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GERMAN KEENEYS



The Family - the wedding of Alice Keeney and ...

FLORIDA descendants of Alexander Keeney and Thomas Keeney include CATHERINE TERLAU PYLE, who recently celebrated her 76th birthday. Her mother, JESSIE KEENEY TERLAU, was born in Kenton Co., KY 22 April 1893 and died 13 April 1989 at Delray Beach, FL, after also living in Tennessee. Jessie's father, HENRY KEENEY (b.1865) and mother, Sarah C. (Sally) Petty, were born in KY according to census records, but the father of Henry, EDWARD D. KEENEY, was born in Pennsylvania in 1835 and married Elizabeth Taylor (b.1847). Edward's parents were ELIAS KEENEY (1800-18__) and Ann Streeter Keeney, who settled in Keeneysville, PA in 1838; the town was named for Elias.

ELIZABETH KEENEY SINGER FAMILY OF OHIO

GRANDPARENTS: Michael Keeney (1761-1790) and Catherine Lewis, Greenbrier Co., WV (then VA)
 PARENTS: William H. C. Keeney (b.1789 in Greenbrier Co., d. 1870 in Lawrence Co., OH, after living early years in Fleming Co., KY) and Mary Crawford
 OLDER SIBLINGS: James 1810, John S. 1811-86, William S. 1816-85, Catherine Keeney Kite 1813-96
 YOUNGER BROTHERS: Joshua 1825-96, Henry 1829-1900
 CHILDREN: Thomas Singer, Ann Cornelius Singer, Bascom Singer, Jasper Singer, Marshall Singer, George Singer, Emma Singer Edwards, Delbert Singer

ELIZABETH ANN KERNEY (1811-1883) married LEWIS SINGER (b.1808 in Greenbrier Co., VA, d. 1 May 1883, son of Thomas & Sarah Hughes Singer; Lewis and Elizabeth were buried in a double casket at Five Mile Cemetery, Proctorville, Ohio)
 A. THOMAS SINGER, b. 1838, wife: Marie (b.1843)
 1. WILLIAM SINGER, b. 1869
 1. JOHN SINGER, b. 1872
 B. ANN CORNELIUS SINGER, b. 1841, d. 1891
 1. STELLA SINGER, b. 22 March 1872, d. 22 March 1928
 m. Stephen Swain Fuller (1872-1915)
 2. HARRY B. FULLER (1895-1918), m. Myrtle Ellis
 2. DAISY FULLER, b.12-1896, d. 5 Feb 1919
 2. IRVIN REX FULLER, b.31 Dec 1898, d.24 May 1991
 m. Mabel Murdock (28 Dec 1900, 2 July 1991)
 2. STEPHEN ESKER FULLER, b.22 Aug 1903

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Nick B. Keeney II

Nick Burks Keeney II, 84, of Belle died April 22, 1996, in Heartland of Charleston after a short illness.



He was born in Witcher and formerly lived in Maysel, Clay County He was a retired carpenter and former employee of Owens-Libby Owens Gas Co., New York Central Railroad and retired as a field representative from South-Eastern Gas

Co. He was a member of Maysel Missionary Baptist Church and formerly attended Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Surviving: wife, Esta Mae McLaughlin Keeney; daughters, Lucy Alice DeBoard of Diamond, Nancy Hoy of Witcher; son, Clinton "Bobby" of Buckner, Mo.; sisters, Julia Arthur of Marmat, Alma Rose of Campbells Creek, Margaret Kapanowski of Trenton, Mich., Frances Kilburn of Wyandotte, Mich.; brothers, the Rev. Roscoe Jr. of Charleston, William of South Charleston; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren.

Service will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Stevens-Cross Funeral Home, Malden, with the Rev. Randall Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Witcher Cemetery, Route 1, Belle. Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home.



JESSIE KEENEY TERLAU
Mother

CATHERINE TERLAU PYLE
Daughter
Sarah Miller, gr.-gr.daugh.



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Avon Cemetery, Allen Township, Polk Co. Iowa

SINGER FAMILY

The first cemetery on this site was called Watts Graveyard. John and Ruth Watts, who lived west of the site, had buried some of their family on this beautiful knoll on their farm. Among the first, if not the first, was their daughter 21 year old Sarah Watts Keeney, the wife of William Washington Keeney. She died March 13, 1850. (Rev. Jonathan Anthony Keeney, another early burial, died Sept. 2, 1850)

John Watts then donated more land that his neighbors could use when there was a death in the family. They could choose a spot and friends and neighbors would dig the grave. Each family cared for their own graves. We have no written records for this period and many graves do not have stones.

Later more land was added and the name changed to Allen Township Graveyard, then to Avon Cemetery.

Because of a lack of records the only way of determining death information was from a family Bible or the cemetery stones. Even later, when records were kept the sexton failed to keep accurate plot records so there are many unmarked graves. The old part of the cemetery has been closed.

- KEENEY, A. B. b. 6 June 1874 d. 22 March 1928 (Alfred Burton Keeney; this is a grandson of Samuel Thomas Keeney, the son of Benjamin Kessler Keeney)
- Virda E. McDaniel b. 12 December 1897 d. 15 July 1917 wife of A. B. Keeney I.O.O.F. (21)
- KEENEY, Alpha Viola d. 19 June 1892 aged 18y 1m 10dy dau. of W. P. and N. E. (William Perry Keeney and Nancy Ellen Keeney)
- KEENEY, Amanda M. d. 13 Sept. 1857 aged 23y 10m 9dy wife of Wm. W. (Amanda Fleming Keeney, wife of Wm. Washington Keeney)
- KEENEY, Charles b. 1807 d. 22 March 1875 aged 68 yr. (b. 7 July 1807, son of Rev. Jonathan Anthony Keeney)
- KEENEY, Charles W. d. 15 May 1857 aged 2y 2m 15dy son of S. T. and E. Keeney (Samuel Thomas Keeney and Elizabeth Kessler Keeney)
- KEENEY, Elizabeth, mother, b. 6 July 1828 (d. 29 July 1912, Elizabeth Ethel Kessler, wife of Samuel Thomas Keeney)
- Samuel T., father, b. 21 February 1818 d. 11 December 1900 aged 82y 9m 20dy (Samuel Thomas Keeney)
- KEENEY, Elvira E. d. 26 September 1857 aged 1y 9m 18d dau. of J. O. and M. J. Keeney (John Oliver Keeney and Melissa Jane Keeney; her second marriage)
- KEENEY, Emma G. b. 1860 d. 22 April 1861 aged 1y 7m 7dy dau. of W. W. and P. (William Washington Keeney and Phylena Fisher Keeney; 3rd wife)
- KEENEY, Esther E. d. 15 March 1872 aged 24yr? 21yr? (b. 3 Sept. 1846? daughter of Charles Keeney and Mary "Polly" Beck Keeney)
- KEENEY, Estor M. d. 11 April 1860 aged 2y 26dy dau of S.T. and E. K. (Samuel Thomas Keeney and Elizabeth Kessler Keeney)
- KEENEY, Ernest F. 1878-1964 (This is a grandson of Samuel Thomas Keeney and son of Benjamin Kessler Keeney. He was b.18 May 1878 d. 3 Nov. 1964)
- Laura E. 1875-1971 (the wife of Ernest Farmer Keeney, Laura Lyon)
- KEENEY, Eva M. d. 21 March 1865 aged 3y 7m 7dy dau. of Wm W. and P. (William Washington and Phylena Fisher Keeney)
- KEENEY, Evelyn P. b. 23 March 1913 d. 8 April 1913 dau of I. J. and M. L. (Ira James Keeney and Minnie L. Keeney)
- KEENEY, Eva M. 1875-1930 (Eva Mae Clark Keeney, wife of Eugene Francis Keeney, b. 5 Feb. 1875 d. 25 March 1930)
- KEENEY, Eugene F. 1870-1924 (Eugene Francis "Gene" Keeney, b. 12 Feb. 1870 d. 24 Dec. 1924)
- KEENEY, George W. d. 22 March 1853 aged 1y 6m 12 dy son of J. and M. C. Keeney (Jonathan and Matilda Walker Keeney)
- KEENEY, Rozalia M. d. 22 Sept 1857 aged 1y 8m 24dy dau of J. and M. C. Keeney (Jonathan Keeney and Matilda Walker Keeney)
- KEENEY, George W. d. 23 March 1852 son of Wm W. and A. (Wm Washington Keeney and Amanda Fleming Keeney)
- Martha E. d. 10 October 1856 aged 8m dau. of Wm W. Keeney and Amanda Fleming Keeney)
- KEENEY, Guy F. b. 10 Jan. 1897 d. 28 Aug. 1900 son of E. A. and E. M. Keeney (Eugene Francis Keeney and Eva Clark Keeney)
- KEENEY, I. James, father, b. 8 March 1882 d. 17 October 1932 (Ira James Keeney, son of Benjamin Kessler Keeney)
- Minnie L., mother, b. 25 May 1891 d. 25 February 1965 (wife of Ira James Keeney) (Continued on next page)

- 2. VIRGIL L. FULLER, b.25 Oct 1906, d. 4 March 1946
- 2. ARNO CLIFFORD FULLER, 5 Feb 1909, d.30 Jan 1889 m. Geraldine Bell
- 2. IRENE JOSEPHINE FULLER, b.11 Mar 1912, m. Fred Locke
- C. BASCOM SINGER, b.1844; wife: Virginia (b. ca 1855)
- 1. FLORA SINGER, b.1872
- 1. WILLIAM SINGER, b.1874
- 1. HATTIE SINGER, b.1876
- 1. LEWIS DELBERT SINGER, b.1879
- D. JASPER SINGER, b.1846, d.12-1930
- m. Roxie Clark (d.1932), dau. of Richard & Missaly Tate Clark
- 1. ERNEST LESLIE SINGER, b.14 Dec 1877 at Bartramville, OH, died 22 Sept 1967 at Huntington, WV
- m. Rosetta May Riley 7 Apr 1901 (1877-1960), her 2nd marriage
- 2. LOIS A SINGER, b.12 Sept 1903, d.30 May 1974, married Oliver Gubson in April 1923
- 2. LLOYD EARL SINGER (1905-12)
- 2. E. DEVERN SINGER, b. Sept 1907 m. Gladys Frouie in June 1928
- 2. EVELYN MARGARITE SINGER, b. 13 Nov 1909, m. Willard Benn
- 2. DORWARD SINGER, b.13 Nov 1911, d.14 May 1912
- 2. ERNEST LESLIE SINGER, b.18 Dec 1912, d.4 Dec 1989, m. Irene Adkins (1913-1954)
- 2. M. VEDELL SINGER 22 Oct 1914
- 2. CRYSTAL GERALDINE SINGER, b. 26 May 1917, d.19 Aug 1962, m. Frank Adams
- 2. A. FRANKLIN SINGER (1919-1992) m. Eloise Dillon
- 2. EDWARD CARLYLE SINGER 30 June 1923, m. Aileen Hanson
- 1. NELLIE SINGER, b. 6 June 1875 m. Ed Gotterd
- 1. CARROLL SINGER, m. Nellie Myers
- 1. EVELYN A. SINGER, b.1 April 1884, d.30 Nov 1967, m. Edward Rapppe
- 1. C. FRANK SINGER-unmarried
- 1. ORVILLE O. SINGER, b.30 Aug 1869, US Navy WWI; wife: Rebecca
- 1. DAISY B. SINGER, b.9 Dec 1896 m. Gus Aubrey
- 1. BERKLEY B. SINGER, b.9 Dec 1896, US Navy WWI; unmarried
- E. MARSHALL SINGER (1853-1932) m. Nancy Edwards (b.1853)
- 1. AUGUSTA SINGER, b.1872
- m. John Smith (b.1872)
- 2. PAUL SMITH
- 2. MODENA PINKERMAN
- 2. EDGRA(m. Jake Sowards)
- C-Irene, Garland, Jake, Jr.
- 2. STANFORD SMITH
- 2. JOHN SMITH
- 2. MAHLON SMITH
- 2. JOSEPHINE SMITH
- 2. LeROY SMITH
- 2. MAXINE SMITH
- 2. Itlues SMITH
- 2. MARY EVELYN SMITH
- 1. EDDIE T. SINGER (1877-1956)
- m. Ida B. Jones (1880-1926)

KEENEY, Rev. Jonathan d. 2 September 1850 aged 72y 6m 22dy
(Rev. Jonathan Anthony Keeney)

KEENEY, Mary wife of Jonathan Keeney d. 3 Sept. 1865 aged 88y
11m 8d7 (broken stone, hard to read)

KEENEY, Jonathan b. 1809 d. 1887 (b. 7 July 1809, d. 2 Jan. 1887,
son of Rev. Jonathan Anthony Keeney)

KEENEY, Matilda, b. 1815 d. 1886 (Matilda Clinton Walker Keeney,
wife of Jonathan Keeney, b. 7 Jan. 1815, d. 21 Oct. 1886)

KEENEY, Jonathan A. d. 23 September 1853 aged 25y 5m 21dy (son
of Charles Keeney and Mary Beck Keeney, first husband of
Melissa Gooch)

KEENEY, John F. d. 20 January 1851 aged 21d. son of S. and E.
Keeney (Samuel Thomas Keeney and Elizabeth Kessler Keeney)

KEENEY, Josiah d. 19 November 1858 aged 27y 5m 5dy (b. 14
June 1831, son of Charles Keeney, survived by wife,
Margaret Hook Keeney Pierson who is buried in same plot)

KEENEY, Levi M., father, b. 29 October 1884 d. 18 February 1965
(son of Benjamin Kessler Keeney)

Lillie A., mother b. 16 August 1885 d. 28 February 1965
(wife of Levi M. Keeney)

KEENEY, Martin S. b. 1951 (stone next to Levi and Lillie Keeney)

KEENEY, Mary E. d. 15 October 1850 aged 7m dau. of W. W. and S.
(William Washington Keeney and Sarah Watts Keeney, 1st wife)

KEENEY, Myrtle d. 16 November 1891 aged 7y 2m 25dy dau. of
Geo. and L. A. (George Krysher Keeney and Lydia Goforth
Keeney)

KEENEY, William Perry, father, 1843-1938 Vet. Iowa 1865.
(b. 9 Sept. 1843 d. 6 May 1938 son of Jonathan Keeney,
grandson of Rev. Jonathan Anthony Keeney)

Nancy Ellen, mother, 1832-1902 (b. 15 Nov. 1852 d. 18 May
1902, daughter of Jonathan A. Keeney and Melissa Gooch
Keeney)

KEENEY, Nathaniel F. b. 21 Dec. 1860 d. 4 March 1890
aged 29y 2m 13dy (son of Samuel Thomas Keeney and Elizabeth
Kessler Keeney)

KEENEY, Samuel b. 21 Feb. 1818, d. 11 Dec. 1900 (son of Rev.
Jonathan Anthony Keeney and Mary McGlothlen Keeney)

(KEENEY, Elizabeth Ethel Kessler Keeney b. 5 July 1828
d. 29 July 1912, in Anthony Florida where she was living
with her son George Krysher Keeney)

KEENEY, Samuel B. d. 23 Nov. 1854 aged 6dy son of J. and E.
Keeney

KEENEY, Samuel P. d. 13 January 1860 aged 14y 5m 23dy son of
J. and M. C. Keeney (Jonathan Keeney and Matilda Walker
Keeney)

KEENEY, Sarah d. 13 March 1850 aged 21y 6m 23dy wife of Wm W.
Keeney and daughter of J. and R. Watts (William Washington
Keeney and John and Ruth Watts)

KEENEY, Sarah E. d. 28 February 1859 aged 10y 6m 8dy dau. of
J. and M. C. Keeney (Jonathan Keeney and Matilda Walker
Keeney)

KEENEY, Sylvesta J. d. 16 November 1854 aged 1y ? ? dau. of
Wm. W. and A. M. (William Washington Keeney and Amanda M.
Fleming Keeney, 2nd wife)

KEENEY, West W. d. 4 October 1850 aged 10y 5m 25dy son of J.
and M. C. Keeney (West Walker Keeney, son of Jonathan and
Matilda Walker Keeney)

Patricia (Pat) Kaufman, 1400 Helmart Dr., Partlesville, OH 74006

SINGER FAMILY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eva Scarberry 2. MARSHALL SINGER m. Jessie Stanley 3. HARRY SINGER 2. EDDIE SINGER 2. GUSTIN SINGER 2. HERSHEL SINGER m. Thelma Scarberry 2. JOE SINGER, m. Corine Fuller 2. ANNA BELLE SINGER 1. HENRY SINGER, b. 1880 1. JACOB (Jake) SINGER, b. 26
Jan 1882, d. 14 Apr 1952, m.
Laura Wood (1881-1926) 1. ELIZABETH SINGER, b. 1884 m. Ben Simpson 2. DONALD SIMPSON | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Les Simpson 2. THURMAN SIMPSON 2. DELPHINE SIMPSON m. Chester Ward 2. BERNICE SIMPSON 2. KENNETH SIMPSON m. Grace Fuller 1. EVA SINGER, b. 1886 a. Pete Smith 1. LEVI (Lee) SINGER (1890-1966) a. Lila Eliers (1889-1942) C-Frank, Bob, Ruth Anne, Paye 1. EARL SINGER, b. 1892 1. GEORGE SINGER b. 1894 1. KENNETH SINGER F. GEORGE SINGER, b. ca 1856 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> m. Sarah Clementine Floyd 1. ELLA SINGER, m. Fred Fuller G. EMMA SINGER, b. 1857; buried at
Wolf Pen Cem., Rt 775, Procville m. John Edwards 1. MINNIE EDWARDS 1. SOPHIA EDWARDS 1. NORA EDWARDS H. DELBERT SINGER, b. 1865, died
of influenza at age 35 m. Mary Emma Mitchell, dau. of
Dan & Mary Bowen Mitchell; she
married (2) _____ Hedrick 1. RAY SINGER, wife: Sallie 1. ALTA CARL SINGER, b. 1 Sept
1894, d. 1965, m. Ona May Ball
(1893-1960), buried at South
Point, OH 2. VIRGINIA SINGER BURCHAM 2. LULA MCCALLA 2. ALTA CARL SINGER 2. DELBERT SINGER 2. MARIE SINGER WECHALER 2. MYRTLE BELLE MONCINI 2. ONA MAE SINGER HESSON 2. DON SINGER 2. GLORIA ANN WOOLWINE 2. MAX SINGER 1. GLENNA SINGER (1886-1942) m. Charles Johnson (drowned
in Ohio River) 2. EVERETT JOHNSON—drowned as
an adult in Ohio River 2. BERNICE JOHNSON COX 1. MYRTLE FRANCES SINGER, b. 8
Aug 1867, d. 30 May 1972 m. Shelton Fitzpatrick (1886-
1952) on 29 Jan 1908, son of
Ulysses & Elizabeth Maynard
Fitzpatrick 2. JESSIE MAY FITZPATRICK (1910-
1985) m. Ned Davis (1902-1980) on
19 Oct 1925; CHILDREN: Lillian
(1927-32), Ned 7 Oct 1928, Ray-
mond 24 Mar 1930, Patricia Ann
Stapp Spillman 8 Nov 1932, Gay
Dabney Blackburn Hovatcher 25 May
1935, Linda Hess King 11 April
1939, James 3 Oct 1944, Judith R.
Williams Cartin 10 Mar 1944, Cal-
vin 9 Apr 1946—killed in prison in
1988, James A. (adopted grandson);
all lived in Martin Co., KY 2. DANIEL RAYMOND FITZPATRICK, b. 23
Jan 1911, d. 3 Mar 1973, m. Dixie
Branham (1919-1993); CHILDREN:
Clayton Shelton (1938-39), Donald
Raymond 28 Dec 1939, Dwight Douglas
10 Jan 1943, Mary Louise Endicott
24 July 1946, Burgess 14 Mar 1949,
David Scott 3 Oct 1951, Delbert C.
25 Mar 1955, Randall Gene 8 Aug 1956 2. ULYSSES SHELTON FITZPATRICK (1913-
1935); unmarried 2. ALTA CHARLES FITZPATRICK, 22 Aug
1915, 30 May 1957; m. Anna Lee
Belcher (b. 1915); CHILDREN: Andray
Shelton (1937-1994), Ned Rodney,
Myrtle Frances England, Condra Sue
Asbury 21 Jan 1943, Wesley, Alta C.
Jr. 1 June 1947, Sharon Gayle Jordan
24 July 1949, Judy Irene Surface,
Ella Joan Brooks, David Lynn Fitz-
patrick 13 Sept 1957 2. ELIZABETH FITZPATRICK, b. 16 Nov
1918, d. 30 Nov 1918 2. JEWEL FITZPATRICK 20 June 1920, d.
11 April 1976, m. James A. Frazier
CHILDREN: Gary Roger Frazier 20 Apr
1940 in Clifford, KY, Constance Lee
Crum 10 Jun 1943, Leonard Allen Fra-
zier 22 Jan 1945 2. JUNE FITZPATRICK, b. 20 June 1920 |
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PATRONS

These donations will almost cover the cost of this issue of the UPDATE: Rita Lancefield & Eloise Bristow, CA; Julia Cole & Catherine T. Taylor, FL; Laura Plattner, MD; George W. Keeney, TX; Patricia Kaufman, OK; Blanche Keeney Roth and Dorothy Cook, IN; and Barbara Jacobs, MO; and David W. Keeney, IL. If sufficient material is available, there will be an issue published in the fall.

SINGER FAMILY

m. Jack K. Bartram (1 Aug 1918. 22 Mar 1969 in Ross Co., OH), son of Nile & Anna Semonas Bartram; CHILDREN: ANNA FRANCES (b. & d. 1942), Pamela Noel 18 Feb 1945, Keither Shelton 28 Aug 1951, Karen S. Parks 18 Mar 1958
2. RUBY JEAN FITZPATRICK 17 Mar 1922
m. George Frazier, (2) William Kelly

CHILDREN: Larry Sayne Frazier 22 July 1942, Janice Carol Frazier 20 Aug 1943, Cheryl Rhoda Steacie 23 May 1953, Nancy Claire Kelly 14 Aug 1955, Tammy Jo Steele 11 May 1958, Charles E. (son of Nancy C.) 2 Jan 1973
2. JOYCE FITZPATRICK 2 Nov 1924
m. Jack Hardin (b. 1919) in 1941.
(2) Paul Frazier (d. 1973), (3) Orville Vance (d. 1981); CHILDREN: Diane Hardin b. 28 June 1942 at Myadotte, MI. Jack E. Hardin 15 Jan 1944, James R. Hardin 15 Jan 1947, Paulette Frazier 23 Jan 1950, Michael Joe Frazier 6 June 1951, Sandra K. Stricker 18 April 1953, Nancy E. Frazier McCoy Harris 1 June 1955, Elizabeth S. Leedy 5 Dec 1957, Sherry Elaine Frazier 6 Oct 1960

2. THOMAS FITZPATRICK 18 Nov 1926 in Lawrence Co., KY, d. 6 Oct 1994.
m. Betty Robinson; CHILDREN: Deborah Jean Dean Hopkins (1953-1994), Candace Sue Welch b. 1959, Michael
2. JENNY RELLIE FITZPATRICK, b. 31 May 1928, m. Winford Salyer (1923-1978); CHILDREN: Marcia Lee Salyer Crum 13 Mar 1949, Winifred May Kenny 31 Dec 1952, Wendell Logan Salyer 12 Sept 1955, Robert Avery Salyer 24 July 1959

1. VIOLA SINGER, b. 20 July 1898 in Scottsville, OH, in Port Geo, WV m. Benjamin Maynard (2) Ja. Edwards
2. CANTIE MAYNARD, b. 4 Mar 1910 m. F. Wilby Parsley; (2) Luther Endicott
2. FRANK MAYNARD b. 15 June 1912 m. Elizabeth Blair
2. DICK HENRY MAYNARD (1914-1968) m. Delma Maynard (2) Bernice Bead
2. SAMIE B. MAYNARD, m. Buddy Runyon, (2) Rip Collins, (3) James Rowland (4) Floyd Burns
2. ROBERTA MAYNARD (d. April 1976) m. John Crum
2. BERNIE EILEEN MAYNARD, b. 1 Feb 1923, m. Glen Ward

1. THOMAS SINGER, d. 1896 as infant on the day of his father's funeral
MAIN SOURCES: History of Fuller Family, James Maynard & Descendants of V.A. Bible of Myrtle P. Singer, Nat-Valley Family, Greenbrier Co. Wills & Marriages, Kentucky Census 1850, 1920 for Johnson, Martin & Lawrence Cos., Lawrence Co. & Ross Co., Ohio records
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Witcher Baptist's oldest member shares birthday with church

By Andrea Bond

Witcher Baptist Church's anniversary is a double celebration for Rosa Keeney.
Born in 1835, Keeney is the church's oldest living member. On Easter Sunday, she and the church shared a birthday: the 101st for Keeney and the 107th for Witcher Baptist.

A longtime resident of Witcher Creek, Keeney joined

the church in 1917, one of a long line of Keeneys who attended Witcher Baptist. There aren't many Keeneys left in the area these days, said her daughter, Rosalie Burris.

"They used to call Witcher Creek Keeneville because there were so many Keeneys," she said. But the older ones have since died and the younger ones grow up and moved away.
Burris was

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Metro photo by ANDREA BOND

Rosalie Burris visits with her mother, Rosa Keeney, at Beverly Health Care Center in Glasgow. The inset shows Keeney as a young woman.

McHenry A. Snyder

McHenry Abbott "Max" Snyder, 83, of Pinch died Feb. 20, 1996, at home after a long illness.



He was a native of Queen Shoals and was a 41-year resident of Pinch. He was a Past Governor for Kanawha County Board of Education with 17 years service and former bus driver for Job Corps, Charleston.

He was a cordoned, a lifelong resident of Kanawha County and a member of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Pinch.
Surviving wife: Dorothy Mae Scott Snyder; son, Ed. of Frankfort, Germany; daughters: Emma Lou Snyder, Davis of Street, Md.; Debra Lynn Snyder of Big Chimney, former: Robert of Kentucky; sisters, Louise Robertson, Jane Robertson and Betty Graham, all of Clendenen; four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

Service will be 1 p.m. Friday at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Pinch, with the Rev. David A. Williams officiating. Burial will be in Elk Hills Memorial Park, Big Chimney. Friends may call one hour prior to service at the church Friday. Haver Funeral Home, Elkview, is in charge of arrangements.

McHenry Snyder was a son of Philip Welch & Lulu D. Abbott Snyder and a great grandson of FRANCES (née KEENEY), daughter of Moses Keeney, and William S. Brawley (1784-1839).



Keeney

visiting her mother recently at Beverly Health Care Center in Glasgow. Although somewhat incapacitated by a recent stroke, Keeney — big silver hair pulled neatly into a bun — sat quietly by her bed while maintaining a sense of humor and a good deal of modesty about the whole business.

"Why they want to do that for?" she questioned when her daughter said the church wanted to recognize her birthday.

To her friends and relatives on Witcher Creek, she came to be known as "Aunt Rosa," even receiving recognition in the church's 100th anniversary history book.

Born in Nicholas County, the former Rosa Cline was baptized in Carboon by the Rev. W. Skages. In 1816 she married John S. Keeney Jr., son of John S. Keeney, charter member and longtime deacon and clerk of Witcher Baptist. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T.Y. Keeney, charter member and longtime pastor, at the home of Walter and Annie Keeney, John Jr.'s brother and sister-in-law. They had three sons and two daughters, but only Rosalie remains in the area today.

Witcher Baptist Church was just 6 years old when Keeney was born. The church was organized in 1889 with the Rev. T.F. Holt as its first pastor. In October 1889, the church was accepted into the Kanawha Valley Baptist Association. Over the years, the church has changed buildings and built up a large and faithful membership.

This birthday was a quiet celebration for Keeney. Last year Keeney's friends threw a bash for her 100th birthday. Burris said last this year her mother preferred a low-key affair.

Her daughter readily complied. "We're just thankful that she's been here this long," she said.

Keeney

Clarence C. and Jeannette E. Keeney of Racine celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 11, 1996, with a luncheon at Glen Fern Inn. He is the former owner of State Hardware and is retired from Keightly Instrument Co., Cleveland, and is the former Jeannette E. Keeney and is retired from Ohio Bell Telephone Co.

Parents: William Summers & Beulah Blak Keeney; grandparents: John Patrick & M. Frances Nelson Keeney

SISTER ELEANOR KEENEY

NEW JERSEY

Maryknoll Catholic Missionary

I was born March 16, 1923 in Jersey City, New Jersey of Catholic parents Mary Denisick and John Keene. My father died of TB when I was 7 mos. old. I had one older sister, Veronica, the first born. who died in infancy, and an older sister Lorraine, who still lives on Long Island. I grew up in Brooklyn, New York, finishing high school in 1939. In 1941 I entered Jersey City Medical Center School of Nursing and joined the Nurse Cadet Corps in 1944. Graduating in 1945, I worked as a nurse for three years and then entered the Maryknoll Sisters Catholic Missionary Congregation in September 1948.

After 2 1/2 years training I was missioned to Sri Lanka (then known as Ceylon) to supervise the Eye Operating Room and wards. In 1962 we were expelled from Ceylon and I returned to our Center, where I was a nurse until 1967, before being assigned to N. E. Thailand. It was during the Vietnam War and I had a marvelous experience doing rural medical work. We had a 2-year contract with the Bishop. Consequently in 1969 I again returned to our center.

In 1970 I went to the University of Connecticut to get my degree in Nursing Education, following which I worked as a Public Health Nurse in Yonkers, New York until 1980 when I joined the Migrant Farm Workers Project in Homestead, Florida. In 1982 I was assigned to Zimbabwe, where I was in charge of a 75-bed rural mission hospital in the Northeast, until 1988 when I started a Hospice Program as a volunteer in the Midlands city of Geveru. The hospice program developed into an AIDS Awareness Program. Eventually, after having gotten funding in 1994, we became a non-governmental organization MASO (Midlands AIDS Service Organization) and hired staff. I trained a social worker to become Home Care Coordinator and left Zimbabwe in May 1995.

I'm presently at our Center in Westchester County, about thirty miles north of New York City.

SISTER ELEANOR KEENEY

Maryknoll Sister's Center
Maryknoll, NY 10545-0311



SISTER ELEANOR KEENEY



Ministering to Thai monks in N.E. Thailand in 1968



PATRICK KEENEY shakes hands with daughter Catherine McGrath in front of Father Gerard

GRANDPARENTS:

PATRICK KEENEY - North Donegal
JULIA WALSH KEENEY - Conohora, Galway

CHILDREN:

JOHN KEENEY, born 1890, died in October 1923
married MARY DOMINICK in 1918
VERONICA KEENEY - died in inf.
LORRAINE KEENEY 27 Oct 1921
ELEANOR KEENEY 16 Mar 1923
MARGARET KEENEY (died 1950's)
m. William Leischner; one child William
JULIA KEENEY (died 1930's)
m. James Rickard - 4 girls
CATHERINE KEENEY (died 1960's)
m. Wm. McGrath - 4 boys, 2 girls
CHARLES KEENEY (died 1960's)
ordained Catholic priest 1921
EDWARD KEENEY (died 1970's)
wife: Rita

IRISH KEENEYS



TO ENJOY TRIP
OF 3,000 MILES
ON HIS SAVINGS

Fifteen Years Old and Sails
To-morrow for Ten Weeks
of Sight-Seeing.

THE EVENING WORLD
Hoboken, New Jersey
June 9, 1907

After having saved his dimes and nickels for over three years so that he might see a bit of Europe, John Keene, 15, of Willow Ave., Hoboken, will sail tomorrow on the steamer Cedric of the White Star line. The boy will travel 3,000 miles entirely alone. He will be gone ten weeks and will visit Cork, Dublin, Galway and Belfast, Ireland's four greatest cities.

Keene's parents are Irish by birth. In his hope he often has heard them speak excitedly of the "old country", and after a while the boy became filled with a longing to see the Irish lands of which they spoke.

He will take a camera. "What's the use of traveling unless you bring back something that will always keep the trip fresh in your mind?" says the boy.

"Esmee Keeney"

The subject of this picture, born Jan. 10 1813, in Germany. Kingdom of Saxony, was the wife of Joseph Keeney. She came to America with her parents when about 8 yrs. old. Killed accidentally by a horse in Harrisburg Pa. Jan. 25 1842. Buried in a private grave yards near 100' on the farm of Abner Casel in lower section Twp., Dauphin Co. Pa. about 3 miles east of Harrisburg Pa. and about 2 miles south of Bureau Station on the L.V.R.R. The above named person is the father of Frederick E. Keeney, and only brother of Minnie Keeney, wife of Ludwig Minister Sr. of Clark's Valley Dauphin Co., Pa.

Compiled by John McNamee, Son of Ludwig & Minnie. With Pa. Jan. 1995

Biographical Data



GERMAN KEENEYS PENNSYLVANIA

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MILDRED L. FELDERMAN
Mildred L. Felderman, 87, of Bellevue, formerly of Andrew, died Wednesday in Mill Valley Care Center.

The funeral will be 11 a.m. Saturday in Carson & Son Funeral Home, Maquoketa, with the Rev. Emmett Busch and the Rev. Solveig Zamzow officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today in the funeral home. Burial will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Lonnie and Dale Felderman, Marty and Tim Sagers, Lenral Eickert and Terry Hasenbank.

She was born Sept. 30, 1908, east of Andrew, to Fred and Mary Thullen Keeney. She married Percy M. Felderman, June 4, 1931, in Andrew. He died Aug. 27, 1969.

She was a 1927 graduate of Andrew Community High School and then attended Iowa State Teacher's College in Cedar Falls. She taught school for a few years before her marriage, and then became a homemaker. The couple farmed in the Bellevue-Andrew area for many years.

She moved to Bellevue in 1985, and became a resident of the Care Center in 1994. She was a member of Andrew Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include two sons, Allan Felderman of Spragueville, and William "Bill" Felderman of Maquoketa; a daughter, Mrs. Gloria (Gary) Sagers of Bellevue; a brother, Wilton Keeney of Clinton; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, a granddaughter and a great-grandson.

Death date: April 10, 1996.



Pattie Langdon

PATTIE CATHERINE KEENEY LANGDON

MICHIGAN

1902 - 1996



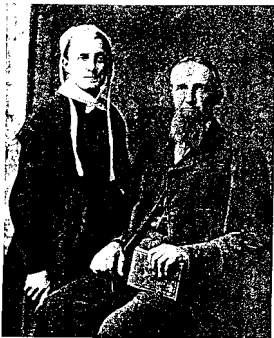
PATTIE CATHERINE KEENEY
at age 20 in 1922
dau. of U. E. (1874-1928) and
Martha Pattie McDowell Keeney
(1878-1960)

Died Wednesday April 24, 1996 at Dowagiac Nursing Home, Dowagiac, MI. She was born January 19, 1902 in Charleston, W. Va. She attended the Charleston Schools and Kanawha Business School, and was associated with the Charleston General Hospital until 1950, when she moved to Bakersfield, CA. There

she was with the Bakersfield Memorial Hospital until she retired. In 1972, she was united in marriage to Ivan Richard Lee. In 1963, she was married to Reo G. Langdon in Bakersfield. The couple moved to Paw Paw in 1972 and sold antiques until 1988. Pattie was preceded in death by a brother, sister, a son Ivan and her husband Reo in 1990. Surviving is one son, Richard V. Lee of Charlotte, NC; 11 grandchildren, Greg Lee and Shari Evans both of Bakersfield, Suzanne Lee Boyes of Portland, OR, Randy Lee of San Bernardino, CA, Richard Lee Jr., David Lee, Thomas Lee and Marian Wilson, all of Rock Hill, SC, Dorothy Lee and Kristin Lee both of Charlotte, NC, Candice Norton of Chattanooga, TN; 21 great grandchildren, Chelsea, Meredith, Richard III, Austin, David Jr., Michael, Jennifer, Christopher and Erickson Lee all of Rock Hill, SC, Jeffrey and Connie Wilson both of Rock Hill, Blake Norton, Chattanooga, TN, Jillian, Stephen and Tiffany Lee all of Bakersfield, and Jessica and Joshua Evans, both of Bakersfield, Jeremy and Joshua Lee, both of Portland, OR, Fawnda Mathison of Norfolk England, and Zak Mathison, London, England; by one great great grandson, Christopher Mathison, Norfolk, England; two nieces, Lois Bolton, Louisville, KY and Gloria Perkins, Ashland, KY. Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 2, 1996 at 11 AM at the Thompson and Hawley Funeral Home, Paw Paw, with Rev. Robert Lynch officiating. Interment in Almena cemetery.

Frederick Ernest Keeney

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The Death of Ernest

At twenty-nine, Ernest was killed by one of his horses as he was crossing the Swatara near his home. It is said that he was on the way home from a sulky race. There were few bridges across the Swatara at that time. Forging the creek was possible at several locations in the vicinity of Hummelstown even though the creek could be 12 to 16 feet deep in other places. The fording place at Landis's Dam was used until 1881.²⁶

There are no references to tell whether death was instantaneous or whether he lingered. He died January 25, 1842. Catherine was left to face the termination of a pregnancy and the settlement of her husband's estate. His son was born 29 January 1842, four days after Ernest's death.

Ernest did not leave a will but the inventory of his possessions at the time of his death sheds some light on their lives.²⁷ (Document 11) Here again we find different spellings for the name which Ernest adopted for his use. On the inventory it is spelled "Kinsey" but on the tombstone it is "Keeney". They lived in Swatara Township at the time of death and would have been considered rather well off for a young couple. Did he use the carpenter tools as a part of a trade? If he had been seriously engaged in racing or in the care of horses, would there not have been more saddles? At the end of the inventory is Catherine's mark between the first and last names.

Records of Zion Lutheran Church in Hummelstown show the baptism of Frederick Ernest on 5 May 1844.²⁹ Sponsors of the baptism were "His parents Ernest Keeney and Catherine Keeney." This is confusing since Ernest had died two years earlier. It is more than likely that George Zetter had assumed this function as one of his responsibilities since the only other baptisms on that date was that of his baby son, Cyrus. A history of Dauphin County written in 1881 shows that George Zetter

lived across the street from the Hummelstown Lutheran Church.

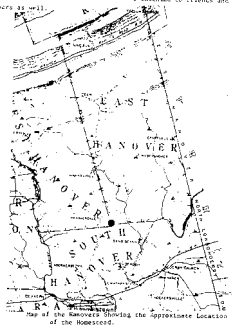
The 1850 Census was the first to include the names of every person in the household as well as the age of each individual. The Census microfilm was checked to look for a boy of approximately eight or nine living with any family. In Upper Swatara, House 191, there was a Frederick Keeney, age 9, living with a farmer (age 61)³¹ named Michael Mallon. In house 156, an Abner Cassel (age 21) was living with a farmer by the name of Jacob Fisher. This was probably the same Abner Cassel who bought the farm on which Ernest had been buried.

A New Family is Begun

Frederick E. Keeney and Flanna Kinsey were married June 19, 1842 in East Hanover, Pennsylvania. At this time Fred was 20 years of age and Flanna 18. It is not known whether they went to housekeeping immediately on the farm which became home to all their family. It is that they did come to the farm at this time for the property belonged to Uriah Cassel. He would have been 22 at the time of the marriage and already a prosperous businessman with farms needing management. The home place (Illustration 6) now (1959) belongs to Crawford's and is rapidly becoming a housing development.

The following year (1843) the family began to increase with the birth of a son. In the next 24 years, they were to have fourteen children: 1. Frederick E. II; 2. David Edwin; 3. Julia; 4. Mary C.; 5. John; 6. Elizabeth; 7. Uriah Cassel; 8. Joseph; 9. Ida Frances; 10. Alice Henrietta; 11. Harry M.; 12. Katie; 13. Sossie Stella; and 14. Edgar Wesley. Three children, David, Harry and Elizabeth, died in infancy.

There was little money to raise such a large family. Whether this lack of money was common to most farm families of that day or way of this family is not known. Both Fred and Flanna must have accepted the economic situation as best they could. Fred E. was a veterinarian and farmer and also assumed varied responsibilities in the community. The photograph at the beginning of this section shows them looking secure and happy in their roles as heads of a large family. Children and grandchildren have remembered their affectionate and generous dispositions. These characteristics must have extended to friends and neighbors as well.



Flanna and Frederick lived together in their West Hanover home for forty-nine years. He died suddenly 3 January 1903 of a heart condition and was buried 8 January 1903 in Hanoverdale Cemetery. Flanna lived about 19 years longer. She died 20 October 1920 and was buried with others of her family in Hanoverdale Cemetery.

The obituaries carried by the papers of the time are a testimonial to the long years that they lived.

Frederick E. Keeney

The sudden death of Fred E. Keeney, the well known Veterinary Surgeon, of heart failure at his home on Saturday spread a feeling of gloom over this community. Mr. Keeney was seen on the streets almost every day attending to his professional duties, and people could scarcely realize the sudden transition from life, and apparent health, to death. He was a successful veterinary surgeon and his professional visits embraced a large territory. He took an active and prominent part in civil and religious matters, and served his township faithfully as auditor, tax collector, school director and supervisor. He resided on the Ulrich Cassel farm for thirty years, and both landlord and tenant during all that period except of other agreement than the word of honor of each. He is survived by a widow, and a large family of children, nearly all of whom have left the paternal roof, and entered upon life's duties for themselves. He was aged 88 years. The funeral services were held in the Hanover Dale German Baptist church on Thursday.

Mrs. Fred E. Keeney, Sr.

The death of Mrs. Fred E. Keeney, Sr., occurred Thursday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Wagner, Hanoverdale. She was 76 years old and is survived by five daughters and three sons. Funeral services will be held at the Hanoverdale Church Monday morning at 10 o'clock and burial will be in the Hanoverdale Cemetery.



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| 1 George Gessaman | 11 Grandpa Keeney |
| 2 Alice Keeney Gessaman | 12 Uriah Cassel Keeney |
| 3 Joseph Keeney | 13 Jenny Boyer Keeney |
| 4 John Keeney | 14 Susie Stella Keeney |
| 5 Sallie Calebshaw Keeney | 15 Samuel Gipe |
| 6 Katie Keeney | 16 Julia Keeney Gipe |
| 7 Grandpa Keeney | 17 Baby |
| 8 Alice Boyer Keeney | 18 Frank Woerner |
| 9 Fred E. Keeney 11 | 19 Ida Keeney Roetner |
| 10 Edgar Keeney | 20 Harry Keeney |

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Some men work best when on a stage
Where all can see and hear;
They seek rewards for every act;
They want the crowds to cheer.

But here's a basic rule in life.

And don't you ever forget it:
We get a lot more done when we
Don't care who gets the credit!

—Dwaine Lavelle

6 March 1966

Cabin Creek tunnel to finally close down

Known well to first Kanawha, WV Keeneys

Caterany Coal Co., an independent subsidiary of Arch Mineral Corp., will close and seal an abandoned railroad tunnel at the head of Cabin Creek later this week. The tunnel was used by the C&O Railroad until the 1930s.

For decades, the dirt-floored tunnel was used by cars and other motor vehicles. In recent years, the deeply rutted road made a four-wheel drive a virtual necessity for potential tunnel travelers.

The old railroad tunnel connects Tannille Creek Hollow in Kanawha County to Seng Creek Hollow in Boone County. Ark Land, an affiliate of Caterany Coal, recently bought the tunnel from the CSX Corp., a successor to the C&O Railroad.

In addition to being difficult to traverse, the tunnel has become increasingly dangerous. Caterany Coal and Ark Land hired an independent engineering firm inspect the tunnel last week. "We have been concerned since we began mining in this area of Tannille Fork that someone would be injured while using this tunnel as a shortcut," Gerald Peacock, president of Caterany Coal, said on Tuesday.

"I know this decision will be unpopular with those few persons who use the tunnel, but this is the responsible thing to do," Peacock said.

The tunnel allows residents of Seng Creek Hollow, quicker



Greater photo by F. BRUCE PEACOCK

Four-wheel-drive traffic is common in the old railroad tunnel.

access to Cabin Creek and to Interstates 84 and 77, which has an entrance and exit at Sharon.

Company officials have already notified public authorities in both Kanawha and Boone counties about their plans.

Caterany Coal owns and operates the B.E. Samps Mine on Cabin Creek, one of the largest surface mines in the Mountain State. When it first opened, it was called the Red Warrior Mine.

Blair Gardner, vice president of Arch Mineral, said the company will post signs about the closure. "Some folks will be very unhappy. There are still some people who use it regularly. I realize that it will represent a potential inconvenience to them," he said.

IDAHO KEENEYS

Allison: 228 Madeline St; Moscow, ID 83843
 Andrew: 264 Echo Hill Dr; Lewiston, ID 83501
 Ann: 2233 Birch Ave; Boise, ID 83706
 C. L.: 217 S Apple; Shoshone, ID 83352
 Dale: Ada; 728 Madeline St; Moscow, ID 83843
 Carson: 2155 Suna Rd; Nuna, ID 83618
 Keeney, Ann and Dorcy: 8920 Fox Ridge Dr; Boise, ID 83706
 John: 8110 W Garden Blvd; Meridian, ID 83642
 Donald: 616 Warner Ave #22; Lewiston, ID 83501
 Carl: 2644 Echo Hill Dr; Lewiston, ID 83502
 John: 2233 Birch Ave N; Nuna, ID 83618
 Frank and Melvin: 2644 Echo Hill Dr; Lewiston, ID 83503
 George: 626 Madison Cir; Twin Falls, ID 83401
 Jack: 2245 Dalton St; Boise, ID 83704
 Jack: 4135 Suna Rd; Nuna, ID 83618
 Jeff: 100 Adams St #2; Pocatello, ID 83202
 Jeff L.: 1411 Canyon Rd S; Malina, ID 83641
 Joseph W. Riverview East; Twin Falls, ID 83301
 Kenneth L. and Jean: 3526 17th St; Lewiston, ID 83531
 L.: 728 Madeline St; Moscow, ID 83843
 Laura and Wallace: 610 Warner Ave #22; Lewiston, ID 83501
 Michael: 10551 Hollandside Dr; Boise, ID 83709
 Meryl: 3526 17th St; Lewiston, ID 83501
 Nancy: 4060 Leslie; 10551 Hollandside Dr; Boise, ID 83709
 Troy: 4255 Jennifer Pl; Boise, ID 83704
 Vernon: 7823 Cabana St; Boise, ID 83725
 Vernon G. and Jean: 1135 Suna Rd; Nuna, ID 83634
 Wesley and Louise: 656 Madison Cir; Twin Falls, ID 83401
 William P. and Dorothy: 2250 Balboa Dr; Idaho Falls, ID 83404

"What is important is to live in such a way that when the past begins to outweigh our time remaining, we are not hollow, but men and women with an interior wealth that makes our last breaths as meaningful and rich with promise as were our first."

James L. Ralston