HISTORY OF THE ELLER FAMILY

-BY-

J. W. ELLER

DEDICATION

To J. T. Eller, because of his untiring interest in the Eller reunions, and his urgent desire for the work to be done, and the abundance of material which he furnished, I dedicate this family history.

J. W. E. 1918

FOREWORD

This little volume, which I present to you, lays no claim to literary perfection. I have written up each family and person according to the material furnished me in the most cases by the persons themselves. For information concerning some, I have gotten the material from whomever I could, and of some there is nothing. Some of these are gone and there is no record, and some have refused to give their data. The preparation of the book has been a pleasure to me, and I trust that it will be a means of drawing all of us, as a great family, into a closer fellowship.

These pages record many things of which we may well be proud. Every generation of the family has done it's "bit" in war and in peace, in politics, church and school, in society and the home.



EARLY ELLER FAMILY HISTORY.

The Eller descendants have scattered all over the United States, and in many instances have st their connections. There are several of these settlements in Indiana, chief of which seem to be around Bloomington and Noblesville. One record of the Ellers, coming from Germany, goes back to the year 1600. This family settled at Fort Hatteras, North Carolina. A descendant of this branch lives at Broad Ripple, Ind. The branch which is the subject matter of this book finds their Indiana center at Bloomington, Indiana.

GEORGE ELLER

Previous to the Revolutionary war for American Independence, George Eller and his wife, Christiana (Yost), accompanied by his brother, Henry Eller, emigrated from Germany and settled in Wythe County, Virginia. George Eller enlisted in the army and served through the seven years of the war. To George Eller and wife were born two sons: George and John. After the declaration of independence the family remained in Virginia until the death of the father, which occurred on Christmas day 1808. The mother moved with her son John to Wagner County, Kentucky. In 1820, and in 1833 she came with him and his wife to Monroe County Indiana, five miles west of Bloomington. There she died and her remains were laid to rest in the Eller cemetery. Which is kept up to this day.

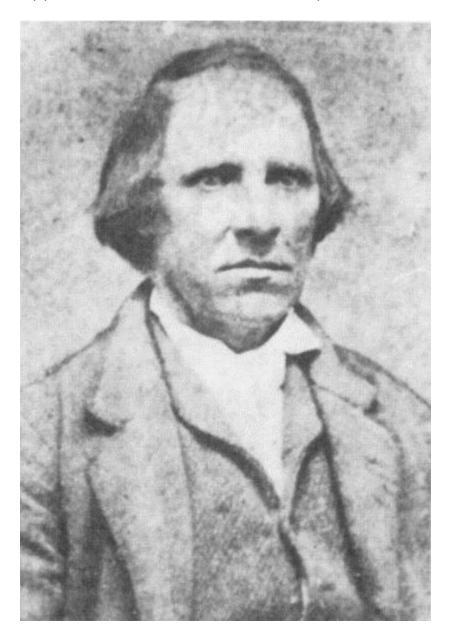
GEORGE ELLER

George Eller, the oldest child of George Eller and Christiana Yost, was born in Virginia in 1782. He was married to Polly Oakes in Virginia. They moved to Kentucky in 1819. Their children were eight in number: Henry, John, Susan, Mary, Washington, Peggy, Harrison and Wilkerson. George Eller died in Kentucky about the year 1851. Henry Eller, the oldest son, moved to Indiana and settled near Morgantown. Here his wife died. He afterwards married a Miss Fester, and to them one child was born: Mrs. Sarah Knight of Morgantown; Wilkerson, the youngest son, married in Kentucky. He died during the Civil War, leaving a widow and six children. She with five of the children, one daughter and four sons, moved to Monroe County, Indiana. James S. Eller of Monroe County is one of this family.

JOHN ELLER

John Eller, the second child of George Eller and Christiana Yost, was born in Virginia in 1786. He married Susan Smith in Virginia. They, with his mother, moved to Wagner County, Kentucky in 1820. Their children were George, William, John, Elizabeth, Henry, Susan, James R., Minerva, Wesley, Sarah and Francis A. In 1832, John Eller and his oldest son, George, came to Indiana, bought land and returned to Kentucky. George and his wife returned to Indiana at once, moving

their possessions on the horses which they rode and on another horse which they led. The father followed in 1833 with his family and aged mother. They settled five miles west of Bloomington., on the four hundred acres of land known as the Eller Farm, part of which is in the hands of the family yet. John Eller was an itinerant Methodist preacher.



GEORGE ELLER

George Eller, the oldest child of John Eller and Susan smith was born in Kentucky, September 11th, 1811. He was married to Rebecca Francis, in Kentucky, while a young man. Their children were Mary E., Susan C., John W., Hannah J., George W., Unity S., and Henry B. A. In 1832 he accompanied his father to Monroe County, Indiana, where he settled, and his wife died. His second marriage was to Sarah Pauley, near Bloomington, Indiana, September 29th 1856. Isaac

Frank was the only child born to this union.

After a life spent in active interest in the affairs of his day, several years of which were given to the service of County Commissioner, he died September 23rd 1878, and was laid to rest in the Eller Cemetery.

MARY E. ELLER

Mary E. Eller, the oldest child of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born in Kentucky, November 17th, 1830. she died September 17th, 1831.

SUSAN C. ELLER

Susan C. Eller, the second child of George Eller and Rebecca Francis was born in Kentucky, June 24th, 1832. She died July 13th, 1852.

JOHN W. ELLER

John W. Eller, the third child and oldest son of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, December 5th, 1834. He died April 21st, 1854.

HANNAH JANE ELLER

Hannah Jane Eller, the fourth child and second daughter of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, March 23rd, 1837. she died May 24th, 1853.

GEORGE W. ELLER

George W. Eller, the fifth child and second son of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, August 10th, 1839. He died August 23rd, 1842.

UNITY S. ELLER

Unity S. Eller, the sixth child and fourth daughter of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, April 29th, 1843. She was married to David Burks, February 22nd, 1870. To this union were born the following children: Essie L., Ottie E., Ura L., Effie L., Omer J., Laura J., and Enzala D. She died December 4th, 1895.

ESSIE L. BURKS

Essie L. Burks. The oldest child of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born January 9th, 1871. She married John M. Cox, January 25th, 1899. They have two children: Paul M. and Zada Z.

OTTIE E. BURKS

Ottie E.. Burks. The second child and oldest son of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born August 19th, 1872. He married Martha C. Neeriemer, August 16th, 1894. Their children are Cecil J., Oliver C., and Carl.

Cecil J. Burks was born July 10th, 1895. Oliver C. Burks was born August 20th, 1897. Carl Burks was born November 11th, 1899.

URA L. BURKS

Ura L. Burks, third child and second daughter of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born August 29th, 1874. She was married to Charley C. Bolton, July 26th, 1898. They have one child: Ada.

Ada Bolton was born December 19th, 1901

EFFIE L. BURKS

Effie L. Burks, fourth child and third daughter of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born November 27th, 1876. She married Walter Brothers, July 2nd, 1899. Their children are Marie E., Bearl B., Oscar, Seth, Mildred, Dola M., Ina, and Joseph.

Marie E. Brothers was born June 30th, 1900.
Bearl B. Brothers was born May 19th, 1902
Oscar Brothers was born September 29th, 1903
Seth Brothers was born January 7th, 1906. He died December, 1906.
Mildred A. Brothers was born October, 28th, 1907
Dola M. Brothers was born December 30th, 1909.
Ina Brothers was born October 5th, 1911.
Joseph Brothers was born August, 1915.

OMER J. BURKS

Omer J. Burkes, fifth child and second son of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born January 6th, 1870. He died April 16th, 1894.

LURA J. BURKS

Lura J. Burks, sixth child and fourth daughter of Unity S. Eller and David Burks, was born September 12th, 1881. She died December 25th 1905.

ENZALO D. BURKS

Enzalo D. Burks, youngest child of Unity S. Eller and David Burks was born March 23 1884. He married Ida M. Birch, October 29th, 1905.

HENRY B. A. ELLER

Henry B. A. Eller, sixth child and second son of George Eller and Rebecca Francis, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, May 1st, 1845. He died July 23rd, 1865 *(Eller Cemetery)*

ISAAC FRANK ELLER

Isaac Frank Eller, Only child of Frank (George) Eller and Sarah Pauly, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, October 4th, 1857. He was married to Mary T. Sample, January 11th, 1877. Six children have blessed their home: an infant which died the day of birth, George V., Sarah L., Robert G., Jennie T.(7.?) and William H. Frank is a member of the Methodist Church and of the Knights of Pythias lodge. He has followed farming all of his life, and for several years has been keeper of the Monroe county Poor Farm. (Both Isaac and Mary are buried at the Rose Hill Cemetery)

GEORGE V. ELLER

George V. Eller, second child of Isaac F. Eller and Mary T. Sample, was born August 15th, 1879. He married Letha Sparks, October 8th, 1905. They have two (one) children: Naomi and Herbert. For some time George has served as mail carrier of Bloomington, Indiana. He is a member of the Methodist Church and the Knights of Pythias lodge.

Naomi Eller was born March 2nd, 1906 Herbert L. Eller was born March 5th. 1917

SARAH L. ELLER

Sarah L. Eller third (second) child of Isaac F. Eller and Mary T. Sample, was born May 5th 1882. She was married to Charles Jones, May 27th, 1905. Their children are Max and T. Loid. She is a member of the Methodist Church. Her husband works as the carpenter trade in Bloomington, Indiana.

Max Jones was born March 2nd, 1906 T. Loid Jones was born December 27th, 1910

ROBERT G. ELLER

Robert G. Eller, third child of Isaac F. Eller and Mary T. Sample, was born December 19th, 1884. He married Inez Whaley, June 7th, 1908. He died June 12th 1910

(Naomi Eller was born March 2nd, 1906)

JENNIE L. ELLER

Jennie L. Eller, fourth child of Isaac F. Eller and Mary T. Sample, was born April 22nd, 1888. She married Homer F. Jones August 8th, 1908. Their children are Genevieve and Elvira. Jennie is a member of the Methodist Church.

Genevieve Jones was born February 23rd, 1900 Elvira Jones was born March 27th 1911

WILLIAM H. ELLER

William H. Eller, fifth child of Isaac F. Eller and Mary T. Sample, was born July 31st, 1891. He married Loda Secrest, February 6th, 1915. He belongs to the Methodist Church and the Knights of Pythias lodge.

WILLIAM ELLER

William Eller was the second child of John Eller and Susan Smith. The only record we have of him is that he died in Virginia.

JOHN ELLER

John Eller was the third child of John Eller and Susan smith. He was married to Mahala Pauly. To them six children were born: Sarah, James M., Fletcher, Susan F., Isaac P., and Josephine. He was a lieutenant in the United States Army in the Mexican War and lost his life while in service there, October 4th 1846. The boat which was bringing home the body sank near Baton Rouge, and the body was never recovered. He was sheriff of Monroe County at the time of his enlistment and was elected to the State Legislature, but never lived to serve his term.

SARAH ELLER

Sarah Eller was the oldest child of John Eller and Mahala Pauly. We have no record of her birthday. Her marriage was to George Truitt. There were seven children: Albert, Edward,

Charley, Homer, Ellen, Carrie, and John. There were six grandchildren. No record of her death was received.

JAMES M. ELLER

(b. 2-18-1837; d. 7-1-1862 buried in Richland Cemetery, Monroe Co., Ind)

James M. Eller was the second child and oldest son of John Eller and Mahala Pauly. No record of his birth received. He died in July, 1862. He was a member of Company G. 31st Indiana Infantry. His marriage was to Kate Rice. To them one child was born: Richard (?Henry?)

RICHARD (?Henry?) ELLER

Richard Eller, child of James M. Eller and Kate Rice, was the father of Nenny Eller. Nenny Eller married _____(?Jim?)Baker, and had three children: James, Chester, and Mygonda. The family resides in Bloomington, Indiana. The data concerning this family has been very indistinct, therefore incomplete, and I do not know that it is correct.

FLETCHER ELLER

Fletcher Eller was the third child of John Eller and Mahala Paullly.

SUSAN E. ELLER

Susan E. Eller was the fourth child and second daughter of John Eller and Mahala Pauly. There is no record of her birth. She died in 1902. She married ----- Bailey. There was one child: Grant Baily.

ISAAC P. ELLER

Isaac P. Eller, fifth child of John Eller and Mahala Pauly, was born in 1842. He was married to Lydia Coleman in 1901. They reside on a farm west of Bloomington, R. R. No. 1. At the time of the publication of this book he is the oldest member of the Eller family living.

JOSEPHINE M. ELLER

Josephine M. Eller was the sixth child of John Eller and Mahala Pauly. We have no record of her birth or death. She was married to Ellis Hickom, and to them two children were born: Oscar H. and Cora H.

Oscar H. Hickom is the father of nine children, one of whom is dead. Cora H. Hickom is the mother of one child.

ELIZABETH ELLER

Elizabeth Eller, fourth child and oldest daughter of John Eller and Susan Smith, married Crawford Cole. There was one daughter. No record of dates were secured. (Elizabeth was b. 6-22-1815, d. 1-11-1835, buried in the Eller Cemetery)



HENRY ELLER

Henry Eller, fifth child and fourth son of John Eller and Susan Smith, was born June 9th, 1819, in Virginia. He was married to Balinda Baily, September, 1837, near Bloomington, Indiana. The following children were born to this union: Elizabeth Jane, John Thomas, and George Henry. His second marriage was to Elizabeth Nancy Sheve, June 29th, 1845, near Bloomington, Indiana. Their children were James William, Harriett Angelica, Margaret Balinda, Susan Vehene, Francis McVicar, Mary Laura, Joshua B. M., and Charles Dow. He was in the service of the United States Army during the Civil War. He died August 30, 1890. (Buried in the Eller Cemetery)

ELIZABETH JANE ELLER.

Elizabeth Jane Eller, oldest child of Henry Eller and Balinda Baily, was born October 20th, 1838. She was married to Henry Stimpson, and to them the following children were born: Maggie, Nannie, Minnie, Mattie, Otis, and seven others who have died. Elizabeth Jane died July 22nd, 1914.

Maggie Stimpson married a Robertson

Nannie stipson married a Buck. They have two children: Charlie and Lola May. Minnie Married a Holden.

Mattie married a Byrd. She has three children: Virginia, Maxine and William the Third. Otis has two sons: Russell and Noel.



JOHN THOMAS ELLER

John Thomas Eller, second child and oldest son of Henry Eller and Balinda Baily, was born July 29th, 1840 on the old home place five miles west of Bloomington, Indiana. He married Louisa M. Hensley, October 2nd, 1867. To this union three children were born: Henry Alva, Raymond H., and Herbert H. His second marriage was to Sarah Vandyke, September 6th, 1891. their children were Byron V, and Thora E. John Thomas Eller enlisted in the Civil War August 15th,

1862, as a member of Company 1. 22nd regiment, Indiana volunteer infantry, as a corporal. He was discharged August 22nd, 1864, on account of wounds received at Missionary Ridge, February 18th, 1865: he enrolled in the 145th regiment of Indiana infantry, in which he was quartermaster and later lieutenant. He was mustered out January 1st, 1866, at Macon, Georgia. He was president of the Board of Children Guardians, Steward of the First M. E. Church of Bloomington, Indiana. Treasurer of Monroe County Horticultural society, Treasurer of the Republican Central Committee. Past Worshipful Master of the F. and A. M., member of the Eastern Star, and G. M. of the Grand Army of the Republic. *(Great grandfather of Christine E. Kimball)*

HENRY ALVA ELLER

Henry Alva Eller, oldest child of John Thomas Eller and Louisa M. Hensley, was born March 2nd, 1860. He was married to Fanny Goss, May 18th,1893. They have four children: Louelva, Warren T., Robert E., and Russell Z.. Alva is a member of the Methodist Church and of the K. and P. And W. O. W. lodges. He resides in Bloomington, Indiana, where he is a hardware salesman

Louelva Eller was born October 3rd, 1894. She is a graduate of High School, has taught three years, and is now in college.

Warren T. Eller was born in April, 1896. He is a graduate of High School. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1917, and is with the Rainbow division in France.

Robert E. Eller was born October 22nd, 1897. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1917, and is now with the Rainbow Division in France. *(d. 1971)*Russell Z. Eller was born May 20th, 1901.

RAYMOND H. ELLER

Raymond H. Eller, second child of John Thomas Eller and Louisa M. Hensley, was born November 10th, 1877. He was married to Lula Baxter, October 22, 1901. They have the following children: Glen Preston, John T. Junior, and Paul H. He resides on a farm five miles west of Bloomington; is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Knights of Pytias lodge, and is a Spanish War veteran.

Glenn Preston Eller was born July 4th, 1902. He died August 15th 1903. John T. Eller, Jr. was born November 12th 1904. Paul H. Eller was born June. 1911.

HERBERT H. ELLER

Herbert H. Eller, Youngest child of John Thomas Eller and Louisa Hensley, was born January 16th, 1884. He was married to grace Jackson April 3rd, 1905 (4) Their children were Thelma,

Agnes M., and Elberta J. Herbert was a member of the Railway Brotherhood and was a locomotive fireman. He died April 29th 1910.

Thelma L Eller was born April 6th, 1905.

Agnes M. Eller was born August 20th, 1906. (deceased 1956)

Elberta J. Eller was born October 30th, 1910. (d. 20 June 1977)

BYRON V. ELLER

Byron V. Eller, oldest child of John Thomas Eller and Sarah Van Dyke, was born and died March 15th 1894 (*Eller Cemetery*)

THORA ELLER

Thora Eller, second child of John Thomas Eller and Sarah Van Dyke, was born October 28th, 1895. She is a graduate of the Bloomington High School and is now in Indiana University. She stays at home with the widowed mother.

GEORGE HENRY ELLER

George Henry Eller, second son and third child of Henry Eller and Balinda Baily, was born September 25th, 1842. He died March 10th, 1845.

JAMES WILLIAM ELLER

James William Eller, first child of Henry Eller and Elizabeth Nancy Shreve, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, May 29th, 1846. He was married to Francis Hagar near Exeter, Nebraska, November 28th, 1872. He lives near Tryon, Nebraska.

HARRIETT ANGELICA ELLER

Harriett Angelica Eller, second chills and first daughter of Henry Eller and Elizabeth Nancy Shreve, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, January 6th, 1848. She married James Richard Ammerman, January 11th, at the residence of her parents near "Bloomington Indiana. She moved near Fairmont, Nebraska, September 29th, 1882, where she has since lived. They have one child: Roxy Victoria Ammerman.

ROXY VICTORIA AMMERMAN.

Roxy Victoria Ammerman, the only child of Harriett Angelica Eller and James Richard Ammerman, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, September 28th, 1879, and moved with her parents to near Fairmont, Nebraska, September 29th, 1882. She graduated from the Fairmont High School in 1891 and studied music under private instruction during the years of 1902-1909. She was a charter member of the Stephan Bennett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (1913). She was Vice Regent of the Chapter 1916-1917, and an active member of the Fairmont High School Alumni Association. She is author of a highly interesting article, "Our Liberty Bell." Printed in the Fillmore Chronicle of Fairmont, Nebraska. Under date of March 31st, 1916.

MARGARET BELINDA ELLER

Margaret Belinda Eller, second daughter and third child of Henry Eller and Elizabeth Nancy Shreve, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, April 12th, 1840. She was married to Joseph H Kirby near Bloomington, Indiana., The first fifteen years of her married life were spent on a farm near Bloomington, the remainder in Bloomington. She was a Pythian Sister, a member of the Pocahontas Lodge, and alto singer of note. There were four children: Margaret Lenora, William Henry, Della Margaret and Elizabeth Margaret.

MARGARET LENORA KIRBY

Margaret Lenora Kirby, oldest child of Margaret Balinda Eller and Joseph R. Kirby, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, April 16th, 1870. She married Charles O. Maple, June 15th, 1897. One child was born to the union: Charles O., Jr.

Her second marriage was to Edward L. Hancock, July 15th 1911. She is a member of the Pythian Sisters, the Eastern Star and is an active club woman, both literary and social. She kept her husband's drug store until her second marriage, and has always looked after her own and her son's business affairs.

Charles O. Maple, Jr., was born February 22nd, 1904.

WILLIAM HENRY KIRBY.

William Henry Kirby, second child and only son of Margaret Belinda Eller and Joseph H. Kirby, was born February 12th, 1872. He died December 29th, 1901.

DELLA MARGARET KIRBY.

Della Margaret Kirby, the third child and second daughter of Margaret Belinda Eller and Joseph H Kirby, was born December 23rd, 1876. She died December 24th, 1876.

ELIZABETH MARGARET KIRBY.

Elizabeth Margaret Kirby, the fourth child and third daughter of Margaret Belinda Eller and Joseph H Kirby, was born March 13th, 1880. She was married to Charles E. Guthrie of Bedford, Indiana, March 29th, 1902. To this union one child was born: Margaret Lenora. Elizabeth is a Pythian Sister and a member of the Methodist Church.

Margaret Lenora Guthrie was born December 16th, 1909.

VEHENE SUSAN ELLER.

Vehene Susan Eller, third daughter and fourth child of Henry Eller and Elizabeth Nancy Shreve, was born December 4th, 1850. She was married to John A Mayfield, near Bloomington, Indiana, September 1st, 1870. The children of this union were Joseph B., Myrtle A., and Francis E. Her second marriage was to John Gooding, September 9th 1899, near St. Joseph, Missouri. She resides in McFall, Missouri.

JOSEPH B. MAYFIELD

Joseph B. Mayfield, oldest child of Vehene Susan Eller and John A. Mayfield, was born December 26th, 1872. He was drowned in the Missouri River, near Omaha, Nebraska, July 3rd, 1893. The body was never recovered.

MYRTLE A. MAYFIELD.

Myrtle A. Mayfield, second child and first daughter of Vehene Susan Eller and John A. Mayfield, was born March 22nd, 1874, She was married to William T. Seymour, March 13th, 1892. The children of this union are Catherine Vehene, Francis Mayfield, Paul Winstead, Esther Elizabeth, John Martin, Myrtle Rush, Laura McVicar, Mary Geneva, Velma Evadine and William Aaron. She lives at McFall, Missouri.

Catherine Vehene Seymour was born March 23rd, 1893. She died March 29th, 1982. Francis Mayfield Seymour was born September 2nd, 1894. He is a farmer and stock raiser at Malonga, S. Dakota.

Louis Hazel Seymour was born September 22nd, 1893. She married Clarence G. Wilson, February 24th, 1899. They are farmers and stock raisers.

Paul Winstead Seymour was born February, 1898.

Ester Elizabeth Seymour was born June 27th, 1900.

John Martin Seymour was born March 9th, 1902.

Myrtle Rush Seymour was born October 23rd, 1894.

Laura McVicar Seymour was born November 13th, 1906.

Mary Geneva Seymour was born and died May 5th, 1910.

William Aaron Seymour was born September 17th, 1916.

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FRANCIS E. MAYFIELD.

Francis E. Mayfield, third child of Vehene Susan Eller and John A. Mayfield, was born September 3rd, 1886. She was married to Frank Coffer, December 26th, 1905. The children are Mary Lucretia, William, Henry and Josephine.

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MAGGIE LEONE JOHNSON.

Maggie Leone Johnson, oldest child of Francis McVicar Eller and W. H. Johnson, was born November 25th, 1881. She was married to Len Hanna, a barber of Bloomington, Indiana, April 19th, 1905, Their children are Harold Johnson and Hazel Mae.

Harold Johnson Hanna was born December 7th, 1905.

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Francis Jane Johnson was born March 15th, 1915.

MARY LAURA ELLER.

Mary Laura Eller, sixth child and fifth daughter of Henry Eller and Elizabeth N. Shreve, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, April 8th, 1854. She was married to William D. Ward. Near Bloomington, Indiana, September 25th, 1881, by Rev. Baxter. Their children are Roy F., Annibelle, and Len Eller.

ROY F. WARD.

Roy F. Ward, oldest child of Mary Laura Eller and William D. Ward, was born July 2nd. 1882. He married Annie Cirgen, November 25th, 1902. They have one child, Maud Francis. Roy is a member of the Methodist Church.

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Maud Francis Ward was born December 3rd, 1903.



JAMES H. ELLER.

James H. Eller, seventh child and fifth son of John Eller and Susan Smith was born in Wayne County, Kentucky, April 12th, 1821. He came to Monroe County, Indiana, in 1833, with his parents, and settled on a farm five miles west of Bloomington, Indiana, where he grew to manhood. He was married to Ferby Sanders, September 1st, 1840. In 1848 he, with his family, moved to Clay township, Owen County, Indiana, where his home remained during his life. In the Mexican War he served in company A, 3rd Indiana regiment of infantry, under Colonel Jim Lane, and participated in the battle of Monterey. He enlisted August 22nd, 1862, in company I, 82nd Indiana Regiment Volunteers, under Colonel Morton, where he served as wagon master until disabled by a mule. He was the father of ten children: John W., James W., Lucinda, Harrison, Mary, Sarah, Joseph, Emma, Clara, and Charles. His occupations were farming and teaming. He was an ardent Christian and a hard worker in the Methodist Church. He died at the home of his son, Harrison, near Kokomo, Indiana, April 5th, 1903. The body was laid to rest in the Headings Chapel Cemetery, Owen, County, Indiana.

JOHN W. ELLER.

John W. Eller, oldest child of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Monroe County, Indiana, October 1st, 1841. He was married to Nancy Sanders, March 135h, 1862, in Orange County, Indiana. They rode to their home in Monroe County Indiana, on horseback through the mud, a distance of 55 miles. To them five children were born: Feraby Jane, Aries, Johnnie, Joseph, and Jesse. He enlisted in the United States Army in Bloomington, Indiana, in Company 1, 145th Indiana volunteers, for service in the Civil War. After a few weeks at Camp Carrington, Indianapolis, he went to Tunnelton, Georgia, and remained in the south until discharged at Macon, Georgia, January 21st, 1866. He was made corporal at Macon on March 10th, 1865. He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at Headings Chapel when sixteen years of age; his schooling consisted of three months, each of thirteen years of subscription school and two years of free school. He has been a life-long Republican. He, with his wife, is spending the closing days of his life at the old home in Monroe County.

FERABY JANE ELLER

Feraby Jane Eller, oldest child of John W. Eller and Nancy Sanders, was born December 6th, 1864. She died August 6th, 1866.

ARIE ELLER

Arie Eller, second child of John W. Eller and Nancy sanders, was born august 11th, 1867. She was married to James Carlton Hendricks, November 16th, 1900. They have one child, James Hazel. Arie joined the Baptist Church at Stanford, Indiana, when seventeen years of age, and is now a member of the First Baptist Church of Bloomington, Indiana. She resides at 521 East Sixth Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

James Hazel Hendricks was born January 16th, 902

JOHN MELVIN ELLER.

John Melvin Eller, third child and first son of John W Eller and Nancy Sanders, was born February 10th, 1873. He was married to Josie Myrtle Koontz, November 29th, 1905. One child, Amos Dillon, was born to this union. Johnnie died March 30th, 1912: the wife died November 3rd, 1910.

Amos Dillon Eller was born May 30th, 1910, died August 3rd, 1910.

JOSEPH MARIAN ELLER.

Joseph Marian Eller, fourth child and second son of John W. Eller and Nancy Sanders, was born July 25th, 1877, died March 14th 1894.

JESSE MADISON ELLER.

Jesse Madison Eller, the fifth child and third son of John W. Eller and Nancy Sanders, was born June 12th, 1879. He was married on Easter Sunday, April 11th, 1909 in Lawrenceville, Georgia, to Alma Wilson, Two children were born to this union: Jesse Lee and Grace Anna.

Jesse Lee Eller was born August 7th, 1910.

Grace Anna Eller was born and died in 1912.

JAMES WRIGHT ELLER.

James Wright Eller, second child of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Monroe County Indiana, July 3rd, 1843. He enlisted in the United states Army in 1861 and served through the Civil War. He was imprisoned at Andersonville for five months. Just after the close of the war he married Nannie Milam, July 10th, 1867. To them eight children were born: Emet, Emory, Mary, Onna, Flora, Homer, Minnie and Della. He went west after the war and returned to Indiana about 1890. On July 20th, 1892, he married Mrs. Jane Bault of Owen County, Indiana. They live at New Richmond, Indiana, where they make their living gardening.

EMERY ELLER.

Emery Eller, second child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, married Halla Permine of Seattle, Washington. They They have two daughters.

EMET ELLER.

Emet Eller, oldest child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, was married to Anna Fender of Portland, Oregon. Have two sons and one daughter.

MARY ELLER.

Mary Eller, third child of James R. Eller and Nancy Milam, died when one year old.

FLORA ELLER.

Flora Eller, fourth child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, died when nine months old.

ONNA ELLER.

Onna Eller, fifth child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, married David Neff of Portland Oregon. There were six children.

HOMER ELLER.

Homer Eller, sixth child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, married Grace Cilgar of Portland, Oregon. There was one son, which died in infancy, Homer died February 20th 1899.

MINNA ELLER.

Minna Eller, sixth child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, married Lewis Brannin, October 3rd, 1900. Their children are Paul, Edith, Luther and Edna.

DELLA ELLER.

Della Eller, eighth child of James W. Eller and Nancy Milam, married Verna Phelps of Portland, Oregon. There is one daughter.



LUCINDA JANE ELLER.

Lucinda Jane Eller, third child and oldest daughter of James H. Eller and Feraby sanders, was born in Monroe County, Indiana, March 22nd, 1846. She was converted and united with the M. E. Church at the age of 19 years. She married John Green of near Spencer, Indians, August 20th, 1866. She died December 25th 1875, on her way from Arkansas to Indiana.



NATHAN H. ELLER.

Nathan H, Eller, fourth child and third son of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, January 16th, 1848, He grew to manhood on the farm near Freeman, Indiana. He was married to Sarah A. Freeman, December 20th, 1866. to this union five children were born: Feraby Ann, Minnie Ida, William Holliday, Joseph Wesley and Caleb Harrison. He moved hid family to Clinton County, Indiana, in 1881, and here all the children grew up. Several years later he moved to a farm near Kokomo, Indiana, and in a few years to a farm near Logansport, Indiana, where, with the youngest son, Caleb, they now live. He was an ardent supporter of the church, having joined the Headings Chapel M. E. Church in his youth. He served the church as Sunday School superintendent and Class Leader a number of years. He worked hard to care for his family, and under the strain broke down early in life with sciatica rheumatism.

FERABY ANN ELLER.

Feraby Ann Eller, oldest child of Nathan H. Eller and Sarah A. Freeman, was born in Monroe County, Indiana, September 13th, 1867. The days of childhood were spent in Monroe, Owen and Clinton counties of Indiana. Her education was limited to the common schools. She married G. W. Myers of Hillisburg, Indiana, August 19th, 1888. The children of this union were an unnamed infant, Luie Adaline, Harley Washington, Osie Adam, and Harrison Owen. She married Val Snyder, October 8th, 1902. Annie and family belong to the M. E. Church and reside at Broad Ripple, Indiana.

The unnamed infant was born and died November 6th, 1890.
Luie Adaline Myers was born November 12th, 1891, and died November 15th, 1891.
Harley Washington Myers was born September 26th, 1892. He died March 15th 1894.
Osie Adam Myers was born March 3rd, 1895. He married Mabel Hattie Wilson, April 15th, 1917.
Harrison Owen Myers was born July 10th, 1899.

MINNIE IDA ELLER

Minnie Ida Eller, second child of Nathan H. Eller and Sarah A. Freeman was born in Owen County, Indiana, 19th 1870. Her education consisted of that furnished by the common schools. She married John A Stewart, near Hillisburg, Indiana, April 10th, 1892. Their children are: Sylvia F., Opal R., Emma Z., Oscar H., John Elmer, and Roy D. She and her family are members of the Wesleyan Church and in the church she finds her place in service to God and man. They live on a farm in Tipton County, Indiana.

Sylvia F. Stewart was born January 13th, 1893. She was married to Earl Morrison, May 11th, 1912. Their children are: Russell Garnet, born April 26th, 1913 and Clarence, born December 20th, 1915.

Opal R. Stewart was born July 3rd, 1894, She married Jasper Miller, February 5th, 1913. They have one child, Evelyn Pauline.

Emma Z. Stewart was born October 3rd, 1895. She married Raymond Vawter, September 23rd, 1916.

Oscar H. Stewart was born January 21st, 1898.

John Elmer Stewart was born October 18th, 1902.

Ray D. Stewart was born January 16th, 1904.

WILLIAM H. ELLER.

William H. Eller, third child of Nathan H. Eller and Sarah A. Freeman, was born in Monroe County, Indiana, July 9th, 1873. His education consisted of that furnished by the common schools of Hillisburg and Johnson township, Clinton County, Indiana. He married Matilda Stewart, October 5th, 1893. Their children are: William Oklie, Octa Alena, Addie Ann, Mary Francis, Arthur Harrison, James Herschell, Manda May, and Kenneth Archibald. William has followed farming all of his life and at present is living on a farm near Tipton, Indiana. He is trying to give each of his children a high school education, two of them having graduated and two more being in the Tipton High School. He joined the M. E. Church in 1891, and is training his family to put the kingdom of God first.

William Oklie Eller was born June 26th, 1894. He is a graduate of high school and has taught three years, He is now in the U. S. Army, training in the aviation corps at Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

Octa Alena Eller was born in 1896. She is a graduate of high school. She married Otto Mikels, September 7th, 1915. and, with her husband, is in Taylor University, Upland, Indiana. Addie Ann Eller was born November 12th, 1897.

Mary Francis Eller was born July 24th, 1899, and died February 26th, 1900.

Arthur Harrison Eller was born June 14th, 1901.

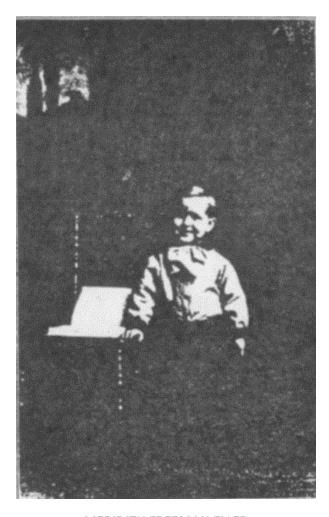
James Herschell Eller was born August 19th, 1903.

Manda May Eller was born November 3rd, 1911.

Kenneth Archibald Eller was born October 8th, 1915.

JOSEPH W. ELLER.

Joseph W. Eller, fourth child of Nathan H. Eller and Sarah A. Freeman, was born in Owen County, Indiana, September 20th, 1880. He graduated from the common schools of Clinton County, Indiana, in 1895, and from DePauw University in 1908. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church of Hillisburg, Indiana, in 1897, entered the ministry of the church, joined the Indiana Conference at Greensburg in 1906. was ordained Deacon at Washington in 1909 and Elder at Evansville in 1910. He has served the following charges: Cataract, 1906-1908; Bowling Green, 1908-1910; Cory 1910-1911; Heltonville, 1911-1915; Tell City, 1915-1917; Waldron, 1917. He is a member of the F. and A. M. Lodge at Waldron, Indiana, and of Tell City Lodge No 206. I. O. O. F. He married Agnes Meredith, September 4th, 1907. Two (three) children were born to this union: Margaret Adaline and Meredith Freeman.(Gertrude Alice)



MERIDITH FREEMAN ELLER

Margaret Adaline Eller was born and died September 19th, 1908.

Meredith Freeman Eller was born April 25th, 1912.

(Gertrude Alice Eller, b 5-27-1918)

CALEB HARRISON ELLER.

Caleb Harrison Eller, fifth child of Nathan H. Eller and Sarah A. Freeman, was born in Clinton County, Indiana, August 8th, 1883. He moved with his parents to a farm near Kokomo, Indiana, and then with them to a farm near Logansport, Indiana, where he now lives and cares for them in their old age, Caleb is a member of the M. E. Church at Webb Chapel, on Royal Center Charge.



MARY ELIZABETH ELLER

Mary Elizabeth Eller, fifth child and second daughter of James H, Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, July 1st, 1850, She was converted and united with the Headings Chapel Church at the age of sixteen years, She married Marion Freeman, November 25th, 1870, and to them one child was born: Mary L. Mary Elizabeth died May 16th, 1873.

Mary L. Freeman died at the age of six months.

SARAH ELLER.

Sarah Eller, sixth child and third daughter of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana. She died when three years old. (buried at Heddings Chapel Cemetery)

JOSEPH ELLER.

Joseph Eller, seventh child and fourth son of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, October 18th, 1852. He married Margaret A. Smith, September 28th, 1872. To this union three children were born: Infant, Harry and Carrie. He was a farmer by trade and a member of the

Methodist Church. He died near West Plains, Kansas of typhoid fever. (d. 11-29-1881; buried in Richland Cemetery, Monroe Co., Ind.)

HARRY ELLER.

Harry Eller, Son of Joseph Eller and Margaret A. Smith was born in Owen County, Indiana, May 23rd, 1876. He married Dora Sidener, November 30th, 1904. Their children are Dorothy, Evelyn and Martha. He attended Wabash College, from which he graduated in 1904. Harry is a member of the First Methodist Church of Crawfordsville, Indiana, and has served the church as a member of the Official Board and as Treasurer. He is giving his time to the office of president of the Montgomery County Sunday School Association, is a member of the board of trustees of Wabash College and is a member of the Ouiatenon Club, the oldest literary society in his city. He is active in the civic organizations, is president of the Montgomery County Law and Order League and is interested in several business enterprises. He, with his sister, left orphans, were compelled to struggle in their childhood. The story of their struggle, especially of Harry's effort to get through college, to do which he worked at every honorable task from cleaning cuspidors to banking, is worthy of the highest praise. In college he was honored with every office which the student body could give him, in addition to being private secretary to the college president.

Dorothy Evelyn Eller was born July 29th, 1906.

Martha Eller was born May 29th, 1910.

CARRIE ELLER.

Carrie Eller, daughter of Joseph Eller and Margaret A. Smith, was born May 23rd, 1876. She married Harry E. Taylor, June 1st, 1905. She is a member of Central Presbyterian Church, of Lafayette, Indiana, where she resides. Carrie attended the Crawfordsville High School. There is one child, Joseph Eller Taylor.

Joseph Eller Taylor was born September 5th 1917.

MARTHA ELLER.

Martha Eller, eighth child and fourth daughter of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, March 3rd, 1857. She was married to Samuel Boruff, January 21st, 1874. Four children were born to this union: Daisy Florence, Nathan Harley, Raleigh Raymond, and Inez Pharby. She, with her husband, who has been blind for thirteen years, has resided on the farm out of Freedom, Indiana, on Rural Route Number 3.

DAISY FLORENCE BORUFF.

Daisy Florence Boruff, oldest child of Martha Eller and Samuel Boruff, was born September 17th, 1876 She was married to Willis A. Neeld, at the Methodist Parsonage at Elletsville, Indiana, April 18th, 1895. There were two children: Goldie Ellen and Fred. She first united with the Methodist Church at Adel and later moved her membership to the Cross Roads M. E., Church in Monroe County, Indiana. She died March 12th, 1900, after suffering twelve months with consumption, and was laid to rest at Bloomington, Indiana.

Goldie Helen Neeld was born January 14th, 1895.

Fred Neeld was born August 25th 1898. He died August 28th, 1898.

NATHAN HARLEY BORUFF.

Nathan Harley Boruff, second child of Martha Heller and Samuel Boruff, was born August 10th, 1882. He is married and lives happily with his family.

RALEIGH RAYMOND BORUFF.

Raleigh Raymond Boruff, third child of Martha Eller and Samuel Boruff, was born March 16th, 1887. He is married and is happy with his family.

INEZ PHARBY BORUFF.

Inez Pharby Boruff, fourth child of Samuel Boruff and Martha Eller, was born October 6th, 1890, She was married to Grover C. Thacker. December 26th, 1906. They have two children, Esther Pauline and Mildred Winnie. Inez is a member of Little Flock Baptist Church and resides with her family out of Freedom, Indiana, on Rural Route Number 3.

Esther Pauline Thacker was born November 20th, 1908.

Mildred Winnie Thacker was born June 18th, 1911.

EMMA FLORENCE ELLER.

Emma Florence Eller, ninth child and fifth daughter of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, April 3rd, 1854. She united with the Headings Chapel M. D. Church at the age of fifteen years. She moved to Crawfordsville, Indiana, in 1884, where she married George L. Cook, January 22nd, 1887. They lived near Crawfordsville until 1902, when they moved to the state of Kansas. They have retired from the farm now and live in Wichita, Kansas. There are two children: Ethel and Pauline L.

ETHEL COOK.

Ethel Cook, oldest child of Emma Florence Eller and George L. Cook, was born October 30th, 1888. She united with the M. E. Church at Darlington, Indiana, when eleven years old. She finished her common school at Benton, Kansas, attended high school at Whitewater, Kansas, two years, spent one term at Brumbach Academy, Eldorado, Kansas, one year at Friends University, Wichita, Kansas, spent a four-year course at the Deaconess Training School, where she graduated in 1909. She is now in Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky.

PAULINE L. COOK.

Pauline L. Cook, second child of Emma Florence Eller and George L. Cook, was born June 18th, 1891. She united with the M. E. Church at Darlington, Indiana, when nine years old. She attended school at Benton, Kansas, three years, spent one term at Brumbach Academy, Eldorado, Kansas, one term at friends University, Wichita, Kansas, and graduated from the Deaconess Training s\School in 1909. March 2nd, 1917, she was united in marriage to Otis C. Kitner, pastor of the M. E. Church at Englewood, Kansas. She is now with her husband in Chicago., where he is attending the Moody Bible Institute. There is one child, born in December, 1917.

(Wilbur Cook Kitner was b. 12-9-1917)

CLARA CELINA ELLER

Clara Celina Eller, tenth child and sixth daughter of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, September 1st, 1861. She was married to Marion Miller February, 1879, at Spencer, Indiana. Her husband is a carpenter by trade and has been until recently assistant superintendent of the Indiana Match Company of Crawfordsville, Indiana. They are both members of the Methodist Church at Wesley Chapel. They have six children—Nannie, James L., Bertha S., Ben Harrison, Grace and Damon P.

NANNIE MILLER.

Nannie Miller, oldest child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born in Owen County, Indiana, July 6th, 1880. She was married to Wallace B. Martin August 22nd, 1900. They reside on a farm near Crawfordsville, Indiana. They have three children: Wendell James, Chester Thurwell and Roscoe Kenneth. All the family are members of the Christian Church at Whitesville, Indiana. Their address is Crawfordsville, Indiana, R. R. No. 7.

Wendell James Martin.

Chester Thurwell Martin.

Roscoe Kenneth Martin.

JAMES L. MILLER.

James L. Miller, second child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born near Crawfordsville, Indiana, February 11th, 1885. He married Ellyce LaBlance Glendale Dyer of Gosport, Indiana, October 8th, 1905. Their children are Roy Burdette, Marjorie Evelyn and Raymond. They are members of the First Baptist Church, Crawfordsville, Indiana. They are residing now at 1540 Garfield Place, Indiana.

Roy Burdette Miller

Marjorie Evelyn Miller

Raymond Miller

BERTHA S. MILLER

Bertha S. Miller, third child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born in Montgomery County, Indiana, near Crawfordsville, Indiana, March 9th, 1887. She prepared herself for office work and held several positions of trust. She married Waldo Royer September 20th, 1916. They live at Linden, Indiana, where her husband is engaged in the garage business.

BEN HARRISON MILLER

Ben Harrison Miller, fourth child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born near Crawfordsville, Indiana, December 22nd, 1888. He married Mary Wray June 14th, 1913 They reside in Crawfordsville, where he is city mail carrier. Ben and his wife are members of the First Baptist Church of Crawfordsville, Indiana. They have two children: Mildred and Naomi.

Mildred Miller.

Naomi Miller.

GRACE MILLER

Grace Miller, fifth child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born near Crawfordsville, Indiana, June 16th, 1892. She was married to Ervie M. Taylor September 1st, 1914. They reside in Crawfordsville, Indiana, where her husband is employed as stenographer and bookkeeper for the Indiana Match Company. Grace is a member of the Methodist Church.

DAMON P. MILLER.

Damon P. Miller, sixth child of Clara Celina Eller and Marion Miller, was born near Crawfordsville, Indians, November 15th, 1896. He is attending Wabash College and is a member of the First Baptist Church of Crawfordsville, Indiana.

CHARLES ELLER.

Charles Eller, eleventh child of James H. Eller and Feraby Sanders, was born in Owen County, Indiana, September 23rd, 1868. He married Louella Brown August 26th, 1884. To them were born four children: Christina, Everett, Owen and Davie. He lives on the home farm near Freeman Indiana.

Christina Eller died in her childhood.

Everett Eller married Bertha Thompson. There are four Children. He died August 23rd, 1917.

Owen Eller married Goldie Mink.

Davie Eller lives at home with his father.

MINERVA ELLER

Minerva Eller, eighth child of John Eller and Susan smith, was born in 1823. Her first marriage was to Joseph Neeld. They had one child, Jane. Her second marriage was to John D. Reeves about 1847. Their children were Columbus, Sylvester, Lucinda, Alice, Benjamin and Izarah.

JANE NEELD.

Jane Neeld, only child of Minerva Eller and Joseph Neeld, married Joe Swearington. There was one child.

COLUMBUS REEVES.

Columbus Reeves, oldest child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born January 5th, 1849. Being very strong and anxious to go to war, he managed to enlist at the age of fourteen in the Tenth Indiana Volunteer Cavalry and was later transferred to the 125th Indiana volunteer Infantry, where he served until the close of the Civil War. He never married, but provided a home for the family.

SYLVESTER REEVES.

Sylvester Reeves, second child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born May 9th, 1852. He married Mary Rice December 19th, 1878. There children were Cora Elizabeth, Nancy DeVora, Cap Melvin, Robert Oliver, Roy Clyde and Lenie May. The first wife died August 29th, 1878. [check this year – ADE] DeVora kept home for him until his marriage to Elmira Moor December 31st, 1911.

CORA ELIZABETH REEVES.

Cora Elizabeth Reeves, oldest child of Sylvester Reeves and Mary Rice, was born July 6th, 1880. She died August 29th, 1898.

NANCY DE VORA REEVES.

Nancy DeVora Reeves, second child of Sylvester Reeves and Mary Rice, was born July 22nd, 1882. She married Earl S. Reeves April 19th, 1913. She died February 17th, 1914.

CAP MELVIN REEVES.

Cap Melvin Reeves, third child of Sylvester reeves and Mary Rice, was born July 16th, 1886. He married Hazel Taylor April 6th. 1914. There was one child, Mary Belle. Cap is a farmer on Rural route no. 3, Bloomington, Indiana. (Garrison Chapel Cemetery)

Mary Belle Reeves was born October 1st, 1915. -(Robert Dale, James, Martha)

ROBERT OLIVER REEVES

Robert Oliver Reeves, fourth child of Sylvester Reeves and Mary Rice, was born March 26th 1889. He is a quarryman and lives on R. R. No. 1. Bloomington, Indiana.

ROY CLYDE REEVES.

Roy Clyde Reeves, fifth child of Sylvester Reeves and Mary Rice, was born June 24th, 1893. He married Jennie Bean August 15th, 1914. He is a farmer on R. R. No. 2 Bloomington, Indiana.

LENIE MAY REEVES.

Lenie May Reeves, youngest child of Sylvester Reeves and Mary Rice, was born July 25th, 1896. She died July 28th, 1898.

LUCINDA REEVES.

Lucinda reeves, third child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born November 13th, 1853. She helped care for the younger children for a number of years after the mother's death and then made her home with Mr. And Mrs. Joseph D. Crone until her marriage to Samuel D. Pettis April 7th, 1896. They reside on R. R. No. 1, Bloomington, Indiana.

ALICE REEVES.

Alice Reeves, fourth child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born February 11th, 1855. She spent her early life at the home of Mr. And Mrs. Joseph McKinley. Later she lived with Mr. And Mrs. James Ward. Since the death of her youngest sister she has kept house for her brother, Columbus.

BENJAMIN N. REEVES.

Benjamin N. Reeves, fifth child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born in 1857. He married Jane Cole about 1875. There were four children: John, Daisy, Alice and Grace. He died February 27th, 1887. After the father's death the family became so scattered that not much definite information can be given. The widow married again and kept Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cooper adopted Alice. John went to Iowa in 1894. He married several years later and took a homestead farther west. Then he sold out and the last heard from him was from Nebraska, reporting that he was happy with his several children.

John Reeves was born 1876.

Daisy Reeves was born 1878. She died a few years after her marriage in 1897.

Alice reeves was born in 1881. She died October 7th, 1900.

Grace Reeves was born in 1887.

IZERA REEVES.

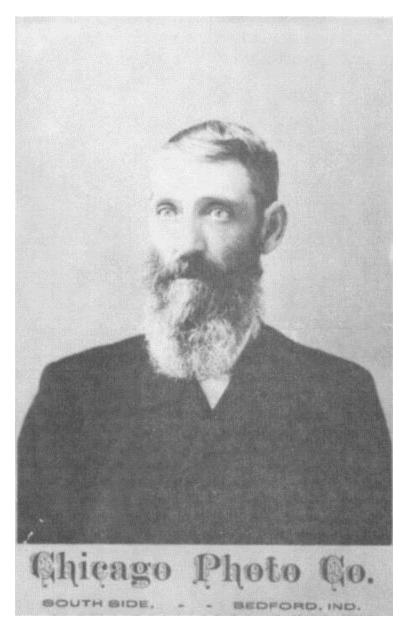
Izera Reeves, sixth child of Minerva Eller and John D. Reeves, was born August 7th, 1860. She died July 31st, 1896. She was a dressmaker by trade. Her later life was spent in caring for her father until his death.

ELBERT REEVES.

Elbert Reeves, son of Izera Reeves was born February 7th, 1887. He married May Brashaber March 10th, 1916. He is a public school teacher and resides on R. R. No. 1, Bloomington, Indiana. (- Daughters – Mildred and Helen)

WESLEY ELLER AND SARAH ELLER.

No record of these was secured.



REV. FRANCIS A. ELLER.

Francis A. Eller, eleventh child of John Eller and Susan Smith, was born in Kentucky March 6th, 1830. He was married to Elizabeth Pauly in April 1848. To this union were born the following children: Mary E., John G., William J., Henrietta, Carrie B., Martha E., Zaring, Hill and Ida M. Frank entered the ministry of the Methodist Church in 1859. was ordained Deacon in 1864 and Elder in 1872. He was a member of the Indiana Conference and served the following charges: White Hall Circuit, 1867-1868; Newark, one year; Stanford, three years; Erie, three years; Paoli, one year; Harrodsburg, one year; Bloomfield, one year; Gosport, two years; Monrovia, one year; Morgantown, two years; Campbellsburg, three years; Hortonville one year, and Orleans, part of a year, after the death of the pastor. He was known over these charges as a faithful preacher and an efficient evangelist, and many testify of being led to Christ by him. He died at his home in Bloomington, Indiana, August 8th, 1905. (Great grandfather of Marjorie B. McCormick) (buried – Rose Hill Cemetery, Bloomington, Indiana)



THE FAMILY OF FRANCIS ASBURY AND ELIZABETH (PAULEY) ELLER

Front: Ift. To rt,
John Giles Eller, b. 25 June 1850; m. Laura Sadler 24 Dec 1871
Francis Asbury Eller (father) b. 6 Mar 1830; m. 20 Apr 1848
Elizabeth (Pauley) Eller (mother) b. 23-Feb-1822; m. 20 Apr 1848
Mary E. Eller, b. 5 Mar 1848; m. George W, McKnight 27 Aug 1873
Back: Ift. to rt.

Henrietta Eller, b 13 Jan 1854; m. Wesley Clark Denniston 25 Nov 1879
William J. Eller, b 15 Jan 18852; m. Belle Curry 14 Feb 1878
Martha Emma Eller, b. 26 Apr 1858; m. (1) J.T. Stipp 20 Apr 1875 (2) Henry Brown 21 Dec 1882 (3)
Wesley Clark Denniston 28 May 1914

MARY E. ELLER.

Mary E. Eller, the oldest child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born near Bloomington, Indiana, March 5th, 1849. She was married to George W. McKnight at Erie, Indiana, August 27th, 1873. To this union the following children were born: Ralph, Etta, Noble E., Everett B., and Maggie G. In her early married life they resided on a farm near Bedford, Indiana, and later moved to Bloomington, Indiana, Mollie is a member of the M. E. Church and has always taken her place in the work of the church and Sunday School. She is a member of the W. R. C., holding various offices from time to time.

ETTA E. McKNIGHT.

Etta E. McKnight, second child of Mary E. Eller and George W. McKnight, was born near Bedford, Indiana, September 2nd, 1875/ She graduated from the Bedford high school in June, 1895, attended Indiana University and the State Normal. She was married to William M. Robinson of Bloomington, Indiana, October 9th, 1908, and lives on a farm eight miles north of Bloomington, Indiana, near Elletsville. She is a member of Simpson's Chapel M. E. Church, serving the church as Ladies' Aid President and Sunday School superintendent. They have one child, William McK.

William McK. Robinson was born December 2nd, 1912.

NOBLE E. McKNIGHT.

Noble E. McKnight, third child of Mary E. Eller and George W. McKnight, was born near Bedford, Indiana, March 8th, 1879. He graduated from the Bedford high school in June 1896. He married Gertrude Hines December 1903. They have one child, Maggie Elizabeth. Noble is a druggist in Columbus Indiana, is a member of the Methodist Church of Columbus, where he serves the church in a general way, and he is a member of the Knights of Pythias and Modern Woodmen lodges.

Maggie Elizabeth McKnight was born February 17th, 1904.

EVERETT B. McKNIGHT.

Everett B. McKnight, fourth child of Mary E. Eller and George W. McKnight, was born near Bedford, Indiana, June 20th, 1884. He attended the Bloomington high school three years. He was married to Leota Potter June 8th, 1896. They lived for a while in Bloomington, Indiana, then moved to Pasadena, California, where he is employed as a clerk in a department grocery store. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge and of the Methodist Church. He has passed through all the chairs of the lodge. They have one child: James Erie.

James Erie McKnight was born November 4th, 1913.

MAGGIE G. McKNIGHT.

Maggie G, McKnight, fifth child of Mary E. Eller and George W. McKnight, was born near Bedford, Indiana, September 8th, 1886. She attended Bloomington High School, graduating in 1905; then she attended Indiana University and afterwards taught school. She married F. J. Cunningham in Bloomington, Indiana, June 20th, 1913. Maggie is a member of the Methodist Church and resides in Boise, Idaho, where her husband is employed by the street car company. They have tow children: George Thomas and Francis Marion.

George Thomas Cunningham was born October 5th, 1914. Francis Marion Cunningham was born October 3d, 1916.

JOHN G. ELLER.

John G. Eller, second child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born in 1850. He married Laura Saddler in December, 1871. They have lived and prospered on a part of the old homestead settled by the Ellers when they came to the State, Their home stands on the site of the first Eller home in 1833. Their children are: Frank E., Florence Belle and Minnie Verne.



The Family of John Giles and Laura (Sadler) Eller

Lft. to rt,
Florence Belle (Flossie) Eller, b 19 Aug. 1879; m. Rudolfus (Dolph) Rawlins 23 Dec 1906
Frank Eller, b Sept. 1875, unmarried
Laura (Sadler) Eller (mother), b. 19 Aug. 1854; m. 24 Dec 1871
John Giles Eller (father), b 25 Jun 1850; m. 24 Dec. 1871
Front,

Minnie Verne Eller, b. 6 Nov 1881; m. Calvin Barker 28 Oct. 1914 All are buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Bloomington, Indiana, Monroe Co.

Frank Eller lives with his parents at the old homestead. (b 1875-d 1936)

Florence Belle married Dolph Rawlins. There is one child, John D. Rawlins. (b. 8-19-1879, d. 5-5-1950)

Minnie Verne (b. 1881, d 1927) married Calvin Barker. They have one(two) child(ren), Ben(ton) Eugene Barker (b 3-16-1917) (& Marjorie Barker b 11 27 1919) (Minnie Verne Eller was the mother of Benton Eugene Barker and Marjorie Barker McCormick(Mrs. John McCormick))

WILLIAM J. ELLER.

William J. Eller, third child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born January 15th, 1852. He married Belle Curry February 14th, 1878. They have six children: Charlie Asbury, Harley Curry, Oscar Herman, Ida Belle, Infant son, and Catherine May. They spent their life until recently on a farm which was part of the original Eller homestead. They live in Bloomington, Indiana, now.

CHARLIE ASBURY ELLER.

Charley Asbury Eller, the oldest child of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry, was born May 26th, 1879. He was married to Alice Howe in 1903. Their children are: Charles Howe, Marian Belle, and Barbara. He graduated from the common school and the Bloomington high school, attended Indiana University and taught school for three winters. He is a member of the M. E. Church, I. O. O. F. and Masonic Lodges. He worked his way through the Dental School at Indianapolis and located in 1905 at Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he is successful in his practice and is president of the New Mexico Dental Association.

Charles Howe Eller was born June 5th, 1904.

Marian Belle Eller was born March 30th, 1907.

Barbara Eller was born in November 1911.

HARLEY CURRY ELLER.

Harley Curry Eller, second child of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry, was born August 9th, 1880. He was married to Edith Upton November 15th, 1908. They have three children: William James, Anna Belle Lee and Edith. After finishing the common school, he attended high school in Bloomington, Indiana. He worked with the surveying crew that surveyed the right of way for the I. And C. Railroad from Indianapolis to Bloomfield, Indiana. In 1905-1906 he was surveyor for the Midland Valley Railroad, with headquarters at Fort Smith, Arkansas. He was in the real estate and insurance business in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and is now in the oil business at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

William James Eller Anna Belle Eller. Edith Eller.

OSCAR HERMAN ELLER

Oscar Herman Eller, third child of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry, was born March 18th, 1883. He was married August 14th, 1907. They have two children: Mary Elizabeth and Charles Herman. After living in the north part of Indiana, he returned to Monroe County, Indiana, engaged in farming and teaming. He spent two years in Oklahoma, where he was street car motorman. He then was in Kansas City working in the packing houses. In 1915 he came back to the farm, where he is now (d. 8-14-1929, 2nd marriage to Lola Stewart)(Brownsburg Cemetery)

Mary Elizabeth Eller.

Charles Herman Eller (b. 9-8-1910)

IDA BELLE ELLER.

Ida Belle Eller, fourth child of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry, was born July 30th, 1884. She graduated from the Bloomington high school, attended the Normal School at Danville, Indiana, then she went to Chicago, where she graduated from a school for nurses. She has made a success of her profession, which has called her into several different states. She is a member of the M. E. Church.

INFANT SON.

The infant son of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry was born and died December 25th, 1885. (Eller Cemetery)

CATHERINE MAY ELLER.

Catherine May Eller, sixth child of W. J. Eller and Belle Curry, was born April 26th, 1888. She attended the Bloomington high school for two years, then trained herself in nursing in the Ravenswood Hospital, Chicago. She followed her profession until 1915. She was married to William Foss Shipley of Albuquerque, New Mexico, May 4th, 1916. They are now located in Flagstaff, Arizona. They are members of the Methodist Church.

HENRIETTA ELLER.

Henrietta Eller, fourth child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born west of Bloomington, Indiana, January 13th, 1854. She married Wesley Clark Denniston November 25th, 1879. Their children were: Albert Glen, James Francis, May, Pearl and Glen. Etta was a member of the Methodist Church, She

attended the University at Bloomington, Indiana, and taught several years. She died February 3rd, 1913, at Bedford, Indiana.

ALBERT GLENN DENNISTON. (d.-)

Albert Glen Denniston, Oldest child of Henrietta Eller and Wesley Eller, [Denniston] was born at Heltonville, Indiana, September 2nd, 1881. He graduated from the common schools, then attended high school two years, After attending the Indianapolis Business College, he accepted a position in the Bedford National Bank. He was married to Mary Day (d 1958) August 7th, 1907. They went to Seattle, Washington, and later to Anacoites, Washington, where he is bookkeeper in a bank. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, K. of P. and Masonic Lodges. They have one child, Mary Janet. (Jeannette)

Mary Janet(Jeannette) Denniston was born May25th, 1911.

JAMES FRANCIS DENNISTON.

James Francis Denniston, second child of Henrietta Eller and Wesley Denniston, was born in Heltonville, Indiana, October 26th, 1883. He graduated from the common schools, then attended a business college in Indianapolis. He was married to Della East May 3rd, 1905. Two sons were born to this union: Berle Francis and Harold Wesley. Frank is a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge. He is now on a farm in Green, lowa.

Berle Francis Denniston, was born November 7th 1905.

Harold Wesley Denniston was born February 7th, 1907.

BESSIE MAY DENNISTON

Bessie May Denniston, third child of Henrietta Eller and Wesley Denniston, was born at Heltonville, Indiana, May 9th, 1885, and died July 28th, 1885.

PEARL AND RUBY DENNISTON.(Ruby d. 9-15-1967)

Pearl and Ruby Denniston, the youngest children of Henrietta Eller and Wesley Denniston, were born at Heltonville, Indiana, February 13th, 1887. Pearl died February 27th 1887. Ruby graduated from the common schools, then came to Bedford, Indiana, and graduated from the high school in 1906. She attended the Terre Haute Normal and taught two years. She married Ralph Smith, August 19th, 1908. She is a member of the First Methodist Church of Bedford, Indiana. Three children have come to bless their home: Ana, Ala and Elizabeth.

Ana and Ala Smith were born December 19th, 1910, Ana died December 30th, 1910.

Elizabeth Smith was born September 5th, 1911.

CARRIE B. ELLER.

Carrie B. Eller, fifth child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born June 25th, 1856. She died July 22nd, 1863.

MARTHA E. ELLER.

Martha E. Eller, sixth child of Francis A. Eller and Elizabeth Pauly, was born west of Bloomington, Indiana, April 26th, 1858. She married J. T. Stipp April 20th, 1875. To this union was born one child, Gertie Ethel. Her second marriage was to J. H. Brown, at Monrovia, Indiana, December 21st, 1882. There are three children by this marriage: Herbert H., Blanche E., and Ralph E. Her third marriage was to W. C. Denniston May 28th, 1914, with whom she lives on the farm west of Gosport, Indiana. All the family belong to the Wesley Chapel Methodist Church. (d Aug 1927)

GERTIE ETHEL STIPP

Gertie Ethel Stipp, only child of Mattie Eller and J. T. Stipp, was born March 7th, 1876. She is now Gertie Cradock of Grand Rapids Michigan. (d 9-14-1946)

HERBERT H. BROWN.

Herbert H. Brown, oldest child of Mattie Eller and J. H. Brown, was born August, 27th, 1894. He attended the common school at Carp, Indiana, spent three years in Spencer high school and is now a farmer. He was married to Gertie Steirwalt July 24th, 1915, and they live out of Spencer, Indiana, on Rural Rout No. 2. (d. 1960) BLANCHE E. BROWN Blanche E. Brown, second child of Mattie Eller and J. H. Brown, was born April 22nd, 1897. She received her common school education at Carp, Indiana, graduated at the Spencer High School, spent one year at DePauw, then taught two years near home. (d. 10-3-1975)

RALPH E. BROWN.

Ralph E. Brown, third child of Mattie Eller and J. H. Brown. Was born September 27th, 1900. He graduated from the common schools, then went to farming. (d 10-27-1977 b, Hudson Hill C.)

ZARING ELLER.

He was born June 19th, 1860.

HILL ELLER.

IDA ELLER.
She was born July 16th, 1862, and died August 30th, 1862.

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