

THE RICHARD R. WATTS FAMILY

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## THE RICHARD R. WATTS FAMILY

1. Richard R. Watts, b. 1740 in Virginia. His forebears came to America from Wales about 1680. In 1763 he married in Amelia Co., Virginia; Elizabeth Townsend, b. 1747 in Va., daughter of John Townsend, who came from England to Virginia when 16 years old, the only son of James Townsend who outlived him and died in Green Co., Ga., in 1802. John died in 1795 in Wilkes Co., Ga. Richard and Elizabeth Watts shared in his estate. They moved to Wilkes Co., Ga., 1785 or 1787, where Richard died May 5, 1817. His widow and son (4) Wm. Hicks Watts administered his estate. Elizabeth T. Watts died before 1847 in Green Co., Ga.

They had:

2. Judith Watts, b. ----; d. 1829; m. Joseph Key, 1784, Bedford Co., Va. Both died Jasper Co., Ga., 1829.

They had:

- a. Tandy Watts Key, b. Sept. 8, 1786. m. Miss Riley.
- b. Thomas, b. June 6, 1793; m. Sarah Jones, 1810.
- c. Abraham A. Key, b. 1825; m. Mary Smith, Ga.
- d. Joseph Key, Jr., m. Margaret Grier, Greensboro, Ga.
- e. Henry Key, m. Anna Baker West
- f. Joshua, d. in infancy
- g. Caleb Witt Key, m. (1) Elizabeth Haynes

They had:

Joseph Stanton Key

Wm. McKendrie Key

Martha Ann, who married Alfred Massengale

m. (2) Elizabeth Wimberly

They had:

Belle, m. W. G. Mahone

Ella, m. Thomas Young

Caleb Witt Key served as Methodist minister 49 years; served one term as presiding elder of South Georgia Conference; for many years was Chaplain for Georgia Grand Lodge of Masons. He died in Augusta, Ga., 1881.

3. Benjamin Watts, b. Oct. 5, 1764, Cumberland Co., Va. m. Elizabeth Key, daughter of John and Agnes Witt Key in Bedford Co., Va., Nov. 18, 1784. Shortly thereafter they moved to Ga., where he was appointed Justice of the Peace in Jackson Co., Dec. 7, 1808. On "Oct. 5, 1781, he enlisted in Franklin Co., Va., and served six months under Captains Newel and Bush, as a substitute for his father, Richard Watts, who was drafted; guarded stores at Richmond, Warwick, and Manchester, Va."

With other Watts, he and Elizabeth moved to Illinois in 1813 or 1814 and received a land grant in St. Clair Co. He died March 7, 1840, in Nashville, Washington Co., Ill.; she, Feb. 10, 1843, Washington Co., where they are buried in marked graves.

4. Wm. Hicks Watts, b. Nov. 28, 1777, Green Co., Ga.; d. Feb. 17, 1833; m. Patsy Roberts, Green Co., Ga., Feb. 19, 1804.
5. Susan (Susanna) Watts, m. Evans
6. Rhoda Watts, m. Asa D. Starr

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## The Benjamin Watts Family

(3) Benjamin and Elizabeth Key Watts had:

10. Hayden, b. Nov. 8, 1785, Va.; d. May 21, 1846, Ill.; m. Lecea Wadsworth, Oct. 2, 1806, Jackson Co., Ga.
11. Richard Ivey, b. Apr. 2, 1788; m. Sarah (Sallie) Clements, May 18, 1809, Jackson Co., Ga.
12. Hope Hull, b. Jan. 11, 1791; m. Mary (Polly) McConnell, Dec. 28, 1809, Jackson Co., Ga.
13. Hall
14. James Hicks, b. Nov. 22, 1793; d. 1827; m. Charlotte Parker in Georgia.
15. Polly, b. Mar. 31, 1796; m. Eason Stamps, Oct. 17, 1817, Jackson Co., Ga.
16. Susan (Susannah) b. Sept. 18, 1798; m. Geo. W. Seay, Jan. 12, 1817, Ga.
17. John J., b. Dec. 19, 1800.
18. Benjamin, b. Dec. 10, 1802 (Preacher of the Gospel), b. Ga.; m. Lucinda ----- in Ill.
19. Elizabeth Key, b. Jan. 12, 1804; m. Jesse Brooks
20. Joshua Gilpin, b. Apr. 6, 1807
21. Judith, b. Oct. 30, 1809
22. Raymond T., m. Clarissa Burdette, Oct. 6, 1834, in Ga.

## The Hayden Watts Family

- (10) Hayden Watts, b. Nov. 8, 1785, in Virginia, married October 2, 1806, in Jackson Co., Georgia, Oconia R., Mulberry Park, Lecea Wadsworth, b. Feb. 24, 1788, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Wadsworth. Both were of Welsh ancestry. Hayden was a Methodist and a Whig.

They had:

28. James Hicks Watts, b. November 19, 1807, in Georgia; m. Winnie F. Johnson, daughter of Rev. Wm. Johnson of Trenton, Clinton Co., Ill., on September 15, 1829. He died Dec. 9, 1872.
29. William H. Watts, b. October 14, 1813; d. May 23, 1877; married Frances Rose, Clinton Co., Ill., Dec. 25, 1834.
30. Haden Asbury Watts, b. February 1, 1816, Clinton Co., Ill.; d. Jan. 3, 1867; m. Margaret E. Johnson, Clinton Co., Ill, July 2, 1835.
31. Benjamin Harrison Watts, b. Nov. 13, 1819, Clinton Co., Ill.; d. Nov. 16, 1905; m. (1) Sarah Johnson, Jan 9, 1840. She died July 31, 1852; m. (2) Margaret Catherine Sloat (b. Lancashire, Pa.), November 3, 1853.
32. Richard Watts, b. June 23, 1832; d. Jan. 22, 1893; m. Elizabeth Gibson, March 18, 1852, Clinton Co., Ill. He was in 11 battles of the Civil War. Had 9 children.
33. Sally W. Watts, b. Feb. 26, 1812; d. Nov. 21, 1858; m. Duncan M. Johnson, Feb. 9, 1830.
34. Celia Ann Watts, b. Aug. 23, 1823; d. Nov. 18, 1901; m. Bennett M. Posey, Oct. 6, 1842, Clinton Co., Ill. They had:
- a. Sarah J., who married John Crocker and had three children: Otho, Seth and Mamie, who married Fred Berry, Carlyle, Ill.
  - b. Mary Susannah, m. Rev. Wm. McKendree.
  - c. Jabez Hix, b. June, 1861; d. Feb. 19, 1888; Grad. McKendree College, 1883.
35. Susannah Lecea Watts, b. Sept. 7, 1826; d. Jan. 13, 1916, Clinton Co., Ill.; m. Andrew Wood Dougherty, March 26, 1846, Clinton Co., Ill.; he was born in Ross Co., Ohio, May 19, 1821; d. Feb. 1, 1897, Posey, Ill. Both buried Wadsworth Cemetery, Huey, Ill.

Other children born to Hayden and Lecea Wadsworth Watts were:

- Thomas W., b. Nov. 15, 1809; d. Sept. 5, 1819  
 Baby born Nov. 8, 1817; d. Dec. 9, 1817  
 Elizabeth H., b. April 19, 1822; d. July 19, 1822  
 John F., b. Feb. 17, 1829; d. May 25, 1830  
 Simeon, b. Jan 23, 1831; d. June 1, 1831

(35) Susannah Lecea Watts and Andrew Wood Dougherty had:

- 35<sup>1</sup> Mary Ellen Dougherty, b. May 21, 1848; d. Nov. 18, 1867,  
Clinton Co., Ill.
- 35<sup>2</sup> James Haden Dougherty, b. Jan. 10, 1851; d. May 5, 1872,  
Clinton Co., Ill.
- 35<sup>3</sup> John William Dougherty, b. March 28, 1853; d. Feb. 25, 1874,  
Clinton Co., Ill.

35<sup>4</sup> Benjamin Richard Dougherty, b. Oct. 23, 1856; d. June 3,  
1937, Clinton Co.

m. Harriett Posey, April 8, 1896, Posey Station, Ill.

Their children were:

Paul Harold, b. 1898, Posey, Ill.

Amo, b. March 22, 1900

Rachel, b. Oct. 18, 1901; d. July 11, 1923

35<sup>5</sup> Henry Posey Dougherty, b. July 18, 1859, Carlyle, Ill.  
d. November 7, 1932, Bloomington, Ind. Methodist minister  
in Indiana and Ohio.

m. Jennie Tony Clarke, daughter of George Daniel and

Nancy C. Garrison Clarke, Sept. 30, 1891, Emery, Ill.

She was a teacher.

They had:

a. Edith Susannah Dougherty, b. June 28, 1892, Emery,  
Macon Co., Ill.

m. (1) Dawson C. Bouslog, April 24, 1915, Indianapolis,  
Ind. He died January 16, 1928.

(2) Archie T. Keene, August 18, 1934, Bloomington,  
Ind. He has been president of Indiana Technical  
College since 1936. They have one daughter,  
Donna Jean, born 1935, married August 14, 1953,  
to Donald Leroy Rupert, Fort Wayne, Ind. They  
have 3 daughters: Denise Suzanne, b. July 15, 1955,  
Diane Maxine, b. March 30, 1957, and Donna Kathleen,  
b. July 25, 1961; one son, David Allen, b. March 14,  
1960. Live in Fort Wayne, Ind.

b. Ethel Olive Dougherty, b. September 30, 1894, Decatur, Ill.;

m. Silas Erwin Alexander, banker, Sept. 20, 1919,

Bloomington, Ind. They have two daughters:

1 Kathryn Jane, b. August 31, 1920; m. Edward L.  
Hutton, Dec. 22, 1942, Bloomington. They are  
parents of:

Edward Alexander Hutton, b. July 11, 1947, Bloomington

Thomas Charles Hutton, b. Aug. 17, 1950, Bloomington

Jennie Clarke Hutton, b. Aug. 14, 1958, Bronxville,

N. Y.

- 2 Maryann, b. May 29, 1925; m. James Bennett, Oct. 26, 1946, Bloomington. They are parents of Mark Alexander Bennett, b. May 24, 1950, Des Moines, Iowa  
Barbara Elizabeth Bennett, b. June 1, 1958
- c. George Andrew Dougherty, b. March 4, 1896, Decatur, Ill. Salesman. d. Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 5, 1959  
m. (1) Sylvia Townsend, 1916, Stewart, Ohio. One son, Rexford George, b. Jan. 10, 1917, Akron, Ohio, who married Dorothy Moxness, 1941. They are parents of  
1 Patricia Diane, b. Nov. 14, 1941, who married Dale Messmer, Oct. 16, 1959, Fairview, Montana. They have a daughter, Marcella Rae.  
2 Janet Louise, b. Oct. 25, 1943  
3 Rexford George, Jr., b. June 16, 1945  
4 Susan Eileen, b. Nov. 21, 1948
- m. (2) Lilian Elizabeth Hess, August 10, 1940.
- d. Harry Posey Dougherty, b. Dec. 25, 1897, Decatur, Ill. Personnel. m. Fannie Gladys Allen, Cattlesburg, Ky., Nov. 10, 1923. Parents of:  
1 Yvonne, b. Apr. 26, 1929, Columbus, O.; m. Allan Sanford, Richmond, Ind., June 25, 1950. They are parents of Lindsay Jane, b. Sept. 23, 1953, Columbus, O., and Daniel Allan Sanford, b. March 1, 1957, Columbus, O.  
2 Jane Louanne, b. May 19, 1932, Mansfield, O.; m. Fred Nagel, Akron, O., Aug. 25, 1951. Parents of Leslie Louanne, b. Dec. 30, 1953, Kelly Allen, b. Nov. 21, 1955, and Amy Marie, b. Oct. 20, 1957, all in Columbus, Ohio.
- e. Bert Edwin Dougherty, b. Jan. 26, 1900, Decatur, Ill. President of B. E. Dougherty Co., Los Angeles, California. m. Helen Weaver, Summerfield, O., April 3, 1923. They have one son, Bert Edwin, Jr., b. April 15, 1924, Youngstown, O.; m. to Cecil Kearns, June 18, 1949, Del Mar, California; parents of:  
Bert Edwin Dougherty III, b. June 20, 1950, Pasadena, California, and  
James Weaver Dougherty, b. June 18, 1955  
George, Harry and Bert served in 136 Field Artillery overseas in World War I.
- f. Gladys Lorene Dougherty, b. April 11, 1902, Maunie, Ill. Teacher. d. April 14, 1959, Akron, O. Buried Rose Hill, Akron  
m. (1) Paul Chance, 1926; (2) Walt Smith, 1944.
- g. Julia Pauline Dougherty, b. Jan. 27, 1904, Maunie, Ill; d. Oct. 1, 1905, Mt. Vernon, Ind.

- h. Glenn Everett Dougherty, b. March 27, 1906, Mt. Vernon, Ind. Merchant. Lay Leader of Indiana Methodist Conference.  
 m. Ethel F. Thompson, July 7, 1929, Delaware, O. They are parents of:
- 1 Clarke Erwin Dougherty, b. Nov. 3, 1930, Delaware, O., who married Joyce Kellam, Baltimore Md., Oct. 18, 1952. They have:  
 Linda Lee, b. Aug. 24, 1954; Michael Everett, b. Mar. 24, 1956, and James Douglas, b. July 16, 1959, all in Cincinnati.
  - 2 Gene Edwin, b. Feb. 12, 1935, Tiffin, O.; married Geraldine West, Elyria, O. Parents of Johanna Michelle, b. 1959, Elyria.
  - 3 David Lee, b. Nov. 23, 1945, Springfield, O.
- i. Jennie May Dougherty, b. May 6, 1909, Gentryville, Ind; married Robert B. Warren, Sept. 6, 1932, Bloomington, Ind. Live in Akron, O., where he is sales manager, Industrial Products Division, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.
- j. Grace Josephine Dougherty, b. Dec. 13, 1911, Bloomington, Ind; m. Herbert Bent, lawyer, July 18, 1936, Bloomington, Ind; one daughter, Suzanne, b. Nov. 29, 1938, Wabash, Ind., who married Gary Ridenour, Nov. 24, 1956, Wabash, Ind., and have two children:  
 Linda Sue, b. June 2, 1958, Fort Wayne, Ind., and  
 Lori Ann, b. June 27, 1959, Fort Wayne, Ind.
- 35<sup>6</sup> Lecea Catharine Dougherty, b. Nov. 24, 1862; d. Aug. 4, 1863, Clinton Co., Ill.
- 35<sup>7</sup> Andrew Sherman Dougherty, b. June 17, 1866, Clinton Co., Ill.; d. March 5, 1958, O'Fallon, Ill.  
 m. Fannie Crocker, Posey Station, Ill., Oct. 4, 1893.  
 They had Marjorie, b. Jan. 24, 1897, Carlyle, Ill.;  
 d. Aug. 16, 1923, O'Fallon, Ill.;  
 m. Carl W. Davis, Feb. 13, 1915, Fordyce, Ark.  
 They had (1) Elmo Davis, b. Jan. 3, 1916, whose children are Marjorie Judith and Robert Allen, Minneapolis, Minn.;  
 and (2) Earl Davis, b. March 2, 1917; d. April 8, 1944, Camden, Ark., leaving a daughter, Carol Jean.
- <sup>2</sup> Modell, b. Mar. 3, 1901; d. Oct. 12, 1902.



(28) James Hicks Watts, b. Nov. 19, 1807, in Georgia came to St. Clair County, Ill., in 1814; to Washington Co. (later called Clinton Co., Ill.) in 1818. On Sept. 15, 1829, he married Winnie F. Johnson. They had eleven children:

- 93. Thomas K. Watts
- 94. James F. Watts
- 95. Amos F. --station agent of Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis Railway, Hoffman, Ill.
- 96. William F.
- 97. Jason L.
- 98. Eliza M.
- 99. Sallie M.
- 100. Lesa A.
- 101. Cynthia R.  
Mary S.  
Lucinda E. (All deceased by 1894 except Amos F.) Amos was a prominent farmer, school director, Republican, Methodist.

(30) Haden Asbury and Margaret E. Johnson Watts had:

- 107. Mary
- 108. Haden
- 109. Wright

(31) Benjamin Harrison Watts and Sarah Johnson Watts had Haden Harrison Watts, who lived on the farm adjoining his father's in Clinton Co., Ill., in 1894. The B. H. Watts reared four foster children to adulthood. Haden Harrison Watts had Benjamin, Richard, Effie, Emma and Thurza.

(32) Richard and Elizabeth Gibson Watts had:

- 117. Lecea Watts who married Collins Williamson and had a daughter, Ida, who married Sam Posey. Their daughter, Eva Posey, married Earl Walker and lives in Alton, Ill.
- 118. Sally
- 119. Paris
- 120. Janey

## The Hope Hull Watts Family

- (12) Hope Hull Watts, b. Jan. 11, 1791; d. 1870; m. Dec. 28, 1809, to Mary (Polly) McConnell in Ga., b. Mar. 8, 1790; d. Jan. 26, 1830.

They had:

- (a) Elizabeth, b. July 14, 1811; m. John Baker, Floyd Co., Ga., Sept., 1830.
- (b) Mary Garrison, b. Jan. 1, 1814; m. Stephen King in Gwinnett Co., Ga., Oct. 21, 1833. He was born in Pendleton Dist., S. Car., July 16, 1811; d. Polk Co., Ga., Sept. 6, 1892. His wife, Mary, d. Aug. 27, 1890, near Cedartown, Polk Co., Ga., where their children were reared.
- (c) Benjamin L. Watts, b. Aug. 2, 1816; d. Dec., 1816.
- (d) Joseph McConnell Watts, b. Nov. 20, 1818; d. near Ruston, La., 1892; m. 1st Mary O. Winn, Dec. 6, 1838. She died July 1, 1846. Large family.  
m. 2nd Sarah E. Lawrence, Sept. 12, 1848.  
m. 3rd Martha Burns Anderson
- (e) Joshua James Watts, b. March 20, 1820; m. Jane Montgomery, Jan. 9, 1844. Both died Nov. 15 and 16, 1851, Polk Co., Ga.
- (f) Sarah (Sallie) F. Watts, b. Nov. 23, 1822; m. Moses T. Sewell Nov. 18, 1847; d. Sept. 14, 1865, Polk Co., Ga.  
Their son, Joseph Asbury Sewell, b. 1863, m. Missouri Adelyn Bearden, b. 1870 and married Dec. 1, 1888.  
Their daughter, Annie Lou, b. Cedartown, Polk Co., Ga., m. Dr. Linton Yancey Pittard and lived in Monticello, Ga.
- (g) Richard F. (or R.) Watts, b. Oct. 8, 1824, m. Matilda Ann Wragg, Dec. 28, 1848.

- (h) George Troupe Watts, b. Nov. 19, 1825; m. Ella Matilda Bradford, Jan. 5, 1859.  
 She was born June, 1838, and died June 19, 1918.  
 He died April 20, 1880.  
 He entered the Civil War as a private and was promoted to Brigadier General. He served as M. D. for his company and after the war was a physician at Cave Springs, Floyd Co., Ga.

Hope Hull Watts married 2nd Catherine King, Nov. 16, 1830.

- (i) Their son, Hope Hull Watts, Jr., b. March 1, 1832, married Sarah Baskin, May 15, 1860. He was a physician who enlisted with with the Northern Army. After the war he settled in Ohio. Served as postmaster, Cedartown, Ga., May 15, 1856 to 1858.

The first Hope Hull Watts was a preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He founded and pastored Mt. Hope Methodist Church, Polk Co., Ga. He and his son, Joseph, owned fine tracts of land and built substantial pioneer homes.

#### The James Hicks Watts Family

- (14) James Hicks Watts, b. Nov. 22, 1793; d. 1827 in St. Clair Co., Ill. Son of Benjamin and Elizabeth Key Watts.  
 m. Charlotte Parker, a resident of St. Clair Co., but a native of Georgia. This marriage took place shortly after the Benjamin Watts family reached Illinois, probably 1814. His will, made April 3, 1827, and recorded in St. Clair Co., Ill., Will Book A, p. 100, names his wife and his brother, Benjamin Watts. He had five children: Martha, Rebecca, Miriam, and Amos. The fifth was unnamed.

- (122) Amos, b. Oct. 21, 1825; d. Dec. 6, 1888, Nashville, Ill.  
 m. Margaret J. Rinard, a native of Pennsylvania but a resident  
 of Fairfield, Ill., in Wayne Co., Ill. They had:
- Mollie
  - Alpheus
  - Edward
  - William
- James A. Watts, the father of James Albert Watts, living  
 in Nashville, Ill., in 1958.

Amos Watts learned the blacksmith trade as a youngster, educated himself by studying at night, read law and became an attorney. He was county clerk, state's attorney and finally served as circuit court judge of the 3rd district of the State of Illinois. He was active in civic affairs and was one of the founders and charter members of the Masonic Lodge known as Washington Lodge #55 A F A M in Nashville, Ill.

- (18) Benjamin Watts, b. Dec. 10, 1802, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth Key Watts of Georgia, was a preacher in Illinois. He and his wife, Lucinda, had:
- a. Sylvester, b. Dec. 9, 1833
  - b. Mariah J., b. Feb. 22, 1840
  - c. Erastus E., b. Nov. 6, 1841; d. 1867
  - d. Richard Ivy, b. Oct. 30, 1843, near Nashville, Ill.  
 The History of St. Clair Co., Ill., published by Brink, McDonough, 1881, p. 268, states:  
 "Dr. R. L. Watts was graduated from Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati, 1868. He was the son of Benjamin and Lucinda Watts, who came from Georgia and first located on Turkey Hill, whence they removed to Washington Co."  
 In 1881 Dr. R. I. Watts was living in New Athens, Ill.

The tax receipt of Benjamin Watts, deceased, dated 1854, shows that he owned 453 1/2 acres of land in Nashville and Beaucoup Twp., Washington Co., Ill.  
 He died in 1853 or 1854 in Washington Co., Ill.

The William Hix Watts Family

- (4) William Hix Watts, b. Nov. 28, 1777; d. Feb. 17, 1833;  
 m. Feb. 19, 1804, to Patsy Roberts, b. Nov. 1, 1783.  
 d. May 26, 1828, Green County, Georgia. In his will, 1832, he  
 mentions his son, Harrison Hix Watts, b. Dec. 9, 1804, Georgia.  
 Wm. Hix Watts, with Elizabeth Townsend Watts, his mother,  
 administered the estate of his father, Richard Watts, who died  
 in Wilkes Co., Ga., May 5, 1817.

(Information for this family furnished by Anna Watts Rosborough  
 from Family Bible of Wm. Thomas Watts of Ga. and Ala. and from  
 Bible of Wm. Hix Watts, owned by Clarence Watts of Huntsville, Ala.)

Wm. Hix and Patsy Roberts Watts had:

23. Harrison Hix Watts, b. Dec. 9, 1804, Georgia
24. Tandy Key Watts, b. Apr. 29, 1814
25. William Thomas Watts, b. Sept. 12, 1823; d. Apr. 24, 1877;  
 m. Sept. 21, 1845, to Nancy Margaret Williams, b. Dec. 9,  
 1826, Green Co., Ga.
26. Sarah Jane Watts, m. Wm. Daniel.

- (25) Wm. Thomas and Nancy Margaret Williams Watts had:
88. John Park Watts, b. March 28, 1854; d. Dec. 22, 1933;  
 m. Dec. 28, 1884, to Willie McCrary, b. Nov. 3, 1863;  
 d. Oct. 30, 1898. Home, Huntsville, Ala.

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(88) John Park and Willie McCrary Watts had:

88<sup>1</sup> Clarence Lee Watts, b. Feb. 8, 1886;  
m. June 25, 1915, Inez Elizabeth Looney, b. Sept. 23, 1887;  
d. Sept. 17, 1957.

Their children:

- a. Wm. Parke Watts, b. March 25, 1916
- b. Clarence Lee Watts, Jr., b. Aug. 16, 1918
- c. Anna Margaret Watts, b. Feb. 27, 1920
- d. Elizabeth Watts, b. Feb. 27, 1924, m. Louis Salmon  
June 11, 1948
- e. Jane Keller Watts, b. May 20, 1926

88<sup>2</sup> Richard Thomas Watts, b. April 5, 1887;  
m. Martha Biedelman. Live Eugene, Oregon.

88<sup>3</sup> Anna Turner Watts, b. Aug. 23, 1890;  
m. Thomas Whitaker Rosborough, who died May 20, 1952.

88<sup>4</sup> James Foster Watts, b. Oct. 13, 1895; m. Dec. 28, 1934, to  
Susan Echols Spregins, b. Sept. 10, 1900.

Their children:

- a. James Foster Watts, Jr., b. May 14, 1936
- b. Susan Echols Watts, b. Nov. 28, 1938
- c. Roberta Spregins Watts, b. Jan 6, 1942

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(88<sup>1</sup>a) Wm. Parke (Capt. U.S. Navy) and Ellie Roth Watts were married  
June 2, 1949.

Their children:

Deborah, b. January 19, 1953  
Lauren McCrary Watts, b. June 19, 1954

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(88<sup>1</sup>b) Clarence Lee Watts, Jr., Commercial artist, Atlanta,  
m. Katherine Hatch, 1946

Their children:

Cynthia Jean, b. Feb. 15, 1947  
Carolyn Ann, b. Jan. 24, 1953  
Nancy Elizabeth, b. Nov. 24, 1954

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- (88'c) Anna Margaret Watts, m. Robert W. Rieder, June 22, 1941.  
Home in Portland, Oregon.  
Their children:  
    Robert W. Rieder, Jr., b. Sept. 21, 1942  
    Wm. Lee Rieder, b. July 18, 1946

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- (88'd) Jane Keller Watts, m. Chas. Middleton Fitts, Jr., 1947  
Home Jackson, Miss.  
Their children:  
    Harriett Elizabeth, b. Sept. 16, 1948  
    Anna Katherine, b. Sept. 1, 1951  
    Susan Jane, b. July 30, 1952  
    Martha, b. Sept. 28, 1957

Material for this supplement to the Heinemann WATTS FAMILIES  
has come from the following sources:

1. The Watts-Dougherty Family Bible, owned by Elmo Davis, Minneapolis, Minn.
2. The Andrew Wood Dougherty Family Bible, owned by Mrs. A. T. Keene, Fort Wayne, Ind.
3. The Wm. Hix Watts Family Bible. Records supplied by Mrs. Anna Rosborough, Huntsville, Alabama
4. Abstract from original pension of Benjamin Watts
5. D A R Lineage Book, 1918; Vol. 142, p. 270
6. History of Clinton County, Illinois, 1894, Chapman Pub. Co., Chicago, p. 259, 572
7. History of St. Clair County, Illinois, 1881. Brink, McDonough & Co., Philadelphia, p. 51-52; p. 268
8. Material from Mrs. W. W. McDonald, Jonesboro, La.

In adding information on Family 40 of the Watts Family, I have used the numbers Mr. Heinemann reserved for members of that family, and have added exponents where no numbers had been reserved.

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## THE JOHN TOWNSEND WILL

(Found in Oglethorpe Co., formerly Wilkes Co., Georgia)

John Townsend: In the name of God, Amen, of Wilkes Co., Ga., being weak in body, but in perfect mind and memory, make this my last will and testament. My estate and effects I bequeath and dispose of in the manner and form following:

Item I. I lend unto my loving wife, Elizabeth Townsend, during her life, one negro man, Will, and my negro woman, Jude; also my three horses and her choice of the third part of my cows, and my beds; also, my household and kitchen furniture and working tools. And at her death my will is that what I have lent her should be equally divided among my children. Also I give unto my loving wife, Elizabeth Townsend, half of my crop of corn and tobacco and the choice of a third part of my hogs. Also my will is that my said wife should have the place I now live on during her life.

Item II. I give unto my son, James Townsend, my land I now live on, it being in the Fork of the Little River, containing 200 acres, also my rifle and saddle, forever.

Item III. My will and desire is that the rest of my estate not already mentioned be equally divided among all my children. I hereby constitute my two sons (sons-in-law) Joseph Catchings and Lemuel Atkinson, executors of this my last will and testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of Sept., 1790.

Approved and executed Sept. 28, 1795.

The Jackson County Rec., 1796-1896--Smith 1955 (DAR Sponsored) gives the following item:

On March 3, 1806 "a citation was granted to B. Watts and Sarah Wadsworth to obtain Letters of Administration to administer upon the goods and chattels of Thomas Wadsworth late of Jackson Co., Ga."

The Wadsworths and the Watts made the long journey from Georgia to Illinois in a lumber wagon drawn by four horses. Haden and Lecea Wadsworth Watts settled in St. Clair County (Shiloh) in Illinois in 1814. With John Wadsworth they moved to Lake Township in Clinton County, Illinois, in 1817 or 1818 and settled on land where they lived the rest of their lives. They were Methodists.

The first settlers in Clinton County, Illinois, were "Seley" (Celia) Wadsworth and her husband, Robert McKeever. The first land entries were:

April 18, 1817, Robert McKeever, N. E. 1/2 Sec. 3

March 9, 1818, Seborn Wadsworth, N. E. 1/2 Sec. 12

History records that they were happy, lively, hospitable people.

Robert C. McKeever, b. 1777, died in Arkansas in 1838, and his wife, Celia, died in Arkansas in 1839. Their children were Lecy, Sarah, Robert C., Jr., and John.