

# Solomon Patterson Descendants in New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Iowa

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*A Patterson reunion abt. 1901 in McKean County, Pennsylvania. Children l to r: Frank & Howard Boyer, Harry Ness, Alice Boyer, Eva Hoffman, Leora Ness, Edna Ness, Ernest Hutchins, Ada Ness, Hazel Abbey, Earl Terry, Arthur Ness, Orlo Ness, Emmett Terry.*

*Seated l to r: Fayette Patterson, Ellen Patterson Hoffman, Stephen & Caroline Hopkins Pattison holding Beatrice & Bernice Terry, Catherine Robinson Pattison (Mrs. DeWayne), Angeline Brockham (Mrs. Sylvester) Pattison, Leslie Patterson, Alta Comes Ness.*

*Standing left to right: Mary & Lonnie Boyer, Carrie & Eben Pattison, Lena Pattison, Raymond Field, Mary Pattison Terry, Opal Field, Burr Field, Isabelle Pattison, Emma Pattison Sparks & George Sparks, Nancy Pattison Field, Margaret Boyer Richey, Orpha Boyer Mulvihill, Nettie Maria Smith Abbey. Photo from Abbey family files.*

My interest in the Patterson/Pattison family started when I found the photo above among artifacts in the Abbey homestead in Smethport, Pennsylvania. Kenton Abbey, on the back of the photo, had written all the names. His mother is the person standing far right in the back row. I resolved to research everyone in the photo as well as their ancestors and descendants. That search took some time and serendipity as well. Headshots from the photo appear throughout this article.

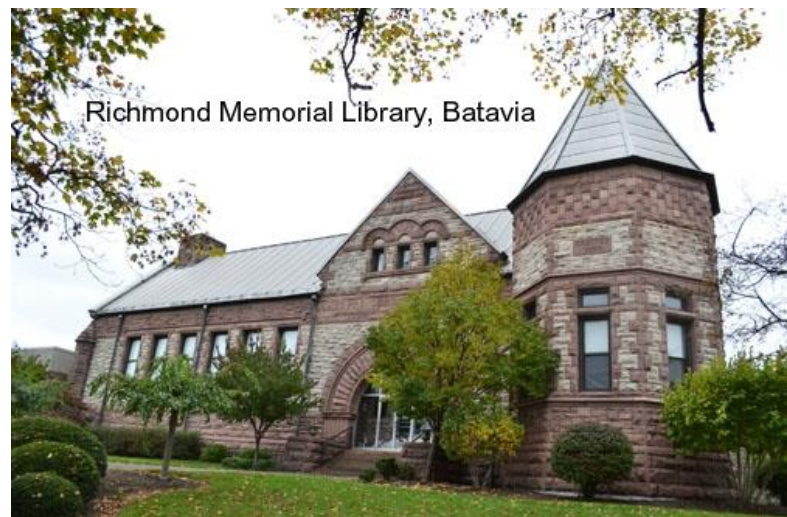
The surnames Patterson and Pattison, for this extended family, are essentially interchangeable. Salmon Patterson, the earliest known Patterson, used both spellings for his

children. His son Ebenezer spelled it Pattison, but later on, believing the family's origin to be Scottish rather than Irish, spelled it Patterson (Appendix 2). Descendants of Ebenezer used both spellings.

Finally, I echo the 1938 comment by Laura Field Tarr (**D1e, Appendix 4**): Despite the large number of descendants in this article, I am fairly certain that few Patterson descendants alive today actually retain the surname Patterson or Pattison.

## SOURCES

All the people in the photo above are descendants of Ebenezer. I knew nothing of his ancestors except that his father was probably Solomon (Salmon). Because Ebenezer was alleged to have come to McKean County from Genesee County, New York, in March 2001 I visited the Genesee County History Department in Batavia. In particular, I wanted to find out about Salmon and the brothers and sisters of Ebenezer. The Department proved to have many relevant documents and histories. A document called Genesee County People, or "Saul's Notes," by Robert Saulsbury et al., has records and transcriptions of newspaper notices dating back to the old days of Genesee County. The Department also has extensive cemetery records, from which I learned many birth and death dates. I also visited the Richmond



Memorial Library in Batavia, where I found several relevant books. Prior to that visit, portions of the obituary of Angeline Pattison Kirkham were emailed to me by Christine Kirkham.

In 2003 Marie Poor, a Patterson descendant in South Dakota, found me, inquiring about a Cook connection. She helped me far more than I helped her, because she sent me a Patterson History (Appendix 1) written by descendants of Francis Marion Patterson, a son of Ebenezer, and other documents (Appendices 2 and 3). I also found a Patterson history (Appendix 4) that was read at one of the Patterson Reunions that were held yearly, near Smethport, between 1926 and 1941. Like most family histories, all these are a mixture of fact and fiction. I have separated, as best I could, fact from fiction, checking against the usual documents – censuses, wills, births and deaths, and newspaper articles. All the histories chiefly contain information about Ebenezer and his descendants, but Appendix 1 has some information about brothers and sisters of Ebenezer.

In this article I have sometimes noted a source for statements, and sometimes I have not. In the latter case, sources can be found in Nearly All Our Ancestors 2, my tree on ancestry.com.

## SOLOMON (SALMON) PATTERSON

All the Patterson Histories (Appendices) say that Salmon was born 13 August 1766 in Ireland. Solomon Patterson was enumerated in 1810 in the Town of Caledonia, Genesee, New York; his age and the age of his wife were more than 45 years, meaning he was born before 1765. He was enumerated in 1800 (below); his age and the age of his wife were between 26 and 45, meaning he was born between 1755 and 1774. Thus a birthdate of 1766 is possible, but a date before 1765 would be more in accord with the 1810 census. In the 1880 census the record for his daughter Elizabeth Patterson Sanders states that her father was born in New York and her mother in Connecticut. Her mother was definitely born in Connecticut, so I am inclined to think that he was

born in New York, not Ireland.

Obituaries of Salmon's children Ebenezer and Angeline Patterson Kirkham indicate that they were born in the **Town of Sangerfield** in, respectively, 1795 and 1802. Sangerfield, originally called Township No. Twenty, of the twenty townships laid out on the west side of the



Unadilla River, was surveyed in 1789 and purchased as a land speculation in 1791. It was included in Herkimer County when that county formed in 1791, and in that year the first settler built a house. The first real immigration started in 1794. In 1796 the number of taxable inhabitants in what is now Sangerfield was 85. In 1798 the Town was included in the new

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Salmon Patterson	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stephen Gask	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Reuben Hudson	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

1800 enumeration of Salmon Paterson in Brookfield, Chenango County. 2M<10,1M26-44,3F<10,1F26-44

county of Chenango, and in 1804 it became part of **Oneida County**.<sup>1</sup> Salmon Paterson [sic] was enumerated in Chenango County in 1800 with children within the correct age ranges. Solomon Patterson was on the tax rolls of Sangerfield, Chenango County, in 1802 and 1803.

The obituary<sup>2</sup> of Angeline Patterson Kirkham says that the family moved from Sangerfield to Stafford, Genesee County, in 1810 and to Barre "soon thereafter." Barre was then in Genesee County; in 1824, a division created Orleans County from the northern part of Genesee. Sangerfield in Oneida County is about 150 miles east of Stafford, which in turn is about 20 miles



south of Barre. In those moves, from Sangerfield to Stafford to Barre, the Solomon Patterson family would have found barely-improved forested wilderness from which trees would have to be cut before farms could be established. Land in western New York opened up for settlement after the American Revolution. Between 1790 and 1830 more than 800,000 people moved into or through western New York from eastern New York or New England. Genesee County history began with a survey by Joseph Ellicott in 1798 for the Holland Land Company, after which the Company invited tavernkeepers to open taverns along a newly constructed road. The first deed of land in Barre from the Company was in 1813, but the first actual settlers came to Barre in 1816. Stores and taverns appeared between 1817 and 1820.<sup>3</sup> On 28 November 1816 Salmon Pattison purchased 100 acres of Lot 19 in Barre from the Holland Lane Company, and on the same date Ebenezer Pattison purchased 100 acres nearby in Lot 35. In each case they each paid \$27 on a purchase price of \$550, leaving \$523 to be paid. In 1818 John Buckland came to Barre from Vermont and settled on Lot 19. He purchased the land from “a Mr. Patterson, who had made some improvements on the place.”<sup>4</sup>

The Patterson History states that Solomon died on 10 Jan 1810. He certainly died before 1820, because he does not appear in a census, and his wife Anna appears (inferred from her age) in the 1820 census in the home of their son Sylvester. The 1818 land transaction suggests, however, that he died after 1818.



The Patterson History claims that John Pattison, who lived and died in Ireland, was the father of Solomon. I know of no way to verify that family legend.

The wife of Solomon was **Anna Jewell** (1765-1829). They were married, by the Histories, on 2 November 1789. She came from a well-known New England family. Her parents were Ebenezer Jewell (1736-1776) and Anna Norton (~1736-~1834). Ebenezer and Anna were married and had all their children in Salisbury, Litchfield, Connecticut, including Anna on 29 September 1765. Litchfield is in western Connecticut, not too far from New York. The well-documented Jewell line has been traced back to Thomas Jewell, born ~1607 in Kingston, Surrey, England and died before July 1654 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts.

After the death of Solomon, Anna lived with her son Sylvester and then some of her younger children in Barre. She died on 15 January 1829 and is buried in the Old Batavia Cemetery, Genesee County, in a plot with her daughter Angeline Kirkham and Angeline’s husband Chauncey Kirkham .

Based on the chronology above, the children of Solomon and Anna with birthdates between 1790 (Olive) and 1805 (Mary) were born in the Town of Sangerfield, which is now in Oneida County. The last, Elizabeth, was probably born in Genesee County.

## CHILDREN OF SOLOMON PATTERSON AND ANNA JEWELL

**A. Olive Pattison** (1790-1867), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Homer Hilton Campbell** (1788-1860). Originally from Massachusetts, Homer fought in the War of 1812 and was a farmer in Barre, then Elba, and finally Pembroke, Genesee County. Olive and Homer are buried in Backhouse Corners Cemetery in Pembroke. Their children were:

**A1) Mary Eliza Campbell** (1816-1877), who married **Norman Swift Woodworth** in 1835 in Elba. She died in Milton Junction, Rock, Wisconsin, and he died in Hale, Trempealeau, Wisconsin.

**A2) Olive Campbell** (1816-1862) married **Charles Artemas Webster** (1815-1854) in 1840 in Barre. He was her first cousin, inasmuch as his mother was Lorana Patterson Webster, a sister of Olive Pattison Campbell. After his death in Rock Island County, Illinois, she married Parmenous Watts, a United Brethren preacher.

**A3) Jerome S Campbell** (1830-1901) married **Sarah Ann Jones** (1843-1915) in Branch County, Michigan. He was a blacksmith who fought in the Civil War.

**A4) Albert Hilton Campbell** (1833-1877), a blacksmith, married **Francina C Morris** (~1839-1895) in 1856 in Mercer County, Illinois. They both died in Dunn County, Wisconsin.

**A5) Alfred Hilton Campbell** (1833-1900), the twin of Albert Hilton Campbell, married **Emily Burroughs** (1838-1902) in 1858 in Napoleon, Jackson, Michigan, her hometown. They were pioneers in California, going there before 1860 and spending most of their lives in Solano County, which lies between San Francisco and Sacramento.

**A6) Mary A E Campbell** (1834-1901) married **Clark L Childs** (1833-1905), a cooper (barrel maker). Unlike her brothers and sisters, she did not leave Genesee County.

**B. Laurana 'Lorana or Laura' Patterson** (1793-1770), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Ezekial Artemas Webster** (1787-) in the place where he was born -- Bernardston, Franklin, Massachusetts. The family lived at Bernardston until the Spring of 1837, when they started for the West, in a covered emigrant wagon, taking their entire family, to Illinois. Once there in Rock Island County, they helped found the Methodist Church of Edgington in the Fall of 1843. The extended family remained in Edgington until about 1870, when some scattered to various points to the west. Both Artemas and Laurana are buried in Edgington, but she probably died in Maxville, Buffalo County, Wisconsin, where her son Caino was living.

Artemas Webster was supposedly a distant relative of Noah Webster, the lexicographer and author of the "American Dictionary of the English Language," the original dictionary bearing the Webster name.

Children of Artemas and Laurana, all born in Bernardston, are:

**B1) Mary Elizabeth Webster** (1810-1814).

**B2) Stephen Pattison Webster** (1812-1858, Hepzabath Holister Alger). They both died in Edgington.

**B3) Orphana Lorana Webster** (1813- )

**B4) Charles Artemas Webster** (1815-1854). He married his first cousin **Olive Campbell** (see above). He died in Edgington, after which she remarried.

**B5) Andrew Jackson Webster** (1817-1901, **Mary Ann Parmeter, Elizabeth LEberhart**).

Andrew married Elizabeth in 1841 after the death of Mary Ann in Edginton. Andrew and Elizabeth in 1873 farmsted near Geneva, Fillmore, Nebraska and retired there. They both died in Geneva.

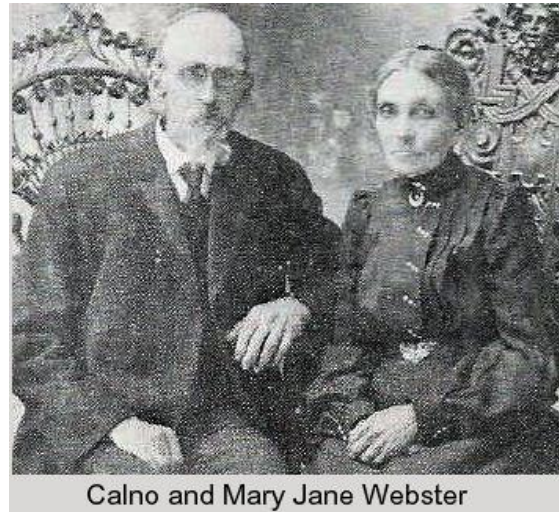
**B6) Hazzard Perry Webster** (1819-1857, **Margaret Cathcard**), was a minister. After he died in Rock Island County, she remarried there in 1846 to Chambers Perry Ober.

**B7) Sylvester Munroe Webster** (1822-1883, **Elizabeth Taylor**). Elizabeth was born in Hollingwood, Lancashire, England. They moved from Edginton to Minnesota. In 1880 they were living in Polk County.

**B8) Ezekial Loomis Webster** (1816-1857). He died in Pepin, Wisconsin.

**B9) Minor William Webster** (1828-1860, **Polly Davis**).

**B10) Calno Uriah Webster** (1833-1920, **Mary Jane Carothers**). Mary Jane's family moved from Ohio to Rock Island County, Illinois, sometime prior to 1857. Calno and Mary Jane, with their two children, moved to Maxville, Buffalo County, Wisconsin, in the spring 1860. They moved again to St. Croix County, Wisconsin, in the fall of 1876 and in 1879 to Fishers Landing, Polk County, Minnesota. Calno U. Webster, Sr., was a carpenter and a farmer, and served as Town Clerk, Postmaster, and Justice of the Peace several years in Wisconsin. He built and operated a sawmill at Maxville, Wisconsin, where he was burnt out, rebuilt, and then sold out. At Fishers Landing, Minnesota, he was Town and Village Clerk, Town Treasurer, and also Justice of the Peace. Calno and Mary Jane are both buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Fisher County, Minnesota.



Calno and Mary Jane Webster

**C. Ebenezer Pattison or Patterson** (1795-1875) will be discussed below.



**D. Sylvester Patterson** (1797-1849), son of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Tabitha (Talitha) Tripp** (1799-1876) in 1824 in Barre. Her father Anthony Tripp was born in Providence, Rhode Island. Anthony's father moved the family to Columbia County, New York. There, in Columbia County, Anthony married Mary 'Polly' Russell Brown. That new family moved to Meredith, Delaware County, where Tabitha was born, and in 1811 to the Town of Barre, then in Genesee County, where Anthony bought 100 acres of land from the Holland Company. He did not immediately settle on the land because of outbreak of the War of 1812. In 1817 Anthony's eldest son, Samuel, started clearing this land and built a log house,

into which Mr. Tripp moved with his family in 1824, and where he continued to reside until his death.<sup>3</sup>

Various portions of Lot 18 in T14 R02, Town of Barre, were sold or resold by the Holland Land Company between 1823 and 1836. On November 19, 1827 52 acres in the northeast part were transferred to Sylvester Patterson. On June 5, 1828 Sylvester Pattison [sic] paid a subsequent receipt. On November 10, 1928, 12 1/2 acres in the northwest part were deeded to Sylvester Patterson.<sup>4</sup> Sylvester farmed that land until his death. Tabitha lived there for a time after that with some of her children and her mother. Both Sylvester and Tabitha are buried in the West Barre Cemetery.

Children of Sylvester and Tabitha, all born in Barre or West Barre:

**D1) Mary Patterson** (1825- ).

**D2) Ambrose S Patterson** (1828-1880) was a farmer. Ambrose had two wives. The first, **Matilda E** (1830-1864), had five children with Ambrose—Ellen C, Peter, Vernon Augustus (Sarah Elizabeth Zenor), Lina, and Merton Lewis (Nellie M Rehfeld). Matilda died in Barre. Ambrose's second wife was **Adelle D Clark** (~1846- ) from Allegany County, New York. After Matilda's death, Ambrose moved with Adelle to the Town of Carlton, Orleans County, and then to Saunders County, Nebraska. He died in Mitchell County, Kansas. The children of Ambrose and Adelle were Grace Olivia (Frank Streeter, a farmer in Barre), Matilda 'May' Adelle (Phineas Albert Alvord)), and Daniel Sylvester.

**D3) Elsey Louise Patterson** (1829-1830)

**D4) Harriet P Patterson** (1832-1920). Harriet attended school at Cary Seminary, Oakfield, New York, and at Ypsilanta Academy, Illinois. She was a teacher for many years; teaching in New York, Illinois and Michigan. While a teacher at Ypsilanta Academy, she had the pleasure of hearing Abraham Lincoln and Steven A. Douglass. She was an active reader and an ardent member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Rather late in life, ~1883, she became the second wife of **Lauren Grinnell** (1821-1910). After Lauren's death, she lived with her niece Grace Olivia Patterson and Grace's husband Frank Streeter in Barre.

**D5) Solomon A Patterson** (1834-1923) had a mental illness. He was attended to most of his life by family members including his mother, his sister Harriett Grinnell, and his niece and nephew Grace Olivia Patterson Streeter and Frank Streeter.

**D6) Martha S Patterson** (1838-1860).

**E. Ann Pattison** (1799- ), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Thomas Norton**, a cabinet maker in Ripley, Chautauqua, New York. They both probably died in Carroll, Chautauqua County.

**F. Angeline Patterson** (1802-1879), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Chauncey Kirkham** (1792-1857) in 1821 in Barre. Born in Farmington, Connecticut, he had come from Ithaca, New York, to Batavia in 1817. For many years he was a manufacturer of furniture and a prominent citizen of Batavia. When he died, he left a widow and four surviving children -- Angela, Lyman Stuart, Charles Henry and Mary Isabella. Chauncey was a brother of Samuel Kirkham, the author of well-known education textbooks on Grammar and Elocution. Supposedly, as a youth, **Abraham Lincoln** studied religiously during his lunch hour using his Kirkham Grammar book and its lessons, such as "Remember that on the intellect of your youth rests the future of your beloved country."

Angeline and Chauncey are buried in the Old Batavia Cemetery. Their children, all born in



Batavia, are:

**F1) Chauncey Kirkham, Jr.** (1824-1857) was a member of the firm of Bostwick and Kirkham in the hardware trade. He died the same year his father did and is buried in the same cemetery.



**F2) Angela Kirkham** (1828-1919) married **Joseph F Davis** in 1857. Davis was a native of Boonsboro, Washington County, Maryland. After a short time in Batavia, they moved back to Funkstown, Washington, Maryland. During the Civil War Davis was an ardent supporter of the Union and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of his state at the time emancipation of slaves was decreed. The town, however, was strongly pro-secession in sentiment. When the Union Party raised its flag in front of Davis' general store, the pole was ruined by secessionists. Likewise, a flag displayed at the front door of the Davis home was torn to shreds one night. Confederate sympathizers threatened to burn Davis's store and run his "damned Yankee wife" out of town.

After her husband died in 1879, in Philadelphia, Angela lived the rest of her life back in Batavia. She

was enumerated in 1880 living with her niece Ida B Kirkham, the daughter of her then-deceased brother Lyman Stuart Kirkham. Angela is buried with husband Joseph in Boonsboro, Maryland.

**F3) Lyman Stuart Kirkham** (~1832-1872) married **Mary Francis Parsons** (1837-1888) in 1853 in Batavia. They had a daughter Ida Belle Kirkham, who married William A Page in 1887 in Batavia.

**F4) Euphemia Kirkham** (~1837- ) died sometime before 1857.

**F5) Charles Henry Kirkham** (1840-1919) lived and died in Chicago. He had employment with a yeast company, was President of Consolidated Barb Wire, and in 1899 was in real estate. His wife was **Mary Dinsmore Severance**. They had a daughter Leigh who was born and died in Chicago, but her marriage to Norman Richard Williams in 1906 took place back in Batavia.

**F6) Mary Isabella Kirkham** (1843-1890) became the second wife of **William H Burton, Jr.**, a lawyer. They lived most of their lives in Waterloo, Seneca, New York, where he is buried. Mary Isabella, however, is in the Batavia Cemetery.

**G. Mary 'Polly' Patterson** (1805- ), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Daniel Beadle** in September 1826 in Batavia. Daniel died about five years later. After that, in September 1832, Mary married **John Gifford** (1802- ) at St. James Church (Episcopal) in Batavia. It was a double wedding at which her sister Elizabeth married Joseph Sanders.

**H. Elizabeth 'Betsy' Patterson** (1810-1881), daughter of Solomon Patterson and Anna Jewell, married **Joseph Sanders** (1809-1885) in the ceremony discussed in the paragraph above. Joseph was born in Sudbury, Rutland, Vermont. They moved to Burlington, Calhoun, Michigan shortly after the birth of their first child in 1833. The 1877 History of Calhoun County, Michigan says that "a Mr. Tuck in 1832 erected the first log house in Burlington Twp. The next winter Joseph Sanders erected his log house.... As Joseph Sanders is now the only one of the very earliest



*pioneers remaining, he deserves at our hands more than a passing notice. He was born in Vermont, and when quite young moved to Batavia, Genesee County, New York, from whence he started on the 26th of September, 1833, for his future home in the west. He went from Batavia to Buffalo by team, and there embarked on the 'Washington,' then the largest and best steamer on Lake Erie. After a voyage of five days he landed in Detroit, and there hired a man and team to bring himself, wife, and infant child to Jackson. There he inquired for the best farming country, and was directed to that portion of the present township of Burlington, then first known as McCamly's Prairie. He induced the teamster to bring himself and little family on, and on the 8th of October, 1833, he first set foot on his present homestead on section 24."*

Elizabeth and Joseph are buried in the New Burlington Cemetery. Their children are:

**H1) Joseph Sanders, Jr.** (1833-1914). Joseph, a farmer, was married twice. His first wife was **Mary Jane Loveland** (1843-1882). Joseph and Mary Jane lived in Burlington, where Joseph grew up, until sometime before 1880, when they moved to Emmett County, Michigan. Mary Jane died there in 1882. In the next year Joseph married **Mary Louise Leusing** (1849-1919) in Harbor Springs, Emmet County. Mary Louise was born in Phillipsburg, Waterloo, Canada.

Sometime around 1890 Joseph relocated again, to Colville, Stevens, Washington. His children Adelbert, Mildred Ann Faurot, and Leo Ray also moved to Colville. Mary Louise went also, but she and Joseph divorced, so in 1910 she was back in Calhoun County, Michigan, living with her daughter Elsie Violetta Morey. Joseph then lived with his daughter Mildred Ann Faurot in Colville, where he died.

Children of Joseph and Mary Jane Loveland: Chauncy Jason Sanders (1867-1946, Charlotte 'Lottie' Collins); Adelbert Sanders (~1863-1946, Florence Ibbitson); Mildred Ann 'Minnie' Sanders (1871-1946, Jason Adelbert Faurot); Elmer Ray Sanders (~1876-1880); and Leo Ray Sanders (1880-1948, Edna Wood Perry). The child of Joseph and Mary Louise Leusing was Elsie Violetta Sanders (1884-1937, Harvey Johnson and William Henry More). Elsie returned to Calhoun County with her mother.

**H2) Chauncey K Sanders** (1836-~1859) married **Amanda Alvina Short** (1842-1922) in 1857 in Marengo, Calhoun, Michigan. They had one child, Abner C Sanders (1858-1871). Chauncey died one year after Abner was born; Abner came to be known as Abner C Rogers, because Amanda married Stephen M Rogers.

**H3) Mary Angeline Sanders** (1838-1908) married **Milo W Richardson**, a farmer in Burlington. They had two children—Kassen (1867-1947, Estella J Roach) and Nellie (1870-1921, Harvey Gifford Crego).

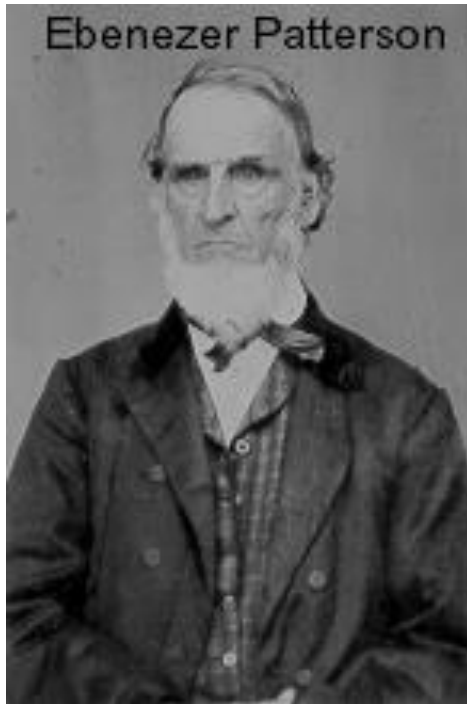
**H4) William Henry Sanders** (1839-1918) was a peddler in Burlington. In 1869 he married **Mary Etta Waggoner** (1854-1920). They were divorced in 1901 in Calhoun County after having four children; the cause was desertion.

**H5) Sarah Caroline Sanders** (1843-1901) married **Milton M Engle** (1840-1923), a farmer in Calhoun County, in 1866.

**H6) Ellen Sanders** (1845-1933) married **Richard Thomas** (1826-1905) in 1882 in Burlington. After marriage they journeyed west to Aqua Fria, Yavapai County, Arizona Territory, where he was a station keeper. After his death, she returned to Calhoun County and in 1910 married **Edson Treadwell** (1842-1918).

**H7) Leverrier Sanders** (1853-1931), a farmer, lived all his life in Burlington and did not marry.

## EBENEZER PATTERSON (PATTISON)



Ebenezer Patterson was born 20 December 1795 in the Town of Sangerfield, Herkimer (now Oneida) County, New York. His family moved to Stafford, Genesee County in 1810 and soon thereafter to Barre, Genesee (now Orleans) County. As discussed above, his father Solomon purchased 100 acres in Barre in 1816 from the Holland Lane Company, and on the same date Ebenezer Pattison purchased 100 acres nearby in Lot 35. He would then have been 21. Both purchases eventually reverted to the Company.

According to the Patterson History, on 6 Jan 1822, in McKean County, Pennsylvania, he married Nancy Brewer, who had been born in 1805 in either New York or Connecticut. Her parents were Nathaniel Brewer, born in Rhode Island, and Phebe, born in Connecticut. Nathaniel and Phebe were among the first settlers of the Potato Creek area of Norwich Township, McKean County. I will diverge here to talk about that settlement.

*The 1815 Migration to Norwich Township. In October 1815 fifteen families moved from the Town of Norwich, Chenango County, New York to the wilds of the Potato Creek Valley in Norwich Township (then Sergeant), McKean County, Pennsylvania. Some had first emigrated from Norwich, Connecticut to Norwich, New York. Heads of families that joined the migration were Nathaniel Brewer and his brothers William and Isaac, John Abbey, Rowland Burdick, Isaac Burlingame, Jonathan Colegrove, Jr. and his brothers Park and Benjamin, David Comes, Nathaniel Gallup, Gideon Irons and his son Gideon Irons, Jr., William Smith and his son Eseck, and Timothy Wolcott. The party was led by Jonathan Colegrove, Jr., who helped persuade them to exchange their property in New York for the lands in Pennsylvania. They were led to believe that the area had rich farmland and great mineral wealth. Neither turned out to be true, although later oil was discovered in McKean County. The wilderness area had no roads, so they had to ascend Potato Creek, with much labor and expense, in canoes, with their families and goods.*

*To make matters worse, in 1816, a volcanic eruption in the South Pacific caused a darkened sky during the summer, and it snowed in June, freezing the crops. Isaac Burlingame and his father-in-law Timothy Wolcott travelled to Pittsburgh via canoe to bring supplies. A story goes that Seneca Indians were watching with amusement as one of the canoes laden with potatoes spilled in the creek near their home destination. That event gave rise to the name Potato Creek.*

Ebenezer bought land in Barre in 1816, so obviously he was not part of the 1815 migration, although his wife Nancy was. The Patterson History says that Ebenezer moved from Genesee County to Pennsylvania about 1820. Birthplaces of his children<sup>5</sup> suggest that from 1822 to about 1831 Ebenezer and Nancy moved back to Genesee County before returning to Pennsylvania. The Patterson History says they returned when DeWayne was about three, or 1831. Ebenezer Pattison is listed as a resident of Norwich Township in a 1837 census and in the 1840 Federal Census but not in the 1830 census.

A marker next to his gravestone indicates that he fought in the War of 1812. There is also a document filed in the Veterans Office at the McKean County Courthouse, although I did not find his name in the War of 1812 Pay Roll Records in the Genesee County History Department. According to The Patterson History, Ebenezer belonged to the State Militia. On general training day he was reprimanded by the commanding colonel; failing to conform to that order to the colonel's satisfaction, the officer struck him with his sword. Thereupon Ebenezer knocked the colonel off his horse and stomped him. This incident induced him to make a sudden trip to the wilds of McKean County, Pennsylvania. Family stories can range from "believable" to "maybe" to "not believable." I find this story to be in the last category, largely because he left Genesee about 1820, a long time after 1812.



Tombstone reads "E. Patterson"

According to The Patterson History, Ebenezer was "*possessed of a good education, but we are not able to ascertain when or how he obtained it. Our mother, Armenia Patterson, was a school teacher before her marriage and taught in the school district in which Ebenezer lived, and she says that he was one of the best posted men in orthography in all that county. He was justice of the peace for over twenty-five years.*"

Nancy Brewer Pattison died between 1860 and 1870. Ebenezer died at the home of his son, DeWayne F. Pattison, on 16 March 1875. DeWayne swore on April 28, 1875, in a document found in the McKean County Register of Wills, that Ebenezer Pattison died at 5 a.m. on March 16, late of Hamlin Township. Administrators of the estate were D F Pattison and S W Pattison. In addition to them, A N Taylor and Daniel Forsyth posted bond for the estate. Estate papers show that a farm was sold on July 31, 1875. On April 28 his goods, chattel, and credits consisted of one buggy \$8, one cooking stove \$1, one dish kettle \$0.25, one cutter \$0.50, one single harness \$2.00, and one bedstead \$1.50.



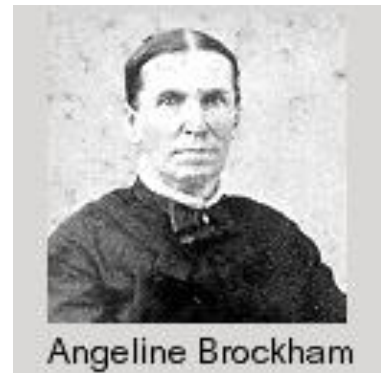
## CHILDREN OF EBENEZER PATTERSON (PATTISON) AND NANCY BREWER

The children will be discussed in this order:

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### A. Sylvester Jewell Pattison (1822-1870)

Sylvester was one of the children of Ebenezer and Nancy who was born in Genesee County. On 3 Jun 1849 he married **Angeline Brockham** (1825-1914), the daughter of Joseph Brockham, a farmer in Keating Township, McKean County, and Catherine Lenhardt. Sylvester was a lumberman. That occupation took him to Emporium, in neighboring Cameron County. There he was contracted to harvest pine timber that was floated down the Susquehanna River to the Philadelphia shipyards to be used for ship masts. The site of this pioneer lumbering venture is known today as Patterson Draw. Sylvester died in Emporium on 1 March 1870 of phrenitis (inflammation of the brain).



Angeline was a widow for 44 years. Most of that time she lived with her daughter Millicent in Smethport. She is entombed next to Millicent in Saint Elizabeths Catholic Cemetery in Smethport.

Children of Sylvester Jewell Pattison and Angeline Brockham:



**A1. Leslie Ambrose Patterson** (1849-1929) married **Clara Annabell Cleveland** (1854-1942) in 1875. Clara was born in Tioga County and came to McKean County when she was three. Leslie was a farmer in Farmers Valley, near Smethport, until later in life when he was in business with his son Harry in Olean, New York. He died at the home of his daughter Bertha Digel. Graves of Leslie and Clara are in Rosehill Cemetery in Smethport but are unmarked. Their children were:

**A1a. Cora May Patterson** (1876-1876)

**A1b. Ida Leora Patterson** (1878-1880)

**A1c. Claude Elwyn Patterson** (1879-1949) in 1903 married **Caroline America 'Carrie' Rees** (1884-1966). He was a farmer in Farmers Valley and a long-time oil field worker. Children of Claude and Carrie were **Muriel Agnes Patterson** (1904-1959, Howard Collins Parker); **Vera Leola Patterson** (1905-1995, **Algot Clifford Gerhard Carlson**, who with Vera had an orchard and vineyard in Ripley, Chautauqua, New York);



Ansel Patterson

**Ansel Fayette Patterson** (1908-1971, Kathleen M Laing) who worked in the oil fields and then retired to Ripley, New York; **Myrtle Lola Patterson** (1910-1938, Lyman Alson Clyne, who also worked in the oil fields).

Ansel Patterson had a son **Dale Lewis Patterson** (1936-2004, Maria Weis), who had two sons. Those sons are among the few descendants of Solomon Patterson who are named Patterson.



**A1d. Clara Ethel Patterson** (1881-1944) had two husbands. The first was **Wilbur Milo Oviatt** (1879-1963), a farmer in Norwich Township. They were divorced. The second was **Robert R Oliver** (1872-1939), a farmer and oil field worker. They were never divorced but lived separately. The child of Clara and Wilbur Oviatt was **Bernice Iola Oviatt** (1910-1961), a practical nurse. Late in life Bernice married **John Milo Fredericks** (1905-1958), a carpenter.

**A1e. Harry Robert Patterson** (1884-1971) was a furniture store merchant in Olean, New York. His wife was **Mildred Elliott** (1909-1968). He adopted a son **Nelson Robert Patterson**



WALTER DIGEL - LESLIE PATTERSON

(1928-2000, Delores Jean Shaw) that she had with George Cummings.

**A1f. Bertha Frances Patterson** (1890-1985) married **Walter Frederick Digel** (1890-1967) in 1912. Walter was a graduate of Westbrook Business College in Olean, New York. The family resided in Olean for several years and in Farmers Valley after

1925. He was employed by the S H (Silas Hugh) Elder Company of Coleville, an oil production company, for many years. Their children were Shirley Patricia Digel (1917-2008, Earl John Sprester) and Joyce Loraine Digel (1927- , Richard Edward Brandes). Both Shirley and Joyce lived in Texas, where Bertha also lived after the death of Walter.

Walter was related to Silas Hugh Elder by marriage. The grandson of Silas, Robert Adam Digel, a first cousin of Walter Digel, was raised by Silas. Robert took over S H Elder Company after 1936, after Silas died. Robert married into the Hamlin family, which ran the Hamlin Bank and were important people in Smethport, and became a bank director.

**A2. Esta Celine Patterson** (1852-1863), daughter of Sylvester Ambrose Patterson and Angeline Brockham.

**A3. Ida Mae Patterson** (1857-1863), daughter of Sylvester Ambrose Patterson and Angeline Brockham.

**A4. Millicent Anne 'Millie' Pattison** (1863-1954), daughter of Sylvester Ambrose Patterson and Angeline Brockham, never married. She was educated in the Smethport schools and Clarion Normal School and taught for a number of years in the public schools until she gave up that profession to care for her mother. She was a professional caterer for some time and was also employed in the Hamlin mansions on Main Street in Smethport, first for Henry Hamlin, the banker, and his wife Hannah McCoy Hamlin, then for Hannah after Henry died, and finally for Hannah's daughter Eugenia Hamlin Merrill.



Millie is buried with her mother in St. Elizabeth's in Smethport.



## B. Emily Phoebe Pattison (1824-1891)

Emily was another of the children of Ebenezer and Nancy born in Genesee County, on 13



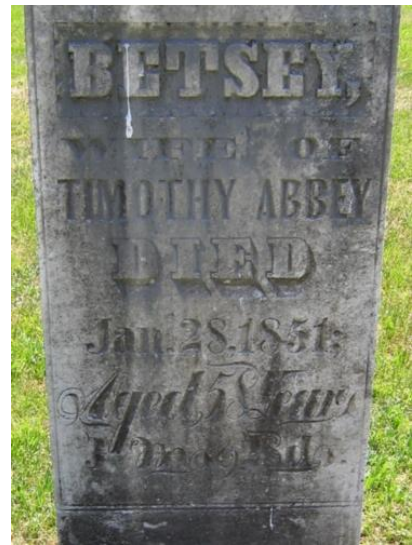
Jay & Pitt Abbey with their mother  
Emily Pattison Abbey

January 1824. In 1850 she married Nathaniel W. Abbey (1819-1890). He was the grandson of John and Lydia Wolcott Abbey, one of the pioneering families who settled in the Potato Creek valley in 1815.<sup>6</sup>

The parents of N W Abbey, Timothy and Betsey, came to Potato Creek about five years after Timothy's parents John and Lydia. Betsey's parents were John Jacox and Sarah Hazzard, who lived in New

Berlin, Chenango, New York, where Betsey was born.

Betsey died



in Norwich Township in 1851, but Timothy relocated to Berlin, Green Lake, Wisconsin about 1855. His youngest daughters Emily Cordelia Stickles and Mary Langworthy had joined the Seventh-Day Baptist church in Pennsylvania and then moved with their families to The Seventh-Day community in Wisconsin. It was a small denomination that migrated westward from New England and was established in Berlin in January

1850. The mother of Mary's husband Peletiah Wellington Langworthy, Martha Mills Langworthy, had lost her husband about 1848. Martha and Timothy were married in Berlin about 1856 and joined the Church.

Brothers and sisters of N. W. Abbey who did not leave McKean County were Lucinda Abbey (John Dunbar), John J Abbey (Lydia Seamons), George Palmer Abbey (Melissa Polly Burbank), Harry T Abbey (Olive Gallup, Nancy Corwin), and Sarah Abbey (Alonzo Burbank).<sup>6</sup>

N. W. Abbey received a common-school education and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed until 1886, when he started a grocery, flour and feed store in Smethport. He was elected

county commissioner in 1881, serving a term of three years. In addition to carpentry, he was a



joiner, contractor, and builder. He oversaw construction, as a commissioner, when the Second McKean County Courthouse was built in 1881. He also supervised construction of the Smethport grade school. Between 1852 and 1869 N.W. Abbey owned Hamlin Lake in Smethport, which was used at that time to float logs down Marvin Creek.

The N W Abbey family moved from Norwich Township into Smethport before 1860. In 1869 N.W. bought the house and lot at the Corner of King and Franklin Streets that stayed in the family for many decades. At one time the lot was the entire block, but parcels were sold at various times. The Northwest parcel bounded by Franklin and Green Streets was sold to Orpha Callar, later sold to the Richmond family, and the northeast parcel to William Gifford. N W constructed a house on the northwest parcel for Smethport pharmacist Edwin F Richmond, completing it in 1880. The house was later occupied by U S Congressman Albert W Johnson.

Emily Pattison Abbey died a year after her husband. They are buried in the Norwich Township Cemetery, near the prominent tombstone of Betsey Jaycox Abbey.

Children of Emily Phoebe Pattison and Nathaniel W. Abbey:

**B1. Jay Brewer Abbey** (1853-1900) married **Frances ‘Fannie’ Dorothy Jones**. I have discussed Jay and Fannie and their ancestors and descendants in my article **Francis Dorothy ‘Fannie’ Jones Abbey Earl Puckett (1870-1963)**.

**B2. Pitt Eben Abbey** (1859-1915) married **Nettie Maria Smith** (1864-1951) in 1882. She was the granddaughter of Eseck Smith, who accompanied his father William Smith as part of the 1815 pioneering group to Potato Creek in Norwich (then Sergeant) Township. Her father was Herman Riley Smith (1834-1965). Herman’s wife was Eliza Jane Parker (1840-1895), a daughter of Ebenezer Parker and Elizabeth Moore. Herman took his family west to Otsego County, Wisconsin, to settle on a government section of land. Nettie was born there. Once the Civil War started, Herman served with the Wisconsin Heavy Artillery Regiment. After he returned from service, broken in health, he brought his family back to McKean County. He lived, however, only a short time after returning to Pennsylvania. The five children of Herman and Eliza Jane were parceled out to various relatives and non-relatives.



**Nettie and Pitt Abbey**

Born in Smethport, in early life Pitt Abbey became a telegraph operator and was employed for a time as an operator in the Western New York & Pennsylvania (later the Pennsylvania) station at East Smethport. Afterwards Pitt and Nettie resided in Derrick City, Rock City, State Line, and Four Mile while Mr. Abbey was station agent on the narrow-gauge railroad (Olean, Bradford, & Warren) between Olean and Bradford. He was also postmaster at Four Mile, an oil town near Olean. The family moved to Smethport about 1891, when Pitt Abbey became Railway Express agent. He sustained a stroke in 1907 that partially disabled him and prevented his pursuing an occupation, although he was



not confined to the home and could be seen around town. He was in apparent good health the day before his death.

The children of Pitt and Nettie were:

**B2a. Earl Ray Abbey** (1883-1957) married **Kathryn Fay McGowan** (1886-1940) in Smethport in 1907. He was station agent for the Kushequa Railroad at Newton and was Railway Express agent in Smethport. Newton no longer exists. The railroad was a very short line, northeast of Mt. Jewett, built to haul timber. Earl moved to Akron in 1915 and was employed by rubber manufacturing firms, last with Firestone. He retired five years before his death.

Earl and Kathryn did not get along. Kathryn took her daughter Kathryn and son Tommy to live in Limestone, Cattaraugus, New York, the last ten years of her life. She was an operator for New York Bell Telephone.

After Kathryn died, Earl married **Nancy Jane 'Jennie' Nichols Vinson** (1886-1976), a widow, in Akron in 1949.

Children of Earl and Kathryn were **Osborne Fay Abbey** (1908-1975, Mary Ella Goodwin), **Roland Earl Abbey**, **Earl Robert Abbey** (1913-1979, Catherine Christopher), **Kathryn Caroline Abbey** (1919-2003, Myer David Smith), and **Thomas Anthony Abbey** (1926-2004, Mildred Elaine Hardy and Barbara Jean 'Bobbie' Barrett). Osborne Abbey was employed as Chief Accountant for the Pennsylvania Bureau of Employment Security, in Bradford, for 38 years; he dealt with employers in matters relating to payments for unemployment compensation premiums. Roland lived less than 10 years; he is buried in an unmarked grave in the Abbey plot of Rosehill Cemetery in Smethport. Tom Abbey spent most of his career in the paper industry; in 1979, he and Bobbie formed their own company, Bar A Enterprises.

**B2b. Hazel Vera Abbey** (1886-1950) lived at home all her life but died at Warren State Hospital. Her tombstone is in the Abbey plot in Rosehill Cemetery.

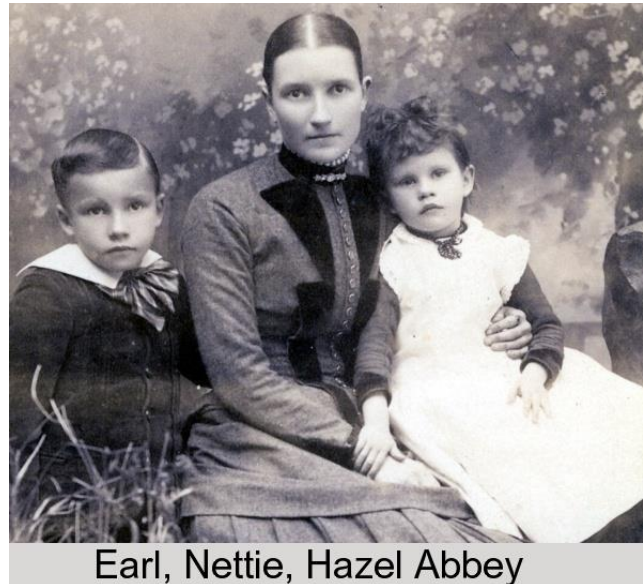


Louise & Kenton Abbey 1939

**B2c. Kenton Clark Abbey** (1903-1984) married **Louise Hulda Vanblad** in 1938 in Smethport. He started to work in the McKean County Democrat office in Smethport when a young boy and became a typographer (Linotype operator) for the Democrat and, after it ceased operations, for the Bradford Era. He also was a writer and the first city editor and then managing editor of the Democrat and was responsible for the makeup of the Democrat and the Eldred Eagle.

Kenton and Louise had two daughters.

The parents of Louise Vanblad, Carl John Wennblad and Emma Charlotta Matson, emigrated from different parts of



Earl, Nettie, Hazel Abbey



Jönköpings County in southern Sweden and met in Smethport. I have traced both of their ancestries back several generations in Sweden. Louise ran a beauty shop, first with her mother Emma and then by herself.



John and Emma  
Vanblad

### **C. Nathaniel Brewer Pattison (1826-1846)**

Nathaniel, son of Ebenezer and Nancy Brewer Patterson, was born in Genesee County. He died in Norwich Township.

### D. DeWayne Francis Pattison (1828-1899)

DeWayne, son of Ebenezer and Nancy Brewer Patterson, was also born in Genesee County.<sup>5</sup> DeWayne's various occupations included farming on Marvin Creek and keeping a hotel at



DeWayne Pattison

Larabee. He was also the first contractor to build roads for the State in McKean County -- the road from Hazelhurst to Mount Jewett, the road from Mount Jewett to Kushequa, and the Mount Jewett-Kane road. He was a supervisor of Hamlin Township for several years and a State Road Commissioner for many years, holding that office at the time of his death. He became a mason while a young man and also a member of the Methodist Church. He was supervising repair of a drain in Hazelhurst when the intense heat caused his collapse.

In 1854 DeWayne married **Catherine Robinson** (1839-1918). She was born in Steuben County, New York, and came down to Hamlin Township in McKean County with her parents, George E Robinson and Eliza Ann Greenwood Robinson, and siblings. George bought farm land in Steele County, Minnesota, in 1861 and relocated there. Two of their sons went west with the parents. A daughter, born in Pennsylvania, also went west to Minnesota.

After DeWayne's death, Catherine lived with her daughter Lena Pattison Stoddard in Hazelhurst. DeWayne and Catherine are buried in poorly-marked graves in the Kasson Cemetery, Hamlin Township. Their children:



Catherine Robinson

**D1. Nancy A Pattison** (1855-1933) married **Joseph Henry Field** (1849-1936). Joseph was a farmer on Marvin Creek, Hamlin Township, near Hazelhurst. Their children were:

**D1a. Frederick Albert Field** (1875-1953) married **Eliza Marion Reid** (1876-1956) in 1895 in Smethport. Eliza was born in Sadowa, Ontario, Canada. They had seven children. After a divorce, Eliza married Clarence Cadwallader Hutchins (**G7**). Clarence was the first cousin once removed of Frederick Field. Fred also remarried, to Mary Clancy. They had two children.

**D1b. Burr Duane Field** (1816-1928) attended the Warren (Pennsylvania) Business University for business and commercial law. After he established a mercantile house in Hazelhurst, he sold out two years later and worked for various companies in the livestock business in the Western states. He came to Utah to work at the Ogden Packing Company in the sales and credits



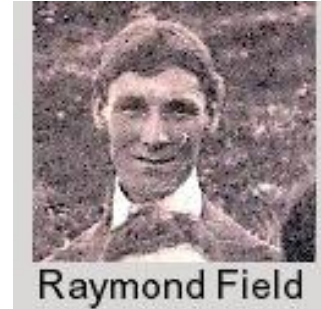
Burr Field

department, and two years later he became general manager of the Utah Packing & Provision Company. He then resigned four years later to organize the Salt Lake Union Stock Yards. He became a director in or officer of a number of mining and oil companies, including gold and silver mines in Park City and the Cottonwood King Consolidation of claims in Big Cottonwood Canyon outside Salt Lake. He also owned two large ranches.

All that business empire came crashing down on 11 June 1928. While exploring a water source in the Mutual Metal Mines in Big Cottonwood, he and another man were asphyxiated by mine gas.

Burr had married **Memphis Williams** in 1905 in Pocatello, Idaho, and in 1923 he married **Mary Sorenson**. He and Memphis had three children, including a son named Dewaine.

**D1c. Raymond Field** (1878-1943) married **Lois Alicia Wiggins** in 1906 in Ogden, Utah. He was a contracting paperhanger and painter in Ogden.



Raymond Field

**D1d. Opal Fields** (1880-1943) married **Archie Nelson Capwell** (1877-1940) in 1905. They lived on the farm of her father on Marvin Creek in Hamlin Township and took over management of it after her father retired. Their son was Gerald Arlton Capwell (Laura Perry). After the death of Opal's brother Orlo, they adopted Orlo's daughter Virginia.



Opal Capwell

**D1e. Henry Field** (1882-1957) worked for Quaker State Oil from 1929 to 1943 and then for the State Highway Dept until he retired in 1956. In 1904, in Portville, Cattaraugus, New York, he married **Lucy Ann Burroughs** (1886-1972). Their children were Harry Alvin Field (Grace Nortum, her second marriage), Laura Field (Norman Tarr), Kathryn Lucilla Field (Harry Mayer), Opal Field (Wilbur Miller, Joseph Riale), June Field (Dale Nelswonger, Frederick Campbell), Christle Field (Ren Mayer, Otto Mazur), Joseph Henry Field (Martha Leet), and Neva Rae Field.

A grandson of Henry and Lucy and the daughter of Kathryn Field Mayer, Ralph J Mayer, married Jonnie Lynn Peterson. Jonnie Lynn was the first cousin once removed of Louise Vanblad, the wife of Kenton C Abbey (**B2c**).

**D1f. Warley Field** (1886-1953) married **Mae Buckley** in 1913 while he was a stationary engineer with Pierce Oil Co. in Rochester, New York. He relocated to the Salt Lake, Utah, area, where his brother Burr lived, to be a silver mine foreman. In 1920 he married **Amy Sorenson**, the sister of Burr's second wife Mary Sorenson. By 1940 he had relocated again to Los Angeles, where he was a steam power plant engineer. He died and is buried in Los Angeles.

**D1g. Orlo Field** (1890-1927) married **Frances Mildred Coleman** in 1914. He was divorced from Mildred and a farmer employed by his brother-in-law Archie Capwell when he died of septuemia (septicimia) following fracture of his leg in an automobile accident. Their daughter Virginia Maxine Field (1916-1965, Edward Penfield Erskin) was adopted by Archie and Opal Capwell.

**D1h. Claude Field** (1892-1917) was murdered and robbed of his paycheck, in Hazelhurst, by one Stanley Ingle.



George&Emma Pattison Sparks

**D2. Emma Ann Pattison** (1857-1941) taught school but then married **George Henry Sparks** (1863-1942) in 1887 in Smethport. They lived in Hazelhurst. He had various jobs including farmer, painter, and cutter in a glass factory. They had no children of their own but adopted Dorothy E Abbey, the daughter of Jay Eben Abbey and Frances Dorothy Jones Abbey (**B1**). After Jay died, Frances farmed out her five children. I told Dorothy's story in my article **Francis Dorothy 'Fannie' Jones Abbey Earl Puckett (1870-1963)**.

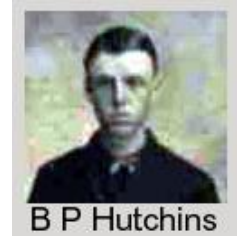


**D3. Melissa Ellen Pattison** (1860-1937) was living on the farm of a relative, Jabez Gallup, in 1885 when she married **Burton Putnam Hutchins** (1862-1940). He was her first cousin, because his mother, Olive Rebecca Pattison Hutchins, was the sister of her father DeWayne.



Melissa Pattison

Censuses tell us that in 1900 Bert was a teamster in Hamlin Township, in 1915 an oil pumper in Rochester, New York, in 1920 a locomotive shop machinist in Dubois, Pennsylvania, in 1930 an oil well laborer in Olean, New York, and in 1940, retired and a widower, living with son Delano in Rochester. His obituary says that he was employed for 21 years prior to retirement by the Vacuum Oil Company in Rochester.



B P Hutchins

In 1935 a man coming down a steep hill, from a farm, onto the main highway near Rochester lost his brakes and rammed into the car carrying Bert and Melissa. Melissa was considerably disabled and never quite well again after the accident, and died as a result of the injuries she sustained.

Bert and Melissa rest in the Gladstone Cemetery in Perry, Wyoming, New York. Their children, all born in Hazelhurst, were:

**D3a. Ernest Patterson Hutchins** (1888-1953) married **Mildred Ayers** (1891-1944) in 1914 in Monroe County, New York. After Mildred's death, Ernest married **Mildred M McCougherty**; she had previously been married to Edward John Schwartz. He was a construction truck driver.

**D3b. Kathryn Mabel 'Kit' Hutchins** (1890-1973) married **Frank John Lindsay** (1896-1966) in 1914 in Rochester. Frank was a railroad machinist. They lived in Perry, Wyoming, New York.



Ernest, Kathryn, Evan, Gertrude Hutchins

**D3c. Evan DeWayne Hutchins** (1891-1975) in 1915, in Monroe County, New York, married **Edna I Phillips** (~1885-1961). He was a long-time railroad worker.

**D3d. Delano George Hutchins** (1894-1979) married **Hazel M Parsons** in 1915 and shortly thereafter, ~1921, he married **Muriel I Kuhns**. He was a railroad fireman.

**D3e. Gertrude Marie Hutchins** (1900-1986) married **Elmer Ellsworth Graeff** (1896-1975) in 1918 in Salamanca, Cattaraugus, New York. He was from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where they are buried. They lived in Rochester, New York; he was employed at Eastman Kodak, a long-time major employer in Rochester.



Elmer and Gertrude Graeff

**D4. Eliza A Pattison** (1861-1919) married **William Barnard Kimball** (1863-1925). William's parents were John B Kimball and Mary Gallup, who farmed in Norwich Township. Mary's grandfather was an early pioneer in Norwich Township. At one time there were many Gallups in the area. William was the uncle of Wilbur Milo Oviatt (**A1d**). William and Eliza moved from Norwich Township, where their sons were born, down to the Pittsburgh area, where he

was a railroad brakeman.

**D4a. John Pattison Kimball** (1884-1962) married **Elsie E Robinson** (1886-1964). He worked at American Chain and Cable Company, Page Wire and Steel Division, in Monesson.

**D4b. DeWayne Pattison Kimball** (1890-1972) married **Alice Pearl Headley** (1898-1970). He also worked at Page Wire and Steel.

**D5. Helena 'Lena' Pattison** (1865-1937) was a schoolteacher at the time of her marriage in 1905 to **Samuel Stoddard** (1879-1925), a Pentecostal minister. Both are buried in the Kasson Cemetery.



**D6. Albert S Pattison** (1867-1875). Albert is buried in the Norwich Township Cemetery.

**D7. Myra W Pattison** (1870-1893) died in Mount Jewett and is buried in Kasson Cemetery in Hamlin Township.

**D8. Mary Charlotte Pattison** (1872-1954) married **Pitt C Myron Hutchins** (1871-1951) in 1895 in Buffalo, New York. Pitt was the brother of Bert Hutchins, who married Mary's sister Melissa (**D3**). The mother of Bert and Pitt was the sister of the father of Melissa and Mary. So, like Melissa, Mary married a first cousin. Pitt was a telegraph operator, and they lived in Bradford, Pennsylvania. Their children were:

**D8a. Mildred C Hutchins** (1896-1980) married **James Henry Berray** (1898-1976) in 1919 in Salamanca, New York.

**D8b. Albert Earl Hutchins** (1909-1999) married **Mildred Gladys Ohlson** (1912-2007).

### E. Lucy Ann Pattison (1830-1899)

Lucy was born in Genesee County, New York, and traveled with her father Ebenezer and the rest of her family to Norwich Township in about 1831. She married **John George Boyer** (1831-1898), son of John Boyer (originally Bayer) and Elizabeth Jacobs. When John was about one, his parents emigrated from Bavaria to America and settled in New York. After about ten years, the family came to McKean County, to Teutonia, now Clermont.

**Teutonia** was formed in 1841 by German immigrants as a communal society, in which all property belonged to everyone in the community to be shared. Each resident owned equal shares of the town. Each male member agreed to do his share of the work. Families lived in identical, spartan, houses. The community supported itself by farming, cattle raising, and a few other small industries. In 1843 there were 450 inhabitants. By 1844, however, economic difficulties and interpersonal conflicts led to the dissolution of the town. Homes were abandoned and residents dispersed.

John lived with his family on their land in what was Teutonia until he married Lucy in about 1851 and secured a farm in Norwich Township. He was a shoemaker and farmer. He held several Township offices and was County Commissioner 1879-1881. Their children:

**E1. Margaret E Boyer** (1852- ) married **Wheeler B Richey** (1851-1929) in 1873 at her parents' home. Strangely enough, however, they cannot be found living together in any census. In 1900 he was living on his father's farm, and she was a housekeeper for Michael Griffin, her brother-in-law, living next to her brother Alonzo Boyer and family. In 1910 she was living with her sister Orpha Mulvihill.



Margaret Richey

**E2. Alice Louisa Boyer** (1855-1862)

**E3. George Edwin Boyer** (~1858-1888) married **Ida Estelle Abbey** (1862-1929) in 1878. She was the daughter of George Palmer Abbey and Melissa Polly Burbank (**Section B**). After his early death in Crosby, she married **Theodore A Causer** (1859-1933).

Children with George Edwin Boyer:

**E3a. Minnie Boyer** (1879-1905) married **George Lewellyn Causer** (1871-1936) in 1894. He was the brother of Theodore A Causer

**E3b. George Henry Boyer** (1880-1954) married **Mina Leona Burt** (1885-1968) in 1904 in Burtville, Potter County, her hometown. He worked in the oil fields. They had five children.

**E3c. Sidney Palmer Boyer** (1883-1940) married **Edith Karol Farren** (1906-1962) in 1922 in Port Allegany. He worked for the state of Pennsylvania. They had nine children. After his death, Edith married three more times, in each case outliving her husband.

**E3d. Edith May Boyer** (1885-1959) married **John Thomas Cunningham** in 1903. After his death, she married **Thomas J Cole**, a baker, employed for many years by the Brasted Bakery.

**E3e. Grace Hazel Boyer** (1888-1938) married **Harry Patterson Schoonover** (1893-1982), an oil refinery worker, in 1914.

**E4. Nancy Adel Boyer** (1859-1919) married **Augustus A Walters** (1837-1892). He enlisted with the famous Bucktail Regiment and fought for four years in the Civil War. He was a



carpenter and farmer. After his death, she continued to farm with her children in Norwich Township. She became disabled and unable to walk or speak, however, for the last 18 years of her life. She died while being driven to Olean, New York, by her son John Walters. Children of Augustus and Nancy:

**E4a. Ward A Walters** (1880-1907)

**E4b. Demont Monroe Walters** (1882-1950) married **Augusta F ‘Gusta’ Berg** in 1911. He died in a tractor accident.

**E4c. John Lawrence Walters** (1883-1947) was a laborer at odd jobs, including loading wood and repairing roads.

**E4d. Lucy Belle Walters** (1887-1950) married **George Walter Lathrop** (1866-1932). After his death, she was married to **Frederick Eberly** (1884-1936).

**E4e. Edith L Walters** (1889-1942) married **Frank M Utter** (1873-1943).

**E5. Euphemia Ellen Boyer** (~1863-1893) was a teacher before she married **Michael M Griffin** (1854-1937) in 1888. He was born, lived, and died on the same farm in Norwich Township near Crosby. Her early death was from Bright’s Disease (nephritis). Children:

**E5a. Anna Elizabeth Griffin** (1889-1968) married **Charles James Grossman** in 1910 and **Charles Keyes** in 1937. She was janitor at the McKean County Courthouse for 38 years.

**E5b. Francis Simon Briendel** (1893-1918) was born shortly after the death of Euphemia. He was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Simon Briendel. He married **Teresa Garels** of Pittsburgh and had two sons, Paul and John. He died of pneumonia induced by the Spanish influenza.

**E6. Orpha Anna Boyer** (1865-1936) married **John Thomas Mulvihill** (1856-1927) in 1885. He was born in Ireland and became a US citizen in 1870. John and Orpha were living on a farm in Norwich Township in 1900 with their four children, but in every census after that they were living apart, although the censuses say that each was married. They apparently had separate farms on the east side of Potato Creek. Their children:



**E6a. Jessie A Mulvihill** (1887-1961) was a member of the St. Elizabeth Church in Smethport, the Norwich Grange of Crosby, and the auxiliary of the Norwich Volunteer Fire Department. She lived with her mother up to the time that her mother died.

**E6b. Belle Elizabeth Mulvihill** (1889-1979) married **Oliver Clinton Greeley** ~1906. In 1910 they were living in Norwich Township with daughter Edna Mae Belle Greeley (1907-1971, Charles Lyle Cook) and son Donald Oliver Greeley (1919-1983, Beulah Viola Webb). Oliver worked in a chemical plant. But by 1918 they were divorced, Oliver lived in Niagara Falls, New York, and Belle lived with her mother. Meanwhile... in 1913 Belle had a son **Lloyd E Mulvihill** (1913-1987, **Francis Elizabeth McKeirnan**). Lloyd’s surname was always Mulvihill, so his father is unknown, at least to me. He may have been named after his uncle Lloyd Earl Mulvihill.

In the 1910s **Atwood Putnam** (1878-1971) operated one of the most prosperous farms in Norwich Township. He had the first milking machine in McKean County, run by a gasoline motor. He grew corn “which was higher than a man standing on a horse's back.” Atwood Putnam

was also known for the beautiful horses he kept. In the 1920s he moved to Rochester, New York, and was a motorman on the NYS railroad. There, in 1921, he married Belle. He returned to Norwich Township to farm, and he also worked at the Crosby Chemical Company. This marriage seemed to introduce Belle to a lifestyle that she had not previously enjoyed, including a house in Florida. Atwood and Belle had a son **John D Putnam** (1922-2001, Janet Margaret McKeirnan). Janet was the sister of the wife of Belle's son Lloyd E Mulvihill.

**E6c. Blanche Rose Mulvihill** (1892-1966) had two husbands, **Harry Lemuel Edwards** (1890-1943) and **Edwin Salisbury Weaver** (1881-1955). Harry rose to be President of the Edwards Drilling Company in Houston, and Edwin was a drilling contractor. Like her sister Belle, Blanche maintained homes in both Crosby and St. Petersburg, Florida.

**E6d. Lloyd Earl Mulvihill** (1893-1954) married **Hester M Dinges** (1901-1963). He was an oil field worker for many years while living in the Smethport-Crosby area.

**E7. Lawrence Alonzo 'Lonnie' Boyer** (1866-1918) married **Mary Russell** (1866-1956) in 1889 in St. Elizabeth Church in Smethport. Lonnie was a farmer on West Potato Creek Road in Keating Township. Mary carried on the farm after he died. Children:

**E7a. Frank Earl Boyer** (1892-1959 ) married **Mabel Dilly** (1895-1977). Children were John Earl and Edward T; lived in Erie, PA.

**E7b. Alice Elizabeth Boyer** (1893-1958) married **Edward George Uhlman** (1895-1984). They lived in Erie, Pennsylvania.

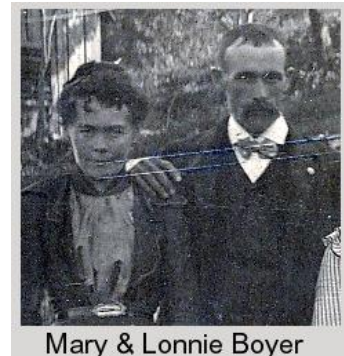
**E7c. Howard Edward Boyer** (1897-1977). He carried on the farm with his mother after his father died.

**E7d. Rena Genevieve Boyer** (1899-1972) married **William Eddy Kerr** (1897-1970) in 1934 in Smethport, his second wife. In 1940 he was a farm machinery salesman, and Rena was a prothonotary clerk.

**E7e. Ralph Raymond Boyer** (1903-1960) married **Sadie Elizabeth Florence MacKenzie** (1910-1992) in 1929. He was a pumper with the South Penn Company.

**E7f. Paul Lawrence Boyer** (1907-1949, Nellie) died in Oil City, Venango County.

**E8. Fitz Henry Boyer** (1869-1939) had a career in management with Eastman Kodak in Rochester, Monroe, New York. He married **Elizabeth Welch** (1851-1924). After her death he married **Genevieve 'Jennie' Frances Guthrie** (1890-1951).



Mary & Lonnie Boyer

## F. Francis Marion Patterson (1832-1918)



Frank Patterson

Francis 'Frank' Patterson was born in Sergeant (now Norwich) Township, McKean, Pennsylvania after his family returned to Pennsylvania from Genesee County, New York. He clerked in his uncle's store when a boy and drove a stage and helped run rafts down the Susquehanna River. He spent three years learning to be a carpenter with his brother-in-law N. W. Abbey.

In Smethport in 1857 he married **Armenia Cook** (1835-1922). She was the daughter of Elias Cook and Asenath Carr, who had come down to Norwich Township from New York before 1827. Armenia's brother LeGrand Cook was an early innkeeper in what would become Emporium in Cameron County and later the coroner and sheriff there. Her sister Diana was the mother of Albertus Wright Catlin, a Marine Corps Brigadier General who commanded troops in the Spanish-American War and World War I.

In 1864 Francis and his family, by then containing three sons, moved by team to Knapp's Creek, Crawford, Wisconsin, where he farmed and did carpentry work. Their latter two sons were born in Wisconsin. In 1871, because there were no schools, they decided to move again, to Clear Lake, Cerro Gordo, Iowa. In Iowa they farmed, ran a dairy, Frank continued to do carpentry work, and Armenia was a schoolteacher. But they moved on once again in 1889, this time to South Dakota. Francis found work at once as a carpenter in Pierre, the state Capitol, but at the same time they filed a claim on a ranch two miles east of Nowlin, Haakon (then Stanley) County. Haakon County is west of Pierre, between Pierre and Rapid City. Francis and Armenia apparently spent time in Pierre and in Nowlin. The obituary of son Fred says that Fred and his new wife spent a year in 1891-92 on his father's ranch. In the 1900 census for Pierre we find Francis, a retired carpenter, and Armenia. In that same year Francis M Patterson received a patent on 160 acres in Haakon County in sections 8 and 9, T1N R24E. In 1909 he received a patent on another 160 acres in Haakon in section 8, T1N R24E. Frank was one of the first postmasters in Nowlin.

Frank died in 1918 in Nowlin and was the first person to be buried in the Nowlin Cemetery. Armenia spent her last years in Gettysburg, South Dakota, where she was cared for by the wife of their son Fred.

**F1. Elmer Cook Patterson** (1858-1935) was born in Smethport, Pennsylvania, before the family went west. He was educated in public schools in Clear Lake, Iowa and Lenox College, Hopkinton, Iowa, graduating in 1882. He was a school principal for eight years and then became proprietor and editor of the Pierre Daily Capital. He published the sessions of the first South Dakota legislature.

Elmer then switched to the law. He was a clerk in the circuit court of Hughes County and was admitted to the practice of law in 1892. He practiced two years at Huron, Beadle, South Dakota, three years at Redwood Falls, Minnesota, then in Marshall, Lyon, Minnesota, where he was County Attorney and Judge of Probate. The last 25 years of his practice were in Minneapolis. In



1914 Elmer C Patterson of Patterson, Loring, and Anderson was president and dean of the Minnesota College of Law.

Elmer's first wife was **Grace Lulalie Dickinson** (1868-1946). She was the daughter of Amasa John Dickinson and Marianne Brooks. Amasa was a surgeon and physician in Huron, South Dakota, who received his M.D. from the University of Michigan and served as a doctor in the Civil War. Elmer and Grace were married in 1887 in Huron, South Dakota. His second wife was **Mabel Emeline Carpenter** (1876-1964); they were married in 1912 in Blue Earth, Faribault, Minnesota, which was her home county. After their divorce Grace lived in Chicago with her son Frank and later was married to Issac D Sperling. She died and is buried in the Chicago area. For a time after Elmer's death Mabel lived in Blue Earth, but she died in Multnomah County, Oregon, where her daughter Alice then lived.

Elmer died in Minneapolis and is buried in Blue Earth, Minnesota.

**F1a. Frank Dickinson Patterson** (1892-1970), the son of Elmer and Grace, was born in Pierre, South Dakota. A veteran of World War I, he was general manager of the Montgomery Wards department store in Chicago, later their mail order house credit department, and even later worked for the Spiegel Company. He married **Crystal Alice Matson** (1894-1937) in 1920 in Chicago. Their son was Donald Matson Patterson (1928-1967). After Crystal died, Frank married **Velma Fall Sixt** (1895-1983), her second marriage. Frank and Velma retired to Fayetteville, Arkansas. They are buried in Fayetteville National Cemetery.

**F1b. Alice Sylvia Patterson** (1917-1981) was the daughter of Elmer and his second wife Mabel. She married **Thomas Harold Cahalan** (1915-1992).

**F2. Cheston Fayette Patterson** (1860-1935) was born in Smethport before his parents moved west. In 1882, while the family was in Clear Lake, Iowa, Cheston married **Ida Matilda Kile** (1864- ), the daughter of Johann Benjamin Keil and Caroline Scherf. Ida must have died, because ~1885 Cheston married her sister **Jennie Mary Kile** (1861-1941). Cheston and Jennie had a daughter Maude (**F2a**) who was born in 1887 in Lincoln County, Wisconsin, so Cheston and Jennie must have been living in Wisconsin around that time.

At some point Cheston and Jennie continued west. That point was close to 1900, according to a state entry notation in the 1905 South Dakota census for Jennie. We find Cheston in 1900 as a stock raiser, living next-door to his brother Herman and family in Midland, Stanley, South Dakota with wife Jennie M and daughter Maude. Cheston and Jennie were divorced ~1907; in 1908 Jennie married **Robert King**, owner of a hotel in Meade County, South Dakota. Meade County is just northeast of the Black Hills. It was the second marriage for both. In 1920 and 1930 Cheston, divorced and a blacksmith, was living in Eagle, Brule, South Dakota. Brule County is southeast of Pierre. Family stories (findagrave.com) say that Cheston was a blacksmith and welder for the Homestake Mine in Deadwood, which is a long way to the west of Brule County, although it is near Meade County. Cheston died in 1935 in Brule County.

**F2a. Maude E Patterson** (1887-1947) was the daughter of Cheston and Jennie, born, as I said above, in Lincoln County, Wisconsin. In 1910 Maude was a hotel waiter in Meade County along with Robert King, the hotel owner, her mother Jennie, hotel cook, and Robert's son from his first marriage, **Sherman D King** (1885-1962). In December 1910, in Piedmont, Meade, South Dakota, Maude married Sherman D King. After having a daughter Hazel J King (1916-1995, John Clarence Schnider), Maude and Sherman must have divorced, because in 1920, 1925, 1930,

and 1940 Maude and Jennie, both divorced, lived together in Meade County, South Dakota. Both Maude and her mother Jennie are buried in Bear Butte Cemetery in Sturgis, Meade, South Dakota.

**F3. Fred B Patterson** (1864-1934) was born in Smethport. He received a liberal education, graduating from Lenox College, Iowa, in 1885. He attended Union College of Law in Chicago, graduating in 1888, and for a short time was a lawyer in Chicago. He went to Pierre, South Dakota, in 1889 where he reported sessions of the first South Dakota legislature for a paper published by his brother Elmer. Fred moved on to Gettysburg, Potter County, northeast of Pierre, in 1892, where he continued practicing law. He purchased the Potter County News, a weekly newspaper, in 1897. He was elected County Judge in 1896 and reelected in 1898. He was elected to the legislature in 1913, 1915, and 1917.

Fred married **Maude Lorena Medbery** (1869-1956) in 1891 in Gettysburg. She was born and raised in Wisconsin and went to Dakota with her parents, who were among the first settlers in Potter County.

Fred died at the home of his brother-in-law, George W. Fitch, in Madison, Wisconsin, where he had gone to seek medical advice on a wasting away of his muscles. Both he and Maude are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Madison.

**F4. Elba Vinton Patterson** (1866-1898) was born while the family was in Wisconsin. He was killed on the ranch in Nowlin when the team he was driving ran away with a hayrack and wagon. He is buried in Riverside Cemetery in Pierre.

**F5. Herman Alvera Patterson** (1867-1949) was born in Wisconsin. He married **Ruth Evangeline Rilling** (1878-1914) in 1895 in Pierre, South Dakota. After spending time in Redwood Falls, Minnesota, Herman and Ruth came to Nowlin, Haakon, South Dakota in 1899 and lived with his parents until 1901, at which time they filed on a claim. On their ranch they raised sheep and dairy cows. In 1909 Herman received BLM deeds on 159 acres in Haakon County in section 7 T1N R24E, and his family lived near his parents in 1910. But by 1916 Herman A Patterson was listed in the Business Directory of Bristol, Day, South Dakota, as publisher of the Day County News. Ruth died in Bristol in 1914, so by 1920 we find Herman A Patterson, a widower and printer, in Bristol with children Gladys, Mary, Merle, Vera, Herman, Viola, and Francis M. Evangeline and Elmer had by then moved on. He remained in



Herman A Patterson



Evangeline Patterson

Bristol as a newspaper editor in 1930. That same year, in Day County, he married **Frances Anna B Olson** (1866-1951). By 1940 he was a newspaper printer in Brandt, Deuel, South Dakota. He died and is buried in Deuel County, as is Frances. Ruth is buried in Bristol.

**F5a. Evangeline 'Eva' Patterson** (1896-1982) was born in Redwood Falls, Minnesota. She was married three times within a span of ten years. Her first husband was **Henry Grant Orsborn** (1900-1995); they were married in October 1920 in Gettysburg, South Dakota. They had two children, Robert D Orsborn, born in 1922 in

Gettysburg, and Arnold Lee Orsborn (Rose Don Duncan), born in 1923 in Gettysburg. Henry Grant Orsborn worked on the Orsborn family farm before his marriage and after the marriage ended.

Eva's second husband was **William Adolph Mohr** (1884-1969), who was born in Hamburg, Germany. He was a farm worker in Sully County. They were married in 1924 in Pierre. The daughter of Eva and William was Viola Gladys Mohr (1926-2010, Loite James Straw). She was adopted, along with the two Orsborn boys, by Eva's next husband, **Lewis Minor**

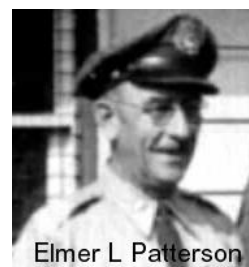


Evangeline Patterson

**Compton** (1879-1979) whom she married in 1930 in Corson County, South Dakota. The Compton ranch was near Hill City in Pennington County, South Dakota. Eva had four children with Lewis Compton: Lewis Minor Compton, Jr. (1930- ), Augusta 'Gussie' F Compton (~1934- , Kenneth Nissen), Wayne L Compton (~1936- ), and Martha Lou Compton (1937- , John Rockford Tober).

Eva and Lewis Compton both died in Newcastle, Weston, Wyoming and are buried in the Hill City Cemetery, Pennington, South Dakota.

**F5b. Elmer LeGrand Patterson** (1898-1975) was born, like his sister Eva, in Redwood Falls, Minnesota. A 1928 graduate of Fletcher College in Oskaloosa, Iowa, he was a clergyman in the Methodist church and, later, the Congregational denomination, which became the United Church of Christ. His last assignment was the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Orange City, Florida. He and his second wife are buried in Orange City. In 1921 in University Park, Mahaska, Iowa he married **Geneva Pearl Greenfield** (1899-1987). Their children were Paul Elmer Patterson (1925-1997, Velma Colene McNair); Ruth Ellen Patterson (1928-2003, Robert Leo Miller); and Eugene Patterson (1934- , Ruby Mae Hamner).



Elmer L. Patterson

During World War II, Elmer volunteered as a chaplain for the Army Air Force, starting in 1943. He attended Chaplain School at Harvard University and served at various stations in the United States and abroad in Germany and Tripoli, Libya. He ended his service in 1949 with the rank of Lt. Colonel.

After he returned from service, he married **Ilse Ema Albertz** (1911-1993) in 1951 in the Evangelical Church, Dunstable, Massachusetts. She was born in Berlin; she arrived in New York from Germany four days before their wedding. Elmer was pastor of the First and Second Congregational Churches in Ansonia, Connecticut, in 1959. Geneva remarried in 1967 to Raymond LaVerne Boyd.

**F5c. Gladys Fern Patterson** (1900-1964) married **Haldor O Rudie** (1886-1974) in 1921 in Summit, Roberts, South Dakota. He was a house building carpenter in Mitchell, South Dakota; in 1950 they moved to Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota. They are both buried in the Mountainview Cemetery there.

**F5d. Mary V Patterson** (1902-1981) married **Rudolph Henry Kain** (1928-1993) in 1928 in Custer County, South Dakota. He was a farmer in rural Pennington County. They were divorced in 1957. Their children were Milton L Kain (1930-1992, Marjorie Pauline Cool), Fern Amelia Kain (1932- , Paul Allen West), Ruth Evelyn Kain (1933-1988), Bernard A Kain (1935- ), and Burton Dale Kain (1937-1944).



**F5e. Merle Patterson** (1904-1974) was living in San Antonio Township, Los Angeles, California in 1940, a private gardener, staying in the Ritz Hotel.

**F5f. Vera Patterson** (1906-1996) married **Arthur Daniel Reed** (1907-1977) in 1943 in Minneapolis. They are interred together in Fort Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis.

**F5e. Herman A Patterson, Jr.** (1919-1983) was a sailor and deckhand based in Seattle. In July 1952 he arrived in Portland as a member of the crew of the Isaac Van Zandt sailing from Sasebo, Japan, having been out 3 years. In 1956 he married **Ellen Pauline Sandell**.

**F5g. Viola M Patterson** (1912-1983) married **Emil Ehresmann** (1908-1982), a farmer, in 1931 in Delmont, Douglas, South Dakota. Their children were Doris Ehresmann (~1933- , Victor Charles Eckert) and Herman Ehresmann (1934-1965, Darlene Dukelberger).

Viola married **Herbert Lawrence** (1906-1965) in 1955 in Hoquiam, Grays Harbor, Washington. They both died in Aberdeen, Grays Harbor, Washington.

**F5h. Francis Marion Patterson** (1914-1975) died and is buried in Centralia, Lewis, Washington. In 1958, in Aberdeen, Grays Harbor, Washington, he married Lila Virginia Hagener, her second marriage.



Vera Patterson

### G. Olive Rebecca Pattison (1833-1899)



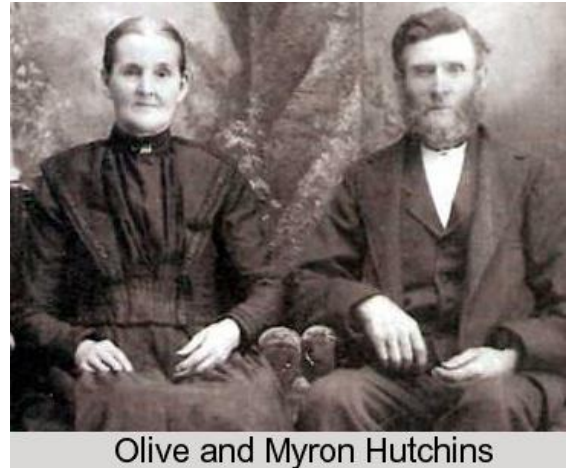
Olive with son Cad

**Olive Rebecca Pattison** was born in Sergeant (now Norwich) Township after her father Ebenezer and the family returned to McKean County from Genesee County, New York. In December 1850 she married **Myron Clark Hutchins** (1824-1916). He was born in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, the son of **Joshua Hutchins** and **Nancy Giles**. He had a wife for a short time before Olive, **Rebecca Harding**, who died earlier in 1850.

The 1850 census, taken in September, finds him in Pine Creek Township, Jefferson County, a sawyer, with wife Rebecca. We can only speculate how he found Olive in that same year, 1850, a

considerable distance to the north in McKean County. He stayed in Norwich Township until about 1872, listed in the census as a farm laborer. In 1880 he was back in Pine Creek Township with Olive, a laborer, and a number of children. In his latter years, after Olive died, he lived with his daughter Nina and her husband William Fike.

They had eight children, the first six born in McKean County and the last two in Jefferson County.



Olive and Myron Hutchins

**G1. Nina Belle Hutchins** (1857-1932), born in Norwich Township, married **William Fike** (1858-1917) in 1881. He was a farmer in Pine Creek Township, Jefferson County. They are both buried in the Church of God Cemetery in Emerickville, Jefferson County.

**G2. Lula Adelia Hutchins** (1861-1936) was also born in Norwich Township. She married **John Henry Johnson** (1860-1940) in 1880 in Jefferson County. He was a farmer and lumberman in Rose Township, Jefferson County. The children, all born near Brookville:

**G2a. William Orah Johnson** (1881-1956) married **Anna Eva Liewellyn** (1891-1950) in 1908 in Elk County. He was in the moving and hauling business in Brookville, Jefferson County. He and Anna are buried in Emerickville.

**G2b. Anna Adelta 'Della' Johnson** (1882-1956) married **Elijah Emanuel Raybuck** (1878-1953) in 1902 in Brookville. He was a farmer in Washington Township, Jefferson County. Their son **Clyde Willard Raybuck** (1913-1973) worked in a bank in Reynoldsville, then served in the US Army in World War II. He emerged as a Captain in the Quartermaster Corps. In 1949-1951 he was an assistant professor in the Department of Military Science and Tactics at Cornell. Later he transferred to the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, Virginia, and then to Framingham, Massachusetts, where he died.

**G2c. Eli Burton Johnson** (1883-1966) married **Mabel Pearl Stuchell** (1886-1951) in 1905 in DuBois, Jefferson County. Eli was a farmer in Pine Creek, but then moved to Brookville as a

machinist.

**G2d. Minnie Alice Johnson** (1886-1969) married **Oran Swineford** (1876-1968) in 1904 in Brookville. Oran was a laborer at various jobs.

**G2e. Ambrose Francis Johnson** (1889-1964) married **Bessie Pearl McCracken** (1884-1969) in 1910 in Amity, Allegany, New York. He had a trucking business in Brookville.

**G2f. Ida Belle Johnson** (1891-1970) married **George Edward Paine** (1892-1971). They lived in Clarion, Pennsylvania, where he worked at a glass fabrication company.

**G2g. Charles Ross Johnson** (1893-1975) married **Goldie Myrtle Ackley** (1892-1974) in 1917.

**G2h. Lawrence Herbert Johnson** (1895-1955) and his wife **Marguerite Murphy** lived in Cleveland, Ohio, where he worked in the municipal lights department.

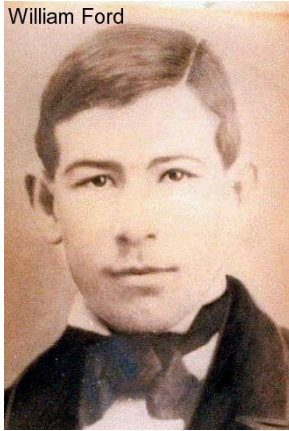
**G2i. John Earl Johnson** (1896-1977) married **Frances Lephler Skinner** (1896-1993) in 1916. They lived in Clarion, Pennsylvania, where he worked for the Owens Illinois Glass Company.

**G2j. Ethel Marie Johnson** (1898-1972) married **Hudson Dow Smith, Sr.** (1900-1978). They lived in Brookville, where he was a gas fields driller.

**G3. Burton Putnam Hutchins** was already discussed, with his descendants (**D3**)

**G4. Ellen 'Ella' Armena Hutchins** (1865-1949) was born while her

William Ford



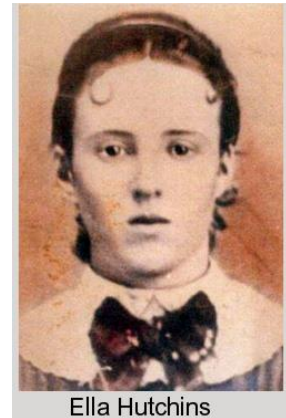
family was in Norwich Township, McKean County. She married **William Ford** (1860-1932) in 1881. He was the son of George Ford and Sarah Ann Walker, who were both born in Nottingham County, England and emigrated to Jefferson County in 1849. Around 1900 William took his family to Elk County, where he was a timber jobber, but by 1910 he was established on the family farm in Knox Township, Jefferson County. While in Elk County daughter Edna was born in Truman, Anna in Irwintown in 1893, Lorena in Irwintown, and Zelma at Hallton. Anna died in 1896 from whooping cough and was buried near Hallton.

A family story is that when Ella was a young girl in Elk County, her mother made Ella get up early and help her. In the spring when the Indians could no longer find game, they would gather in the yard to be fed the potatoes and oatmeal that Ella and her mother had cooked.

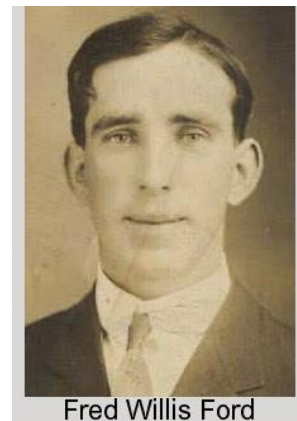
**G4a. George Louis Ford** (1882-1956) in 1906 married **Verda Elma Hetrick** (1886-1910). After her death, he married **Ida Elizabeth Weaver** (1886-1963). He had his own farm in Warsaw Township.

**G4b. Fred Willis Ford** (1883-1966) married **Marjorie M Burkett** (1892-1972) in Coolspring, Jefferson County, where she was born. He was a railroad conductor.

**G4c. Edna Grace Ford** (1888-1945) married **Wilson Everett Hetrick** (1875--1956) in 1907.



Ella Hutchins



Fred Willis Ford

They moved from Brookville to Kittanning, where he was a coal miner, and then to Oakland County, Michigan, which is where they both died.

**G4d. Lorena Hazel Ford** (1897-1976) married **Howard Melvin Darr** (1892-1956) in 1917. He was a coal miner.

**G4e. Zelma Dorothy Ford** (1899-1971) married **Andrew Monroe Darr** (1891-1936) in 1917. He was a coal miner and gas field laborer.

**G5. Vernon Caspen Hutchins** (1868-1943) was born in Norwich Township, McKean County. He married **Mary Loretta Benninger** (1873-1925) ~1894. They had seven children. After Mary's death, he married **Maude Alice Flanders** (1878-1960), a second marriage for both. Vernon was a railroad telegraph operator in various places including Jefferson County, Clinton County, and McKean County. He died at Warren State Hospital in Conewango.

**G5a. James Jasper Hutchins** (1896-1978) married **Ruth M Herbst** in 1922 in Great Valley, Cattaraugus, New York; **Beatrice M Paulus Kinsey** in 1927 in Sandusky, Ohio; and **Neva Chappuies** in 1964, after the death of Beatrice. He and Beatrice both died in Ohio.

**G5b. Myra A Hutchins** (1897-1963) married **Vernon Francis Marvin** (1897-1982). He worked for the B&O railroad.

**G5c. Bonnie Marie Hutchins** (1899-1955) died at the Dixmont Mental Hospital in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

**G5d. William Rush Hutchins** (1905-1979) resided in the Washington, DC area. In 1940 he married **Lillian L Harrell** in Arlington, Virginia. He died in Hyattsville, Maryland, and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

**G5e. Joseph Clarence Hutchins** (1908-1988) in 1930, in Chautauqua, New York, married **Mildred Mae Irwin** (1912-1999). In the 1940s they lived in Logan County, Ohio, where he was a Sohio pipeline engineer.

**G5f. Kathryn Helen Hutchins** (1910-1987) was born in Renovo, Clinton County. In the 1930s she lived in Toledo, Ohio with her brother James, a retail saleswoman. In 1934 she married **Bernard E Zimmerman**. By 1940 she was divorced but still a retail clerk. In 1944 she married **Rudolph Henry Siewert** (1903-1979), a second marriage for both.

**G5g. Frances Veronica Hutchins** (1916-1994) in the early 1930s married **William Charles Smith** (1916-1995), a trackman for the Pennsylvania Railroad. They both died in Warren, Trumbull, Ohio.

**G6. Pitt C Myron Hutchins** was already discussed, with his descendants (**D8**).

**G7. Clarence Cadwallader Hutchins** (1873-1948) was born, according to his obituary, in Kirkman, Jefferson, Pennsylvania. Kirkman was probably in Pine Creek Township. In 1900 he was living in Elk County with his sister Ella and her husband William Ford, a day laborer. In October 1904, in Port Barnett, Pine Creek Township, he married **Sarah E A Omslaer** (1874-1914). Most genealogies have her as Alberta Susanna Omslaer, but the marriage document, her death certificate, and a posting on findagrave.com are quite definite: Sarah E A Omslaer. She was the daughter of Robert and Susanna Baughman Omslaer. In 1910 Clarence and Sarah E Hutchins were living in DuBois, Clearfield County. They were married five years and had one child, but no child was present in the household. He was a railroad foreman and she was a



dressmaker. His brothers Frank and Bert and families lived nearby. Clarence and Sarah had two daughters.

In 1921, in Monroe County, New York, Clarence married a second time to **Eliza Marion Reid** (1876-1956). She had previously been married to his first cousin once removed, Fred Field (**D1a**). We find them in 1930 and 1940 in Pine Creek Township; both times he was a brick plant laborer. Both are buried in the Church of God Cemetery in Pine Creek. **G7a. Margaret Susannah Hutchins** (1908-1981), daughter of Clarence and Sarah, married **Thorald Leon Duke** (1907-1963). A number of City Directories list them living in Erie, Pennsylvania, but otherwise the genealogical trail for both is very thin. They had a daughter **Edith Fern Duke Gere** (1934-1998).



Clarence & Eliza Hutchins

**G7b. Ruby Sara Hutchins** (1914-1989), daughter of Clarence and Sarah, was born in Punxsutawney, Jefferson County. In 1930 she was living with Clarence and his second wife Eliza, and in 1933, in Brookville, she married **Raymond Theodore Stahlman** (1905-1972). It was his second marriage. In 1940 he was a WPA laborer in Pine Creek Township. They had seven children. They later lived in Olean, Cattaraugus, New York.

**G8. Frank Barber Hutchins** (1876-1958) was born near Brookville. In ~1900 he married **Della E Stuchell** (1880-1951). He was associated with



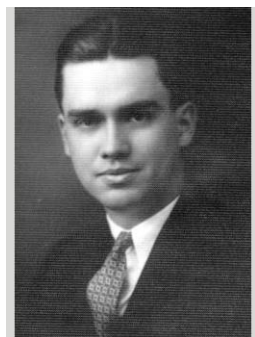
Frank B Hutchins and son Clyde

railroads all his life, first as a telegraph operator and then, for many years, as a dispatcher. That work took him to Punxsutawney, Jefferson County; Bradford, McKean County; DuBois, Clearfield County (where in 1910 his brothers Bert and Clarence also lived); Chillicothe, Ohio; Saint Paul, Minnesota; Alexandria, Louisiana; and Amarillo, Texas. He is buried in DeQuincy, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. DeQuincy, in

southwestern Louisiana, has an appropriate railroad heritage. Two major lines ran east-west and north-south through the town. Every year it celebrates the Annual Louisiana Railroad Days Festival, the only state festival devoted to the Railroad Industry.

Sometime between 1920 and 1929, Frank was divorced from Della. In 1929 he lived in Alexandria with his second wife **Lula Woodring Hutchins** (1903-1969), and in 1930 Della lived in Cleveland with daughters Olive and Virginia. Frank had one child with Lula. He is buried in the Perkins Cemetery in DeQuincy.

**G8a. Clyde Francis Hutchins** (1901-1952), son of Frank and Della, was born while his father was working in Bradford, McKean County. In 1922, in Cleveland, Ohio, Clyde married **Annabel Walsh** (1899-1946). In 1930 he was a railroad chief clerk in Omaha, Nebraska. Four years later he married **Evelyn**



Clyde Francis Hutchins

**Mae Farrar** (1915-2000). In 1940 Clyde and Evelyn lived in Lakewood, Ohio, where he was employed at Universal Carloading and Distributing Company. He died in Williamsport, Lycoming, Pennsylvania.

Clyde had two children with Annabel and four with Evelyn.

**G8b. Olive J Hutchins** (1903-2001), daughter of Frank and Della, was also born in Bradford. In ~1932 she married Leon Harding Grannis (1902-2000). He worked in Stamford, Connecticut for Yale and Town Manufacturing, a lock company, and later as a medical librarian there.

**G8c. Virginia Isabel Hutchins** (1917-1959), daughter of Frank and Della, was born in Chillicothe, Ohio. She lived in Cleveland with her mother, employed as a retail store clerk, until at least 1940. Sometime after that she married **Paul Gunnar Lindberg** (1916-1963), an engineer.

**G8d. Francis Barbara Hutchins** (1928-2005), the daughter of Frank and Lula, was born in Alexandria, Louisiana. In 1948 she married Jessie Webster Vinson, Sr. (1924-2008).

#### **H. Lamira Docia Pattison (1835- )**



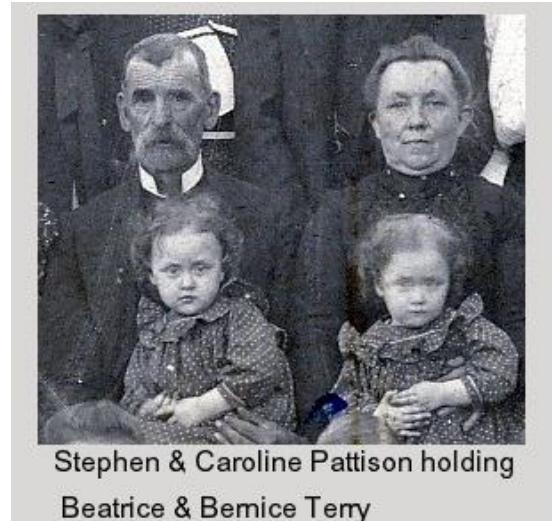
Mira was born in Norwich Township. In 1850 she lived with her parents and siblings in Norwich Township. According to The Patterson History, she never married. I have a photo from Pitt Abbey's album, but that is all I know about her.

#### **I. Angelia Nancy Pattison (1837-1862)**

Angelia was born in Norwich Township. In 1859 she married **Jesse Charles Hall** (1837-1920) but died shortly thereafter. Jesse served in the 14<sup>th</sup> New York infantry in the Civil War. In 1866 he relocated to Green Lake County, Wisconsin and married Eliza Storey, the second marriage for both.

### J. Stephen Webster Pattison (1839-1916)

Stephen grew up on the family farm in Norwich Township. He fought in the Civil War, but upon his return, in 1869, he married **Caroline Annis Hopkins** (1846-1922). They lived for a time with his widowed father in Norwich Township, and then for a short time in Smethport, but then moved to a farm on Marvin Creek, near Kasson, in Hamlin Township. After his death, Caroline went to live with her son Edwin in Hazelhurst, where she died. Her son Eben raced home from the oil fields of Burma to be with her in her dying days. Caroline is buried in the Eben Pattison plot (unmarked) in Rosehill Cemetery in Smethport along with Stephen and her mother Annis.



Caroline was the daughter of **Peleg Clark Hopkins** (1807-1887) and **Anice ‘Annis’ Franklin** (1807-1892). Both were born in Kent County, Rhode Island, but moved to Lenox Township, Susquehanna County, where Caroline and her brother **Philander D Hopkins** (see below) were born. In 1852 they moved again to a farm in Lafayette Township, McKean County. Four other children had been born in Rhode Island. In 1863 Peleg moved to Grand Traverse County, Michigan, without Annis. Once there, he divorced Annis *in absentia* and married a much younger woman. He had six additional children with the younger wife. Annis continued to live in Smethport with her son Peleg and her daughter Caroline until Caroline married Stephen. At the time of her death she was the oldest citizen of Smethport.

**J1. Eben Clark Pattison** (1869-1931) grew up on the family farm. In 1897, in East Smethport, he married **Carrie Estella Thornton** (1862-1940). In 1900 he lived with Carrie in Smethport, an oil driller. His story was told in an obituary in the McKean County Democrat 21 May 1931: *“Early in life he went to work in the nearby oil fields and became an expert driller. Soon after his marriage 33 years ago to Miss Carrie Thornton of East Smethport he felt the lure of the oil fields in strange, distant lands. Twenty-seven years ago he went to the Peruvian fields in South America. Most of his life since that time was spent in the tropics, with the exception of brief visits to his home. He*



*once told the writer that he had not seen a snowstorm in over a quarter of a century. About fifteen years ago Mr. Pattison received an attractive offer from the British Burma Petroleum Co. and went to Yenang-Young, halfway between Rangoon and Mandalay on the Icrowaddy River in Burma, India. He held an important executive position there until five years ago when his health failed and he returned to this country after undergoing an operation in London. A few weeks visit and he was off again to South*

*America. He returned home again in a year but left soon after his return for Salvadore.... Eben C Pattison passed away at the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans Tuesday. Mr. Pattison was stricken with a heart attack in Salvadore Republic, Central America, where he had been engaged in drilling water wells for the past three years. Arriving in that city, he was taken from the boat directly to the hospital, his condition having become worse during the voyage. For a time he appeared to rally and some encouragement was felt. Mrs. Pattison left for New Orleans two weeks ago and was at her husband's bedside when the end came."*

Carrie and Eben are buried in Rosehill, in marked graves.

**J2. Mary Ellen Pattison** (1872-1943) was born in Smethport. In 1893, in Olean, New York, she married **Raymond Guy Terry** (1871-1908). Raymond was an oil driller. He died following complications from appendicitis surgery. After his death, Mary struggled to keep the family together. In 1910 she was a dressmaker, and Earl a stamper in the Smethport toy works. All the other children were in the home. In 1920 the family was still together; Earl was a plater in the novelty company, Emmet a laborer in a rubber company, Bernice a binder in a magazine company, Beatrice a salesperson in a grocery, Irma an inserter at the magazine company, and Herbert a salesperson in a bakery. Helen was also present. Mary and Raymond are buried in Rosehill.



**J2a. Earl Stephen Terry** (1893-1953) married **Violet Martha Campbell** (1897-1947) in Olean, New York in 1924. Earl was a World War I veteran and an expert mechanic employed at the Smethport Garage and later at Backus Novelty Company. Violet was the daughter of **George Wesley Campbell** and **Jenny Bailey**. Jenny's first husband was **Peter Liebel**; one of their three children was **Rose Helen Liebel** (1887-1945). So Violet was the half-sister of Rose. Rose married **Axel Hjalmer Vanblad** (1889-1962), who was the brother of **Carl John Vanblad**, the father of **Louise Hulda Vanblad (B2C)**. As I have said before, and will say again, everyone in Smethport was related to everyone else. For a time Earl and Violet lived in an apartment in the house of Axel and Rose Vanblad on Water Street in Smethport.

**J2b. Emmet Marvin Terry** (1895-1955) married **Mary Boyter** (1904-1991) in 1925 in Summit County, Ohio. They moved to Akron, Ohio, where he was a milk company salesman, and by 1947 to Inglewood, California, where he was a salesman. He died in Inglewood. They had a daughter Ruth (1927-2011, James Anthony Dreyer). Both Mary and Ruth died in Black Mountain, North Carolina.

**J2c. Beatrice Terry** (1899-1984) married **Carlton Alexander Kohn** (1897-1985). He served in the Navy in both World Wars I and II. He worked for the Borough of Smethport.

**J2d. Bernice Terry** (1899-1975), the twin of Beatrice, married **William Russell Hungerford** (1896-1984) in 1921 in Saint Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Smethport. He served in World War I. He was a lumber yard estimator in Smethport in 1930 and a drilling company bookkeeper in 1940 in Stark County, Ohio. They had three sons. They are buried in Rosehill in Smethport.

**J2e. Irma Terry** (1901-1967) married **Harold Leonard Kohn** (1900-1963) in 1926 in Olean, New York. He was the brother of Carlton Kohn. In other words, brothers married sisters. Harold worked for the South Penn Oil Company in Bradford.

**J2f. Herbert Raymond Terry** (1904-1946), a construction and planning mill laborer, lived with his mother in Smethport. He died while visiting in Yakima, Washington, enroute to



California.

**J2g. Helen A Terry** (1907-1967) married **Franchio ‘Frank’ Petruzzi** (1907-1969) in 1925 in Smethport. He worked at Quaker State Oil Refining in Farmers Valley. They had two sons, Raymond and Richard.

**J3. Edward Sylvester Patterson** (1874-1963) was born in Smethport. He worked on the family farm until 1916, when his father died. Thereafter he lived in Hazelhurst with, depending on the date, his first wife, his mother, his second wife, and by himself. I will attempt to sort that out when I write about the marriages. After leaving the farm, he worked in the oil industry, first as a well tender, but principally as a leaseman for the United Natural Gas Company.

The marital tangles of Edward could furnish material for a soap opera. His first marriage, in 1917, was to **Carrie Allen** (1877-1924). Carrie had been previously married to Clayton ‘Clate’ E Irons, in ~1894. That marriage ended in 1913. A court document, filed by her in Clearfield, gave reasons of "jealousy and desertion." Clate married a second time in 1919. Carrie’s second marriage to Edward also did not last long. He left her, before 1920. In 1920 Edwin was living with his mother and sister Belle Ray in Hazelhurst. Carrie also told the census taker, however, perhaps in a fit of pique, that Edwin was living with her in Smethport. In May, 1924 Carrie appeared at the McKean County Home and asked for admittance. The Superintendent noticed that she did not appear normal and, without asking any questions, admitted her to spend the night. Sometime thereafter the nurse at the home discovered that Carrie was violently ill. She had brought bichloride of mercury with her and swallowed it. A few days later she was dead. An affidavit attached to Carrie’s will by her sister Rose Allen stated that Carrie’s husband, E.S. Patterson, had deserted Carrie and then lived apart; she bequeathed him \$1.

One month later, in June 1924, Edward married **Bessie Hopkins Monagan** (1885-1952) in Salamanca, New York. Bessie was his first cousin, because her father, Philander D Hopkins, was the brother of Edwin’s mother Caroline Hopkins Pattison. Bessie had been married previously to William Monagan, M.D., a physician in Kane and Mt. Alton, McKean County. Bessie and William had two daughters, Mildred (who would be one of the four wives of Axel Reinhold Emanuelson) and Hazel (who would marry William Oscar Lattimore). William died in 1918, when both girls were very young. In 1930 Edward was living with Bessie and the two girls in Hazelhurst. All must not have been well, however, because from 1939 until she died Bessie lived in Kane, where she had grown up, and Edward lived separately in Hazelhurst.

**J4. Stella Isabel ‘Belle’ Pattison** (1880-1924) married **Richard Rutledge Ray** (1879- ) in 1912 in Rochester, New York. Ray was born in Tyrone, Pennsylvania, where his family had established the Old Bald Eagle Tannery, a prominent and important business in Tyrone. Ray traveled to Tokyo in 1912, with Belle, staying until 1914, to Surabaya, Java, Indonesia in 1919, and to Mexico City in 1921, all on tannery business. The McKean County Democrat described their return: *“Back From Japan. Mr. and Mrs. Richard R. Ray are visiting Mrs. Mary Terry, of Mill Street. Mr. Ray was in the employ of a Japanese tanning firm, called the Meyi Seikaku Kabushiki Kaisha. Mr. Ray built a sole leather tannery,*

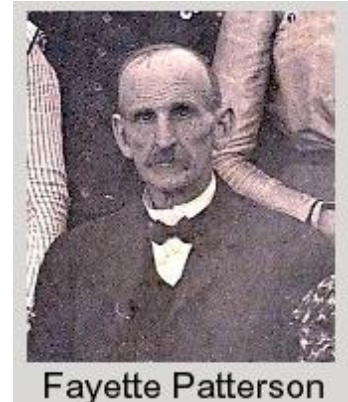


*and showed the Japanese how to operate it.”*

Belle died from Brights disease. Her illness lasted quite a long time. For the final few months she lived with her sister Mary Terry in Smethport, where she died.

### **K. Fayette Eben Patterson (1842-1916)**

Fayette was born and raised on the family farm in Norwich Township. In 1860 he lived on the farm of his brother Francis and Armenia, the wife of Francis. He enlisted as a Private on 01 February 1862 in Company E, 58th Infantry Regiment Pennsylvania for the Civil War. He was promoted to Full Corporal on 29 February 1864 but left Company E, 58th Infantry Regiment Pennsylvania on 26 August 1864. Because of typhoid fever he was unable to continue as a soldier. He went west to Wisconsin. In 1867 he married **Margaret Winifred O'Brien** (1838-1920) at Grand Rapids, in central Wisconsin. Margaret immigrated in 1867 from Ireland.



Fayette and Margaret settled in Grand Rapids, engaging in the lumber business. After about eleven years at Grand Rapids, Fayette moved to Stevens Point, about 25 miles northeast of Grand Rapids. In Stevens Point he conducted a flour, feed and provisions store for several years in the late seventies. He came to Rhinelander about 1893 and was one of the pioneers in the lumber business, filling the position of sawyer, grader and scaler at different times. Rhinelander is about 90 miles north of Stevens Point. Fayette was an assessor in Rhinelander for about 13 years. Note that he is in the group photo at the beginning of this article—he traveled back to Smethport for the reunion in 1901.

Fayette had a paralytic stroke in about 1914. He was confined to bed for several weeks before he died. Fayette and Margaret are buried in St. Mary and Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Rhinelander.

They had six children, of whom only one, Ellen, lived to maturity.

**K1. Ellen Mary Patterson** (1868-1945) was born in Grand Rapids. She married James M Harrigan (1861-1916) in 1889 in Stevens Point. He was born in New Castle, New Brunswick, Canada. His obituary says that he was for several years a mail clerk on the Wisconsin Central. Resigning that, he became an insurance agent in Rhinelander, Milwaukee, and later Detroit. About ten years before he died, he engaged in the lumber business in Detroit and "accumulated a handsome fortune." He died in Detroit from mitral insufficiency.

After the death of James, Ellen lived with her daughter Ethel and then with her daughter Mildred. She died of a heart attack suffered while enroute by air to East Orange, New Jersey, where her son Fayette lived.

**K1a. Ethel M Harrigan** (1889-1984) was born in Stevens Point. She married **Manuel Fernandez deCordova** (1891-~1954) in 1919 in Detroit. He was born in Abreus, Santa Clara Province, Cuba. He was a mechanical engineer and automobile experimental engineer with Ford Motor Company, living in Detroit and Dearborn, Michigan.

The daughter of Ethel and Manuel, June Ethel Fernandez deCordova (1920-1993) received an A.B. and an A.M. in English from the University of Michigan. She was in the WAVES. She married Richard Laughner Beil (1917-1993). Richard, June, and Ethel all died in Kirkland, King,

Washington.

**K1b. Leon James ‘Steve’ Harrigan** (1892-1938) was born in Rhinelander. He held various jobs in Memphis, Tennessee, all connected with the automotive industry: assembler for Ford Motor Company and sales for a machinery trading company, International Harvester, and General Motors trucks. He married **Minnie Lemser** (1895-1977) ~1921, herself a saleswoman. After he died, she continued to live in Memphis. They had a daughter Dorothy Ellen Harrigan (1923-1914, Charles Albert Grannis).

**K1c. Fayette Patterson Harrigan** (1894-1958) was born in Rhinelander. He studied to be a draftsman, and in 1917 was instructor of mathematics and mechanical drawing at The Cadillac Motor Company in Detroit. The next year he had left Cadillac and was an aeronautical engineer for the Signal Corps at McCook Field in Dayton, Ohio. By 1940 he lived in East Orange, New Jersey, a machinery manufacturing agent.

In 1939, in Warrenton, Virginia, Fayette married **Katherine C Tate** (1914-1976). She was a nightclub entertainer. A 1957 newspaper article announcing her playing the piano at the opening of the Marion Hotel in Ocala, Florida said that she "studied piano under world-famous virtuoso Josef Lhevinne and has given concert performances in many parts of the country." She died in Lufkin, Angelina, Texas, from a brain tumor.



Fayette Patterson Harrigan

**K1d. Bernice Marion Harrigan** (1896-1959) was born in Rhinelander. She studied to be a nurse at St. Luke’s Hospital in Chicago. By 1924 she had moved to Memphis, where her brother Leon lived, and roomed with her sister Mildred. She died in 1957 on the Indiana Toll Road, near Elkhart, as a result of a high-speed collision.

**K1e. Mildred Francis Harrigan** (1897-1971), born in Rhinelander, studied at Columbia University in New York. She married **Zean Robert Strobe** (1897-1959) in 1919 in Waukegan, Illinois. He was an aviation mechanical engineer. They divorced in 1923. A year later Mildred was in Memphis, living with her sister Bernice, a stenographer. In 1926 she lived in Seattle and in 1930 in Detroit, an insurance company secretary. In 1935 and 1940 she lived with her mother in Manhattan. She died in Detroit.

### L. Ellen Armena Pattison (1847-1931)



Ellen Hoffman 1901

Ellen was born in Norwich Township. She first married **David E Comes** (1839-1877). His parents were Calvin Comes and Rhoda Keyes. Both the Comes and Keyes families had deep roots in McKean County. David's Comes grandparents were part of the 1815 migration from Chenango County, New York to Norwich Township. David's father Calvin was the first white child born in McKean County, on Bunker Hill in Sergeant (now Norwich) Township.

Ellen and David went west and had a farm near Iowa Falls, Iowa. David was killed by lightning in 1887 as he stood beside his father Calvin in the door of their barn. Ellen returned to Smethport the following year. David and Ellen had two children, Alta, born in Pennsylvania, and Leon, born in Iowa. David's father Calvin and his second wife Betsey stayed on awhile in the Midwest; in 1885 they were living on the farm of David's brother Ansel and his family in Center, Ness, Kansas. But Calvin and Betsey returned to McKean County. Calvin died in 1894 in Norwich Township and Betsey in 1895 in Smethport. Both are buried at Colegrove.

In 1884 Ellen married **Jacob Hoffman** (1865-1899). Jacob was born in Cochection Center, Sullivan, New York. His parents were Jacob Hoffman and Wilhelmina 'Minnie' Kinsley, who had emigrated from Germany. Finding out anything about Jacob was very difficult. The Register of Deaths in the Register of Wills Office, McKean County Courthouse, lists: 15 Nov 1899: Hoffman, Jacob H, 34 years old, born Cochection



Alta Comes Ness and Ellen Hoffman

Center, Sullivan County, New York, laborer, died 12 Sep 1899 in Hickox, Potter County, Pennsylvania, of paralysis. Interred in Smethport on 14 Sep 1899. Jacob and Ellen had two children, Edward, who died in infancy, and Eva.

After Jacob's death, Ellen lived with her daughter Eva in Smethport. In 1930 that was at 35 West Willow Street. At her death, she was the last surviving child of Ebenezer and Nancy Patterson. Her funeral brought a large number of grandchildren and relatives. Many of these names appear elsewhere in this article: *Pallbearers at the funeral at the Methodist Episcopal Church were Harry, Arthur, and Orlo Ness, Merle Dickinson, Harry Ward, and Earl Terry. Attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Pitt Hutchins and son Albert of Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Field, Virginia Field, Mrs. Ed. Pattison and daughter Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. Capwell of Hazelhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hutchings of Olean, NY; Mrs. Belle Fike, Mr. and Mrs. William Ford, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Mrs. Hudson Smith, Jr. and Homer Smith of Brookville, PA; Mrs. George Payne of Clarion PA, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ward of Rew City.*



**L1. Alta E Comes** (1868-1936), the daughter of David Comes and Ellen Pattison, was born in Norwich Township. She returned to Norwich Township in 1888 from Iowa with her mother and brother after their father was killed. In 1889, in Olean, New York, she married **Andrew Ness** (1862-1916), whose parents were German. In 1900 Andrew was a teamster living in Smethport with Alta and six children. Then, eight years before his death, Andrew moved his family to Oklahoma, where they settled on a farm. According to a newspaper obituary, he became quarrelsome and showed signs of insanity. Alta divorced him and moved her six children back to Smethport. Andrew then went to the Northwest, settled on a government claim, and accumulated some money. A few weeks before his death he returned to Smethport and distributed money to his children. It was his intent to pay a farewell visit to his children and to visit relatives in New



Alta Ness



Alta Ness 1901

York state before going West to settle permanently. However, Andrew and Alta then decided to remarry on a Saturday in Buffalo. He died the night before, on Friday, as a result of two shots to the head. The newspaper article said that he was thought to have been temporarily insane. He left a note indicating that he had been laboring under great mental strain.

In the 1910 census we find Alta, a widow and a washerwoman at home. Her daughter Ada, then 18, helped her mother as a laundress, and Harry, then 16, was a painter in the Smethport toy factory. In 1920 Alta lived in Smethport with her son Orlo, a machinist in a novelty company, the other children having moved on. In 1930 Alta lived at 208 West Water Street in Smethport in the same house as Carrie Oviatt and Orlo, with Orlo's family.

Alta and Andrew are buried together in Rosehill Cemetery in Smethport.

**L1a. Edna Ruth Ness** (1890-1967) married **Lewis Harvey Linton** (1888-1973) in 1909 in Falls City, Nebraska. They homesteaded in Saskatchewan, Canada.

**L1b. Ada Margaret Ness** (1891-1940) was born in Smethport. She married **Charles Henry Engler** (1878-1932) in 1927 in Buffalo, New York, where she had been a hospital nurse. They lived in Buffalo, where he was yardmaster of the Nickel Plate Railroad. At his death, he had been employed by that company for thirty-five years. His death left three young children: Janson, Ruth, and Charles. In May 1932 Ada and her three children took up residence on Center Street in Smethport. In 1940, after their mother died, the children lived with Merle Dickinson and his wife, who was their aunt, in Smethport, but sometime after that they were raised in an orphanage, the Masonic Home in Utica, New York. They continued to live in Utica after leaving the orphanage. Charles 'Chuck' Engler received a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and worked at IBM, Owego, New York as an Electronic Systems Engineer for 29 years.

**L1c. Harry David Ness** (1893-1958) married **Marian Brittain** (1899-1975) in 1917 in Olean, New York. Harry and his brother Arthur George married sisters. Harry was a garage mechanic, but for his last twelve years was custodian at the Smethport School. Their children were Harriet

Marian Ness (Maxwell Hoig Caskey, Carl Edward Lobaugh), Robert Brittain Ness, Helen Jean Ness (Wayne Gregory Morris), Charles Edward Ness (Norma Virginia Hess, Ruth Ann Fromholzer), and Daniel Norman Ness (Barbara Ann Kaziska).

Helen Ness (1921-2000) stayed married to Wayne Morris for only a year or two. Newspaper articles indicate that thereafter she was associated with Julia Belle Gallup (1911-1975) on family occasions and vacations. Helen and Julia Belle are buried in adjacent plots in Norwich Township Cemetery.

**L1d. Leora Ellen Ness** (1896-1958) married **Merle Eugene Dickinson** (1896-1978) in 1917. He served in World War I and with the Smethport Fire Department. He was foreman in a lumber yard and then became McKean County Deputy Sheriff; Leora was the jail matron. Their daughter Louise married Allan Taylor Studholme, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin at Madison and Aldo Leopold's student. He became chief of the Division of Law Enforcement of the Interior Department's Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife and was an expert on the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. He wrote the regulations extending protection to members of the raven family, implementing the Migratory Bird Treaty with Mexico. Leora and Merle's daughter Elsie married William Malcolm Murray, M.D., long-time physician in Smethport.

**L1e. Arthur George Ness** (1898-1941) was born in Smethport. In 1918 he married **Alice Brittain** (1901-1974). Alice's sister had married Arthur's brother Harry. Arthur was a machinist in a glass factory and a novelty shop. He died by suicide. His sons were Lawrence Orlo 'Bud' Ness and Jack Brittain Ness (Bessie Flanagan). Jack was an airman who was killed in the South Pacific, specifically Schwangliu, China, in World War II.

**L1f. Orlo Jay Ness** (1899-1949) was born in Smethport. He married **Elizabeth Catherine Geary** (1903-1980) in Olean, New York in 1921. He was a machinist and mechanic in a novelty company in Smethport. Their children were Elizabeth 'Betty' and Catherine, twins who lived at the Pennsylvania State Hospital and School for people with mental retardation in Polk, Pennsylvania; Raymond (Evelyn Tengstrand, Vera Maude Wade); Geraldine (Joseph Ferraino, Jr.); and Mary Ann (Harry Lamont Work).

**L1g. Pearl Agnes Ness** (1903-1991) married **Harry Enver Ward** (1900-1985) in 1919. At age 20 he was a pumper on oil leases, and he continued that occupation through 1940 in McKean County. They later lived in State College and Lewistown, Pennsylvania. Both died in Hillsborough County, Florida. Their son Charles Edward Ward (Doris Jean Hepler) died in Lewistown. Other children were Mildred (John Lawson III), Mary Ellen (Howard C Sparks), and Betty Jane (George McKinney, Jr.).

**L2. Leon Orville Comes** (1873-1945), son of David E Comes and Ellen Armena Pattison, was born while the family lived in Hardin County, Iowa. He returned to Smethport in 1888 with his mother and sister after his father was killed. By 1900 he had started a career in the oil field business as a pumper. At that time he lived with his mother and sister in Smethport. In 1901 he married **Nellie Dale Cummings** (1878-1922), who had been born in Fort Scott, Bourbon, Kansas. Their son David Elmer was born in 1903 in Smethport. A year or two later they had moved to the Midwest in Chautauqua County, Kansas until at least 1910. In 1915 they lived in Oklahoma, then from sometime before 1918 to at least 1920 in Butler County, Kansas. All that time he had worked in the oil industry, mainly as a driller.

His wife Nellie died in 1922 in Chautauqua County, Kansas. That event seemed to switch his

perspective. In 1927, back East in Little Valley, Cattaraugus, New York, he married **Elsie R Marks** (1888-1969). They lived in Eldred and Smethport, McKean County; he worked as a driller and at one time was street commissioner for Smethport. He and Elsie are buried at Rosehill.

**L2a. David Elmer Comes** (1903-1992) was born in Smethport but grew up in the Midwest as his parents moved around Kansas and Oklahoma. He married **Marietta Gambill** in 1923 in Oklahoma. Elmer moved around a lot as an oil well rig builder, to Oklahoma, Kentucky, Illinois, and Michigan. Both he and Marietta died in Duncan, Stephens, Oklahoma.



Carl Leon Comes

**L2b. Carl Leon Comes** (1915-1981) was born in Dewey, Washington, Oklahoma. He married **Dortha Mae Sampson** (1916-2007) in 1937 in Oklahoma City. They both died and are buried in Oklahoma City. Their children were Carlene (Teddy Page, David Ewing) and Mahlon Dale.

**L3. Eva Andrews Hoffman** (1885-1959), daughter of Ellen Armena Pattison and Jacob Hoffman, was born in Smethport. She never married. She cared for her mother until Ellen died in 1931. She graduated from Smethport High School and joined the County Courthouse staff on April 6, 1905. For four years she was clerk for the prothonotary and for 15 years was deputy prothonotary. She served from 1924 to 1932 as deputy sheriff and from 1934 to 1955, when she retired, she was deputy Clerk of Courts.



Eva Hoffman 1901

She attended the Methodist Church in Smethport and was a charter member of the Women's Society of Christian Service of that church.

Her will left the bulk of her estate to her half grandnephew Charles Dane Engler but sums to nephews or nieces Leora E Dickinson, Harry Ness, Elmer Comes of Duncan, Oklahoma, and Carl L Comes of Oklahoma City.

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**Pitt Abbey's 1879 photo album:** Alta Comes, Pitt and Nettie Abbey, Emily Patterson Abbey with Jay and Pitt, Angeline Brockham Pattison, Lamira Pattison

**Val Smithwick:** Olive Hutchins with son Cad

**Dorothy Husband:** Myron and Olive Hutchins; Frank B Hutchins and son Clyde

**Jody Ward Jackson:** Ellen Comes Hoffman and Alta Comes Ness

**Files from the Abbey home in Smethport:** a) The 1901 Patterson Reunion photo; everyone was identified on the back by Kenton C. Abbey. A number of headshots were cropped from the photo. b) The photo of Frank Patterson, taken in Iowa. c) Nettie Abbey with Earl and Hazel

**Amy Holton:** Claude Patterson family, Walter Digel and Leslie Patterson

**Bonita Thomas:** Vera Patterson and Evangeline Patterson

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- <sup>5</sup>. Group sheets from Eron Hutchins, Claire Johnson Hurwitt, and Ron Stewart (descendants of Olive Rebecca Patterson Hutchins), on file in the Jefferson County Historical Society in Brookville, Pennsylvania, relayed to me by Valerie Smithwick; the Patterson History in Appendix 4; and birthplace of DeWayne from his death record in the Office of Wills, McKean County Courthouse.
- <sup>6</sup>. Abbey genealogy has been traced far back in New England in the early 1600s in the book *Abbe-Abbey Genealogy* by Cleveland Abbe and Josephine Genung Nichols, 1916, The Tuttle, Morehouse and Taylor Company, New Haven, Connecticut, 511 p. I talk more about Abbey ancestors and descendants in my article **Descendants of Timothy Abbey in McKean County, Pennsylvania**.



## APPENDICES

**APPENDIX 1: THE PATTERSON HISTORY**, sent to me by Marie Poor of South Dakota, a descendant of Francis Marion Patterson. Among the histories available, this one, to me, is the most believable, particularly in talking about descendants of Ebenezer Patterson. Portions about Salmon Pattison and his immediate descendants are subject to interpretation. I have put a few comments in brackets for all the appendices.

We, F.B. & E.C. Patterson, brothers and sons of Francis M. Patterson, have this day gathered all the facts known to us relative to the history of the Patterson family & write the same down.

There seems to be three ways of spelling the name, viz: Paterson, Pattison, Patterson. Salmon Patterson spelled his children's names the three ways aforesated in the family Bible. His son Ebenezer spelled his name in early life Pattison and later, after tracing the family record back, he spelled his name Patterson. Two of his sons, Francis M. and Fayette, have followed this later form of spelling the name. Duayne F. and Sylvester J. and Stephen W. followed the former way of spelling the name, viz: "Pattison."

We are of the opinion, from the best information obtainable, that John Pattison was the father of Salmon Pattison and was born and lived in Ireland all his life, and where Salmon was born. We are unable to ascertain the date of the birth of John, but he died Oct. 11, 1799.

Salmon Pattison was born in Ireland, Aug. 13, 1766; was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He was married to Anna Jewell (who was born in Scotland , Sept. 27, 1766) on Nov. 20, 1789. He also had two brothers who came to America, one of whom, Thomas, settled in Canada & accumulated about \$30,000 and when the Revolutionary War broke out, he took sides with the Colonists & became a colonel. He was killed and all his property confiscated. Salmon Pattison died Jan. 10, 1810 and Anna died Jan. 5, 1829.

Children of Salmon and Anna:

- Olive Patterson, born Aug. 1, 1790.
- Lorana Pattison, born Feb. 15, 1793.
- Ebineezer Pattison, born Feb. 20, 1795.
- Sylvester Paterson, born Aug. 3, 1797.
- Anna Patterson, born Feb. 21, 1799.
- Angelina Pattison, born Feb. 26, 1802.
- Polly Patterson, born March 26, 1805
- Betsey Pattison, born March 25, 1810.

Ebineezer Patterson

He may have been born in New York (Batavia) in Orleans County. He moved from Batavia, NY to McKean County, Penn. About 1820. He served in the War of 1812 and after the war he belonged to the State Militia and on general training day he was reprimanded by the commanding Colonel, but failing to conform to the order to the satisfaction of the Colonel, the officer struck him with his sword. Thereupon Ebineezer knocked the Colonel off of the horse and stamped him. This incident induced him to make a sudden trip to the wilds of Pennsylvania. He settled on Potatoe Creek in McKean County. He was married Jan. 6, 1822, in McKean County, to Nancy Brewer (born May 10, 1805). He settled on a farm on Potatoe Creek, and with

the exception of two or three years that he lived at Elba, NY, Genesee County, lived all the remainder of his life on his farm. This was in Norwich Township. He was possessed of a good education but we are not able to ascertain when or how he obtained it. Our mother, Armenia Patterson, was a schoolteacher before her marriage and taught in the school district in which Ebenezer lived, and she says that he was one of the best posted men in orthography in all that county. He was justice of the peace for over twenty-five years.

#### Children of Ebineezer & Nancy

- 1) Sylvester Jewell Pattison, born Nov. 2, 1822, town of Sargent, McKean Co., Pa. Sylvester's middle name was evidently for his grandmother, Anna Jewell. He married Angelina Brockham June 3, 1849. He died March 1, 1870. He lived all his life in McKean County.
- 2) Phoeby Emily Pattison, born Jan 13, 1824 at town of Keating and married Natahiel W. Abby. She lived & died in McKean County.
- 3) Nathaniel Brewer Pattison, born May 27, 1826, died when about 22 yrs. old. Never married & always lived in McKean Co.
- 4) Duayne Franklin Pattison, born Feb. 28, 1828 at Elba, Genesee Co., N.Y. Married Catherine Robinson July 9, 1854. Died July 31, 1899. His parents moved to McKean Co. when he was three yrs. old. He spent the remainder of his life in McKean Co. and at time of his death was the oldest pioneer of Creek Valley, held the office of County Commissioner for several years and was State Road Commissioner for many years, holding this office at the time of his death, and built all the State roads in the vicinity of Kean, Mt. Jewett, Hazelhurst, Wilcox, etc. He became a mason while a young man and also a member of the Methodist church. He was of exceptionally good habits, unusually well read, and respected by all. His word was as good as his bond. He was repairing a drain in Hazelhurst, i.e., superintending the work, when the intense heat caused his collapse.
- 5) Lucy A. Pattison, born June 26, 1830 in Elba, Genesee Co., NY and married John Boyer.
- 6) Francis Marion Patterson, born Jan. 20, 1832, in Sargent(now Norwich), McKean County. He attended district school a limited time. He clerked some in his uncle's store when a boy. He drove stage or helped run rafts down the Susquehanna river, and spent 3 years learning the carpenter trade with his brother-in-law, N.W. Abby. He married April 26, 1857 to Armenia Cook in Smethport. In the fall of 1864 moved by team 1300 miles to Knaps Creek, Crawford, Wisc., where he lived 7 years until 1871, when he moved to Clear Lake, Iowa. He lived in Clear Lake 7 years & he moved onto a farm until 1891, when he moved to Nowlin, S.D. where he resides at this writing.
- 7) Olive Rebecca Pattison, born in Sargent, Aug. 31, 1833, married. Myron Hutchins.
- Lemira Dosahe Patterson, born in Norwich, Jan. 12, 1836. Never married.
- 7) Angelia Nancy Patterson, born 1837. Married Jesse Hall.
- 9) Stephen Webster Pattison, born May 13, 1839.
- 10) Elen Armenia Patterson, born Jan. 1, 1847, married David Combs. They moved to Iowa Falls, Iowa, where he was killed by lightning. They had 2 children. She then married one \_\_\_ Hoffman, who died some years later. At this writing, she lives in Smethport, Pa.
- 11) Fayette Eben Patterson, born Aug. 16, 1842, married in 186(?7 ?9) to Margaret \_\_\_\_\_ at Grand Rapids, Wisc. He now lives at Rhinelander, Wis. He enlisted in Civil War at age 19 and

served 3 yrs. He was veterinzied. He reenlisted but was too sick with typhoid fever, sent home & never served again.

**APPENDIX 2.** Letter from Frank D. Patterson, son of Elmer C. Patterson and Grandson of Francis M. Patterson, to his first cousin Elmer LeGrand Patterson. Letter sent to me by Marie Poor of South Dakota

Dear Elmer and Ilse,

Enclosed is a copy of the "Patterson History" that I promised you. I am as much at sea relative to our Scotch or Irish origin as before. However I haven't lost any sleep over it and don't intend to.

This has been another beautiful day which we lost as far as getting out and enjoying it are concerned... [goes on with a personal letter] ...with best wishes for good health & happiness.

Frank & Velma

Addenda to the letter by Frank D. Patterson:

My father wrote his cousin Miss Melicent Anna Pattison of Smethport, Penna. on April 20, 1912 as follows, relative to being of Irish extraction:

"My father told me that Grandfather (Ebineezer) decided at about the time father (Francis Marion) reached manhood, that he had been spelling the name wrong and so changed it to the spelling which my father (Francis) followed. If our name is Scotch we should spell it as I do. (Patterson) I am now of the opinion that our ancestors on our father's side are Scotch, viz: (1) The fact that Grandfather changed the spelling. (2) Uncle Fayette told me last summer that his father was of Scotch descent. (3) There are no given names anywhere that are Irish.

**APPENDIX 3.** A letter from Elmer L Patterson, son of Herman A Patterson and grandson of Francis M Patterson, October 30, 1967 on letterhead of First Congregational United Church of Christ in Orange City, Florida

Dear Cynthia,

You have given me an almost impossible task with the limited information I have at hand. I should, long ago, have gotten together more information on our forebears but have neglected to do so and now it is almost impossible. I will give you here what I can:

On my mother's side I have almost nothing: My grandfather, David Rilling, was brought to this country by his parents, whose names I do not have, when he was 2 years of age. He was German. He married an English girl, my grandmother. I do not now recall her name and their birth dates I have not. My mother's maiden name was Ruth Rilling but I do not have her birth date.

Patterson Line:

Salomon Patterson was born in Ireland August 13, 1766. Married Anna Jewell (who was born in Scotland Sept.27, 1766) on Nov. 20, 1789. They came to America and Salomon died Jan. 10, 1810 and Anna died Jan. 5, 1829.

Ebenezzer, one son of Salomon and our direct line, was born Feb. 20, 1795. He moved from Batavia, N.Y. to McKean County, Pa. about 1820. He was married to Nancy Brewer Jan. 6 1822 (Nancy was born May 10, 1805).

Francis Marion Patterson (my grandfather) born Jan. 20, 1832, McKean County, Pa. He married Armenia Cook, April 26, 1857 at Smethport, Pa. In 1864 they moved 1300 miles by team to Crawford County, Wis. In 1871 they moved again to Clear Lake, Iowa and in 1891 to Nowlin, So. Dakota where they lived out their days.

Herman A. Patterson (my father) I do not know his birth date, likely around 1875. Married Ruth Rilling at Pierre So. Dakota, about 1895. Their children: Evangeline (Eva) born about 1896 at Redwood Falls, Minnesota; Elmer LeGrand (me) born Jan. 25, 1898 at Redwood Falls; Mary Gladys; Merle; Vera; Herman; Viola; Francis, born Sept. 17, 1914 at Bristol, So. Dakota.

Elmer LeGrand Patterson, married Geneva Greenfield, born Nov. 15, 1899 at Madison County, Iowa. Married August 18, 1921. Their children: Paul Elmer, born Aug. 25, 1925 at University Park, Iowa; Ruth Ellen, born Feb. 26, 1928 at University Park, Iowa; Eugene, born Aug. 7, 1934 at Denison, Iowa.

My grandmother, Armenia Cook Patterson, was descended from the Cooks of the Mayflower. Her father Cook was a direct descendent.

Brothers and sisters of Francis Marion Patterson: Fayette, Belle, Millie, Stephen, Ellen  
Sisters to Armenia Cook: Mary, Maude?

Brothers to Herman A. Patterson: Fred, Frank, Elmer. No sisters.

**APPENDIX 4.** Pattison Family History Outline in the McKean County Democrat, 8-18-1938. Yearly Patterson reunions, at locations near Smethport, started in the summer of 1925 and continued until 1941. The 1942 reunion was called off because of gasoline rationing. This article was written by Laura Field Tarr, a great-granddaughter of DeWayne Pattison, and read by her at the 14<sup>th</sup> reunion in 1938. The first part of this narrative, up to Ebenezer, could be called, well, fanciful, but later on some solid facts are presented.

The members of the Patterson family gathered here today are descendants of Solomon Patterson, and from letters and data in the possession of Mrs. Clara Patterson I am setting forth a few historical points, more or less for the interest of the younger generation.

We are told that the Patterson ancestors came to the British Isles and settled in Scotland, Ireland, and England, which perhaps accounts for the various ways of spelling the name: Paterson, Patterson, the Scottish spelling, and Pattison, the Irish spelling.

One source of information states that three Patterson brothers sailed from Scotland and after a long, eventful journey, landed in 1619 on the New Jersey shore, at the site of the present town of Paterson. Our information at present ends at this point, and we do not know if they stayed or returned to the home land. So we will take up our story with Solomon Patterson.



He was born in Ireland, Aug. 13, 1766, and married Anna Jewell Nov. 20, 1789, who was born in Scotland, Sept. 27, 1766. We do not at present have any information as to when they came to the United States. They were the parents of six daughters and two sons, Sylvester, born Aug. 3, 1787 and Ebenezer, born Feb. 20, 1795.

Continuing our story from Ebenezer, we find that he married Nancy Brewer of Genesee County, New York, and moved to Potato Creek, McKean County, Pa., in 1831. Their children were six daughters and six sons, five of whom were born in Genesee County. Of these children I will give brief sketches of Sylvester, DeWayne, Stephen, Fayette and Francis.

Sylvester was born in Genesee County, NY, Nov. 2, 1822. He came to McKean County with his parents in 1831, and married Angelina Brockham in 1849. They lived on Pierce Brook where the August Hanner farm is now. Later he went to Ormsby on lumbering jobs. Then this same occupation took him to Emporium. Here he contracted getting out pine timber which was floated down the Susquehanna River to the Philadelphia shipyards to be used for ship masts. The site of this pioneer lumbering venture is known today as Patterson Draw. Sylvester died in Emporium when his son Leslie was about twenty years of age. Sylvester's children were Leslie, Esta, Ida, and Millie, who lives in Smethport.

DeWayne Pattison was born in Genesee County Feb. 18, 1828. He came to McKean County in 1831 and was married to Katherine Robinson on July 19, 1854. They were the parents of seven daughters Nancy, Melissa, Eliza, Emma, Lena, Mary and Mira and one son, Albert. Mira and Albert died when quite young. The older daughters married as follows: Nancy married Joseph Fields March 22, 1874, and died Feb. 9, 1933. Melissa married Burton P Hutchins, and died in 1937. Eliza married William Kimball. Emma married George H Sparks, and is living in Hazelhurst. Lena married Rev. Samuel Stoddard Feb. 21, 1905, and died Jan. 1, 1937. Mary married Pitt M Hutchins and is living in Bradford. DeWayne's various occupations included farming on Marvin Creek, keeping hotel at Larabee, later moving to Mt. Jewett. He was the first contractor to build roads for the State in this county. He laid out and built the road from Hazelhurst to Mt. Jewett and the road from Mt. Jewett to Kushequa, and the Mt. Jewett-Kane road.

It is interesting to note that when the road from Hazelhurst to Mt. Jewett was improved, the state followed the road as laid out by DeWayne, with two exceptions, eliminating two bad curves, one just on the outskirts of Hazelhurst and the other nearer Mt. Jewett. The modern contractor, with his modern machinery, was able to follow the original plans of the early road builder, who with an eye for a good road and the future, had planned for these eliminations and today's improved highway follows it. He was engaged in this same occupation in Hazelhurst when he died.

Stephen Patterson was born in McKean County, May 13, 1839. He married Caroline Hopkins, and they were the parents of two sons, Edwin S, who now lives in Hazelhurst, and Eben C, who died May 19, 1931 in New Orleans, La., and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Terry of Smethport, and Mrs. Belle Ray, deceased. They lived in Norwich Township and then moved to Smethport. Stephen served with distinction in the Civil War, and on returning home, moved his family to a farm on Marvin Creek near Kasson. Eben, a son of Stephen, born in 1869, was a well known drilling expert and worked in the oil fields of Peru, S.A., Burma, India, and Salvadore Republic, C.A.

Fayette was born in McKean County, Aug. 16, 1842. He enlisted in the Civil War and returned home because of illness after a few months service. Upon recovering he went west to Wisconsin where he worked in lumbering camps. He married there and had one daughter, Ellen. Francis and Fayette established the western branches of the Patterson family.

Francis Patterson was born in McKean County on Jan. 20, 1832. He married Armenia Cook, a school teacher, and they had five sons who obtained their schooling from their mother. The boys were named Elmer, Fred, Chester, Frank, and Herman. Herman is the only son living and is the owner and publisher of a country newspaper in South Dakota. Francis and his family went from Potato Creek to Jefferson County and, after one summer there, they went in a covered wagon to Wisconsin where they cleared land for a farm on Knapp's Creek. They left this place after seven years because there were no schools, and went to Clear Lake, Iowa. After a few years there they moved to South Dakota. Francis' grandson, Frank, is general manager of the Montgomery Wards Co. store in Chicago.

A sister of Francis and Fayette, Ellen, who was born Jan. 1847, married David Comes, and went to Iowa Falls, Iowa. After the death of her husband in 1877, she returned to Smethport and in 1884 she married Jacob Hoffman. Ellen died in 1931, at the age of 84. She had two daughters, Mrs. Alta Ness, who died in 1936, and Miss Eva Hoffman of Smethport.

An interesting fact to bring to your attention at this time is that the name of Patterson is dying out in this section of the country, as the younger generations of the family have only one male member each: Ansel Patterson and his son, Dale, who are descendants of Sylvester and his son, Leslie.