

# Keeney Update

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Attending the Danville, Indiana KEENEY REUNION last summer was HERBERT KEENEY (son of Charles Otis 1889-1970), who was the son of David Darius (1862-1938), who was a son of Charles William (1835-1915), who was a son of John Hiram (1804-1857), who was a son of Jonathan Anthony Keeney.

Pictured above are children and grandchildren of Mary Isetta Keeney Rutledge at the reunion: Marie Rutledge Higgins, Leroy Rutledge, Dorothy Rutledge Atkinson and Marvin Rutledge, front; Ruth Rutledge Adams (daughter) and grandchildren Joan Wolfe Hinsel, Kay Wolfe McClain, and Cindy Rutledge (back row).

## KEENEY DESCENDANT'S OF JOSHUA KEENEY (1766-1837) OF BRAINTRIM

JOSHUA KEENEY b. 29 Mar 1766, Kent, Litchfield County, Connecticut, (son of MARK KEENEY and Abigail Beaman) m. 24 Feb 1796, in Washington, 1 Indfield County, Conn. Phoebe Starbuck, b. 25 Aug 1767, Taubert, Fairfield County, Connecticut, daughter of Samuel Starbuck and Phoebe Bonded & 31 Mar 1810, married. Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna. Joshua dird 5 Apr 1837, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., buried: Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna. [NOTE: Luzerne County redefined in 1842, so this almost all references to Lausche in this document would be found in present-day Wyoming County, PA.]

1.1 LAURA KEENEY b. 30 Mar 1791, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., m. 2 Nov 1810, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, William Cooney, b. 9 Aug 1777, Connecticut. Occupation: farmer, d. 17 Nov 1852, buried: Carlin Hollow, Adams, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania. Laura died 30 Jun 1873, buried: Carlin Hollow, Adams, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania.

1.2 AMY KREELY b. 9 Aug 1792, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., m. 26 Mar 1810, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, George Hall, b. 17 Aug 1781, Connecticut. Occupation: farmer, d. 17 Nov 1851, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Erie Tap Com., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Amy died 27 Aug 1876, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Erie Tap Com., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

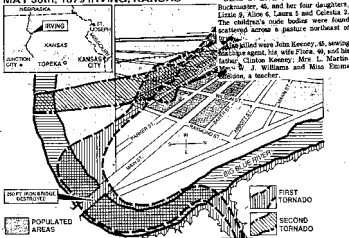
1.3 SALMAN KEENEY b. 23 Jul 1794, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., Occupation: Judge & Farmer, m. 8 Mar 1812, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, Mary Gordon, b. 25 Jun 1788, New Jersey, daughter of Samuel Gordon and Jane Marlow & 30 Jul 1871, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keeney Coon, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keeney Coon, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.4 WILLIAM KEENEY b. 20 Mar 1853, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, d. 5 Mar 1880, buried: Keeney Coon, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.5 MARY ANN KEENEY b. 15 Oct 1815, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. (1) 31 Mar 1818, George B Harris, d. California, m. (2) George Willard, (son of William Willard & Ann, Aden County, South Carolina), Mary died 2 Feb 1889 in

## INDIANA REUNION

### MAY 30th, 1879 IRVING, KANSAS



DEAD IN IRVING were Mrs. Susan Buckmaster, 46, and her four daughters, Lizzie 9, Alice 6, Laura 5 and Celestia 2. The children's nude bodies were found scattered across a pasture northeast of Irving.

The killed were John Keeney, 45, serving as a railroad agent, his wife Flora, 40, and his father, Clinton Keeney; Mrs. L. Martin, 40, W. J. Williams and Miss Emma Williams, a teacher.

Two tornadoes struck the Irving, Kan., area May 30, 1879. The first came from the west killing 14. As it left town, it swirled right around it in an effort to destroy the county's roads, a rare feat for a bridge over the Big Blue River. About 20 minutes later, an even larger tornado crashed in from the northeast, killing another five persons and destroying almost everything still standing. Weathermen still debate date heads in disbelief at the improbability of such a tragedy. [Staff Map by Tom Gayman]

The One-Two Punch

## DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA KEENEY (1766-1837)

Albany County, New York

1.3.3.1. ANDREW JACKSON KEENEY b. 26 Feb 1819, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, Occupation: farmer, m. 30 Sep 1841, in Middlebury, Wyoming County, New York, Mary Elizabeth Cary, b. 6 Mar 1820, New York, daughter of Peter Cary d. 19 Sep 1915, buried: Keeney Cem., Dist. Monroe County, Michigan. Andrew died 31 Aug 1909, Bur. Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keeney Cem., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.1.1. ELLEN "MELLIE" KEENEY b. 4 May 1844, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 24 Jan 1870, in Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, Anne Adkins Morse, b. 21 Nov 1841, Elizabeth City, Essex County, New York, Occupation: seamstress, d. 12 Feb 1932, Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, Ellen died 17 Feb 1933, Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

1.3.3.1.2. GORDON JACKSON KEENEY b. 1 Dec 1846, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 21 Apr 1880, Louise E. Nichol, b. 14 Nov 1859, d. 5 Jul 1930, San Diego, San Diego County, California. Gordon died \_\_\_\_\_, 1918, San Diego, San Diego County, California.

1.3.3.1.3. MARY ELIZABETH KEENEY b. 22 Sep 1851, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, d. 5 Sep 1907, Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.2. GORDON JACKSON KEENEY II b. 9 Jul 1863, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, m. 8 Sep 1919, Margaret Marie Phillips, b. \_\_\_\_\_, Apr 1896, Gortons died 22 Mar 1969, Port Angeles, Clallam County, Washington.

1.3.3.2.1. GORDON JACKSON KEENEY III b. \_\_\_\_\_, Jan 1921, Port Angeles, Clallam County, Washington, d. 19 Mar 1948.

1.3.3.2.2. RUTH ELLEN KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_\_, Jul 1923, Port Angeles, Clallam County, Washington, in Blaine Woodard.

1.3.3.2.3. RUTH NORMA KEENEY b. 24 Jan 1886, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota.

1.3.3.2.4. MARK DEWEY KEENEY b. 5 Jan 1888, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. (1) 2 Sep 1916, in San Diego, San Diego County, California, Josephine Campbell, b. Twin Falls, Twin Falls County, Idaho, d. 25 Jan 1918, San Diego, San Diego County, California, m. (2) 12 Jan 1920, in San Francisco, San Francisco Co., Calif., Mabel Virginia Rath, m. (3) Magic Bath, b. 18 Sep 1891, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota.

1.3.3.2.4.1. NATALIE HATHAWAY KEENEY daughter of Mark Dewey Keenev and Josephine Campbell b. 3 Feb 1915, San Diego, San Diego County, California, m. (1) Mr. Schroeder, m. (2) George M. Drake.

1.3.3.2.5. EMBIE HATHAWAY KEENEY b. 4 Oct 1890, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 16 Feb 1918, in San Diego, San Diego County, California, Low Clayton Montgomery.

1.3.3.2.5.1. ELLEN KEENEY b. 2 Sep 1894, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, m. 14 May 1912, in Honolulu, Honolulu County, Hawaii, William Melroy McDow, d. 30 Dec 1950, San Diego, San Diego County, California.

1.3.3.3. CORA DURICE KEENEY b. 19 Mar 1849, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 10 Oct 1876, in Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, Newton Starford, b. 25 Feb 1846, Cayuga County, New York, Occupation: Bookkeeper, d. 7 Apr 1903, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Cora died 27 Oct 1940, Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota, buried: Keenev Cem., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4. JAY WILMER KEENEY b. 22 Jan 1852, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 20 Feb 1878, Flow Callender (Swanson), b. 09 Nov 1856, Tremont, Wayne County, Michigan, daughter of Isaac Swanson and Eliza Swell d. \_\_\_\_\_, Apr 1924, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, Jay died 8 Mar 1938, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.1. EVA ELLEN KEENEY b. 14 Mar 1879, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Leslie McWick, Occupation: College professor. Eva died 30 Apr 1934, Sundance, Crook County, Wyoming.

1.3.3.4.2. RAYMOND CALLENDER KEENEY b. 8 Sep 1860, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Ethel Laughlin, b. 7 Aug 1861, Canfield, Hillsdale County, Michigan, daughter of Jacob Laughlin and Loretta Isabella Johnson, d. 10 Aug 1942, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Raymond died 18 Jan 1955, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.2.1. MAC LAUGHLIN KEENEY b. 27 Nov 1912, in Willis Millery, b. 29 May 1914, Mc. died 9 May 1979, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.2.1.1. STEVEN RAYMOND

KEENEY 1.3.3.4.2.1.2. SALLY LOUISE KEENEY m.

Mc. Speth. 1.3.3.4.2.1.3. ALICE DIANE KEENEY

1.3.3.4.2.1.3.1. PHYLLIS MARIANNE KEENEY b.

9 May 1916, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Wilbur

Eleventh Speth, b. 4 Mar 1912, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, son of Charles Franklin Speth and Clara Laura Kistei d. 11 Nov 1995.

1.3.3.4.3. ANDREW JACKSON KEENEY II b. 21 Apr 1883, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Beatrice Magrow. Andrew died 16 Mar 1942, Evansville, Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

1.3.3.4.3.1. MELVIN JACKSON KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.1.1. DAVID MELVIN KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.1.1.1. CHRISTINE ANNE

KEENEY m. Mr. Miller.

1.3.3.4.3.1.1.2. DAVID SCOTT

KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.1.1.3. JAMES MATTHEW

KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.1.1.4. CHARLES THOMAS

KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.1.2. DONALD ALLEN KEENEY

1.3.3.4.3.1.2.1. PATRICIA KEENEY Jr.

Mr. Wilson.

1.3.3.4.3.1.2.2. RICHARD KEENEY

1.3.3.4.3.1.3. JACKSON ANDREW

KEENEY 1.3.3.4.3.2. MARGARET CONSTANCE

KEENEY m. Mr. Moore.

1.3.3.4.3.3. FLORENCE GRUEL KEENEY m. Mr. Schroeder.

1.3.3.4.4. DOUGLAS DURICE KEENEY b. 7 Aug 1888, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. John Kirland

Flornice died 21 Apr 1968, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.5. IRVING SANDERS KEENEY b. 15 Jul 1890, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Low Langhin, b. 5 Mar 1891, daughter of Jacob Laughlin and Loretta Isabella Johnson d. 16 Mar 1970, buried: Keenev Cem., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Irving died 25 Apr 1961, Dearborn, Wayne County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.5.1. JACK SANDERS KEENEY, b. 1 Dec 1921, d. 31 Jan 1991, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.5.1.1. JACK SANDERS KEENEY

Mr. Pies.

1.3.3.4.5.2. WILMPR JOHNSON KEENEY

1.3.3.4.5.2.1. GEORGIA LYNN KEENEY

1.3.3.4.5.2.1.1. ORSANA KEENEY

1.3.3.4.5.2.2. WANDA SUE KEENEY m.

Mr. Pies.

1.3.3.4.6. CORA FATIM KEENEY b. 10 Feb 1892, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. George Ernest Finch, b. 7 Jul 1886. Cora died 27 Jul 1991, Adrian, Leontowicz County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.7. WALLACE WILMER KEENEY b. 17 Oct 1892, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Viola M. Heck, b. 12 May 1895, d. 13 Feb 1991, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Wallace died 28 Jan 1986, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.7.1. MARLYN ANN KEENEY m. Mr. Miller.

1.3.3.4.7.2. DONNA MAY KEENEY m. Donald Leroy Miller

1.3.3.4.8. DOUGLAS KEENEY b. 24 Sep 1895, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, Occupation: Brigadier General, m. Joyce Kibbitz, m. (2) Martha T. Lloyd, b. 18 Nov 1909, d. 4 Apr 1990, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan. Douglas died 2 Nov 1999, Carmel, San Benito County, California, buried: Keenev Cemetery, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.3.4.8.1. ROBERT DOUGLAS KEENEY son of Douglas Keenev and Chory Kibbitz.

1.3.3.4.8.1.1. DEBRA KEENEY

1.3.3.4.8.1.2. CLINT KEENEY

1.3.3.4.8.1.3. BRADY KEENEY

1.3.3.4.8.1.4. VANCE KEENEY

1.3.3.4.8.2. VIRGINIA WORTH KEENEY

daughter of Douglas Keenev and Chory Kibbitz, m. Mr. Smith.

1.3.3.4.9. LOIS KEENEY b. 25 Sep 1897, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Rex Charles Coehee. Lois died 9 Feb 1987.

1.3.3.4.10. WAYNE WESTON KEENEY b. 5 May 1896, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. Eva Addis Dixon.

1.3.3.5. MARY WELLS KEENEY b. 30 Aug 1855, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, m. 24 Nov 1884, David Nelson Perry, b. 12 Dec 1856, Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, d. Wyomint. Wayne County, Michigan. Mary died 9 Apr 1924, Wyomint. Wayne County, Michigan, buried: Keenev Cem., Erie, Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.4. PHOENIX MARIAN KEENEY b. 22 Apr 1831, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, m. 25 May 1846, in Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, Lewis M. Lambert, b. 5 May 1820, d. \_\_\_\_\_ (Jul 1855), Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. Phoebe died 24 Aug 1902, Leontowicz, Monroe County, Michigan, buried: Keenev

## IOWA



Myrtle Miller

Myrtle E. Miller, 90, of Andrew, died Saturday afternoon, Jan. 27, 1996 at the Maquoketa Care Center.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the Carson & Son Funeral Home in Maquoketa with Rev. Neal Solomonson of the Salem Lutheran Church in Andrew officiating. Visitation was held on Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Andrew Cemetery.

Mrs. Miller was born on Sept. 25, 1905 in Miles to Henry and Arnetta Reed Keenev. She married Loyd N. Miller on Dec. 20, 1922 in Maquoketa. He died on Nov. 7, 1980.

Mrs. Miller was a homemaker all of her life. She was a member of the Salem Lutheran Church in Andrew, and enjoyed crocheting and embroidery.

Surviving are two daughters Eleanor Miller of Andrew, and Arlene (Mrs. Mio) Feller of Preston; one son, Don A. Miller of Andrew; seven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and two great-great-granddaughters. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one sister, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

MYRTLE KEENEY MILLER was a daughter of Henry Keenev (1870-1905), whose father was Kimber Keenev (1840-1915), son of Wm. S. Keenev (1816-1885), son of William H. C. Keenev (1789-1870) son of Michael (1761-90) and Catherine Lewis Keenev

Caney, Jr., Monroe County, Michigan.

1.3.5 FAMELIA "MILLY" KEENEY b. 1924, Erie, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 10 Oct 1940, William H. Wells, Jr. — 1812, New York, Gasparius Street, 27 Jan 1998, age 74. Monaca County, Michigan, buried Wayne County, Michigan. Parents died 8 May 1900, Erie, Michigan County, Michigan, buried Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan.

1.4. BETSY KEENEY b. 6 Apr 1796, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna. — 4 Aug 1811, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. Parents: James C. Keene, b. 23 Feb 1759, Queens, New York, son of Isaac Green and Hannah Terry; Occupation: Methodist clergyman, d. 13 Sep 1870, Niota, Berrien County, Michigan. Buried d. 10 Jan 1867, Niota, Berrien County, Michigan.

1.5. SETH LEE KEENEY b. 17 Mar 1879, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna. — 8 Jul 1928, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, wife "Polly" Wall, b. 10 Jun 1840, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Bartlett Wall and Mary Willhams), d. 21 Nov 1884, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania. Seth died 12 Jul 1840, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Penna. North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.1 sister daughter KEENEY, b. 26 May 1822, buried: North Flat, Luzerne Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.2 MINERVA WALL KEENEY b. 14 Jul 1823, Windham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. 17 Nov 1854, in North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, William Overfield, b. 10 Oct 1817, son of P. Overfield, d. 18 Jun 1894, age 76, d. 6 May 1846, Braintree, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania. Minerva died 20 Jan 1844, Braintree, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.5.3 MARK KEENEY b. 8 Aug 1823, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, Occupation: farmer, m. (1) 24 Dec 1845, in Lafayette, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Amanda Tenkubler, b. 17 Feb 1826, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Samuel Tenkubler and Eliza Miller), d. 10 Nov 1863, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. 10 Nov 1863, August 5, Camp, b. 1 Nov 1812, Kent, Lafayette County, Connecticut, (daughter of Miles Camp and Cynthia Bennett), d. 19 Jan 1874, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. 10 Nov 1862, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Penna., Windham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.1 FRANK KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Amanda Tenkubler) b. 15 Nov 1857, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, d. 9 Jan 1892, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.2 WARREN KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Amanda Tenkubler) b. 31 Sep 1859, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, b. 7 Jan 1862, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.3 MARRI HAWKINS KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Amanda Tenkubler) b. 2 Feb 1862, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. — Jan 1882, Mary Stanton, Mark died — Oct 1897.

1.5.3.4 MAHE HAWKINS KEENEY Jr. b. — Feb 1854, m. — Mar 1922, Elvrose McCulloch.

1.5.3.4.1 MILDIS CAMP KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Augusta S. Camp) b. 23 Nov 1866, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. 12 Nov 1894, Alice M. "Alice" Wiegler, b. 26 Oct 1869, d. 12 Dec 1898, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania. Miles died 15 Feb 1931, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.4.2 HARRIETTE WYONIA KEENEY b. 27 Jan 1892, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 10 Aug 1977, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.4.3 MURTLE CYRINE KEENEY b. 2 Dec 1865, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 13 Dec 1893, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.4.3.1 MARK KEENEY  
1.5.3.4.3.2 DANA PERISS KEENEY b. 20 Jan 1894, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. Alfred S. Hallock, b. — 1900, (son of Albert M. Hallock), d. 6 Apr 1960, Dana died 36 Dec 1944, Saxon, Bradford County, Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.5 WINGINA KEENEY (daughter of Mark Keene and Augusta S. Camp) b. 27 Jul 1868, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, d. 12 Jan 1869, buried: North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.6 ABNER CHASE KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Augusta S. Camp) b. 18 May 1874, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. Marina Knipfke, b. 14 Nov 1822, (daughter of Jacob Knipfke and Ann Willard), d. — 1956, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, after died 20 Dec 1935, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.3.7 WALL LEE KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Augusta S. Camp) b. 12 Dec 1878, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. (1) 23 Dec 1895, Margaret "Maggie" Arthur, b. — 1875, (daughter of James Arthur), m. (2) Georgia Andrew.

1.5.3.7.1 VIVIAN KEENEY (daughter of Wall Lee

DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA KEENEY (1766-1837)

Keene and Margaret E. "Maggie" Arthur b. — Mar 1858, Windham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. William Vinton.

1.5.3.7.1.1 AUGUSTUS LEROY "TROY" KEENEY (son of Wall Lee Keene and Margaret E. "Maggie" Arthur) b. — Feb 1901, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. Flora Dawson Reed, Asparagus died 3 Jun 1961, Highgreen, Broome County, New York.

1.5.3.7.1.2 BURTON THOMAS KEENEY (son of Mark Keene and Augusta S. Camp) b. 23 Aug 1875, North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. (1) 4 May 1901, Jennie Lavina Joyce, b. 7 May 1863, (daughter of Albert "Beard" Joyce and Ella Warkentin), d. 31 Dec 1926, m. (2) 7 Jul 1922, Mary Clae. Buried 27 Jan 1940.

1.5.3.7.1.3 RUSSELL BURTON KEENEY (son of Burton Thomas Keene and Jennie Lavina Joyce) b. 23 Jun 1918.

1.5.3.7.2 HAROLD EUGENE KEENEY (son of Burton Thomas Keene and Mary Clae) b. 29 Oct 1926.

1.5.4 EPHRAIM KOSHA KEENEY b. 22 Apr 1826, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 23 Aug 1855, in Lafayette, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Elizabeth Nigh, b. 24 Jan 1829, (daughter of James Nigh and Margaret Wimer), d. 6 Apr 1900, Danville, Madison County, Pennsylvania, buried: Lafayette, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried 29 Dec 1883, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried: North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.4.1 EVALDINE WINTERS KEENEY b. — May 1856, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. 3 Oct 1873, Samuel Judson Stark, b. 2 Oct 1856, Beulah died 31 Sep 1919, Unadilla, Susquehanna Co., Pennsylvania.

1.5.4.2 CHARLES G. KEENEY b. — 1860, Windham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Occupation: Physician, m. Mrs. Keene, d. — Jan 1894.

1.5.5 JAMIES KIDNEY b. 20 Jan 1829, Luzerne County, Occupation: Undertaker, d. 22 Jul 1882, Harrison's Landing, Virginia.

1.5.5.1 JOSEPHINE KEENEY b. 21 Apr 1813, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 17 Dec 1862, Smith Tenkubler, b. — 1832, (son of Samuel Tenkubler and Eliza Miller), Josephine died 10 May 1879.

1.5.7 THOMAS BENTON KEENEY b. 25 Aug 1835, Pennsylvania, m. 25 Sep 1861, Edith A. Wisler, Thomas died 24 Feb 1915.

1.5.8 ALLEN DOLBERN KEENEY b. 1 Feb 1817, d. 4 Sep 1843, Slaters Eddy, Luzerne County, Penna, buried North Flat, Luzerne Co., Pennsylvania.

## Michael M. Watts

Michael Montgomery Watts, 65, of St. Albans died Nov. 25, 1995, at home after a long illness.

He was a member, Sunday school teacher and church clerk at First Baptist Church, St. Albans, a chemist, the former president of West Virginia Baptist Convention Center, a member of the general board of American Baptist Church, a trustee of the American Baptist Home Missions Society, a member of the Valley Baptist Church and Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 25.

Surviving wife, Barbara B. Watts; daughters, Deborah Higginbotham of Hopewell, Va., Jennifer Kent of England, Melinda Weaver of Hervey, Pa.; sons, Bryan of Williamsburg, Va., Michael of Kingsport, Tenn., five grandchildren.

Service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church, St. Albans, with the Rev. Joel M. Harpold officiating. Burial will be in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans. Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today at the church. Burial-to-Chapman Funeral

Home, St. Albans, is in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to First Baptist Church Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 386, St. Albans, W.Va. 25177-0390 or West Virginia Historical Society, Route 2, Box 264, Ripley, W.Va. 26271.

Thelma S. Graney

MONEY HOPE — Thelma Snyder Graney, 84, of Money Hope died March 11, 1996, at Columbia, Charleston, W.Va.

She was a native of Mount Hope, a homemaker and a graduate of Mount Lebanon College. She was a member, president at South of Mount Hope, was a member of Mount Hope Baptist Church and Daughters of the American Revolution. She attended Randolph Wayne College.

Surviving daughter, Nancy Caperton of Charleston; sons, Gene Good of Mount Hope grandchildren, Sharon Green Black, James C. Graney, 25, Michael Graney, Gary Graney, Nicholas, Kallyna C. Wright, Mary G. Caperton, Marco Caperton, 16, 15, great-grandchildren.

Graveside service will be noon Monday at High Lane Memorial Park, Oak Hill, with the Rev. Bill J. Widome officiating. There will be no visitation. The family will receive friends after service at Willow Oak Center Club. Family suggestions donations be made to Mount Hope Baptist, Traffic, Box 996, Mount Hope, W.Va. 26040.

1.5.5 WILLIAM GRANT KEENEY b. 20 Mar 1859, Pennsylvania, d. 19 Jul 1920, Windham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.5.10 MARY JANE KEENEY b. 30 Sep 1862, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. 6 Sep 1885, Alvah Estes, b. 9 May 1835, (son of John Pisset and Sarah Haverly), d. 18 Aug 1898, Scottville, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania. Mary died 10 Apr 1911, buried Scottville, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.6 CHARLES KEENEY b. 28 Feb 1820, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., m. (1) 7 Dec 1825, in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, Margaret "Peggy" Overfield, d. 27 May 1794, (daughter of Paul Overfield, Jr. and Hannah Penna), d. 16 Jul 1859, buried Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna., m. (2) 24 Mar 1859, in Springdale, Susquehanna Co., Penna. Angeline Blacklock, b. — 1813, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Amos Blacklock and Miss Lane), d. 13 Feb 1870, buried Black Walnut, Braintree, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania. Charles died 16 Jan 1866, buried Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna.

1.6.1 ABNER CHASE KEENEY (son of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 3 Sep 1836, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., Occupation: Contractor, m. 18 Jun 1863, Susan Ashby, d. — 1907, Braintree, Kings County, New York, buried Greenwood Cem., Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Abner died 13 Aug 1884, Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna., buried Greenwood Cem., Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.

1.6.1.1 SETH ASBURY KEENEY b. 30 Mar 1864, m. Corolla Hilditch.

1.6.1.1.1 son KEENEY b. — 1849.

1.6.1.2 FRED CHASE KEENEY b. 26 Jul 1865, m. Katherine Sauer, died 13 May 1914, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara Co. Calif.

1.6.1.3 AMOS KEENEY b. 1 May 1867, m. (1) Emma Smith, m. (2) Hannah Schwegler.

1.6.2 WILLIAM EDWIN KEENEY (son of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 8 Jul 1828, Braintree, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, d. 1 Jan 1831, buried Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna.

1.6.3 SETH LEE KEENEY (son of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 26 May 1814, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna., Occupation: Contractor, m. 1 Feb 1866, Susan Louise Osterhout, (daughter of Peter Mitchell Osterhout and Gerice Marcy), d. 1 Jul 1891, London, England. Seth died 13 Mar 1915, Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Buried: Greenwood Cem., Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.

1.6.3.1 FRANK A. KEENEY b. 23 Oct 1867, m. Mollie Keeney, b. — Jan 1872, Frank died 29 Oct 1883, Miami, Dade County, Fla.

Home, St. Albans, is in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to First Baptist Church Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 386, St. Albans, W.Va. 25177-0390 or West Virginia Historical Society, Route 2, Box 264, Ripley, W.Va. 26271.

## Thelma S. Graney

MONEY HOPE — Thelma Snyder Graney, 84, of Money Hope died March 11, 1996, at Columbia, Charleston, W.Va.

She was a native of Mount Hope, a homemaker and a graduate of Mount Lebanon College. She was a member, president at South of Mount Hope, was a member of Mount Hope Baptist Church and Daughters of the American Revolution. She attended Randolph Wayne College.

Surviving daughter, Nancy Caperton of Charleston; sons, Gene Good of Mount Hope grandchildren, Sharon Green Black, James C. Graney, 25, Michael Graney, Gary Graney, Nicholas, Kallyna C. Wright, Mary G. Caperton, Marco Caperton, 16, 15, great-grandchildren.

Graveside service will be noon Monday at High Lane Memorial Park, Oak Hill, with the Rev. Bill J. Widome officiating. There will be no visitation. The family will receive friends after service at Willow Oak Center Club. Family suggestions donations be made to Mount Hope Baptist, Traffic, Box 996, Mount Hope, W.Va. 26040.



NICKEL MONTGOMERY WATTS was a 6th generation descendant of MICHAEL & CATHERINE LEWIS KEENEY, through RANCY KEENEY MONTGOMERY, nee MARRI HAWKINS KEENEY (1813-1901), NANCY VICTORIA MONTGOMERY HILLER (1847-1921), and BETTIE GENUFD MILLER WATTS (1868-1943).  
 WATTS' SPYDER GRANAY, whose husband PAUL was very devoted to his wife, died of cancer during the Underwood era. He is a descendant of NOSES & FRANCES HARRIS KEENEY through WILLIAM & FRANCES HARRIS BRANLEY (1790-1875). ANN ELIZABETH BRANLEY (1815-1844), nee BETTY GLENN BRANLEY (1849-1920), Philip M. Snyder (1889-1956), her father.

## DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA KEENEY

County, Florida.

- 10.3.1.1. RUBY KEENEY b. \_\_\_ Mar 1879, Florida.  
 10.3.2. RUBY LOUISE KEENEY b. 29 Sep 1894, d. 29 Sep 1984.

10.4. ANGELENE KEENEY (daughter of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 16 Jul 1833, Brimstone, Lazerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 31 Jan 1861, John Gilbert Woodhouse, b. 9 Apr 1820, Dierook, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, (son of John Woodhouse and Sally Burk) Occupation: Physician, d. 7 Nov 1874, Laceyville, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Ancestral died 9 Dec 1896, Laceyville, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

10.5. RUBY H. KEENEY (daughter of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 6 Apr 1836, Brimstone, Lazerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 29 Nov 1864, Hozack Edward Woodhouse, b. 16 Jul 1839, Pennsylvania, Ruby died 22 May 1919, Brimstone, Lazerne County, Pennsylvania, buried Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna.

10.6. MARGARET E. KEENEY (daughter of Charles Keene and Margaret "Peggy" Overfield) b. 9 May 1844, Brimstone, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 18 Oct 1944, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna.

10.7. CHARLES AARON KEENEY (son of Charles Keene and Angeline Woodhouse) b. 5 Nov 1854, Brimstone, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 31 May 1860, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna.

10.8. ASAHIEL KEENEY b. 5 Feb 1802, Black Walnut, Lazerne County, Penna. Occupation: farmer, m. 22 Dec 1825, in Lazerne County, Pennsylvania, Loretta McPherson Pease, b. \_\_\_ 1804, Connecticut, (daughter of Reuben Pease and Turan Lazerne), (son of) d. 24 Dec 1876, Gold Hill, Storey County, Nevada, buried: Gold Hill, Storey County, Nevada, Ancestral died 21 Jul 1886, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin.

10.9. SCHUYLER F. KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1827, Brimstone, Lazerne County, Pennsylvania, m. (1) in Malapenon, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Clara J. Merritt, b. \_\_\_ 1835, (daughter of Eligh Merritt and Lucretia Merritt) d. 21 Aug 1859, Golden Hill, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, buried: Scotch Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. (2) \_\_\_ 1862, in Pennsylvania, Sarah C. Ferry, b. \_\_\_ 1845, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Ebenezer Ferry and Nancy Rogers) d. \_\_\_ 1903, New York, Schuyler died 22 May 1898, Rock County, Wisconsin.

10.10. GARDNER BENJAMIN KEENEY (son of Schuyler F. Keene and Clara J. Merritt) b. 25 Jul 1854, Golden Hill, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, Occupation: railroad worker, m. (1) 13 Jan 1878, in Monroe County, Wisconsin, Elizabeth O'Leary, b. 7 Apr 1855, Illinois, (daughter of Timothy O'Leary and Mary Mrs. O'Rielly) d. 29 Dec 1909, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, buried: St. Mary's Cem., Tomah, Monroe County, Wisconsin, m. (2) 7 Jul 1895, in New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, Songe Jakobs "Jenny" Moutson, b. 13 Dec 1871, Thors Sogn, Hjørping Amt, Denmark, (daughter of) d. 1904, Moutson Sorenson and Mette Mette Norgaard) d. 20 Nov 1947, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, buried: New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, Gardner died 16 Mar 1923, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, buried: New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin.

10.11. HARRY GARDNER KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Elizabeth O'Leary) b. 30 Oct 1879.

10.12. GEORGE KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary).

10.13. WILLIE TIMOTHY KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 5 Oct 1881, Wisconsin.

10.14. ARTHUR BENJAMIN KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 25 Apr 1884, Wisconsin.

10.15. MABLE JULIETTE KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 22 Mar 1880, Wisconsin, m. Alfred Shalstad.

10.16. EDNA NELLIE KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 3 Nov 1882, Wisconsin, m. Ben Moore, Edu died abt. \_\_\_ 1939.

10.17. FANNIE CAROLINE KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 23 Sep 1880, Wisconsin, m. Mc. Sommers.

10.18. MARY MAJEL KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Juliette O'Leary) b. 25 Dec 1892, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, m. Louis Napoleson "Bud" Amy.

10.19. GARDNER ASAHIEL KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keene and Songe Jakobs "Jenny" Moutson) b. 6 Mar 1898, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, m. 22 Dec 1925, in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, Frances Nagelmaier Martin, b. 17 Apr 1901, Wisconsin Rapids, Wood County, Wisconsin, (daughter of William Mark Martin and Marie Elizabeth Dwyer) Gardner died 24 Apr 1982, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

10.20. PATRICIA MABLE KEENEY b. 27 Mar 1928, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, m. 17

## Pre-American History of the Keeney Surname.

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## Introduction

There has been much done in the pursuit of genealogy and family history related to the Keeney surname in America. My interests have, partly because of this fact, been focused on the Keeney surname origins and history prior to Keeneys arriving in America. Many straight forward questions could be asked: who was the first person to have the "Keeneey" surname?, where did he live?, what was his life like?, etc. The first question that needs to be answered is, to what culture does the Keeney surname belong. Much has been suggested , Irish, Scottish, Anglo-Saxon.

## The work done so far

Since I can remember my immediate family has always talked about the Irish / Scottish origins. Not being happy with this degree of ambiguity, I wanted to find out definitively what the racial origins of the Keeney surname are. I began by, of course, reading the family histories that were compiled by Georgia Keeney in the 1950's (my Great Aunt) and the much more comprehensive work of Roscoe Keeneey. Both of these efforts suggest Irish as the most probable origin and mention Scottish and Anglo-Saxon as well. In addition I was able to get names and addresses for several genealogical societies in the British Isles as well as names and addresses of Keeneys living outside of the United States. I also have found access to census, telephone directories, etc., that give an idea of world wide distribution of Keeneys. There was only one Keeneey that I could find in mainland Europe, quite a few in the British Isles, several in Canada, a handful in Australia and New Zealand but by far the greatest number live here in the United States (estimated population of Keeneys residing in the United States at present is in the 15 to 20,000 range). I received quite a number of responses from government and private genealogical societies in the British Isles and all of these suggested an Irish origin. One of the last responses I received was quite definitive: The National Library of Ireland, which has records back to the 1500's, gave the Keeneey origins as Irish Gaelic. Indeed, the "Keeneey" ending is really quite common in Irish names. James Keeneey, for example, composed the Irish Republic's National Anthem. Note that there are four main categories of Irish surnames, Irish Gaelic (Celtic), Norman Irish, English Irish and Scots Irish. The spelling in the Irish language would have been Ó Cíneach (pronounced O Keeney). They indicated that the surname originated in the northwest and western areas of Ireland in counties Donegal and Galway. In addition to this information, I have received correspondence from Keeneys in the British Isles that also indicate that "Keeneey" is an Irish Gaelic surname. Though there were few Keeneys living in Galway, by far the largest population of Keeneys from Ireland live in County Donegal (in northwest Ireland). These Keeneys have indicated a strong Irish Gaelic tradition and culture in Donegal that goes back countless generations. I have also studied British history and focused on Irish and Scottish history, culture and language. Through these studies and research I have started putting a picture together of what life was like for pre-American Keeneys and what motivated their immigration, up until the latest Keeneey immigrants.

## A note on Irish surnames and Culture

The Irish culture was one of the first to have a system of patronymical surnames. These names were based on genealogy, important since the family or "clann" in Irish (not "clan" as in Scottish) was the fundamental political unit. One's genealogy implied certain rights under "Brehon Law" (the Celtic legal code) and inheritance of property, land and political influence. For example, my Gaelic name would have been Liam Ó Cíneach, or Liam (William) grandson(s) of Cíneach (Kenneth). I would have chosen this based on the genealogy which would have been of the most benefit to me. Had I been the son of Cíneach, I would have been Liam Mac Cíneach. The "aigh" ending is a pluralization of Cíneach. This explains the commonality of "cey" endings in Irish surnames. The Mac prefix is common in both Irish and Scottish because of the close cultural and linguistic ties between these geographic areas as I will expand on later. Ó meaning literally "Grandson of" (not apostrophe O for of) and Mac meaning literally "Son of". My son could have been known as Mac Liam or Ó Cíneach. One could claim genealogy up to five generations removed. Indeed when referring to relations (as in cousins), these relations are referred in the same fashion. For example when introducing a cousin in the Irish language one would say, for example "Soo col ceathrú den Liam Ó Cíneach". Meaning "This is my cousin fourth removed, Liam, son of Cíneach". "Col" meaning literally "degree of kinship" and "ceathrú" the Irish word for the number four. Female names in Irish are different from the male "surnames". My daughter's name might be, for example, Máire Ní Cíneach. Máire meaning "Mary" and "Ní" meaning literally "daughter of Ó Cíneach". Notice that a "Ch" has replaced the "C". This occurs in Irish for all feminine nouns starting with the letter C. For example, my wife's name might be Carol Uí Chíneach. Meaning Carol, wife of Ó Cíneach. Other variations of this scheme would be, for example, Mae Máthúna (son of Máthúna), Níe Máthúna (daughter of Máthúna), and Mhíe Mhathúna (wife of Máthúna). Máthúna, I believe anglicizes to Mahoney.

## A note on language and Anglicization

The Irish, Scottish and Welsh cultures all experienced the oppressive policy of Anglicization. These Celtic cultures of were thought of as backwards and paganistic in nature, many customs were outlawed over a period from the 1100's to the 1700's. (Even though the Irish and Scots were Christianized in the 400's AD by Saints Patrick and Columba). This included the use of the native Gaelic languages. In addition this policy was thought to suppress the feeling of nationality and prevent rebellions. Now, Gaelic is a Celtic Language which includes both Scots and Irish derivatives. Scots and Irish are mutually comprehensible languages, in other words it's basically like someone from the northern United States talking with someone from the south, it may not sound exactly the same but basically we can understand each other. Other Celtic languages include Cornish, Welsh, and Manx for example. As a consequence of Anglicization, many Irish and Scots were forced to change their surnames, and the Celtic system of patronymical surnames broke down. So, contrary to popular belief, the Keeneey spelling appeared prior to immigration to America, with the O and Mac prefixes removed. It's also easy to see that there could have been separate branches of Keeneys (geographically separated) or Keeneys that were related having their names anglicized differently by English administrators. Many Irish today use either their Irish

surname or both the anglicized and Irish surnames depending on the language they are communicating in. Irish is still spoken in the most western regions of the Republic of Ireland in an area known as the "Gaeltacht". Keeneys still live in and close to these areas which are economically supplemented by the Irish government to maintain the traditional Irish language and customs. Only Irish signs are used in these areas, and Irish Gaelic is the dominant language. In the rest of Ireland signs are in both English and Irish. County Donegal has the largest percentage of native Irish speakers at about 15%.

#### Notes on Irish and Scottish history and the effect on Keeneys

So, having come thus far with surnames origins, let us say that the grandsons of Kenneth (the Keeneys) are living in the northwestern portion of Ireland and possibly some along the west coast of Scotland. Many Irish and Scottish traveled back and forth as seasonal laborers, fishermen, etc. Note that the Scots were originally known as the Dal Riada or Scotii, an Irish tribal kingdom in what would now be Northern Ireland, in the 400's AD. Some of these Irish Chieftains migrated to the western shores of Scotland and established their own kingdoms. Between military conflict and intermarriage of local clans and Scots (the final one being into the Pictish Kingdom) Scotland became what it is today. The close cultural, fiscal and economic ties remained throughout the history of the two countries. It has been the strong cultural residence (punctuated by many rebellions) that has maintained the cultures in Scotland and Ireland, and of course eventually lead to an Irish free republic in the 1920's (The Republic of Ireland is not a Commonwealth, though Northern Ireland is). Because of the economic pressures and cultural suppression, many Keeneys left their homes in Ireland and searched for work in England. Just as the early American settlers, most left during this time period, thought of themselves as British subjects, loyal to the King, but also maintained their individuality as Irish. Because of their meager beginnings though, many Keeneys eventually immigrated to America. According to research done by several other Keeneey historians, the first Keeneys arrived in America in the New England area in the 1630's. I believe the first Keeneey arrived in 1633, which would correspond with the Ulster Plantations, started in 1607. This policy of plantation (removal of native Irish, assumed to be disloyal British subjects, with English and Scottish Protestants). This policy of plantation led to the Ulster Rebellion of 1641. I believe Keeneys moved to England for economic reasons and/or departed through the available transports for America leaving English ports. As one popular Irish ballad goes:

"to live poor, I could not endure, as others of my station,  
to Merikay (America) I sailed away, and left this Irish nation."  
- Randalin Irishman -

This immigration continued and probably accelerated over time as population and economic pressure increased. This immigration continues today, I know of several Irish Keeneys who have immigrated in this generation.

I would be very interested if any reader knows of any Irish Keeneys who may have immigrated due to the 1845 famine. I would like to hear your story, and record it for future generations. Please, if you know an immigration story or immigrated yourself, let me know. Any other comments and feedback from readers would also be greatly appreciated. This will all contribute to the ongoing effort.

For further detailed reading on Irish history see "The Course of Irish History" T.W. Moody, F.X. Martin ISBN 1-57098-015-2

#### DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA KEENEY (1766-1837) OF BRAINTON

Dec 1955, Charles Andrew Gosh, b. 1 Apr 1920, Cambridge, Washington County, New York, d. 28 Mar 1995, Buffalo, Erie County, New York

1.7.1.1.1 JENNIE LUCRETIA KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keeneey and Sargina Jakob "Jennie" Mountain) b. 20 Mar 1920, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, d. 31 Apr 1982, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1 ASHLE MAURITS KEENEY (son of Gardner Benjamin Keeneey and Sargina Jakob "Jennie" Mountain) b. 20 Jan 1920, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, d. 23 Apr 1923, in Tomahawk, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, Eva E. Grant, b. 17 May 1905, Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin, Ashled died 20 Apr 1973, Wausau, Wausau County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1.1 AUDREY EVA KEENEY b. 6 Aug 1926, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

1.7.1.1.1.1.2 BERNICE IRISAN KEENEY b. 6 Sep 1931, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1.3 YVONNE JOAN KEENEY b. 16 Aug 1933, Palmyra, Jefferson County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1.4 LUCILETTA MARIE KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keeneey and Sargina Jakob "Jennie" Mountain) b. 19 Nov 1906, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, m. Marie Schwab.

1.7.1.1.1.1.5 GENEVIEVE ELIZABETH KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keeneey and Sargina Jakob "Jennie" Mountain) b. 18 Dec 1910, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, m. 8 Nov 1936, in New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, Carolyn Benjamin Davenport, b. 9 May 1908, Superior, Douglas County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1.6 CAROLINE MAE KEENEY (daughter of Gardner Benjamin Keeneey and Sargina Jakob "Jennie" Mountain) b. 27 Oct 1915, New Lisbon, Jones County, Wisconsin, m. Anne Waugas, Caroline died 9 Aug 1994, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.1.1.1.7 JOHN A. KEENEY (son of Schuyler F. Keeneey

and Clarinda I. Merritt) buried: North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.7.1.2 JENNY L. KEENEY (daughter of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Clarinda I. Merritt) b. 30 Apr 1836, Mashopon, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 30 Sep 1859, buried: North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.7.1.2.1 ALONZO A. KEENEY (son of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. \_\_\_ 1862, Pennsylvania, m. 20 Jul 1882, in Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin, Eva Pettig, b. Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin.

1.7.1.2.1.5 SARAH KEENEY (daughter of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin. Died young.

1.7.1.2.1.6 ALICE KEENEY (daughter of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. \_\_\_ Aug 1865, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin, m. 1889, in Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Co., California, Mr. MacFarman, d. \_\_\_ Nov 1931, Redwood, Contra Costa Co., California. Alice died 23 Apr 1937.

1.7.1.2.1.7 INEZ "TINY" KEENEY (daughter of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. \_\_\_ 1868, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin, m. Mr. Swainborough, 10 May 1890, California.

1.7.1.2.1.8 CHARLES F. (KEENEY) KEENEY (son of Schuyler F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. 13 May 1870, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin, m. (1) 17 Jan 1889, in 1872, Mecosta County, Michigan, Cora Annena Lutz, b. 24 Jul 1852, in Lansing, Mecosta County, Michigan, (daughter of George Lutz and Laura Sawalbin) d. 11 May 1921, Traverse City, Michigan, buried: 12 May 1912, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, m. (2) 1 Apr 1899, in Edgemoor, Mendocino County, Michigan, Florence Kerrie Robbins, b. \_\_\_ Jul 1862, Michigan, (daughter of George Robbins) m. (3) 10 May 1916, in Mt. Vernon, Mo. \_\_\_ 1868. Charles died 20 Jun 1943, Geneva, Walworth County, Wisconsin, buried: 30 Jan 1943, Bellin, Rock County, Wisconsin. He distinguished how the family name "Keeneey" was known and recently that the spelling was changed from "Keeneey".

1.7.1.2.1.9 CARRIE BELLE KEENEY (daughter of Schuyler

F. Keeneey and Sarah C. Finney) b. \_\_\_ 1872, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin, m. 12 Dec 1899, in Marquette, Mecosta County, Michigan, Francis Victor Biss, b. \_\_\_ 1867, Michigan, d. bef. \_\_\_ 1906. Carrie died m. \_\_\_ 1940.

1.7.2 DELIA KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1828, Lazerre County, Pennsylvania.

1.7.3 TAMSON KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1829, Lazerre County, Pennsylvania.

1.7.4 SIMON B. KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1835, Pennsylvania, m. Almira Birch, Simon died bef 21 Jul 1878.

1.7.5 ELIUD F. KEENEY (son of 1832, Pennsylvania, Occupation Farmer, m. (1) 17 Jul 1863, in Forkton, Wyanosee County, Pennsylvania, Louisa L. Whitney, b. \_\_\_ 1840, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Walter Whitney and Louisa Mrs. Whitney) d. 17 Oct 1890, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried: North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania, m. (2) 8 Dec 1865, in Elizabeth "Libby" Mrs. Long, b. \_\_\_ 1821, Pennsylvania, Eliza Hannah North Flat, Wyoming Co., Pennsylvania.

1.7.5.1 GRANT ULSTON KEENEY (son of Eliud F. Keeneey and Louisa L. Whitney) b. 18 Oct 1846, Wirtham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. (1) 1 Feb 1866, in Mashopon, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Carrie Anneth, b. \_\_\_ 1855, d. 11 May 1902, m. (2) 14 Mar 1899, Ellen M. Frey, b. 26 Nov 1827, Grant died 28 Feb 1904.

1.7.5.1.1 NELLIE C. KEENEY (daughter of Grant Ulstun Keeneey and Carrie Anneth) b. 17 Sep 1846.

1.7.5.1.2 ANNA M. KEENEY (daughter of Grant Ulstun Keeneey and Carrie Anneth) b. 31 Mar 1858, d. \_\_\_ 1926.

1.7.5.1.3 DAPHNE KEENEY (daughter of Grant Ulstun Keeneey and Ellen M. Frey) b. 4 Mar 1848.

1.7.5.1.4 WALTER KEENEY (son of Grant Ulstun Keeneey and Ellen M. Frey) b. 30 Mar 1902.

1.7.5.2 CHARLES W. KEENEY (son of Eliud F. Keeneey and Louisa L. Whitney) b. 31 Dec 1866, Wirtham, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. (1) 17 Jan 1894, Gertrude Dawson, b. \_\_\_ Feb 1868, d. \_\_\_ 1945, m. (2) Angie Sifford, Charles died \_\_\_ 1946.

1.7.5.2.1 GARTH C. KEENEY (son of Charles W. Keeneey and Gertrude Dawson) b. Apr 1905, m. 29 Oct 1919, Jennie Mae Vandercroft, b. \_\_\_ 1895, d. \_\_\_ 1965.

1.7.5.2.1.1 HARRY KEENEY

1.7.5.2.1.2 GERALD KEENEY

1.7.5.2.1.3 DONALD KEENEY

1.7.5.2.1.4 HOWARD I. KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1926, d. \_\_\_

1.7.5.2.1.5 FRED KEENEY

1.7.5.3 GRACE L. KEENEY (daughter of Eliud F. Keeneey and Ida Elizabeth "Libby" Mrs. Long) b. 1 Feb 1897, Pennsylvania.

1.7.5.4 AILENE KEENEY (daughter of Eliud F. Keeneey and Ida Elizabeth "Libby" Mrs. Long) b. \_\_\_ 1906, Pennsylvania.

1.7.6 PHIBE BERGELIA KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1839, Lazerre County, Pennsylvania, m. (1) Eliza Downing, b. \_\_\_ 1816, Pennsylvania, Occupation Farmer, d. 30 Jan 1874, Altam, Davie County, Wisconsin, m. (2) 26 Nov 1875, in Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin, DeWitt A. Page, b. \_\_\_ 1852, New York, (son of William Page and Susanna Mrs. Page) Occupation Attorney & Farmer, Phibe died \_\_\_ 1921, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Co., California.

1.7.7 ALONZO D. KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1841, Pennsylvania, Occupation: Union Soldier, d. 24 Nov 1863, Virginia, buried: National Cem, Fortnae Moore, Virginia.

1.7.8 "HARTY" KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1844, Pennsylvania, d. bef 29 Jul 1876, Edgemoor, Rock County, Wisconsin.

1.7.9 ISABELLE "BELLE" KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1847, Pennsylvania, m. 25 Dec 1866, in Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin, Edson C. Swift, b. \_\_\_ 1847, Chelsea, Orange County, Vermont.

1.7.10 FRANCES "FANNY" KEENEY b. \_\_\_ May 1850, Pennsylvania, m. 15 Feb 1874, in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, George Gardner, d. bef. \_\_\_ 1889, m. (2) in Richmond, Contra Costa County, California, David Fox. Frances died 17 Dec 1936, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Co., California.

1.8 SIMON ZELATUS KEENEY b. 6 Jun 1804, Black Walnut, Lazerre County, Pennsylvania, Occupation: Farmer, m. 1 Dec 1827, in Lazerre County, Pennsylvania, Louisa Robbins, b. 12 Jul 1809, Pennsylvania, d. 22 Sep 1882, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna. Simon died 29 Mar 1862, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Penna.

1.8.1 LORING GRANT KEENEY b. \_\_\_ Aug 1828, Brantford, Lazerre County, Pennsylvania, m. Mary Rose King, b. \_\_\_ Sep 1846, (daughter of David King and Maudie King) Loring died \_\_\_ 1911, LaSalle, San Joaquin County, California.

1.8.1.1 NELLIE L. KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1867, Jackson, Anasao County, California, m. Walter E. Keer. Nellie died \_\_\_ 1924, San Diego, San Diego County, California.

1.8.1.2 GEORGE LORING KEENEY b. \_\_\_ 1869,

## KEENEY DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA KEENEY (1766-1837) OF BRAINTRIN

Jackson, Andrade County, California, m. Edith Mrs. Keeney.

George died \_\_\_\_ 1949, Sacramento, Sacramento Co., California.

1.1.3.1.3. COBRA KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ 1876, Jackson, Andrade County, California, m. Juvae Collin.

1.1.4. SIDWARD MILTON KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ May 1878, Jackson, Andrade County, California, m. \_\_\_\_ 1911, m. Madelon Strousser Co., California, Madelon Rosina Sontag, b. \_\_\_\_ 1873, Labery, Fort Collins, Illinois, daughter of George Edward Sontag and Elizabeth Wood (d. \_\_\_\_ 1963, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., California, Edward died \_\_\_\_ 1931, Oakland, Alameda County, California.

1.1.5. HARRIET EVELYN KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Oct 1911, m. (1) Walter Clark, m. (2) Walter Clark.

1.1.6.1. GEORGE EDWARD KEENEY b. 3 Dec 1915, Lodi, San Joaquin County, California, m. 19 Dec 1938, m. Gladys Lee, Los Angeles Co., California, Mary Jean McCarty, b. 13 May 1916, Oakland, Alameda County, California, (daughter of James Henry McCarty and Cora Lee Bryant).

1.1.7.1.1. DORENDA JANE KEENEY b. 25 Sep 1940, m. (1) Lawrence L. Lattin, m. (2) Wilbur William Parra.

1.1.8.1.2. SCOTT MAC KEENEY b. 1 Dec 1944, m. Cathy Jones.

1.1.9. RALPH KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ 1879, Jackson, Andrade County, California.

1.1.10. KATHRYN KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Oct 1881, m. \_\_\_\_ 1904, Wallace A. Retwick, Kathryn died \_\_\_\_ 1947, Sacramento, Sacramento Co., California.

1.1.11. MARTHA C. KEENEY b. 23 Jul 1840, Braintown, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 18 Dec 1849, Benjamin Jones, Martha died 15 Jan 1905.

1.1.12. ANN ELIZA KEENEY b. 8 May 1821, Braintown, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 5 May 1839, Oso J. Chubbuck, b. 7 May 1825, Orwell, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, (son of Jacob Chubbuck and Minerva Tupper) Occupation: Teacher, d. 25 Jan 1893, Tempe, Maricopa County, Arizona, buried 9 Mar 1893.

1.1.13. BEVERLY W. KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Mar 1836, Braintown, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, Occupation: Farmer, m. \_\_\_\_ 1860, Helen Overfield, b. \_\_\_\_ Jul 1834, Pennsylvania, (daughter of Moses Overfield and Fannie Looney) d. \_\_\_\_ 1921, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, Beverly died 3 Jan 1901, buried 3 Jan 1901, Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.1.14. ARTHUR S. KEENEY b. 7 May 1872, Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. \_\_\_\_ Sep 1951, Somerville, Somerset Co., New Jersey.

1.1.15. FAUSE KEENEY

1.1.16. ALMA KEENEY m. Mr. Wilbur.

1.1.17. ANNA KEENEY m. Mr. Lott.

1.1.18. MIN KEENEY m. A. R. Decker.

1.1.19. CHARLES R. KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Oct 1872,

Contributed by RAYMOND E. KEENEY, 1259 N. Eleven Mile Rd., Lincolnwood, Michigan 48643

Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania

1.1.4.4. KATE M. KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Mar 1875, Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania

1.1.5. WILLBUR FISK KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Apr 1838, Braintown, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 4 Feb 1850, Lucinda Mrs. Wagnall, b. \_\_\_\_ Jan 1816, Wilbur died \_\_\_\_ 1916, Lodi, San Joaquin County, California.

1.1.6. HELEN M. KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ Jan 1840, Braintown, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, m. 11 Sep 1861, Albert G. Overfield, b. 3 Jun 1836, Malheur, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, (son of Moses Overfield and Fannie Looney) d. \_\_\_\_ 1919, Milan, 14 Jul 1916, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.1.7. SARAH G. KEENEY b. \_\_\_\_ 1842, Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, m. Charles M. Rowe, b. \_\_\_\_ 1842, Michigan.

1.1.8. GEORGE LANE KEENEY II b. \_\_\_\_ Jul 1842, Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 16 Dec 1926, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.1.9. CHARLES KEENEY b. 17 Aug 1843, Braintown, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, d. 24 Sep 1847, buried: Black Walnut, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.

1.1.10. AURELIA KEENEY b. 1 Mar 1807, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna, m. \_\_\_\_ 1826, m. Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, Resak Smith, b. 12 Jan 1804, Pennsylvania, (son of Ninian Smith and Deborah Reeder) Occupation: Methodist Minister, d. 21 Jun 1892, Appleton, Osgood County, Wisconsin, Annelia died 24 Mar 1843, Clifton, Lenawee County, Michigan.

1.1.11. PAMELIA KEENEY b. 1 Mar 1807, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna, m. 14 Feb 1827, m. Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, James Chubbuck, b. 5 Apr 1801, Norwich, New London County, Connecticut, (son of Nathaniel Chubbuck and Catherine Occasion Farmer, d. 7 Feb 1873, Orwell, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, Pamelia died 6 Nov 1837, Orwell, Bradford County, Pennsylvania.

1.1.12. GEORGE LANE KEENEY MD. b. 22 May 1809, Black Walnut, Luzerne County, Penna, Occupation: Physician, m. 31 Dec 1835, m. Perry, Wyoming County, New York, Ann Endicker, b. 17 Sep 1816, New Hampshire, (daughter of William Duffer and Hannah McDoone), George died 31 Dec 1869.

1.1.13. GEORGE DOLBEER KEENEY b. 19 Aug 1837, Perry, Wyoming County, New York, Occupation: Judge & mining engineer, m. Cassie Mrs. Keene, George died 71 Apr 1903, Lupton, Nagua County, New York, buried: 29 Apr 1903, Perry, Wyoming County, New York.

1.1.14. HELLUN KEENEY b. 8 Mar 1841, Monroe County, Michigan, d. 2 May 1861.

1.1.15. MARY RANDALL KEENEY b. 4 Apr 1845, Perry, Wyoming County, New York, d. bef \_\_\_\_ 1903.

## PATRONS

These contributions will cover most of the costs for printing this issue:

GA: Bill & Carol Keeney \$25

IA: Jay Keeney \$20

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The next KEENEY UPDATE will be published during the early summer IF there is sufficient information to make it interesting to a cross section of the regular readers.

MARYLAND  
CARROLL COUNTY TIMES

Wednesday, September 16, 1993

Viola Marie Olier Keene, Keene, 85 of Walkersville,

ville, Marie "Toots" Olier Keeney, 85, of Walkersville, died Monday, Sept. 13, 1993, at the Frederick Memorial Hospital.

Born, Nov. 30, 1907, in Taneytown, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Marie Simpson Olier.

She was a graduate of the Taneytown High School and was on the school team when they won the 1926 Volleyball Championship. She was employed with the Cambridge Rubber company, Taneytown, and the Walkersville Clothing Company. She enjoyed gardening, quilting and had a special love for birds.

She is survived by her husband, Leslie Earl Keene, a resident of the Vinodona Nursing Home; son Clark L. Keene and daughter-in-law Cathy of Walkersville; brother Dave Olier and his wife, Lucie of Westminster; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by sister Rosella Olier and brothers Irving Olier and Elmer Olier.

A funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Stauffer Funeral Home, 40 Fulton Ave., Walkersville, with the Rev. Parvis C. Beckhardt officiating. Burial will be in the Rocky Hill Cemetery, Woodboro.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday but friends may visit all day.

Contributions may be made to the Walkersville Ambulance Co., P.O. Box 202, Walkersville, Md. 21798.

Bill and Carol Keene are pleased to announce the birth of their son:

Conner Allen Keeney

Oct 12, 1995

## ARIZONA KEENEYS

Keene, Bettie Ann David; 1950 E Karen Dr; Phoenix, AZ 85022  
 Keene, Bill; 6800 S Strand Ave; Yuma, AZ 85364  
 Keene, Charles D And Marian; 17664 N Del Webb Blvd; Sun City, AZ  
 Keene, Daniel And M; Victoria Cir; Keene, AZ 85231  
 Keene, Dave And Norma; 8615 S Kenwood Ln; Tempe, AZ 85284  
 Keene, David; 3835 E Cathedral Rock Dr; Phoenix, AZ 85044  
 Keene, David And Joy; 2634 E Whitton Ave; Phoenix, AZ 85016  
 Keene, Dustin; 12178 W Stella Ln; Litchfield Park, AZ 85340  
 Keene, Frank And Naomi; 6235 N 60th Ave #8; Glendale, AZ 85301  
 Keene, Fred N Robinson Ave #163; Joseph City, AZ 86032  
 Keene, Gary And Barbara; 176 E Jennings Dr; Tempe, AZ 85284  
 Keene, Glenn T And Lois; 1318 N Magnolia Ave; Tucson, AZ 85712  
 Keene, J.; 8615 S Kenwood Ln; Tempe, AZ 85284  
 Keene, J C; 10233 N 42nd St; Phoenix, AZ 85028  
 Keene, Jim; 1950 E Karen Dr; Phoenix, AZ 85022  
 Keene, J; 190 E Karen Dr; Phoenix, AZ 85022  
 Keene, John; 195 Hillside Dr; Munds Park, AZ 86017  
 Keene, Jordan; 8615 S Kenwood Ln; Tempe, AZ 85284  
 Keene, Karen; 1002 Mesal Dr; Pearce, AZ 85128  
 Keene, Keith; 2706 N 84th Ln; Phoenix, AZ 85037  
 Keene, Kim And J; 18615 N 34th Ave #5; Phoenix, AZ 85027  
 Keene, Lee; 4400 E Buxby Dr; Sierra Vista, AZ 85535  
 Keene, Linda A; 508 S Colcord Rd; Payson, AZ 85541  
 Keene, Linda I And S; 13707 W Stella Ln; Litchfield Park, AZ 85340  
 Keene, Loren R; 8615 E Main St; Mesa, AZ 85207  
 Keene, Mark; 502 N Sneed Dr; Payson, AZ 85541  
 Keene, Melissa; 602 Victoria Cir; Keene, AZ 85237  
 Keene, Melissa A; 954 S Cortez Rd; Apache Junction, AZ 85219  
 Keene, Michael; 3355 E Fort Lowell Rd; Tucson, AZ 85716  
 Keene, Ralph W; 295 E Cliff House Dr; Camp Verde, AZ 86122  
 Keene, Richard And Mary; 208 E Juniper St; Payson, AZ 85541  
 Keene, Robert; 321 Papago Way; Pearce, AZ 85525  
 Keene, Robert; 16787 S Redondo Dr; Mayer, AZ 86339  
 Keene, Robert And Jean; 1849 Huachuca Dr; Bullhead City, AZ 86442  
 Keene, Robert And Lillian; 18910 W Scott Rd; Sun City West, AZ  
 Keene, Sean; 8615 S Kenwood Ln; Tempe, AZ 85284  
 Keene, Virgil; 9404 E Main St; Mesa, AZ 85207



## KEENEY, LEWIS FAMILIES OF GREENBRIER

From OUR FAMILIES: Shuck, Fleshman, Syden, Sydenstricker, Smith, Lewis, Kincaid, Keister, et al (published 1995)

On 27 Nov 1804 George Hobbie bought 170 acres on Muddy Creek from DAVID KEENEY; on 11 Sept 1807 Wilson Lewis, of Knox Co., KY rec. 300 acres for 5 sh from DAVID KEENEY on Ruddy Creek adjacent to Thomas Caraway, Martin Cowsor, Joe Shoemaker Catherine Lewis (b.1759 on Cowpasture R. married on 11 Jan 1781 MICHAEL KEENEY (died 1789-90); Catherine then married William Hilliard and moved to Teays Valley where she died

NORMA A. KEENEY, age 22, m. James M. Tuckwiller, age 33, born 15 June 1869, on 24 Dec 1901; dau. of N. Clark & Mary J. KEENEY; in 1920 census was living in Huntington with children: Ralph L. 14 and Glenna M. 10

SAMUEL E. KEENEY m. Mary V. Hedrick (b.12 Nov 1869) on 13 Aug 1890, at age 21; m. Mary R. Flossman on 10 Sept 1897; children: Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. Elgin Meese) and Betty

Madison H. Kincaid (b.1834) md. 30 Aug 1855 LUCRETIA P. KEENEY (b.1834), dau. of David & Jane Hunter KEENEY; children: James V. b.23 Nov 1856 and Emma J. (b.1859)

Louisa Sidenstricker (b.1831) md 1 June 1854 JOSEPH R. KEENEY (b.1832), son of David & Jane KEENEY

## LEWIS FAMILY

Numerous descendants of MICHAEL & CATHERINE LEWIS KEENEY (d.1791) will be happy to have this copy of the WILL of JOHN LEWIS Catherine's father, dated April 1787:

## \*\*\*\* District Court and Greenbrier County Information \*\*\*\*

## Lewis of Greenbrier Co WV

Will Book 1, page 48. In the name of God Amen, I John LEWIS of Greenbrier County and State of Virginia being weak and sick of Body but of perfect memory and understanding, thanks be to God do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following, Imprimis, I bequeath my soul to God Almighty my heavenly Father hoping for Salvation through the merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer and my body to the earth there to be buried in a decent Christian Manner at the discretion of my Executors, and as for what world substance it pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath as follows: Item, I give and bequeath to my love sons, John, George, Robert, William and Benjamin in the Plantation whereon I live to be divided amongst share and share alike with respect to value and not to quantify save that the shares of the three youngest boys shall include the house and cleared land and I do hereby appoint that Mr Moses JONES and William Hunter CAWENDISH be executors of this my last will and Testament and that they collect all debts to me owing and out of the same pay all debts which may appear due from me and if there be any surplus after discharging the same I will it be equally divided amongst five youngest children aforesaid and if my debts due to me are not sufficient to discharge those due from me, I will that the deficiency be made good out of my personal estate. This is my last Will and Testament and I thereby revoke any one of former Will or Wills by me Signed and sealed this eighteenth day of March 1787. Signed seal and acknowledged to be the last Will in presence of Jas HUSTON, John RODGERS, William JONES Signed John LEWIS.

Item, I give and bequeath to my three sons Robert, William, Benjamin and to my two daughters Sarah and Phoebe aforesaid all my movable effects in the house together with my plantation tract to be equally divided amongst them after deducting my wife's share of said tract out of them.

Item, I do appoint my beloved wife Mary be executor and Moxie JONES and W H CAWENDISH be executors of this my last will and Testament and do appoint that they collect all debts to me owing and out of the same pay all debts which may appear due from me and if there be any surplus after discharging the same I will it be equally divided amongst five youngest children aforesaid and if my debts due to me are not sufficient to discharge those due from me, I will that the deficiency be made good out of my personal estate. This is my last Will and Testament and I thereby revoke any one of former Will or Wills by me Signed and sealed this eighteenth day of March 1787. Signed seal and acknowledged to be the last Will in presence of Jas HUSTON, John RODGERS, William JONES Signed John LEWIS.

At a court continued and held for Greenbrier County April 1787, the Will was proved by the oaths of James HUSTON and John RODGERS two of the Witnesses there to and ordered to be recorded. Teste, John STUART.

The historical account (right) about MOSES KEENEY supports other accounts of Moses and his brother David, who were the youngest heirs to the Muddy Creek Keenee properties. Moses and Frances (Karriz) Keenee settled on Cabin Creek before 1820, but may have had a claim on the property before 1810, as suggested. The families of their three oldest sons (daughter Frances and William Bravley married in 1811) - Moses, David and John C. - have been detailed in a past issue of KEENEY UPDATES. The youngest son, Stires Jade, my great grandfather, was born in 1813.

## Cabins of the Loop and Environs of the Southern Half of Fayette County Virginia (Now West Virginia)

On the rolling uplands of Wolf Creek, then known as Ben's Creek, were three early cabins whose owners occupied adjoining farms. Two of these settlers - Francis R. Pinnell and Amos Linigir - were related by marriage. The third was Moses Keenee. The date of the land entries of Pinnell and Keenee is 1812, but the cleared and fenced fields mentioned in these entries suggest an earlier arrival there - a probability considerably strengthened by the occurrence of the names of Pinnell and Linigir in the Giles County census of 1818. Keenee was in Kanawha County in 1818 and probably came into the Loop that year or the next.

The land entry of Moses Keenee in August 1812, called for 171 acres "in the Loop or New River, beginning at the east corner of his field" and his survey, made in the same month by Philip Lybrook, surveyor of Giles County, made three references to his fences - described by the Giles assessor as being located seventy-five miles west of the county seat (Pearisburg), was thirty-nine cents in 1817. This 150 mile round trip to the county seat had to be made, probably on horseback when, as in 1814, Keenee served on the jury, or when other business required his presence at the county seat, as in 1816 and 1817. Other Keenees, presumably sons of Moses, mentioned in connection with this settlement, were Moses, Jr., John, and David. Apparently the Keenees were not successful in obtaining a formal title (patent) to their improvement and survey and eventually moved away.

Francis Pinnell's entry, also made in August, 1812, specified 180 acres "in the Loop or New River, on the waters of Ben's Creek, waters of New River, beginning on a small note (knoll?) at the east corner of his fence next to Moses Keenee, and including the improvement whereon he now lives". At this period, Ben's Creek was the name of the now stream later called Wolf Pen Creek, now shortened to Wolf Creek, as demonstrated in several survey records, one of which, in 1818, refers to Levisse's Fork of Ben's Creek.

Francis R. Pinnell, son of a Revolutionary soldier, had come from Culpeper County. His wife was Elizabeth Linigir. He was a graduate of Stanton (Steunton) College, was an expert mathematician and penman, and during his lifetime, taught sixty terms of school. He served in the War of 1812 as a member of the Light Horse Company of Colonel H. Buckley. Pinnell was prominent in all the activities of the Loop during the time he lived there, serving as executor of estates of deceased neighbors, member of committees to assign road hands, performer of marriage ceremonies, surveyor, and law enforcer.

In 1814, he was appointed Justice of the Peace for the Loop District and member of the County Court of Giles County. In the same year, he was granted a license to perform marriage ceremonies, his bondsman being his neighbors, Moses Keenee and Peter Slater. As County Surveyor for the new County of Logan (which included the Loop), he surveyed numerous tracts of land for settlers of the Loop in the late twenties. He also served as Sheriff of Logan County. J. Neil Darlington

LAWRENCE COUNTY  
OHIO

**MR. AMOS L. KEENEY, 77**, of Ashland, Ky., formerly of Ironton, Ohio, died Saturday, Dec. 30, 1995, at his residence. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1996, at Christ United Methodist Church, Ironton, Ohio, with the Rev. Bob Sall officiating. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery, Ironton, Ohio. He was born Dec. 25, 1918, in Lawrence Co., Ohio, a son of the late Clarence C. and Margaret Willis Keeney. He was the retired manager of the meat department for the Kroger Co. He was a member of Christ United Methodist Church of Ironton, the Lawrence

**HARVEY KEENEY, 85**, of South Point, Ohio, died Wednesday, July 4, 1996, in Pulley Care Center, South Point. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at Schneider Funeral Home, Chesapeake, Ohio, by the Rev. Arnold Carter. Burial will be in Highland Memorial Gardens, South Point. He was born May 12, 1911, at Getaway, Ohio, a son of the late Oren C. and Augusta Martin Keeney. He was a retired school bus driver in the Dawson-Bryant School System. He was a member of Harmony Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mabel Williams Keeney; two sons, Bob Keeney and Marilyn Keeney; and two brothers, Casey Keeney and Wilbur Keeney. Surviving is a daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Bill Bridgeman of Chesapeake; a son and daughter-in-law, William and Ruby Keeney of Chesapeake; two daughters-in-law, Faye Keeney and Doris Keeney, both of South Point; five grandchildren, Ronald Keeney, Sherry Ladefogel, Patty Allen, David Bridgeman and Randy Keeney; and six great-grandchildren. Friends may call from 8 to 9 p.m. Friday at Schneider Funeral Home.

**WILLIAM "BILL" KEENEY JR., 68**, of Chesapeake, Ohio, was to be with the Lord, Friday, Feb. 18, 1994. He was born Aug. 5, 1925, in Lawrence County, Ohio, a son of the late Harvey and Mabel Keeney. He was a member of the RIch Oil Co. for 12 years, was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, a member of the Harmony Missionary Baptist Church where he was an deacon, and a Union Township Trustee from 1982 to 1988. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Marilyn and Bob Keeney. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Griffith Keeney, one sister and brother-in-law, William and Bill Bridgeman of South Point, and five special sisters-in-law, Nedra Griffith, Mary Griffith and Edna Griffith, all of Huntington, and Faye Keeney and Doris Keeney, both of South Point, some very special friends, Tony Adkins, Dwayne Clay, Ernest Cooner Jr. and Frank Malow, and several nieces and nephews, including a very special niece, Gay Keeney. Funeral services will be Monday at Schneider Funeral Home, Chesapeake, by the Rev. Okla Judd. Burial in Highland Memorial Gardens, South Point. Friends may call from 8 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

**Lodge F&AM No. 198, U.C.T.**, and was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia Sialer Keeney, on July 19, 1995, and a brother, Lester Keeney. Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Michael McDowell of Ashland, Ky.; one grandson, Christopher McDowell of Ashland, Ky.; and two sisters, Alene Wilson of Ironton, Ohio, and Edith Sialer of Akron, Ohio. Friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1996, at Tracy Brummer Funeral Home, Ironton, with Masonic Music at 7 p.m. by the Lawrence Lodge F&AM No. 198, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1996, at the church.

**FRED H. KEENEY, 93**, formerly of Rock Camp, widow of Splice Brumfield Keeney, died Wednesday, in Sunset Nursing Home, Coal Grove. He was a retired boilermaker from Allied Chemical Corp. Survivors include five sons, Norbert Keeney, Harold Keeney and Jerry Keeney, all of South Point, John Keeney of Chesapeake and William Keeney of Ironton, and four daughters, Mildred Graham of South Point, Lora Kingery and Hazel Ashby, both of Ironton, and Betty Hammock of Deltona, Fla. Funeral 11 a.m. Saturday at Phillips Funeral Home, Ironton; burial in Leatherwood Cemetery, Coal Grove. Friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home. *J.C.C. 7, 1994*

**MR. JAMES CHAUNCEY KEENEY, 71**, of Huntington, died Friday, August 11, 1995. He was a member of the Harmony Gravelade services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at Springhill Cemetery by Pastor Gary Patton. Burial will follow. Jim was born May 18, 1924, in Toaga, Pennsylvania, the son of the late Mortimer J. Keeney and Oma Warren Keeney. He was a retired production manager with Pittsburgh Glass. He was an Army vet of World War II, serving in the 82nd Airborne. He survived by his wife, Charlotte, Blain Wright Keeney; two daughters, Janice Marie Clark and Mary Beth Good; seven sons, John Allan Keeney, James Keeney, Arthur D. Keeney, Jerry Paul Keeney, Steven Keeney, Robert Keeney and Walter Keeney; a half-brother, Robert Turner; and several grandchildren. Military grave-side rites will be conducted by American Legion Post #1027, Dec. 28, 1995, at the Wedding Chapel. The Rev. Sidney P. Dyer officiated.

**Joy Keeney** was neice of honor and Bridesmaid. Cause was flower girl. J.D. Dyer was best man.

A reception was held at the chapel. They are retired and living in Postville.

**VIRGINIA LEE KEENEY, 77**, of Ironton, wife of Amos L. Keeney, died Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Judy McDowell of Ashland. She was a retired activities director for Bryan's Health Care Center. Funeral 11 a.m. Friday at Christ United Methodist Church, Ironton; burial in Woodland Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Tracy Brummer Funeral Home, and at the church one hour prior to the service. *12-7-1995*

**MR. MERLYN F. KEENEY, 47**, of Rt. 1, South Point, Ohio, died Wednesday, June 11, 1996, at his residence after a long illness. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at Harmony Baptist Church, Getaway, Ohio, by the Rev. Don Comer. Burial will be in Highland Memorial Gardens, South Point. He was born Dec. 5, 1948, in Lawrence County, Ohio, a son of Harvey Keeney of South Point and the late Mabel Williams Keeney. He was a disabled employee of Owens-Illinois Glass Co., a retired baritone operator for the Lawrence County Engineer, a veteran of the Korean Conflict and a member of Harmony Baptist Church, where he served as Deacon and Sunday School teacher. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Faye Leffing well Keeney, one son, Randall and his wife, Marsha, LaVon Keeney of South Point, one sister, Mrs. Mildred Bridgeman of Chesapeake; two brothers, Bill Keeney of Chesapeake and Bob Keeney of South Point.

**Myers-Cunningham**

Left Ann Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cunningham of Liberty, and Lynn LeAnn Myers, daughter of Lloyd Myers of South Charleston, and Ella Mae Myler of Alton, Ohio, were married Saturday at the Rev. George Donald McArthur Church. The Rev. George Donald McArthur officiated.

The bride was neice of brother and Doretha Williams was bridesmaid. Morgan Rose was flower girl. Thomas Dosselle was best man. Ushers were Brad Peeler, George Rose Jr. and Donald Rose. Mrs. Johnnie Walker was ring bearer.

A reception will be held at the church. They are living in South Charleston. She is graduate of Free High School and is employed by Russ & Thomas. He is a graduate of George Washington High School and is employed by Jones Truck Co.

**BROTHERS DIE  
TWO MONTHS APART**

**CHARLES VERNIS (BO) KEENEY, JR., 68**, of Green Cove Springs, FL died 18 December 1995 at Orange Park, FL. He was born 10 April 1927 in Logan, WV, the son of Charles Vernis, Sr. & Opal Carey Keeney and was preceded in death by his wife, Thelma Louise O'Daniels. Survivors: son, Clyde Wilson Keeney, of Green Cove Springs; daughters, Opal Miller, Middleburg, FL and Terri Rutland, of Germany; brother, John T. Keeney, Barboursville, WV; sisters, Lillian Walker, Barboursville; Dorothy Summers of Huntington, WV and Rosa Daniels of Houston, TX; six grandchildren. Graveside services were held on December 21 at Green Cove Springs.

**JOHN EDWARD KEENEY, 67**, of Barboursville, WV died 19 February 1996. He was a son of Charles V. & Opal Carey Keeney and was born on 22 November 1927 in Cabell County. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include a daughter, Christa Lee, of Lewisburg; sons: John Edward, Jr., of Harper's Ferry; Charles Eugene, of Reisterstown, MD; and Berthel Lee, of Barboursville; sisters: Lillian Walker, Dorothy Summers and Rosalinda Daniels.

Gravestone service was held at Mays Chapel Cemetery at Heath Creek, WV.

**YERLY MARCHAL  
The Charleston Gazette**

**ROBERTA HUGHES** of East Bank passed away a peaceful and serene death. She died on Sunday, Feb. 11, 1996, at her home in Charleston, West Virginia. She was born on January 12, 1921, in Charleston, West Virginia. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Charleston. She is survived by her husband, Robert Hughes, and two sons, Robert and Charles. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. Mary Hughes, and her father, Mr. Robert Hughes. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Charleston. She is survived by her husband, Robert Hughes, and two sons, Robert and Charles. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. Mary Hughes, and her father, Mr. Robert Hughes.

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**PENNSYLVANIA****Keeney-Berg**

Alice E. Berg, daughter of Made Backey of Charleston, and Eugene Royer, son of Elans had Cecil Keeney of Lawrence County, Penn., were married at the Wedding Chapel, The Rev. Sidney P. Dyer officiated.

Joy Keeney was neice of honor and Bridesmaid. Cause was flower girl. J.D. Dyer was best man.



Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Keeney  
toimer Alice Berg

**EUGENE KEENEY (left)** is a son of Dewey L. & Ruby Skeens Keeney and a grandson of Edward Cal Keeney (1876-1961), of Boone Co. Lori Ann Cunningham is a granddaughter of Raymond & Alma KEENEY-Rose and a grand-daughter of Roscoe C. Keeney, Sr. THE KEENEY brothers (above) were grandsons of Edward Blackburn Keeney (1871-1946), who was a son of William R. Keeney (b.1845), who was a son of FOSTER H. KEENEY (1811-1870's)