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Nicholas Messinger  
and  
John Shelton families  
and  
James & other Sheltons

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JEROME SHELTON.

By Robt. Stonewall J. Shelton (Robt. S.)

Lives with son, Robt. S. Jr. about the #2600 block, on right hand

John Shelton had children. He married Mary McComas, dau. of <sup>Sarah</sup> ~~Elisha~~ <sup>?</sup>. The children are: (*Relatives always claimed Elisha*) America Shelton, who married \_\_\_\_\_ Stevens. They went west, and we heard nothing more.

<sup>u</sup> Larena S. married John Plymale, and lived and died on Beech Fork.

Anna S. married Alderson Bowen, father of Jeff. Elba, and Bub Bowen.

Emily S., married John Berry, and lived on Beech Fork. They moved to Huntington, W. Va.

Jeannette married John Esque. She lived and died in Huntington, leaving many descendants.

Elisha, married Eliz. Mitchell. Lived and died on Bear Creek, W. Va.

Dave S., married first \_\_\_\_\_; married second time Sarah Bias, daughter of Elisha Bias.

Jerome S., married Malinda Messinger. She was daughter of Nicholas Messinger. There were ten children, of whom three are living.

The children of Jerome:

~~L~~ Larena, who married Robt. Jackson, and lived at John's Creek, in Pike (?) Co., Ky. Both dead.

Eliza S. married Virgil Mahone. They lived on Mud River, at the mouth of Mahone Creek.

Susan S. married Peter Dingess, of Lincoln County, W. Va.  
Albert, who died at four years of age.

Henry married first Mary Belle Smith; second time married  
Mary Lucas.

Welham Wallace S., married Emily Heck. *William?*

Martha, first married James Perry, of Salt Rock; then mar-  
ried Taylor Pullens.

Robert S. first married Inez Noel, daughter of Willis Noel, *of*  
of Two Mile, above West Hamlin, W. Va. Her second marriage was to  
a \_\_\_\_\_ Chapman.

Stella married married twice: first husbandn was Wm. Stoligh-  
ton, of Pennsylvania. Second \_\_\_\_\_. Lives in Mi-  
amie Beach, Florida.

I think the Sheltons came from Rockbridge County, Virginia,  
or Giles County. My mother~~s~~ was German.



Shellou -

Census 1820 names several  
Shellous (It was never printed)

James Shellou	3	under 10	males
	3	"	10 females
	1	"	26-45 m.
	1	"	26-45 f.

Joseph Shellou	1 m.	under 10	
	1 m	"	10-16
	1 <del>f</del> m	"	26-45
	1 f	"	26-45

John	1 m	"	10
	1 m	"	45

Stephen	1 m	"	10
	1 m	"	10-16
	1 m	"	16-20
	5 f	"	

Abraham Shellou's will is  
in Pittsylvania Co. Va.

His wife was Cloe

He d. 1789

Children

Lettie m. Jeremiah White

Ann

Jane m. John Stone

Abraham Jr

~~Abraham Jr~~ Children

Shelton ~ William  
Tavenor  
Frederick  
Meeon ~  
Robertson

All mentioned in deed  
to Frederick who m. Polly  
Deed Bk 1 p. 122 -

( See Hist. Upper Ohio Valley  
by Cramer p. 739.)

Geo. Fred. Miller came with  
his widowed mother, and

m. Mary M. Shelton,  
<sup>children</sup>  
Parents were: He was

b. 1816. He had sons

Geo. F. Miller m. Lucy B. M.

Cornell in 1878.

m. 2 Florence G. Miller

By 1st m. he had

James J. b. 1879

Chas P. b. 1881

Belle b. 1884

Geo. D. b. 1887

John G. } The mother lived  
Sig } on Benning farm  
& B. 1888

Mary Shelton dau. of  
Anthony S. m. Geo. F. Miller  
Mary, dau. Monroe Shelton  
m. Geo. R. Miller, son  
of John G. Miller  
Monroe m. Elizabeth Merritt

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Thos. M. Shelton  
m. Rose Vickers. Buried  
at Nitro on Kan River

Henry Winston Shelton's  
gr. dau. wrote Mrs. Perkins  
said her mother was living  
and that Henry W. S. was  
named for his 2 grand  
mothers

1. wife of ~~J~~ Thos. Han  
nan who was \_\_\_\_\_  
Henry (I have record
2. From James Shelton Sr  
mother who was  
\_\_\_\_\_ Winston.

She said the father was  
James m. \_\_\_\_\_

Elisha Shellou<sup>-</sup> b. March 29, 1878  
and  
His Descendants<sup>-</sup>

Elisha Shellou<sup>-</sup>  
(Bro. to Jerome  
b.

d.  
m. Elizabeth Mitchell  
(For Bible see Allie  
Carter Shellou<sup>-</sup>, at West  
Hamlin)

Their children

1. Alderson B. ("Bub") Shellou<sup>-</sup>

m. 1. Mary Smoot, a  
half sister of Attorney  
George Smoot, son  
of Gabriel and —  
Smoot (Gabriel m. 4 times)  
Children

a. Helbert Shellou<sup>-</sup>

b. Blanch Shellou<sup>-</sup>

m. Jack Perry,  
brother to Attorney  
John W. Perry.

c. Brookie

m. Alfred Moore

They lived in  
Barboursville

d. Blake Shelton

e. Hattie Shelton  
m. Winfield Pierson  
They live below  
West Hamlin.

m. 2. Mrs. Allie Carter Jordan  
widow? of Clawhammer  
Jordan. She lives  
in West Hamlin and  
had a large family

2. Sarah Shelton (Sister to "Peb")  
m. Al Mitchell  
They had three  
sons and one daugh-  
ter. A son John  
Mitchell may be  
living in Guyana-  
Lotte.

3. "Vic" Shelton  
m. 1 Martha Smoot,  
sister to Mary Smoot  
Two children:  
John Shelton -  
logging up Guyana  
River  
Ed Shelton - Shell  
shocked in World  
War I, and is now

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4. Henry Shelton - never  
married. He was  
a soldier in one  
of the wars.

See Census of 1850

By Robert Stonewall J. 8  
Shelton (Robt. S.)  
Lives with son Robt. S.  
Jr. about the 2000  
Block above Nickel  
Plant, on right  
side

John Shelton

m. Mary McComas, dau  
of Gen. Elisha McComas  
and ~~Anna~~ French McComas

1. America Shelton

m. Stephens.

Went west & I know  
nothing further.

2. Lucrecia Shelton

m. John Plymale  
They lived & died  
on Beech Fork

3. Anna Shelton

m. Alderson Bowen  
Father of Jeff, Elba,  
& Bub Bowen.

4. Emily Shelton

m. John Berry,  
Lived on Beech  
Fork, then at Hunt-  
ington

5. Genevieve Shelton

m. John Esque  
Lived & died in  
Huntington & had

many descendants

6. Elisha Shellou  
m. Elizabeth Mitchell  
They lived & died on  
Bear Creek.

7. Dave Shellou  
m. 1 — — ?  
m. 2. Sarah Bias,  
Rev.  
dan. of Elisha Bias

8. Jerome Shellou  
m. Malinda Messenger,  
dan. of Nicholas & Mary  
Messenger  
10 children;  
3 living.

Their children were:

1. America Shellou  
m. \* Stephens  
They went west and  
we know nothing more  
about them.

(\* All this  
is duplicated)

2. Lurana Shellou  
m. John Plymell  
They lived and  
died on Beech Fork  
and have many  
descendants there.



3. Anna Shelton  
m. Alderson Bowen,  
Father of Jeff.  
Elba, Bul<sup>o</sup> Bowen, etc
4. Emily Shelton  
m. John Berry. They  
lived on Beech Fork  
and later moved  
to Huntington
5. Jeannette Shelton  
m. John Esque  
They lived and  
died in Huntington  
and have many  
descendants there.
6. Elisha Shelton  
m. Elizabeth Mitchell  
They lived and died  
on Bear Creek.
7. David Shelton  
m. 1  
m. 2. Sarah Bias,  
dan. of Rev.  
Elisha Bias.
8. Jerome Shelton  
(I have copy the  
above twice - last  
time for children of Jerome)

Children of Jerome Shellou

1. Lorena Shellou

m. Robert Jackson. They  
lived on John's Creek  
Kentucky

2. Eliza Shellou

m. Virgil Mahone  
Lived at the mouth  
of Mahone Creek, on  
Mud River.

3. Susan Shellou

m. Peter Dingess, of  
Lincoln County.

4. Albert Shellou died at  
four years of age.

5. Henry Shellou

m. 1. Mary Belle Smith

m. 2. Mary Lucas.

6. William Wallace Shellou

m. Emily Heck.

7. Martha Shellou

m. 1. James Perry of  
Salt Rock.

m. 2. Taylor Pullens.

8. Robert Shellon

m. 1. Inez Noel, dau of  
Willis Noel of Two  
Mile Creek, above  
West Hamlin.

m. 2 Chapman

9. Stella Shellon

m. 1 William Sloughton  
of Pennsylvania.

m. 2 <sup>Lives Miami  
Beach, Florida</sup>

I think the Shellons  
came from Rockbridge Co.,  
Va. If not, from Giles Co.  
My mother was German.

Mr. Walter F. Smith  
1657-6th

Shelton - James & descendants of Ave.  
Below Barboursville

I was b. June 6, 1878, son of  
Charles B. Smith & Mary Mc Comhag  
Smith.

My grandparents were Preston  
Smith and Lucy Barrett, of Virginia,  
who claimed to be a cousin  
of Lewis & Clarke expedition. My  
parents lived at Charleston served  
as Pros. Atty., and was Circuit  
Clerk of Kan. Co. when I Pros-  
ecutor when he died. Served  
about half his term. He came  
from Louisa Co. Va. at Louisa C.H.  
60 miles West of Richmond on  
C. & O. R.R. Preston Smith &  
Louisa Barrett lived in Louisa  
Co.

Preston Smith's parents were  
Hon. Ballard Smith who m.

He was admitted  
to the bar in Cabell County, in  
1810. His was a descendant of

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Hon. Ballard Smith lived at Lewisburg, and had several children. He was congressman from Greenbrier District, W. Va., before? the Civil War, or at least under Virginia. He & his brother William were alternate congressmen from that section.

Mary <sup>Mc</sup> Conihay was a daughter of Samuel and Malinda <sup>Mc</sup> Conihay

Samuel <sup>Mc</sup> Conihay m. Malinda Shellon, dau. of James Shellon Sr. of near Barboursville.

(Archibald Clendenin was massacred on Muddy Creek in Greenbrier Co. by 60 Shawnee Indians)

Samuel <sup>Mc</sup> Conihay owned the land at mouth of Cabin Cr. Kanawha Co. died there.

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Samuel & Malinda Mc Couhlay  
had children:

James Mc Couhlay m. Minta Morris  
They lived at East Bank.  
Had children. One or  
two living - Charley &  
John live at East Bank.

John Mc Couhlay  
m. Sallie Slack of  
Cabin Creek.

They lived there.

A son, James, Russell, &

Mollie m. Burke

Live at Mattoon, Ill.  
1620 Pratt Ave.

Samuel Mc Couhlay

m. Lee Carter

Lived at East Bank

Sam died leaving a  
son, William Mc Couhlay,  
who was agent at Cabin  
Cr. Junction many years.

Lee m. John Carterburg  
East Bank, Ill.

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Mary McCouahay m. Charles B. Smith  
(See above)

I m. Maud Thornburg, dau.  
of Thos. and Mary Elizabeth  
Gillock of Lexington, Va.,  
Thos. Thornburg was a  
son of Ephriam. Thos.  
Thornburg was a brother  
to H. O. Thornburg's father,  
& was raised at Shepherds-  
town? Thos. J. was a  
bro. to Moses Shepherd J.  
of Wheeling.

James H. Ferguson

Mrs. Stella Mae Southworth

m. 1. Elizabeth Arton

m. 2. Elizabeth Ong, my mother's  
stepmother.

m. 3. Elizabeth Creel of Barlowers-  
ville.

All children were by 1st  
wife.

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### The Sheltons

Mrs. A. Shelton (d. in Huntington  
at 86.)  
my gr. father

m. Eliza A. Hatfield, dau  
of Mrs. Hatfield.  
Eight children:

Mrs. Martha (Mattie) Paul  
lives in an apt.  
house 4 5th Ave.  
2nd floor. She is 81.

Mrs. Emma Shanklin  
83, lives in Charleston  
Charley - lived in  
Ohio. Old.

Amelia - m. - Hutchison  
Lived in Washing-  
ton

Robert - d. Single  
Frank - d. " at 25  
Edward - d. blood poison  
One child. d. in  
Indiana - 60 +  
Emma - Mrs. John Shank



James E. Shellon. (He drank)  
m. America Gwin  
A dau. Gertrude m.  
Lives on 8th Ave  
above 11th St.

Matilda Shellon  
m. Geo. W. ~~Howard~~ Fulwider

Elizabeth Shellon  
m. F. M. Ferrell 4-10-47  
Children: 2 daus. & 1 son  
Mayme m. Lee Benhring  
A son Raymond Lee  
Benhring, Atty.  
A dau. was in P.O.

Fannie m.  
(See Aunt Mattie Paul  
for all of them -  
749 - 3rd St.

By Mattie Paul  
(Mrs W. A. Paul  
of Hurricane <sup>her was born</sup>  
749 - 3rd St  
Phone 26718

The Shellons

Anthony Shelton

m. Margaret Moore, dau.  
of Martin and Mary  
Moore. Anthony Shelton  
was a brother to James  
Shelton Sr., & John Shelton

Children

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Thomas Allen Shelton

b.  
d.

m. Eliza A. Hatfield,  
dau. of Thos. and  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hatfield of Bar  
boursville He was  
b. in Barboursville  
but moved to Hunt-  
ington, <sup>23 yrs. before he d.</sup> and lived at  
1717, 7th Ave. He d.  
at 804. He was m.  
at about 20.

They had nine children  
of whom seven were liv-  
ing at the time of his  
death as well as by his  
death. He was a carpen-  
ter & popular with his  
companions.

Their children:

1. Amelia m. Wm. Hutchinson  
of ~~W. Va.~~ Va. He moved to  
Washington. Was a  
stone mason. Three  
children of eight survive

Their children: 18. All dead  
Leona m. Ed <sup>but</sup> <sup>2</sup> Wadkins

He d. & she lives  
in Buckhannon, W. Va.

Anna — never married  
Lives at Washington,  
D. C.

2. Walter Shelton

m. Mary Ferguson,  
daug. of Judge James  
H. Ferguson

The two children  
living

Mrs. Southworth  
Walker Shelton  
of Covington, Ky.

3. Charley Shelton

m. Harriet Wadkins  
lived in Trouton O

One son & 2 daus.

Harry Shelton lives  
in Washington, D.C.

He is a retired  
C. & O. man. Lives  
with a dau,  
Mabel m.

The daus:  
Leona Shelton

Shelton  
Both dead.

4. Emma Shellou  
 m. John Richard Shanklin  
 Lived in Charleston  
 She lives with her  
 son, John Shanklin.

5. Mattie May Shellou  
 b. Aug. 16 1866  
 m. Will A. Paul.  
 7 children  
 Live at 749 - 3rd St  
 with dau, Mrs. W.  
 R. Wood.

6. Edward Shellou  
 m. Waneta Summers  
 of Huntington  
 He was a brake-  
 man on a Alabama  
 railroad. Suicide  
 No children.

7. Robert  
 Nov m. Died at  
 Birmingham Ala  
 He was a R.R. man.

II. Matilda Shelton

m. Geo. W. Fulwiler

4 children:

a. John Fulwiler

m. Mary Shelton (aunt  
Lyon)  
daughters Anthony & Margaret Shelton.

Four children.  
2 girls & 2 boys  
moved from Huntington  
then Shelton.

b.

III. James E.  
c

d.

III James E. Shelton

m. America Swinn

5 children - 3 girls 2 boys

Fanny m. Milton  
lived in Huntington  
Children - America  
& Rosalee <sup>with</sup> single  
America works for  
Telephone Co.

Rosalee - for C. & O.  
m. Supt's office.

Bob Shelton - a R.R. man  
K. O. O. D. ...

Gertie m. Brigham  
a C. & O. man. They  
live on 9th Ave.

Mamie m. Lee Benhring  
both died  
She had one son  
a lawyer - Lee B.

2 daus:  
Lucille, Single, Works  
at in P.O.

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Albert never married.  
He had a stroke  
and fell in a  
well at B'ville

IV. Elizabeth Shelton Ferrell  
m. Francis M. ~~Shelton~~

Children:

Mary m. Church

Lawrence - never m.  
d. at about 60

Grace - never m.

Possibly others.

Census of 1850

425- Elisha Shelton 33. Farmer. All b. Va.  
 Elizabeth " 32  
 John W. 10  
 Sarah F. 7  
 Mary F. 4  
 Anderson B. 10 mos.  
 Henrietta 15 (years?)

439 - David Shelton 22 b. Va.  
 Elizabeth (McComas) 18 " "

443 - Jerome Shelton 29 Blacksmith  
 Malinda (Messinger) 22 all b. Va.  
 Luzana 6  
 Elizabeth A. 4  
 Susan 2

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A stone made by Jerome Lambert now at back of house near Guyan River Bridge, in upper end of West Hamlin. Never placed on the Grave, says:

"In memory of Jerome Lambert

Jerome Shelton  
 Sept. 12, 1821  
 Oct. 7, 1883"

Stonewall Shellou's dau.,

Bertha Ray in Nat dept  
of Huntington Dry goods dept.

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← Mary Shellou m. "Be" Childers

A dau. Amy Childers  
m. Vernon Pierson, a  
C. & O. brakeman of  
Huntington

← A dau. m. Dr. Jackson

← Stella m. 1 Elston  
m. 2

← Henry Shellou

Stella Shellou's address (Stoughton)

8102 Kloudyke St.,

Tampa 4,  
Florida.

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John Shellou father of Jerome, etc  
m. Sally McComas, dau. Elisha  
McComas.



Children of John and Sally  
Shelton :

- David m. Elizabeth McComas, dau  
Andrew
- Elisha m. Elizabeth
- Jerome m. Malinda Messenger
- America m. John McKeand
- Rebecca m. Geo. Stephenson
- Mary m. Nicholas Williams
- ~~Lorance~~ <sup>Lurancy</sup> m. John Plymall
- Emma m. Berry
- Ann m. French? Bowen
- Nellie m. John Esque.

Above is by Mrs. Stella Sloughlon,  
but does not agree with John Shelton's  
will, but some may have been dead.  
David Shelton

m. Elizabeth McComas,  
daughter of Andrew  
McComas. In his will  
April 1, 1860 (Will Bk 2,  
p. 576) Andrew McComas  
leaves her 1/4 of his estate,  
the "part to Elizabeth to  
be paid to her and  
not to go for David  
Shelton's debts.

Will -  
probated  
May 7, 1860

"Bud" Shellou's first wife was  
Mary Smoot, half-sister to  
Attorney Geo. Smoot. She was  
by the first wife of old  
man Smoot who came here  
from Wyoming Co. Geo. was  
by the second wife.

"Dick" Shellou, bro. to Bud,  
married Martha Smoot,  
full sister to Attorney Geo.  
Smoot.

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In cemetery at upper end  
of Godfrey Sites farm just above  
and to right of a R.R. Crossing  
~~sign~~ sign, and to right of R.R.  
going up are several graves—  
Elisha McComas Sr., Elisha  
Shellou, etc. Here is one:

"Elizabeth, Wife of Elisha Shellou  
Died March 23, 1877.

Aged  
59 yrs. 5 mos. 7 da."

Since b. Oct 18, ~~1877~~ 1817?

Jerome Shelton was born Sept. 12, 1821, near the mouth of Bear Creek.

He married Malinda Messenger <sup>or 1828</sup> daughter of Nicholas and Mary (Williams) Messenger of Fall Creek,

He owned much land around west ~~Hampin~~ ~~and~~ ~~on~~ ~~west~~ ~~corner~~: substantial log house, in the upper end of the town, not far from the graded school.

The building would be considered a very crude one now, but at that time, it was probably as good as any in that section. A part of it was standing until about 1922, when it was torn down to make room for a new building.

It was made of logs daubed with clay. There were two rooms down stairs, and a large loft divided by a partition up stairs. There was a kind of ladder by which one could enter

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either of the up stairs rooms.  
Pumpkins and snap beans were  
often dried on this landing.

For many years before the  
civil war, Jerome Shelton owned  
and operated a race track,  
but this was abandoned on  
the opening of the war.

In his early days, he  
was a blacksmith. This is  
shown by the 1850 census,  
in which he is classed as  
a blacksmith. He followed  
this trade for many years  
till several years after the  
civil war. His shop stood  
between the residence of Herbert  
Adkins and the school building.  
He later kept store, and  
was the first post master  
of West Hamlin.

His education was very  
limited, but he was a very  
intelligent man, and served  
for six years as Prosecuting  
Attorney of Lincoln County,  
and later, was a member of  
the State Senate for two years.

He had nine children, but his daughter Stella Shelton inherited the land on which West Hamlin is built.

Mr. Shelton returned from the State Senate in 1883, but worn out with a busy life, he died in the fall of that year - Oct. 7, 1883, ~~and~~ his grave is on a hill just outside West Hamlin, and very few know, or care, that here lies the body of the pioneer settler of this prosperous little village.

Some years after his death, his friend, <sup>and namesake</sup> Jerome Lambert, who made and sold monuments, made a small monument for him, but left it to others to place over the grave with the result that it now lies in a back yard of a residence near the eastern end of the Guyan River bridge. The inscription on this monument reads: "In memory of Jerome Lambert  
Jerome Shelton  
Sept. 12, 1826"

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Setta Shelton, growing tired of country life, traded her share of the land to a Mr. Robinson, for a house and lot in Guyandotte. He came to this place, in 1895, and with the assistance of Clark May and E. M. Wilkinson, laid off the land into town lots, and sold them. Robert A. Lewis became the purchaser of the first seven lots, built a house on one of them, and lived here until his death, in 1925. He had formerly lived on Big Ugly Creek, and engaged in timbering and mercantile business.

Jerome and Malinda Shelton had a family of twelve children as follows:

1. Luzana b. 1844.

She must have died in infancy.

2. Elizabeth A. C. 1846.

She must have died  
in infancy.

3 Susan C. 1848 (See Hardesty  
p. 399)

m. <sup>William P.</sup> Peter Hingess who was  
born and raised in  
Lincoln County. Ten children:  
Ann, Maud, May, Viola, Linna,  
Nazel, Hattie, Minos, Vergil,  
and Jerome Hingess.

4. Lorine m. Dr. Jackson

from Kentucky, the first  
school teacher, at West  
Hamlin. They had four  
children:

Robert Jackson

John "

Linna "

Eliza "

5. Eliza m. Vergil Mahone,  
son of <sup>and</sup> of Lincoln Co. Their  
children were: Willie,  
Charley, Lennie, and  
John Mahone

6. Mary Alice m. Joseph  
Childers (known as "Be")  
Children: Myrtle,  
Jerome, Clarence,  
Grace, Charles, and  
Amy Elmira Childers.



7. Martha Jane m. Stonewall  
Perry of Cabell County.

They had one son only,

Stonewall Perry Jr. Mr.

Perry died and she

m. 2 Taylor Pullens. Three

children: Cleveland, Billy, and Fred

8. Stella May Pullens.

m. 1. William Sloughton

from Pennsylvania

Two children: Paul

and Willie.

9. Henry m. Mary Smith  
of Kentucky. Six children:  
John, Jerome, Grover,  
Kenneth, Lydia, and  
Lula Shelton.

10. Wallace m. Emily  
Heck of Ohio. Six  
children: - Frank  
Walter, May, Susan,  
and Scernia.



11. Stonewall m. Macie Neal  
of Lincoln County. Their  
children were: Bertha,  
Anna, Dulcie, Hallie,  
and Robert.

12. Albert died in in-  
fancy with whooping  
cough.

Jerome Shellon got his  
start in life as a black-  
smith. He had the first  
store in West Hamlin, and  
kept post office in his  
house. He is said to have  
gone to school but nine  
weeks in his life.

Mrs. Shellon died about  
1921, at ninety-three years  
of age.

## Messenger Marriages

Maliinda Messenger

m. Jerome Shelton April 27, 1843  
Wm Adkins

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Francis W. Messenger

m. Emmaretta Johnson  
April 14, 1843  
Wm. Adkins

Mary Jane Messenger

m. Blackburn McComas  
Oct. 6, 1846  
Richard L. Brooks

Emily Messenger m. James McComas  
(2-3)

Mary Messenger m. Alex. B. McKeand

Nov. 7, 1865 (2-14) 28 & 20, He widow

She single. Both b. & reside

m Cabell. He son of

John & Mary McKeand. She

dan. Wilson & E. Messinger

Shoemaker. Melcher Murri

Emily L. Messenger

m. G. W. Burnside

Feb. 28 1866 (2-15) 25 & 21. He b  
Mercer Co. He son of Henderson  
& L. Burnside. She dau.  
William & Nancy Messenger.  
Becksmith Melcher Merrill

Sarah Messenger m. Wm. McCann

Dec. 26 1870 (2-23) He b. in  
North of England. ~~She~~ He son  
of Hugh & Ellen McCann. She  
dau. \_\_\_\_\_ Messenger  
Laborer. S. M. Russell.

David Messenger

m. Octavia Harvey

Feb. 8, 1877 (2-37) Daniel Ash.  
He 21-11 mos; She 23-22.  
Both b. & residents of Cabell  
Co

Rosa B. Messenger m. James Boothe

Aug. 1, 1889. Elisha Bick

all to 1892.

Messenger

Deed Bk 8 p. 3.

May 14, 1839, Nicholas & Mary  
Messenger ("Polly"), for \$300 deed  
to John Peyton (son of Henry Jr.)  
Land on Grays Branch, "about  
80 poles above the house where  
the said John Peyton now lives."  
Also 2 other tracts - 200 a,  
etc - all on Grays Br.

Deed Bk 8 p. 392

March 31, 1843, Nicholas & Mary  
Messenger, Francis Wm. Messenger  
& wife, for \$1500, deed to  
Henry Johnson, an equal and  
undivided  $\frac{1}{2}$  of certain lands  
mills and mill site or seat  
and und.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a saw mill &  
grist mill "together with the  
mill seat by law condemned"  
"now owned and occupied by  
the said Nicholas Messenger" and  
Francis Wm. Messenger, on  
Guy. R. "near and below the  
Old Falls thereof" "at the fish  
trap shoal so called"  
and land beg. on the E.  
side of the river, etc.

Deed Bk 8 p. 467

Nov. 20, 1843, Nich. & Polly  
Messenger, Francis W. & Emmeretta  
Messenger, for \$1<sup>00</sup>, deed to  
Jerome Shelton 350 a., "it  
being the same land we now  
live on Guy. river" & part  
of Moses McComas sold to  
Wm. Wheeler, "below the  
dwelling house Moses McC. for-  
merly lived in standing about  
about a mile below the  
old or former falls of said  
river, on the west side  
of said river"

This deed shows further  
that Moses McComas deeded said  
land to ~~Nicholas M.~~ Wm Wheeler  
& Messenger.

Deed Bk 8 p 528

March 26, 1844, the Messengers  
& Jerome Shelton sell this  
350 a to Andrew & Jane  
Wheeler — \$1<sup>00</sup>.

Deed Bk 8 p. 274

July 26, 1842, Melcher & Mary  
Merritt, for \$50, deed to  
Nicholas Messenger, a. "about  
a mill below the great falls  
thereof", extends to a line  
bet. Merritt & Andrew McComas,  
about 5 acres.

Deed Bk 8 p. 402

Aug. 24, 1839, Andrew & Cin-  
derella McComas, for \$  
deed to Nicholas Messenger,

Wm. Wheeler, Francis W. Messenger  
in consideration of the  
said parties of 1<sup>st</sup> part  
erecting a water grist and  
saw mill thereon within the  
limited term prescribed by  
law after the condemnation  
of sd. site", sale to be  
forfeited if they fail, etc  
1 acre - more or less.

Deed Bk . 8 p. 403

Aug. 24, 1839, Moses & Lucy  
Lucy McComas, for \$  
deed to Nich. Messenger,  
Wm. Wheeler, Reason Wheeler  
& Francis W. Wheeler,

make a deed to same parties  
for the same purpose, for a  
on the west side of the Guyan  
River. adj. the fish trap shoal"  
Same terms exactly.

Deed Bk 8 p. 472

Feb. 6, 1841, Wm. & Elizabeth  
Wheeler for \$1450, deed to  
Nicholas Messenger, Andrew  
Wheeler, & Francis Wilson  
Messenger, a. "including  
the lower end of the farm  
where Moses McComas and  
Andrew Wheeler now live"

"Beg. at the mouth of  
the second branch below  
said McComas house and  
and the first house above  
James McComas on the  
west side of Guyandotte  
etc. to "where the line  
bet. Wm Wheeler & Spencer  
Midkiff intersects," etc  
350 a. reserving 150 a. previous  
ly deeded to David M."

The Messingers

441 - Nicholas Messenger 60 Muller Co. Va.  
Mary " 60

John H. 10

Geo. W. 7

Emily 14

Mary J. McComas 20

656 William Messenger 35  
Nancy 33

David 13

Isaac 10

Emily 6

Francis M. 2 mos.

443 - Malinda Shelton 22  
m. Jerome Shelton.  
(Daughter of Nicholas and  
Mary Shelton)

Emily Messenger m. James  
McComas (son of Jesse and  
Amanda McComas? This is what  
marriage record says but Mrs.  
Bill...)



Nicholas Messenger b. 1790 and was of Dutch descent. He lived where George Messenger now lives. His wife was Mary Williams. According to the census of 1850, he was born in Virginia. Before coming to this section, <sup>m. 1838(?)</sup> he came to Lawrence County, Ohio.

He was a soldier of war of 1812 & d. March 29, 1878 at 88 yrs.

His children were:

William Messenger b. 1815

Wilson Messenger b.

John H. Messenger b. 1840

George W. Messenger b. 1843

Malinda Messenger b. 1828

Mary Jane Messenger b. m. Blackburn McComas, Oct. 6, 1846

Emily Messenger b. 1836

(Frank Messenger m. Josie Cremons, dau. Sanders Cremons)

He built and lived a newed log house. He received a pension of \$8<sup>00</sup> per month for service in the war of 1812. He owned the first water mill at the Falls of Guyan. He had at first a partner by the name of Wheeler. The mill

See Mrs. Cremons' all  
5000 Rock.



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had bolts 6 ft. by 10 ft. which  
they turned by hand. Flour  
was sifted through Swiss cloth.

Nicholas Messenger died at  
88 yrs. 2 mos. & 11 days.

Nicholas Messenger's family

George W. Messenger b. 1842

m. Sarah E. McCowg 1868, She was  
a daughter of Thos. J. and  
Catherine <sup>Condon</sup> McComas both b. in  
Lincoln Co

Their children:

Mary N. Messenger b. Dec. 6,  
1868

Erastus Messenger b. Sept. 11, 1872

Thos. J. b. Sept 28, 1872.

Geo. W. Messenger was a  
prosperous farmer. Owned  
518 acres of land on Fall Creek.  
Raised fruit, dealt in lumber  
& had interest in a grist  
mill

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John W. Messenger b.  
June 6, 1875.

Catherine b. Aug. 27, 1877

Myrla b. Sept. 14, 1879

Emery J. b. Sept. 27, 1881