

October 1997 Queries



Terri

THORP, McCORMICK

I am trying to find a marriage record in Howell County, MO for Moses B. Thorp and Teliltha McCormick. Moses was born about 1837 and they were married sometime between 1853 and 1866. Can anyone help? [Terri](#)



POSTON, RIDDLE

I am seeking information on Martha J. Riddle who married E.J. Poston in Howell County, MO. They had three known children: Firman, born 14 Nov. 1860; Albert, born 17 April 1858 and Luther E, born 30 Oct. 1862. It is believed that Martha was born in TN to parents of Irish descent. It is unknown at what age Martha came to Howell County. E.J. Poston is my great-great-grandfather. My great-grandfather was born to E.J. and his second wife, Rachael Ann Riddle. I have no other information on Rachael. She might possibly have been Martha's sister. I would appreciate any help in this matter. Other information I have indicates that E.J. and his brother went to Sutter's Mill during the Gold Rush in 1949.

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RILEY, CARRICO

I am looking for Margaret Susan Riley who married Basil Jordan Carrico. I believe that his sister, Martha Ann Carrico, married James Wesley Riley. These people were in the Pottersville area in Howell County 1860-1880. [Victoria L. Hobbs](#)



LINTHICUM

Looking for information on a John Linthicum, born KY 1808/09 and died in Howell County, MO about 1885. He had one son, Robert Allen Linthicum, and a daughter, Sarah P. Linthicum. Any information about this family will be greatly appreciated. BellATh@aol.com



Vera (Lane) Reeves

SMITH, ROBERTS

Buried in the Reese Cemetery, Howell County, MO are John F. Smith and his wife Elnora (Roberts) Smith. He was b. 1849 d. 1930. She was b. 1851 d. 1924. Also bur. in Howell County, are Minor Smith and his wife Alice (whose maiden name may have been Bunch?). He was b. abt 1854 d. 1929, she was b. abt 1858 d. 1903. He may have married again, listed in his will was a wife Sarah. Minor had several children believe most of them were m. in Howell County. Would like any information I can get on either of these Smith Families. I believe John & Minor may be brothers to my Gr. Grandfather, Jim Smith. They came from GA. to Howell County about 1888. Thanks for you help!!! [Vera \(Lane\) Reeves](#)



GRIMMETT, MORGAN

I am researching two lines from Howell County. GRIMMETT & MORGAN. My grea-great grandparents were in and around West Plains in the late 1800's My GG Grandmother, Martha Ellen (MORGAN)GRIMMETT died in Sept 1891 in Grimmitt, Howell Co. My GG Grandfather Samuel GRIMMETT was there from around 1870's to 1900's. They had a son, James Jackson GRIMMETT who lived in Howell Co. Any information would be greatly appreciated, Also any information on the township Grimmitt would be a treasure. srichardson@fx2.com



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BRAY, DAVIS, GREEN

I am searching for records of the death date/location of my gr-gr-grandmother, Dolly Orressa (Davis) Bray (1820-dec.) and her son David Bray

(1854-dec.), both of whom died sometime after 1891, probably before 1902, possibly in Howell County, MO. The Howell Co, MO location is assumed on the memoir/travel records (JWBmem) of Dolly's older son John Wesley "J. W." Bray (1849-1916) whose last mention of his mother was his May 1891 visit to his mother and his sister, Fanny (Bray) Green (1840-dec.), "stopping on the way at Willow Springs, one mile from Burnham" The only county in the U.S. with towns named "Willow Springs" and "Burnham" is Howell County, MO), hence the focus on Howell Co., MO for this search. Dolly (Davis) Bray, widowed in 1874 by the death of her husband Maxwell Bray in Arcadia, Trempealeau Co., WI, made her home for years with her daughter Fanny (Bray) Green (1840-dec.), also widowed in Trempealeau Co, WI in the 1870s. Fanny (Bray) Green's children, William D., John, and Nellie Green, were with their mother and grandmother in the 1880 census for Arcadia, Trempealeau Co, WI. David Bray apparently never married. He lived with his brother and sister-in-law J. W. and Adella Bray for many years (census for 1870, Arcadia, WI; 1880, Jewel Co, KS; JWBmem statement, 1891, Table Rock, Pawnee Co, NE). The final record of either Dolly (Davis) Bray or her son David Bray is this comment pencilled on the bottom of a undated letter written by David Bray to his brother J. W. Bray: "Dolly Bray buried her son David Bray in Willow Springs Cemetery." As stated above, the time frame is ca. 1891-1902. Do death/burial records in Howell Co., MO, lend substance to these theories? Any help or suggestions will be appreciated. Mflmfl@aol.com



BUTLER

Jasper Butler & his wife Martha on 1870 Howell County (Willow Springs) Census, they were in Howell County from 1862-1875 (at least) Jasper b. 1839, Martha b.1845 in Tennessee, all children were born in MO, Margaret b.1862, Mary E. b.1868, James J. b.1870, William E. b.1873, Marion J. b.1875, Jasper Butler must have died between 1875-1880 may be buried in Howell Cty, his wife & family show up on 1880 Census in Illinois....Jasper was in the Union Army Civil War.....Where is Jasper? JOakley816@Aol.Com Thank you for your help.



Janis Walker Gilmore

CAMPBELL, SMITH, GRIFFITH

Would like to get in touch with anyone researching the following individuals: CAMPBELL, Boyd b 1818 TN; d aft 1880 Howell Co MO; his father born in SC Spouse: Mathilda Unknown CAMPBELL, John Jasper b 1838 place uncertain, d 1882 Howell Co MO Spouse: 1) Nancy Marie SMITH 2) Mary Jane GRIFFETH Janis Walker Gilmore jgilmore@sccoast.net



STEPHENS, MOSER, BANKS

I am searching for more information on Eliza Virginia (STEPHENS?). She was born about 1835 in Mo. She first married Eli MOSER and after his death, married William Jasper BANKS. I am interested in verifying her maiden name, and very interested in finding any information on William Jasper BANKS. I know he was born about 1830, possibly in NC., but came to Mo. around 1850. BevSmy@aol.com



Tracy Thomas

SMITH, HALL, BURCH, STRICKLER

Hi, all! I've recently added a few surnames and another generation to my Howell County line so here goes: Job/Jobe Smith m. Melissa Emeline Hall were the parents of Minor Smith m. to Alice Bunch and then to Sarah (?) Doan Smith (her children's names are Bottorff). Minor and Alice were the parents of ten children in Mountain View: Wattie Amos Smith, Benjamin Franklin Smith, Willie Smith, Henry Smith, Lonnie (Lonzo?) Smith, Hattie Smith West, Jenny Smith Brotherton, Lee Smith (my g. grandfather m. to Gertrude Strickler), Rachel Smith, and Jeffie Smith. If you have any links to this family, I would love to hear from you!!!! Thank you :) Tracey Thomas kcchief@iland.ne
<http://www.geocities.com/Colosseum/9975>



OWEN/OWENS, ROBERTS

I am looking for information on Virginia OWEN and her parent's. I know that they were in Howell County, MO in 1917 because the birth certificate for Virginia. She was born October 14, 1917 in Willow Springs, Howell County, MO. Virginia's parent's were Robert Milburn Owen and Lilla Mae Roberts. Robert Milburn always went by Milburn. But other than this info I am stuck. I would like to find out if Virginia had any brother's or sister's and when they were 'in' Howell County. I have ALOT of further info on this family and would be more than willing to share what I have with other's that are researching these surnames or people. Hoping to hear from a new cousin, Melissa Shreve-Owen blondie@dynasty.net



HOPE

Seeking information on HOPE family found on 1880 census of Howell County. James HOPE living in household, age 74 b. SC. Family moved from DeSoto Co. MS. Any help on this family is appreciated. My email is Lisa Kight lisacsa@aol.com



SMITH

I am searching for my daughter's mother's (Shirley Ann) birth family. Their mother remembers visiting a farm out side West Plains and staying there to visit with some children (two girls and one boy, one girls name was Anita) at the farm (dairy) who's mother had left, and these children were staying with their grandparents. The Smith's (Chester Lee, and Margie (Fannie Margrette) Jean Smith, adopted Shirley Ann and move to Ok., them to N. M. and finally to Tucson, Az. where they both lived out there lives. My daughters and their mother would very much like to meet their family and learn of the family history so that they may pass it on to theirs. Any help in this quest will be appreciated. Send info to, tsali@pacbell.net



WELLS

I am trying to find James Emmitt Wells. I know from 1870 census his father Samuel and mother Rebecca were in West Plains, Howell county, Missouri at that time. Also that there was a daughter Nancy F. age 3 and a son John A. age 2. James Emmitt was born I believe April 26, 1866. But I can't seem to find any record of his birth. If you can be of any help I would be ever grateful. My e-mail address is coleen@officenet.com
Thank you for any help you can offer.



GRAMMER, LITRAL, MILLER

Looking for any information on the family of John W. GRAMMER. John was born 1828 in Lee Co. VA. He married 1st Sarah LITRAL in Claiborne Co. TN in 1847. Their children were Mary Ann GRAMMER b. 1847 KY and William GRAMMER b. @1850 KY. Sarah died in 1855. John married 2nd Sarah Frances MILLER in 1856 Crawford Co. MO. This marriage produced a number of children, among whom were, Martha J., John L., David L., James L., Elijah S., Ola, and Minnie. There may have been other children. The family appears on the 1870 Howell Co. MO census and I think they would be on the 1880 census as well but I haven't had the pleasure of seeing that listing. John was a veteran on the Mexican War and mentions living for many years in Howell Co. One of the unconfirmed children may have been named Courtney and was handicapped by being born without arms. Any information will be appreciated. Thanks Carl Fisher kingfish@tulsa.oklahoma.net
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HARROLD, BEAMER

I am searching for information on MAHULDA HARROLD, who was born in Grayson or Patrick County, Virginia, March 29, 1812, and who married ISAAC BEAMER c. 1832. The family moved to Chapel Hill, Missouri, and she died there. I would welcome correspondence with anyone who has information of the HARROLD, BEAMER, HOWELL, HARRISON, and DEAN families who made moves from Virginia to Missouri in the late 1700's and the early 1800's. Thank you WILLIAM HARROLD Sealighter@aol.com



CAMPBELL

CAMPBELL, James born in Va. about 1808 married Malinda ? their children were Malinda born 1832 in Ky. William born 1834 in Ky. Sarah born 1836 in In. David born 1844 in Mo. Aisley born 1847 in Mo. Elizabeth born 1848 in Mo. John H. born 1851 in Mo. Elizabeth born 1854 in Mo. James M. born 1857 in Mo. This family is listed in Howell Co. in the 1860 and the 1870 census in West Plains. James died in 1873 and I believe Malinda died before him. John H. married Mary Elizabeth Weaver in the 1870's and they moved to Grayson County Texas. I would appreciate any info on this family. Linda Phillips my email address is LindaMacP@worldnet.att.net



SURNAMES: WEST, BUFFINGTON, WILSON, ATKINSON

I am seeking information about my great-grandparents and my grandmother. JOHN RUFUS WEST and ELIZABETH WILSON were my great-grandparents. They lived in or near West Plains, MO, possibly from the 1870's through the early 1900's. He passed away in West Plains. Their children were CLARA BELLE WEST (Stephens), LEONA MAY WEST (Buffington), FRANCES DELLA WEST (Parrott), JOSEPHINE WEST (Forrester), HARVEY WEST, HELEN WEST (Rouse), MATTIE WEST, and JESSE WEST. Their daughter, LEONA MAY WEST,

was my grandmother. She was born in West Plains on July 17, 1883, and passed away in Pittsburg, KS, Feb. 11, 1955. Her first husband's surname was ATKINSON, but no information is known about him. They had a son named ROY ATKINSON. Her second husband was JOHN WESLEY BUFFINGTON from Shannon County, MO, and they had several children in the Pittsburg, KS, area. Any information concerning this branch of my family would be greatly appreciated. Lena Wilson lwilson@midusa.net