

The Latta Genealogy Newsletter

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Celebrations and Memorials **A DNA Project in Memory of Alice L. and Alexander L. Latta, Jr.**

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Birthdays and anniversaries are important social events both within families and within societies. This being Canada's 150th Birthday, it seems fitting to mark it in some way personal to me. My Mom, Alice, and Dad, Alex, have passed on now, some 20 and 10 years respectively. Some things of note to me are that 150 years roughly marks the last migration of Branch 16 (1865 to 1885) from Ireland to the New World. Both parents demonstrated to us the importance of maintaining family ties. My older sister, Shirley, and I have had the privilege of visiting the Irish and Scottish lands that have been important to the respective family lines. Indeed for my father's line it seems a great accomplishment that every generation has gone back to visit the Latta Manor at Ballinakill, Enniscorthy, County of Wexford, Ireland. It is still owned by cousins Charlie and Yvonne Latta. My parents' DNA holds the ancestry for a varied mixed blood lineage. Thus Irish, Scottish, Plains Cree and Menominee First Nation blood runs through my veins. Since getting my DNA tested for genealogical purposes I have had some interesting successes that have added knowledge to my already extensive database. I have to admit though that I am lucky that several of my ancestor's have had their lines published. It does make it a lot easier for me as I am not totally starting from scratch!

This year the City of Edmonton is also marking some significant family history for our family. Our Great Grandmother, Emily Latta (nee DeCoteau) had a brother, Alexander Wuttunee DeCoteau, who is being honoured by the dedication of a multiuse park in downtown Edmonton to be named after him. Opening is expected to take place in September. Alex, who died at Paeschendaele, was a noted long distance runner and represented Canada in the 1912 Olympics, as well as having the distinction of being the first individual from the First Nation to be hired as a police officer in Canada. He was also one of the first motorcycle officers tasked with the locking of the 109th Street bridge so those unruly Strathconians from the wrong side of the river couldn't wreak havoc in the city over night. As kids we loved to hear the many adventures his short life held.

My parents had traveled many times back to the auld sods of Ireland and Scotland, going every year for fifteen years. Dad continued on after Mom passed and except for a few years made it back to Ireland yearly for about 25 years. When he took up genealogy pursuits half way through this it finally proved to him how useful computers could be when he found the Latta Genealogy Society. His research took on a more focused and dogmatic perseverance. He really started to pick up on his repertoire of anecdotal stories on his return from trips abroad. He has shared many with other Latta researchers and written of his travels in the Latta Genealogy Newsletter.

In the last newsletter I showed what we have found so far and more has come out since then. To help things along I proposed a DNA contest to be held from July 2017 to July 2018. I have an inheritance coming

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Editorial

Never give up! In your search for your Latta family, keep looking, even if you seem to be at a dead end. Dr. Carlson (Page 5) kept looking, and was able to connect with the new science of DNA. Betty Kitchen (Page 9) kept searching for her Abraham Latta, and found him. Ginger Knauss wanted to find her family history (Page 17), and succeeded by reaching out to our Latta Genealogy Society. So do not ever give up. Use any and all means to find your Latta ancestors. If you are stuck, contact us, and we will help you. We will print the results here in our Newsletter to save your information for your children, grandchildren and beyond.

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Revised List of Branch Captains

Another goal of our Latta Family is to find a branch captain for every branch of the Latta Family. Unfortunately, we do not have a Captain for every Branch. We could use some more volunteers. If interested, please contact Sue Lattea Cox, Branch 17, Coordinator of Branch Captains. The duties of a branch captain were spelled out in issue 27, Fall 2005, page 32. Here is a revised list of our branch captains, with names and addresses.

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Latta Genealogy Society Treasurer's Report May 15, 2017

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Report Period: Jan. 26, 2017 through May 15, 2017

Beginning balance: \$8235.34

Income

General Fund donations \$527.00

DNA Fund donations \$25.00

Pay Pal donations \$72.22

Total Income: \$624.22

Expenses

Hostway website fee, 4 months (14.94/mo.) \$69.75

Newsletter Issue 60 (Ken Mueller) \$115.36

Washington State Non Profit Renewal \$10.00

Newsletter Issue 61 Advance (Ken Mueller) \$400.00

Total Expenses \$595.11

Ending balance as of May 15, 2017: \$8264.45

Included in ending balance:

Funds allocated for research: \$1142.50

Funds allocated for DNA: \$384.00

Membership: The bylaws state, "Any person who supports the purpose of this Society may become a member in good standing upon payment of the minimum donation." The minimum donation currently is \$10 for subscribers within the U.S. & Canada, \$15 for other countries. Newsletter only status (non-voting) is provided for libraries and those interested in the newsletter but unable to make a donation. Your donations support the publication and mailing of the newsletter and cover other expenses of the Latta Genealogy Society.

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and can devote a portion to something that my parents would truly have enjoyed. In celebration of their lives and to mark this in Canada's Birth Year celebrations this contest seems a fitting way to further share their love of family history.

Family Tree DNA Latta Surname Contest 2017 to 2018

The Contest will run from the 1st of July 2017 to 31st of July 2018. Payouts will occur in September 2018. Contestants would be competing for subsidies to either be applied to the cost of their kit or paid forward to the DNA fund at the Latta Genealogy site. Their donation would be recognized in the Latta Genealogy Newsletter.

Six male donors will be eligible to receive a 50% reimbursement for the 25 to 37 Marker test, a value of roughly \$60.00 US as of March, 2017. Six female donors will be eligible to receive an equivalent percentage of the Mt Full Sequence test, roughly \$70.00 US as of March, 2017. The contestant winners will also be subsidized for the Family Finder portion based on the points accumulated during the contest. They would be eligible for 50 to 75 % or roughly a value of \$40.00 to \$60.00 US. The amount will vary from 50% plus an additional 5% for each DNA Donor that demonstrates a link to a Latta connected to a known branch up to 75%.

The Point System for Evaluating DNA Donor's at Family Tree DNA Latta Surname Project

1. Age range for DNA Donors as of 31st December, 2017;
 - a) Less than or equal to 65 yo 9 points
 - b) From 66 to 79 yo 12 points
 - c) From 80 yo plus 15 points
2. Points for membership as of last kit sold till April 31st, 2018. Those testing at a different site other than Family Tree DNA must upload and upgrade to Include the 37 Marker level or Mt Full Sequence and the Family Finder tests At FTDNA.
 - a) For joining the FTDNA Project . . . 20 points
 - b) For joining the Latta Genealogy Society, must be in good standing as of the 31st of April, 2018 10 points
3. Historical documentation of the contestant's family line through stories and documents for publishing in the Latta Genealogy Newsletter. One story with up to 3 documents per contestant. Length should be between 1 to 2 thousand words. The story can be submitted by an alternate family member.
 - a) Points for publication in newsletter . . 7 points
 - b) Points for documents of oldest known Latta in that line include
 - Census records 5 points
 - Birth or christening records 5 points
 - Property ordinance maps 5 points
 - Other documents as approved of significance by the Latta Society Board of Director's 5 points
4. DNA links that can connect one or more branches. Two points for each different Branch showing a DNA connection to the contestant.
5. To enter the DNA Contest, please contact Kathy Latta at: 268 Knottwood Road North, NW, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, T6K 1Y4, or lattakj@telusplanet.net.

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My Strange Predicament

Over the course of the last few years, I have encouraging family and friends to participate in the DNA for genealogy research method. My Uncle Alan, one of the last to do so, produced a surprise in his results. I had lost his password so was unable to open his account until I went to visit him in the next province. Eventually I called up his account at Family Tree DNA and looked at his results. We both had a good laugh when the eighth person on his list of matches was one of my best friends from high school.

Dianne and I had speculated that we might share some genes and here was the proof. Her family tree lists some McDougall's (my mother's maiden name) having married into some Purcell's (her maiden name) and McMillan's from her paternal side. Years prior to this Dianne had asked me for a suggestion on what to get her aging parents for either a Birthday or Christmas gift. She went all out at my suggestion and ordered tests for both her parents and for her children, as well as herself. Dianne's husband had the misfortune of having the Kleinhauer - Betke Syndrome (he had an XXY instead of just XY) which renders those afflicted sterile. Both her children are by sperm donation.

We laughed over her name on Uncle Alan's list and the fact that my Uncle had met her mom and dad. One year I took him to visit with me just because it had been awhile since he had been on a farm. Both men are as deaf as can be, and have similar features! I asked her to join all her family to the Latta Surname Project so that I could easily go over accounts to glean anything unusual out of all this. In deed I did just that. I found a common match I had previously reported on in the last Latta Genealogy Newsletter Table 3. This match is tied to Branch's 16, 18 and through this match's cousin to Branch's 1 and 3. How's that for circling the wagons! I believe all these are tied to the geographical locations of the Virginia's, Pennsylvania and the Carolina's with possible connections to the Latta Plantation and thus Branch 12.

I believe those already having done the Y-DNA test but not Family Finder should be encouraged or subsidized for this test. I am sure there are other shared matches waiting for discovery. To that end I will be submitting a list of kit numbers to the Latta Society's Board of Director's vote on using the DNA Fund for.

It was really strange to find both a maternal and paternal link to this match and it is going to take some digging to establish the paper trail. A challenge I have already started to work on!

Are Julie and I are Sixth Cousins?

By: Dr. Christopher Carlson, cscarlson47@gmail.com

"My grandmother's maiden name was Latta. She was Lloyd Louise Latta. Her parents were Roy and Isola (Louise). Do you have more information about your Latta side? Thanks, Julie"

Last March, this message landed in my 23andme inbox. 23andme is one of several companies offering consumer genetic analysis, and I had sent them a sample a couple of years ago. When I registered with 23andme, I opted to anonymously share my genetic data, so that other users who might share distant ancestry could contact me (more on how that works later). Apparently I had included "Latta" among the surnames in my account, but I had long since forgotten this fact. Unfortunately, I don't regularly check my account, so the message went unanswered for most of a year. At Christmastime I finally noticed Julie's note, because my father and I were

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comparing our data, to see who had a higher fraction Neanderthal ancestry. (But that's a story for another time.)

So I got in touch with Julie, who was just starting to get her Latta genealogy going, and pointed her to latta.org as an excellent resource. My personal connection to the Lattas is in Branch 48, which ends with my great-great-great grandfather: 2 Barton Allen (2) Latta. His story begins in Muskingum County, Ohio, sometime around 1812. Our family oral history matches the story on latta.org: Barton's parents were killed in an Indian raid when he was a toddler. He was clearly old enough to know his own name, and apparently his birthday, but he had no known local relatives, so he was kindly taken in and raised by neighbors. The 1810 census records for that region were lost in a fire, and there's a lack of property, tax, or even church records for this area, so it seemed like Barton would never be connected to the main Latta lineages.

Genealogy: A few years back I started enjoying genealogy as a hobby. Professionally I'm a genetic epidemiologist, so I spend a lot of time looking at genetic data from populations, so genealogy was an obvious hobby to take up. With the enthusiasm of a beginner, I tackled the mystery of Barton's parentage by looking through the other Latta branches to see if I could find anyone of approximately the right age to be Barton's father, who otherwise dropped off the map. After screening through an awful lot of Jameses, Johns, Williams and Samuels, I finally found a good candidate in branch 4: 84 James (3). (Of course, it had to be a James...) 84 James was just about exactly the right age to be Barton's father (born Dec 3 1778 in Wallkill NY to 2 James (2) and Agnes Latta), and even his death date seemed right (1813), but his location of death did not fit: supposedly he died in New Orleans. I'm reasonably sure that no other Latta has ever been mentioned in New Orleans, so the location seemed fishy, and if it was wrong, then perhaps 84 James was Barton's father? Additional circumstantial evidence came from 84 James's brother-in-law's name: Benjamin Barton, who married 83 Agnes (3) in 1864. I don't know how common "Barton" was back then, but it seemed like a good story. Unfortunately, using traditional historical documentation there was just no way to prove the hypothesis that Barton Allen is 84 James (3)'s son, so my story petered out here, for lack of proof.

Which is where the story remained for several years, until Julie reached out to me.

Genetics: 23andme allows you to compare your own genetic data against other 23andme customers, in order to identify potential distant relatives. (Other companies do too. This is not an ad for 23andme.) For those of you who may need a quick refresher, the human genome is broken up into 23 chromosomes: 22 autosomes, and a pair of sex chromosomes. Each of us carries two copies of each of the twenty-two autosomes, plus a pair of sex chromosomes (XX if you are female and XY if you are male) and a snippet of mitochondrial DNA (from your mother). The genome is like a book written in a foreign language, where there are only four letters in the language (A, C, G, and T). Each chromosome is like a very long word written with these four letters, ranging in length from ~50 million bases for small chromosomes to more than 300 million bases for the longest. Every time a cell divides, the DNA needs to be copied over so that identical copies can be given to each of the daughter cells. As you can imagine, this process is remarkably (but not perfectly) accurate. Sometimes errors crop up: and A is changed to a G, or a C to a T. If the error occurs in the germ line, it is transmitted to the next generation through either a sperm or an egg, and it is now an inherited polymorphism. The vast majority of polymorphisms are thousands of generations old, and have zero consequences for health or visible traits, but a few cause changes in how a protein functions, like the ABO blood type. An even smaller fraction of polymorphisms contribute to inherited risks for many diseases, ranging from rare, high risk alleles (sickle-cell anemia, thalassemia or cystic fibrosis) to common, low risk alleles. Studying the genetics of disease risk is my day job, but for this story, the important part is the non-functional variations that are sprinkled throughout the genome.

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When I sent my cheek swab to 23andme, they extracted DNA from it, and then genotyped me for something like half a million polymorphisms, spread across the genome. The way that they use these data to search for distant relatives is to compare the alleles between individuals. At each of the 500,000 polymorphisms, each person carries two alleles. As an example, at the ABO blood type polymorphism, if you carry two A alleles, you are type A, if you carry two B alleles, you are type B, and if you carry one of each, you are type AB. (Yes, I oversimplified by ignoring O. It's easier this way.) Chromosome 10 is an average-size chromosome, spanning about 134 million base pairs, or close to 5% of the human genome. Julie and I share a fraction of a percent of DNA "identical-by-descent" on chromosome 10 (see image). 0.28%, to be precise. That is, at a series of a few thousand polymorphisms along chromosome 10, we always shared an allele. If I was BB, she was AB or BB, never AA. If she was AA, I was AB or AA, never B. This sort of region is exactly what you expect when a pair of individuals share a recent common ancestor. We had inherited this piece of DNA "identical by descent" from a recent common ancestor. So the genetics were telling us that we were related, and Julie noticed that we shared ancestors with the last name "Latta".

As a brief digression, it's wonderfully ironic that Julie and I were probably neighbors for years. I was born in Stanford Hospital and raised in adjacent Palo Alto. Meanwhile, her parents met in Palo Alto, where her mother worked as a nurse at the VA, and her dad worked at a local grocery. I biked past the VA hospital where her mother worked every day, on my way to high school, but it would be thirty years before Julie and I connected. Anyhow, my Latta ancestry runs through my mother (Patricia Carlson), so the expectation is that if the piece of chromosome 10 that Julie and I share is from a Latta, then it should have come from my mother. Conveniently, my parents sent samples in to 23andme at Christmas, and the results conclusively show that my mother and I share exactly the same chunk of chromosome 10 with Julie, while my father does not. So the shared chromosome 10 is consistent with a shared Latta ancestor.

Integrating genetics and genealogy. Given a confident match in shared ancestry, the question is, which ancestors do Julie and I share? Each of us has eight great-grandparents, only one of whom was a Latta-descendant, so even though we are cousins, it is by no means required that our common ancestor is a Latta. However, Latta is a pretty rare surname, so it seems like a strong possibility that our common ancestor was a Latta. Julie hadn't yet discovered latta.org, but with minimal effort I was able to connect her ancestry up to branch 4:

Julie's grandmother was Lloyd Louise Latta, whose father was: 58 Roy Romaine (6) Latta (1884-1953), whose father was 44 Walter Romaine (5) Latta (1853-1937), whose father was 17 Walter (4) Latta (1826-1905), whose father was 6 John (3) Latta (1786-1856), whose father was: 2 James (2) Latta (1748-1816). (Julie's great-great-great-great-great grandfather, if you were keeping track carefully).

So this is where the story gets really fun. 2 James (2)'s second son was 84 James (3) (b 1778, d 1813). Quite literally, if you had asked me to describe a Latta descendant who I would like to compare my DNA against, in order to test the hypothesis that 84 James (3) was Barton Allen's father, I would have said "a direct descendant of 2 James (2)". Someone just like Julie.

We would still need to get lucky in the comparison, because beyond fourth cousin it's not unusual to share no identity-by-descent, at all. The expected amount of sharing, identical by descent (IBD), between a pair of cousins depends upon how recent the common ancestor is. On average, first cousins share 12.5% of their DNA, identical-by-descent. Second cousins share 3.1% and so forth. Sixth cousins are only expected to share a very small fraction of their DNA (0.01%) but there's a wide variance on this estimate, with some sixth cousins sharing none at all, and others sharing a lot more than 0.01%. Technically speaking, after fourth cousins, it

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Julie Harris
and
Christopher
Carlson
Half IBD
21 cM
1 Segment

Julie Harris
and
Patricia
Carlson
Half IBD
22 cM
1 Segment

Julie Harris
and
Richard
Carlson
Half IBD
0 cM
0 Segments

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it becomes more likely that the IBD segment is not transmitted at all, rather than that it becomes smaller because of recombination within the IBD segment. That is, if you look at how much of chromosome 10 I share with Julie, it's the same as what she shares with my mother: generational transmission becomes all or nothing if the chunk of DNA is small enough. It's complicated, but the take-home message is that when 23andme says "4th cousins" it means "probably no closer than 3rd cousins, but could be much deeper..." Fortunately for our story, Julie and I did share a longer stretch of identity-by-descent than the average pair of sixth cousins.

Conclusions: For now, the genetic evidence conclusively demonstrates that Julie Harris (Latta branch 4 descendant) and I (Latta branch 48 descendant) share a distant ancestor, through my maternal lineage. Combining this with the Latta genealogical data and the length of the shared segment, it is quite likely (although not absolutely proven) that this shared ancestor is 2 James (2) Latta. His sixth child (6 John 3) wisely stayed in New York, living an uneventful life (except for when the British burned his tannery in Lewiston in 1812). Meanwhile, 2 James (2)'s older son (84 James) moved West to the frontier, where he and his wife started a family, and were soon thereafter killed by Indians, leaving their son, Barton Allen Latta, to be raised as an orphan. If true, this would make Julie and I sixth cousins, and would connect Latta branch 48 to Latta Branch 4 through 84 James (3).

Finding Abraham

By: Betty (Latta) Kitchen, kitchen2new@earthlink.net, Brownsburg, Indiana

I have inherited several artifacts from my Latta family (Branch 17) including the hand written will on legal-size-lined paper of my great, great grandfather John Latta (1784-1865). John was married to Anna Elizabeth Hockenbury (1793-1865). She died the month following his death.

John II Latta (b. 1784; d. 20 Nov 1865-Wayne Township (Monroe Co.))

John made his last will and testament on October 7, 1865. Instead of a signature, his will has an "X" and an indication that it is his mark. The will was admitted to probate January 31, 1866.

Last Will and Testament of John Latta

"In the name of the Benevolent Father of All, I John Latta of Monroe County, Ohio, do make and publish this my last will and testament, to will as follows, to wit:

Item first - That all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my personal estate.

Item second - I give and bequeath to my son John C. Latta all my personal estate except what will be sufficient to make the above payments.

Item third - I give and bequeath to my daughters Catharine Morris and Sarah Jane Nalley the sum of twenty dollars each which shall be given them of my personal estate.

Item fourth - My other four children, Samuel Latta, Julia A. Pool, Lucinda Mercer, George M. Latta, and also Harriet S. Latta and Allice Latta, heirs of Abraham Latta, all of whom I here mention as having received all that I allow them to have of my estate.

Item fifth - And also I give and bequeath unto my son John C. Latta all my real estate, to wit: The North West

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Quarter of the North East Quarter of Section No. nine in Township No. five of Range No. six, situated in Monroe County, Ohio. I also require my son John C. Latta to maintain my wife Anna Latta or cause her to be maintained in a comfortable manner during her life time and pay the above mentioned sums of twenty dollars to each of my daughters.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

John Latta (his mark)

Subscribed in presence of Ike Morris and Samuel Latta

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the last will and testament of John Latta, decd, admitted to Probate January 31, 1866.

I began the search for my Latta family, Branch 17, based on this will. I visited cemeteries, libraries, historical societies, and individuals and exchanged countless emails. With that research coupled with data from records posted on familysearch.org, ancestry.com, findagrave.com, latta.org, Bible records, obituaries and other sources, I found more and more information on all the children listed in the will, but nothing on Abraham. Because of the wording in the will, I was pretty sure that Abraham died before his father, thus the reason for Abraham's two daughters, Harriett S. and Allice, to be mentioned. They would have had to be born before 1865. For years I searched for these three names used in conjunction with one another. Many times Cheryl "Sue" (Lattea) Cox, our Branch 17 captain, and I debated on where he possibly could be. Abraham certainly seemed like a dead end. No Abraham. No Harriett. No Allice.

But in 2015 I was searching for the descendants of George Madison Latta, a son mentioned in the will above. He and his descendants were the only children of John Latta and Annie Hockenbury that we knew of who spelled their last name as "Lattea." I grew up in northeast Ohio and always spelled my last name as Latta (pronounced Lat' uh), but my grandmother (Effie Schaub Latta) told me that in the southeast corner of Ohio and West Virginia areas where most of our earlier family had lived that the name was often pronounced Lat' ty or Lat' tie. Perhaps that contributed to the name variation for George and his family.

"Lattea" is not a very common name and typing just the last name and "Indiana" on findagrave.com brought me to two Lattea stones in the state. One was in Shelby County, Indiana – **the stone for Abraham**. After all these years, I had finally found him. The "Lattea" variation of the name had been used on his tombstone. He was in the Van Pelt Cemetery in Waldron. He was born in 1830 and died on March 8, 1856. Clicking on the link provided there took me directly to his daughter Harriett Samantha (Lattea) Pope (1852-1929), in the Lewis Creek Baptist Cemetery in Shelbyville where so many others of this family are buried. I visited the cemetery the summer of 2016.

Although "Lattea" is shown on the tombstone, on his marriage document in Shelby County, Indiana, the license dated 15th day of April 1851 and marriage on the 20th day of April, 1851, to Eliza Ann Kincade, his name is still spelled as **LATTA**. Eliza Ann is with her parents and six siblings in the 1850 census for Fearing Twp., Washington Co., Ohio. MapQuest shows that the closest part of Fearing Township is today about 35 miles from Woodsfield, where Abraham's parents lived and are buried. The Kincade/Kincaid/Kinkade family must have moved to Indiana shortly after that census.

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Finding the gravestone for his daughter Harriett led to months of research. Thanks to help from many libraries, I have secured the obituary for her, her sister Alice, their spouses, and most of their children. (Much thanks goes to Mike Perkins from the Indianapolis Public Library and Phyllis (Miller) Fleming, local Shelby County, Indiana, historian. Both were so helpful in helping me find the family obituaries.) I feel that obituaries often tell us so much more about that person. We may learn about the cause of death, the rest of the family, what the person did for a living and for fun, his religion, and the cemetery that is his final resting place. So much of genealogy is just another name, another date, another location. Obituaries often add some meat to those bare bones.

The obituaries above, plus others from the rest of my Branch 17 families, are shown as a link by each person's name on the Latta tree posted on the Monroe County, Ohio, web site organized by Richard Harrington: <http://freepages.history.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~harringtonfamilies/LattaFam.htm>, and also on my own web site, an offshoot of Mr. Harrington's but only inclusive to the families linked to my "Latta" name, not all of Monroe County, Ohio:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~lattalinkedlineage/LattaFam.htm>.

Both sites are searchable, so after you click on the Latta tree, if you type "Pope" in your search field, it will take you directly to David Pope, spouse of Harriett Latta/Lattea. Alice's family is listed below theirs.

Below is Harriett's obituary. It does mention Harriett being the daughter of Abraham.

Pope, Harriett Samantha Pope, nee Lattea

Source: The Shelbyville [Indiana] Republican; Thursday January 24, 1929; Page 8

DEATH OF AGED LADY OCCURRED

Mrs. Harriett Pope Died Last Night

At Home 7 Miles South of City

FUNERAL SERVICE FRIDAY

The death of Mrs. Harriett Samantha Pope, age 76 years, widow of David Pope, occurred last night at ten-thirty o'clock at her home seven miles south of this city, near the Winchester M.E. church. Complication of diseases, from which she had suffered for several months, was the cause of death.

Mrs. Pope was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Lattea and was born in Rush County, Indiana June 5, 1852. She has lived in the community where she died for the past 45 years. She was a devoted member of the Winchester M.E. church.

Eleven children, five sons and six daughters survive. They are James Pope of Washington township, Clarence, Alvia [*sic--Alvin*] and Ernest Pope of Shelby township, Floyd Pope, of Bartholomew county; Mrs. Della Limpus of Oklahoma, Mrs. Lona Campbell of Hope, Indiana, Mrs. Ida Moore and Mrs. Lulu [*sic--Lula*] Glackman, of this city; and Mrs. Katie Yager, of Washington township. She leaves forty grandchildren and twenty great grandchildren.

Three half-sisters, Mrs. Bell Green of Shelby township, Mrs. Ida Vawter, of Waldron and Mrs. Annie Bean, of this city, and one half-brother, George Britton, of Oklahoma, also survive.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Lewis Creek Baptist church Friday afternoon at two o'clock, with the Rev. Golden Northern, pastor of the Winchester Church officiating. Interment will be in the Lewis Creek Baptist cemetery in charge of Charles M. Ewing, funeral director.

Contributed by Barb Huff to the Shelby Co., Indiana, obituary web site.

**My Note: This obituary says that "six daughters survive" but only lists 5 names. The daughter omitted is Mrs. Elizabeth (or Lizzie) Knowlton, wife of Alvin Knowlton.*

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Finding Abraham (Continued from Page 11)

Below is the obituary for Abraham's second daughter, Allice. Although it does not mention him, I do have her death certificate indicating her parents as:

Father: Abraham Lattie born Ohio

Mother: Eliza Caucade ? born Ohio

Banta, Alice M. Banta, nee Latta/Lattea/Lattie

Source: The Indianapolis [Indiana] Star; Saturday 18 Dec 1920

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., December 18 --

Mrs. Alice M. Banta, age sixty-seven, widow of Moses D. Banta, is dead of heart disease at her home near this city. Mrs. Banta is survived by a son, George W. Banta,* and three daughters, Mrs. George W. Wise, Mrs. Robert E. Wheeler and Miss Grace Banta.

**My Note: In the 1880, 1900, and 1910 census of Moses and Alice Banta and family the only son mentioned is Harry Leroy Banta, in the 1900 census, mentioned with the daughters above: Nellie (married name of Wise), Pearl (married name of Wheeler) and Grace. Perhaps the typist got the George W. (Wise) duplicated for Harry? In Alice's husband's obituary in 1917, the son was listed as Harry L. Banta.*

Her husband's obituary tells more about the family, their location, and their marriage:

Banta, Moses M. Banta

Source: The Osgood [Indiana] Journal; 16 May 1917

Moses M. Banta was born Jan. 18, 1847 in Switzerland County, near Vevay and departed this life May 4, 1917. He was the seventh child of a family of fourteen children of Washington and Sarah Banta. Early in life he came to Ripley County with his parents and at the time the Civil War broke out was living on a farm near Cedar Creek. Although a mere child, being only 15 years of age, he enlisted in the 83rd regiment of the Indiana Infantry, where he nobly served for three years. At the close of the war he traveled some in the west and finally settled in Shelby County where he married Alice Lattie on Oct. 30, 1875. To this union were born eight children, four having preceded their father to the Great Beyond.

In Sept., 1917,* he moved to his little farm west of Osgood where he resided at the time of his death.

He was a kind and loving father and all knowing him could say aught against him. He leaves to mourn their loss, a loving wife, one son, Harry L. Banta, of Shelbyville, three daughters, Mrs. Grace Beadle, Osgood R. 5; Mrs. Nellie Wise of Osgood; and Mrs. Pearl Wheeler, of Cincinnati; five grandchildren and one brother, Lafe Banta, of Washington, Ind.

He was a true and full believer in God but always requested that his Lodge have charge of his funeral services. He was laid to rest in Greendale cemetery May 7, 1917. May he rest in peace.

**My Note: The moving to the farm date of September, 1917, must have been an error since he died in May of that year.*

Yes, I finally did find Abraham. Although he died very young, around 26 years of age, and only had the two daughters, he has many, many descendants living today. Harriett had fourteen children and Allice had eight. And from there the family grew and grew.

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Descendants of James Latta

By: James Latta, classic.latta@gmail.com

Generation No. 1

1. JAMES¹ LATTA was born WFT Est. 1793 in Craigie By Kilmarnock, Ayr, Scotland, and died Bef. 1841. He married JANET WALLACE 31 Jul 1813 in Craigie By Kilmarnock, Ayr, Scotland, daughter of JAMES WALLACE and JEAN RUTHERFORD. She was born 1789 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland, and died 28 Mar 1882 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About JAMES LATTA: Occupation: Sledgeman

Notes for JANET WALLACE: 1841 Census Piece: SCT1841/597 Place: Kilmarnock -Ayrshire Enumeration District: 34 Civil Parish: Kilmarnock Ecclesiastical Parish, Village or Island: Kilmarnock Folio: 22 Page: 2

Address: East Shaw Street Surname First name(s) Sex Age Occupation Where Born Remarks LATTAR Janet F 50 Spirit Dealer Ayrshire LATTAR Ann F 15 Seamstress Ayrshire LATTAR George M 14 Apprentice Cutter Ayrshire LATTAR Robt M 10 Ayrshire LATTAR Isabella F 8 Ayrshire

More About JANET WALLACE: Census 1: 1861, 17 East Shaw St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1841, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1851, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 4: 1871, 17 East Shaw St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 5: 1881, 5 Armour St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Christening: 29 May 1789, Riccarton, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation 1: 1861, Spirit Dealer Occupation 2: 1841, Spirit Dealer Occupation 3: 1851, Spirit Dealer Occupation 4: 1871, Proprietor

More About DAVID LATTA: Christening: 04 Jun 1815, Craigie By Kilmarnock, Ayr, Scotland

ii. JEAN LATTA, b. 15 Mar 1817, Craigie By Kilmarnock, Ayr, Scotland.

iii. JANET LATTA, b. 30 Jan 1819, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

iv. ANN LATTA, b. 21 Apr 1825, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland; d. 1894, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

v. ISABELLA PAXTON LATTA, b. 19 Jun 1827, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About ISABELLA PAXTON LATTA: Census: 1841, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

vi. GEORGE LATTA, b. Abt. 1830, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland; d. 15 Jul 1867, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

vii. ROBERT LATTA, b. Abt. 1832, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About ROBERT LATTA: Census 1: 1841, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1851, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation: 1851, Block Cutter

2. ANN² LATTA (JAMES¹) was born 21 Apr 1825 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland, and died 1894 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. She married ROBERT WALLACE 19 Mar 1847 in Kilmarnock, Ayr, Scotland, son of ROBERT WALLACE and AGNES MORTON. He was born 15 Jun 1821 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, and died 03 Dec 1866 in East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About ANN LATTA: Census 1: 1881, 5 Armour St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1841, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

More About ROBERT WALLACE: Christening: 17 Jun 1821, Riccarton, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation: 1866, Block Cutter Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

Children of ANN LATTA and ROBERT WALLACE are:

i. JESSIE³ WALLACE, b. 19 Aug 1850, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

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More About JESSIE WALLACE: Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

ii. AGNES WALLACE, b. 05 Jun 1852, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About AGNES WALLACE: Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

iii. ROBERT WALLACE, b. 19 Aug 1855, Riccarton, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About ROBERT WALLACE: Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

iv. ANN WALLACE, b. 03 May 1858, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About ANN WALLACE: Census: 1881, 5 Armour St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

v. MARGARET WALLACE, b. 05 Aug 1860, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About MARGARET WALLACE: Census: 1881, 5 Armour St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Residence: 1861, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

vi. JEANIE WALLACE, b. 15 Sep 1863, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

3. GEORGE2 LATTA (*JAMES*¹) was born Abt. 1830 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland, and died 15 Jul 1867 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. He married ANN THOMSON WYLLIE 02 Jan 1862 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, daughter of MOSES WYLLIE and MARY THOMSON. She was born 30 Mar 1823 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About GEORGE LATTA: Census 1: 1841, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1851, East Shaw Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1861, 17 East Shaw St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation 1: 1861, Block Cutter Occupation 2: 1851, Gas Co. Collector

More About ANN THOMSON WYLLIE: Census 1: 1881, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1861, 1 & 2 Wellbeck St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

Census 3: 1871, 80 Robertson Pl, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation 1: 1871, Retired Spirit Dealer

Occupation 2: 1861, Spirit Dealer Residence: 1891, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

Children of GEORGE LATTA and ANN WYLLIE are: i. JESSIE ANN³ LATTA, b. 23 Jul 1860, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire.

More About JESSIE ANN LATTA: Census 1: 1881, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1861, 1 & 2 Wellbeck St, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1871, 80 Robertson Pl, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation: 1881, Cotton Weaver

ii. JAMES LATTA, b. 20 Jan 1863, Maybole, Ayrshire; d. 18 Feb 1897, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. iii. ANNIE LATTA, b. 23 Jun 1865, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire.

More About ANNIE LATTA: Census 1: 1881, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1871, 80 Robertson Pl, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1891, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland

Generation No. 3

4. JAMES³ LATTA (*GEORGE*², *JAMES*¹) was born 20 Jan 1863 in Maybole, Ayrshire, and died 18 Feb 1897 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. He married MARGARET CHERRY 31 Dec 1887 in Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland, daughter of SAMUEL CHERRY and JANET CHERRY. She was born 1867 in Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland.

More About JAMES LATTA: Date born 2: Abt. 1863 Census 1: 1891, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole,

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Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1871, 80 Robertson Pl, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1881, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation 1: 1917, Boot & Shoemaker (deceased) Occupation 2: 1881, Top Cutter Occupation 3: 1891, Shoemaker (Pir)

More About MARGARET CHERRY: Census 1: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1881, Kirkland St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 3: 1891, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation 1: 1901, Boot Machinist Occupation 2: 1881, Mechanist Residence: 1871, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland

Children of JAMES LATTA and MARGARET CHERRY are:

i. NETTIE⁴ LATTA, b. Abt. 1889, Maybole, Ayrshire.

More About NETTIE LATTA: Census 1: 1891, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland

ii. ANNIE LATTA, b. Abt. 1890, Maybole, Ayrshire.

More About ANNIE LATTA: Census 1: 1891, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Census 2: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland

iii. MARY LATTA, b. Abt. 1892, Maybole, Ayrshire.

More About MARY LATTA: Census: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland

iv. GEORGE LATTA, b. 11 Jan 1894, Whitehall, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland; d. 1964, Glasgow, Scotland.

v. JAMES LATTA, b. Abt. 1897, Maybole, Ayrshire.

More About JAMES LATTA: Census: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland

Generation No. 4

GEORGE⁴ LATTA (*JAMES³, GEORGE², JAMES¹*) was born 11 Jan 1894 in Whitehall, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland, and died 1964 in Glasgow, Scotland. He married MARGARET MURRY 1917 in Blythswood, Glasgow, Scotland, daughter of MAXWELL MURRAY and MARGARET EVANS. She was born 1895 in Kinning Park, Lanarkshire, Scotland.

More About GEORGE LATTA: Census: 1901, 14 Whitehall St, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland Occupation: Boot & Shoemaker. Residence: 1917, 10 George Drive, Glasgow

More About MARGARET MURRY: Census: 1901, 20 Plantation St, Govan, Lanarkshire, Scotland Occupation: 1917, Boot machinist. Residence: 1917, 3 Sutton Drive, Glasgow

Child of GEORGE LATTA and MARGARET MURRY is:

6. i. JAMES MAXWELL⁵ LATTA, b. 1928, Govan, Glasgow, Scotland; d. 1992, Glasgow, Scotland.

Generation No. 5

6. JAMES MAXWELL⁵ LATTA (*GEORGE⁴, JAMES³, GEORGE², JAMES¹*) was born 1928 in Govan, Glasgow, Scotland, and died 1992 in Glasgow, Scotland. He married JANET MILLER CINNAMOND 16 Sep 1955 in Glasgow, Scotland, daughter of CHARLES CINNAMOND and AGNES REID. She was born 1926 in Govan, Glasgow, Scotland.

More About JAMES MAXWELL LATTA: Occupation: School Teacher

More About JANET MILLER CINNAMOND: Occupation: School Attendance Officer

Children of JAMES LATTA and JANET CINNAMOND are:

i. JAMES MAXWELL LATTA, living, m Lindsay Jean Calder, 28 Dec 1985.

ii. CHARLES CINNAMON LATTA, living.

iii. GEORGE ALLAN RAMSAY⁶ LATTA, living, m. JANETTE CROW, 13 Sep 1996, Glasgow.

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Report of the Nominating Committee

By: Ken Mueller, DocHuer@aol.com, Branch 1

It is my honor to report that Randall Phillips, the current Treasurer, and myself, current President, will be running for reelection this year to our respective offices. We wish to continue to serve you, the members of our Latta Genealogy Society. In the next issue of the Latta Genealogy Newsletter there will be a ballot for you to vote your choices for President and Treasurer.

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Lloyd Latta

By: Ken Mueller, DocHuer@aol.com, editor

Another researcher sent me a listing from the U.S. Census taken 15 April 1930 in Ayr, Fulton County, Pennsylvania showing:

George W. Lodge, Head, white, male, age 42, married 23 years, born in Pennsylvania, County Treasurer.

Katherine K. Lodge, Wife, white, female, age 42, married 23 years, born in Pennsylvania.

Laura K. Lodge, Daughter, white, female, age 13, single, born in Pennsylvania.

Lloyd Latta, Ward, white, male, age 14, single, born in Pennsylvania.

Katherine Lodge's maiden name was Hanks, of the same Hanks family as the mother of President Abraham Lincoln. My question is: Why was Lloyd Latta living with the Lodge family, and what became of him and his family?

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Research Queries, Replies and Notes. Send your queries to the editor, Ken Mueller, 7400 E. Mule Circle, Prescott Valley AZ 86314, Doc Huer@aol.com.

1. My name is Keith Beard and I am doing research on the McMannen family. I'm married to a McMannen. I'm writing to you in regards to information found on the Branch 15 of the Latta.org website. This pertains to the following:

34 Elizabeth (3) Latta m. George McMannen. I believe this information may be incorrect with regards to George McMannen. In all the information collected to date from others, and myself, there is no George McMannen in the McMannen family. This then should read:

34 Elizabeth (3) Latta b 10 Apr. 1811 d 9 Feb. 1879 m. 29 December 1832 John Archibald McMannen b 4 June 1812 d 29 Nov. 1875. Their ten children included:

Charles Thomas (1834 –1907) **73**

LeRoy Dewitt (1837-1876) **39**

Mary Hannah (1839 – 1906) **67**

William Emmett (1841 – 1862) **21** – as a result of the Civil War

Leanna Adeline (1843 – 1873) **30**

Martha Virginia (1845 – 1888) **43**

Rebecca Josephine (1847 -)

John Archibald Dean (1849 – 1909) **60**

Elizabeth Alice (1852 – 1879) **27**

Lucy Flora (1855 – 1876) **21**

Thank you very much for your time reading this email. Keith Beard, kpbeard@outlook.com.

2. I am seeking information about Mary Rhodes Latta. What Indian tribe was she? She was My Great Great Grandmother. I live 35 miles from Grand Saline, Texas. I know where her daughter Sphronie Jefferson Latta Bailey are buried. My mother was Earlene Faye Davis. She was born March 8, 1913. She died Dec. 15 in 1969 I think. As you can tell I am not much for dates. Earlene married Percy Steele. They had 2 children, me, Ginger Steele Ellis Knauss, and my brother, Johnny Frank Steele. Johnny was born June 15 1942 died about 9 years ago. I do not have much information. Mary Latta had Sarefonis Jefferson Latta on Sept 11 but I don't know what year. She married Sam Bailey. I know there were 3 Children. Maude Beatrice Bailey and Fillo Bailey and Dean Bailey. Maude was my grand mother. Born March 8, "Ma" Bailey would come visit with us in Tyler. They both dipped snuff and they taught me to dip snuff made with cinnamon and sugar. She taught me to Crochet and made me snuff from Cinnamon and sugar. They let me use their snuff tins. These are very good memories. Maude died in Houston. She died in May when I graduated from Junior High school. I'm not good on dates. The whole family is dead so I have no one to ask. I really want to know what Indian tribe Mary Latta was. I had not thought to tell you I had been told the Baileys had come by covered wagon to Grand Saline from Chocolote Valley near Anniston Ala. My spelling is awful. Will this help? Mary Rhodes Latta gave birth to Sophrie Jefferson Latta on Sept 11? She was my great grandmother. She married Samuel Bailey. She died in May about 1952. She is the one that died when I graduated from Jr. High. They had Maude Beatrice Bailey. Maude married Henry Davis. They lived in Van Zant Co. around Van and Grand Saline, Texas. They are all buried there in different places. They had 6 children. My mother was the 4th. Maude out lived 3 of her children. Ginger Knauss, ginger.knauss@gmail.com.

3. Ginger, I found some information for you. Please see page 19. Thank you. Ken Mueller, editor.

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Computers may crash, web sites go down or are pulled due to lack of funding, natural disasters happen, and your relatives throw out all those old papers. To preserve your Latta family history for generations to come, send to us the story of your Latta family. We will print it in our Latta Genealogy Newsletter, and send it to a number of major libraries, including the Newberry Library in Chicago, the LDS Library in Salt Lake City, the Library of Congress, the Allen County Library in Fort Wayne, etc. Future generations will thank you.

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Family History of Ginger Knauss

By Ken Mueller, DocHuer@aol.com.

Generation 1

Ginger Steele daughter of Percy Howard Steele and Earlene Faye Davis was born about 1938 in Texas, USA.

Generation 2

Percy Howard Steele son of William B. Steele and Clara A. Shields was born on 04 Jul 1912 in Canton Vanza, Texas. He died on 03 Feb 2004 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas, USA.

Earlene Faye Davis daughter of Henry P. Davis and Maude Beatrice Bailey was born on 08 Mar 1913 in Texas, USA. She died on 15 Dec 1970 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas, USA.

Percy Howard Steele and Earlene Faye Davis married. They had the following children:

- i. **Ginger Steele** was born about 1938 in Texas, USA.
- ii. **Johnny Frank Steele** was born on 15 Jun 1942. He died on 07 Nov 2009 in Smith County, Texas, USA.

In the U.S. Census taken 17 April 1940 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas, e. d. 212-5, there was listed: Percy Steele, head, white, male, age 27, born in Texas, yard man in lumberyard.

Earlene Steele, wife, white, female, age 27, born in Texas.

Ginger Steele, daughter, white, female, age 2, born in Texas.

Generation 3

Henry P. Davis was born on 03 Aug 1883 in Missouri. He died on 27 Mar 1939.

Maude Beatrice Bailey daughter of Samuel A. Bailey and Sifronia Jefferson Latta was born on 08 Mar 1890 in Texas, USA. She died on 04 May 1972 in Houston, Harris County, Texas, USA.

Henry P. Davis and Maude Beatrice Bailey married. They had the following children:

- i. **Haywood F. Davis** was born about 1908 in Texas, USA.
- ii. **Lena J. Davis** was born in 1909 in Texas, USA.
- iii. **Jeffie Davis** was born about 1910 in Texas, USA.
- iv. **Magie M. Davis** was born about 1912 in Texas, USA.
- v. **Earlene Faye Davis** was born on 08 Mar 1913 in Texas, USA. She died on 15 Dec 1970 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas, USA.
- vi. **H. P. Davis** was born about 1918 in Texas, USA.
- vii. **Samuel C. Davis** was born about 1921 in Texas, USA.

In the U.S. Census dated 15 April 1930 in Justice Precinct 1, Van Zandt County, Texas, e. d. 2, there was listed: Henry P. Davis, head, white, male, age indistinct, born in Missouri, farmer, age at first marriage 23, married.

Maude B. Davis, wife, white, female, age 40, born in Texas, age at first marriage 16, married.

Magie M. Davis, daughter, white, female, age 18, born in Texas, laborer on farm, single.

Erlane F. Davis, daughter, white, female, age 17, born in Texas, laborer on farm, single.

H. P. Davis, son, white, male, age 12, born in Texas, laborer, single.

Samuel C. Davis, son, white, male, age 9, born in Texas.

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In the U. S. Census dated 10 Feb. 1920 in Justice Precinct 1, Van Zandt County, Texas, e. d. 165 there is listed:
Henry P. Davis, head, white, male, age 37, born in Missouri, farmer, married.
Maud Davis, wife, white, female, age 29, born in Texas, married.
Howard Davis, son, white, male, age 12, born in Texas, single.
Jeffie Davis, daughter, white, female, age 10, born in Texas.
Maggie Davis, daughter, white, female, age 8, born in Texas.
Erlene Davis, daughter, white, female, age 6, born in Texas.
H. P. Davis, son, white, male, age 1 10/12, born in Texas.

In the U.S. Census dated 2 May 1910 in Justice Precinct 1, Van Zandt County, Texas, e. d. 104, there is listed:
Henry P. Davis, head, white, male, age 26, born in Missouri, marriage 1, married 4 years, farmer.
Maude B. Davis, wife, white, female, age 20, born in Texas, marriage 1, married 4 years, 2 children born and living.
Haywood F. Davis, son, white, male, age 2, born in Texas.
Lena J. Davis, daughter, white, female, age 10/12, born in Texas.

Generation 4

Samuel A. Bailey son of Bailey was born about 1861 in Alabama, USA. He died on 16 Mar 1937 in Van Zandt County, Texas, USA.

Sifronia Jefferson Latta daughter of John J. Latta and Mary Rhodes was born on 11 Sep 1868 in Alabama, USA. She died on 29 May 1952 in Grand Saline, Van Zandt County, Texas, USA.
Samuel A. Bailey and Sifronia Jefferson Latta were married on 28 Oct 1883 in Calhoun County, Alabama, USA.

They had the following children:

- i. **Filo Bailey** was born in Oct 1884 in Alabama, USA.
- ii. **Elsie Bailey** was born in Feb 1887 in Alabama, USA.
- iii. **Maude Beatrice Bailey** was born on 08 Mar 1890 in Texas, USA. She died on 04 May 1972 in Houston, Harris County, Texas, USA.
- iv. **Dozier Deane Bailey** was born in Apr 1892 in Texas, USA. He died in 1941 in Texas, USA.
- v. **Carey C. Bailey** was born in Oct 1894 in Texas, USA.
- vi. **Carl David Bailey** was born on 07 Sep 1901 in Texas, USA. He died on 22 Aug 1933 in Texas, USA.

In the U.S. Census dated 2 May 1910 in Justice Precinct 1, Van Zandt County, Texas, e. d. 104 there is listed next door to Henry P. Davis:
Samuel M. Bailey, head, white, male, age 49, born in Alabama, marriage 1, married 26 years, farmer.
Safrona J. Bailey, wife, white, female, age 41, born in Alabama, marriage 1, married 26 years, 6 children born, 5 living.
Dean D. Bailey, son, white, male, age 18, born in Texas, single, farm laborer.
Cary C. Bailey, son, white, male, age 15, born in Texas, single, farm laborer.
Carl D. Bailey, son, white, male, age 8, born in Texas.

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In the U.S. Census dated 28 June 1900 in Justice Precinct 1, Van Zandt County, Texas, e. d. 126 there is listed: Samuel A. Bailey, head, white, male, age 39, born Jan. 1861 in Alabama, married for 16 years, famer. Sifronia Bailey, wife, white, female, age 32, born Sept. 1867 in Alabama, married for 16 years, 6 children born, 5 living.

Filo Bailey, son, white, male, age 15, born Oct. 1884 in Alabama, single.

Elsie N. Bailey, daughter, white, female, age 12, born Feb. 1887 in Alabama, single.

Maud B. Bailey, daughter, white, female, age 10, born March 1890 in Texas, single.

Dosie D. Bailey, son, white, male, age 8, born April 1892 in Texas, single.

Carey C. Bailey, son, white, male, age 5, born Oct. 1894 in Texas, single.

Margaret T. Rhodes, cousin, white, female, age 28, born March 1862 in Alabama, single.

Generation 5

John J. Latta was born in 1823 in South Carolina. He died in 1913. He enlisted 28 Feb. 1863 in Jacksonville, Alabama in the 10th Alabama Infantry, Company G, C.S.A.

Mary Rhodes was born about 1835 in Alabama, USA.

John J. Latta and Mary Rhodes were married on 28 Dec 1854 in Calhoun County, Alabama, USA.

They had the following children:

i. **James Latta** was born about 1856.

ii. **Ann Judson Latta** was born about 1857 in Alabama, USA.

iii. **Sifronia Jefferson Latta** was born on 11 Sep 1868 in Alabama, USA. She married Samuel A. Bailey on 28 Oct 1883 in Calhoun County, Alabama, USA. She died on 29 May 1952 in Grand Saline, Van Zandt County, Texas, USA. This is the same person listed in Issue 60 of the Latta Genealogy Newsletter, page 4.

In the U.S. Census taken 21 June 1880 for Hollingsworth, Calhoun County, Alabama, e. d. 9, there is listed: John Lattie, white, male, age 50, born in Georgia, married, farmer.

Mary Lattie, wife, white, female, age 45, born in Georgia, married, keeping house.

Fronie Lattie, daughter, white, female, age 11, born in Alabama.

In the 1860 U.S. Census taken 15 July 1860 in Corn Grove, Calhoun County, Alabama, Page 388, there is listed:

Robert K. Waugh, white, male, age 25, born in Georgia, farmer.

Martha E. Waugh, white, female, age 25, born in Alabama.

Wm A. Waugh, white, male, age 6, born in Alabama.

James T. Waugh, white, male, age 4, born in Alabama.

Lucinda Waugh, white, female, age 1, born in Alabama.

J J Latta, white, male, age 35, born in South Carolina.

Mary Latta, white, female, age 21, born in Georgia.

James J. Latta, white, male, age 5, born in Alabama.

A J Latta, white, female, age 3, born in Alabama.

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