

Descendants of William Church

Generation No. 1

1. WILLIAM¹ CHURCH He married ELLEN PHEOBE WAGNER. She died 1875.

Notes for WILLIAM CHURCH:

William Church was a logger. Lived near railroad Station near St. Andrews.

Children of WILLIAM CHURCH and ELLEN WAGNER are:

2. i. DOLLIE ELLIS² CHURCH, b. 1873.
3. ii. JOHN HENRY CHURCH, b. March 16, 1874, Grundy County, Tennessee; d. December 16, 1961, Tracy, City.
- iii. BETTIE CHURCH, b. 1875; m. JESSUP MARK GILLIAM.

Generation No. 2

2. DOLLIE ELLIS² CHURCH (*WILLIAM¹*) was born 1873. She married JOESPH (SISK) PARSONS, son of MARY A. PARSONS. He was born 1872 in Tennessee.

Children of DOLLIE CHURCH and JOESPH PARSONS are:

- i. ERNEST³ PARSONS.
- ii. SPENCE PARSONS.
- iii. MARIE PARSONS.
- iv. ETHEL PARSONS.
- v. ESTELLA PARSONS.
- vi. JOHN PARSONS.
- vii. ELMAR PARSONS.

3. JOHN HENRY² CHURCH (*WILLIAM¹*) was born March 16, 1874 in Grundy County, Tennessee, and died December 16, 1961 in Tracy, City. He married MINERVA LUCILLE (SISK) PARSONS May 23, 1896, daughter of MARY A. PARSONS. She was born August 04, 1880 in Franklin County, Tennessee, and died October 22, 1957 in Tracy, City.

Notes for JOHN HENRY CHURCH:

John Henry worked in the coal mines, hauled logs on a wagon drove by a team of oxen for the Werner Sawmill. He and his wife Nerive lived at Sanders Crossing, Tracy City. He was a jolly person, who like to laugh and play jokes, but could not abide thieves. He was in the habit of hanging his work overalls in the smokehouse overnight to wear to work the next day. He heard a noise that night and ran out to the smokehouse where he thought he saw someone and blasted away at the theft. The next morning he went to get ready for work and found that his overalls had been shot up! When people would "borrow" his chickens he would shoot at them as they jumped over the fence. Later Dr. Stone would tell John Henry who he picked the buckshot out of their backside.

More About JOHN HENRY CHURCH:

Burial: December 17, 1961, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

More About MINERVA LUCILLE (SISK) PARSONS:

Burial: October 24, 1957, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

Cause of Death: Stroke

Children of JOHN CHURCH and MINERVA PARSONS are:

- i. OSCAR³ CHURCH, b. December 27, 1897, Grundy County, Tennessee; d. December 1897, Grundy County, Tennessee.

More About OSCAR CHURCH:

Burial: Harrison Chapel Cemetary, Sewance, Tennessee

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 - ii. ALTON MARTIN CHURCH, b. December 09, 1900, Tracy, City, Tennessee; d. August 09, 1973, Cumbeland Heights Hospital.
 - iii. VALETINE "TINNEY" CHURCH, b. February 14, 1903; d. October 06, 1919; m. CHARLES E. NUNLEY, December 24, 1918; b. May 04, 1897; d. April 25, 1984.

Notes for VALETINE "TINNEY" CHURCH:
Died in Childbirth.

More About VALETINE "TINNEY" CHURCH:
Burial: October 08, 1919, Bonny Oak Cemetary, Coalmont, Tennessee

More About CHARLES E. NUNLEY:
Burial: April 27, 1984, Bonny Oak Cemetary, Coalmont, Tennessee

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 - iv. WILLIAM PERRY CHURCH, b. February 14, 1903; d. June 16, 1996, Emerald-Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tennessee.
 - v. MARY EMMA CHURCH, b. October 01, 1905, Tracy City, Grundy County Tennessee; d. January 08, 1992, Tracy City, Grundy County Tennessee; m. DEE SMITH.

More About MARY EMMA CHURCH:
Burial: January 10, 1992, Plainview Cemetery, Tracy City, Tn
Divorced: 1974, Dee Smith

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 - vi. JOHN KELLEY CHURCH, b. February 25, 1907; d. June 09, 1954, Tracy City, Tennessee.
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 - vii. DESMAR FRANKLIN CHURCH, b. December 27, 1910, Tracy City, Tennessee; d. October 21, 1975, Tracy City, Tennessee.
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 - viii. MINERVA LUCILLE "SIBY" CHURCH, b. November 17, 1913, Tracy City, Tn; d. March 22, 2003, Harton Hospital, Tullahoma, Tennessee.
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 - ix. CLARENCE EDWARD CHURCH, b. May 24, 1916; d. October 22, 2001, McMinnville Tn.

Generation No. 3

4. ALTON MARTIN³ CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 09, 1900 in Tracy, City, Tennessee, and died August 09, 1973 in Cumbeland Heights Hospital.

Notes for ALTON MARTIN CHURCH:
Worked for the Grundy County Highway Department.

More About ALTON MARTIN CHURCH:
Burial: August 11, 1973, Tracy City Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

Children of ALTON MARTIN CHURCH are:

- i. MARTIN CHURCH⁴ JR..
- ii. ALICE CHURCH, m. LOCKHART.
- iii. JEAN CHURCH, m. LAYNE.
- iv. MARTHA CHURCH, m. BROWN.

5. WILLIAM PERRY³ CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born February 14, 1903, and died June 16, 1996 in Emerald-Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tennessee. He married CECIL PATRICK, daughter of EMBREY PATRICK and JESSIE NUNLEY. She was born 1904, and died March 23, 1985 in Manchester Medical Center.

Notes for WILLIAM PERRY CHURCH:
Was a coal miner.

More About WILLIAM PERRY CHURCH:
Burial: June 18, 1996, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

More About CECIL PATRICK:
Burial: March 25, 1985, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

Children of WILLIAM CHURCH and CECIL PATRICK are:

- i. JOE EDWARD⁴ CHURCH, b. April 01, 1934, Tracy, City; d. December 09, 1982, Tracy, City.
- ii. WESLEY RAY CHURCH.
- iii. WILLENE CHURCH, b. August 31, 1924, Tracy, City; m. GEORGE BIRDWELL, October 15, 1948; b. March 12, 1911; d. December 24, 1991.

6. JOHN KELLEY³ CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY², WILLIAM¹*) was born February 25, 1907, and died June 09, 1954 in Tracy City, Tennessee. He married DOSIA MEEKS. She was born 1909, and died July 21, 1982.

More About JOHN KELLEY CHURCH:

Burial: June 11, 1954, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

More About DOSIA MEEKS:

Burial: Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

Children of JOHN CHURCH and DOSIA MEEKS are:

- i. JOHN KENNETH "BUCK"⁴ CHURCH, b. September 18, 1930; d. April 22, 1997, Monteagle, Tennessee.
- ii. GLENN ERNEST CHURCH, d. November 12, 1993; m. BETTY NAN; b. February 25, 1935.

Notes for GLENN ERNEST CHURCH:
Was a truck driver.

- iii. LAURA SUE CHURCH, m. CLARENCE RAY SUMMERS, Episcopal Church, Dalton Ga..

7. DESMAR FRANKLIN³ CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY², WILLIAM¹*) was born December 27, 1910 in Tracy City, Tennessee, and died October 21, 1975 in Tracy City, Tennessee. He married DOROTHY CUNNINGHAM, daughter of PORTER CUNNINGHAM and ANNIE GIBBS.

More About DESMAR FRANKLIN CHURCH:

Burial: October 24, 1975, Plainview Cemetary, Tracy City, Tennessee

Children of DESMAR CHURCH and DOROTHY CUNNINGHAM are:

- i. MARY SUE⁴ CHURCH, m. LAYNE.
- ii. FAYE CHURCH.
- iii. EARLENE CHURCH.
- iv. BRENDA CHURCH.
- v. LEWIS F. CHURCH, b. May 04, 1940; d. May 12, 1960.

Notes for LEWIS F. CHURCH:
Cause of death: Bulldozer ran over him.

8. MINERVA LUCILLE³ "SIBY" CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY² CHURCH, WILLIAM¹*) was born November 17, 1913 in Tracy City, Tn, and died March 22, 2003 in Harton Hospital, Tullahoma, Tennessee. She married HOWARD BRYAN RUST August 06, 1932 in John Henry & Nervie Church's Home, Tracy City, son of CHRISTOPHER RUST and JENNIE PAYNE. He was born May 06, 1912 in Tick Bush, Grundy County, Tennessee, and died July 21, 1986 in Harton Hospital, Tullahoma, Tennessee.

Notes for MINERVA LUCILLE "SIBY" CHURCH:

Was known as Aunt Siby to her niece's and nephews. Was a wonderful woman and loved her grandchildren very much. When she would give them a hug she would always say to them as she hugged you "God love ya"

The following stories are things she told me a few months before she died. So they are not in any order:

Granny told me a story about Howard B. Rust tore down the old store building and while he did that they lived in a house that her brother Bill had and they did not have to pay rent. Howard saved the nails out of the store building and straighten them so he could use them in their new house he was building. The new house had lumber given to them by her brother and they hauled it for them and the house had 2 bedrooms and kitchen and dining room. This house was at the top of Sweeten Clouse Hill. When the house was built the floors were the last thing to be laid and Henry would play in the dirt under the floors. One day when he was about 5 years old Granny said she heard him screaming and she ran to see what was

wrong and a snake had gotten down under there and he could not get out of there, so she lifted him up and he never went under there again.

Granny walked to school 2 miles each way at the Clouse School house and then the next year she might go to Sweeten School which was 2 miles the other direction. She only went to the eighty grade because it was too far to walk to go to high school in Tracy City. She sub at school but didn't like it too much.

She said when she was a little girl she had to go to the woods to do her business. She was afraid to cross the creek to the garden by herself because it was a long way she thought from the house. When she was in school which the school house at Clouse Hill was next to the cemetery. They also had to go to the woods to do their business.

They had only 2 dresses and one pair of shoes and sometimes didn't have them until Christmas. Didn't know what pants or shorts were.

Her brothers came over real often to her store and gave Henry B. candy and cokes all the time and that is why his teeth fell out. Her brothers didn't have a lot to do with Dennis and she said she didn't know why. Dennis and Henry were very different growing up and are still that way today.

The water near their house was called "Clabber Water". It had foam that developed on the top and you had to move it back to dip the water. It tasted like sulfur water and it is now covered over by the lake. Her mother sent her and one of her brothers to get water one day and they stopped to play along the way at a friend's and got water there instead of where they usually get it. Her mother told them she didn't know where they got the water but it was no count.

Pa Church let Henry B. ride a log across the river. Her daddy never hurt her in any way until one day the man they got their house from came by and her daddy didn't get a deed and when this man came by she was in between her daddy's legs and when the man came by he got real ugly with her daddy and he knocked her down when he stood up to cut the man with a knife. He was not able to cut him because the man RAN. Her daddy would take her kittens and cut their ears and tails off and then he would just laugh.

Emma never did anything around the house she watched Granny do the work. Clarence was petted to death also. He left the barn door open and let the cow out. He was not made to do anything either.

Des and Granny milked 4 cows. Sometimes Des would pinch the cows and the cow would kick him. He would watch Granny until she finished.

John had a car garage and he would let Granny stay with him while he worked and some lady made him stop letting her stay because she was afraid she would get hurt. So she had to leave.

Granny had some ducks and her daddy hated the gander so he killed it and threw it up in the barn. Her mother loved the gander and she would look everywhere and asked everyone if they had seen it. Of course they said "No". Granny's daddy had to get the gander down out of the barn because it started to smell. Her mother never knew about it.

Granny said she would snick out at night and go dancing with her brothers. They would come by after her parents were asleep on horse back. She would dance way up in the night and her parents must have known because the next morning after she would do this they would wake her extra early.

More About MINERVA LUCILLE "SIBY" CHURCH:

Burial: March 25, 2003, Rose Hill Memorial Gardens, Tullahoma, Tennessee

Cause of Death: Pneumonia

Medical Information: Had diabetes for a short time before her death.

Notes for HOWARD BRYAN RUST:

Sold Life Insurance for many years and owned Northside Antiques for many years in Manchester, TN.

More About HOWARD BRYAN RUST:

Burial: July 23, 1986, Rose Hill Memorial Gardens, Tullahoma, Tennessee

Cause of Death: Heart Failure

Medical Information: Had diabetes for many years. Also had emphysema the last few years of his life.

Children of MINERVA "SIBY" CHURCH and HOWARD RUST are:

10. i. HENRY BUFORD⁴ RUST, b. April 26, 1934, Tracy City, Tn.
ii. ROBERT KILGORE (FOSTER CHILD).
11. iii. HOWARD DENNIS RUST, b. January 08, 1938, Tracy, City, Tn..

9. CLARENCE EDWARD³ CHURCH (*JOHN HENRY², WILLIAM¹*) was born May 24, 1916, and died October 22, 2001 in McMinnville Tn.

More About CLARENCE EDWARD CHURCH:

Burial: October 26, 2001, Shellsford Cemetary, McMinnville, Tn.

Children of CLARENCE EDWARD CHURCH are:

- i. INEZ⁴ CHURCH.
- ii. MARY LOUISE CHURCH.

Generation No. 4

10. HENRY BUFORD⁴ RUST (*MINERVA LUCILLE³ "SIBY" CHURCH, JOHN HENRY² CHURCH, WILLIAM¹*) was born April 26, 1934 in Tracy City, Tn. He married BARBARA MARIE MAZE February 28, 1953 in Trenton, Ga., daughter of ALTON MAZE and TENNESSEE MYERS. She was born July 26, 1935 in Maxwell, Tn.

Notes for HENRY BUFORD RUST:

Grew up in "Sweeten Hill" near Bonny Oak Cemetery. Hide 1/2 Dollars in snuff cans.

Children of HENRY RUST and BARBARA MAZE are:

- i. RUTH MARIE⁵ RUST, b. October 17, 1953, Franklin County Hospital, Winchester, Tn; m. (1) DALE E DANIEL, April 03, 1971, Red Hill Church of Christ Manchester, Tn; b. September 11, 1951; m. (2) DONNY NEIL PARSLEY, January 06, 1978, Normandy Methodist Church Normandy Tn; b. December 05, 1956, Manchester, Tn

More About RUTH MARIE RUST:

Divorced: March 1977, Dale E. Daniel

- ii. BRENDA KAYE RUST, b. December 02, 1957, Cook Co. Hospital- Harvey Illinois; m. LARRY BRENT HITT, June 11, 1976, Normandy Presbyterian Church- Normandy Tn; b. June 09, 1956, Bedford Co. Hospital Shelbyville, Tn.
- iii. HOWELL BRYAN RUST, b. May 30, 1960, Coffee County Hospital, Manchester, Tn; m. (1) ANNETTE MARIE WILSON, February 17, 1978, Normandy Methodist Church Normandy Tn; m. (2) BEVERLY JO CARPENTER, August 02, 1980; b. February 05, 1956; m. (3) DONNA BROWN, April 26, 1991; b. March 09, 1953; m. (4) LISA DAWN GARNER, April 29, 2001, Old Stone Fort, Manchester, Tn.; b. August 26.

More About HOWELL BRYAN RUST:

Divorced: Bet. April 26, 1991 - September 06, 2000, Donna Brown

Education: May 1978, Warren County Senoir High School, McMinnville, tn.

Occupation: Northside Clocks, Clock repairman

Residence: Doak Road Manchester, Tn

11. HOWARD DENNIS⁴ RUST (*MINERVA LUCILLE³ "SIBY" CHURCH, JOHN HENRY² CHURCH, WILLIAM¹*) was born January 08, 1938 in Tracy, City, Tn.. He married ELIZABETHJANE JONES May 22, 1959. She was born March 17.

Children of HOWARD RUST and ELIZABETHJANE JONES are:

- i. CHERYL DENISE⁵ RUST, b. January 23, 1962.
- ii. CHRISTOPHER WADE RUST, b. February 22, 1967.