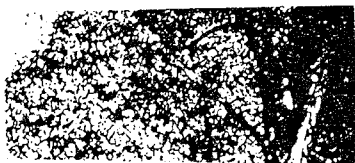


# Keeney Update

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JUNE 3, 1789 - MARRIAGE CONTRACT WITH  
PAYMENT OF FIFTY POUNDS TO GOVERNOR  
RANDOLPH OF VIRGINIA FOR THE LICENCE  
OF MOSES KEENEY & FRANCES HARRIS TO  
MARRY - witnessed by ROBERT HARRIS, father,  
And JOHN STUART



*Know all men by these presents that we Moses Keeney &  
Frances Harris are held and firmly bound unto His Majesty  
King George the Third, Governor of Virginia in the first and  
full sum of fifty pounds to which payment will and  
lawfully to be made to our said Governor his personal  
we do bind ourselves our heirs to jointly and severally  
firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and  
dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1789.*

*The condition of the above obligation is such that  
whereas the above named Moses Keeney hath this day  
obtained licence to marry Frances Harris of there be  
no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage then this  
obligation to be void else to remain in full force &  
effect*

*Moses Keeney*

*Frances Harris*

*you the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1789*  
*give please to grant Moses Keeney*  
*license to marry my daughter Frances*  
*from your noble servant*

*Joel John Stuart*

KEENEY, Andrew; head of household; male; white; 53 years of age; born in Oregon; father born in Missouri; mother born in Iowa; occupation: railroad engineer.

KEENEY, Alice R.; wife; female; white; 42 years of age; married; born in New York; both parents born in New York; occupation: none listed.

KEENEY, Frances; daughter; female; white; 7 years of age; born in Washington; father born in Oregon; mother born in New York.

KEENEY, Joe E.; head of household; owns home valued at \$2500; male; white; 82 years of age; divorced; first married at 25 years of age; born in Oregon; father born in Kentucky; mother born in Missouri; occupation: none listed.

MONTANA DEATH INDEX 1907-1953:

## ILLINOIS

ELIZABETH KEENEY b.1807 d/o Moses & Frances Harris Keeney; wed Thomas McDowell (b.1806); children listed in census reports of Livingston Co IL.; all born in IN: ANN ELIZA 1838, FRANKLIN C 1839, Moses Keeney 1841, Sarah F 18453, Mary V 1845, Martha E 1847, and Elizabeth C. 1850.

ESTHER LEONE KEENEY b.10-24-1897, d. 1-1974 at Catlin IL; m. (1) Elmer L Crawford b.4-27-1897; killed by lightning during a summer storm 8-4-1923; World War I vet in France, m.(2) Harry Ludwig 1948-1986; dau of JOSEPH F KEENEY 1869-1936 & Harriett Motz Keeney 1865-1945; married 8-25-1896; children:

CHARLES CRAWFORD 1918-1921

HELEN CRAWFORD 1920-1950; m. John W Chestnut (2) Byron Woodrum in 1972; daughter Teresa Chestnut m.Quentin Wil-Mot in 1968

MARGARET CRAWFORD b.7 Dec 1923, d.8 May 1992; retired VA nurse and active in American Legion Auxiliary 45 years; accompanied Roscoe Keeney on tour of God's Acre Cemetery in Catlin IL in 1988.

(Esther L Keeney was a daughter of Thomas Hicklen 1803-1880 & Elizabeth Caraway Keeney, both buried in God's Acre.)

## WEST VIRGINIA



WALTER H KEENEY

Walter Henson Keeney Sr., 1912-1991, son of John S & Hannah Frazee Keeney, married (1) Annie Hill in 1911 (2)Maude Carolyn Jarrett in 1918. Walter Henson Jr, James Harold Keeney and Grace Price were born to Annie; Daniel Webster (DW), Wyndom Paul and Mary Louise Keeney were children of Maude.

GAYLE KEENEY CANFIELD, family historian and novelist, is a daughter of DW 1921-1992 and Ruby E Bailey, is the author of CROSSING JORDAN and subsequent issues of Keeney chronicles.

## KEENEY SOULE DESCENDENTS IN GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

MARVIN DUNCAN KEENEY was the fifth child of Thomas and Hannah Keeney. He was born 22 May 1802 in Pennsylvania, probably Luzerne County. The 1820 census lists the Thomas Keeney family living in the town of Berkshire, Broome County, New York.

About 1829, Marvin married Sally Barker (born c.1810 in New York). They became the parents of:

William b. c1830, Keith b. c1832, Lucinda b. c1833, Louisa E b. c1835  
Lucy b. c1838, Loyal V b c1841, Nelson Byron b. c1843, T. Corwin b.  
c1845, and Charlotte b. c1847

By the time their fourth child was born in 1835, Marvin and Sally had moved their family to Munson, Geauga County, Ohio, along with members of their extended family.

Word of the gold strike in California reached Ohio. According to a family story, son Keith joined a group of 16-men and set out to seek his fortune in March of 1849. We can only speculate what happened to him.

Sally died about 1858. Recruiters appealed for volunteers to serve in the Civil War. Four of the five boys and several cousins joined various regiments. Corwin, the youngest and last to volunteer, was captured at Trevillian Station, Virginia, then sent to Andersonville Prison. He died of dysentery in 1865, just weeks before the war ended.

In 1864, Marvin married a widow, Eliza Jane Nevins Canfield Waste. Once again, it was time to move on. With most of his sons scattered and daughters married, Marvin moved with Eliza c.1867 to a homestead near Sterling, Bay County (now Arenac), Michigan. His son Nelson B. and her daughter, Olive Lovina Waste (b. 1857) completed the household.

The family settled on 160 acres next to Marvin's brother, Harvey. Marvin's homestead papers claimed a 24x18' story-and-a-half log home of two rooms, with seven windows and four doors; plus a 30x24' log barn, all on three cleared acres.

By 1880, Marvin and Harvey's widowed brother, Esek, had moved to the area with his daughter and her husband, Abigail and Lloyd Rowley. Marvin died in 1885. By that time, Nelson was living in nearby West Bay City with his wife and children.

The wilderness has a way of bringing people together. Nelson B., 31, and Olive, 16, tied the knot in August 1874. The early years of their marriage are saddened by the death of their first two children. Three children survived to adulthood: Zilpha, Bessie and Leo.

While living in West Bay City, Nelson worked at a series of jobs, ranging from operating a confectionery to carpentry work. In 1890, as his young daughter, Zilpha, watched from across the street, Nelson fell to his death from the second story of a neighbor's house. For a time after, Olive worked as a cook in a lumber camp while her mother (Marvin's widow, Eliza Jane) cared for the children. Olive later married William Bricker of Negley, Ohio.

Zilpha Keeney married William Hills c.1902 in Bay City. They moved to Detroit about 1920 with their children: Hubert, Bessie, Clara and Ellen Suzanne.

Leo Keeney married Bessie May Burson and raised a family of nine in Sparta, Ohio. Their children were Margaret, Mildred, Marvin, Mary, Franklin, Harvey, Elta May and twins David and Dennis.

Bessie Keeney married Clarence Funkhauser. They lived in Cleveland, Ohio and Orlando, Florida. There were no children of this union.

## MISSOURI

ISAAC KEENEY b.21 Feb 1841, d.21 Feb 1925  
s/o William Keeney Sr (b.1809) & Rowena  
Backus (b.1811) wife: Selena Riucha 1848-  
1918 m. 5 Dec 1864; Pilot Knob Cem, MO

HENRY MORGAN KEENEY 1869-1947 m.  
Ozine Bledsoe (1866-1930) 31 Jan 1895 in  
Maries Co, MO

JOHN WILLIAM KEENEY 1872-1958

LOUIS HORACE KEENEY 1874-1950

SOLOMON JACKSON KEENEY 1880-1954

Pilot Knob Cemetery, Osage Co MO

LEE DAVID KEENEY 1876-1967

CHARLES MONROE KEENEY 1878-1947

AUGUSTA KEENEY b.5-1888

MARYANN JOSEPHINE KEENEY, b.Osage

Co MO m. Morgan F Rogers (1849-1922),

died in Idaho CO, Idaho; Hopewell Cemetery

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RAY CO MO 1821 Assessor's List - JOHN

KEENEY

LAND CLAIM IN MISSOURI Territory

Abraham Keeney-1806

VAN BUREN (Cass Co) MO - Will Book

L850-1860 FOUNTAIN KEENEY d.26

May 1857; DAVIN KEENEY

UNION CEMETERY, Kansas City MO

George M Keeney 3-14-1888, age 59

Rhunna Keeney 3-17-1888, age 58

Lou Ann Wade Keeney d.1 Aug 1855,

m. Thomas KEENEY 12-8-1853

## RHODE ISLAND

### Barnaby Keeney, 1955-1966

Barnaby Keeney received his doctorate in history from Harvard in 1939 and taught there until 1941, when after the attack on Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the Army and served with the 35th Infantry as an officer in charge of an intelligence interpreters team. He was awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Silver Star, and was discharged a captain.

After the war ended, he studied in Europe before coming to Brown in 1946 as assistant professor of history. He became Dean of the Graduate School in 1949, at the age of 34, and served in this position (with the exception of a leave of absence in 1951 to work for the Central Intelligence Agency) until 1953, when he became Dean of the College. Two years later he was elected president.

Keeney's presidency was another period of remarkable growth: over a dozen major facilities were either acquired by the University or built on its campus, undergraduate enrollment increased by nearly 1,000, the Graduate School nearly tripled in size, and \$82 million was raised. Keeney's resignation in 1966 spared the popular president from much of the turmoil that was spreading across college campuses and that was to weaken the presidency of his successor.

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If a person can see both  
sides of a problem you  
can be sure their money  
isn't involved in it.

The man who falls down  
on the job usually starts  
from a sitting position.





David W Keeney witnesses the national championship lacross game at Charlottesville VA on May 13 in which his son DAVID III was captain of the LYNCHBURG UNIVERSITY team.

David W is a son of the late William David Keeney & Frances Forcum Keeney and husband of Ann Buckley Hughes of Westmont, Illinois and grandson of Daniel Webster & Myrtle George Keeney of Anderson, Indiana.

### DAVID KEENEY CAPTAIN OF LYNCHBURG TEAM IN NATIONAL LACROSS COMPETITION

John KEENEY b. Jun 1712, d. 1799 Washington, Litchfield Co, CT m. 1738?

Children:

1. Anna b. ca. 1739 Stratford, Fairfield Co, CT m. Parke Beeman 15 Dec 1757 New Preston, Litchfield Co, CT
2. Mark b. 1 May 1740 Stratford, Fairfield Co, CT, d. 7 Oct 1804, Braintrim, Wyoming Co, PA m. Abigail Beeman 1759?
3. Ephrium b. ca. 1742? m. Elizabeth Mallory
4. Mary b. ca. 1746?, d. 1830? Bristol Springs, Ontario Co, NY m. Abel Beeman 8 Nov 1770, Kent, Litchfield Co, CT
5. Esther b. 15 Oct 1754, Washington, Litchfield Co, CT
6. Antha b. m. Caleb Rude, 14 Aug 1776, Kent, Litchfield Co, CT
7. Berthia, b. m. Gideon Lawrence, 10 Oct 1782, Washington, Litchfield Co, CT
8. female, b. m. Ebenezer Smith

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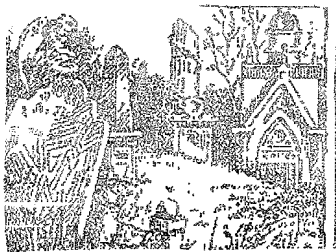
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## KANSAS

### KEENEY

Stires Jade Keeney was born on May 26, 1869, in Lewiston, West Va., and passed away at Onaga, Kansas, May 3, 1953 at the age of 83 years, 11 mos. and 7 days.

He was united in marriage to Rosa Mentha on August 18, 1891. To this union five children were born. He joined the Presbyterian church at Neuchatel in early manhood and was engaged in farming in that neighborhood until his health failed and he moved to Onaga in 1939.

He is survived by his wife, Rosa; three sons, Leroy and Earl of Onaga and Claude of Marysville; two daughters, Ida Umphenour of Silver Lake, and Blanche Stotts of Marysville; one sister, Mrs Sallie Mouton of Onaga; also 7 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. Ray Kelley at the Congregational Church in Onaga on May 6th at 2:00 P. M. Burial was in Neuchatel cemetery.

**KEENEY FAMILY CEMETERY**  
Bell County, Texas Rt. 53 East  
**MICHAEL KEENEY Jr. B.M.O**  
2-1-1817, d. 5-22-1890

**SARAH KEENEY** w/o Thomas  
b. in Necolon, Mississippi; died  
1-6-1893 at age 38

The Littlepage Stone Mansion was built in 1845 by Adam Littlepage. Today it is used as an office for the Charleston Housing Authority.



## WEST VIRGINIA

In 1861 Mrs. Rebecca Littlepage, mistress of the Littlepage Mansion, denied entrance to the house by General Wise, who threatened to blow it up by cannon fire. COURTESY MRS. JOHN E. MORGAN

A post-war view of the apple orchard at Camp Two-Mile. The Confederates established the camp on the farm of Adam Brown Dickinson Littlepage, along Two-Mile Creek. The military camp extended from the Kanawha River to the junction of the Ripley-Ravenswood road and the Point Pleasant road (present West Washington Street). It is now the site of the Orchard Manor housing development.



## INDIANA



## Historical Notes

Michael Jr s/o Michael Sr (b.KY) & Susanna Rwl's Keeney fought a short time in the Civil War and moved his family to Arkansas; son George, soldier from AR was captured just before war's end; the family moved to TX in the late 1860s.

NANCY KEENEY d/of first Keeney family in Cocke Co. TN m. James Henry; their daughter Catherine was b. 9-30=1826 in Blount Co TN.



The Elias Keeney (1851-1933) family of Boone County IN included children Blanche, Merle and Willie as children; He was married to (1) Rebecca Doyle and (2) Mary Hoggins, mother to his surviving children. A son of Peter Keeney of the Pailaski KY line,

Albert Roscoe Keeney, pictured left, 1884-1939, son of Elias, was the father of Blanche Keeney Roth, Dorothy Keeney Cook, Rosamond Keeney Korhel (of Wyoming) and Marion Keeney Kowalsky. Son Samuel is shown with Leota Keeney Smith and Albert Roscoe at the Smith home in Fayette IN.

Judging by the divorce rate, a lot of people who said "I do"... didn't.

A man who has faults he doesn't know about probably hasn't been listening to his wife.

# KEENEY-LITTLEPAGE MARRIAGE IN 1814 PRODUCES NOTED FAMILY LINE INCLUDING JUDGE, STATE SENATOR AND CONGRESSMAN

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Biography

Land Record Abstract: JOHN D. LITTLEPAGE - 1792 - Greenbrier Co VA

**IN 1840 SAM LITTLEPAGE** embarked on the career of a salt maker near Kanawha Salines, now Malden. In 1847 he bought the farm on Kanawha Two Mile where the handsome hand-dressed stone house in which he reared his family was built. It is still one of Charleston's historic landmarks.

## SHIRLEY DONNELLY

CATHARINE KEENEY of the Muddy Creek area of Greenbrier Co VA/WV was married on 27 December 1814 in Giles Co VA to CHARLES LITTLEPAGE. By the time of the 1830 census both families were listed in Kanawha County.

Catherine, yet a teenager, was the second child of MOSES & FRANCES HARRIS KEENEY and granddaughter of JOHN KEENEY, the original Keeney settler on the Greenbrier River, based on a 1750 land grant. Witnesses at the 1814 wedding were her grandfather John Keeney and William Brawley, husband of her older sister Frances in Greenbrier in 1809.

By 1830 the newlyweds and her parents were listed as residents of Kanawha County in the US Census. Father Moses was recorded with wife, two sons and one daughter, Charles Littlepage was listed at age 40-50 and the Keeneys in the 20-30 age range, with two daughters.

John Littlepage, listed in the 1787 Greenbrier tax list, was the sole family member listed in the 1810 census. He had signed a 1783 petition requesting a wagon road from Great Levels to Warm Springs. At the outbreak of the war between the states both father and son John joined the Confederate Army. The father was killed early in the war and CHARLES, the next oldest son, took his place. Both were listed as members of the Texas Rangers

## ADAM LITTLEPAGE

Adam B Littlepage, son of Charles & Catherine Keeney Littlepage, was born in 1817. He was killed at Dublin VA during the Civil War. He had married Rebecca T Wood in 1845 and they were parents of John W 1848, Fanny 1850, Charles 1852 (who lived at Fleetwood Hotel in Charleston with wife and 2 children), Congressman Alexander 1854, Judge Samuel 1858 and ADAM B LITTLEPAGE 1859.

Young Adam Littlepage went to Indiana in his youth but returned to Charleston in 1882 to open a law practice in 1882. He married Eva

~Certificate in Right of Settlement given by the Commissioners for adjusting to unpatented lands in the District of Augusta, Botetourt, and Greenbrier.  
~Consideration of One Pound Ten Shillings Sterling paid by JOHN DICKINS LITTLEPAGE into the Treasury of the Commonwealth.  
~Part of VA Land Office Treasury Warrant #11180 issued March 1782.  
Survey 07 Oct 1786.  
Land Grant 07 Mar 1792.  
JOHN DICKINSON LITTLEPAGE, assignee of PATRICK MURPHY, 523 Greenbrier Co VA "... on the Levels of Greenbrier ..."

## KEENEY/LITTLEPAGE FAMILY IN GREENBRIER/KANAWHA RECORDS

MOSES KEENEY b.1766 in Greenbrier VA/WV; d. cc 1840 on Cabin Creek, Kanawha County

m. FRANCES HARRIS on 27 September 1814 in Gil Co VA (adjacent to Greenbrier); father: Robert Harris; Witnesses: John Keeney (grandfather) and William

Brawley (brother-in-law of Moses); Children:

1. FRANCES KEENEY m. William Brawley in 1809
2. CATHERINE KEENEY b.1880s, m. CHARLES P. LITTLEPAGE 27 Sept 1814 in Giles Co VA;
3. JOHN C KEENEY b.1793 m. Sarah E Farney
4. DAVID A KEENEY b. 1794 m. Catherine Jarrett
5. MOSES WALLS KEENEY b.1797, d. 1890 m. Mary D Huff (b.1803) in Greenbrier County
6. MICHAEL R KEENEY, b.1804 at Muddy Creek in Greenbrier; d.1875 in Kanawha; m. Elizabeth Ann Gatewood d/o Ranson & Elizabeth Burks Gatewood
7. WILLIAM E GATEWOOD b.1808 in Greenbrier; prominent resident of Easdale, Cabin Creek; d.1870s m. Sarah R (Sally Huff (1815-1908)
8. FOSTER H KEENEY b.1811 in Greenbrier; age 58 In 1870 Kanawha census; m. Eliza Jane Huff (1816-1864); died in childbirth
9. ELIZABETH KEENEY b.13 June 1807; m. Thomas G McDowell; res in Montgomery Co IN 1835-1858; relocated in Livingston County IL
10. STIRES JADE KEENEY b.1813 in Greenbrier Co.; d.1876; m. Amelia (Millie) Gatewood, dau of Ranson, Sister-in-law to Elizabeth w/o Michael

Detailed profiles on each of these ten families have been published in past issues on KEENEY UPDATE.



## THOMAS KINNE (Henry, John, Sir Thomas)



OLD KINNE (Keeney) BURYING GROUNDS  
PRESTON CT

At the right is an outside view of the  
remains of the home of THOMAS and  
MARTHA COX KINNE.

## CONNECTICUT

400 YEARS OF KING's LYNN  
KINNE (KEENEY) DESCENDENTS  
IN CONNECTICUT, TO NEW YORK,  
TO OHIO TO IOWA AND THE WORLD

PURITAN JOHN KINNE, b.1600 at King's  
Lynn, England; m. Sarah Cheever (b.1603);  
to Salem MA 1649, inn holder in Boston;  
son of Sir Thomas (b.1578), who was made  
a baronet by James I

FIRST FAMILY IN AMERICA:  
JOHN KINNE 1600-1671  
WILLIAM KENEY 1601-1675  
THOMAS CANEY - first family in  
New Hampshire

3<sup>rd</sup> son of John: Alexander  
ALEXANDER b.1625 Norfolk Eng.,m.  
Alice Gates Colfax (d.1680)  
RICHARD b.1674.Eunice Loveland  
RICHARD II b.1702-1787 (child #1.  
Prudence Cate (1707-1789)  
SIMON KEENEY SR b.1787 at E.Hart-  
Ford, d. 9-3-1787 at Manchester; m.  
Margaret Keeney d/o Joseph & Hann-  
Ah Hills Keeney; d.1809 at 73; m.  
Polly Bates 1765-1843; children:  
POLLY b.1786 m.Elijah Andrews  
JEREMIAH 1788-1869; killed in  
War of 1812

Simon KEENEY l/f Fabius NY b.15 Jan  
1766, d.17 Sep 1831 at Keeney Settle-  
Ment, Fabius NY

JOHN SIMON KEENEY 1790-1870; m.  
Phoebe Hotchkiss; relocated to Creston,  
Wayne Co OH in 1822; Family:

CHARLES C KEENEY 1814-1890;  
moved from OH To IA (Waverly in  
1855)

SIMON IV 1816-1841 Ohio

WALTER b.1817 Fabius, d.1821

POLLY 1821-1841 Wayne Co OH

SARAH SHANKLIN 1822-1844

THOMAS ALEXANDER b.1825 m.

Catherine Elliott

JOHN JESSE 1827-1909 Wayne Co C

CHAMPION 1830-1904; wife: Abbie;  
Children b. 1861-1870

WILLA A 1833-1873 m Solomon Zur

HIRAM b.27 Nov 1872

CHAMPION KEENEY 1794-1884

JOHN KEENEY 1797-1878 m.Ann Conabl  
Abigail 1801-1861

SISTERS OF JOHN JR:

ANNA KEENEY b.1767

LYDIA KEENEY b.1770

THANKFUL KEENEY 1771-1835 m.Jonathan

Webster (2) Nathaniel Bacon

SIMON W KEENEY b.12-1839 in Ohio

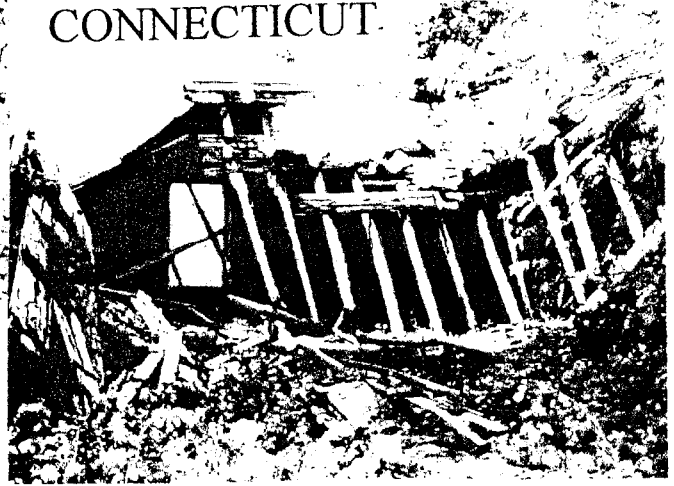
d..18 Feb 1915 Cerro Gordo IA; wife:

Rexanna (b.25 Mar 1840, d.15 Aug 1911

Grandson: Kerry C Keeney b.8-1885 IA

THOMAS KINNE s/o Henry 1655-1756 m. Elizabeth  
Knight (b.7 Apr 1652, d.6 Feb 1694) on 23 May 1677  
5. THOMAS KINNE (KEENEY) b.27 Jul 1678, d.1 Oct  
1756 m. MARTHA COX 10 Nov 1701; founder of and  
deacon in Second Church of Christ (Congregational)  
in Preston CT, buried in Old Kinne Burial Grounds  
on banks of Pachaug River in SE Griswold; weaver &  
yeoman; sold his land in Essex Co MA and bought a  
160 acre farm adjacent to his brother Joseph's farm;  
returned to old English spelling of KINNE while Jos-  
eph chose Kinney for his family

## CONNECTICUT

OSCEOLA KEENEY WEDS ELMER  
ELONSO CRANE IN OKLAHOMA

OSCEOLA KEENEY b.20 Aug 1905 in  
Massey, Indian country (now Oklahoma),  
half Cherokee, dau of William Jacob Keen-  
ey (b.1866 in TX, d.2-1934) gd of Abra-  
ham Keeney (b.1832 Cooper Co MO) h/o  
Lucinda Tidwell

m.Elmer Elonso Crane (b.1883 Bonham  
TX., d.1956 in Santa Clara CA; said to be  
the inventor of a cotton picker, was water  
boy for Jesse James, and danced with Belle  
Starr; other children: Louis (d..in infancy)  
and Fay (twins), Iven, Willie Emerine m.  
Grady Lee Hogue (dau Betty m. Milton  
Lentz p/o Michael Lentz 1912), Jessie m.  
(1) Oliver Fisher (2) Larry Miller, Gene.

Information from: Lucille Morgan 1984,  
Michael Lentz & Alice Mitchell in 2004.

## OKLAHOMA



**Comments:**

: My great grandfather was John Keeney...he was the son of Jim Keeney and Amanda Hamby. I know that he had brothers named Jim Keeney, Jasper Keeney, Thomas Keeney and a sister named Martha Keeney. My grandfather died at the age of 42 in Roane Co. Tennessee in 1916. He was killed in a wagon accident. He was married to Della Price Keeney. Thats all I know. Can anyone give me any more information on this branch of the Keeney family.

**KEENEY KIN IN CUMBERLAND CO TENNESSEE**

The Keeney family was one of the early families of Tennessee, receiving land on the North Carolina/Tennessee border as a result of service on the Virginia frontier following the French & Indian War. Brothers John, Joseph, James and William were among the early settlers in Greene, Cocke and Jefferson County, but Joseph became a pioneer settler of Anderson County and many of his descendants still reside in Anderson and neighboring counties. Other families such as Boatright, Moore, Dumas, Overton, Leach, Lindsay, Queener, Oldham and McGlothlen became connected with the family by marriage.

Joseph Keeney, son of John Keeney, who first received a land grant along the Greenbrier river in Virginia (now WV), parted from the others to settle in Anderson Co TN, along with brothers William (1795-1819) and James Michael (1795-1849). He was a settler at the time Anderson became a county.

The Joseph Keeney family spread out into from Campbell Co, Morgan County, and especially Cumberland County, from where not a few moved on into Arkansas.

**JOHN KEENEY INQUIRY**

THOMAS KEENEY is listed in the 1850 and 1860 census reports of Cumberland County TN at age 55 and 65. Records list him with wife Sarah Moore, whom he married in 1820.

JOHN KEENEY b. 1822 in Cumberland Co, was the father of THOMAS JOHN KEENEY, b. 1846, listed at age 54 in the 1900 census and 62 in the 1910 census, married Martha S Hamby in 1873; she was listed as a widow with THOMAS B KEENEY, son, at age 66 in 1920.

Children of Thomas John & Martha Keeney, listed in various e-mail and various census reports, include Johnnie 1875, Charlotte 1879, Rachel 1882, Jasper L 1885, Thomas B 1899, Cordelia 1902, Margarette 1906, and Vernal Howard 1909.

The 1900 Cumberland Co census lists Thomas J Keeney 1846 Martha 1852, Lotta 1879, Rachel 1881, Jasper 1885 and Thomas 1897. Rachel was married to McCamey Nichols and was the mother of Audrey, Etta May, Winford, Sylvia Edith, Ada, Fred and Dee Stanley Nichols.

JOHN KEENEY b. 1854 died in Roane Co TN when a farm wagon overturned in 1916. He was married to Della Price.

**LITTLEPAGE (continued)**

Collett of Indiana 8 April 1854; elected to the WV Senate in 1906, followed by election to US Congress in 1910.

Samuel Littlepage, 4<sup>th</sup> son of Adam Sr., was born at "Greystone" Littlepage Mansion in Kanawha County. He first settled at Malden, moving to a point West of the Elk River in the 1940s.

**NEW YORK/MICHIGAN**

Our great grandfather, Joseph Keeney, was a farmer until he married Mary Bishop. He then went into the mercantile business. In 1817 they moved to Leroy, N. Y. When Jonathan Bishop was two years old. At Leroy, Joseph bought a farm which he worked until his death in 1842. Mary Bishop, the wife of Joseph, was born in New Lynn, Conn., 1781, and died at Leroy, N.Y., in 1877, aged 96. Jonathan lived at home until he was 20. He then went to Franklin, Lenawee County, Mich., where he bought up land on section 21 and 22; After he had been in Michigan four years he married to Amanda Mallery. They lived at Franklin until 1849, when he sold his farm to his brother, John Keeney. On this farm he had two sons and three daughters. They then bought up 160 acres in Cambridge, Lenawee County, Mich., and lived there until the death of his dear wife, our mother and grandmother. This occurred Feb. 9, 1885, while she was at the home of her son, John William, who lived in South Riley, Clinton County. She was 62 years of age. On the farm at Cambridge were born seven sons and one daughter. This farm was called one of the best in the county. The house was of brick, standing above the road and enclosed by a stone wall. At this home many a Thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed, and at no time was anyone turned away. Different sons worked the farm but at last it was sold to Arthur White. Father Keeney made his home with his son, Alanson, in Adrian, Mich., where he died April 20, 1897, aged 82. Both he and his wife were buried in the Cambridge cemetery, near the church where our mother and grandmother was superintendent of the Sunday school for so many years up until the time of her death. Father Keeney was a whig and later became a republican. As for religion he was a Baptist as were his father and mother. Mother Keeney was an Episcopalian and probably would have been a republican could she have voted.

**Chloe Anne Bowen**

Chloe Anne Bowen, 59, of Malden, passed away April 29, 2006, at the Cleveland Clinic after a long illness.



She was preceded in death by her daughter, Susan, who 36 years ago passed away on the day of her birth, April 29; and by her parents, William Arnold and Marjorie Joan Stanley.

A loving husband of 42 years, David M. Bowen survives her. She is also survived by daughter, Deborah Hildebrand and her husband, Bruce Hildebrand, and their children, Jordan Kerns and Mercedes

Hildebrand of Hurricane; daughter, Lynn Wise and her husband, Tom Wise, and their children, Anna Grace and Alexander of South Charleston; and sister, Barbara Stanley of Charleston, and her daughter, Mira of Cambridge, Mass.

Chloe was most recently employed by Cardiac Rehab at CAMC. She was a faithful servant of the Lord at Green Valley Church of God and was actively involved in the ministry.

She left more than she took and is now at rest with the Lord.

GRANDPARENTS: JULIETTE MADISON KEENEY d/o Traber Gatewood & Chloe Ann Young Keeney, gd/o Rev Thomas Y & Eliza A White Keeney; PERCY EMERSON & Nadine Thomas Maloney s/o James Harvey & Nancy J. Reynolds Maloney.

## KEENEY/HUMPHREY FAMILY OF VERMONT BECOMES RISING SUN OHIO/INDIANA FAMILY

JONATHAN KEENEY b.21 Aug 1741, d.14 Feb 1827

m. Catherine Booth b.1748, d. 2- May 1790 (nee: Leonard)

1. WILLIAM KEENEY b. 31 Oct 1767 NY, d.7bFeb 1847

2. HANNAH KEENEY b.15 Dec 1775,d. L5 Feb 1827

3. JONATHAN KEENEY b.9 Oct 1781, d.23 May 1782 m. Esther Beebe: moved from Connecticut to Delaware Co NY in early 1880s  
4. JOHN KEENEY , b.29 Apr 1786, d. 4 Apr 1839; m. Dortha Harris; moved to Switzerland Co IN in 1835, where he purchased 200 acres, but was drowned in the Ohio River near Vevay in flat boat/steamboat collision: farmed with brother William who bought the farm; children: Fannie, John R. Saluda, Harris, Ira , Alfred, Esther, William J.

WILLIAM JACOB KEENEY b.1816 in Delaware Co NY; lived with his parents until 1840; made annual trip tyo New Orleans for trading; vice pres and preident of Switzerland & Ohio Agricultural society; inventor of universal pitman, used by Champion mowers and reapers; m. Mary R Truesdell (b.OH) in 1843; children:

HIRAM BOOTHE KEENEY b. 1820 Delaware Com NY, d. 10-1866

m. Delilah Humphrey d/o Stephen in Switzerland Co IN in 1845

JACOB HIRAM KEENEY b.10-1864 Ohio Co IN; buried at Rising Sun IN; m. Mary E (Mollie) Moore (b.11-1864) of Cincinnati OH; manager of coal mining company on border Of Middlesboro KY and Claiborne TN, d.1940; served as Mayor of Middlesboro KY; Children:

Listed in 1910 in Claiborne Co TN census: ARDEN B 25,  
HELEN M. 21, PHILIP B 14, ADAM 7, DELINDA 7

GEORGE H KEENEY b.1848 in Switzerland Co IN; m. Mary Shafer of Aurora IN in 1873; taught school 7 years, became Civil engineer; deputy surveyor 1869-1880 in IN, moved to Rising Sun and was appointed surveyor in 1893; Children:

BURKE, BAYARD, HALE, MABEL and DENVER

HULDA KEENEY, b.1776-1780 in Litchfield Co CT d/o Jonathan & Catherine Boothe Keeney; m. EBENEZER HUMPHREY, born 8 May 1764 Oxford MA; d. 3 Mar 1841 Switzerland Co IN; son of Arthur and Mary Kingsbury Humphrey; Quyerqus Grove Cemetery

ELIAS M HUMPHREY b.4Mar 1791 Orange Co VT; d. 22 Aug

1 868 in Switzerland Co IN; age 77-5-19; m. Nancy Bailey

b. 1793 in VA; d. 17 July 1858 in IN; Children: Emma Ann

1839-1887 (m.Stephen Carver); MARY P 1823-1846 m.Amosa

White: SARAH b.1831 m. Jacob Hayden, Jacob Hess: PURILLA

F Humphrey 1833-in VA, 1861 m. Benjamin Meade

STEPHEN HUMPHREY b. 24 Apr 1792 in Orange Co VT; d.1865

Switzerland Co IN; m. Hannah Barrows b.1793/99; Children:

THEODORE E b.16 May 1820 in OH, d.12 Sept 1883 ; INDI-

ANA A b.12 Sept 1824, IN, d.30 Oct 1903; m. HELEN

AMELIA KEENEY on 3 Mar 1837; GEOVALINA b.1821 OH

m. Hiram Mead 5 Mar 1837; PAULINA GREEN, DELILAH

HUMPHREY 1827-1885 m. HIRAM BOOTH KEENEY

ARTHUR HUMPHREY b.6 May 1803 in Vermont; d. 25 Nov

1867 in IN; m. Catherine Tripp 1804-1856; Children: HULDA

15 Nov 1823,d.14 Nov 1902; m. James H Merit 22 Feb 1844;

ELIAS F HUMPHREY b.1822, m. Eliza I Jack 12 Oct 1848

CORNELIUS HUMPHREY 1830-1872; m. Jane A Harris on

6 Sept 1854; LODINA HUMPHREY b.1838 m.James Bodkin;

ALMIRA HUMPHREY 1839-1922 m. Thomas Elza Abbott

This family line is listed here as a courtesy to Marilyn Warner Abight of Fallbrook, CA, Juanita Johnson of Harrison, TN; and Kathy Bullmer of Dalton GA, who have made numerous queries.

TRABER GATEWOOD KEENEY 1874-1946,  
SON OF REV T. Y. KEENEY 1848-1922 AND  
CHLOE ANN YOUNG KEENEY 1875-1961 AT  
FAMILY HOME ON RT. 60, IN WITCHER WV



RAY CO MO 1821 Assessor's List - JOHN  
KEENEY MISSOURI

LAND CLAIM IN MISSOURI Territory  
Abraham Keeney 1806

VAN BUREN (Cass Co) MO - Will Book  
L850-1860 FOUNTAIN KEENEY d .26  
May 1857; DAVIN KEENEY

UNION CEMETERY, Kansas City MO  
George M Keeney 3-14-1888, age 59  
Rhunna Keeney 3-17-1888, age 58  
Lou Ann Wade Keeney d.1 Aug 1855,  
m. Thomas KEENEY 12-8-1853