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Shirley's roots go deep in Logan County soil



Americans usually don't stay in one place very long. In fact, the average American moves about 14 times in his lifetime. He doesn't live long enough in one place to establish deep roots.

But Shirley Payne's family hasn't participated in the typical American transience. His "roots" go deep in the Logan County soil. Five generations of his family have lived on the same land for the past 131 years.

"My family has always lived on that land and I expect they'll keep on living there," Shirley said.

His wife, Ruth, is the family historian. She's traced both

her family and Shirley's family back five or six generations. In her research, she discovered that she and Shirley are related. Her grandfather and Shirley's great-grandfather were brothers. "That makes us third and one-half cousins," she said.

According to Ruth's records, Shirley's great-grandfather, William Roach Shirley, traveled from Virginia to Illinois in 1846 to homestead the 120-acre tract of land that became known as the Shirley Plantation. That same year he built a large house on the land and lived there until he died in 1862.

"The house was very beautiful, with two floors and a large porch and balcony,"

Ruth said. "People could see the house from miles away because the land is so flat. They'd all stop and admire the house."

Shirley's grandfather, Spencer Henry Shirley, next lived in the house from about 1862 to 1907.

In 1869, to accommodate a growing family, he built a second house about 150 yards from the larger house.

The smaller house is the only one standing today because the plantation house was torn down in the 1920s.

"Several years ago I found the old 'S' branding iron in the

small basement which is all that's left of the first house," Shirley said.

They also have two rocking chairs, a baby cradle and many books and papers.

In one book, which appears to be a notebook or ledger, William Roach Shirley wrote in 1855 that the Logan County area was a "great growing land" with an "abundance of rivers throughout the state."

He even predicted the future of the state:

"With the many railroad(s) through the state giving it such facilities for trade, will make it in time the granary of nations and homes of millions of men."

LOGAN COUNTY ILLINOIS
(see page 8, April 1979 issue)
Shirley News
Middle Column #F

WILLIAM ROACH SHIRLEY was born August 7, 1814 Ky., d Aug. 5, 1862. He married Elizabeth Dorothy Alsop January 11, 1835 in Scott Co., Ky. In 1846 William came to Logan Co., Ill. and in 1851 he homesteaded 120 acres of land that became known as the Shirley Plantation. (Don't confuse this plantation with the Shirley Plantation in Virginia.)

William R. and Elizabeth Shirley and their sons John Wesley and Henry were among the 19 charter members of Bethel Church in Logan Co., Ill. The church was organized by William B. Ryan in 1853. William R. Shirley was one of the first officers of the church. He and David Bowles were the Elders. During the Civil War William R. Shirley and David Bowles pledged each other that they and their families would attend each Sunday service. The church was in danger of ruin from differing opinions on account of the war.

Surrounding Bethel Church, which is built on the top of a hill, is a beautiful cemetery. William R. Shirley and wife Elizabeth, Esther Shirley (William's mother), their children: Emily Ann, George Robert, Sarah L., Elias and Sally Emily are buried there.

William Roach Shirley's parents were Archibald Shirley, born in the 18th century and came from Maryland; and Esther Allen who was born Feb. 8, 1770 in Virginia. Her first husband was William Roach who died in 1809. Archibald and Esther had only one son, William Roach Shirley, named for her first husband.



Ruth and Shirley Payne are members of the Shirley Association. They live on the original property William Roach Shirley homesteaded.

Also a member of the Shirley Assoc. is Ruth's sister, Jean Leesman. They are the granddaughters of James William Shirley. Shirley Payne (husband of Ruth) and his sister Dorothy Behrend are great grandchildren of Spencer Henry Shirley. Dorothy is also a member of the Shirley Association.

This Shirley line came from Maryland to Virginia to South Carolina, and then to Kentucky--before going to Illinois.

Info. source: Family history and census records.



LOGAN CO., ILL. HISTORY

A committee under the leadership of Abraham Lincoln reported a bill for an act to establish the counties of Menard, Logan and Dane. It was approved by the state senate and became law on Feb. 15, 1839. Thus Logan County was born. Logan Co. is named in honor of Dr. John A. Logan, a long-time resident of Ill. Mr. Lincoln suggested the county be named for Dr. Logan who had served honorably in the state legislation. Dr. Logan's father was General John A. Logan, an outstanding commander in the Civil War; a United States senator from Illinois; and the founder of Memorial Day in the U.S.

From the Hartsburg Centennial 1871-1971 - sent in by our member Ruth Payne. Also refer to page 9 of the July 1979 issue of the Shirley News for related info.

June 9, 1847
Logan Co, Ill.

Dear Friends:

We take this opportunity of answering your letter which was dated Jan. 3, which gave us much satisfaction to hear that you all was well. We have to inform you of the death of Robert Musick. He died Dec. 15, 1846 some two weeks after writing you before. He died a member of the Christian Church. A while before he died some of the friends were weeping around the bed. He _____ them to weep not as those that have no hope, he was _____ and exemplary Christian. He made a Will before his death and left the home place, three head of horses, five cows and calves, household and kitchen furniture with the hogs and the present crop to Sarah. She is keeping house with three of her children. The relations are all well at this time and ourselves are also well.

I don't expect to get that land you spoke of. There is some land in Tazwell County about 8 miles from where we live, owned by a man in the East which I want to get. We have written to him. In your next letter let us know why there was no bid for George, if you know and what has been done with him. Tell William Sutton that we often think and talk of him and wish him great luck. We think this the very place for him. The fact is he can do as well here on rented land as he can on the Preston place if it was his own. We heard nothing of George's children. Aunt Sally died in January last. She was with her children in Indiana. Billie Wright's two oldest boys, James and John, are living in this state not far from St. Louis and he was with them so he left them, that is he left the boys some time last summer and they did not know but what he was dead. Allen Branin? was here in April and staid two or three weeks.

We want to see you all very much. I was at Springfield and Billy King's this spring. They are well

and doing well. We expect him and Anny up soon. We have had a long cold winter and dry cold spring. We finished planting the 11th of May; I layed off Martha and Henry dropped? and James covered it with the plow. Wesley was dropping _____? corn for Benny Musick. Ploughing here reminds me of the remark by little Lige that we had all better go. Let us know who is living on the old place. Let us know whether Fielding moved to Landersville or not and what him and the childrens following, and where David Hudson is living. Tell David this is the country for him. Tell Lucinda that Elizabeth wants to see her and that Emily is the prettiest child you ever saw. Tell us what Turner Johnson is doing for himself and where Uncle Jack is living--and how John is getting along. We have to go six miles to meeting. We heard Martha Bell was dead. Was it John Bell's daughter or Thomas Bell's wife.

We have lots to write but time would fail us--we must come to a close. May we be enabled by the mercy and Grace of God to do his will that we may have right to the tree of life and enter through the gates into the city is our humble though sincere desire.

Give my love to all _____ friends and except the same yourself.

From your friends until death.

William R. Shirley
Elizabeth D. Shirley

I expect to be in early in October. Tell him we wish him well and want to see him. We wish him to seek the Lord while he may be found.

--Written by William Roach Shirley to Dr. Ford at Stamping Ground, Ky. Dr. Ford and William Roach Shirley were elders in the Christian Church. Dr. Ford gave this letter to John Wesley Shirley (William's son) in 1909 when John and family came to Kentucky for a visit.

--Robert Musick was husband of William Roach Shirley's half sister.

April 10, 1862/3

Dear Cousin (Marion Shirley)

It is with the happiest of pleasure that I seat myself to answer your kind letter that was received this morning. I was glad to hear from you. I am now at school writing this letter. Times is awful here and I don't know when they will be any better for they are talking of drafting here and if they do it will be hot times for the men. They will be shot at home before they will be taken off. I think the Democrate will gain the day. Wheat is \$1.00 per bushel. Corn is 25¢ per bushel. Factory? is come down to 25¢ per yard, Calico is 25¢ per yard. Coffee a pound to the dollar.

Marion, I recon you are dreading the time when you will be called to fight. If you are taken, be sure and go on the right side. I want you to rite whether Elie has ever got back from the Army or not. Rite where Sarah Harroff/Harross? is Rite all the particulars.

We got a letter from Missouri and they are a drafting there as fast as they can.

This finds us all well so I must quit for I can't think of anymore to rite. I want you to rite and George and you must rite to and I will answer all your letters so no more at present--so good-by.

Sarah Ann Shirley to Marion Shirley

(same letter--at bottom)

Evaline to George

I am a going to school in Cordolph. It aint but about 20 steps to the school house; so I don't have far to go. The teachers name is Littsenberg. He is a good teacher. Today is my birthday. I am 13 years old. They have been trying to whip me but they can't come much speed at it. George I want you to rite to me, so no more.

Evaline Shirley
to George Shirley

Evaline and Sarah Ann Shirley were daughters of William and Sally Shirley and sisters of Samuel (see article elsewhere in this issue).

George and Marion Shirley were sons of James and Deborah Shirley (also featured in this issue). Both families living in Hendricks Co., Ind. in 1850 Census.

Found in family bible in possession of Walter L. Shirley, Sr.

March 22nd 1884

Mudlick Monroe Co., Ky.

Mr. James Shirley

Dear Brother

After waiting a long time I thought I would answer your letter, I received a year ago. I was very glad to hear from you, nothing gives me more satisfaction than to hear from my Kindred and friends, and they are well and doing well. I would have wrote sooner but I thought I would wait a while and put it off from time to time, and you know procrastination is the thief of time. Brother you must look over my carelessness. I have not been very well for some time. I am still able to go about and cook a little. I am still living with Nancy Green. We have plenty to eat and wear. Elizabeth and Zac are living at the old place. Bets health is not very good. She has taken two little boys to raise. One is large enough to plow. Green has rented her land out. She is not very stout, still keeps some stock on hand. We have had extremely cold weather. This winter the thermometer stood 15 degrees below zero. We have had a great deal of wet weather. Farmers have done but little towards crops. Brother I would be so glad to see you one time more in this life if you are able to come. You can get here so quick. Write to me as soon as you get this letter. Don't delay because I put it off so long. Tell me how you and all your children are getting along. I hope

*when you receive this it will you
all well. Respond soon. Nancy
Green joins me in sending love
to you all.*

Yours Truly

Lettice Shirley

--Letters sent by Mr. & Mrs.
Walter Shirley, Jr. and
Walter Shirley, Sr.

JAMES SHIRLEY

b. July 30, 1803, Bourbon Co., Ky.
d. 1893, Hendricks Co, Ind
m. Deborah Pressley, Dec. 13, 1827
Barren Co., Ky. by Ralph Petty,
pastor of the Blue Springs Regular
Baptist Church, originally named
Mud Camp Church--which was in a part
of Barren Co. from which Metcalfe
Co. was later formed. Joseph Pressly
signed the marriage bond along with
James Shirley. Deborah Pressley was
born on March 30, 1809 in Tenn. and
died Aug. 20, 1886 in Hendricks Co.,
Ind. James and Caleb Shirley were
among the first settlers of what
later was Lincoln Township in Hen-
dricks Co., Ind. They settled on
Big Creek, 3 miles S.W. of Pittsboro,
Ind. about 1830, and James died here
in 1893.

James and Deborah were members
of the Big White Lick Regular Bap-
tist Church which was organized
Oct. 12, 1833 at the home of Adam
Spicklemire--with Benjamin Harris
as minister.

James was a farmer and, after
Deborah's death, was proprietor,
along with his son Francis Marion,
of a hardware store in Brownsburg
under the name of Shirley & Son.

To James and Deborah Shirley
were born eight children, six of
whom were reared to maturity. They
were Robert, Rebecca, John N.,
Louisa F., Francis Marion and George
W.

Francis M. Shirley was a farmer
and merchant of Lincoln Township,
Hendricks Co., Ind. He was born
June 21, 1842. His father James
lived with him after his mother's
death.

Francis and his brother George W.
were engaged in the mercantile busi-
ness in Lizton for six years.
Francis returned to farming. He
married Emily Leak and they were
the parents of Allie, Ottie, Beelie,
Walter, Clarence, and Luther.

Walter Shirley Sr., Walter
Shirley Jr., and wife Marion are mem-
bers of the Shirley Assoc. Walt &
Marion attended the Virginia Shirley
Convention in June 1979. Walter
descends from Ottie Shirley. Married
in-lines include: Thomas, Pressley,
Smith, Money, Keeney, and Leak.

The Shirleys who have the Shirley
Funeral Home in Indianapolis, Ind.
descend from this Shirley branch.

BENJAMIN SHIRLEY

b. about 1810 in Ky.
m. Lydia - and lived in Hendricks
Co., Indiana in 1850.

Children

1. Delilah, b. ca. 1831, Ind.
2. Eliza Jane, b. ca. 1838, Ind.
3. Trestin W., b. ca. 1840, Ind.
4. Doctor J., b. ca. 1844, Ind.
5. Willaim A., b. ca. 1849, Ind.

Doctor J. and Margaretta Shirley's
children were: Alvie, Cora, Della,
Effie, and Le Roy--who was born
Sept. 11, 1882, Boone Co., Ind. and
married Ethel Andrews in 1924.

Shirley Association member Edward
Shirley is a son of Le Roy and
Ethel Shirley.

GEORGE W. SHIRLEY (son of James
and Polly). In the 1850 Barren Co.,
Ky. Census also listed is Elizabeth
Thomas and her 4 children living
with George W. She was Elizabeth
Shirley and was married to Alex-
ander Thomas. His parents were
Malinda Shirley and Presley N.
Thomas. Elizabeth was living with
George W. because Alexander had dis-
appeared when taking a band of
horses to New Orleans.

MARTIN SHIRLEY

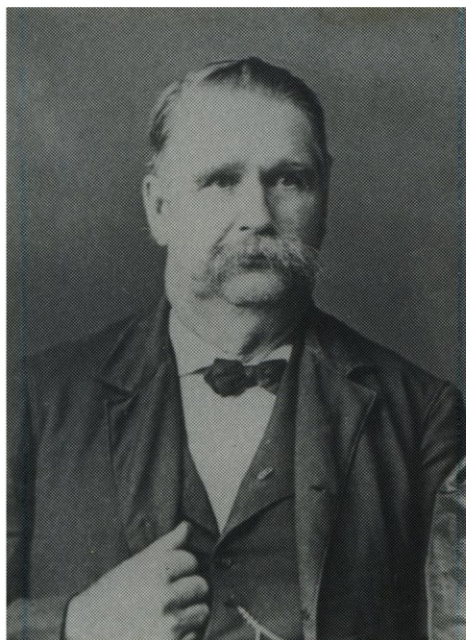
- b. about 1802 Ky. (In 1850
Hendricks Co., Ind. Census.)
- m. 1st. Elizabeth Smith
June 4, 1837
- 2nd. Malinda Shirley
April 31, 1842
- 3rd. Nancy J. Shirley - by
family tradition, it is
said she was a sister of
Malinda

Children

1. Dicy
b. ca. 1838
m. William Wyatt
2. Levi b. ca. 1844
m. 1st. Nancy Ann Smith
2nd. Nancy Jane Roberts
3rd. Nancy Smith
4th. Elsie Ottinger
3. Hannah E.
b. ca. 1847
m. John C. Dicke
4. Elijah
b. ca. 1854
m. Annie Susan Bright
5. William Thomas
b. ca. 1856
m. Margaret El Beamon

Shirley Association members descend-
ing from this line:

Ruby Martin
Stephen P. Shirley



Levi Shirley

WILLIAM SHIRLEY

- b. about 1805 in Kentucky
- m. Sally _____

Known Children

1. Lucinda
b. ca. 1829
m. Franklin Carter, son of
John W. Carter & Sarah E.
Morgan
2. Joseph
b. ca. 1831
m. Sarah _____
3. Rebecca
b. ca. 1836
m. William Hunter, Putnam Co.
4. Samuel b. May 10, 1837
5. Sarah Ann
6. Evaline

SAMUEL SHIRLEY

- b. May 10, 1837, Hendricks Co, Ind.
- d. September 22, 1876
- m. Martha Williams - she m. 2nd
Raleigh Slover

Children

1. William Riley
b. Nov. 28, 1857, Gentry Co, Mo.
2. Nancy
3. Mary F., b. 1860, Ind.
4. Enastus Harvey
b. Sept. 1862, Ind.
5. Lovey Alice
b. April 19, 1867, Mo.
6. John Thomas
b. ca. 1870, Mo.
7. Jemima Ellen
b. 1873, d. 1881
8. Rosa E.
b. 1875, d. 1881

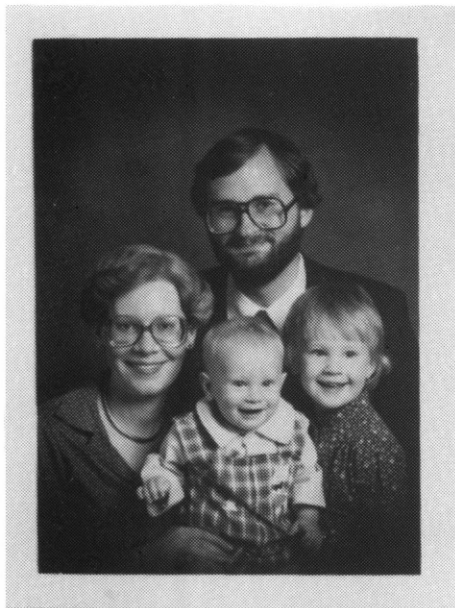
Samuel Shirley served in the
Union forces of the Civil War and
was discharged from the Army on
May 15, 1865. While fighting, he
contracted measles and other afflic-
tions. Samuel had respiratory prob-
lems as a result of his Civil War
experiences and his difficulty in
breathing at night forced him to
sleep outside year-around while his
family slept in a rented house dur-
ing the winters. The need for the
rented house is what kept them in

one place during the winter. It's been said they wandered far and wide during the summer, going north to Iowa. The wagon was always Samuel's bedroom.

While living in Mercer County, Samuel wintered in Warsaw, Mo. It was here his eldest son, William Riley, clerked in a store for several years during their periodic stays in order to earn money to keep the family in food. William also won several purses in local boxing and wrestling matches. A grandchild of William's, Truman Swingle, who lives in Kirksville, Mo. was a Golden Gloves competitor before he entered WWII.

Members of the Shirley Association from this branch are:

Gordon & Marsha Seyffert
Esther Shroyer, Marsha's mother



The Seyffert Family:



TREASURY WARRANT #698 - granted to Thomas Shearly, Daniel Neale with? Robert Johnston and George Newman a certain tract or parcel of land containing 500 acres by ? bearing date Dec. 9, 1794, land being in Scott Co. on the waters of Raven Creek near Georgetown, Scott Co., Ky.

EDMUND SHIRLEY

- b. March 29, 1783, Va.
- d. June 2, 1860, Boone Co., Ind.
- m. Philadelphia _____

Their Children

1. Son - died young
2. Presley - Went to Randolph Co.,
b. ca. 1807, Ky. Mo.
m. Lucinda -
3. Emela P. - Went to Howard Co, Ind.
b. ca. 1809, Ky.
m. 1st. Mary Jane _____
2nd. Marsh A. Lasher Young
4. Daniel - Clinton Co., Ind.
b. March 2, 1811
m. Susannah
5. William P.
b. ca. 1813 Ky.
m. Lydia
6. Miletus - Webster Co., Neb.
b. ca. 1817
m. Irene Johnson
7. Doctor Jackson - Howard Co., Ind.
b. ca. 1818 Ky.
m. Waitzel Seward
8. Bartlett
b. ca. 1820 Ky.
m. Mary Deweese
9. Polly S.
b. May 8, 1822 Ky.
m. Trustor Woolen
10. James S.
b. ca. 1828 Ky.
m. Priscilla Carter
11. Avarina A. M.
b. ca. 1830
m. William T. Swiggert

Some of the descendants were in Vermillion Co., Ill. Our members, Richard Vogt, a professor at Butler University in Indianapolis, and his mother Ethel Richert, her brother Wilford Stevens, descend thru Miletus and his son Edmund Walter, thru William Bede and his daughter Dolly Amelia, the mother of Ethel Richert. Richard Vogt and Ethel Richert, her husband and Ethel's brother Wilford Stevens attended the Shirley Convention in Virginia June 1979.

Another Association member, Irene Scott, descends through Presley and Lucinda Shirley.

WILLIAM SHIRLEY OF MARYLAND

WILLIAM SHIRLEY was born in London England in 1816. He lived with his uncle until age 14. His uncle was governor of Newgate Prison. William was then sent to Brussels, Belgium to learn the queensware business, following the example of nearly all his family. When 18 years old he came to Baltimore, Maryland. Shortly after his arrival he secured a position with a wholesale crockery business firm. Nine years later he purchased a crockery business and sold it in 1855.

William was descended from the old Staffordshire family of Shirleys, one of the most respected families in England. William married Ellen N. Frayer in 1840. They were the parents of Henry C., William W., and Hannah and another daughter who died young.

He had two grandsons, Captain Joseph W. Shirley who was with Troop A, Maryland National Guard, and Harry Shirley. William had a brother John who was an early pioneer of California in 1849. He died there at the age of 96 years.

Captain Joseph W. Shirley's grandson, Robert M. Shirley, is a member of the Shirley Association and lives in Westminster, Maryland on a farm called "Chartley." His great grandfather, Henry C. Shirley, acquired the place in 1919 and named it after Chartley Park, their ancestral acres in Staffordshire, England.

The Shirleys raise pure-bred Clydesdale Horses for farm work. The horses have been consistent winners at fairs.

Robert Shirley graduated from Cornell University in 1957. His son Dan is attending University of Maryland studying pre-veterinary medicine. In 1977 Dan was a national winner in 4-H for his work with the horse project. Other children are involved too!



Robert's father, Joseph Whitney Shirley, Jr., graduated P.M.C. and then to University of Maryland Law School. He practiced law, farmed, and bred Aberdeen Angus cattle and also Clydesdale horses. He managed the Eastern Nat'l Livestock show for 10 years and was on the Board of Directors for the Maryland State Fair.

CATTLE OF "CHARTLEY" IN ENGLAND

The Chartley herd of white cattle dates back to about 1248 when, it is recorded, "some of the wild cattle of the county of Staffordshire which had roamed at large in the Forest of Needwood were driven into the park at this place where their breed is still preserved." (History of Tutbury, 1832.)

The history of the Chartley cattle can be divided into two phases--the first covering the 600 years or so (1248-1905) while it was extant in Chartley Park, and the second, the comparatively few years the herd has been kept at Woburn Park.

While at Chartley the cattle had the range of 1000 acre park in which to roam. By the end of the last century the herd had been much decimated by disease and, by 1905, only eight remained alive. In that year, the eleventh Duke of Bedford decided to purchase the cattle to see if a change of pasture would succeed in giving them a new lease of life. This venture all but led to their total extinction, for the truck in which seven of the eight remaining animals were being transferred from Chartley to Woburn caught fire and most of the occupants were severely burned. As a result of this tragedy, only one bull was of any real use for breeding, and the chance of saving the pure breed was gone. The Chartley cattle were typically "long horn" in appearance

and by crossing the surviving bull with the Longhorn cows, the Duke was able to preserve the Chartley type. The last pure-bred Chartley bull died in 1910 and is now exhibited at the British Museum.

--Info. sent by Robert M. Shirley.



SHIRLEY CONVENTION 1980

Make your plans now to attend --

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San Jose Hyatt House
San Jose, California

- If you need info or have -
any questions

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A Tusc. Co., Alabama Shirley Line

AARON SHIRLEY

- b. ca. 1810, S.C.
- d. during the Civil War. Buried in Holly Springs, Mississippi.
- m. Anna Cleveland

Children

1. Jane
 - b. 1834, Alabama
 - m. Daniel Brown
2. George W.
 - b. ca. 1838
 - m. Sultana
3. Mary A.
 - b. 1840
 - m. 1st. _____ Holt
 - m. 2nd. _____ Fulton
4. Joseph
 - b. _____
 - m. Martha _____
5. James
 - b. _____
 - d. during the Civil War
6. Robert
 - b. Nov. 9, 1846, Tusc. Co., Alabama
 - d. Pontotac Co., Oklahoma
 - m. Safrona C. Ross
(picture & feature article next issue)
7. Elizabeth
 - b. ca. 1849, Alabama
 - m. _____ Davis
8. Anna
 - b. ca. 1851, Alabama
9. Rhody
 - b. ca. 1855, Alabama
 - d. Arkansas
10. Doctor Aaron
 - b. ca. 1856, Arkansas
 - d. 1942, Oklahoma
11. Andrew J.
 - b. July 3, 1861
 - m. 1st. Martha _____
 - m. 2nd. Lou _____

Bob Shirley, who plays baseball for the San Diego Padres, descends from this line.



GREEN CO. ALABAMA MARRIAGE RECORDS
1823-1860

by Pauline Gandrud & Charlotte Elam

SHIRLEYS

Eliza M. to Warren J. Hardin
Nov. 30, 1854 : by A. S. Allen, J.P.

Martha A. to David W. McCully
Nov. 12, 1851 : by M. P. Smith

Nancy M. to Benjamin N. Harrell
Dec. 29, 1842 : by Robt. Archibald,
J.P.

John N. to Hulda Jane Pool
Dec. 23, 1858 : by Thomas J. Patton,
J.P.
He was son of Richard.
John died in 1915 at age 83.
Hulda b. 1837, d. 1919.

Levi M. to Arrena Coats
July 1840

Frances Sherley to Andrew J. Bellew
June 10, 1842 : by D.M. McGehee, J.P.

Emeline Sherley to Belfield Lett
Dec. 30, 1841 : by Robert Archibald

TUSCALOOSA CO. ALABAMA MARRIAGE
RECORDS 1823-1860
by Pauline Gandrud

SHIRLEYS

Thomas to Francis B. White
Feb. 20, 1834 : by Thomas Cox, J.P.

Aaron to Ann Cleveland
June 6, 1832 : by A.H. White, J.P.

Davis to Elizabeth Anders
Dec. 6, 1847 : by Reuben Dodson, L.M.G.

James to Mary Ann Christian
Sept. 14, 1837 : by Wm. Jennings, J.P.

Lee B. to Martha M. Savage
Aug. 21, 1845 : by Wm. Thompson, J.P.

Lewis to Sarah Ann Mullinax
Sept. 5, 1839 : by A.M. Mills, J.P.

Lewis to Mary Ann Patterson
Aug. 21, 1842 : by A.M. Mills, J.P.

Wiley B. to Elizabeth Shirley
Feb. 13, 1846 : by Wm. Thompson, J.P.

Robert to Nelly Caroline Chism
Nov. 3, 1852 : by Wm. Thompson, J.P.

Nancy P. to David B. Anders
Jan. 4, 1857 : by Abner Winn, L.M.
at residence of Jonathon Shirley

Peachy to James Powell
June 18, 1846 : by M. T. Crossland

Rhoda to James Corbit
July 30, 1840 : by A.M. Miller, J.P.

Sarah to James T. Mayfield
Dec. 3, 1857 : at residence of Right
Shirley. Rebecca Mayfield (she
was a Shirley) consents for son.

Sarah to Thomas J. Griffin
Jan. 12, 1860 : at residence of
Jonathon Shirley, by R. Dodson,
M.G.

Susannah to G. W. Fleet
July 28, 1857 : by Wm. Thompson

Emily to Mark Jordan
Jan. 13, 1859 : at residence of J.D.
Parker, by Isham Parker. Moses
Shirley consents.

Rebecca to Abraham Mayfield
Nov. 2, 1837 : by A.M. Mills
(Pierce?)

Susan to William C. P. Tierce
Dec. 25, 1833 : by Moses Duncan, J.P.

W. B. to Ellen Sykes
Nov. 27, 1851 : by A. J. Coleman

James to Ann Webb
Nov. 28, 1854 : by Isham Parker at
residence of Solomon Webb. James
not of age, has no parents or
guardian - his friends consenting
to marriage. Ann is of age.

Thomas to Virginia H. Shirley
April 23, 1854 : by J.M. Wells, M.G.
at residence of Mrs. F. Braswell
in Northport.

Zebadee to Jane H. Tool

March 4, 1858 : at residence of Dr.
James Toole, by John C. Foster,
Pastor of Grant's Creek Baptist
Church.

John L. to Anna K. Chism

Nov. 1, 1860 : at residence of Lewis
Chism, by James H. Freeman, L.P.
Young Shirley bondsman

Zebadee to Virginia Elizabeth Morgan

Oct. 9, 1860 : at residence of bride,
by James Toole, O.M., Robert A.
Morgan bondsman.

Bethire to Jehu D. Parker

Dec. 31, 1845 : by Hiram Hood, J.P.

Caroline to James Crossland

Aug. 13, 1846 : by A.M. Mills, J.P.

Cornelia to Atlas J. Slaughter

Jan. 27, 1855, by Isham Parker

Jerusha to Wiley K. Savage

May 10, 1857 at residence of
Jeremiah Shirley, by Wm. Thompson,
J.P.

Martha C. to Stephen R. Darden

Nov. 29, 1860 : at residence of Moses
Shirley, by Thomas Archibald, J.P.,
W.J. Darden bondsman

Martha Jane to Wm. Marshall Mullinux

Feb. 19, 1851 : by Julius N. Glover

Mary to Abram Berry

June 4, 1835 : by A. M. Mills, J.P.

Mary to Jonathan T. Hardin

Jan. 14, 1847 : by Wm. P. Sullivan,
J.P.

Mary to Geo. Hall

July 22, 1855 : by Wm. G. Berry, J.P.
at residence of Mary Shirley

Maryland to Wm. S. Freeman

Oct. 11, 1860 : at home of bride -
Mother Sarah, by J. R. Smith, M.G.
James W. Roberts bondsman

--Info from Betty Helf.
and Florence Hodges

GRUBB FAMILY

December 21, 1769, Richard Grubb
and wife Susannah of Prince William
Co., Va. sold land to James Stuart
of Fauquier Co., Va. The land had
been patented by Richard Grubb, July
13, 1727.

April 4, 1787, inventory of the
estate of Richard Grubb of Prince
William Co., Va.

Richard and Nancy (prob. Hughes)
Grubb had a son, William Grubb, who
married Rhoda Shirley, daughter of
John Shirley and Elizabeth Barmore.
(Find this family group in Turkey
Creek Baptist Church in Oct. 1979
Issue of Shirley News - page 4.)
Another son, Richard Grubb Jr.,
married Elizabeth Mitchell--and she
married second John Shirley Jr.,
son of John Shirley and Elizabeth
Barmore. Another son, James Grubb,
died in 1855, Barren Co., Ky.

--Ref. Va. Counties by Crozier,
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Does Anyone know who James Shirley's parents were? Believe he was born 1739 in Va., married Judith Garriott. All letters answered.

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Kenneth W. Shirley, a Shirley Assoc. member, has moved twice since May 1979 and has lost touch with Shirley/Dale correspondents. If you have tried to write and/or would like to write him, his present address is RRI, Meriden, KS 66512.

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