

A REYNOLDS FAMILY HISTORY

[of Pennsylvania]

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WASHINGTON COUNTY FORMED: ...28 Mar 1871...all lands lying west of the Monongahela River and in the state of PA, including the present Greene County, and all of Allegheny and Beaver Counties south of the Monongahela and Ohio Rivers.

Crumrine's history, page 228, [not otherwise identified] traces the origin..."By Act of 1781...trustees required to divide into townships. The took the continental number 13. Of these were Amwell...the name of a Presbyterian Church...from which came the Lindleys, Cooks, Rev. T. Dodd and others. Cecil, form Cecil County, MD. Fallowfield, a township in Chester County...Nottingham, a township in Chester County and a district in Cecil County, MD...Hopewell,

Donegal and Strabane are Irish all over, and common in all our Scotch-Irish counties. Bethlehem, settled largely by Quakers. Smith named for a pastor, Rev. Joseph Smith, who resided in the same."

Those of our family who served in the courts of the early years of Washington County: Henry TAYLOR, commissioned as a judge and served as the first President Judge, Aug 21, 1781; John White his father-in-law served as an Associate Judge, commissioned on the same day; and William McFarland was commissioned an Associate Judge on Sep 30, 1788, serving the rest of his life.

WASHINGTON PENNSYLVANIA: Washington, the town, was originally known as Catfish Camp...first named Bassett Town in honor of the Hon. Richard Bassett in early 1781, but in Oct 1781 name...changed to Washington.

FORTS IN TEN MILE AREA, AMWELL TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY: In the book "The Frontier Forts of Western Pennsylvania," by George Dallas Albert, ca 1916, Vol. 2, p. 431: "Dr. Alfred Creigh in his history of Washington County, in speaking of Amwell Township...early settlers of this part...were squatters who purchased land from the native Indians for a gun, trinket, or gewgaw, of whom were John Rutman and Dennis Smith, the former dying at the age of 99 and the latter at 104; these two, with William Gordon, Russel Reese, John Lorrison, and John James, constituted the principal original settlers. From...1770 to 1790 they were followed by a different kind of men, who patented their lands and obtained them legally; these pioneers were Nathaniel McGriffen, David Evans, James Milliken, Abel McFarland, George Cooper and John Bates, some of whom served in the Revolutionary War with marked distinction.

"For their protection...erected two forts, one called Fort Milliken, situated on a beautiful mound on the farm of Mrs. Samuel Braden, the other was Fort McFarland, and located on the farm of Peter GARRETT. The history of the North Tenmile Baptist Church runs back as far as the year 1772. In their first labors they were much troubled with the Indians, and were often compelled to hold their meetings in Fort McFarland. This Fort McFarland was no doubt Abel McFarland's and located near the present North Tenmile Baptist Church."

TEN MILE VILLAGE: Ten Mile village was originally called Clarktown, in honor of Abner Clark, the first settler. The village is located on the tract formerly known as the "Mill Site", on Ten Mile Creek. In...1882 historian Boyd Crumrine..."two physicians, Dr. J.W. Moore and Dr. L.W. Braden....grist and saw mill is located up the creek, owned by Walton Swart. Two miles below the village on the creek is a grist and saw mill and store owned by Martin and Sons."

In the year 1910 "McFarland's History"...: two stores, conducted by Frank Grimes and Mrs. Emma Gibson...Dr. L.W. Braden was only physician."

The following physicians have practiced at Ten Mile: George Reed, John Cary, -- Wilson, George Lewis, Thomas Morton, J.C. Milliken, Joseph Moore and L.W. Braden. Dr. Braden was the last physician in the town, he died in 1926.

TRAVEL ROUTES: The first settlers in what is now Washington and Greene Counties came by

three routes. The most prominent was what we now know as route 40, which at that time went through Winchester, Virginia, often referred to as "the national pike." It had several feeder routes, such as Carlisle to Winchester and from Winchester to Cumberland. Another route was from the Shenandoah Valley to the head of the Cheat River, and from there to the Monongahela. The third main route approximately the Lincoln Highway, route 30 and route 31, turning off at Ligonier and came to the Monongehela River.

Mr. Veech in his book "Monongehela of Old": "The writer has seen as many as 30 pack horses in a caravan pass through Uniontown in a day....freighted with salt, sugar-kettles, bar iron, nail rods, glass, kegs of rum, powder, lead, etc....A good horse carried from 200-300 pounds besides provisions and feed. These they would take up along the way at places they had dropped them in going down, having no other heavy down loading, merely peltry, ginseng, feather, etc. The provisions consisted generally of pone, cheese, and dried venison. A bear skin to each horse was an indispensable accompaniment for a bed to the drivers and to protect the cargo from rain. Each horse had his bell, silent by day, but let loose at night when browsing. Two men generally managed 10 or 12 horses, one before and one behind each train....Emigrants would have their little, all slung across one, two or more horses...surmounted by their wives and children, or the old folk, with the little bag or stocking of guineas, joes, or pistareens, snugly ensconced in the salt or clothes bag....

"In 1784 the freight on goods from Philadelphia to Uniontown was \$5 per 100 pounds, in 1789 30 shillings (\$4) from Carlisle, the beginning of the pack horse transportation...made goods very high...coffee 33 cents per pound; sugar, 25 cents....In 1784, wheat sold for 67 cents per bushel, corn, 22 cents; rye, 50 cents. A good two-horse wagon and gears could be bought for two pack horse loads of salt, or a good tract of land of 400 acres for a rifle gun and a horn of powder."

PRESBYTERIANISM: Many of our ancestors were Presbyterians who came to Washington County....we find Henry TAYLOR coming before the Redstone Presbytery for charges made against him by the session of Chartiers Church. He had permitted the Virginia Reel to be danced in his home.

Rev. John McMillan of Faggs Manor, Chester Country PA, was the first Presbyterian minister to come to Washington County...in 1775 and he preached at the house of John McDowell on Chartiers

Creek...he was a graduate of Princeton College in 1772, at age of 20. On 6 Aug 1776 he was united in marriage to Catherine Brown who was also from Chester County....

The second Presbyterian minister to come to Washington County was Thaddeus Dodd...son of Stephen and grandson of Daniel Dodd, born near Newark NJ March 7, 1740. His parents moved to Mendham NJ where his father died in 1764....Thaddeus graduated [from Princeton] in the fall of 1773, thus he was in school for a time with John McMillan. Soon after Thaddeus' graduation he was married to Phoebe Baldwin, in Newark NJ. [Considerable discussion of Thaddeus Dodd omitted.]...wife and a son Cephas and a daughter. Between 1778-79...preaching in VA, MD, though no churches had been formed. Dodd purchased a tractor of land in what is now Morris township and lived there until his death May 20, 1793, of consumption

On August 15, 1781, 23 persons met at the house of Jacob Cook and organized the Upper

and Lower Ten Mile churches. The church record states, "we set several times when we should have the Sacrament to the Lord's Supper administered, but could not compass our designs on account of the incursion of the savages." The next entry: "Wednesday, April 30, 1783. The session met at Mr. Lindley's fort, present: Thaddeus Dodd, V.D.M., Demas Lindley, Joseph Coe, Jacob Cooke, Daniel Axtell, elders...."

....In May 1783 Col. Daniel McFarland and his son William McFarland united with the church....in 1793, Rev. Thomas Moore was called and served ten years....Rev. Cephas Dodd was ordained and installed December 14, 1803. [membership had grown to around 200.]

The following is found in Boyd Crumrine's history concerning the meeting after Rev. Cephas Dodd's installation: "Though it was midwinter, all the services were held in Joseph Rigg's sugar-camp, with the open canopy of heaven for a temple, the snow for a carpet, and the wind whistling through the leafless branches of the trees as an accompaniment to the solemn music, as it pealed forth from a choir consisting of hundreds of voices."

....April 15, 1817...the two congregations became two distinct bodies. Upper Ten Mile Presbyterian Congregation meeting for worship in Prosperity and Lower Ten Mile...at Amity, PA. Upper Ten Mile's first house...erected in 1792 on land donated by Demas Lindley....Lower Ten Mile...erected...of hewn logs on premises of Mr. Cook in 1785. The second house...was of brick and on the farm of Jonas Condit five miles northwest of Amity. This house was sold in 1871 for \$213.70.

PLEASANT HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:....From the "Handbook of Denominations in the United States", by F. Mead "An outgrowth of the great revival of 1800, the Cumberland Presbytery was organized on February 4, 1810 in Dickson County, TN by three Presbyterian ministers, the Revs. Finis Ewing, Samuel King, and Samuel McAdow.

Contributing factors to the organization were a rejection of the founders of the doctrine of fatality of the Westminster Confession of Faith and an insistence that the rigid standards of the Presbyterian Church for the education of the clergy be relaxed in the light of extraordinary circumstances on the American frontier. A union with the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., was on partially successful."

In January 1831, five members of Upper Ten Mile Presbyterian Church, Prosperity, PA, wrote to the President of the Cumberland Presbyterian College at Princeton KY, asking that Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries be sent to Washington County, PA.

Missionaries were appointed...1831...camp-meetings held...usually at home of Abel Milliken...Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church was organized January 22, 1833....Much of the information included in this portion found in "Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church 1833-1973," by Rev. Fred Cochran, who though retired has been serving the Pleasant Hill Congregation.

EARLY SCHOOLS OF AMWELL TOWNSHIP: The first schools were called Dame Schools, where a mother or woman would gather a group of youngsters together and teach them to read, write, spell, and figure. After cabins were built the pioneers turned their attention to building a school and to hiring a teacher. These were called Subscription Schools. The residents of a neighborhood would go together, subscribing to pay a certain amount toward the teacher's salary. The first classical school west of the Allegheny Mountains was established within the bounds of Amwell township in the spring of 1782 by the Rev. Thaddeus Dodd.

In Crumrine's "History of Washington County"...letter of Rev. Jacob Lindley (who was one of the pupils) dated June 2, 1854, "I was sent there to live with Mr. Dodd and to study Latin in A.D. 1782, and remained there till 1784. The Latin students...were James Hughes, John Brice, Robert Marshall, Francis Dunleavy, John Hannah, Daniel Lindley, David Smith (father of Rev. Jos. Smith, D.D.), Robert Marshall, Jr., and Jacob Lindley. Mathematical students were Daniel McFarland, Joseph Eddy, Thomas Stokely and Thomas Gormly. All boarded with Mr. Dodd."

In about 1810 two school houses are remembered, one near Nathaniel McGiffen's residence, and the other near Capt. John Hughes'....other schools...Joseph Evans was listed among the teachers at that time. In 1835 Amwell township accepted the public school law and the township was divided into districts under direction of B. Hughes, J. Chamberlin and David Evans, who were the first school directors....There have been at least 16 schools in the township...Horn's - earlier known as Evans....Reynolds...among those...attended this school [Evans] were David, Nancy and Appolis Baker; Samuel, James, N.B., Elizabeth and Lucinda Evans.

....The Reynolds school dates are 1877-1920 and it has been torn down. It was located on the north side of the road at the Marianna exit from I-79 heading toward Ten Mile just west of the first bridge.

NEWS CLIPPINGS: A Fourth at Ten Mile: election of the following officers: President, Rev. Mr. Gibson; vice-presidents, Isaac Lacock, Abel M. Evans, Jno. M. Martin, J.A. Gray, James Smith, Jr., Daniel Baker; secretary, N.B. Evans. Music...solo by Miss Ola Tharp. The Declaration of Independence was read by Miss Nannie Bigler. Addresses were made by Hon. J.B. Wise, Rev. Mr. McElveen, Rev. J.S. Gibson and Rev. J.M. Streater. The flag was raised by old soldiers, among whom were the following: N.B. Evans, H.C. Slusher, James Smith, Jr., Moses Smith, Hiram T. Tharp, C.V. Lewis, Isaac Lacock, Rev. Mr. McElveen, Thomas Miller. (Probably in the 1890's.)

A rat hunt closed at Ten Mile, on the 7th Instant. James Smith, Jr. and Wm. Hughes were the respective captains, each with 20 assistants. The judges were N.B. Evans, Dr. J.W. Moore, and E.C. Kelsey....While the count was in progress, Rev. N.D. Johnson addressed the people who had assembled and suggested that the yearly destruction of the rats would soon make a saving equal to the National debt. (No date but Dr. J.W. Moore died Dec. 23, 1894, age 50 years.)

On Thanksgiving evening as Osburn Miller of Clarktown, Washington County was returning from church at Pleasant Hill, his horse ran off, and after going some distance, ran over a little son of Jackson Lacock, badly cutting his head. Miller was thrown off and his teeth knocked out. Both were insensible for some time after the accident.

Ten Mile Pays Tribute to Returned Soldiers, Ten Mile, Sep 7 1919:....The principle address of the day was delivered by Colonel Edward Martin, who led the famous 110th Infantry in its campaign in France until ordered to return to the U.S. for duty about the time the armistice was signed....An address..by Rev. R.M. Kiskaddon, pastor of Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church....Ten Mile Coronet Band which has had an almost continuous existence of more than 30 years....Political candidates were present....Attorney Erwin Cummins, candidate for district attorney....

THE REYNOLDS FAMILY: "The Reynolds Family in England claims descent from a son

Grethferth the Dane, King of Northumberland. Legend says that he and two sons were driven from England ca 944 and took shelter in Normandy. If this is true our ancestry in England is of still greater antiquity than Grethferth's time, though the family name Reynolds had not yet been adopted. The name Reynolds seems to be of Norman original, anglicized from Renard or Reynard. Something more than a century later one of their descendants, a Fitz Reynolds (Fitz meaning son of) returned to England with William the Conqueror in 1066 and permanently established the family there." The above was taken from "The Reynolds Family of Dayton" by Robt. Hughes.

In the book "Searching For Your Ancestors," by G. H. Doane, p. 10: "Early census takers were marvels when it came to spelling, for in the First Federal Census of 1790, we find the surname Reynolds spelled 34 different ways, ranging from Renals through Renholds, Reynull and a few other spellings, to Runnels and Rynolds."

By oral tradition our progenitor was John Thomas REYNOLDS, born in Devonshire, England and married to Ann Sophia. Having been unable to establish dates or places of the birth or death of either John Thomas or Anne Sophia, I begin with their purported son Hugh Hamilton REYNOLDS, born in Ireland, November 4, 1809. He was a carpenter by trade. He was married to Julia Ann TAYLOR on March 21, 1839. Julia Ann was the daughter of Matthew and Nancy (Hutchinson) TAYLOR and was born near Washington PA on April 1, 1813. When the 1840 census was taken Hugh was living in Washington PA.

In 1844, the Trinity Episcopal Church was organized in Washington PA. Hugh REYNOLDS was a charter member of this church and one of the seven men elected to constitute the vestry. It should be noted that the first rector was a Rev. Enos REYNOLDS, probably no relationship.

In 1850 census, Washington Borough, Nov. 16, 1850, the following:

Hugh REYNOLDS, 41 yrs, occupation carpenter, Personal Estate \$1,800, born in Ireland;

Juliann REYNOLDS, 37 yrs, born in PA; Nancy Jane, 8 yrs; Taylor, 5 yrs; Mary, 3 yrs; in same household

Elizabeth McFarland, 18 yrs; James Warwick, 29 yrs; Samuel Mummer, 19 yrs. Martha Smith, listed next door, 85 yrs, school teacher, retired born in Ireland.

In 1860 census, Amwell Township, the following:

Hugh REYNOLDS, carpenter, \$3,600 value of Real Estate, \$1,000 value of Personal Estate, born in Ireland; Julia 47 yrs; John T., 20 yrs; Nancy, 18 yrs; Henry T., 14 yrs; Mary S, 12 yrs; Annie E, 8 yrs; Martha S., 6 yrs.

Sometime between 1850 and 1860, the family moved to Amwell township. Hugh purchased the McGiffin farm (located just west of the Marianna exit on I-79). The house was located on the south side of the (now relocated) Ten Mile creek; the school built near the farm was called the REYNOLDS school.

Nancy Jane and John Thomas REYNOLDS united with the Pleasant church by profession of faith on Mar 1, 1863. Hugh H and Martha Reynolds united with the same church February 6 or 8, 1874, both by profession of faith.

(A Thomas REYNOLDS was an early settler in the township of Amwell, Washington

County, his name is found on a 1784 tax list. I have established no connection with our family line.)

OBITUARIES of Julia and Hugh REYNOLDS follows:

"Mrs. Julia Ann REYNOLDS, wife of H.H. REYNOLDS died Mon. the 5th instant (5 April 1890) at the residence of her son-in-law Mr. J.N. Montgomery, at Coon Island (between Claysville and West Alex, along the National Pike, Route 40), Washington County. Last winter they went to reside with their daughter at the place named. When they left their comfortable home, the aged couple felt it was for good, as the infirmities of age were pressing hard upon them and in a brief month the aged and devoted wife and mother was called to her home in the mansion in the skies. She was a member of the M.E. Church of Washington and her pastor Rev. Patterson, left Tuesday to attend the funeral which took place Wednesday forenoon. Among the children of Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are Mrs. J.N. Montgomery of Coon Island, Mrs. Thomas Gordon of Smith Creek, Mrs. Joseph Wise of Zollarsville, and Mrs. Hiram McKahan of Abilene, Kansas. Her aged husband has the sympathy of many friends."

"Hugh H REYNOLDS died at the home of his son-in-law, Thomas J. Gordon, near Waynesburg, Monday evening, December 30 (1895), aged about 80 years (86). Mr. Reynolds for more than 49 years resided in Washington and was born in this county (not true). He was a carpenter, and was well known all over the county, being highly respected and esteemed by all. Several years ago he moved to Waynesburg. His family was a large one and one or two members of it reside in Washington county. Mrs. Reynolds was a sister of Wm and Matthew TAYLOR, deceased, of Washington. Mrs. Oliver Lindsley deceased of this place, was also a sister of Mrs. Reynolds. The remains will be brought here on Friday for internment in Washington cemetery."

Funeral of Hugh H. Reynolds: "Funeral services over the remains of Hugh H Reynolds were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of Thos. J Gordon, son-in-law of the deceased, near Waynesburg. The remains were brought to Washington Friday morning, accompanied by only the pall bearers and taken immediately to the cemetery for interment."

As you can see the latter was a very poorly written obituary with false information.

Hugh and Julia were buried in the same plot at Washington Cemetery in which Matthew and Nancy Taylor are buried. The two infants born to Hugh and Julia are also buried there.

In 1948, at my request, Jane Gordon Tambakis wrote her recollections of the Reynolds Family and sent them to me. What she wrote has been helpful and I have been able to substantiate much of it. Thus I am including excerpts from her letters.

Jane says that John Thomas and Anne REYNOLDS came to Frederick MD. In March of 1977, my husband and I went to Frederick MD and searched in the Court House, talked with older people in the town, did research in the C. Burr Arts Library, which had records from the All Saints Episcopal Church, burials in all the cemeteries in Frederick County, MD. We did not find any women named Reynolds who were teachers and public schools were established very early 1800s.

We found a Hugh and John REYNOLDS who were twins; Hugh died in 1804, age 52 years and John died in 1823, age 71 years. They might possibly have been our cousins, but nothing indicates that they were of any relationship.

Julia Ann REYNOLDS' sewing machine was handed down to me through Jane Gordon Tambakis as well as her Bible. The sewing machine dates from the 1860's and works.

WILL OF HUGH H. REYNOLDS, registered January 16, 1896, Will Book 7, pp. 380-381, Green County PA:

I Hugh H Reynolds of the Township of Donegal, County of Washington, State of Pennsylvania, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make, ordain, publish and declare this for my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void any and all wills heretofore by me made.

FIRST: I direct that all my Just debts and funeral expenses paid and satisfied as soon conveniently may be after my decease.

SECOND: I advanced to my son John T Reynolds in his life time various amounts which make more than equal the shares to be given to my other children therefore the heirs of my deceased son John T Reynolds are to receive nothing out of my estate.

THIRD: I have advanced to my daughter Nancy Jan McKahan including debts paid for her husband by me, amounts more than equal to the shares of my other children, she is therefore to receive nothing additional out of my estate.

FOURTH: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary S Wise all the notes and obligations I hold against her, and release her from the payment of the same to my estate. Provided however, she shall pay with interest on said notes to me during my lifetime and if she should fail to pay the interest, then the bequest to her herein after made shall be abated by the amount of interest remaining unpaid at the date of my death.

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Mary S Wise, Three Hundred and eighty-one 60/100 dollars which sum with the notes herein mentioned will make her share equal to the share of my other daughters herein provided for.

FIFTH: I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna E Montgomery the sum of One Hundred dollars and all the notes and obligations I hold against her and release her from the payment of the same to my estate. Provided However She shall pay interest on said notes to me during my lifetime, and should she fail to pay interest on said notes then the amount of interest remaining unpaid at the date of my death shall be abated from the above request of One hundred dollars. The notes and bequest above mentioned will make her share equal to the shares of my other daughters.

SIXTH: I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha S Gordon the sum of One Hundred dollars and also all notes and obligations I hold against her and release her from the payment of the same to my estate. Provided However She shall pay interest on said notes to me during my lifetime, and should she fail to pay interest on said notes then the amount of interest remaining unpaid at the date of my death shall be abated from the above request of One hundred dollars. The notes and bequest above mentioned will make her share equal to the shares of my other daughters.

SEVENTH: The remainder of my estate that shall remain after the payment of my debts, funeral expenses and suitable monument for my grave, and the bequest herein before made and provided for shall be divided equally between my daughters Mary S Wise, Anna E Montgomery and Martha R Gordon, share and share alike.

LASTLY: I hereby nominate and appoint my sons-in-law, Nelson Montgomery and Thomas J Gordon Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I, the above name Hugh H Reynolds have to this my last Will and testament subscribed my name and affixed my seal this nineteenth day of September A.D. 1892 at Waynesburg, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

H.H.Reynolds Seal

Witnesses:

J. B. Donley, J. P. Teagarden

Will probated 16th day of January A.D. 1896

Witnesses: J.B. Donely, J.P. Teagarden
F.M. Shriver, Register.

Thomas J. Gordon sworn according to law that Hugh H. Reynolds late of said county, died on the 30th day of December 1895 at 10 o'clock. P.M.

The Reynolds Family as told by Jane Gordon Tambakis:

"Our progenitor was John Thomas Reynolds, born in Devonshire, England, sometime the latter half of the 18th century. He was prosperous, had a good sized family, and had done considerable moving about before coming to the United States about 1814. John Thomas Reynolds the first, was married to Anne Sophia -- (they pronounced it So-fee, in the Eastern manner). She evidently suffered from allergies and a respiratory disease and they moved from Devonshire because of her health, thus son HUGH HAMILTON REYNOLDS was born in County Down, Ireland. Anne Sophia despite her ill health lived to be a very old lady.

"The South of Ireland not proving beneficial to Anne Sophie's health they decided to try the new world and set sail for Baltimore. With them came a limited amount of their possessions; in another sailing vessel their heavier furnishings. This latter ship was lost at sea. The own ship was presumably by the same storm, taken off her course and they finally made port at or near Augusta, Maine. They left behind in London, a daughter married to a man named Hughes. They also left behind in Ireland (Dublin?) another married daughter.

"In Maine, daughter Eliza Reynolds married John Coates. John and Eliza's son served in the Civil War and emerged a Major, visiting his Uncle Hugh Reynolds after the war. Mother (Martha R. Gordon) remembered him as a tall man, very meticulously dressed, dark and handsome, wearing heavy jewelry (watch chain, sleeve buttons and shirt buttons) and a gold headed cane, although he was not an old man.

"John and Eliza R. Coates' daughter, Eliza, married a Lapham and their daughter Alma Lapham was

one of the first graduates of the Womens Medical College in Philadelphia. She was at one time Health Officer at Phillipsburg, NJ, having married a minister named Williston. They had two sons, one of whom was living in Connecticut in 1916. A picture of Alma Lapham show a handsome woman with a great chignon of long black curls. Mother (MRG) said it took nearly an hour to do her hair.

"Hugh Hamilton Reynolds had little formal schooling as the family found Maine less healthful for the mother, Anne Sophia, than even Ireland, so they moved again, to Frederick MD. It was from there the younger members of the family fanned out, his brother John Thomas and sister who married a McFarland to Western Pennsylvania, Washington, PA. Another sister of Hugh H. Reynolds married ___ Reifsnider and lived in Baltimore MD.

"John Montgomery (grandson of H.H. Reynolds) said his mother told him, two of H.H.R.'s Aunts also lived in Frederick MD and conducted a school there. Schools in those days were privately conducted by "ladies" whose teaching ability may have been questionable.

"Hugh H. Reynolds on March 21, 1839 married Julia Ann TAYLOR, daughter of Matthew and Nancy (Hutchinson) TAYLOR. During the 1850's they lived at the corner of Franklin and Chestnut Street, Washington PA (opposite the Catholic Church in 1977).

"John Thomas Reynolds II remained a bachelor, living into his forties. He, too, was tall and on the dark side and "delicate" - probably suffered with the same malady as his mother. He lived with H.H. Reynolds family. (Note was not living with them in 1850, not listed in the census - possibly dead.) He was buried at the old Washington Cemetery located where the Catholic Church is now.

"H.H. Reynolds learned the carpenter trade and was a skilled craftsman, being able to make his own tools. In those days, tools were made in Tool Shops to order and by tool makers, and were not for sale in stores. HHR was in the construction business and he built among other things the "old" courthouse.

"HHR played the violin rather better than ordinary. He bought eleven hand bells made in Birmingham, England for the Episcopal Church and during the time they lived in Washington, he rang the hymns on them. He was a contractor and in lumber business with one John Slater. Quite a successful businessman, he amassed enough money to retire in his early forties.

"The family at one time and for several years, lived in the "old" Washington and Jefferson College building, which had been made into a multiple family dwelling, housing various professors' families, the college president's family and the H.H. Reynolds family. It was from this home that Aunt Mary went to the Seminary, and the entire family was in the top heap of whatever passed for "Washington Society." It may be that HHR built some of the "new college."

"At this time they did pasture the family cow on the campus and one Hallowe'en the students got the cow up into the belfry of the college. How they did it no one knows, for no way of getting the poor

cow down could be devised, so she was shot and brought down. When they skinned her, the flesh was found to be so bruised and broken that it was useless. The culprits were never discovered.

"John Thomas Reynolds, the oldest son was "delicate" so the family moved to Ten Mile and the farm so he would benefit by the country air. He married first Letitia Bell, daughter of a Dr. Bell, and quite a belle, very dressy. They were both young and in a few months it was evident Letty had consumption, T.B., and her health worsened and she had to be cared for by mother-in-law Julia Ann and John's sisters. She had used "paint" and thus had looked like a very healthy girl. I assume that John suffered from asthma. Letty died about two years after their marriage. John then married Lucinda Evans and sired sons, Frank Taylor and John Thomas Reynolds. He died shortly thereafter having contracted consumption from his first wife.

"HHR and Julia had two sons who died in infancy, Matthew and George. Nancy Jane had asthma and her schooling was limited by that. After she married Hiram McKahan (Waynesburg) they lived for a time in Pittsburgh and it was in their home that mother, Martha, met the Englishman, Richard Dewhurst to whom she was engaged at 16, he was 32, who dropped dead at her feet in the Joseph B. Wise home in Zollarsville three weeks before their wedding day. Nancy Jane and her family moved to Kansas City, Kansas and she had no more asthma. She came home after two years for a visit and she suffered so severely that she never came East again.

"HHR and Julia's son Taylor was born about 1845, being not quite 16 when the Civil War began. Taylor was a big lad and mature for his years. He was so determined to join the army that he three times ran away to a recruiting center. HHR was able to follow and get him home, but finally yielded to Taylor's continued determination and himself took the boy to Uniontown and enlisted him, as they preferred knowing where he was. Just before the end of Taylor's three-year term, he was given a furlough. The paper was not dated for his return, so that he need not return. His comrades, family and friends begged him not to go back, it was plain that the War was about over. Taylor had said he would not live out the war. He went back and was killed in a skirmish before Petersburg, Va., his body was never discovered, he was not 19. Taylor had remarkable artistic ability, drawing and painting everybody and everything. Subsequently, his mother acquired and destroyed the things he had made. Taylor strongly resembled Sir Joshua Reynolds the great English painter of the late 18th century. I believe that Sir Joshua and the first John Thomas were cousins.

"HHR was also able to draw and sketch the buildings he erected or planned, and to make the plans for workmen. He always wore "made to order" blue broadcloth Broadfall trousers, that is they were apron fronted like sailors used to wear. He said no gentleman would wear fly-front trousers.

"Martha Smith Reynolds was named for a school teacher who lived next door to their house on Chestnut Street. She married Thomas Jennings Gordon and for better or worse had me, also two sons, Mark, died in infancy, and Hugh who died in childhood.

"Grandmother Julia died April 1890 when I was six months old. They were living at West Alex then, in winters with Uncle Nelson and Aunt Annie Montgomery, and summers with Mother and

Father (Martha and Thomas Gordon). When grandmother was sinking they sent a telegram to mother and she and father got ready and started. The road was axel deep in mud so the only way to get the four miles to Waynesburg was by horseback. Mother was an expert horsewoman and had her own five gaited Palomino. They put the satchels and one of our farm hands on one of the work horses and he started at daybreak. Mother and Father followed, with me yelling my head off every step of the way. They stopped at nearly every house to feed and diaper me and finally got to Waynesburg where they spent the night and changed from their mud spattered clothes. On their way they met a man from Waynesburg with another telegram that grandmother was dead. Father wanted to go back, but Mother said they'd go on. They stayed over the second night in Washington and then on to West Alexander. Father returned after the funeral, Mother stayed two weeks with me.

"That summer H H Reynolds came to our house and he never went back to Aunt Annie's except for brief visits. The last three years of his life he had a form of palsy which affected his bowels. The last year he was bedridden."

 * material on this person elsewhere
 (*) same as above but direct line

1 John Thomas Reynolds [1] Married Anne Sophia --- Children:
 11 Daughter married -- Hughes (London, bef 1810) 12
 Daughter married (Ireland)
 13 John Thomas [2] unmarried
 * 14 Marie married John Coates

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By Mary Helen Emery, Box 4, Centre Manse, New Park, PA, April 1977:

* 15 Daughter married -- McFarland
 16 Daughter married -- Reifsnyder, Baltimore MD
 (*) 17 Hugh Hamilton married Julia Ann Taylor
 (1809-1895) (1813-1890)

14 Marie Reynolds married John Coates
 141 John Coates, Major in Civil War, married --
 1411 Marie Coates married -- Small
 1412 John Coates III, California in 1900
 142 Eliza Coates married -- Lapham
 1421 Alma Lapham, M.D. married -- Williston

15 Daughter Reynolds married -- McFarland
 151 Walker McFarland married Emma --; lived in Colorado
 152 Muerle McFarland married 1907 Raymond D. Kelley, no issue. Ca 1938

Muerle was milliner in Washington PA.

16 Daughter Reynolds married -- Reifsnider, Baltimore MD
161 Daughter Reifsnider, medical missionary to China

17 HUGH HAMILTON REYNOLDS

BORN: 4 Nov 1809
DIED: 30 Dec 1895
BURIED: Washington Cemetery

MARRIED: 21 Mar 1839
SPOUSE: Julia Ann Taylor
BORN: 1 Apr 1813
DIED: 5 May 1890
FATHER:
MOTHER:

CHILDREN:

(*) 171 John Thomas Reynolds [3], 1840-1875 (see following)
* 172 Nancy Jane Reynolds, 1842-1902 (see following)
173 George Taylor Reynolds, died in infancy
174 Matthew Taylor Reynolds, died in infancy
* 175 Henry Taylor Reynolds, 1845-1864
* 176 Mary S Reynolds, 1850-1914
* 177 Annie E Reynolds, 1852-1937
* 178 Martha Smith Reynolds 1854-1921

(*) 171 JOHN THOMAS REYNOLDS, SR. [3]
BORN: 1840
DIED: 4 Nov 1875
BURIED: Pleasant Hill Cemetery
FATHER: Hugh Hamilton Reynolds
MOTHER: Julia Ann Taylor

MARRIED: 1st
SPOUSE: Letticia (Lettie) Bell
BORN: 1 Dec 1839
DIED: 1870
BURIED:
CHILDREN: None

MARRIED: 2nd
SPOUSE: Lucinda Jane Evans
BORN: 11 Mar 1848
DIED: 21 Nov 1921
BURIED: Pleasant Hill Cemetery
FATHER:
MOTHER:

CHILDREN:

1711	Frank (Francis) Taylor Reynolds (1873-1947) married Ella Cleaver (1874-1939) [see following]
1712	John Thomas Reynolds [4] (1875-1967) married Mary Ann Gibson (1879-1939) [see following]

John Thomas Reynolds [4], the eldest child of Hugh H. and Julia Ann (Taylor Reynolds), was born in 1840 in Washington PA. Because of his health the family moved to the Ten Mile area. The farm house was located where the exit for Marianna PA on route I-79 is now located, south of the exit and across the relocated creek. A school was located across the road and was known as "Reynolds School."

John ran the store in Ten Mile and was appointed Postmaster, Ten Mile PA 14 Sep 1873.

He first married Letticia Bell, daughter of Levi Harrod and Sara (Fulton) Bell. Letticia, or Lettie as she was called, was born 1 Dec 1839. She graduated Lewisburg PA Seminary (Baptist), now Bucknell University. She died in 1870 of consumption. Lettie was a sister of Captain J. Fulton Bell, who married Lydia Ross, see Ross History.

In 1872, John T. Reynolds, Sr. and Lucinda Jane Evans were married in her home by Rev. S Winget. To this union Frank Taylor and John Thomas Reynolds, Jr. were born. John Thomas Reynolds, Sr. died at his parents' home on 4 Nov 1875 of consumption, having contracted it from his first wife.

Lucinda Reynolds was left with a toddler and an infant. Nathan B Evans, Lucinda's brother and a bachelor, evidently helped with both financial and spiritual support. They were owners of the General Store in Ten Mile, probably around 1886, Nate Evans no doubt paid for it, perhaps Frank and John worked in the store. The store was sold, only to be purchased again by Frank and John, and they operated it until 1901, when they sold it to Frank Grimes. In about 1911, Frank Grimes auctioned his stock and John, Jr. became the owner and operated the store until 1920.

Lucinda Jane (Evans) Reynolds united with the Pleasant Hill Church (Cumberland Presbyterian), 1 Jan 1860 and took an active interest in the church. She died in Nov 1921 and was buried beside her husband at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

An article from the Washington Observer, August 30, 1955, is included here since the Ten Mile Store and the Post Office at Ten Mile were part of the Reynolds history: "Senator Edward Martin today took part in a ceremony marking the closing of the Post Office in Ten Mile...."I am sure the good citizens of Ten Mile were very happy when their new Post Office was established on May 8, 1838....I will read their names and date of appointment [Postmasters]:...John T. Reynolds, 14 Sep 1873...Frank T. Reynolds, 23 Jan 1899...John T. Reynolds, 21 Mar 1911."

1711 Francis (Frank) Taylor Reynolds

BORN: 25 Jan 1873, Ten Mile PA

DIED: 1 Sep 1947, of gangrene

BURIED: Pleasant Hill Cemetery

FATHER: John Thomas Reynolds

MOTHER: Lucinda Evans

MARRIED: 25 Jun 1898, Centreville PA by Rev. Mr. Achen.

SPOUSE: Ella M. Cleaver

BORN: 6 Apr 1874, near Brownsville PA

DIED: 21 Apr 1946, Greene County Memorial Hospital

BURIED:

FATHER: Hiram Cleaver

MOTHER: Margaret Woodfill

CHILD: 17111 Florence Keibler Reynolds (adopted)
born 14 Feb 1909; married James W. Tennant, son
of Simon and Dora (Black) Tennant of Ten Mile.
who was born 8 Mar 1906, died 20 Mar 1974, and
is buried at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

171111 Donald Tennant born 7 Feb 1930, married
Fern Mankey

1711111 Dianne Tennant married Jos. Huffman

1711112 Donald Tennant, Jr.

Frank Taylor Reynolds, son of John T. Reynolds and Lucinda (Evans) Reynolds, was born in Ten Mile PA on 25 Jan 1873. He spent his entire life in the Ten Mile area, ran the general store and farmed, and then retired in the village of Ten Mile, first house on the right as you enter the village from the west, heading towards Marianna.

He was married to Ella M. Cleaver on 25 Jun 1898. She was the daughter of Hiram and Margaret (Woodfill) Cleaver, Centreville PA, by the Rev. Mr. Achen. They adopted one child, Florence Keibler, who married James Tennant, son of Simon and Dora (Black) Tennant of Ten Mile.

Ella (Cleaver) Reynolds was born near Brownsville 6 Apr 1874 and died at Greene County Memorial

Hospital 21 Apr 1946.

After Ella's death Frank T. Reynolds made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Jim and Florence Tennant. He died there 1 Sep 1947, of gangrene.

I remember them both as good Christian people who smiled readily. Frank was tall and thin; Ella had black hair and lots of freckles. They were members of the Pleasant Hill Church; Frank was a trustee of the church and served for a time as treasurer.

1712 JOHN THOMAS REYNOLDS II [Jr, 4]

BORN: 3 Feb 1875, Ten Mile PA
DIED: 12 Feb 1967
BURIED: Washington Cemetery, Washington PA
FATHER: John Thomas Reynolds, Sr [3]
MOTHER: Lucinda Jane Evans

MARRIED: 1st 27 Sep 1900, 11 a.m., home of Rev. J.S. Gibson
SPOUSE: Mary Ann "Mollie" Gibson
BORN: 3 Apr 1879, Preston County WV
DIED: 9 Jan 1939

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By Mary Helen Emery, Box 4, Centre Manse, New Park, PA, April 1977:

BURIED: Washington Cemetery, Washington PA
FATHER: James W. Gibson
MOTHER: Abigail Jenkins

CHILDREN: All by first wife: [see following narrative]
17121 Helen Marie Reynolds (1901-)
17122 John Thomas Reynolds (1913-)
17123 Frank Gibson Reynolds (1916-1971)

MARRIED: 2nd 30 Aug 1943
SPOUSE: Nell McNary, retired school teacher
BORN: 15 Apr 1877, Peter's township
DIED: 25 Nov 1965
BURIED: Washington Cemetery, Washington PA
FATHER: James McNary
MOTHER: Anna Barr

John Thomas Reynolds II [Jr., 4], was born at Ten Mile PA 3 Feb 1875, son of John Thomas and Lucinda Jane (Evans) Reynolds. He was educated at Pleasant Hill School and Waynesburg College. He operated the general store and was Postmaster at Ten Mile PA, as already stated.

"On September 27, 1900, John Reynolds and Mary Ann (Mollie) Gibson were married at 11:00 A.M. at the home of Rev. J S Gibson. The wedding was attended by Mrs. J S (Emma) Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Van Dyke, Mrs. and Mrs. Frank T. Reynolds, Mr. Abel Evans [sic] and Mrs. Lucinda Reynolds. The couple left in the early afternoon for the bride's parents' home in West Virginia. The traveled overland, driving the first day as far as Greensboro, Pa." - From a newspaper clipping.

Mollie was born 3 Apr 1879 to James W and Abigail (Jenkins) Gibson, Preston County, W. Va. She had some schooling at the schools near their farm. She and her sister Laura were skilled seamstresses and worked for a time as dressmakers in Uniontown, Pa. The Rev. J.S. Gibson was a cousin of Mollie, possibly his father and Mollie's father were first cousins. Rev. Gibson's wife Emma (Tuit) Gibson had a millinery business in Ten Mile and Mollie was invited to come work with her.

A boyfriend Mollie left back home, was soon forgotten when she met John Reynolds. The boyfriend had given Mollie a ring which he would never take back (he subsequently married and named his first child Mollie). The heirloom ring has been handed down to me.

I remember my grandmother (Mollie) warmly. She was a small boned woman, about five feet two inches tall, with brown eyes. She beautiful hair, which had been light brown but turned white very early. Her hair had a natural wave and she wore it long, coiled into a bun at the back. She was gifted in sewing, crocheting, knitting, tatting and was an excellent tailor. She was also a good cook and baker and I can still remember the smell and taste of her freshly baked bread and rolls. Grandma sang or whistled while she worked and seemed to always have a thimble in her pocket, with which she would tap you when you were naughty. She loved bright colors, but wore subdued colors, often saying "it needs a touch of red." Grandma was always frail, due t the hard work she did as a child, pitching hay and the like. She was never well after her last child was born.

After John and Mollie were married they lived in Ten Mile, until after Helen was born on 21 Oct 1901, when John took a job selling drugs and they moved to Washington PA for a short time. They moved back to Ten Mile where John helped build "shantys" at the Mine Shaft that was put in at "Bells Woods", east of I-79, along the Ten Mile to Amity road. These houses were temporary and always referred to as "shantys."

For about a year, 1909-1910, John and Mollie, with Helen, lived in Lanham, MD with Baker Evans. John's Uncle Baker had a large house and John and Mollie helped to oversee its care; there were black servants who did the work. Helen was a playmate of Jane Evans, daughter of Baker and Jennie Evans. Helen remembers they arrived before Christmas, for Uncle Baker gave her leather leggings and a gold baby pin.

There was an old house standing on the west side of the general store and in 1910-11, it was torn down and John had a house built there, Abe McGinnis helped with the construction of it. John again was storekeeper and 21 Mar 11 was appointed Postmaster and they lived in the new house next to the store. It was here that sons, John Thomas III, and Frank Gibson were born to John and Mollie.

April 1920, John sold the store and moved to the Evans home, the brick house, west of the village. John and Mollie took care of Nate Evans and his farm until his death in 1921. After Nate's death, John and Mollie visited in Iowa with the Evans cousins. The Evans property was sold and sometime after that John and Mollie moved to Washington PA. John clerked at the A.B. Caldwell Department Store in Washington, selling carpets and window blinds, making and installing the same. John retired in 1935. In Washington, they lived on Wade Avenue and Laurel Avenue and then moved to Pancake (Laboratory), these homes were all rented.

In 1929, they build a house on Maiden Street Extension, #1751, along routes 19 and 40 and still in Pancake. The house was beside the home of Earl and Helen (Reynolds) Ross, and was built by Sam Smith.

John and Mollie had united with the church at Pleasant Hill, where John served as treasurer and Mollie was active in the Ladies Aid Society. After moving to Pancake, John and Mollie transferred their letters to the Laboratory Presbyterian Church, where John served as an elder. Mollie died January 9, 1939.

During World War II, John again went to work at Caldwell's Store, there being a shortage of clerks. On August 30, 1943, John married Nell McNary, a retired school teacher. Nell was born 15 Apr 1877 in Peter's township to James and Anna (Barr) McNary. She was a good Christian woman, a fine teacher, she took a very active part in church work, and was always ready to try something new. She was fondly called "Grandma Nell" by her newly acquired grandchildren and great grandchildren.

"Grandy" as John was called by his grandchildren was a very "Special" person to me, telling me stories of by-gone days, playing "Rook" with me as a child, letting me chauffeur him, when I was 16 years old and just had my license to drive, having him and Nell visit with us in our home in both Mays Landing NJ and New Park PA. He never met a stranger.

Grandy lost a leg, in his late 80's (amputated for poor circulation) and so spent his last years in a wheel chair, but he never complained and sw the funny side of things until the end. Nell (McNary) Reynolds died 25 Nov 1965 after a lingering illness.

John Thomas Reynolds II died 12 Feb 1967 at age 92. John and both wives are buried at Washington Cemetery. Those of us who knew and loved them are much richer for their lives.

The Descendants of John Thomas Reynolds II

17121 Helen Marie Reynolds, born 21 Oct 1901,

married 16 Jun 1920 Earl Franklin Ross who
 was born 21 Jan 1896, Greene County PA
 171211 Mary Helen Ross born 30 Sep 1923,
 married 17 Feb 1943 William Fletcher
 Emery, Jr., who was born 2 Feb 1922,
 Philadelphia PA. [Author of this book.]
 1712111 Mary Helen Emery born 20 Oct 1946
 Waynesburg PA; married 20 Aug 1966
 James Edward Speedy who was born
 A REYNOLDS FAMILY HISTORY
 [of Pennsylvania]
 By Mary Helen Emery, Box 4, Centre Manse, New Park, PA, April 1977:
 29 Sep 1945, McKeesport PA, son of
 Ed. & Betty Speedy.
 17121111 Melissa Amy Speedy born 16 Dec
 1969 Syracuse NY. "Missy"
 17121112 Edward William Speedy born 28
 Jun 1971 Syracuse NY. "Ted"
 1712112 William Fletcher Emery III born 25
 Jan 1946 Waynesburg PA; married 28
 June 1969 Grace Louise Andrews who
 was born 30 Aug 1948 Lancaster PA.
 17121121 Boy, stillborn, 31 Dec 1969.
 17121122 Marcia Rebecca Emery born
 30 Jun 1973 York PA.
 17121123 Boy, stillborn, 30 Aug 1976.
 1712113 Paul Franklin Emery born 3 Mar 1943
 Atlantic City NJ, m 1st May 1969
 Sara Louise McDowell; married 2d
 30 May 1974 Marian Kay Mundy who
 was born 12 Apr 1955.
 1712114 James Herbert Emery born 28 Feb 1949
 Mays Landing NJ, Manse [sic]
 1712115 Lucinda Jane Emery born 7 Jan 1950
 (home of Lena Schenck), married
 27 Dec 1969 John Lee "Jack" Sproat
 who was born 10 Nov 1948 Greensburg PA.
 17121151 Mark Edward Sproat born 30 Oct
 1975 Clifton Springs NY.
 1712116 Elizabeth Ann "Betsy" Emery born 21
 Feb 1951 Mays Landing NJ married 16

Mar 1974 Eugene Clarence "Butch"
who was born 28 Sep 1951.

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1712117 John Thomas "Tom" Emery born 19 Feb
1954 Centre Manse, New Park, PA.

17122 John Thomas Reynolds, III [5] born 23 Aug 1913
married 4 May 1939 Oma Mary Hill, dau of Frank
and Oma (Waychoff) Hill, who was born 19 Sep 1916.

171221 Molly Ann Reynolds born 18 Nov 1940,
married 7 Aug 1957 Edward L. Sedanka.

1712211 Edward L. Sedanka, Jr., born 2 Mar 1963.

1712212 Cheryl Ann Sedanka born 16 Jun 1967.

1712213 Debora Lynn Sedanka born 26 Apr 1970.

171222 Johnna Lee Reynolds born 5 Sep 1942,
married 30 Jul 1961 Melvin Mounts.

1712221 Hillery Lynn Mounts born 23 Mar 1962.

1712222 Suzanne Elizabeth Mounts born 29 Nov 1966.

1712223 Brian Waychoff Mounts born 23 Jul 1976.

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[of Pennsylvania]

By Mary Helen Emery, Box 4, Centre Manse, New Park, PA, April 1977:

171223 Frances Hill Reynolds born 20 Aug 19
married 27 Jul 1968 John F. Drumheller.

1712231 Amy Elizabeth Drumheller born 19 Sep 1970.

1712232 John Franklin Drumheller born 13 Jan 1974.

171224 John Thomas Reynolds IV born 16 Dec 1959.

17123 Frank Gibson Reynolds born 9 Nov 1916, died 27 Jun 1971, buried
Washington Cemetery; married 18 Sep 1935 Martha Blair Keyes who was born 9 Apr
1917.

171231 James Blair Reynolds born 9 Nov 1939, married 26 Aug
1960 Carrie Jane Robinson.

1712311 Blair Earl Reynolds born 11 Jan 1962.

1712312 Debra Jane Reynolds born 24 Jan 1963.

1712313 James Franklin Reynolds born 17 May 1965.

1712314 Robin Michelle Reynolds born - Sep 1971.

1712315 Heather Ann Reynolds born 23 Oct 1975.

171232 Kathleen Reynolds born 6 Nov 1942, married 23 Mar
1963 James R Karr.

1712321 Beth Ann Karr born 6 Dec 1963.

1712322 Eric Leigh Karr born 11 May 1970.

Obituary from Washington newspaper: "Frank G Reynolds, 54, of 1751 East Maiden Street, died

Saturday, Jun 26, 1971, at 9 a.m. in Washington Hospital. He was born in Ten Mile, Nov 14, 1916, a son of John T. Reynolds and Mary Ann (Mollie) Gibson Reynolds. Mr. Reynolds was a well known car salesman employed by Hagan Oldsmobile-Cadillac Sales and Service, Murtland Avenue. He graduated Trinity High School in 1935, and lived in Michigan for 13 years. He served in Europe during Word War II with the United States Army. Mr. Reynolds was a member of Laboratory Presbyterian Church where he was an elder, trustee and chairman of the stewardship committee. He also was a member of Myrtle Chapter Lodge 89 F and AM of Bellville, Mich; and served as chaplain of the local chapter of Wa-Cha-Gree Forest of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. He married Martha Blair Keys, September 18, 1935, in Oakland MD. She survives. Also surviving are one son, Dr. James B. Reynolds of Ypsilanti, Michigan; one daughter, Kathleen, wife of James Karr, presently in Africa; one sister, Helen, wife of Earl Ross, of Ten Mile; one brother John T Reynolds, Jr. of Washington and five grandchildren."

172 NANCY JANE REYNOLDS

Nancy Jane Reynolds, second child of Hugh Hamilton and Julia Ann (Taylor) Reynolds, was born ca 1842, Washington PA; died ca 1902 (about 60 years); married Hiram McKahan who was born in Washington PA and died 4 Dec 1913 Kansas City MO. Nancy Jane united with the Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church by profession of faith 1 Mar 1863.

Obituaries of Nancy Jane and Hiram McKahan: "Mrs. Nancy Jane McKahan, a native of Washington, Pa., and wife of Hiram McKahan died at her home at 3140 Oak Street, Kansas City, Mo. The announcement of her death came by telegram. Pneumonia was the cause of death. She was about 60 years of age. She was the daughter of Hugh H. Reynolds. Surviving are husband and a daughter Mrs. Charles Johnson, of Kansas City. Following sisters: Mrs. Mary Wise, Mrs. Martha Gordon, Mrs. J.N. Montgomery. Mrs. Montgomery started for Kansas City, her train was 12 hours late, it is presumed that she reached there before her sister died.

"Mr. Hiram M. McKahan died at his home in Kansas City, Mo., he was a former resident of Washington, Pa. He was injured in a railroad wreck in Nebraska two years ago and never fully recovered from the accident. In October 1912 he was stricken by paralysis and a second stroke in October of this year (?) resulted in his gradual declining. He was about 65 years of age, son of John and Mary (Slater) McKahan. He was employed with the Arbuckle Bros. firm in Pittsburgh for several years. Later he located in business in Waynesburg. In 1886 he moved to the state of Kansas."

175 HENRY TAYLOR REYNOLDS

The fifth child of High H and Julia A (Taylor) Reynolds was born about 1845 and died 13 Jun 1864. In the booklet "The Great American Conflict" by M. Sharp, page 26:

"Taylor Reynolds, 85th Pa., was killed June 13th, 1864, near Richmond, Va. His body fell into the hands of the Confederates and was not recovered. He had a presentiment that he wouldnot live out

his time. A short time before he was killed he applied for, and obtained, a leave of absence to visit his old parents, as he believed for the last time."

176 MARY REYNOLDS

Mary Reynolds, the sixth child of Hugh and Julia (Taylor) Reynolds was born 31 Jan 1850 and died 21 Nov 1914, buried Wise Home Cemetery, Zollarsville, Pa; married 2 Oct 1872 Joseph Wise, Jr., who was born 13 Jan 1846 and died 1928, 82 years.

Joseph Wise Jr was born in the Wise homestead which had been in the family since 1795, on 13 Jan 1846, son of Joseph and Parmelia (Barnard) Wise. He was a substantial farmer, a member of the Christian Church of Marianna, Pa., a democrat, active in local civic affairs and rendered public service as burgess and school director. He was married to Mary S Reynolds 2 Oct 1872. Mary was the daughter of Hugh Hamilton Reynolds and Julian Ann (Taylor), born 31 Jan 1850 at Washington, Pa. Mary received her early education at public schools and of Washington Seminary and received highest honors in the class of 1869. Mary died at the Wise home near Zollarsville, 22 Nov 1914. Her husband, Joseph Wise, Jr., was active until the time of his death in 1928. Five children were born to Joseph and Mary (Reynolds) Wise:

- 1761 Hugh Wise born 26 Jul 1873, died 21 Aug 1878, 5 years,
1762 Fannie P. Wise born 22 Dec 1878, died 4 Apr 1887, 9 years.
1763 Sarah Virginia Wise (1880-1943) unmarried. Sarah was born at the Wise
homestead located near Zollarsville. She attended Washington Seminary, Glendale College,
and California State Teachers College. She did graduate work at University of
Pittsburgh. A teacher in Braddock schools and then later in Washington, Pa. schools for
many years, she was also active in social, civic and religious work, a member
of the Methodist Church. She was a member of the D.A.R., D.A.C., and Current
Events Club of Washington, Pa. She died at her home, 255 North Avenue,
Washington, Pa., in 1943.
1764 Joseph Blaine Wise, Jr., born 16 Sep 1882 at the old Wise
home near Zollarsville, Pa. Blaine was educated in public schools and
Washington and Jefferson College (class of 1907) and at the Washington Business
College. He was engaged in mercantile business in Marianna, and served five
years as Postmaster, during the Wilson administration. In 1923 he disposed of
his affairs in Marianna and with his family moved to Washington where he engaged
in the real estate and insurance business. On 12 Dec 1917 in Lexington, Missouri, J.
Blaine Wise was united in marriage to Marguerite Bates, daughter of Dr.
George W. and Jemina (Griffith) Bates. She was born about 1889, educated at
public schools in Bates City, Mo.. and received a B.A. from Central College for Women,
Lexington, Mo. in 1908; a B.S. in education from Kent State University in
1950 and in 1953 her masters degree.
She taught school. In 1933 Blaine Wise and family moved
to Waynesburg, Ohio where they operated a drugstore. Marguerite Wise

died at Waynesburg, Ohio, 23 Nov 1964.

Blaine Wise died 25 Jan 1975, at the age of 92 years, at Pryor, Oklahoma where he had lived since 1970.

1765 Martha Jesse Wise (1889-1930) married John Greenwald.

The above information on the Wise family was gleaned from obituaries, Earl Forrest's "History of Washington County, Vol. III, pp. 608-9 and D.A.C. Records Greene County, Vol. 2, typewritten.

177 ANNIE E REYNOLDS

Annie E Reynolds born 13 May 1852, died 31 Jan 1937, buried Claysville Cemetery, married John Nelson Montgomery, Sr., born 18 Mar 1845 and died 4 Oct 1917.

John Nelson Montgomery, Sr. son of Jesse and Catherine (Sprowls) Montgomery, was born in East Finley township, Washington County, Pa., 18 Mar 1845. J. Nelson, Sr. was reared and educated in East Finley township schools and for a number of years followed farming and stock raising. In 1878 he married Annie E Reynolds, daughter of Hugh H and Julia Ann (Taylor) Reynolds, who was born 13 May 1852 in Washington, Pa....Nelson and Annie lived in Old Concord, from 1884 to 1906 they lived in the Coon Island area, and in the spring of 1906 they moved to Claysville. Annie was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Washington, Pa., but after they moved to Claysville, Nelson and Annie united with the Claysville Presbyterian Church. Note that though Jane Gordon said Annie was named for her grandmother Sophia Anne, Annie is listed in the censuses as Annie E. One son was born to them...

1771 John Nelson Montgomery, Jr. was born to Nelson and Annie (Reynolds) Montgomery, on August 24, 1879. He attended local public schools and Washington and Jefferson College. He was for a time bookkeeper for the Penn Bridge Company, when it was located in Claysville, Pa. He was a correspondent for The Washington Observer and at the time of his death 2 Sep 1963, he was believed to be the oldest correspondent.

On 2 Nov 1906, he was married to Grace McClain Clarke, daughter of J. Addison Clarke, Prosperity Pike, Washington County, Pa. On 21 Nov 1956 John and Grace Montgomery celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. (Three children were born to John and Grace.)

Grace Clarke Montgomery was taken as a bride to the house on Main Street in Claysville, where Grace presently (1977) resides, at the age of 95 years. The house was built by Robert Porter in 1879-80. He had a planing mill in Claysville, and it took him about two years to fashion the decorative "gingerbread" trim that adorns the Victorian-style house. It is sometimes called a "wedding cake" house because it resembles a very ornate cake. The house has 11 rooms, with a bathroom built into the original plans, unusual for that day. The bathroom still has the original zinc-lined tub and the commode placed on an elevation. A wide staircase extends to the third floor. This house was entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.

This was always a fun place to visit and it brought back happy memories when I again visited Grace Montgomery in August 1976. Though of advanced age, 95 years young, she is alert, and agile, and eager to show her collection of goblets, and tell from whence they came, their pattern, and where they were made.

17711 John Nelson Montgomery III was born in Claysville, Pa. 8 Nov 1912. He was a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College in 1934 with a B.S. degree in physics, and later did graduate work at Carnegie Institute of Technology. After teaching science at Claysville High School for several years, he went to work in 1942 in logistics management with the Army Signal Corps in Washington, D.C. On 25 Nov 1943, at East Greenwich, NY, he married Mabel Elizabeth Maxwell, daughter of Charles and Alice Emily (Arnott) Maxwell. Mabel was born 22 Jan 1921 at Salem, NY. John and Mabel have three daughters. John Montgomery in 1962 became Chief of Electronic Materiel at Fort Monmouth, NJ and has resided at Fair Haven, NJ.

178 MARTHA SMITH REYNOLDS

178 Martha Smith Reynolds, daughter of Hugh H and Julia A (Taylor) Reynolds
was born ca 1854, died ca 1921; married 23 Feb 1884 Thomas Jennings Gordon.

Children:	1781	Jennie (Jane) Gordon (1889-) married Paul Tambakis, who died 1954 in FL.
	1782	Hugh Adam Gordon (ca 1903-1911, age 8 years)

Two newspaper clippings give the following information:

Marriage: "On February 23rd., 1884 by Rev. Jesse Adams, Mr. T.J. Gordon to Miss Mattie Reynolds, all of Waynesburg, Greene County, Pa."

Obituary: (ca 1921): "Mrs. Martha Gordon, widow of Thomas J. Gordon, died suddenly at 504 Jefferson Avenue at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Gordon had been in failing health for several months but only within the last ten days had her condition been serious. Mrs. Gordon was a daughter of the late Hugh H and Julian Ann Taylor Reynolds who were residents of Washington for the greater part of their lives. Mrs. Gordon lived in Greene County from the time of her marriage until a few years ago when she removed to this place. A daughter, Miss Jennie Gordon survives her, the only son, Hugh Adam, having died 10 years ago. Funeral services will beheld at 504 Jefferson Avenue at 4:00 on Sunday. The remains will be taken to Waynesburg on the 8:40 train, Monday.

Services will be held in the Presbyterian Church there immediately on the arrival of the train."

Her name (Mattie Reynolds Gordon) is on the Pleasant Hill Church register, having united with the

church on profession of faith, February 6 or 8, 1874.

Jane Gordon was a graduate of Washington Seminary class of 1908. She was a governess for awhile and traveled some with her employers. In the 1930's and 40's she worked at The Brookline Towers, in Brookline, Mass. I am not certain of her position but it was here that she met Paul Tambakis. He was the "maitre 'd". Paul died in 1954. They had gone to Florida because he had cancer of the bone marrow; he died while they were there. Paul and Jane lived in Quincy, Mass. and prior to his death had purchased "The Delight Cottages" at Dennis Port, Mass. These cottages were rented by the week, summer, or month and were near the beach at Cape Cod.

THE TAYLOR FAMILY

The original ancestor was no doubt the Norman Baron, Taillefer, who accompanied William the Conqueror in his invasion of Great Britain. I know of no coat of Arms that has been passed down from father to son in our family.

1 MATTHEW TAYLOR I

Our progenitor, Matthew Taylor I, was born in Ireland of native stock, 2 Feb 1707, and he had three brothers. After his marriage to Mary Beyerington, daughter of John Beyerington, they lived in Wales and from here came to America.

Matthew Taylor I settled in Cecil County, MD. We find the following concerning his land in "The Maryland Genealogical Bulletin", Vol. 9, No. 1, January 1938, page 2:

"In 1723, Alexander White patented a tract of land in Cecil County, MD, named Racoon Point, containing 250 acres (Patents, Liver P.L. fol. 456, and Certificate I.L. Nos. A. fol. 124, Land Office Maryland). A plat of this property is in Envelope No. 812, Cecil County, in the land office of Maryland, at Annapolis. The name is sometimes spelled Raccoon Point. Janett and Martha Thompson received this land from David White and wife, March 20, 1748/9 (From Rent Roll No. 6, Cecil county, MD, Land Office).

"Martha Thompson sold this 150 acre tract to Matthew Taylor in 1758, and 1767, 43 acres "Addition to Partner's Parcel was added to it. In 1766 the Debt Books for Cecil County in the Maryland Land Office has a record "Raccoon Point, 150 acres Rent 6 shillings from Janett and Martha Thompson. The whole tract became known as Raccoon Point, and appears in several Tax Lists of the county. In the Assessor's return for 1783, South Milford Hundred is the following:

"Raccoon Point - Patent	Owner - Matthew Taylor
1 Barn, 2 Out Houses, 1 Dwelling	
2 acres orchard	
70 acres arable	
106 acres wooded	

15 acres meadow
Total 193 acres Quality of Soil - Middling

"South Milford Hundred was in the Fifth District of Cecil County at that time. Raccoon Point was situated 7 miles from Elk River."

It would appear that Matthew was in America in 1758. He was an elder in the Rock Presbyterian Church, Fair Hill, MD. The session

House of the church was burned and so all the old records were lost. Matthew is listed as an elder in the history of the church.

We know of six children who were born to Matthew and Mary; Henry, our progenitor was born in Wales and perhaps others were also.

Matthew Taylor I died in South Milford Hundred, Cecil County, MD, on his birthday, 2 Feb 1784, age 74 years. He was buried at Sharpe Cemetery, Fair Hill, MD, one mile north of Fair Hill, the slate stone is still readable (1976). There is no marker for his wife Mary but she is mentioned in his Will, recorded at the Court House, Elkton, MD in Liber E.e. f.7. A cattle mark is also recorded in his name.

1 Matthew Taylor married Mary Beyerington.

(*) 11 Henry Taylor (1738-1801) m. Jane (Jean) White (1746-1835)

12 Mary Taylor married James Campbell

13 Jean Taylor born 1756, died 4 Jan 1842, buried at New Brighton, PA;
married 1774 in Philadelphia Matthew Steen born 1755 County Antrim, Ireland, died
23 Apr 1835 New

Brighton Pa. The lived first in Philadelphia and later
moved to Washington County, Pa. In 1784 a Matthew Steen owned
land in South Strabane township, Washington County that adjoined lads of Dorsey
Pentecost, Samuel Workman, and Josiah Scott. Children of Jean and Matthew Steen:

131 Esther Steen b. 11 Jun 1775 married Mr. Wood

132 Matthew Taylor Steen b. 6 Nov 1776 m. Mary Mitchell d. 1851.

133 John Steen b. 30 Dec 1778 m. Ann C McDale, died at
New Castle, Pa.

134 Joseph Steen b 1 Mar 1781 m. Elizabeth Steen, 2d cousin.

135 Margaret Steen b 4 Oct 1732 m. Daniel Reeves d 3 Dec 1844.

14 Esther Taylor married -- Gillespie

15 John Taylor, visited Henry once, never heard from again,
not mentioned in his father's will.

11 HENRY TAYLOR

Henry Taylor, oldest son of Matthew and Mary (Beyerington) Taylor, was born in 1738, probably in

Wales. He emigrated to America with his family where they settled in Cecil County, MD.

Henry crossed the mountains from Cecil County in the fall of 1770 and made his "Tomahawk Improvements" on the lands known as the "Rich Hills", northeast of Washington and in sight of it.

In Boyd Crumrine's "History of Washington County," we find explained the method of acquiring titles by what was called "Tomahawk Improvements", as well as the manner of life of the early settlers.

"In 1782 suits in ejectment were brought in common Pleas Court by Henry Taylor, claiming under his Pennsylvania right; and the Depositions were taken and filed, and from those on the part of Mr.

Taylor are made the following extracts, relating as appears from them to the Taylor lands.

"Deposition of Alexander Bowling, July 3, 1783: That in the fall of the year 1770, he this Deponent saw Henry Taylor at Monongahela River, on his way out to Chartiers Creek; he understood he was going out to take up land, and he applied to him to show him Land that was not yet improved; in answer to which he told said Taylor he was about gathering his Corn and he could not go until he had it finished....Sometime after, said Deponent went out to work on a tract of land he had out on Chartiers Creek, & on his way he saw Henry Taylor surveying and Taylor informed him that he was marking off his Claim, and indicated that his Cabban was a little way from where they stood.

"Deposition of Isaac Williams, Jan. 30, 1784: That in the year 1770, that he saw Henry Taylor living in the forks of Chartiers Creek, that he understood he was Improving that Land that is now in Dispute, and to make a Settlement thereon; that he hired his Brother John Williams to strengthen the improvements then Claimed by said Taylor; that he knew the work to be Done, as he had hunted to get provision for the men while they were doing the work; that he also knew Taylor to pay his brother a Riffle Gun and some Cash when he went away, and on his return paid the sum of Eight pounds....

"Deposition of John Williams, Jan 30, 1784: That in the year 1770, that he seen Henry Taylor Living in a new Cabban on the Rich Hills which he understood was built by said Taylor, and he Frequently Lodged at his house at the Monongahela River, when going and returning from Chartiers; that he seen said Taylor having Surveying Instruments to Run out his Land; that when he was hunting there he saw New Marked lines which was called Taylor's Lines; That said Taylor Hired him that same fall to farther Improve the said Land....

"Deposition of Isaac Grier, Jan 12, 1783 [sic]: That in the year 1770, about the last of November of the beginning of December, he this Deponent did assist Henry Taylor to Build a Cabban on the Waters of Chartiers Creek, on a piece of Rich land, to be south west of the Cabban where the said Taylor now lives in....

"Henry Taylor, as shown, built his cabin in the fall of 1770, and returned to Cecil County, MD. On the 1st day of February, 1771, before his return in spring following, he obtained orders of survey for his one of which recites:

"Whereas Henry Taylor of the County of Cecil in Maryland, hath requested that we would grant him to take up one hundred and fifty acres of Land on the Middle Fork of Chartiers Creek, Bounded on the North-East by Robert Hamilton's land and on the Path leading from Catfish Camp to Pittsburgh, including his Improvements in the County of Cumberland; Provided the same Land does not interfere with any Manor or appropriated Tract in the said County of Cumberland, etc. The warrant is signed, "John Penn.""

It should be noted that at this time Cumberland County embraced all of the land lying west of the Susquehanna River and north and west of the county of York. Bedford County was erected on 9 Mar 1771.

Henry Taylor subsequently purchased many other tracts of land, 1,700 acres in all. In later life he built a brick house, 1800, which was said to have walls 18 inches thick.

He was appointed a Major of the militia and a Justice of the Peace of Yohoghania County and when Washington County was formed in 1781 was elected a justice of the peace 15 Oct, and appointed by the Supreme Executive Council, a justice of the peace and of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions and later made the presiding justice, a position he held until the office was abolished in 1791.

On the 19th of April 1793, during General Wayne's expedition against the Indians, Henry Taylor was commissioned by Governor Mifflin, as Brigadier General of the Brigade composed of the Militia of the County of Washington, other than the Townships of Greene, Cumberland, Morgan, Franklin and East Bethlehem, in the said County.

In 1772, Henry Taylor married Jean (Jane) White who had been born in 1746 to John and Mary Ann (Patterson) White. (More about the Whites later.)

An interesting side light on Henry Taylor, taken from the "Minutes of the Redstone Presbytery 1781-1831," p. 6. This was a judicatory of the Presbyterian Church:

"Redstone Presbytery (P.b.y.) met at Pigeon Creek, Tuesday, ye 21st of June, 1785: The Rev. Messrs. John Carl, Joseph Smith, John McMillan, James Power, James Dunlap. Elders James Brice, James Edgar, Patrick McCullough, Samuel Sorrels, Robert Adams. Absent the Rev. Thaddeus Dodd....Meeting was opened with a sermon by Mr. Finley (later he was admitted as a member of the P.b.y., a former member of the New Castle P.b.y. and had accepted a call, his elder was John Gaston)...Adjourned to meet the next morning at 9 o'clock....

"Wednesday, June ye 22nd: The P.b.y. met according to adjournment U.P.P.S.Q.S. except

John Gaston, who had leave of absence. Ordered to read the minutes of the last session. Henry Taylor being come, the P.b.y. proceeded to hear the reasons of his appeal.

"The P.b.y. having heard what each party had to say, and maturely deliberating on the whole, conclude: That altho' Henry Taylor denies that the charge against him was proved, or that ever he had confessed that he had done what he was charged with; and altho' the session, through inadvertency, we suppose, neglected to set down his acknowledgment to Mr. McMillan, which we have now heard, viz: that he, sd. Taylor, had directed and assisted the company in going through a reel in dancing, which he supposed they had gone wrong in; yet we think that the evidence of John Riddle, request of the company, had allowed them an hour to recreate now offered to us by Mr. Taylor, viz: that Mr. Taylor, at the themselves in dancing; together with the testimony of some members of P.b.y. who had heard him acknowledge the same at a former meeting, gives us sufficient reason to conclude that he did give such a relation to Mr. McMillan, and did countenance and approve of promiscuous dancing, which was greatly aggravated in him by the circumstances mentioned in the minutes of the session, and some other things in the congregation; and did carry the appearance of being done in contempt;

"Therefore, as promiscuous dancing is condemned by the body of the Godly and Judicious in all ages, as well as by our own standards, and is generally attended with bad effects, we can not think that the Session were too rigorous in their judgment; and, therefore, with them must conclude that Mr. Taylor, in order to admission to church privileges, ought to acknowledge his fault before this P.b.y. or before the Session of the congregation to which he belongs, and be admonished to more circumspection for the future; and that this, his acknowledgment, should be signified to the congregation by Mr. McMillan.

"Finally, as Mr. Taylor declares that he did not act in the above affair out of contempt, we think that his declaration ought to be received as candid and true. From this judgment Mr. Taylor reserves a liberty of appealing to Synod, if, upon deliberation, he shall think proper. If he does appeal, the Clerk is ordered to furnish him with a copy of the above judgment, upon his producing the reasons of his appeal.

"Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock. Concluded with prayer."

It should be noted that Henry's father Matthew Taylor had been an Elder of the Rock Presbyterian Church, Fair Hill, Md.

The Rev. John McMillan, Presbyterian minister, came to Washington County area, around 1775. He preached first on 4 Aug 1775 at the home of John MacDowell, on Chartiers Creek. Henry Taylor's farm was close by. Rev. McMillan had brought the matter of the dancing before his session in 1783 and they in turn to the P.b.y. The first time it was brought before the Redstone Presbytery, not enough members were present, and like so many courts, it was not until June 1785 that the matter was attended to.

The Chartiers Church, which Rev. John McMillan founded was not charted until 1798.

Henry's children seemed to all have been members of the M.E. Church. Henry Taylor's name is not among its membership. Henry Taylor died in 1801. The following is an Abstract of his Will, found in Will Book Vol. 1, page 446:

"Henry Taylor, Esq. of Washington County, dated November 6, 1785, proved November 23, 1801; wife Jean; children, Matthew (land whereupon testator lives, late the property of Richard Yates warranted to John Taylor), Ann, John, Joseph (plantation surveyed in the name of Nathan McDowell, James and Henry (lands adjoining Thomas Hamilton warranted Henry Taylor); land devised by father Matthew Taylor situated in Cecil County, Md., three sisters Jean Steen, Mary Campbell and Esther Gillespie and their children; executors, wife, David Redick, James Marshal and Thomas Scott, Esquires.. Witnesses: Thos. Stockeley, Peter Peterson, and Matthew Steen.

CHILDREN OF 11 HENRY AND JEAN (WHITE) TAYLOR

111 Matthew Taylor II (1775-1852) m. 1803 Nancy Agnes Hutchison (1783-1877). Matthew Taylor II was born 1 Aug 1775, said to have been the first white male child born west of the Alleghanies. He was 17 years old when Washington Academy was established in 1792. He took courses there in Civil engineering, and for years surveyed the land in Washington county, traveling considerably.

On 14 Feb 1803, he was married to Nancy Agnes Hutchinson, a member of a pioneer family from Winchester VA, the daughter of Thomas Hutchinson who was born 14 Feb 1785. She was said to have been "a woman of strong character, powerful will, thrifty in the extreme, the antitheses of her husband." They established their home on the TAYLOR tract which Matthew farmed. After the death of Henry TAYLOR the inherited the brick home built in 1800 by Henry. Matthew was a member of the M.E. Church and the Whig party.

Matthew Taylor died 19 Jun 1852 at 77 years of age. Nancy H. Taylor lived to the age of 92 years, "leaving to her children the imprint of her resolute and startling character," she died 19 Mar 1877. Both Matthew and Nancy are buried at Washington Cemetery. Hugh and Julia Ann (Taylor) Reynolds are buried in the same plot.

One of the family stories is that Nancy brought as her dowry, two negro slave girls, who were later freed, but remained with the family, plus two wagons of gear.

CHILDREN of Matthew II and Nancy (Hutchinson) Reynolds:

1111 HENRY M. TAYLOR b. 6 Mar 1804, d. 23 Feb 1822. Newspaper account, 4 Mar 1822: Great Calamity. About a quarter of an hour before 12 on Saturday night the 3rd ult., the office of Thomas

M.T. McKennan Esq., attorney at law in Maiden St., was discovered to be on fire. Office and adjoining tenements belonging to James Chambers, both frame buildings were burned to the ground. Sometime after the fire when people generally had retired, mournful exclamations were heard from

people running....A number of people standing together near the place when a stack of chimneys which had been left standing gave way and buried 10 of our citizens - the following were killed instantly....Henry Taylor, son of Matthew Taylor, was one of four killed. Henry was 19 years of age.

- 1112 THOMAS TAYLOR (1805-1882) m. Susan Darlington (1813-)
- 1113 SARAH JANE TAYLOR (1807-1885) m. Oliver Lindsay (1808-1889)
- 1114 Mary (Polly) Taylor (1809-1883) m. John McFarland
(1802-)
- 1115 James Taylor (1811-1868) m. 1849 Susan --, Troy IL.
- 1116 Julia Ann Taylor (1813-1890) m. Hugh Hamilton Reynolds (1809-1895).
- 1117 Elizabeth (Eliza) Taylor (1815-1897) m. Andrew Van Eman, moved to Kansas.
- 1118 Matthew III Taylor (1817-1887) m. Jane Forrest (1837-1928)
- 1119 George W. Taylor (1817-1887) m. Sarah Munnell (1829-1913)
- 111.10. Rachel Ann Taylor (1824-1847) m. Workman Hughes (1822-)
- 111.11. Wm. Henry Harrison Taylor (1830-1884) m. Jane E Jones (1899-1917 [sic])
Lived and died in Washington , no children named Harrison.

Additional information is given about the families of the above children, but not recorded in this transcript.

- 112 Joseph Taylor (1777-1848) m. 1st Annie Stewart d. 1834; m. 2d Mrs. White.
- 113 John Taylor (1779-) m. Mary Good.
- 114 Henry Taylor (1781-) m. 1st Eleanor Dagg, 2d Susan Baldwin.
- 115 James Taylor (1783-) m. Grizella Sherrard.
- 116 George Taylor (1785-) m. Mary Irwin, Wheeling WV.
- 117 Jane Taylor (1788-) m. Richard Dagg, brother of Eleanor.
- 118 Mary Taylor (1790-) m. Thomas Patton, Carrolton, Ohio
- 119 Eliza Taylor (1792-) m. Dr. Thos. Layton d Nov 1829, Wbg, Pa.

11.10. Anne Taylor () m. Andrew McCalmont.

The White Family

John White, the father of Jane (Jean) White Taylor was also from Cecil County, MD., perhaps related to one of the Whites mentioned in the account of Matthew Taylor I. John and his wife Mary Ann (Patterson) White came to Washington county a year after Henry Taylor, 1771. John White was born about 1726 and died in 1806. Two of his brothers (David and James) came also to Washington county, settling along the Chartiers Creek in what was later North Strabane or South Strabane townships. Their land was adjoining.

John White built a stone house near the Old County Home and it is said still to be standing.

Boyd Crumrine has the following comments concerning John White:

"In those days all the grain was gathered by hand sickle. Mr. White's ten sons could be seen reaping the grain in the same field. Their father who prided himself in his farming, was always out to see that it was done properly."

John White served as a Major of the Militia, 3d Battalion, Washington county during the Revolutionary War. John served on many of the juries before the court of Washington was formed. He was commissioned as an Associate Judge of the court of Washington county, 24 Aug 1781.

Children of John and Mary Ann (Patterson) White (I am not certain about all of the children named below for they are not all mentioned in the will that follows.

- 11 Jane White (1746-1835) married Hon. Henry TAYLOR (1738-1801
- 12 John White m. Ann Bower
- 13 Nathaniel White m Polly ROSS
- 14 James White
- 15 George White
- 16 Samuel White
- 17 Patterson White
- 18 Benjamin White
- 19 Mary White m. James ROSS ?
- 1.10. William White
- 1.11. David White
- 1.12. Jones White

Will of John White, Washington County, File 23, Vol.2, pp. 96-97:

On the 13th day of June, one thousand eight hundred six [1806], I John White, Sr. of Strabane Township in the County of Washington and state of Pennsylvania...My beloved wife Mary Ann

White my dwelling house and the use and benefit of the one half of my plantation I now live on for her support during her natural life....

....I give and bequeath to my son John White, a tract of land adjoining my plantation I now live on, all that is contained in the plot made by Sinclair with an additional lot surveyed by Matthew TAYLOR, in all making one hundred acres....

...It is my will that my three sons James, Samuel and William hold their land as they are now in possession agreeable as it is now made over to them....

...Likewise it is my will and I give to my son George White all that land he lives on agreeable to what the plot contains made by Sinclair

...I give to my son Nathaniel White all that land he now lives on....

...It is my will that if that part of my land that is now in Law should be recovered that it be for my son John White a part of my land that I now live on that is not in dispute to be laid on the North End by a straight line, beginning at an Ellum tree and to a marked White Oak, included all from that line to Charteers Creek....

...I give to my son Benjamin White the south end of my last mentioned land including all that I hold from the Ellum before mentioned to the marked White Oak by a straight line to my son George's line....

...Likewise it is my will that if the land that is now in law should be lost, that what land I own lying between my son nathaniel and Pentecosts claim be for the use of my son John White....

...I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son John White and John Colnery to be my only sole executor of this my last will and testament.....

SEAL

...Signed sealed pronounced and acknowledged to be last will and testament of the subscriber. In presents of Alexander Speer, Tho. McNary, Robert Marshall, Washington County, Pa. Be it remembered that on the third day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seven before me, Isaac Kerr, Register for the probate wills and granting letters of administration in and for the county aforesaid, came Alexander Speer and Thomas McNary, two of the subscribing witnesses to the within last will and testament of John White, late of the county aforesaid, deceased who being sworn as the law directs....the said Thomas McNary further saith that Robert Marshall the other witness subscribed his name thereto as such in his presence - Alexander Speer sworn from to and subscribed before me Isaac Kerr, Thomas McNary.

Registered 3 February 1807, Isaac Kerr, Register
