

# Howell County, Missouri

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DATE: 26 Dec. 1996

NAME: Linda L. Thompson

SURNAMES: GARRETT

Looking for Garretts and allied families who migrated from Overton County, TN to Howell County, MO in 1852. Linda L. Thompson, 2101 Stacy Rd., Harrisonville, MO 64701, 816-380-7648. E-mail: [llthompson@juno.com](mailto:llthompson@juno.com)

DATE: 2 Jan. 1997

NAME: Kaye Wallace

SURNAMES: HILL, LANDER, SMITH, POLLACK, FITZGERALD

W.M. Hill of Willow Springs, Howell County, MO, m. Maude Lander of Adles, IZARD County, AR, in March 1889. License found in Fulton County, AR, 21 Dec. 1899. W.M. Hill had another brother, Joseph Shield Hill, m. Lela Nelson Pollock, 14 Oct., 1899. Second marriage for Joseph Shield Hill, first wife was Betty Fitzgerald. When she died, she left 3 small children. Any information on these people would be greatly appreciated. Joseph Shield Hill was my great-grandfather. Cannot find him before 1889 in IZARD County, AR. I thought if I could find something on his brothers, it might help in discovering where Joseph Shield Hill was born and who his parents were. Any information on any of these people might help with this puzzle. Thanks, [Kaye](#).

DATE: 2 Jan. 1997

NAME: Paul D. Newton

SURNAMES: BELL, HARRINGTON

Looking for Bell ancestors that moved from Howell County around 1894?? Harrington is maiden name of wife. Paul d. Newton, 7405 Melrose, University City, MO. [pn401k@aol.com](mailto:pn401k@aol.com)

DATE: 5 Jan. 1997

NAME: Sonya Sparks

SURNAMES: COLLINS, SKIMAHORN, BIRD

I'm searching for information on Vicy Amanda Collins Skimahorn. She was born in West Plains, MO in 1916. Her parents were John Obediah and Rhoda Alice (Bird) Collins. Any help would be appreciated and I'll share what I have. Thank you in advance. [ssparks@cswnet.com](mailto:ssparks@cswnet.com)

DATE: 16 Jan. 1997

NAME: Lee Hardesty

SURNAMES: BATEMAN, TABOR,

Seeking information on my Great Grandfather John Monroe Bateman, b. 31 Dec. 1858; married Mary Elizabeth Tabor, born 25 Nov. 1866. Children: Minnie Bell, Eliza May, Charles Henry, John Monroe II, Rosy Effie, Elizabeth Jane all born in West Plains. Twins Roy Joseph and Ray Jonah born in Prosperity. Is Prosperity in Howell County? Where was John Bateman born? Where was Mary Tabor born? Where were they married? Any info appreciated. [Lee Hardesty](#)

DATE: 20 Jan. 1997

NAME: Kenneth McKee

SURNAMES: COX, FOSTER,

I am interested in finding out anything about the following people: Charly A. Cox, born 12/1858 in MO who married, in Howell County on 9/29/1883, Sarah Foster, born 5/1867 in Athens, Clark County, MO. Sarah's parents were possible Samuel Foster, born about 1834, place unknown but maybe Tennessee and Sarah Cox, born unknown, place unknown. They were married 5 July 1865 in Newton County, MO. Any information would be appreciated. I have all the descendants of this marriage to the present day and I can share if anyone is interested. Thanks, [Kenneth McKee](#).

DATE: 21 Jan. 1997

NAME: Mark Kleinhans

SURNAMES: JONES, HART

Seeking birth record, parents birth place and siblings of Anna Maria Jones, born 16 Aug. 1896, West Plains, Howell County, MO; daughter of Walter G. Jones of Indiana and Sophia Hart of Ohio. Any further information is appreciated. Thank you. [Mark Kleinhans](#).

DATE: 25 Jan. 1997

NAME: Harv Dahl

SURNAMES: DOLLINS, ROBERTSON/ROBINSON, HAMBY

Seeking information on John L. Dollins family. Mary Ann Dollins, born 1871, Willow Springs, MO; married George Albert Robertson/Robinson about 1891, county unknown. George Albert died in late 1898 or early 1899 and Mary Ann remarried Edwin W. Hamby in Arkansas. She died 25 Dec. 1925 in Soper, Choctaw, OK. Mary Ann Dollins and George Albert Robertson/Robinson were my great-grandparents. [harvdahl@auburn.campus.mci.net](mailto:harvdahl@auburn.campus.mci.net)

DATE: 28 Jan. 1997

NAME: Kay Schnack

SURNAMES: HOWELL, BRAZEAL, VAUGHN, WINN, FOSTER

Jessie Ivory Howell, born 26 May 1903 and Lydia Ethel (Brazeal) Howell, born 20 Feb. 1906; married 14 Nov. 1921. Lydia's parents were Jessie Porter Brazeal and Letha Lee Vaughn. Jessie's father was William Thomas Howell and Martha Winn. William Thomas was married 7 times; born 22 July 1872; died 1 Dec. 1949. Jessie is a twin to Fred Howell, who died in 1976. Martha Winn, born 13 March 1876 or 1896; died 24 April 1908. Joseph William Howell is William's father, born 9 April 1901 or 1900; married Susan Foster in MO. I am stuck here!! Need to find Susan's family. My husband's family are descendants of Josiah Howell from TN. We re missing his parents and their birthdates. Thank you for your time. [Kay Schnack](#)

DATE: 31 Jan. 1997

NAME: Donna Merrill

SURNAMES: COOK ALLEN, HARRISON, ROBESSON/ROBINSON, GAROUTTE, BAILEY, BARTON, LOWRY, McDOWELL, BENTON

Lafayette Cook, born 29 Nov. 1847 in Augusta County, AL; married (1) Sarah Elizabeth Allen, 5 Jan, 1875 in TN? Their children were Jesse; Robert David, married Ellen Cook; Christian Perlina, married Robert Austin Harrison;; and James Monroe. Lafayette migrated to Howell County, MO by 1890. His first wife died then he married (2) Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Robesson/Robinson Garoutte, 13 May 1892 in howell County. She died 6 Sept. 1899. Their children were: Ellen Frances, married David Cook; and John Lafayette. Lafayette married (3) Rutha Jane Bailey, 6 June 1900 in Carroll County, AR. Their children were: Alma Jun, married Harry Barton; Franklin Malcomb, married Blanche Lowry; Homer Lee, married Hazel McDowell; and Austin Robert, married Lillian Benton. Any help would be appreciated. [Donna Merrill](#).

DATE: 31 Jan. 1997

SURNAMES: COOPER, ROBERTS

I am looking for any information on the siblings, parents or children of Marcus A. and Flora(h) J. Cooper. They resided in Benton Township, probably around West Plains in 1870, 1880 and 1900 census. Their children: Izorah Josephine, Emmie A., John M., Mary B., William R., Marcus A., Augusta and Eudoxye that I know of. Izorah married James Lafayette Roberts. I believe parents of Marcus may be John E. and Mary B. Cooper. George H. (wife Orah) Cooper may be a brother of Marcus. Thanks! [Carjoy@juno.com](mailto:Carjoy@juno.com)

DATE: 2 Feb. 1997

NAME: Marilyn Cain

SURNAMES: SHIRLEY, JAMES, GIFFIN

Looking for information on the following families: Thomas Shirley, born about 1857, Howell County, MO; married Elizabeth James, born about 1857. Their daughter, Lora (Laura) Bell Shirley, born 4 July 1877, West Plains, Howell County, MO; married Joseph Giffin, born 1876. They were married 18 June 1898 in Howell County, MO. Thanks, [Marilyn Cain](#).

DATE: 8 Feb. 1997

Name: Geneva McCown Garrett

SURNAMES: WOOD, MORROW

I am looking for any information on the following family. John Wood (son of Henry William Wood) and Polly Ann Morrow (daughter of James M. Morrow) married in Ozark County, MO. When the county lines changed, they ended up in Howell County. They lived at Willow Springs in 1860. John was killed about 1863 by bushwhackers near Howard Springs. They had a daughter, Rebecker Frances Wood, that is missing. She may have died or married before 1870. Any information would be appreciated. Geneva McCown Garrett. [genmg@web-access.net](mailto:genmg@web-access.net)

DATE: 14 Feb. 1997

Name: Ron DePriest

SURNAMES: DePRIEST

I am trying to obtain a copy of my father's birth certificate. His name was Ninrod DePriest, born 23 Dec. 1900. I have been told he was born in West Plains, Howell County, MO. His father's name was Lloyd C. DePriest and his mother was Sarah Jane House. Any suggestions are welcome. [Ron DePriest](#).

DATE: 16 Feb. 1997

Name: Patti Ashcraft

SURNAMES: MATNEY, STILLWELL

I am looking for any information on Joseph Lee MATney and Sarah Jane Stillwell. They lived in Howell County, West Plains, MO in 1880 before moving to Texas. Will share information with you. [Patti Ashcraft](#).

DATE: 16 Feb. 1997

Name: Tracey Thomas

SURNAMES: SMITH, STRICKER

Hi! I am looking for ancestors and family of Miner Smith, 1854-1927; his wife, Alice, 1858-1903; and also his second wife, Doan, 1875-1955. Miner and Alice's son, Lee Smith, 1886-1958, and his wife, Gertrude Julia Stricker, 1892-1937, are also of great interest to me. They are my great-grandparents. Their son, Adrain Lee Smith of Arroll, MO, is my grandpa. I would love to know all I can about this branch of my family tree. Most or all of the children and grandchildren of Miner and Alice live or have lived in Mountain View, MO. If you have any information about this line, please contact me at [KCChief@iland.net](mailto:KCChief@iland.net). Thank you and happy hunting!



DATE: 17 Feb. 1997

SURNAMES: CLARK, LATHEM

I am trying to locate William Clark who married Martha Angelene Lathem. Lived in West Plains, MO or Joplin, MO in the mid to late 1800s. Death may have been in Lampasas, Texas. Any help would be nice. [bonnie@digitalwebsat.com](mailto:bonnie@digitalwebsat.com)

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