

A CHISM FAMILY

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William Chism, born Dec. 12, 1800, died Mar. 11, 1857, married Sarrah Wooldridge, born Mar. 15, 1801, died May 26, 1852. Early Virginia pioneers; lived at Hardin and Grayson Counties, Ky. Came to Macoupin Co., Ill. in 1829, where William was a pioneer farmer and inn-keeper. They had issue:

1. John Marion, born Oct. 12, 1820, died 1881, married Rachael Eleandor Skeen
2. Susan Ann, born Mar. 1, 1822, died Dec. 4, 1908, unmarried (blind)
3. Thomas, born Mar. 26, 1823, married Elizabeth Johnson
4. Mary Jane, born Dec. 25, 1825, married Asten Barrows
5. Elizabeth, born Nov. 26, 1827, married Robert Pepperdine
6. Gabriel, born Aug. 9, 1829, married Lucretia Skaggs
7. Robert, born June 25, 1831, married Catherine Bessie Skaggs; married Helen Eubank Reed
8. Lusenda Cinderella, born Feb. 18, 1833, married George Holliday
9. Manoah Bostwick, born July 27, 1839, married Sarah Lilah Heaton
10. Sarah, born Mar. 31, 1839, married Daniel Shirley

John Marion Chism, born Oct. 12, 1820, died 1881, married Nov. 13, 1844, Rachael Eleandor Skeen (daughter of John Anderson Skeen and Judy Brown), born Oct. 22, 1825, died July 24, 1922, had issue:

1. William, born Aug. 20, 1847, died 1916, married Mary Haynes
2. James, born Feb. 23, 1849, married Rebecca Katchum
3. Horace, born 1855, died in infancy
4. Amos, born 1857, died May 21, 1858
5. Sarah Adelaide, born Dec. 15, 1852, died Apr. 18, 1928, married John Stotler
6. Cecelia, born Oct. 31, 1856, married Oct. 10, 1880, George W. Rhoads
7. Ella, born June 11, 1860, died Oct. 17, 1951, married Ira Ketchum
8. Susan, born July 21, 1862, died Mar. 20, 1933, married Mansford Bevers
9. Emma, born Aug. 11, 1867, married Gardner Rhine
10. Catherine, born Oct. 23, 1866, died 1929, married Rollie Rhine
11. John Marion, born Feb. 19, 1869, died 1922, married Mabel Whitfield
12. Clara, born July 24, 1871, died May 27, 1957, married Fountain Brown; married R. E. Carter

William Chism, born Aug. 20, 1847, died 1916, married 1868 Mary E. Haynes, born 1848, died 1920, and had issue:

1. French, born 1869, died 1956, married Augusta Hall
2. James A., born Dec. 20, 1871, died Dec. 30, 1871
3. Thomas E., born Dec. 7, 1872, died Mar. 27, 1948, married Abiah Sylvia Towse
4. Charles Adam, born 1875, died 1947, married Mary Kidd
5. Nora, born Nov. 8, 1879, died Sept. 29, 1888
6. Nellie, born Sept. 17, 1882, died July 27, 1905, married Arthur Rich
7. William Richard, married Agnes Ryan
8. Lester (Pete), born July 18, 1889, died Apr. 5, 1924, married Selina Wright

French Chism married Augusta Hall and had a daughter Anita, born 1893, living at Medora, Illinois.

Thomas E. Chism married Abiah Sylvia Towse and had issue:

1. Stella, born Oct. 12, 1895
2. Milton, born July 20, 1901
3. Mary, born July 14, 1908

Stella Chism married Mar. 23, 1920, Edward R. Pressler - lives at Plainview, Ill. - had issue:

1. Mary Lou, born Apr. 29, 1927
2. Joanne, born June 20, 1931

Mary Lou Pressler married July 9, 1948, Robert J. Rhoads and had Kurt and Robin.

Joanne Pressler married Feb. 26, 1949, Sam Rhoads and had Rebecca Luann, born Feb. 17, 1950 and Robert Edward, born Jan. 18, 1955

Milton Chism married Olive Bernice Bowman - lives in Keller neighborhood, Chesterfield, Ill. - had issue:

1. Keith Howard, born Aug. 5, 1937
2. Susan Kay, born Mar. 11, 1941

Keith H. Chism married Sarah Ann Miller and had issue:

1. Karen Sue, born Dec. 24, 1955
2. Linda Ann, born Dec. 19, 1957
3. Jerry Wayne, born July 3, 1959
4. Larry Dean, born Sept. 19, 1960

Susan Kay Chism married Sept. 10, 1965, William Raymond Gahr, and had John Matthew, born Jan. 13, 1967, died Oct. 2, 1967

Mary Chism married Ray Mathis, died Aug. 23, 1950, had issue:

1. Virginia Mae, born Feb. 1, 1930
2. James, born Sept. 17, 1934
3. Lewis Edward, born June 27, 1937

Virginia Mae Mathis married Russell Randolph and had:

1. Diana Jill, born Oct. 9, 1952
2. Cathy Sue, born July 7, 1959

James Mathis married Ann Hazelwood and had Virginia Louise, born Oct. 14, 1954, and Jimmie Ray, born June 26, 1951

Charles Adam Chism married 1916, Mary Kidd and had issue:

1. Charles William, born 1917, died 1952
2. Marian, born Aug., 1919, married Sept., 1953, Harold Haven
3. Chester Thomas, born May 18, 1921

Chester Thomas Chism married Marjory Duckels Sonksen and had:

1. Michael B. Sonksen (took name of Chism), born Jan. 14, 1941
2. John Richard, born Dec. 6, 1947
3. Rosemary Ann, born Feb. 6, 1950
4. Infant son, born and died Sept. 1, 1953
5. Christine Louise, born May 13, 1962

Michael B. Chism married Dec. 23, 1961, Jean Sumpter and had issue:

1. Kevin Wayne, born June 28, 1963
2. Connie Lynn, born Feb. 13, 1967

Lester (Pete) Chism married Selina Wright and had issue:

1. Wayne, born Oct. 31, 1920 married Gloria Alberts
2. Pete, born Sept. 12, 1924

James Chism married Rebecca Ketchum and had issue:

1. Lillie, born Feb. 8, 1876, died Feb. 19, 1876
2. Arthur
3. Tressia
4. Rosia
5. Marion
6. James K.
7. Alice Ann
8. Harry (Joe)
9. Edith

Arthur Chism married Nellie Lawson, born 1878, died 1895; married Mary Randolph - 4 children (first child below by first marriage):

1. Leta married Walter Wheat, had Carl and Arthur
2. Pearl
3. Viola
4. Nellie
5. Doris

Tressia Chism married Richard Wilton and had issue:

1. Orville married Althea _____, had daughter Mabeline, who married Raymond Copman
2. Myrtle married Loren Gould and had Gene (missing in service) and Marian
3. James, married Verda Elliott
4. Mabel married Arvin Johnessee and had Richard and Nelson
5. Edwin married Bernice _____, had Delores, Mary, James and Donald

Rosia Chism married Sidney Wilton and had issue:

1. George married Hattie Kiplinger and had a son Maurice
2. Charles married Ruth Bott and had a son Keith
3. Arthur married Marie Patton and had Dwight (deceased) and Patricia, married Donald Cameron
4. Roy married Lillian _____ - 2 children
5. Stanley married Evelyn Crane

Marion Chism married Ida Reef and had a son Loy, who married Ruth _____, and they have a son James

James K. Chism married Carrie Loper and had Helen, born July 30, 1908 and Gene, born Feb. 17, 1911.

Helen Chism married Oscar Brown, Chesterfield, Ill. and had issue:

1. Doris, born Jan. 2, 1934
2. Dwight, born Jan. 25, 1941, married Verna Davis - 2 sons
3. Don, born Jan. 4, 1943, married Irene Bernice Fisher

Doris Brown married William Kahle and had issue:

1. Brenda, born Aug. 20, 1952
2. Linda, born Sept. 17, 1953
3. Sharon, born Jan. 30, 1956
4. Lesa, born Feb. 3, 1957
5. Pamela LaVonne, born Aug. 30, 1961
6. Paul Edward, born Nov. 26, 1963

Gene Chism married Iva Elta Plogger, Medora, Ill., and had issue:

1. Robert Gene, born July 1, 1936, married Donna Vorhees - 3 sons
- * Stephen Dwayne, born Aug. 18, 1959
- * Kenneth Wayne, born Mar. 19, 1961
- * Keith Allen, born Oct. 9, 1962

Alice Ann Chism married William Stone and had issue:

1. Verna married Walter Schaefer and had Helen and Bob, *alice*
2. Lloyd married Creda McPheron
3. Eldon married Imogene Cope and had Charlotte, Kenneth (deceased) and Donna. Eldon married Juanita Mourning and had 1 child

Harry (Joe) Chism married Edna Dowland (deceased) and had issue:

1. Ruby (deceased) married _____ Atkins; married Kenneth Wiggins and had Phyllis Mae, Robert and Don
2. Russell married and had 2 sons
3. Thelma married Henry Orienti and had 3 sons
4. Betty Jean - married and had several children

Edith Chism married Ernest Lockyear and had issue:

1. Paul, married Vera _____ - 1 son
2. Fay married Ernice Hines, and had daughter Alice Fay

Sarah Adelaide Chism married John Stotler, died 1922, and had a son Edward, who married Minnie Tongate; married Flora Whitfield and had Aurellia, Fontaine and Harold

Cecelia Chism married George W. Rhoads and had issue:

1. Pearl married Daisy Cannedy and had daughter Helen (deceased)
2. Earl married Gertrude Arnett
3. Ethel married Rev. Frank Wheeler, and had daughter Frances, who married _____ Hook

Susan Ann Chism married Manford Bevers and had issue:

1. Walter
2. Adelaide
3. Mabel
4. Ira

Walter Bevers married Clara Oller and had Muriel, Ada, Lois, Walter, Paul, married Phyllis Bilbruck, married Ralph Paterson

Adelaide Bevers married Fred Bangert and had Ella, Ruth, Mildred, Norville and Anna

Mabel Bevers married Justice Chancellor and had Carlisle and Aubrey

Ira Bevers married Amanda Meiher and had Beatrice and Aldine

Emma Chism married Gardner Rhine and had adopted son Charles Rhine.

Charles Rhine married Cleda Kitchel and had issue:

1. Glen, married Virginia McManus
- X. Gloria
- X. Janey

John Marion Chism married Mabel Whitfield and had issue:

1. Guy married Mary Lewis and had Ivis Vern, Mary and Lucille
2. Marie married Ambrose Brown and had Mabel Marie and Keith
3. John married Hope Stotler and had Inez, June, Virginia, John and Clifford
4. Margaret married John Kirsch

Clara Chism married Fountain Brown and had issue:

1. Virgil Vivien, born Oct. 2, 1892, died Aug. 17, 1893
2. Verda married Roy Horton
3. Mary married Ernest Schallenberg and had Roy, Mary Jane and Ronald
4. Oscar, born May 5, 1907 married Helen Chism and had Doris, Dwight, and Don

Thomas Chism married Elizabeth Johnson and had issue:

1. Harvey married Lizzie Stults and had Nina, Minnie, Charlie, Ernest and Frank.

Frank Chism had: Flossie, June, Sophie, Lizzie, Nellie, Laura and Robert

2. Mary Susan married 1870 Christopher Aden

Mary Susan Chism and Christopher Aden had issue:

1. Arthur married Emma Riefenburg and had Mary, Louise and Arthur
2. Nora married Henry Vanarsdel
3. Myrtle married Ellsworth Williams

Gabriel Chism married Lucretia Skaggs, born 1829, died 1923, had:

1. Lizzie
2. Rufus, born Dec. 21, 1851, died Aug. 16, 1866
3. Lewis, born Aug. 13, 1857, died Jan. 19, 1878
4. Lillie, born Feb. 13, 1869, died July 13, 1895
5. John

Manoah Bostwick Chism married Sarah Lilah Heaton, born Feb. 19, 1830, died Feb. 12, 1911, and had issue:

1. Alex, born Feb. 1, 1864, died Aug. 8,, 1864
2. Rosie married Oliver Marrow and had Loyal and Mildred
3. George married Ida Marshall; married second, his mother-in-law
- * Cora
- * Margaret } had
- * Allen Carrie, born Dec. 20, 1861, died Aug. 2, 1933

Allen Carrie Chism married Annette Loper, born Sept. 15, 1870, died Nov. 3, 1934, and had issue:

1. Della W.
2. Frank Manoah
3. Henry Adrian married Nina Wade - 5 children
4. Floyd Blackburn married Aline Marie Loveless - 2 children
5. Evelyn Arrie married James Trill - 1 child

Lusinda (Cinderella) Chism married George Holliday and had issue:

1. Willie
2. Susie
3. Nanie
4. George
5. Henry
6. Albert

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Chism married Robert Pepperdine and had issue:

1. Henry
2. John
3. George
4. Ann Banning - had daughter Lizzie
5. Mollie, had son Albert

Robert Chism married Catherine Bessie Skaggs, born 1830, died 1869 - 6 children; married Helen Euband Reed in 1871 - 3 children:

1. Sophronia
2. Lizzie
3. Mollie
4. Laura
5. Robert
6. Edward
7. Alice Beryle
8. Bessie May
9. Sarah Grace

Mary Jane Chism married Osten Barrows and had issue:

1. Hardin
2. Will
3. Matilda
4. Louise
5. Rufus
6. Amos
7. Ed
8. Mary
9. Susie

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EVANS LINE

William Evans married Louisiana Noble and had issue:

1. Bell married Clifford Rolland
2. Martha E.
3. Catherine married Joseph Beard
4. Albert
5. Benjamin
6. Hattie married C. L. Davidson

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KIDD LINE

Benjamin Kidd married Hannah Reese - natives of Virginia - came to Macoupin Co., Ill. in 1830, and had issue:

1. Mary Ann married Jackson Barr
2. John W.
3. Izaac R.
4. Sarah married James Henderson
5. Thomas
6. Lizzie
7. Simon James

There were 10 children in all.

Simon James Kidd married Martha Evans and had issue:

1. William
2. Albert
3. Mary married Charles Adam Chism
4. Hattie Bell married Aug. 18, 1892, William Henry Dews
5. Richard
6. James E.

SKEEN LINE

John Anderson Skeen married Judy Brown and had issue:

1. John married Margaret Edwards
2. Rachel Eleandor married Nov. 13, 1844, John Chism
3. Katherine married _____ Fitzgerald
4. Baxter Marion married Lucinda _____; married Mary Henderson
5. Lafayette
6. Henry married _____ Gano; married _____ Stults
7. Will married Betsie Stults; married Della _____

HAYNES LINES

Two brothers, John and Joseph Haynes, from Rockingham Co., Va. to Macoupin Co., Ill.

John Haynes married Sarah Stoner, (daughter of John and Elizabeth Stoner) and had issue:

1. Michael
2. Lewis
3. Fred
4. Abner
5. Mary
6. Amelia, born Mar. 27, 1862, died Sept. 27, 1947
7. Nancy, born Dec. 30, 1851, died Sept. 15, 1930
8. Effie

Michael Haynes married _____ and had Ethel, Leroy, Bertha Archer Nixon

Lewis Haynes married _____ and had Earl, Muriel Barnes Taylor and Lewis

Abner Haynes married Louisa Coonrad and had Carey, married Elizabeth Ketchum - Helen, Dorothy, Margaret May

Mary Haynes married William Chism and had French, Thomas, Charles Adam, William Richard, Lester, Nellie and Nora

Amelia Haynes married 1885, David Searles, born Jan. 4, 1863, died Mar. 22, 1917 and had issue:

1. Herman, born Sept. 29, 1886, died 1958, married Eva Kitchel and had Leroy, Lavella, married Robert Horton, and Eugene, married Viola Soothoff
2. William, born Jan. 2, 1889 married Apr. 8, 1914, Theo Ryan, born Dec. 8, 1892 - living Medora, Ill. - had daughter Thelma, born Dec. 26, 1918, married _____ Otten

Nancy Haynes married 1909, Elijah B. Searles, born 1859, died Nov. 23, 1936

Effie Haynes married Robert Fenton and had Byron, Leta (John) Meyers, Leo, Marie Maguire

Joseph Haynes (brother of John) married Elizabeth_____, died 1868 and had issue:

1. Elias
2. Lewis
3. Martin married Phoebe Lopar; married Lizzie Kinworthy
4. Moses
5. Aaron
6. John
7. Sara married Haines Rhoads
8. Barbara married Alber Young

I find John and Elisha Chism in Spotsylvania Co., Va., 1782-87 tax payers. John, James and Elijah Chism (Chisam, Chisholm) were Revolutionary War soldiers and patriots.

James Chism, a Revolutionary war soldier from Va., born Oct. 16, 1754 in Va., died July 7, 1819, Barren Co., Ky., married Mary Howard in 1780, the daughter of Obediah Howard and Pricilla Breed. Their children were Jacob, William Belew (1784-1867), Michael (1786-), Elizabeth Thomas, John, James T., George - - - -

William Belew Chism died in Monroe Co., Ky.

In Greene Co., Ill.: Thomas Chism - maybe a brother of early William Chism - had a daughter Harriett who married Amos Atkins in 1843.

I find Chism, Chisam, Chisum, Chisholm and Cheesman in Virginia and North Carolina early. Chisholm Trail: some are in Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Missouri now.

Mrs. Stella James in Alton, Ill. is a Chism descendant of northern Illinois, unable to connect with other Chisms.

Data has been received from:

Mrs. Mabel Chancellor, 3930 Dempster Ave., Dallas, Texas

Walter Bevers, Carlinville, Ill.

Mrs. Oscar Brown, Chesterfield, Ill.

Mrs. Leta Meyers, Chesterfield, Ill.

I copied from Chism tombstones in Chism Cemetery on farm of Tom Chism.

Please excuse mistakes. This data has been copied from Virginia history books, DAR Patriot Index, Macoupin Co. history books and some sent by relatives.

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