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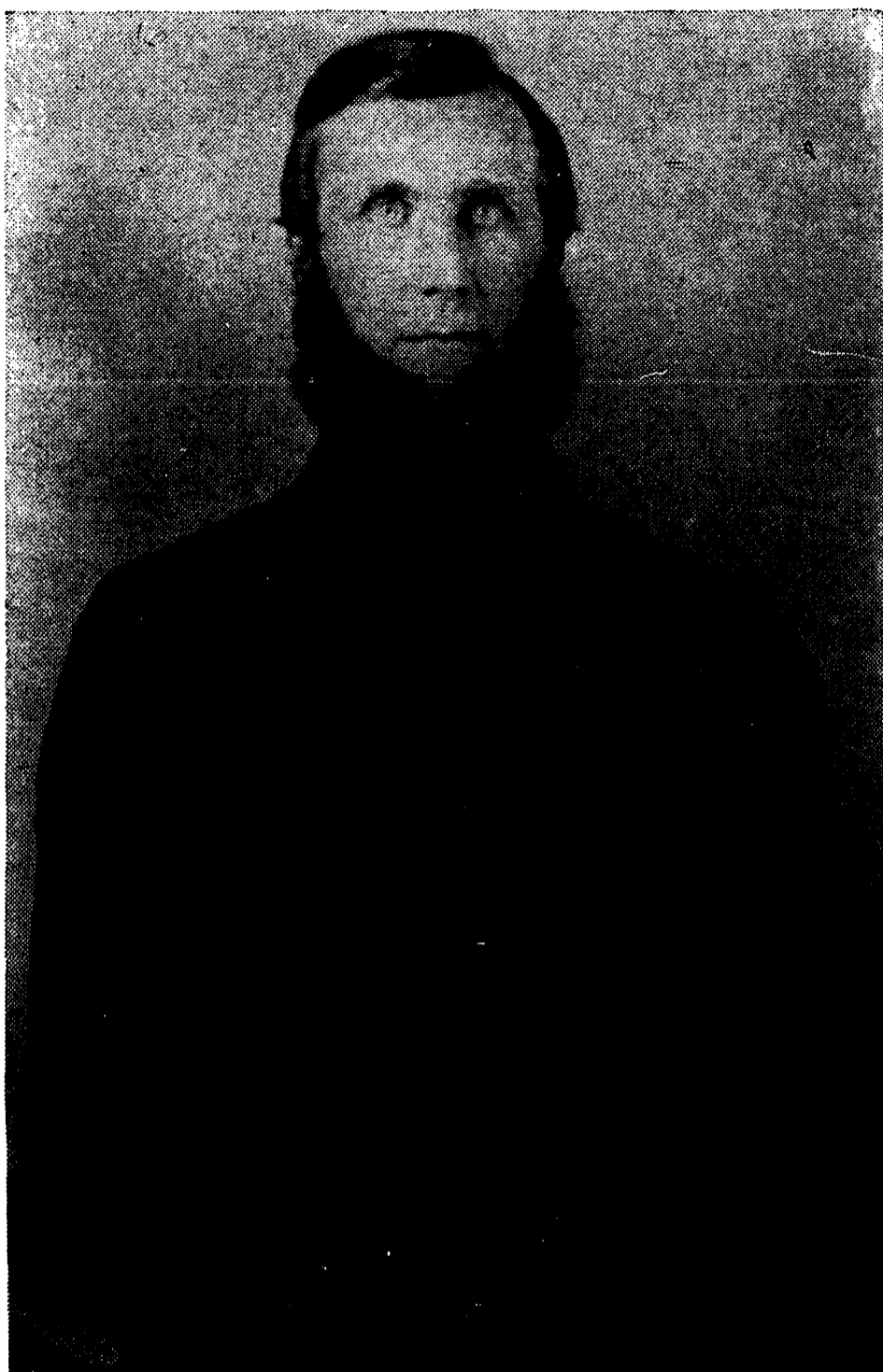
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People who take no pride in the achievements of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered with pride by remote descendants.

—Macaulay

DEDICATION

There is no marble shaft dedicated to the memory of my father, Harry Willis Miller. Instead these few pages are a memorial to him. He was proud of his name and he bore it with dignity. He would have liked this.



Samuel S. Miller
1812-1892
the son of
John and Susannah (Kemp) Miller
and father of
Thaddeus Kane Miller

Taken about 1855 from an original daguerreotype in the possession of the Frank Miller family in Montpelier, Ohio. Photographic copies of the original are owned by the author.

Foreword . . .

This is the simple story of the family of Samuel S. Miller, covering the period since the American Revolution. It is the story of a typical and sturdy American family.

The following few pages are intended to merely serve as an introduction to the history of this Miller family in America. Its purpose is to put into accessible form here-tofore unpublished facts, dates, names and places which will eventually be the basis for a future work on the Miller family, already in the process of compilation.

I am deeply indebted to many sources for family data and history, especially to my immediate kin for their willingness to impart valuable family information.

—Willis Harry Miller

The Miller Family . . .

The Miller family is basically German in origin.

Little is known of the early history of the American branch of this particular Miller family. According to family tradition, this Miller family first settled in Colonial America some twenty or thirty years prior to the American Revolution in the state of Maryland.* However there is claim which contends the Millers at one time settled in the state of Virginia, but the more reliable belief is the one stating the Maryland origin. It is a known fact that the Miller family were in Frederick County, Maryland, in the eighteenth century.

Frederick county, Maryland, two decades before the American Revolution, saw a great influx of the German people; These German immigrants were sturdy, thrifty agrarians, fired with the promise of becoming land owners and successful farmers.

FIRST GENERATION

The earliest Miller, in whom we are interested, is Anthony Miller of Frederick County, Maryland. Information, now available, about Anthony Miller is of a fragmentary nature.

In the "Heads of Families", the published U. S. Census record for 1790, p. 64, for the state of Maryland, there is an Anthony Miller listed in Frederick County, Maryland. The census record of the Anthony Miller family shows there were two free white males of 16 years upward, including the head of families, two free white males under 16 years, and six free white females including the heads of families.

* Research is at present being conducted on the origin of the Miller family in America, and at a later date will be made public to interested parties.

Anthony Miller was on the roll of Captain Henry Fister's Company in the German Battalion commanded by Col. Nicholas Hussecker (1776) in the American Revolution. He was also on the roll of Captain Philip Gray Bell's Company in 1776, enlisted by Lieut. John Lohra (Lorah).

The public records of Frederick County, Maryland, furnish further clues to several of the business transactions of **Anthony Miller**. Here are published five of the interesting Deeds, which can be found in the records of Frederick County, in Frederick, Maryland. The original research was conducted by Mr. E. Ralston Goldsborough, C. E., genealogist, of Frederick, Md.

W. R. 18-431 At the request of Anthony Miller the following Deed was recorded July 23, 1799, to wit:

This Indenture made this 6th day of April in the year 1799 between George Calvert, esquire, of Prince George's County of the one part and Anthony Miller and Henry Ricksecker of Frederick County of the other part. Witnesseth that the said George Calvert, esquire, for and in consideration of the sum of . . . to him in hand paid . . . sold . . . unto the said Anthony Miller and Henry Ricksecker all that tract or parcel of land called "The Mountain Tract" containing seven thousand seven hundred and fifteen acres of land, adjoining a tract called "Longatapaugh".

W. R. 21-506 At the request of Isaac Crawl the following Deed was recorded October 8, 1801, to wit:

This Indenture made this 29th day of May in the year 1801 between Anthony Miller and Henry Ricksecker both of Frederick County and State of Maryland of the one part and Isaac Crawl of the County and State aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the said Anthony Miller and the said Henry Ricksecker for and in consideration of the sum of seventy pounds, current money, sold unto the said Isaac Crawl

a tract of land called The Mountain Tract containing seventy acres of land more or less.

Catherine, wife of Anthony Miller and Catherine, wife of Henry Ricksecker, wives of the aforesaid, relinquished all their rights of dower in said property.

J. S. 11-406 The following Deed was recorded at the request of Valentine Pentzer August 21, 1820.

This Indenture made July 22, 1820 between Anthony Miller of the one part and Valentine Pentzer of the other part conveyed Lot No. 29 on the South side of Baltimore street Mechanics Town (now Thurmont, Maryland).

Catherine, wife of Anthony Miller, relinquished all her dower right in said property.

J. S. 13-185 The following Deed was recorded at the request of Jacob Biggs May 2, 1821.

This Indenture made April 5, 1821 between Anthony Miller of the one part and Jacob Biggs of the other part conveyed one sixth of a tract of land called the Resurvey on Buck Forest and known and distinguished by the Lot No. 17.

Catherine, wife of Anthony Miller, relinquished all her right of dower in said property.

J. S. 25-600 The following Deed was recorded at the request of Jacob Firor August 30, 1826.

This Indenture made August 24, 1826 between Anthony Miller of the one part and Jacob Firor of the other part conveyed two tracts of land: one, part of a tract called The Mountain Tract containing one hundred and eighty three acres and the other an unnamed tract containing three hundred and four acres of land.

The name of the wife of Anthony Miller does not appear on this Deed.

Definite data concerning Anthony Miller is to be found in his will, probated in Frederick County, Maryland in 1834, which names five of his children. The document, however, does not contain the name of his wife, Catherine, or, of another son, John, who died ten years earlier.

THE WILL OF ANTHONY MILLER**

G.M.E 1-630 In the name of God Amen; I Anthony Miller of Frederick County and State of Maryland, being in perfect health of body and of sound, and disposing mind memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to sett'e my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to ca'll me hence, do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following; that is to say: First and principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God; and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid, I bequeath as follows.—Item. I give unto my five children viz. to my daughter Catherine Ricksucker, wife of Henry Ricksucker, and to her heirs and assigns, the one fifth part of the nett proceeds of Assetts in the hands of my executors hereinafter named, after all my debts and funeral charges are paid, my real and personal Estate sold and debts collected. To my daughter Elizabeth Ridenour, wife of Adam Ridenour, her heirs or assigns, the one fifth part of assetts, in the hands of my executors as

** The Will of Anthony Miller published here has been copied just as it is to be found in the records of Frederick County, Maryland. No changes whatsoever have been made, and mistakes in spelling are just as they appear on the original. It will be noticed that the writer was not consistent, as in the different wording in parts of will, thus: "my executors are aforesaid" and "my executors hereinafter named"; both phrases should be the same but they are not and neither do they mean the same, since in the first executors had not been named as is inferred and in the second they are named later as is stated.

aforesaid. Also to my daughter Rebecca Smith, wife of David Smith, the one fifth part of assets in the hands of my Executors as aforesaid, (or her heirs or assigns). To my sons Daniel and Henry Miller, their heirs and assigns, each of them the one fifth part of Assets in the hands of my Executors hereinafter named, after making a final settlement with the Orphans Court, of said county, which being the true intent and meaning of all the children aforesaid. And whereas, in Order to the due fulfilment of my desire in the above bequests, it is necessary that my executors hereinafter named, should have the power given, to sell all my Estate, both real and personal, and to collect all my debts, it is therefore my will and desire, that my Executors hereinafter named, shall sell and dispose of all my Estate, both real, and personal, to the best advantage, at their discretion, I hereby grant to my executors hereinafter named, the power to make deeds or conveyances, grant acquitances and releases and all other matters and things necessary to the sales of my properties; To collect all my debts, and settle all my accounts, to the complete settlement of my Estate; in as full and ample manner as I myself might or could do, or have done, were I alive and personally present. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son and (son in law) Henry Miller and Adam Ridenour of Frederick County, to be sole executors, of this my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament. In testimony wherof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventeenth day of April in the year of Our Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty.

ANTHONY MILLER (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared,
by Anthony Miller, the above named
Testator, as and for his last will and

testament, in the presence of us, who
at his request, in his presence, and in
the presence of each other, have sub-
scribed our names as witnesses thereto.
Probated November 3, 1834.

Jacob Firor
Henry Funderburg
John C. Roepler

Anthony Miller and his wife **Catherine** were the parents
of six known children. **Catherine**, the wife, died between 1826
and 1830. Her maiden name is not known. Their children
were:

SECOND GENERATION

- * 1. **John Miller**, possibly the oldest child.
(not a beneficiary in the will of his
father, which was dated 1830) married
to **Susannah Kemp**.
- 2. **Catherine Miller** m. **Henry Ricksecker**
- 3. **Elizabeth Miller** m. **Adam Ridenour**
- 4. **Rebecca Miller** m. **David Smith**
- 5. **Daniel Miller**
- 6. **Henry Miller**

We are primarily interested in the family of **John Miller**,
the oldest son of **Anthony** and **Catherine Miller**.

It is believed that **John Miller** was born in Frederick
County, Maryland. He was married in Frederick County and
died in Frederick County. His wife was **Susannah Kemp**, the
daughter of **Christian** and **Gertrude (Bergesser) Kemp**. The
Kemp family was one of the earliest and most prominent on
Carrollton Manor in Frederick County, Maryland. The first

* Denotes the lineal descent of Samuel S. Miller.

member of the Kemp family to come to America was **Johann Conrad Kemp** (originally spelled Kaempff) (1685-1765), a native of Germany, who with his wife and family landed at the port of Philadelphia in 1733. Soon after, he and his family went into Frederick County, Maryland, where they established their home

THIRD GENERATION

Children of

John and Susannah (Kemp) Miller

John Miller (son of **Anthony** and **Catherine Miller**) b. Frederick County, Maryland (?) 15 January 1776. d. Frederick County, Maryland 19 August 1824. m. Frederick County, Maryland 25 March 1792 to **Susannah Kemp** (dau. of **Christian** and **Gertrude (Bergesser) Kemp**) b. Frederick County, Maryland 17 February 1771. d. Seneca County, Ohio 3 May 1843. The following were their issue:*

- (1) **Elizabeth Miller** m. **Henry Shotts**
- (2) **Barbara Miller** m. **Peter B. Gaver**
- (3) **Susannah Miller** m. **William Pope**
- (4) **Esther Miller** m. **Edward Pope**
- (5) **Daniel Miller** m. **Mary Ann Cramer**
- (6) **Mary Miller** m. **Lance L. Todd**
- (7) **Sophia Miller** d. 1833 unmarried
- (8) **Samuel S. Miller** m. **Catherine Kane**

The public records of Frederick County, Maryland reveal that John Miller, then 26, made a land transaction which is interesting. Here is the Deed as recorded:

* The source of these family records, including the dates of birth, marriage and death, are contained in the Miller family Bible now in the possession of Mr. **William H. Todd** of Tiffin, Ohio, a great grand son of John Miller. A copy of the Bible record was presented to the author.

W. R. 23-240 The following Deed was recorded at the request of Joshua Harley August 2, 1802.

This Indenture made this 17th day of March 1802, between John Miller of Frederick County and State of Maryland of the one part and Joshua Harley of the County and State aforesaid of the other part conveyed a tract of land called Millers Timber Land.

Susannah, wife of John Miller relinquished all her right of dower in said property.

In 1824 John Miller died, leaving a wife and eight children, the youngest of which was twelve years old. According to the last and final account of John Miller, he left an estate of \$941.26. Half of that amount—\$470.63—went to his widow (Susannah Kemp Miller), and the other half to his father, Anthony Miller.

Susannah Kemp Miller continued to make Frederick County, Maryland her home until the spring of 1832, when she packed her possessions and with her family, pushed westward. Accompanying Susannah Kemp Miller on her westward trek from Maryland to Seneca County, Ohio was her ninety-two year old mother, Gertrude Bergesser Kemp (1740-1840), the widow of **Christian Kemp**.

The Miller family settled in Clinton Township, Seneca County, Ohio in 1832. The old Miller homestead is now owned by Peter J. Welter. During the early years of the development of Seneca County, great numbers of the German-American group from Frederick County, Maryland migrated to Seneca County, and Susannah Kemp Miller was among that group of immigrants.

SAMUEL S. MILLER

Samuel S. Miller, the youngest son of **John** and **Susannah (Kemp) Miller**, was born in Maryland in 1812. With his mother and brothers and sisters, he migrated to Ohio in 1832;

he was twenty years old at that time. He was a farmer by occupation and a typical "jack of all trades". He was especially handy with carpenter tools. His wife was Catherine "Cattie" Kane. Nothing of her background is known, other than a few fragmentary facts. She was a spinner and dressmaker. It is said she was a woman of stern temper and quick decision. She died about the time of the Civil War. **Samuel S. Miller** and **Catherine Kane** were the parents of an only son, **Thaddeus Kane Miller**.

According to family information, Samuel S. Miller and his brother, **Daniel Miller**, had an active part in the "Underground Railroad" in and about Tiffin, Ohio. The "Underground Railroad" was the system by which runaway slaves were concealed from their pursuers, and in due time were sent on to the next haven of refuge. Buffalo, Cleveland and Detroit were the leading terminals for the "Underground". It is said there were over 1500 conductors in Ohio alone. According to the census of 1850, 1011 fugitives escaped in that year, but the number was probably greater.*

Samuel S. Miller left Seneca County, Ohio in 1865 or 1866, going directly to Jackson Township, Steuben County, Indiana, where he made his home with his sister, **Elizabeth "Betsy" Miller Shotts**, who had settled in Jackson Township several years earlier. He soon afterwards purchased a farm in that locality.

He has been described as a large man, with square shoulders, piercing eyes and a strong step. He was known as a man of his word. In actions he was quiet and unassuming. His convictions were strong and uncompromising.

Samuel S. Miller died in 1892, and was buried in the Springfield Cemetery at the eastern edge of LaGrange County, Indiana.

* James A. James and Albert H. Sanford, "American History" (Charles Scribner's Sons, 1915), 340.



Thaddeus Kane Miller

soon after his discharge from the Civil War about 1865 or 1866

From an original daguerreotype now in possession of the Frank Miller family. A photographic copy is owned by the author.

THADDEUS KANE MILLER

The life story of **Thaddeus Kane Miller** is typical of the nineteenth century American. The whole era of nineteenth century was one of notable American expansion, and men such as Thaddeus Miller took advantage of this expansion and development. America made men like Thad Miller, and men like Thad Miller made America.

Thaddeus Kane Miller, the son of **Samuel S. and Catherine (Kane) Miller**, was born in Scipo Township, Seneca County, Ohio, on August 2, 1847. We know little of his early youth. He attended the district school at the Knaghty Red school house in Scipo Township, Seneca County, Ohio where Nellie Hogg was teacher. Two of his classmates were John Wesley Miller (no relative) and Anna Brown, childhood friends of whom he often spoke.

In August 1862 Thad Miller enlisted in the Union Army. His official Army Discharge from the Civil War gives this following information about the young soldier: "Thaddeus Kane Miller was enrolled at the age of eighteen as a private in Company A 61st Regiment Ohio Volunteers Infantry on the thirteenth day of August 1862 at Upper Sandusky, Ohio by Captain McCutchen and was mustered into the United States service as such, for a period of three years, on the thirteenth day of August 1862 at Camp Chase, Ohio, by Captain Dodd, U. S. Army mustering officer, and that he was detached to Headquarters 11th A. C. transferred to Co. B 82nd Ohio Veteran's Infantry as consolidated. (Consolidation took place March 31, 1865). Mustered out June 10, 1865 near Washington, D. C. . . . " At the time of discharge from the army, the record states, "He was eighteen years old, five feet seven inches high, fair complexion, blue eyes, light hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a farmer".*

* The Discharge is in the possession of the author together with the Discharge of Harry W. Miller (1878-1942).

During the years between 1862-1865, Thaddeus Kane Miller was in sixteen major encounters with the Union forces. They were: Fredericksburg, Vr., Chancellorsville, Va., Gettysburg, Pa., Wauhatchee, Tenn., Knoxville Campaign, Missionary Ridge, Rasaca, Ga., New Hope Church, Ga., Kenesaw Mountain, Ga., Peach Tree Creek, Ga., Atlantic, Ga., Sanderville, Ga., Montieth Swamp, Savanah, Ga., (with Sherman's march to the sea), Goldsboro, North Carolina and Bentonville, N. C. He was also among the troops at the Grand Review in Washington, D. C. in May 1865.

Without doubt, one of the most dramatic stories recounted by Thad Miller was the one concerning his chance meeting with President Abraham Lincoln on the lawn of the White House in Washington, D. C., in those troubled days before Appomattox. Young Thad Miller, still a lad in his teens, wearing the uniform of the Union Army, was in the capitol city of Washington. Desiring a drink of water, and seeing a pump on the White House lawn, he crossed over to it. A tall gaunt figure was standing near. Thad recognized him at once. It was President Lincoln. Thad, in his best manners, asked the president if he might get a drink of water from the pump. At the simple request Lincoln replied, "Yes, my boy. The water is more yours than mine". In later years Thad Miller took great pleasure and joy in telling of his only meeting with Lincoln and his drink of water on the White House lawn.

Following his discharge from the army in 1865, Thad Miller returned to his home in Ohio. About a year later, he and his father, Samuel S. Miller, moved to Jackson Township, Steuben County, Indiana where they took up land and engaged in farming. While in Indiana they made their home with Elizabeth Miller Shotts, a widow, the oldest sister of Samuel S. Miller.

It was in Jackson Township, Steuben County, that Thad

Miller met **Ellen Matilda Stout**, whom he later married. Ellen M. Stout, a native of Indiana, had been born in 1850, the oldest child of **Hervey B. and Sarah Ann (Alcott) Stout**. Both the Stout and Alcott families had been early settlers in northern Indiana, migrating there from Michigan and Ohio respectively, in the 1830's when that section of Indiana was still a dense wilderness.

Ellen M. Stout and Thad K. Miller were married near Otter Lake, Steuben County, Indiana on April 18, 1869. To this union were born six children: **Charles Otto and Frederick Samuel**, who both died in infancy. **Frank Hervey, Belle Sarah, Harry Willis and Kathryn Ellen**. The children of Thad K. and Ellen M. (Stout) Miller were born at the country home there in Jackson Township.

Early in their married life, Thad Miller secured a position as a sailor on the Great Lakes, later becoming an engineer in the sea service. During his absence on the Lakes the farm was ably managed by his wife, Ellen. Thad Miller continued to be employed on the Great Lakes for many years. Sometime during the 1880's he gave up his sailing, and returned to his Steuben county farm.

The Miller family home was a simple one. Harry W. Miller, son of Thad Miller, in later life described it as a "house built partially of logs, which was a common type structure of that locality." The mother, Ellen Stout Miller was a woman of the 'old school'. She was prim, positive in will, and born and bred with the Victorian code of morals. Her home reflected her industry, for it has been said that "you could eat off from her floor".

The Millers remained in the country home, near Flint, Indiana, until 1895 when they moved into Angola, Indiana, where Thad had been elected County Recorder of Steuben County. He held this position for four years—until November 1899. After his term of Recorder expired he became a

pension attorney, assisting a great many soldiers and their widows in adjusting their claims before the pension department.

Both Thad and Ellen (Stout) Miller were devout members of the Christian Church. Thad had united with the Christian Church under the ministry of Elder F. P. Arthur in 1893, and his wife had united a few years earlier under the ministry of the evangelist Thaddeus A. Hedges.

Thad K. Miller was an active member of the Grand Army of the Republic, in which he served as Commander of the B. J. Crosswaite Post in Angola several times. He had been a member of the Masonic fraternity for fifty-five years at the time of his death; he was a member of the Angola, (Ind.) Chapter of the Commandry of the Knight Templars.

Thaddeus Kane Miller died on October 2, 1927 in Angola, Steuben County, Indiana. Both he and his wife are buried in the family burial plot in Jackson Prairie Cemetery, in Jackson Township, Steuben County, Indiana.





Thaddeus Kane Miller

and his wife

Ellen M. Stout

about 1900

(Original photograph in possession of author)

Descendants of Samuel S. Miller . . .

FOURTH GENERATION

Abbreviations used in this table: b., born;
m., married; d., died; Co., county.

1. SAMUEL S. MILLER. b. Frederick County, Maryland, 13 September 1812. d. Steuben County, Indiana 5 July 1892. m. Seneca County, Ohio to CATHERINE "CATTIE" KANE (dau. of ?) d. Seneca County, Ohio c. 1860.

(2). Thaddeus Kane Miller

2. THADDEUS KANE MILLER. b. Scipio Township, Seneca County, Ohio 2 August 1847. d. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 4 October 1927. (War record: Civil War 1862-1865. Co. A 61st Reg. Ohio Volunteers Inf., later transferred to Co. B 82nd Ohio Veteran Infantry—Private). m. near Otter Lake, Steuben County, Indiana 18 April 1869 to ELLEN MATILDA STOUT (dau. HERVEY B. STOUT and SARAH ANN ALCOTT) b. Fairfield Centre, De Kalb County, Indiana 31 December 1850. d. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 14 May 1927.

(3) Charles Otto Miller

(4) Frederick Samuel Miller

(5) Frank Hervey Miller

(6) Belle Sarah Miller

(7) Harry Willis Miller

(8) Kathryn Ellen Miller

3. CHARLES OTTO MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben, County, Indiana, 5 September, 1870. d. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana, 4 January 1872.

4. FREDERICK SAMUEL MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben Co., Indiana 2 October 1872. d. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 10 February 1873.

5. FRANK HERVEY MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 2 October 1872. d. Peru, Miami County, Indiana 9 June 1935. m. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 16 May 1895 to ARTIE MAY DAVIS (dau. of HORACE E. DAVIS and ELIZA GREEN) b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 22 August 1873.

- (9) Harold Eugene Miller
- (10) Ralph E. Miller
- (11) Lois E. Miller
- (12) John F. Miller
- (13) Thad K. Miller
- (14) Sara Miller

6. BELLE SARAH MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 7 March 1875. d. Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan 12 December 1942. m. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 23 April 1890 to WILLIAM MABIE (son of ROBERT MABIE and SARAH ODREN) b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 12 February 1868.

- (15) Thaddeus Kane Mabie

7. HARRY WILLIS MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 18 September 1878. d. Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota 13 June 1942. (War Record: Spanish American War 1898. Co. H. 157th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers—Private). m. Muscatine, Muscatine County, Iowa 10 April 1902 to IDA MAY DAY (dau. of WALTER L. DAY and THERESA O'BRIEN) b. Rock Island, Rock Island County, Illinois 27 November 1881.

- (16) Willis Harry Miller

8. KATHRYN ELLEN MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana, 25 November 1881. d. Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan, 31 October 1926. m. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 1 March 1907 to ADELBERT GARDNER WELDIN

(son of LEANDER FIRESTONE WELDIN SR., and REBECCA MOORE) b. Steuben County, Indiana 2 October 1871. d. Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan, 16 March 1927.

(17) Ellen Rebecca Weldin

(18) Marjorie Del Weldin

(19) Leander Firestone Weldin, Jr.

9. HAROLD E. MILLER. b. Flint, Steuben County, Indiana 2 December 1896. (War Record: World War I 1917-1919. 137th Field Artillery later to 4th Field Artillery—2nd Lieutenant). m. Wyandotte, Wayne County, Michigan 15 July 1926 to HELEN S. STILLWELL (dau. of JAMES K. STILLWELL and CORA E. SORGENFREY) b. Allendale, Wabash County, Illinois 15 May 1904.

(20) Pierre Harold Miller

10. RALPH E. MILLER. b. Garret, De Kalb County, Indiana 30 August 1899. (War Record: World War I 1917-1919. Co. A 112 Supply Train QMC.—Corporal). m. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 15 June 1927 to MARION WYDECK (dau. of CHARLES H. WYDECK and WILHELMINA HAFE) b. Detroit, Wayne County, 23 March 1899.

11. LOIS E. MILLER, B. S. b. Ashley, Steuben County, Indiana 22, April 1902. m. Port Arthur, Jefferson County, Texas 24 December 1941 to WALTER S. REAZIN (son of WILLIAM REAZIN and MYRTLE MUSSELWHITE) b. Wilson, Ellsworth County, Kansas 16 March 1900.

(21) Ronald Dean Reazin

12. JOHN F. MILLER, B. S., M. S. b. Ashley, Steuben County, Indiana 7 September 1904. m. Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio 30 June 1939 to BERNIECE COX (dau. of FRANCIS M. COX and GERTRUDE MAY BARNES) b. Kunkle, Williams County, Ohio 12 February 1900.

13. THAD K. MILLER. b. Ashley, Steuben County, Indiana 26 September 1906. m. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 9 February 1929 to IRMA ELIZABETH SCHULZ (dau. of FREDERICK WILLIAM SCHULZ and (Miss) IRVING HUDDELSTON) b. Johnston, Brown County, Nebraska 23 September 1909.

(22) James Eugene Miller

(23) Shirley May Miller

(24) Robert Frank Miller

(25) Carolyn Jane Miller

14. SARA MILLER. b. Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio 16 July 1908. m. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 21 April 1929 to RALPH MILFORD GETTY (son of SAMUEL JACKSON GETTY and CELIA IDOLA SPICHER) b. Indiana, Indiana County, Pennsylvania 6 September 1903.

(26) Lois Ellen Getty

(27) Samuel Miller Getty

15. THADDEUS KANE MABIE. b. Orland, Steuben County, Indiana 30 April 1892. m. Auburn, De Kalb County, Indiana 28 November 1917 to VIOLET L. GIBSON (dau. of LAWRENCE M. GIBSON and NELLIE N. KESSBERRY). b. Newville, Indiana 20 February 1899.

(28) Jean Maxine Mabie

16. WILLIS HARRY MILLER, B. A. b. Iowa City, Johnson County, Iowa 28 November 1918.

17. ELLEN REBECCA WELDIN. b. Pleasant Lake, Steuben County, Indiana 11 January 1908. m. Orland, Steuben County, Indiana 5 June 1927 to CLYDE LEWIS (son of FRANK LEWIS and CARRIE TWITCHEL) b. Angola, Steuben Co., Indiana 5 January 1901.

- (29) Frank Weldin Lewis
- (30) Gene Robert Lewis
- (31) Keith Lee Lewis
- (32) Marylyn Kathryn Lewis
- (33) Jon Clyde Lewis

18. MARJORIE DEL WELDIN. b. Pleasant Lake, Steuben County, Indiana 28 January 1910. m. Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan 27 March 1942 to GEORGE WILLIAM LANE (son of WILLIAM LANE and NORA MENROE) b. Bronson, Branch County, Michigan 28 May 1903.

- (34) Louise Marie Lane

19. LEANDER FIRESTONE WELDIN. b. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 29 April 1913. (War Record: Enlisted in U. S. Army Air Corps on January 27, 1942.)

20. PIERRE HAROLD MILLER. b. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 18 September 1927.

21. RONALD DEAN REAZIN. b. Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio 30 March 1944.

22. JAMES EUGENE MILLER. b. Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio 15 August 1929. d. Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio 1 May 1933.

23. SHIRLEY MAY MILLER. b. Montpelier, Williams Co., Ohio 22 April 1931.

24. ROBERT FRANK MILLER. b. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 5 June 1935.

25. CAROLYN JANE MILLER. b. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, 25 October 1937.

26. LOIS ELLEN GETTY. b. Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio 17 August 1932.

27. SAMUEL MILLER GETTY. b. Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan 10 May 1935.

28. JEAN MAXINE MABIE. b. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 15 May 1924. m. Angola, Steuben County, Indiana 6 June 1942 to KENNETH EUGENE GERMAN (son of SHERMEY GERMAN and NELLIE AGNES SLICK) b. Steuben County, Indiana 4 August 1919.

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