

June 1997 Queries

DATE: 3 June 1997

NAME: Patti Price

SURNAMES: WRIGHT, BREEDLOVE

I am searching for the ancestors/descendants of Willis M. Wright, born 20 April 1823 in NC; died 16 July 1890; married Phebe J. (Unknown), born 1834 in TN. Lived in Spring Creek, Howell County, MO in 1860, 1870, 1880 and 1890. Spring Creek was/is near West Plains. I have been trying to find out where Willis was born, who his parents were and what Phebe's maiden name is. They are both buried in the Pottersville Cemetery. Their children are:

1. Timothy Wright, born about 1854 in MO
2. Mary J. Wright, born about 1856 in MO
3. Elisha Benton Wright, born 24 April 1858 in MO; died 8 March 1926 in AR
4. Celia M. Wright, born about 1860 in MO
5. Willis M. Wright, born 1 May 1863 in MO
6. William F. Wright, born about 1864 in MO
7. Parstena/Polhenia Wright, born Oct. 1869, Spring Creek, Howell County, MO
8. John L. Wright, born about 1871 in MO
9. Malica (?) E. Wright, born about 1873 in MO
10. Litha A. Wright, born about 1875 in MO
11. Noah W. Wright, born 26 Nov. 1978 in MO; married Rhoda A. Breedlove

Any help anyone can give me will be greatly appreciated. Thanks, Patti Price. Please E-mail me at FZPrice@aol.com

DATE: 14 June 1997

NAME: Darleen Nave

SURNAMES: INDICOT/ENDICOTT, SPAULDING, DENT, SUMNER, WILLIAMS

My great-great-grandfather Joseph Indicot/Endicott, born 1796, VA, was a blacksmith in the 1850 census of Ozark County, MO (Part of Ozark County later became Howell County.) He first married Patsy Spaulding, 23 Jan. 1820, Floyd County, KY. They had a son, Samuel, born 25 Dec. 1822, Floyd County, KY, and Patsy died soon after (Samuel is not my line, but he married Elizabeth Dent and they are buried in the Pottersville Cemetery, Howell County, Have lots of info on that line if anyone needs it.) Joseph Endicott married Barsheba "Shebbie" Sumner, 6 Jan. 1825, Floyd County, KY. They had four children:

Polly, born 14 Nov. 1831 (Vigo County?) IN. She married William Dent, died in K.S.

Joseph J., Jr., born 1834, IN. He married Mary Dent and went to KS by the Civil War

Gabriel B., born 1836, IN (Vigo County?) - my great-great-grandfather. He died January 1870 according to Howell County records.

Elizabeth Dent, William Dent and Mary Dent were siblings.

After Joseph Endicott died 1860-1865, widow Barsheba Sumner Endicott married Joseph Williams (is this the Joseph Williams buried in the Pottersville Cemetery with only the date 1810, which I believe is his birth date?) Perhaps others are researching the above surnames and can help me with the parents of Joseph Endicott, Sr., born 1796, VA; died MO (Howell County?) I have also tried unsuccessfully to find the burial locations of same.

Joseph Endicott and his son, Gabriel Endicott, 1836, IN - before 1870, both presumably in Howell County, MO or perhaps Ozark County, MO. Probably unmarked graves as they are not in either county's cemetery books.

Would also like to find the burial location of Barsheba "Shebbie" Sumner Endicott Williams, who I have been told went back to IN (Posey County?) after 1880 "where they had so much fun." dnave@msn.com

DATE: 17 June 1997

NAME: Pat Price

SURNAMES: WRIGHT

Looking for information on Willis M. Wright. FZPrice@aol.com

DATE: 27 June 1997

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SURNAMES: COLLINS

I am researching my Collins family. juice@gte.net

DATE: 27 June 1997

NAME: Gregory A. Schumacher

SURNAMES: SHEWBART, RUST

Looking for information on the family of Henry Harrison Shewbart. His son was Andrew J. Shewbart, born 1860, TN, who married Carrie Rust, born 1879, MO. The Shewbarts lived in Howell County. Henry Harrison Shewbart is buried in Evergreen Cemetery in West Plains. I have a bit of information on the Shewbarts, but none on the Rusts. This may have been Carrie's second marriage. Any and all information on this family would be greatly appreciated. Schumach@ccnet.com

DATE: 27 June 1997

NAME: Roy Valentine

SURNAMES: VALENTINE

Trying to determine if there was ever a town called Valentine, MO, located in Howell County. After the Civil War, two brothers who had been doctors in the Prussian Army decided to emigrate to America. They agreed to settle in Missouri. Their names were John and Johnathan Valentine. They left separately with John leaving first. It is believed that John settled in Howell County and set up a medical practice. His family in Germany was well off and he acquired a large amount of property. He married a woman named Lucretia. The story has been passed down that he was well liked and respected and the name of the town where his medical practice was was changed to Valentine in honor of him. He and his wife had two children, Tilly and John David (born 1871). Not long after John David was born, there was a flu epidemic and many people died including Dr. John Valentine. About 1876, Lucretia remarried (do not know the name of this husband). The new husband suggested that John be sent to boarding school and Lucretia agreed. For three years he was gone and then Lucretia found out that her son had not gone to boarding school but had been bound as a "Bonded boy" to a mine in Missouri. From the age six to nine he worked in a mine with no schooling and the money he earned was sent to his stepfather. When Lucretia found out where her son was, she was thrown out of her home and off her property (women being considered chattel in those days which meant any property she had before her marriage became the property of her second husband.) She and her daughter walked from their home to the mine, rescued my grandfather and continued to Kansas City where she became a cook. My grandfather had only three months of formal education and all attempts to recover their family property failed. I was told that the town of Valentine was changed but no one seems to know what the new name was. My family believes that the town of Valentine was in Howell County because my late aunt's birth certificate states that her father's place of birth was Howell County, MO. Any help will be most appreciated. rkvinkdh@interpath.com

DATE: 28 June 1997

NAME: Dennis West

SURNAMES: WEST, GAMBLIN

According to family oral history, my great-grandfather, George F. West, was forced to leave Howell County under duress. The earliest documentation we have is his marriage to Elizabeth Gamblin in Ripley County in 1889. Any help would be welcome. dwest3@utk.edu

DATE: 29 June 1997

NAME: Ann Rogers

SURNAMES: CASTLEMAN, FUNDERBURG

Looking for John Wilbur Castleman , born in MO, who in 1889 married Clara Ellen Funderburg in Douglas County, MO. They had one child, Nora Ellen, born 13 June 1900. John Wilbur Castleman was an itinerant laborer/carpenter. Any informtion on Castlemans who lived in Howell County would be most appreciated. Anninelli@aol.com or Annineli@lynworth.com

DATE: 29 June 1997

NAME: Kathy Schumacher

SURNAMES: RUST, SHEWBART

I am looking for any informatio on Carrie Rust and her family. She was born around 1978 and her parents may have been from Kentucky. Her second marriage was to Andrew Shewbart. They married in 1907 in Howell County, MO. Andrew's father was Henry Harrison Shewbart. He is buried in West Plains. Carrie and Andrew had Gertrude, Ruby, Ruth and Arthur. Carrie's children by her previous marriage were Emmet, Quay, Doyal and Edna. In 1910, this family had moved to Oklahoma. Any information would be greatly appreciated. Schumach@ccnet.com

DATE: 29 June 1997

NAME: Wanda Gilbert

SURNAMES: LEFORCE, BUCHANAN

Looking for information on Raney (Ranie, Rane') LeForce who married Rhoda Buchanan. He died after 1870 in Howell County, MO. Any information will be greatly appreciated. idpublib@oio.net