it that you couldn't help to like.

In the fall of 1915 dad and grandpa McCormick bought 201 acres of land from William Kaufman. His farm joined Ridgway on the east. William Kaufman and his wife, Lillian Halderby Kaufman, had purchased it from James Bean nine or ten years before this. They had built a 40 x 56 foot barn, a large tool shed, a large chicken house and a combination coal house, smoke house and privy. They also fenced the whole farm. Some with hedge posts they cut in the hills south of Equality. Some of these posts are still in existence and they put in several strings of tile. Crawford Creek ran through the farm and it had been dredged out and straightened and they did some work on the old log house. Mrs. Kaufman was a former Ridgway school teacher. They had two sons, Ervin and Louis. One time Mr. Bean shipped a car load of goats to St. Louis. They didn't sell for enough to pay the freight and they sent back for more money. Mr. Bean wrote back he had no money but could send another load of goats. Another time a church meeting was going on. The preacher told them people would be flying like birds. Mr. Bean was going to fly like a bird. He went up in the barn loft, moved his arms like a birds wings and jumped out the loft door. The poor man hit the ground.

They paid \$125.00 an acre for the place. Dad paid a little more than that because he got the buildings except the scale house which was just across the fence. The log part of the house was two story. There were two 18 foot square rooms each with a grate and a hall between them. Upstairs there were 4 bedrooms with a hall. There was a small porch downstairs and upstairs. Behind the log part was a frame kitchen, dining room and what is now called a utility room. Under this room was a cistern. There was a porch east of the kitchen and dining room. The house had yellow poplar weather boarding over the logs and it had two thicknesses of flooring. The first one was worn out. The inside of the log part was sealed and the other rooms were plastered. This house was fairly warm in winter and nice and cool in summer.

We moved March 4, 1916. I didn't know where the place was and James Joseph Abell (Jonah) walked home with me after school. The house was cold on account of Kaufmans moving out and we moving in. We were cold that night and sometime during the night it snowed. The next morning dad had to walk back to feed Barney and the mules and feed and milk the cows. Kaufmans moved to a little house on 5 ½ acres west of the one they sold. Sometime after Kaufmans moved they had a farm sale. I believe he kept a team and enough machinery to put out a corn crop on land he had been renting from another party. He had 8 or 9 mules and a complete line of machinery. A shopkeeper in town sent a black jersey cow named Beauty to the sale. Dad bid her in for \$60.00. That evening we were watering her and she butted me over. I watched her after that but she never did it again. We soon learned the reason she was sold. She gave stringy milk. That fall Kaufman had another sale and the rest went except a pair of mules and a wagon.

After we got settled dad went to hauling manure out of the barn. It was up to the sills. I believe he hauled two weeks and covered 5 or 6 acres back of the barn. He put this field in corn.

One day Uncle Raphael helped dad carry and burn magazines and papers out of the attic. They worked at it a half day. One evening that spring I came home from school dad and mom told me to look and see if I saw anything missing. Right off I saw the

mules were gone. Dad sold them to Pearson Chapman for \$350.00. One way I was glad to see them go. Dad should have sold Barney and kept and broke the mules to work. They were 3 or 4 years old. A few weeks after dad sold them an elderly man from Junction had them at a coal mine getting a load of coal. He bought them from Chapman.

Dad raised wheat, corn and clover on his half of the farm and had about seventeen acres in pasture. He kept a few cows to raise calves and a sow or two. One year dad had the north forty in wheat and threshed over 1400 bushels of wheat. It was the talk of the town. It was the old Vultz variety and he used no fertilizer. I believe it was clover ground. I always liked to see the binder run when cutting wheat. It was a hot job to get the binder untrucked and cut the first swath around the field. You had to follow the binder and carry the bundles out of the standing wheat as the binder had a left cut and the bundles came off the right. The first shock row was the hardest too. The shockers had to make one round to the binders three. Most of the time shocking wheat made me sick in my stomach. Opening a field of corn when shucking was hard, too. You shucked two rows and then had to go behind the wagon to shuck the down row which the wagon knocked down. It was hard to find good wheat shockers. Sometimes their shocks fell down before the binder left the field. A few times dad would cut in the day and shock at night and in the mornings when the dew was on. One year (I was 12 years old) dad had opened up the field and mom, Lawrence and I were helping. I got on the binder and drove perhaps a 100 feet and waited for dad who was shocking and then went a little further. I kept this up and got so I would go around the field. At first Lawrence rode on the binder table with me. I was too short to reach the bundle carrier pedal right and sometimes it would trip and scatter bundles. And when I had trouble dad would have to come to me. (One wheat harvest when we were living south of town dad was cutting wheat. He was crossing an old ditch that had been filled in. The bulled wheel went down. The horses went down in the mire and fell on each other. Dad had to take their harness off so they could get up. Barney was the first up and went to the barn. Snip and Bess stayed. It split the tongue down the middle and broke the big cog on the bull wheel. He had an old man named Boyer shocking. He was scared to death. Dad nailed the tongue together and it lasted as long as we used the binder. He got a new cog. I was with them and wasn't too calm either.) I drove the binder for the next two years and dad quit raising wheat. His last crop was a mess. It fell down and was so tangled it was hard to get it through the binder. I carried a forked stick in one hand to get it through and the binder whip in the other. Uncle Joe and Raphael helped us when they finished theirs. That year I went through the threshing run, cleaning up under the separator feeder and handing forks to the bundle haulers. After this 1921 crop dad let Uncle Joe McCormick put in the wheat. He continued until 1926 when I took it over.

One evening when Lawrence and I came home from school old Sport was not around and dad told us he died. I accused dad of killing him and he said he didn't. I was glad as he had a tumor on the underside of his tail and had running fits.

When we moved to town we continued to burn wood for heating and cooking. I would help dad saw wood after school and Saturdays. On some Saturdays when the roads were fit we would go to grandpa's woods and cut dead and cull trees and haul them home. The poplar trees around the place began to die and we cut them for wood. I

carried most of our wood to the house after school. Also after school mama would call the stores on the phone to find who was paying the most for eggs. Then Lawrence and I would carry a basket of them to town. Some evenings we made two trips. Sometimes we got cash and other times due bills that you could exchange for merchandise at that store. When you got due bills they paid a little more. This certain day we took them to a man, Gus Smith, who bought chickens, eggs and cream in one part of the building and his wife, Ella, and daughter, Emma, had a millinery shop in another room. Mr. Smith was counting out our eggs when Mrs. Smith came in just raving and telling us off. When she quit raving Mr. Smith told her she was trying to run off his customers. She said two boys had been aggravating her and she thought they were back. She said she was sorry. This is the only time anyone tried to run me out of town.

One cold winter evening a tramp came to the door and asked dad if he could sleep in the barn. Dad questioned him and the tramp told him that he didn't have any matches. Dad told him he could and told him to come to the house for breakfast. Before dad went to bed he was afraid the poor guy would get cold and took him a couple horse blankets. The next morning mama had breakfast ready when he came in. He set at the table and ate. He kept asking Lawrence and I to eat with him. We just watched him. Then he said I guess the little boys are not hungry. We ate when he left. Later dad found a pile of matches by a post in the loft. He had emptied them out of his pocket.

All the fruit trees on the place south of town were 3 or 4 blue plum trees along the garden fence set out by Uncle Tom McCormick and 2 or 3 cherry trees on the field west of the house. Those were always wormy. Uncle Will Devillez set some of their sprouts out on his place and they were his best cherries. They needed spraying. The place we moved to in town had a small orchard. In a year or two dad and mom ordered several peach trees of different varieties, four apple trees and two quince trees from Stark Bros. We mulched them with strong manure and sprayed them for San Jose scale. They grew fast and in a few years we had lots of peaches and sold them to people around town. We would can them for ourselves days and days. We would keep two years supply on hand in case of failure. Dad would pick them, help peel and tighten lids. Mom would cook, put in cans and help peel. Lawrence and I peeled. Peeling all day was tiresome. We also had about twenty grapevines and raspberry patch. We sprayed at least 3 times, once in early spring for scale and twice for worms and once for brown rot.

One spring dad bought a red gilt from Bead Evans for \$20.00. She had four pigs and saved them. She was a good mother. Either her second or third litter she had fourteen. She couldn't take care of that many. Dad took four of the smallest away from her and brought them to the house to raise as pets. We made crude nipples of bamboo and put these on bottles and fed them cows milk. Each of us had a pig. Lawrence chose the largest. It had a black nose and he named it Black nose. I picked the runt of the four. At first we kept them in a big box and fed them warm milk several times a day and get up in the night to feed them. When they out grew their box we took them to the chicken house and they were little pest. They tried to follow us everywhere. Then they got older and we put them in with their mates and mother but they always stayed together. We butchered my runt and sold the rest. Dad gave Lawrence and me the money for our two pigs.

We were milking several cows and dad and mom ordered a Mellatte cream separator from Babson Bros. at Chicago. It was made in Belgium. We took the calves from their mothers when a day or two old and taught them to drink out of a bucket. You backed the calf against the wall, got the calf's head between your legs, put a couple fingers in the calf's mouth and pushed its head in the bucket of milk. When you got it to suck your fingers, you had it made. When they got older you had to be careful they wouldn't butt the bucket and spill the milk all over you. After the calves were a few weeks old, we fed them skim milk from the separator. We shipped the cream to the Vincennes Milk and Ice Cream Co. at Vincennes, Ind. in five gallon cream cans. Lawrence and I had to help milk before and after school, winter and summer and sometimes we took the cream to the depot in the push cart.

One spring dad let Lawrence and I buy a red gilt each from Frank Welver, the stock buyer. The gilts were ready to have pigs. I don't know where we got the money unless it was money mama saved for us. When we got a quarter or so, she would write it down on a sheet of paper she kept and at the end of the year she would add the interest.

In warm weather the hens would steal their nests in the weeds and dad gave us the eggs to sell out of the new nests we found. After that they got the eggs. My gilt had two pigs. One was born dead, the other crippled and died soon. Lawrence's had all she needed. I forget how many. When my gilt got fat I sold her back to Welver.

When Grandma Lamkin came to visit us I believe she and mama kept the sewing machine running the entire time. I don't remember what they made. I suppose it was their clothes, bed clothing, towels and such things. Mama made shirts and things like that for Lawrence and me. Every spring she would make herself a new sun bonnet. When I was little, she made them for me to wear. When they were sewing and other housework, grandma would talk French. Mama didn't talk it but could understand it. I would have liked to know what she was saying. Grandma kept Lawrence and me doing odd jobs around the place. When mama wanted a Sunday dress or Sunday clothes for us kids, she went to Rosetta Smith, wife of John Smith.

John went to see Dr. Murphy to look at his throat. Doc found nothing wrong. He told doc there should be because 80 acres of good black dirt went down it. It went for liquor.

When I was small men wore white shirts with stiff detachable collars. They took the collars to the barber shop to be sent off to be laundered. They would send a half dozen at a time. Dad wore the things, too.

In 1917 dad and mama purchased a 7 passenger 6 cylinder Jeffery touring car built by the Thomas B. Jeffery Co., Kenosha, Wisconsin. They got it from Dr. Emil Meyers, an Eldorado dentist who had the agency. It had two seats and two more could be pulled out of the back of the front seat. It was painted black with leather upholstery. When we had it a while the engine began to overheat. I imagine someone put something in the radiator to stop a leak. I believe the engine was hurt, too. Just going to Eldorado we would stop at 2 or 3 houses to get water for the radiator. Henry Lockett got one earlier. It caused no trouble and they were pleased. When it came time for Locketts to trade cars, dad bought it and used the radiator and other parts on his car and it quit

overheating. One day to Eldorado dad let me drive and about Mitchells place we met an elderly man in a roadster. He kept coming closer to our side of the road and I pulled as close to the ditch as I could. He rammed his front wheel hub into our left front tire. The man got out of his car shaking. He told us his radius rod wasn't working. We changed tires and dad had the tire vulcanized. There were a lot of punctures in those days. When you hit a hole or high place in the road, your head would often hit the top of the car. When you got to where you were going, your clothes would be dirty. The first girl or woman to drive a car in Ridgway was Thelma Burtis, daughter of Ed Burtis who was a Ridgway merchant. They owned a vehicle car. Thelma married Aaron Colnon, brother of Tom Colnon and son of John and Catherine.

One day a fairly young man came in Doc Meyers office and wanted doc to show him the 300 acre Moore farm that he had an option to sell. This farm is north of Equality and is now owned by James Raben. Doc took the man to see the farm. There was an old house on the place and they went in to look. The man pulled out his gun and shot and killed Doc Meyers. There was a big write up in a magazine about the murder. The man's last name was Saint Clair. I can't think of his first name. The man was supposed to have been Doc Meyers illegitimate son and he came with the intention to murder the dentist. I forget what became of Saint Clair.

In 1927 dad and mom bought a 4 cylinder 50 Chrysler coach from Edward Barnett. The price was \$950.00. The two old Jefferies were traded in on it. They didn't have it long until Lawrence, who was 16 years old, took it out. Dad wanted me to go along but I refused. He had 3 or 4 boys and girls and he was showing off. And as he was going around the Pete Smith corner, he upset it. Smith said he was going 30 miles per hour. Some of his pals went to the doctor for cuts and dad paid the bill. Lawrence was cut the most but didn't go to the doctor. He was wearing a new tailor-made suit and it was cut in a couple places. The body of the car was bent and dented and some glass broke. I got the blame for it. They said if I had went along it would not happened. Dad was making plans to take the car to St. Louis where two Germans had a shop and worked on wrecks. Before he took it, Lawrence slipped it out and upset it again. After this, Edward Barnett, Marion Drone and dad took it to St. Louis. While the car was in the shop, dad and mom decided to buy Lawrence a new 1927 Ford Roadster, if they wanted a car. They bought him a brown one from W.B. Philips (Billie) for \$500.00. This was the last Model T sold in Ridgway. When the Chrysler was repaired, dad and Lawrence went to St. Louis in the Ford to get it. They did a good job on the Chrysler and you couldn't tell it was wrecked. Lawrence rode his pals around in his Ford and they would get him in trouble. He upset the Ford once. After a while he put aluminum pistons in it and later on took the body off and ran around with the chasis. After this he left home and bummed around the western states. He then got in the Air force and was at Luke Field, Hawaii and then at Chanute Field at Rantoul, Illinois. In 1933 he married Ruby Floyd at Rantoul and came home to farm. In June 1936 he and Ruby separated and he went out west again. Dad and mom gave me \$500.00 when they bought the Ford for Lawrence. In 1940 the Chrysler was traded in on a 1940 Plymouth Sedan. It cost \$950.00.

When we lived south of town the neighbors got together to have telephones. They had to build their own lines to each other's homes and into town. There were two telephone companies, the Cumberland and Independent. Barney Hethamn was the manager of

the Independent which we had. Each family had what they called a drop on the switchboard. When you wanted to talk to someone, you would call central and the girl at the switchboard would try to call the party you wanted to talk to. Everyone on a line had a certain ring such as two longs, a long and a short and so forth. When your phone rang, all the phones on your line rang and they could hear the conversation if they wished. The phones ran on two dry cell batteries about 6 or 7 inches tall and 2 inches in diameter. They would last about a year. Gallatin and Saline counties could talk without extra cost. Most of the phones hung on the wall with a short wire leading to the outside. Then a wire from a pole in the yard ran to the house. These two wires were hooked together. When a storm came up, you went out and unhooked them to protect your phone from lightning. One time in town lightning struck one of our poles and we never found the wire between two poles. One time mom was talking on the phone when we lived in town and a bullet came through the wall beside her. They went outside and saw no one. I just despised those things and hated to talk on them. They were a little better than nothing. The Independent Telephone Office was upstairs over what is now the Tin Shop. The top story has been removed. Maggie Duffy Vickery was operator for years.

One day in 1924 we were sitting on the front porch resting and saw a new black Ford touring car turn the corner. When it came in front of the house we saw it was grandpa McCormick. He was sitting up so straight and never looked towards the house. We were so surprised. Grandpa didn't drive it again. Aunt Katie McCormick learned to drive it and continued to do so until August 1933 when she died of encephalitis. Aunt Teresa McCormick never tried to learn to drive. The car sat in the barn a couple years and Uncle Joe McCormick sold it to Bill Luther for \$100.00. Grandpa bought it from Edward Barnett.

Margaret Mary McCormick was born Wednesday, July 16, 1924. Mama put out a washing July 15. That night was hot and humid and we were sitting on the front porch. Lawrence begged to go to town and they wouldn't let him. Grandma Lamkin had been visiting us and went home a day or two before. Mama said she left when she needed her the most. Dr. John Charles Murphy was the doctor and dad got Mrs. Lillian Halderby Kaufman, a neighbor, out of bed to help. Margaret Mary was born downstairs in the old house. Lawrence and I were sleeping upstairs. I heard the baby squalling and when Doc left I heard him say Eliza take good care of that girl. Grandma came back a day or two later. I was proud of my little sister. When she was two weeks old, dad would take her to the orchard and let her suck on a peach. One spring when Margaret Mary was a toddler, dad and I took some potatoes to town in the wagon to sell. The store wouldn't buy them and we had to take them home.

When we were unloading, we put the baby in the wagon. She picked up the lines and Maud and Daisy were off. They were trained that way. Dad was lucky to get in the wagon and stop them before they got out of the yard.

In the fall of 1923 dad went to Matt Drones sale with Uncle Joe McCormick. He bought a team of seven year old mares, Maud and Daisy, for \$150.00. He didn't need them that fall as he had quit raising wheat. Old Barney had died of colic a few years before. Dad borrowed one of grandpa's horses to put in the corn. Dad used the mares with old Snip and Bess to get out the 1924 and 1925 corn.

In the summer of 1925 dad tore down the old log house. Dad took it down and Lawrence and I pulled nails out of lumber. There was lots and lots of good lumber in it. The logs were of yellow gum, about 18 inches wide. The sills were of white oak and about 40 feet long. It was a mistake to take the house down. It could have been made into a beautiful home. After the house was cleared up, we began to dig the basement. We used slip scrapers to dig it. I drove the mares to one and Lawrence drove Snip and Bess to the other and dad loaded them. We never saw such hard dirt. Some places we loosened it up with a grub hoe. When we got to the depth we were going, we hit sand. We had two car loads of gravel and one of sand shipped in from Shawneetown. Uncle Joe McCormick helped us haul with his team and wagon. And we used grandpa's team and wagon. Ed Abell, Uncle Joe's hired hand, drove one team. I suppose we hired scrapers. Jim Abell was the carpenter and Pete McGowan laid the brick which were made and shipped from Evansville, Indiana. We hauled those, too. After the old house was gone, we moved most of our furniture to the scratching shed of the chicken house and lived in the old utility room that was left. Lawrence and I slept in the barn loft in a bed we moved there until almost Christmas. I dropped out of high school that fall and Lawrence started. Dad and I mixed and carried mortar and brick while the walls were going up. After the walls were up we helped with the carpenter work. We bought some rough lumber from Billy Voyles at Shawneetown and finishing material from Sears, Roebuck. We used Jim Abell's concrete mixer to mix concrete for the basement walls and floor. We got boys around town to help with the concrete. Arthur Scates did the plastering. He did a poor job. He put more on the floor than the wall. At night dad and I scraped it up and carried it out. When we were digging the basement, the old well pit was on the edge of it. I backed the team close to it so dad could load the scraper and old Maud set her foot too close to the hole and she slipped a little, then put her other foot in it. She went in backwards and was sitting on her rump. Her collar was choking her and we got it off. Then we dug enough dirt so she could get out. She stayed calm all the while.

When the corn got dry enough to shuck, I went at that. I think every stalk was down or leaning and it was slow going. I wasn't getting along too good and dad told Mr. Abell he would like to take a week or two off to help me. Mr. Abell told him it would be fine as he had a few little jobs waiting for him. We got moved in the new house a week before Christmas.

One year dad let Lawrence and I buy each of us a heifer from him to raise calves. I picked a big rough spotted one with a white face. Lawrence's was red with a whit face. They were both herefords and raised good calves. At that time a 1000 lb. Steer would bring you \$60.00 at Frank Welper's stockyard.

In the spring of 1926 dad turned the farming over to me. Old Snip and Bess were too old to keep up with the mares and I was plowing with the walking plow. Dad and Uncle Joe went to Eldorado to their cousin Jim Spahr's funeral. While there dad went to Ali Schossier's barn and bought a 7 year old bay horse named Prince for \$120.00. I had 5 acres plowed. It went faster with 3 horses to the riding plow. Dad sold old Snip and Bess to a man east of town for \$15.00. He used them with his corn crop, some of it in the bottoms. After the corn was laid by the man turned them out on the road and they

came home and we let them in the lot and we thought we were stuck with them. They looked awful. In a few days the man brought a man from Hogeys to see them and he traded them to the man for a watch.

That fall I was plowing wheat ground and one day at noon dad told me I had a job tomorrow. I asked what. He told me they were graveling the road past St. Joseph's Cemetery and they were asking donations of work and money. Dad promised to haul 13 loads of gravel out of the coal car and help scoop one day. I hauled the 13 loads in one day. I hauled along the Luckett place. On one trip I met old Snip on the main street of Hogeys and he came to the mares and neighed. I could have cried. The poor horses died that fall. Dad gave me 1/3 of the wheat crop after the expenses. It came to around \$100.00 a year. Dad got all the corn. In April 1932 I bought 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres from Logan Smith for \$6500.00. I had \$2500.00 of it and dad helped me. In the fall of 1933 Lawrence and Ruby moved in the house on the place and wanted to farm. Dad bought him a little team of mules, Jim and Sam, from Walter Quick for \$150.00 and one from George Zilch, Otto for \$75.00. Lawrence farmed the home place and I farmed mine. We used dad's tools. At the time, my place would only make 5 bushels of corn to the acre. In the spring of 1936 we were about half done planting corn and this morning Lawrence didn't show up for work. He and Ruby weren't getting along and he left in the middle of the night. Dad and I finished planting his corn and dad cultivated it. I helped shuck it when I finished mine. Dad put in the crop the next year with my help. That fall he rented it to Arnold Mills who was farming some of his land across the creek. I continued to farm my place. Dad sold Jim and Sam to Ali Schossier for \$300.00. No one wanted old Otto and I worked him. Lawrence went back to the west coast and when we wrote him that dad sold the mules he wrote back for the money and dad sent it to him.

In the fall of 1940 I traded old Maud and \$85.00 to Shelby Hemphill for two colts. The smallest one was a bay with a star in his forehead. Shelby called him Charlie. The larger one was also a bay with a blaze face. Dad called him Big Charlie. Old Maud's feet went bad and it was hard for her to walk. I broke the colts to work the next spring. At first I harnessed them and drove them single around the horse lot. Then I hitched them to a fence post and let them pull it around the lot. At last I hitched one of them at a time with old Daisy to the wagon. They didn't give me a bit of trouble. I worked them one at a time with the other horses in the field. One morning that fall with Big Charlie and I believe old Otto to the wagon. I was going through the gate to shuck corn at my place as I had been doing. I noticed the colt was limping. Dad raised his front foot and pulled out a rusty wire and I drove on. A few mornings later I went to the pasture to drive the horses to the barn. Big Charlie was down and couldn't get up. I got the vet and he told me the colt had lockjaw and there wasn't anything to do. He said if he had a gun he would kill him to stop his suffering. I went and borrowed Will Kaufman's revolver and the vet shot him. If I had got the vet when we got the wire out of his foot we could have saved him. I never got to work the two colts together.

Old Daisy and Prince were getting too old to work and in the fall of 1942 I sold them to Shelby Hemphill for \$15.00 and bought a team from James Dixon for \$185.00 Buck was an iron gray and 5 years old. Prince was a strawberry and 4 years old.

In the spring of 1943 dad begged me to farm the home place and rent mine out. I hated to give up my place. I had just got it cleaned up and built up so it was producing good crops and I had just finished paying for it. I rented it to Lawrence Drone and later to his son, Martin (Motor), who farmed it until I let John Keasler have it in 1978. When the Kaesler kids were big enough to set on a horse and were at our house, I would take them to the barn and bridle one of the horses and throw a tow sack over his back and help the kid on. Then I would lead the horse around the lot. They seemed to enjoy it. Alvin Stennet, a saw miller, lived in a shack in front of the house. I let them four kids Rosemary, Lily, Dennis and Charles ride the same way.

One fall 15 or more years later, I started to clip off young clover one afternoon. I had Buck and Prince to the mower on the first round Prince fell dead. I guess of a heart attack. A few years later old Buck had a small lump in his throat about where the throat latch worked. It kept getting larger and finally killed him. Dad told old Otto or gave him to Harry Miner for a garden mule. Old Charlie got down in his back and I sold him to Jim Harris who lived south of Route 13 for \$25.00 I believe. Charlie had kidney trouble. One day I was cultivating corn with Charlie and Otto to the cultivator. A big black cloud came up. I was in the field across the ditch and the rows were east and west. I had got to the end and was going east. My straw hat blew off and I got off to get it. It also blew east. The dust was blowing up a storm and as I started towards the team they whirled around and went back west. I thought for sure I would find them cut up in the fence. When I got to them they were standing at the fence. In that dust they thought I was some kind of a spook. They plowed out two or three hundred feet of corn. It was funny after it was over.

A few years before I quit farming I began taking out the fences on the 80 acres across the ditch. They were grown up in poison ivy and small sprouts. I dug around those hedge posts and then tried to pull them out. Some had bell bottoms and were hard to pull. I had them all out except a quarter mile. I quit farming about 1960 and as far as I know I was one of the last ones farming with horses in the county.

In the fall of 1914 grandpa McCormick, Aunts Katie and Teresa and Uncle Raphael moved to Ridgway from their old home place in North Fork Township to a place they bought from Button Hise. This was in the south part of town, nicknamed Bean Town, after an early resident. A street east and west cut the place in two parts. The house and a hull of a barn were north of the street. They had 10 lots. They moved four horses, Lou, Henry, Prince and Lady and a cow and chickens, also farm tools. In the spring of 1915 they rented corn ground from Uncle Frank Drone. As I mentioned earlier, grandpa and dad and mom bought the old Jimmy Bean farm of 201 acres from William (Bill) Kaufman and wife, Lillian Halderby Kaufman. In the spring of 1916 grandpa and Uncle Raphael began farming grandpa's half. I forgot there was a lane separating the 2 halves north and south. Grandpa got the east 101 ½ acres and dad the west 96 ½ acres. Crawford Creek went through the place and left dad with 16 ½ acres south of the creek and grandpa about 26.

Uncle Joe McCormick and Julia Wallace got married that spring. He was an undertaker and grandpa let him put in 17 acres of corn south of the creek. They used most of dad's tools to get in the crop and continued to use them. There was a small field of alfalfa and

also one of timothy on their part. They made hay of this and put it in dad's barn loft. The water well with a windmill was on dad's half. The windmill was hooked to a two cylinder force pump. There was a 1 inch pipe that ran to where Aunt Teresa's house is now to a fairly large tank. When there was not enough wind to turn the mill to furnish water for both places, we had to pump by hand. Sometimes at night one winter the pipe froze and busted and no more water to grandpas. After this they watered at our tank. There was also a pump in the northeast corner of dad's south forty which we used in the summer time and also Uncles Joe and Raphael.

In the spring of 1916 grandpa or Uncle Raphael had a sow in the pasture east of where Aunt Teresa's house is now. There is a water way through it. The old sow made her bed in it and had her pigs in it. It came a big rain that night. The next morning Uncle Raphael walked over to do his feeding and found the pigs floating and two were alive. He took them home and Aunts Kate and Teresa had pet pigs. There was an 8 or 10 stall shed they could go in.

For a few years Uncle Joe and grandpa rented a hay stacking outfit from Jake Wenzel and made large stacks of clover hay besides what they put in dad's barn loft. Dad helped them to get help with his. I carried drinking water for them. They never offered me a penny for it. In late winter or spring Uncle Joe would have the hay baled and sell it. Uncle Joe and Raphael put in a patch of corn each and went in together on the wheat.

In the spring of 1916 grandpa rented the place we left to Clyde Brown, a neighbor boy. His grandma, Lorina Brown, and son, Asa, kept house for him. There was not enough land on the Kaufman place for Uncle Joe and Raphael and Uncle Raphael began to farm the one south of town with Henry, Prince, Lady and a gray colt he bought and broke. The colt (Sam) would try to run off occasionally. Uncle Raphael lived with grandpa and Aunts Katie and Teresa. He would go to work and back in grandpa's old hack. One evening a drunk man in a car ran into him and wrecked the hack.

When Uncle Raphael threshed his wheat, I carried water for the crew in grandpa's buggy drawn by old Bill, Uncle Joe's string halted horse. I was barefoot and at noon I was unhitching him and he set his stringy foot down on top of my foot and took some skin off. You couldn't guess where a string horse would set his foot down. About this time grandpa traded old Lou to Hemphills for two small young outlaw mules.

During World War One Uncle Raphael had to go and stayed until the war was over. In the winter of 1918-1919 and 1919-1920 grandpa and Aunt Katie and Teresa spent the winter in Florida. I believe it was the winter of 1920 that Uncle Tom McCormick's wife, Aunt Mae, and daughter, Daisy, had the flu and pneumonia. It almost took them.

When Uncle Joe started to farm he went and came in his buggy with his horses. When his buggy was worn out he latched onto grandpa's buggy.

When Ed Abell was about 9 years old he began taking Uncle Joe's yellow jersey cow Lady back and forth to pasture each day. He got a dime a day. After Ed got out of grade school, Ed made a regular hand. Grandpa called his buggy the slop wagon as Uncle Joe hauled slop in it for his hogs he had on grandpa's pasture. After this buggy

was shot he and Ed used his wagon. (Uncle Joe's that is) About 1920 or 1921 grandpa sold his house and lots to Charley Barnett as Aunt Katie and Aunt Teresa were always complaining about the place. They moved to the place south of town where they lived one year. They were dissatisfied there and came back to town and moved in with Aunt Kate and Ellen. This didn't work out and they rented the house next door, south from Henry Shatteen.

About 1921 Uncle Raphael traded those ornery mules and his horse Sam to Ali Schossier for a big dapple gray four years old team of Percheron mares. They were beautiful, named Mae and Pansy. A while after this they sold Henry and Prince to Cal Kimbro.

In the spring of 1922 grandpa had John Goebel and sons build a barn. The lumber was cut and sawed in the woods south of town by Windy Joe Wenzels sawmill. In the spring of 1923 he hired Wright McGhee to build a house. The rough lumber was sawed at the same place. They moved in that fall.

One Sunday evening in the spring of 1921 Marsh Smith went to his 120 acre farm to feed his stock. It came up a storm and he didn't come home. His family thought he stayed at the house on the place. His body was found at the corner of the house. He had been struck by lightning. The Smiths lived on the farm in summertime, town in winter. When the estate was being settled, I believe in 1923, the east 60 acres were sold at the courthouse. Dad bid it in for grandpa at \$130.00 an acre. He put in the only bid. I wanted dad to buy it.

One night my brother Lawrence begged me to go to the movies with him as he was afraid to go out at night. I hated movies and didn't want to go but the folks finally persuaded me to go. As we were nearing the Judge Winfield Philips home, we heard chains jingling and Lawrence was terribly scared and whispered what is that noise. It was Marsh Smith's two gray mules, each with a chain on their front leg. I was mad and never did tell him what it was.

In 1916 Uncle Joe had a team of horses, Jesse and Sam, that he used to pull his hearse. A short time later Jesse went crazy or so it seemed and he couldn't do anything with him. He put him in grandpa's pasture and he acted like a wild horse. Uncle Joe then bought a team of black Percheron or coach horses, Jim and Sam, from Louis Ande and one man named Wargel. He then traded Jesse to Red Andy Zirkelbach for old Bill, the horse I mentioned. In no time Andy's kids were driving Jesse to the buggy. A few years later he traded a ton of hay to Bill Walton for an old gray horse Jesse.

About 1923 Uncle Raphael quit the farm and got a job in Harrisburg, Illinois that he didn't keep long as he went to Springfield, Illinois and got a job with an insurance company. Then he got on the equalization board in Springfield, Illinois that settled bonus claims for veterans of World War One. When this was finished he got a job with the Internal Revenue Service which he kept until he retired in 1965.

In the mid 1920's grandpa and Uncle Joe bought 200 acres 3 or 4 miles east of Ridgway from John Dieg of Mt. Vernon. This farm was in a T shape. Joe took 80 acres running

east and west and grandpa 120 north and south. There was a house on both tracts and also a barn and other buildings on Uncle Joes. After mass one Sunday, Uncle Tom McCormick said Joe I suppose you will go to your farm. He answered not until I have to.

In 1929 Ed Abell married Catherine Berkel and rented the Dieg farm. Uncle Joe helped him to buy a team and tools. He bought a team of mules from Ivan Green and a horse which he worked with the mules and also drove to the buggy. A few winters later at night the mules were thirsty and went to the pond to drink and it was frozen with ice. One mule broke through the ice and couldn't get out and froze to death. They didn't get fed too good and were worked hard.

In the early 1930's Uncle Joe traded the undertaking business to Jacki Moore. This included a fairly new motor hearse on 160 acres of land north of Equality. He rented this out until 1939 when he bought a Massey Harris 101 super tractor and a small 85 Massey Harris. He and Ed Abell then worked together and farmed Aunt Teresa's 160, the Dieg 200 and the Equality 160. He was supposed to give Aunt Teresa 1/3 as her share of the crops on her farm. Later on Ed and Uncle Joe each bought a 44 Massey. They farmed together until a few years before Uncle Joe died. Then Ed bought his tools.

I was at the McCormick's family beck and call from the time I was 9 years old until they all died. You name it and I did it. I got very little thanks and less pay for it all. I forgot to mention after Uncle Raphael left, Uncle Joe worked his team and grandpa fed them as long as they were able to work and were sold.

When I was 4 or 5 years old, I went to the granary where the wheat fan was. I began turning the crank to get it going. Then I wanted to find out how it would feel to put my finger on the cogs. I didn't think I could feel with my left finger, so I turned it with my left hand and put my right finger in the cogs. I soon found out. It took my fingernail off clean. I went to the house and told what I did. They put something on and wrapped it. When I got a little ease, I took my nap. While I was sleeping, dad went and found the nail and showed it to me when I woke.

A few years after we moved to town dad gave me a one blade pocket knife. It was a Barlow and sold for 15 or 25 cents. There was a clump of elderberries at the far end of the farm. I went back there to cut one to make a pop gun. I found a nice one and was cutting it. Instead of cutting away from me, I was cutting toward me. The knife was razor sharp. I let it slip and the blade slit my left thumb. The blood poured and I ran to the house. I thought I would never get the bleeding stopped. I will carry that scar the rest of my life.

One day dad and I went to the woods to get a load of fire wood. Dad took the fence down and told me to stand on it while he drove across it. When he started it seemed to me the team was going to run over me and I jumped off. A barbed wire struck my left leg and cut a gash 2 inches long above my knee. Dad was mad at me. I still have that scar.

In the fall of 1939 or 1940 I was shucking corn at my place. This evening I had unloaded my corn and left for home. I was driving Daisy and Prince and got to the cross road and

saw a model T truck coming from the west. I stopped and was waiting for them to go by. When they got close to me, they pulled over to me. The horses saw they were going to get hit and started off. The truck hit the left front wheel of the iron wheel wagon and the horses broke loose from the wagon and ran north about a block taking the wagon tongue and what was left of the double trees with them. The horses jerked me out of the wagon with the check lines onto the gravel road. I got up and the man and his two sons got out of the truck. One asked if I was hurt and I said I didn't think so. While they were getting the truck loose from my wagon I felt of my right shoulder and told them it was broke or dislocated. When getting in their truck, they said nothing hurt and left. Claud Drone and Gilbert Rider came along in Claud's car and stopped. They got the team to the wagon the best they could. Gilbert took the team and wagon home and Claud took me to Dr. Edgar Green in his car. Dr. Green put my dislocated shoulder in place. He charged me \$5.00 and told me I would have arthritis in it when I was older. He also told me to sue the people. I didn't. He was right about the arthritis. I have it. The driver of the truck had to be drunk. I had one more load of corn to shuck. W. T. Hatfield pushed the iron wheel back in shape with a jack. It was a month later when I shucked that last load of corn.

When I was 12 or 13 years old dad was cutting seed clover about the middle of August. I was following the mower barefoot like a kid. Dad had a windrower on the mower and I carried a fork and raked the clover off when it would bunch up. I ran a stubble in the underside of my right big toe. I thought I pulled all the thing out and continued until the field was finished. My toe healed with a part of the stubble in it. In a few days my toe was as big as a goose egg and hurt so I didn't get much sleep. Dad and mom put poultices on it but they did no good. One morning Uncle Joe McCormick came in and told them to take me to the doctor. I got ready and hopped to the door and got in the little wagon and Lawrence pulled me to the road and got in the old Jeffery and dad took me to Dr. John Charles Murphy's office. When Doc saw me he got his lance and began sharpening it. Then he froze my toe. Dad held my foot while Doc hit the bone with the lance. I was in the back room of the three room office. When Doc pulled the lance out the pus shot to the front door. Doc got a rag and pan of water and mopped the stream of pus up. Doc said it was almost blood poison. When I got home, I went to sleep. When school began September 1st, I missed the first week.

On Sunday evening, June 19, 1953 I decided I would sharpen a mower sickle as I was going to mow something on Monday. I had to climb over some machinery in the shed to get to the mower to take the sickle out. I tripped on some machinery and fell on something and threw my elbow out of place. The doctor's offices were closed on Sunday and Monday morning. I went to Dr. Joe Bryant's office to get it back in place again. I gave him \$30.00 for the job. I didn't quit the field work. I plowed corn and did what had to be done such as milking and harnessing the horses.

On May 10, 1957 I was hauling manure in the iron wheel wagon. I was going through the gate and had to make a turn going down hill. The wagon tongue broke and threw me off the load. My right elbow struck a brick bat and was thrown out of place. I unhitched the team and unharnessed them. I walked to Dr. Bryant's office and he looked at it and told me my elbow was broken and I would have to go to Evansville. It looked awful. I said it wasn't broke. He x-rayed it and I was right. Doc took me to the

Pearce Hospital. They got me on the table and Doc Cavaness put me to sleep. I was told 7 people were pulling on my arm. The first I heard when I began to come to was don't let him fall off. Before I got off the table they told me to write the hospital a check for \$20.00. I told them I couldn't write left handed. They said do your best. This I did. I got off the table and Doc and I went home and I sat in Doc's office a few minutes resting and wrote him a check for \$150.00 and walked home. A few weeks later Dr. Cavaness sent me a bill for \$30.00 which I paid. Dr. Bryant gave me a few heat treatments for my arm. And I did the farm work as usual with my arm in a cast. When it came time to take the cast off. Doc couldn't find his cast knife. While he was hunting his nurse found a tin snips and I cut it off with it using my left hand.

On June 6, 1973 Charles Keasler and I went to the Evans place for some reason. While we were there, he decided to hitch an implement to another implement that was hitched to the tractor. I was holding the pin to drop in the clevis. He came back quicker than I thought and caught my first finger and mashed the end of it. After dinner one of the girls took me to Doc Bryant. His nurse cleaned and wrapped it and gave me a tetanus shot.

On March 12, 1974 I went to Charles Keasler's house. They had just scrubbed the garage floor. I stepped on a slick spot and fell, dislocating my right elbow. They took me to Ferrell Hospital where they put my elbow in place. While they had me there they put me on the cardiogram machine. They kept me overnight in a room with John Zilch who snored all night and kept me awake. This cost \$203.00. Then on May 17, 1974 I paid Ferrell Hospital balance of \$89.00. On May 3, 1974 Medicare paid me \$96.00. This is when I began taking peritrate for circulation. On another occasion I had a dislocation and got it back myself.

On Sunday, October 10, 1982 right after dinner I got a steady pain in my abdomen. I sat around 2 or 3 hours thinking it would leave. It didn't and I thought it was time to do something. I called John Keasler, no answer. I called Charles Keasler, not at home. I made a mistake on Jim Keasler's number. With Lawrence (Judge) Rollman's help, I got in touch with Glenda Keasler Rollman. She was 7 months pregnant. I told her my trouble and wanted to go to the hospital. She came right away. It was about dark when we got to Ferrell's Hospital. They were working with a heart attack patient and didn't get to me for sometime. I told them it was cancer. They disagreed. I told them I noticed a small inguinal hernia in August. Dr. John Doyle wanted to operate. Dr. Samir Abdo wanted to put a tube through my nose to the stomach and pump it out. This they did. Also, they stuck a needle in my left arm and gave me a pain killer, and then hooked a bottle of glucose to the needle. I got relief soon. Charles and Margaret Mary Keasler came over right after I got to the hospital. I didn't use the bathroom often. I just watched the glucose go in and the filth drop in a big jar of water. On Tuesday, October 12, they gave me a Barium enema, a pink colored mess which I drank 2 glasses. This they could trace in my intestines when they soon x-rayed me in all positions. After this I felt bloated and my bowels moved. The next day when the nurses were changing shifts they wanted to move again. I couldn't get a nurse to get me a bed pan. Poor Chris Keane, my room partner, gave me his. I was so thankful. A day or so later Chris' daughter from around Evansville came and took him home with her so she could take him to an Evansville hospital for treatments for lung cancer. Chris didn't live long. They brought a man named Bowman in my room. He had emphysema. He was put on a machine daily to

clear his lungs. One time he had just finished his treatment and the attendant caught him lighting a cigarette and told him the treatment would no good smoking so soon. I asked to be moved as Bowman coughed a lot and kept his radio high and I couldn't sleep and the next day I moved. A day later they brought Duke Wright from Ridgway Manor in with me. He was a stroke patient. I got tired of the tube in my nose. Glucose was ok after I got rid of the tube in my nose. I could go anywhere in the room, also the bathroom. The glucose bottle hung on a pole with casters and I could take it along. On Monday, October 18, Dr. Abdo came in the room and told me I ought to have the hernia operated on. He said it would get me in all kinds of troubles. I think it already had. He told me I wouldn't be put to sleep. I told him I would talk to the folks. I decided to go along with him. On Tuesday morning, October 19, at 10:30 a.m. a nurse gave me a shot in the back and in a few minutes I was on the operating table and they placed a green pad under each hip. These were the anesthetics and were ice cold. I told Becky Devillez Dicky and the other nurse to see that those guys did a good job. They strapped my arms and legs to the table in the form of a cross and pulled my gown up so I couldn't see what was going on. I could hear them talking. Becky stood behind my head and occasionally rub it. When I felt them closing the wound I told them that they were about finished. They said yes you have just had major surgery. They wheeled me to my room and bed. Margaret Mary was waiting for me and Mary C. Oldham brought Aunt Teresa by in a wheel chair. She was there for a check up. They said a few words and left. I had surgery at 11:00 a.m. and got out at noon. I was still on glucose. For supper that night I got the best meal while I was there. About an hour after the meal they took me off glucose. They waited to see if the meal made me sick. I used 21 bottle of glucose. A man took a blood test every day to see what to put in the glucose. One bottle was clear, the next one amber color. Father F.X. Heiligenstien, Lawler and Don Abell came to see me several times and brought communion. One Sunday one of the doctors and a young lady came in and told me to lie down. She wanted to see my hernia as she was studying medicine. I told them the hernia disappeared when I was lying down. I raised my gown and showed them everything and they thanked me. Dr. Doyle told me it was a bigger job than they expected. I got several cards and visits while there. I was in 11 days and ate 5 meals. I was released there October 21 after breakfast. Charles and Margaret Mary Keasler came for me. Dr. Abdo said not to lift over 10 lbs. I stayed at Keaslers until November 9. My bill was \$4,497.10. Medicare paid \$3817.10, me \$680.00.

In the winter of 1918 and 19 it came the largest snow anyone knew of. After the snow we got sleet on top of it. Then it turned warm and it rained on the sleet. And then the whole thing froze slick as ice. I believe it was 3 feet deep on the level. We had to scoop out a path to wherever we had to go. I don't remember what the livestock did. I know when we butchered hogs for our meat, we scooped out a place about 20 feet square to work in. The stuff was piled almost head high. The country people could skate to town if they wanted to. Dad let me use the skates he bought to skate on the creek when we lived south of town. Skates were hard to find. Dad finally found a pair he bought for Lawrence. The snow stayed on a long time. It thawed a little in the day, froze again at night. Other winters when the ice was thick enough the kids skated on Uncle Alex Drone's pond west of town and Ed Drone's pond south of town. We would skate at night, too. We were young and didn't get cold.

On Christmas Day 1936 it rained and on the calendar I wrote rain for Wednesday, January 6 and Wednesday, January 13 and on Thursday, January 21, Saturday, January 23, Monday, January 25 and Wednesday, January 27, 1937. I wrote flood. They got the same all through the Ohio and Wabash Valleys. It was warm and what snow there was melted. The rivers rose fast and began backing up in the small streams and these backed up and covered land that was never known to be under water. When the Tennessee broke, head water ran over the back water. There was a current and all kinds of things came by. Water got around Aunt Teresa McCormick's house and in her basement and she couldn't have a fire. Dad and I brought her to our house in the iron wheel wagon. One place we stood on a endgate lying on the floor to keep our feet dry. We also moved her cow and chickens and cat, if she had one. The boats went by day and night. At night we could see their lights. The mail and bread boats landed at the crossing between the Presbyterian Church and Frankie Gowan's house. The last two houses on the street going to the park only had part of their chimneys out of the water and were chained to trees. All of Ridgway west of the railroad had water on the ground and several low spots east of the railroad had water on them. On Lawrence Drone's farm the water came to the top of his dump rake wheels. When we went to our barn we went down the road instead of through the orchard as we usually went. The water got within 20 feet of the north end of our barn. My farm at New Market was 2/3 under water. We had one pair of rubber knee boots between dad and me. On Sunday dad went to one mass and I the other. It was the same when we went to town. The last time I went to town I was walking along the fence row which ran south in front of our house. I held to the fence. Going my right foot slipped in deep water and my right boot got full of water. Coming home my left foot slipped and the left boot filled with water.

Aunt Caroline Febuary was getting old and was living in town with her daughter, Henry and Mary Hish. Her son, Ulysses, was living on her farm 1 ½ miles south of town. She asked him why he didn't shut the gate to keep the water out of the yard. A great many farmers had to move their livestock to their neighbors or higher land and some had to leave their homes and live with friends and relatives. I persuaded dad to get the old boat out that we used in the 1913 flood. We caulked it up, and then we rowed over the farm. It wasn't a wise thing to do. The river came to a crest Wednesday, February 3 and began to fall February 4. The water was gone Wednesday, February 17. The water didn't kill the wheat and clover as it did in 1913, as the water was colder. When the water left there were 4 bridges left on our farm, one on each hill. It looked comical, Aunt Teresa had 2, Leonard Bahl 1 and Ridgway Township 1. A man came to our door and wanted to get them. Dad told him he could if they were his. The owners got them when the ground got dry. After it got dry enough to work, we had to gather up all kinds of junk and haul it off or burn it.

On May 21, 1957 we saw a big black cloud about sunset. It wasn't long until we heard a roaring sound like a train going through. I looked out and the tree limbs were breaking. We were scared and then it began to rain. When the rain slacked, I took a flashlight and went on a tour of the place. A big limb came through the tile roof of the house. The clay tile on the brooder house was demolished. A 2 stall shed where we kept young calves was down. A 800 lb. Herford heifer of mine was lying nearby with a broken hip. The large machine shed was down. The roof and rafters were lying several feet away. I think it took the roof. Then the rest fell in. Then I went to Aunt Teresa's house to see

about her. She was sitting in a chair as if nothing happened. A few limbs were down in her yard. After this it rained heavy off and on for 3 or 4 days. There I was with my right arm in a cast and sling from my May 10 accident and we could barely get out of the house for fallen limbs. Dad did what little he was able. I chopped and dragged brush, sparing my right arm all I could. The tornado also tore out some fence and I had to dig post holes and rebuild the fence. It took some fruit trees out by the roots. It rounded the top of a maple tree west of the chicken house better than it could have been pruned. The poor heifer laid around 2 or 3 days before we could get John Zilch to butcher her. We put the meat in a locker. Charles Keasler came and helped get the limb off the house. Then we took the roofing tile on the south end of the garage to replace the broken ones on the house. He also had several pieces of machinery in the shed and he helped to get the debris off of it. We had baby chicks on the way and dad and I built a make-shift place to put them. Out at my place the barn was leaning on an angle ready to fall down. As I had time, I cleaned up the lumber in the tool shed that was fit to use and dad and I built a pole shed. That fall I got Lawrence Drone and one or two of his boys, Ray Drone and Ed Brugger, to help me tear down my barn and clean up the lumber and build a pole barn. It only took us a few days and it cost me only \$175.00 for the job. Later on I built more onto it myself.

On May 9, 1968 Charles (Pete) Keasler's sons Jim and John and I were cutting brush in the dredge ditch on the Evans place west of town. At 11:00 a.m. all of a sudden the ground began to shake. Pete was cutting on a tree with a chain saw and it was about ready to fall. I was chopping on one with my ax about a 100 feet away. Jim and John were dragging brush. I yelled earthquake. After dinner at Keaslers we went back to our work. Although it did not damage at Keaslers, I was worried about my place. When I got home, no damage. At Aunt Teresas an antique lamp on a small table got its globe shaken off and broken. Grandpa and grandma started with this lamp. At St. Joseph's Church 2 marble columns were broken on the altar and a spire almost fell off.

Grandpa McCormick had a habit of when someone knocked at his door he would yell come in. This time he yelled and a tramp came in. I believe this was the one who dad told me that was at his house when they lived west of them. Dad told him not to stop there as they couldn't keep him. At one time grandpa had a dog named Pup. When he saw a tramp he would meet him in the road and not let him come to the house. One day Pup went off and brought home a three legged dog he found somewhere.

One evening about dusk Uncle Joe and Raphael McCormick were milking one of grandpa's cows which just had a calf. They noticed a light coming from the north and it was moving. When the light got to them it went over the fence like a person climbing over. It went on south about ½ mile to Rensbottoms. Aunt Kate McCormick was at Rensbottoms as Bridget Rensbottoms was deadly sick. Aunt Kate saw the light go all around the house. Bridget died that night.

One morning the McCormicks went to their barn to do the chores. They noticed a mule pawing at a dog. Dad thought the mule had hurt it. He picked it up and set it over the fence. In a few days a big red mule came down with rabies and died. The dog was past the biting stage when dad picked it up.

One night grandpa went to the barn and when he left he got lost. Grandma heard him and went to help him. She had a hard time trying to lead him back to the house as he wanted to go the opposite direction.

One night the William McCormick family heard someone yelling and went out to investigate. It was their neighbor Mrs. Hanariah Daily, wife of Dan Daily, who was a former shoe maker calling for help. Dad went to her and found her standing in the middle of the pond, lost where she had wandered. Dad led her out and to her house. The Dailys had two sons, Daniel and Denny. Daniel J. married Florence White and the children were Madge, Florence, Dela, Mildred, Dan J. Wilford, Hyacinth and June Rose. Dan J. Sr. was a school teacher and the younger McCormick kids went to him. One winter day Dan Daily II killed a large hog in the field near the house. First he tried to scald it in a salt barrell. The water ran out faster than he could pour it in. Then he poured scalding water on a small patch and tried to scrape the hair off. He kept this up several days. At night he covered the carcass up to keep the dogs and wild animals from eating it. On the way to school and back the McCormick kids would go by to see how he was getting along.

Denny Daily married a widow named Mrs. Cherry who had a son. After the wedding she gave Denny money to buy furniture and he went to town in the wagon to buy it. While there he had a little too much to drink. When he was about home he ran over a log by the side of the road and upset the wagon and his furniture landed in a puddle of water. Some of the McCormicks took a lantern and helped him reload. He had one chair, one plate, one cup and saucer, one knife, for and spoon for each of them. Denny spent a few days repairing furniture.

One year there was an itinerant woman preacher who stayed with the Ed Ashley family by the name of Sister Sarvis. Several nights a week she and the Ashleys would go to Zion (brick) Church for services. At that time most of that community was Protestant. She prophesied the date the world would end. She died about the time she said the world would end. Grandpa McCormick helped dig several graves in that church cemetery.

At first wheat was cut with a cradle. It had a blade about 3 times as long as a scythe blade. It had wooden fingers on the back to catch the wheat as it was cut. When there was enough wheat for a bundle, it was emptied on the ground. A man or boy would follow and tie it in bundles with bands made of wheat straw. A good cradler could cut several acres a day. After the bundles were tied it was put in shocks.

One year when grandpa was a boy they were short one dollar to pay their taxes. Billy Byrnes a neighbor told grandpa if he would keep up with the cradle tying bundles he would give him a dollar for his days work. Grandpa took him up and got his dollar and went to Shawneetown the next day and paid his tax. After the cradle came the reaper. I think it cut the wheat and let it fall on a table and a man followed it and raked the wheat off when there was enough for a bundle. Then it was tied with a straw band and shocked. After the reaper came the dropper. It cut the wheat and left it in bundles to be tied with straw bands to be put in shocks. When dad was a small boy grandpa had a new dropper. This day he was pulling it with a pair of young mules. Dad was taking the

rail fence down to let him through. The mules got scared and ran off and wrecked the dropper. Grandpa blamed dad for his trouble as he was trying to save dad from getting hurt someway. Grandpa was riding the thing. Dad said the dropper had arms that would revolve over the team and that scared the mules and caused them to run. Next came the binder that cut and tied the wheat in bundles with twine. The twine came in 5 lb. Balls with 10 lbs. In a burlap sack wrapped with a cheap rope. When dad had time he would make us kids a swing on a tree limb with the rope. The rope might last until winter.

The first threshing machine engines couldn't pull themselves on the road and had to be pulled with oxen or horses and also the separators. Later on when they were made to pull themselves they had no way to steer them. They had tongues and a yoke of oxen or team of horses were hitched to them to steer them. The first grain separators dad knew of didn't have self-feeder. They had what they called band boards, one on each side of the machine. A boy called a band cutter stood on a platform in front of each board and a man called a feeder stood between the boys. The bundle haulers pitched the bundles on the boards and the band cutters cut the bands with a very sharp pocket knife and the feeder raked the wheat into the separator using both hands, one for each cutter. If a cutter didn't cut the band with the first try he wasn't to try again. If he did, the feeder got a bad cut on top of his hand. Dad told me he never cut a feeder. Dad also told me Conrad (Coon) Neuman was the best feeder around and followed it as an occupation, working with several crews in a season.

The first separators didn't have a blower and stacker and the straw came out the rear end on the ground. They put two boys on horses each hitched to the end of a pole and they would drag the straw out of the way. One time dad and Jim Spahr were dragging straw. One of the horses had to walk under something. This time it was Spahr's horse and he got scared and jumped off his horse. Dad could have been in bad trouble if Spahr's horse would have tried to run off. Grandpa gave Jim Spahr a little paddling for doing it.

The first threshers didn't have self-weighers on them. A man would have to measure the wheat as it was threshed in what was called a ½ bushel. One year at threshing time a man came to grandpas and wanted to thresh his wheat. He gave grandpa a good price and got the job. A few nights later he pulled in with one of those antique outfits. Grandpa had a lot full of oxen and horses to feed and water and several men to board. Grandpa didn't know that there were any of those old outfits still in existence.

Wheat threshing was not dirty work but I kind of enjoyed it. I liked the sound of the engine running and the smell of the steam and smoke. There were about 22 men in the crew and around 12 teams of horses. There was one engineer, one water hauler for the engine, one separator man, one bagger, two clean wheat haulers, two granery men, 8 or 10 bundle wagon drivers, 4 or 5 bundle wheat pitchers, one man or boy to hand forks to the haulers and clean up under the feeder and one boy to carry drinking water to the crew in a buggy. The farmer where they were threshing had to fix dinner for the crew. 4 or 5 neighbor women would come to help. They would have good nourishing meals, along with pie, cake and ice tea. Some guys would eat too much pie, cake and tea and would feel bad the rest of the day. They put long planks on sawhorses for a table and a

cloth went on it. They put planks or chairs to sit on. In our run there were 5 or 6 town kids that followed the thresher and when dinner came they made for the first table keeping some men from eating that needed to eat to go back to work. In the morning we couldn't start loading until the dew went off and in the evening they tried to have enough wagons loaded to thresh to almost sunset. It would be dark when the last ones to unload got home. Sometimes a couple boys would get in a hurry and choke the machine down. All you had to do was throw 3 or 4 bundles in cross ways and 3 or 4 lengthways on top of them. Then the separator man had to unplug it. For a few days after our wheat was threshed several families around town would empty and wash their straw ticks and come and fill them with fresh straw. We did the same at our house. Those ticks were used as mattresses. After a few rains the straw stack settled and the town kids played on it. It is a mystery they didn't get set on fire. Sometimes in the winter the stock would eat out large holes in the stack and stay in them at night. Some people set pole frames and built the stack on those for their stack to stay. In the spring we would mulch our Irish potatoes with this straw. If any was left, it was sold to the straw balers for 5 cents for a 200 lb. Bale. When the combines came along we hated to give up our straw stacks. Often they were worth almost as much as the wheat. The baled straw was shipped to the cardboard factories to be made into cardboard. Later on the farmers quit fixing dinner for the threshers and we took our own and felt better and a few years before the combines the separators were powered with gasoline tractors.

When the James McCormick family came to Illinois in 1848 their main crop was castor beans, the kind that yields castor oil. When they were ripening they hitched a horse to a sled with a box on it and went through the rows and picked the beans that were ripe. They had what they called a hot house and put the beans in it. Then the beans popped out of the hulls. They also raised a few hogs. There was no stock law then and the stock ran in everyone else's woods and didn't need much feed. They butchered the hogs and cured the meat with plain old salt and sold it. Grandpa told me they were killing hogs at someone's place. They had the hogs in a pen and were killing them with clubs. One boy (Dan or Denny Daily) was chicken hearted and wouldn't stay in the pen and help and his mother kept pushing him back in.

One day grandpa took some beans or meat, maybe both, to Shawneetown in a wagon drawn by oxen. When the oxen got to town, they were thirsty and smelled the water in the river and ran off with him. They hit the corner of a woman's house and damaged it.

I forgot to mention during the 1913 flood the tipple of the Temple and Castle Coal mine, the largest in the county at this time, fell to the bottom of the pit. They had built a dam around it. When it went the explosion was heard in Ridgway. At the time, Temple and Castle were wealthy men. Years before this, Castle was traveling and ran into Broughton Temple who was down and out and also broke. Castle took him home with him and Temple became his partner. They had the mine and a general store and lent money.

When grandpa took his produce to Shawneetown with the oxen, he probably sold it to John McKee, Peoples and Tom S. Ridgway who bought and sold everything of value. They had a two or three hundred thousand business a year. Ridgway, Illinois was named after Tom S. Ridgway.

The first soybeans that I know of that were grown in Gallatin County were grown by Uncle Tom McCormick in the early 1920's. C. W. Simpson, our first farm advisor, wanted him to try 15 or 20 acres. When they were ripe he cut them with his binder and shocked them. Fred Drone threshed them with his threshing machine. Grandpa and dad were part of the crew that helped. The best I remember they made 15 bushels an acre. It was years before any more were grown.

When I was 12 or 13 years old, Joe Febuary's family lived on the Roman Kohl farm, now owned by Amos Drone. This year he had a wheat crop and thought out a way to get his wheat threshed without going through the threshing run. When everyone was through threshing, he invited his friends and neighbors to come and thresh his one evening. Dad got invited and I wanted to go along. Dad told me to stay home but I went. As soon as we got there Joe asked me if I came to work. I said no. He told me he would like for me to help Joe Bahl, my age, around the bagger. He had Wendle Bahl, Joes dad's machine. Joe and I had our hands full. We put sacks on the bagger, dragged the 1 ½ bushel sacks of wheat out of the way and helped load them in the clean wheat wagon. I had excema on my hands and they bled. Joe's neighbors were mad at him for not going through the run and he didn't have a full crew. Joe offered to pay me 50 cents but I didn't take it. I thought he needed it more than I.

In the early 1930's dad and I cut some second crop red clover for seed and when it got cured we hauled 6 loads or more to the barn lot and stacked it. Then we left a large load on our wagon and borrowed 3 more, one from grandpa, one from Ed Drone and one from Uncle Joe McCormick. When the hay went through the sweat we had Ed Drone to bring his Birdsell clover huller one evening to hull it. We hitched old Maud and Daisy to one of the wagon loads and dad and I began feeding the hay into the huller. It wasn't long until the huller men found a hole in the screen on the recleaner of the huller and was letting chaff go through with the seed. Dad volunteered to stand on a part of the huller and keep the chaff raked away from that hole. That left me to do all the pitching hay into the huller. When I finished the wagons, I put the team in the barn with their harness still on and started on the stack. At one time I counted 10 men standing around having a confab and me sweating and not one offering to help. One was grandpa and I didn't expect him to help. John E. Cox brought Pat Davis, a 4 or 5 year old kid, to watch the performance. Cox was so busy talking he didn't notice the kid straying to the barn and getting in with the mares. I shouted and gestured as loud as I could for someone to get the kid out of the barn. No one heard and I jumped off the stack and ran to the barn. The flies were bad and I was afraid the mares would stomp on the kid or he would get tangled in the harness. I took him to Cox and told him to take care of the kid. When the job was finished, I didn't have a dry stitch on me. When the seed was taken care of, I took Ed Drone's and Uncle Joe's wagons home, one at a time and then walking home. That night I sat on the front porch until midnight trying to cool off. This was the hardest half days work I ever did.

In the 1920's a medicine show named Hino Teno the Medicine Man would come to Ridgway about every year. They would sing a rhyme and tell a few jokes and then try to sell their medicine for a while and then sing and tell jokes again and tell what all their medicine would cure. They had a cure for most anything. They had a tapeworm that filled a quart can that their medicine got rid of. When they told about their medicine and

symptoms, it made you feel like you had the same symptoms. One man in Ridgway bought several bottles and when he died it got around he took too much of it.

Choates Comedians would come to town for a week's run around wheat threshing time every year for tent shows. They had a different play each evening. Their band would play a few numbers to attract the people to the show. Zarlingtons, another tent show, came a few times. They both set up on the lots where the post office and filling station is now located. And then some carnival company would make it around to gyp the people.

The store sales fell off for a week or two after the shows and carnival left town.

Ridgway had two different band stands. The first one was where George Hise's Tire Shop is now and the last one was where the Legion Hall is now. When Ridgway had an adult band, they would have a concert on Saturday nights that brought people to town. And at one time, the merchants had a free movie at the Alamo Theater. And it brought people to town.

When grandpa McCormick lived north of Equality and was clearing his land, he heard negroes could take hot weather. He hired two from Equality and was to give them their dinner. They fixed a table on the porch for them to eat by themselves. They worked a few days and quit. They didn't take the heat any better than others.

Grandpa had a neighbor who got two young negro boys. The boys stayed and slept in the barn. When people went by, they saw the boys looking out the barn doors. One fall the man was sowing wheat and it was a chilly fall day and the boys' clothes weren't too warm. The kid was riding on the drill box, driving the team and the man was walking behind clearing thresh out between the hoes. The poor boy got so cold he fell off the drill. The man carried the boy to the Elm Grove School to warm him.

When grandpa McCormick and family lived south of Ridgway about 1920 they pastured their stock in the woods. There was a clearing joining this woods on the south. A family named George Back lived in a pole hut in the clearing. All of a sudden grandpa's cow didn't have any milk, and they couldn't imagine what the trouble was. After a while they checked things and found Mr. Back was feeding the cow corn that was probably stolen. The old cow would go to the edge of the woods to be fed and milked. After this, they kept the cow in a woods lot joining the house.

One day a few neighbor boys caught the Backs not at home. They moved their belongings out of the shack and set it on fire. The next day Aunt Caroline Febuary came to grandpa's and told them they could let the cow run in the woods again.

When Jack Reisinger was building a new barn on grandpa McCormick's home place in 1892, grandpa let him use an old mare named Dave to drag the heavy timbers to where they were to be used. Uncle Joe McCormick, who was 6 years old, was watching. He told Mr. Reisinger that he was killing that old mare dragging things that actually I could carry myself. He then put old Dave in her stable. When Mr. Reisinger needed her, he brought her back. He thought it was funny and told grandpa. Old Dave was gentle and the young kids rode her. Grandpa traded old Dave in on a small horse or pony named

Minnie. She was heavy built, about as wide as long. They worked her with another small horse named Fred. Minnie was a good riding pony and fast. She had one trick. The rider could be riding along nicely and suddenly she would jump from under the rider and leave you sitting in the road and she would go home. She didn't do this to little kids, only to grandpa and dad. Dad kept his arm through the reins so she couldn't leave him.

One day grandpa was coming in the house and he heard what he thought was a gun shot. He went in and found Uncle Hugh and Raphael playing with rifle cartridges in front of the fireplace. They didn't hear a gun shot.

One day Aunt Sabina (Sally) Drone, wife of Oliver, was sweeping under the bed and struck the trigger of Oliver's shotgun and the gun went off and shot a hole through the house. Oliver ran out to see if anyone was hurt. Luckily there wasn't but all the neighbors ran out. Oliver shouted that gun has been laying there 40 years. This happened in Beans Addition, Ridgway. Oliver lived across the street south of Uncle Joe.

Old Lou, grandpa McCormick's mare's last colt Lady, had a bad habit when she was a colt old enough to eat ear corn. Uncle Raphael would give her an ear of corn in her trough and hold on to it. Then jerk it away from her to see her grab it. It was cute to watch. When she was older, she would bite you when you fed her if you weren't careful. When grandpa was in Florida and Uncle Raphael was at Uncle Tim's dad did his feeding. Dad didn't know her habit and she bit him when he gave her the corn. When Lady was old, grandpa sold Lady to March Mills for a buggy horse. Mills sold her to John McGune. Lady didn't show her age. McGune asked me if she was 4 or 5. She was in her late 20's. I told him I thought it as about right.

One night a group of kids were visiting at William T. Hatfield's home and Mrs. Susan Hatfield who was the daughter of James (Jimmy) Bean. Mrs. Hatfield grew up in the log house where we were living. This house had a large chimney at each end. The kids got Mrs. Hatfield telling ghost stories. Some took place at the old house. Lawrence McCormick was there and left frightened with ghost stories. When he got home, a big white dog ran out of the chimney corner and scared him.

One night a group of boys, including Lawrence McCormick & Louis Luckett, were in Ridgway. John Michael Keane who was older lived with his grandmother, Josephine Croghan, was also in town. The boys kept an eye on him and when he left town, he took the railroad, about a mile south of town, home. The boys stationed themselves some distance apart in the weeds and when Mike came to the first one the boy went to moaning. Mike took off running and got to the next boy. He started moaning. It wasn't too long until Mike blacked out and the boys thought for a time they weren't going to revive Mike. That deal backfired on them.

In the 1920's a stranger came to Ridgway and I believe he boarded with Bill and Gertie Bahl. He bought Walter T. Hinkley's dry goods store. He went by the name of A. Brown. He sold his merchandise unusually cheap and did well and had good merchandise. His son died and he went to the funeral. A detective followed him back to Ridgway and in a few days went into Browns store and addressed him as A. Brown, otherwise, known as Charlie Stein. The man gave up at once as he knew he was caught. There was a group

stealing merchandise and he was their outlet. The detectives knew the man they were after but didn't know his location until they went to the son's funeral.

When dad was still at home he was harrowing with a steel harrow. He was resting and stepped a few feet away to either get his coat or lay it away. He had 3 or 4 horses to the harrow and they started to run. The only thing he saw to frighten them was a dog. They ran to the house. Part of the time the harrow was off the ground. When they came to the barn lot gate they crashed through it and fell all over themselves. Dad was afraid the horses would be injured but they weren't. The gate was wrecked and some harness broken.

Dad and grandpa were hauling their wheat to town. Grandpa was driving mule team and dad a team of horses. On one way home grandpa's team decided to run and grandpa was in front of dad. The road was narrow with a rail fence on either side. Dad was afraid the mules would get the wagon in the fence and a loose rail would hit grandpa. Dad tried to keep up with grandpa but couldn't. No one was hurt.

One day dad was plowing corn with a yearling filly to a double shovel. She had tried to run before. This time she made a quick jump to run and got dad down. He had rope lines and managed to hold onto one. The filly dragged dad around in a circle until she gave up. Dad made her pay for it the rest of the day.

One wheat threshing I was carrying water for Uncle Tom McCormick. I was driving his buggy mare Dill to his buggy. They were threshing on the 68 acres of the Charley DeVous place he owned. At quitting time I was going through a one lane road from the Bass DeVous place to where Route 1 is now. Dad was behind me with old Snip and Bess to his bundle wagon and the old fools were going in a lope. Old Dill was going at a good speed, too. I motioned to dad to hold his team back but he didn't. That was the fastest buggy ride I ever took. I couldn't hold old Dill back and was glad to get on the main road.

One fall evening we were sitting on the front porch of the old house and we saw a runaway team and wagon coming around the corner. Dad ran to the road and grabbed one horse by the bridle bits and stopped them. The driver was Raymond Dietz, son of John Dietz. He had delivered a load of corn to the elevator. That was dangerous for dad to do.

One day grandpa and grandma McCormick and what kids they had and Frank Houch, their hired hand, started for grandpa Drones for a visit. They had a team of mules to their wagon. When they came to the creek they got out of the wagon. They put a pole through the spokes of the hind wheels for a brake. Frank started to drive down the creek bank and the pole broke. This scared the mules and they ran off. They didn't get far until they broke loose from the wagon. When they were found 2 or 3 days later, all the harness they had was their collars.

Here ends the 1985 narration by William McCormick, b. 1907, of happenings in Gallatin County, Illinois in the early and mid-1900's.

Addendum E: Unrelated American Drone Lines

More American Drones than those shown in this Addendum E might surface if a more exhaustive search were done. Drones in this Addendum were found mainly on census indexes and summaries; some were found on the International Genealogical Index (IGI), a few on census records themselves, early land indexes and limited internet browsing. No source used is without its limitations; indexes, summaries, lists, whether paper, microform or electronic, are particularly vulnerable to error since they have been recorded from various handwritten copies and thus subject to the repetition of original errors as well as to add-on compiler errors.

In America, the melting pot of nations, multiple diverse cultures and languages have come together in such unprecedented variety that a number of unintentionally inaccurate name alterations have occurred. In America's early days these were often the result of barely legible handwriting; unfamiliar foreign language sounds; illiterate immigrants; intentional self-name-change for ethnic reasons; and the ever present census-taker who translated the beautiful foreign name into a recognizable form in his own language. Family names in this book alone provide good examples: "Cole" for Kohl; "Cronk" for Combs; "Tresdell" for Trousdale; "Glindinning" for Clendennin; "Outman" for Ottmann; "Bartel" for Bartelle; "Blaze" for Blaise; and, of course, "Dren," "Dronn," "Drunn," "Droan" for Drone. Even the Virginia land book cited later questions whether what it calls "Drone" should have been "Drove."

There are other sorts of considerations about names when looked at on a global basis with a long view of history. Names anywhere in the world often have evolved over the centuries from varying origins, occasionally into spellings and pronunciations similar or identical to names of totally different origin elsewhere in the world. Whether or not this evolutionary factor was operative with the Drones will probably never be known. Scholars say the Dron name is French, having evolved indirectly from "Drogo," as cited in Part I of this book. What is not known is whether many centuries ago some of those Dron's went to Scotland, Ireland, England, Germany and other places where the name occasionally appears, or whether Drone names in countries other than France evolved more locally from totally different origins unique to the respective country. The latter seems compelling in light of the fact that surnames only started coming into existence gradually and in a more recent period of human history.

Regardless of melting pot and evolutionary considerations, there are indeed different Drone lines in America today; the origin of these lines is veritably impossible to determine if not chronicled in the respective family's records. In America, place of birth did not start getting recorded until the 1850 census; usually the only other major source of birthplace information comes from naturalization records which begin in earnest at the end of the 18th century and often are difficult, if not impossible, to locate. A check of the 1850 census is not particularly enlightening. It shows other-line Drone birthplaces to be Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ireland, the latter being only three persons arriving in

America in the late 1840's, two of whom go to Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania and the other to Ottawa County, Michigan.

Following is a table assembled to convey a partial profile of Drones in America other than the Joseph F. Drone line of Gallatin County, Illinois. The table is light in documentation because its purpose is only to convey a cursory notion about the Drone name in America.

American Drone Families:

- 1.) excluding the Joseph F. Drone line; and,
- 2.) excluding names that are the known or probable offspring of Drones already listed on the chart.

Date	Name	State	County/Twp	Comment	Source
1651	Drone, Thomas (Drove)	VA	Yorke County	Surrounded by English	1: 212
1655	Drone, Richard	VA	Northampton Co	Same as Above	1: 324
ca1800	" John	PA	Later listed Clarion Co		2
ca1817	" Jesse	PA	No county listed		2
1820	" Henry	PA	Berks Co		3
1820	" William	VA	Fauquier Co		3
1830	" Peter	OH	Hamilton Co-Cincinnati	p. 26	4
"	" Frederick	"	Hamilton Co-Cincinnati	p. 62	4
"	" Henry	"	Warren Co	p. 175	4
"	" William	"	Muskingum Co	p. 279 Zanesville	4
"	" John	"	Muskingum Co	p. 197	4
"	" Denis	LA	Orleans Parish		5
"	" Michael	PA	Allegheny Co		5
"	" Richard	VA	Fauquier Co		5
1840	" Benjamin	MD	Allegany Co		6
"	" David	PA	Venango Co		6
"	" Israel	"	" "		6
"	" George	"	York County		6
"	" Jacob	"	" "		6
"	" Alexander	"		Writeup in PA book of bio; ref. unavailable	
"	" John	OH	Muskingum Co		6
"	" William	"	" "		6
1850	" John	"	" " Licking Twp	b. VA Large family	7: 354
"	" William	"	" " Zanesville	Same as above	7: 217
"	" Robert	"	Franklin Co-Columbus	b. VA	7: 245
1850	" Michael	OH	Richland Co Franklin Twp	b. PA Large family	7: 316
"	" Andrew	PA	Clarion-Beaver Twp	b. PA	7: 269
"	" John	"	" "	b. PA large family	7: 256
"	" John	"	Westmoreland Co	b. Ireland young couple	7: 189
"	" Denis	MI	Ottawa Co-Muskegon	b. Ireland youth	7: 62
"	" Israel	IL	Mason Co-Havanna	b. PA	7: 191

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