

A Family History Lesson

Presented by
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Introduction

- ❑ Beall High School Class of 1970
- ❑ AA Allegany Community College
- ❑ BS Ed, History Major, Frostburg State
 - Iota Iota Chapter, National History Honors Society
- ❑ US Marine Corps / US Army Retired
- ❑ US Government Retired, Program Assistant
 - Chemical, Biological and Nuclear Nonproliferation
- ❑ Morgan County, WV Historical and Genealogy Society
- ❑ Allegany County, MD Historical and Genealogy Society
- ❑ Several On-Line History Forums and Genealogy Associations
 - Western MD History, Western Maryland Genealogy
 - Mt. Savage History Website and others
- ❑ Company of Military Historians

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Why Genealogy?

- History Class at ACC in 1976
 - Assignment from Sister Mary Alice
 - Follow On project with Esther Doerr at FSC
- Roots TV show airing, and was very popular
- Personal Interests
 - History Major
 - Avid Reader
 - Military Service
- Begatitudes
 - Genesis, Chronicles, Matthew

How to Start Family Trees?

- Start with Yourself
 - Dates, Facts, Places
- Simple Family Tree
 - 3 or more Generations
 - Usually still exist
- Hourglass Tree
 - Up and Down
- Pie Charts and others
- Family Name Lists

Five-Generation Ancestor Chart

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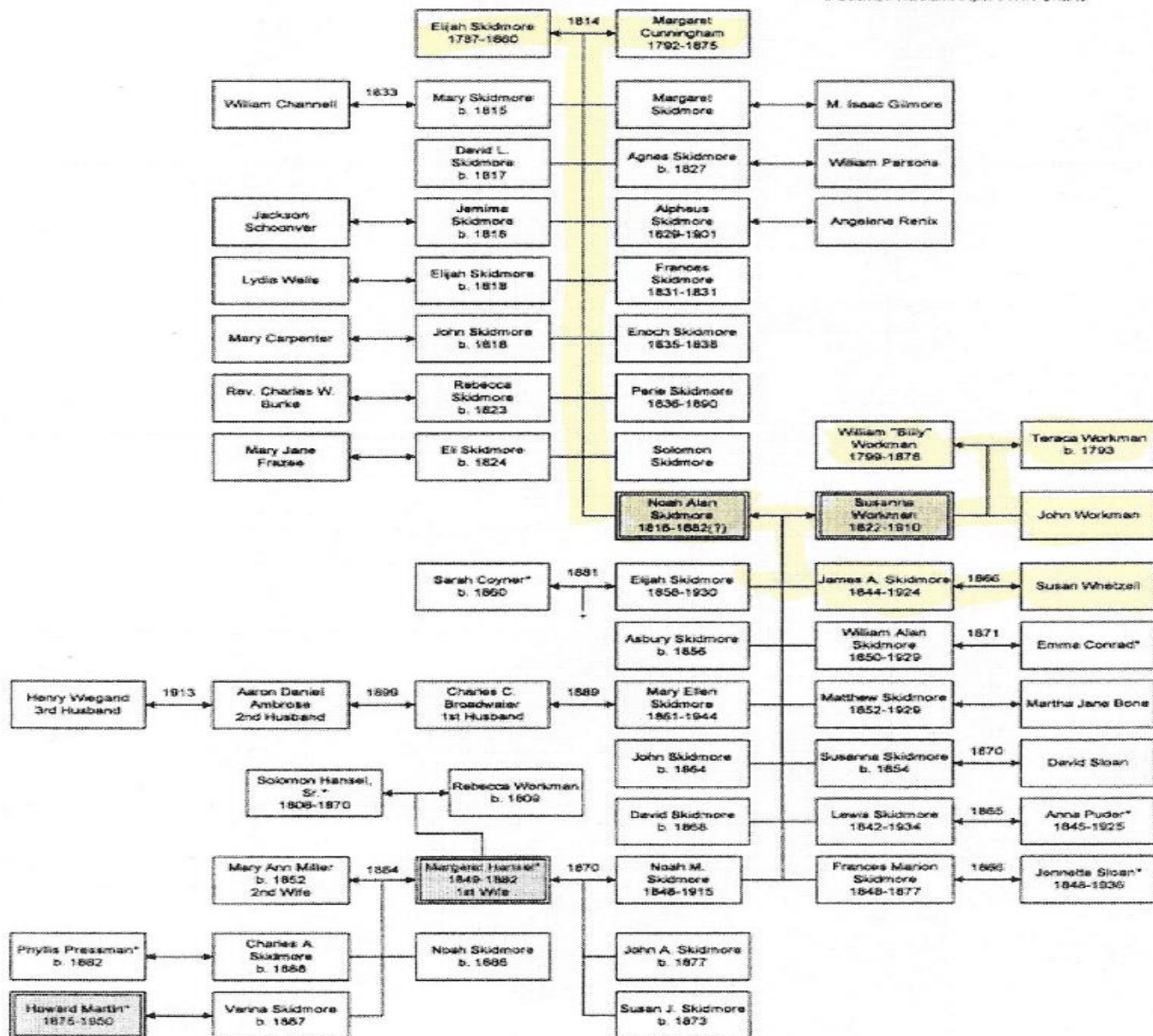
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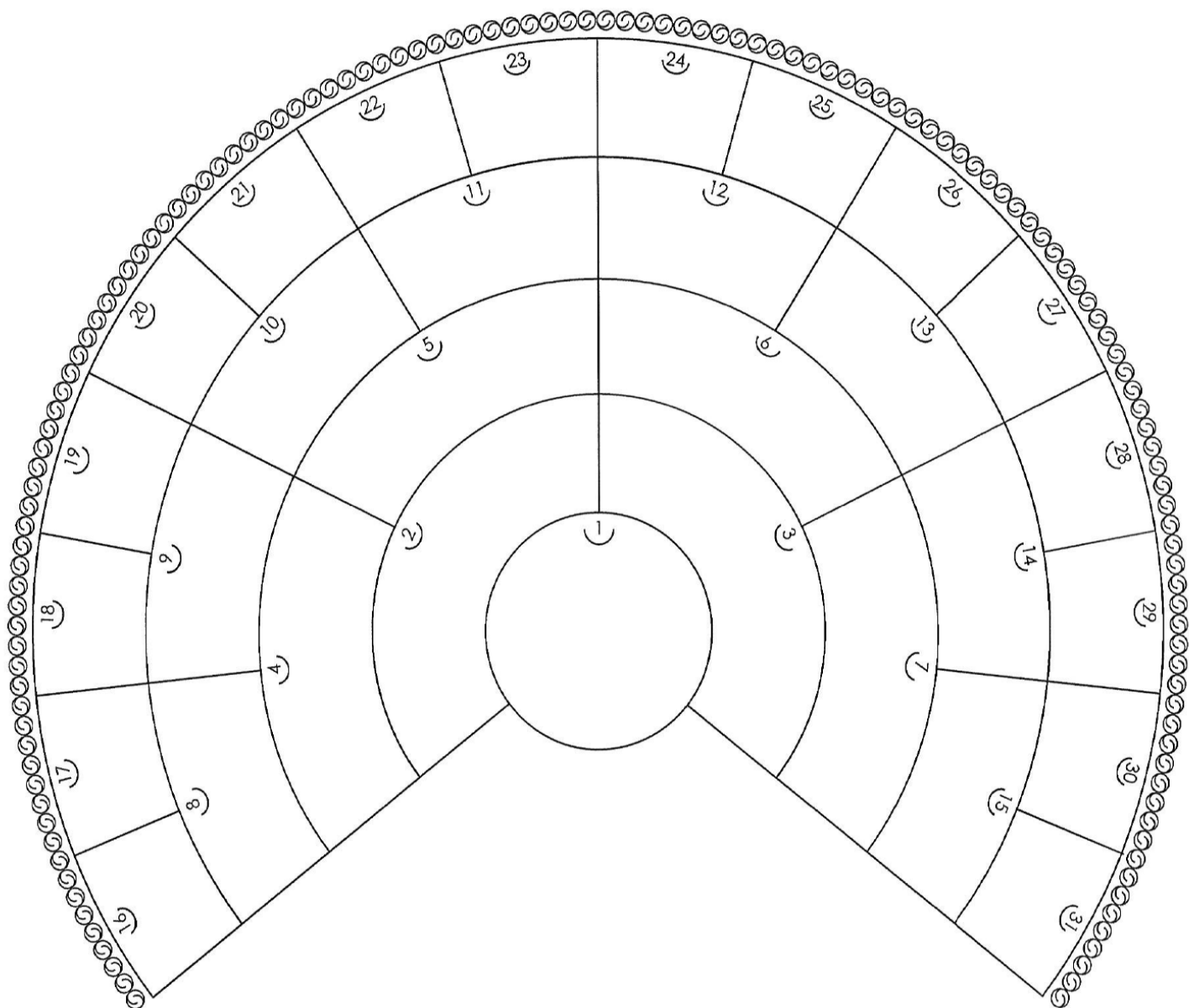
SKIDMORE CHART

*See ANN CONRAD; HANSEL; MCMILLAN; SLOAN; PUDER; PRESSMAN; MARTIN Charts

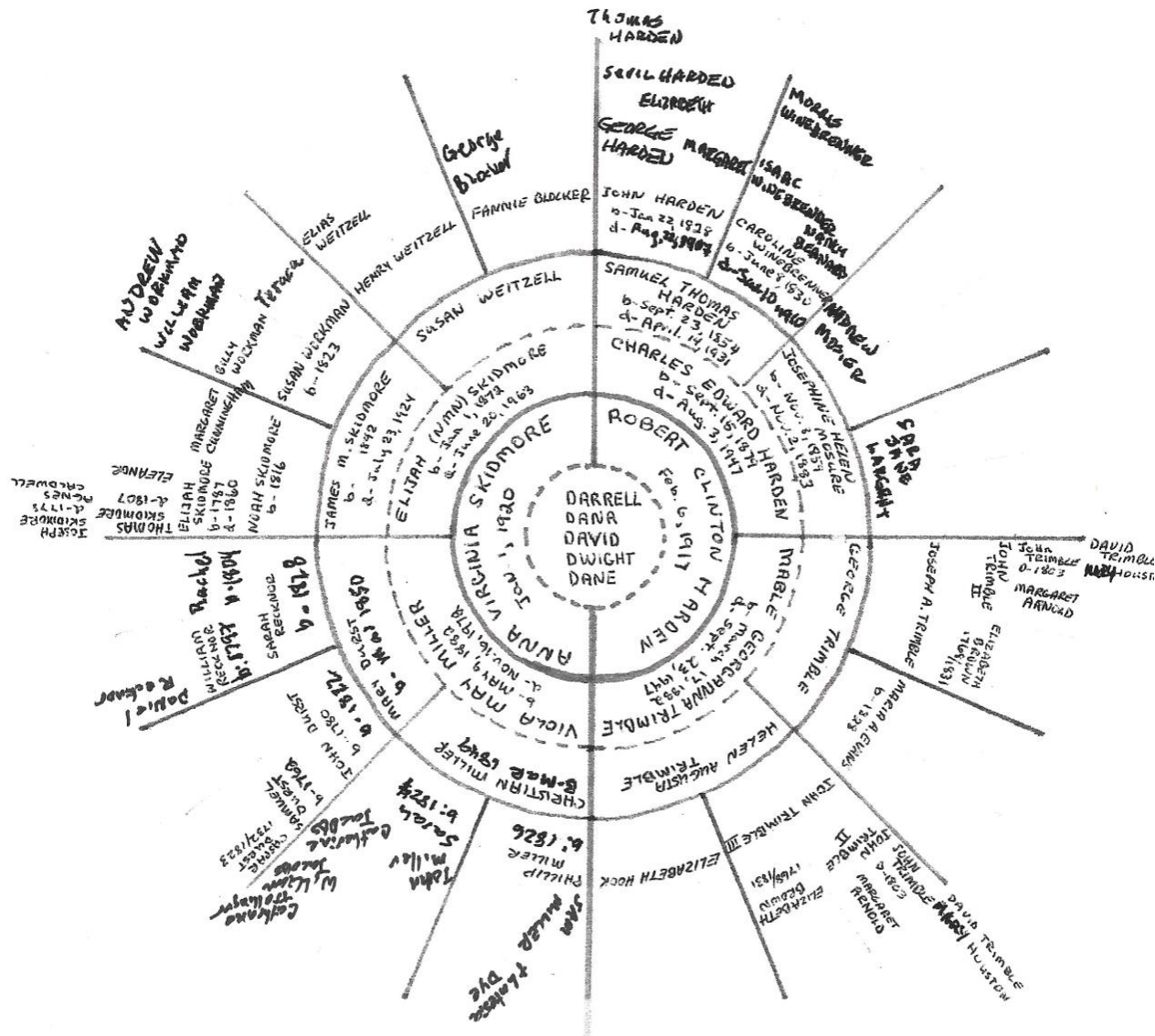


We come from this MARRIAGE

Five Generation Family Tree Fan Chart



HARDEN - MOSURE



TRIMBLE - TRIMBLE

Family Name List

- Harden
- Mosier
 - Largent
 - Winebrenner
 - Newmeyer
 - Bernard
 - Humbertson
- Trimble
 - Hook
 - Brown
 - Arnold
 - Houston
 - Workman

- Skidmore
 - Weitzell
- Cunningham
 - Hamilton
 - Caldwell
 - Workman
- Miller
 - Durst
 - Recknor
 - Ferrare

Names are often spelled differently

Given Names are problems when they repeat

Charles, Elijah, Samuel, John, George, Elwood

Nicknames also confuse records

Charles – Jessie

Jessie Earl – Dick

John – Pappy

Robert – Mickey

Elwood – Eddie

Always look for Provenance

You want a high percentage of proof on names and dates

Birth and death records are good sources.

Written sources, documents are good

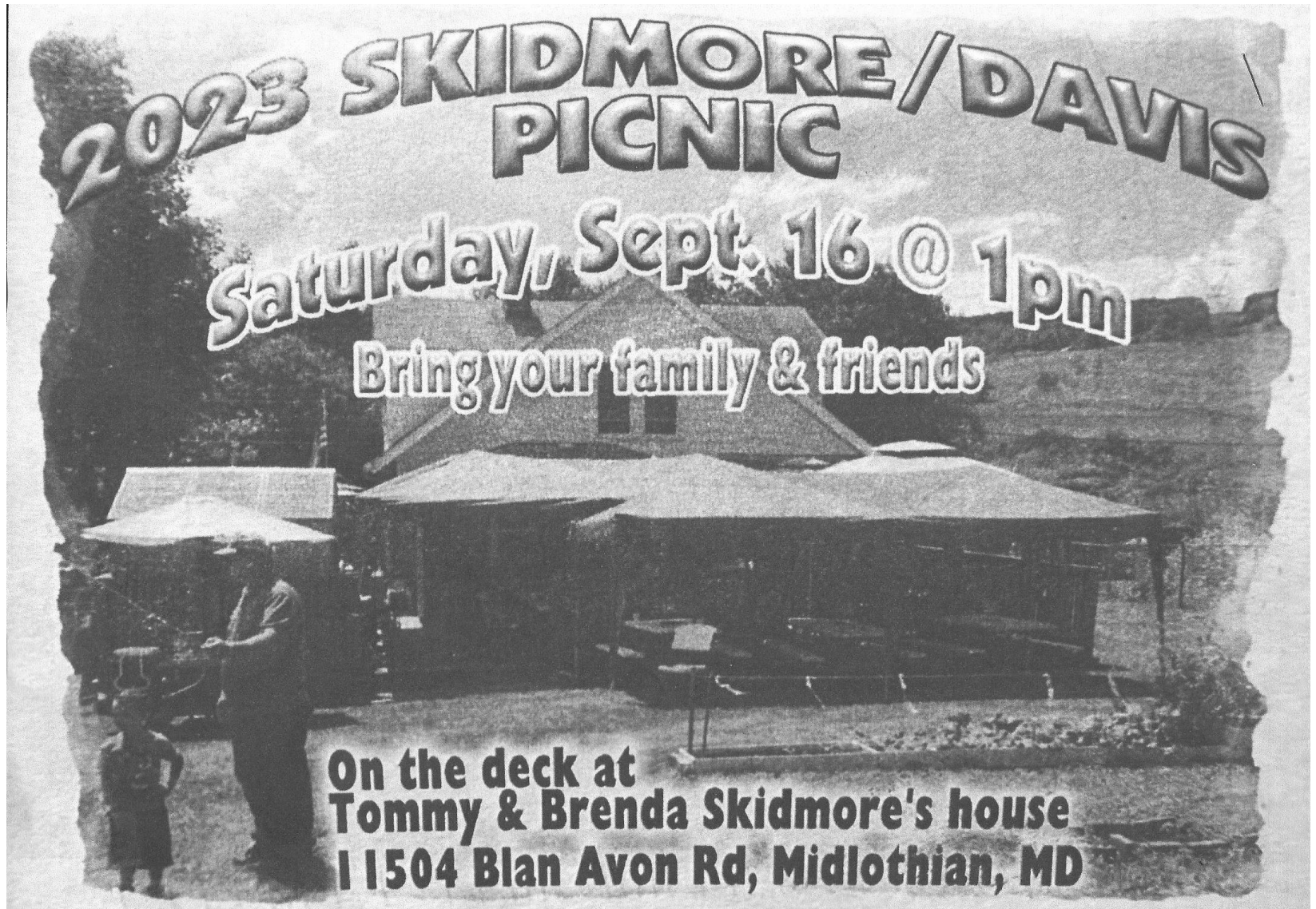
Where to Start Genealogy?

- Family Picnics, Stories, Christmas Letters
 - Family Documents, Bibles
 - Birth, Marriage, Death Records
 - Family Registry Books in Asia
 - Cemeteries
 - Memorial Day Tradition to visit
- Official Records
 - Courthouses, Archives, Obituaries
 - Census Reports, Military Records
 - Community and College Libraries
 - Genealogy Section, Local History Books
- Computer (Ancestry, MY DNA, etc)

Family Picnics



Family Picnics



**2023 SKIDMORE / DAVIS
PICNIC**

Saturday, Sept. 16 @ 1pm

Bring your family & friends

**On the deck at
Tommy & Brenda Skidmore's house
11504 Blan Avon Rd, Midlothian, MD**

Family Bibles

Harden Bible - 1875

**Belonged to John &
Caroline Harden**

**Given down to:
Samuel & Josephine,
Charles & Mabel,
William & Gladys,
and now: David & Lee**

Luke 22:20

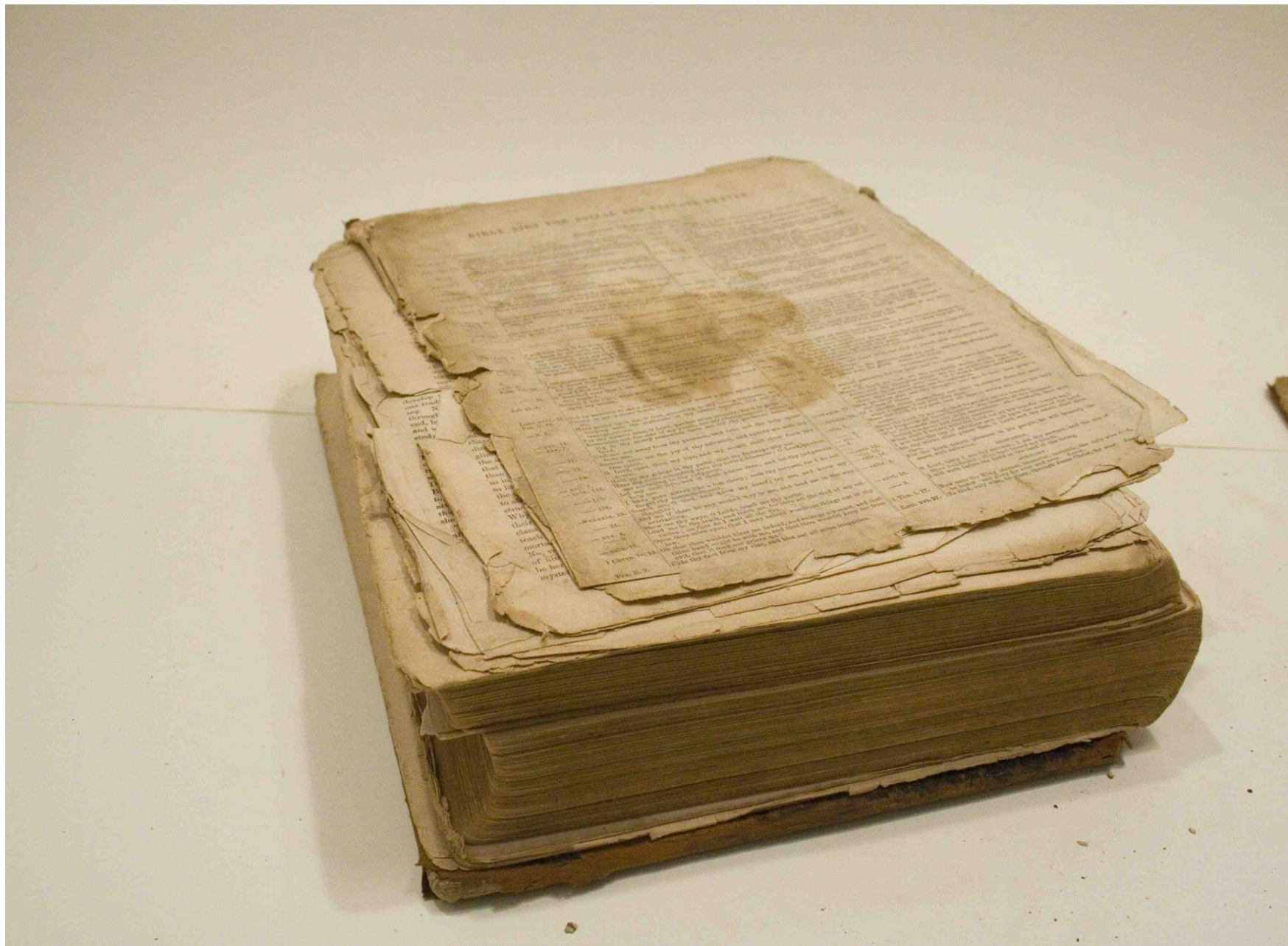


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BEFORE T

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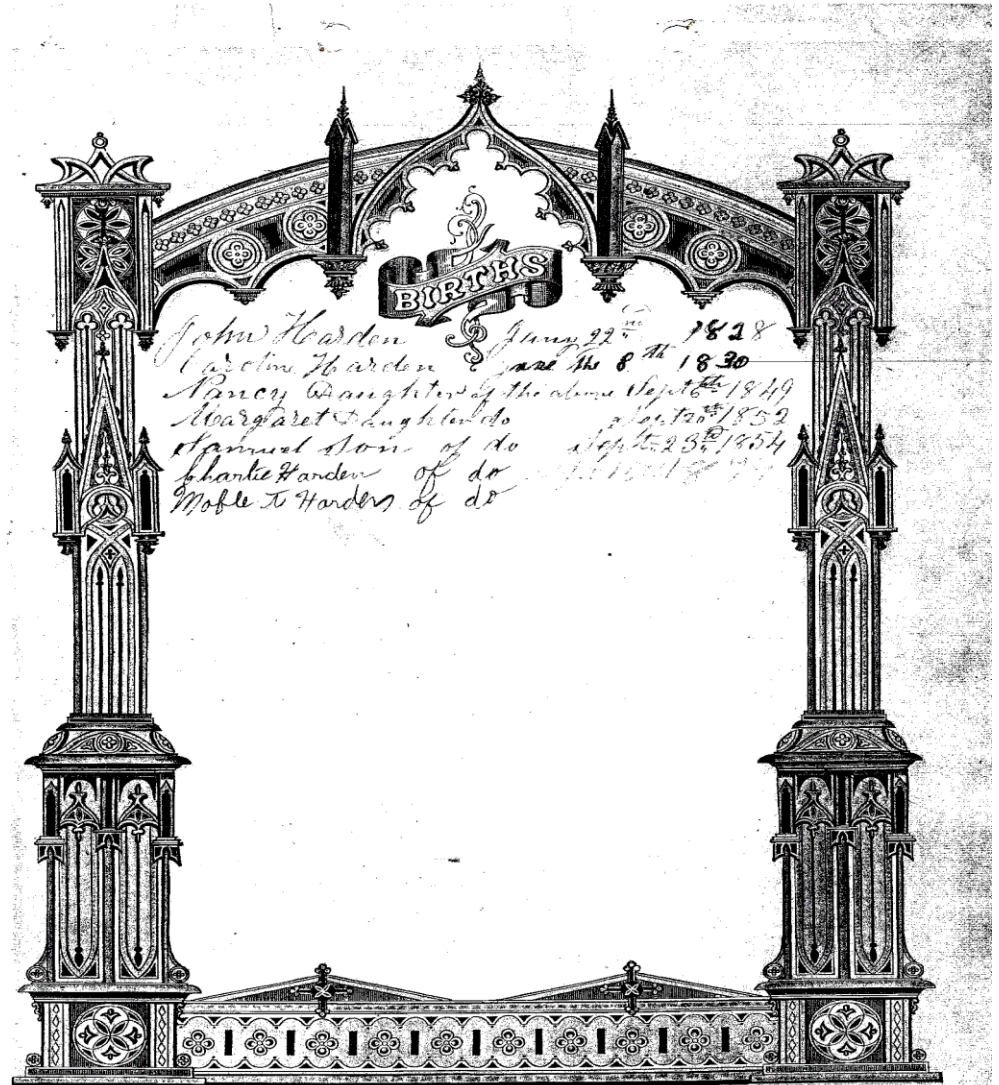


Harden
Bible

Birth Records

3 Generations

John, born 1828
is GGGFather of
David Harden



Skidmore Bible

Record Page

Inside back cover says
“Presented to Francis &
Jennet Skidmore
August the 6th 1867
by Noah Skidmore”

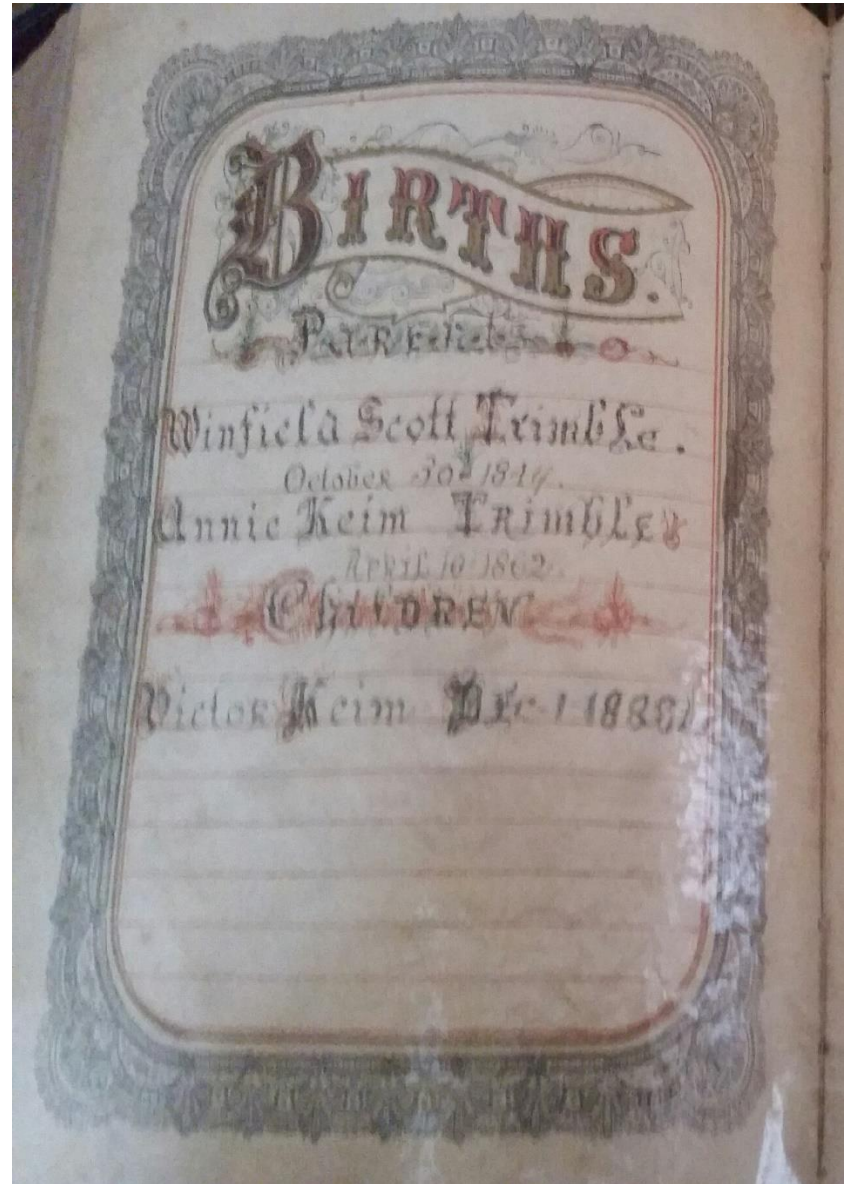
Noah born 1816
is GGGFather of
David Harden

FAMILY RECORD.	
BIRTHS.	BIRTHS.
Francis M. Skidmore was born January the 20 1846	Fanny Skidmore was born January 13 th 1846
Jennet ^{born} Skidmore was born March the 17 1848	Mellie L. Skidmore was born August 5 th 1877
Jennet Skidmore was born March the 1 1867	
Noah Skidmore was born March the 1. in the year of our Lord. 1868	
Junie Skidmore was born June the 30 th 1870 in the 1870.	
Mary Skidmore was born July the 10. 1873.	

Trimble Bible
On Display
At The Evergreens
Museum

Bible is circa 1887

Winfield Scott Trimble is
Uncle to David Harden's
Grandmother
Mable Georgeanna Trimble





Trimble Home, the Evergreens, Mt Savage, MD

Military Service

Archives, Enlistments, Discharge Records

French & Indian Wars

Revolution

War of 1812

Texas Independence

Civil War - USA & CSA

Span/Am War Era

WWI

WWII

Korea

Vietnam

Gulf Wars - Today

Skidmore

Durst, Recknor

Durst

Houston

Skidmore, Durst, Trimble

Miller

Beeghley, Harden

Harden, Skidmore

Broadwater, Spataro

Harden, Skidmore, Jensen

Harden

Look for Military Records

Usually have correct:

Names

Date of Birth

Place of Birth

Entry Address

Physical Information

Education Information



John Skidmore
Co. Captain during 1755
Lord Dunsmore's War

Battle of Point Pleasant

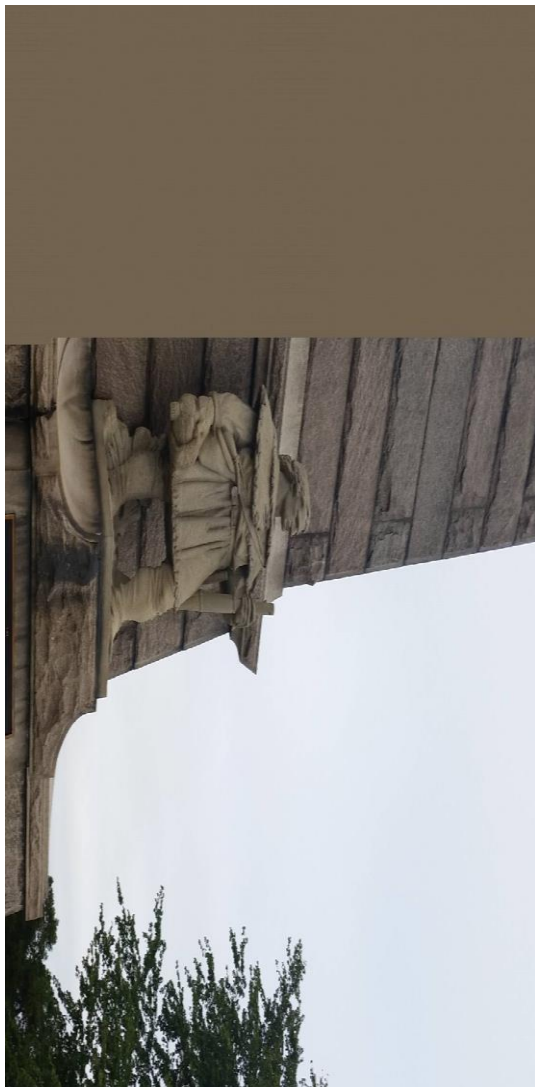
Served as Colonial Judge
and Representative

Helped establish
Pendleton County in VA

GGGGGUncle



Point Pleasant National Park, Point Pleasant, WV

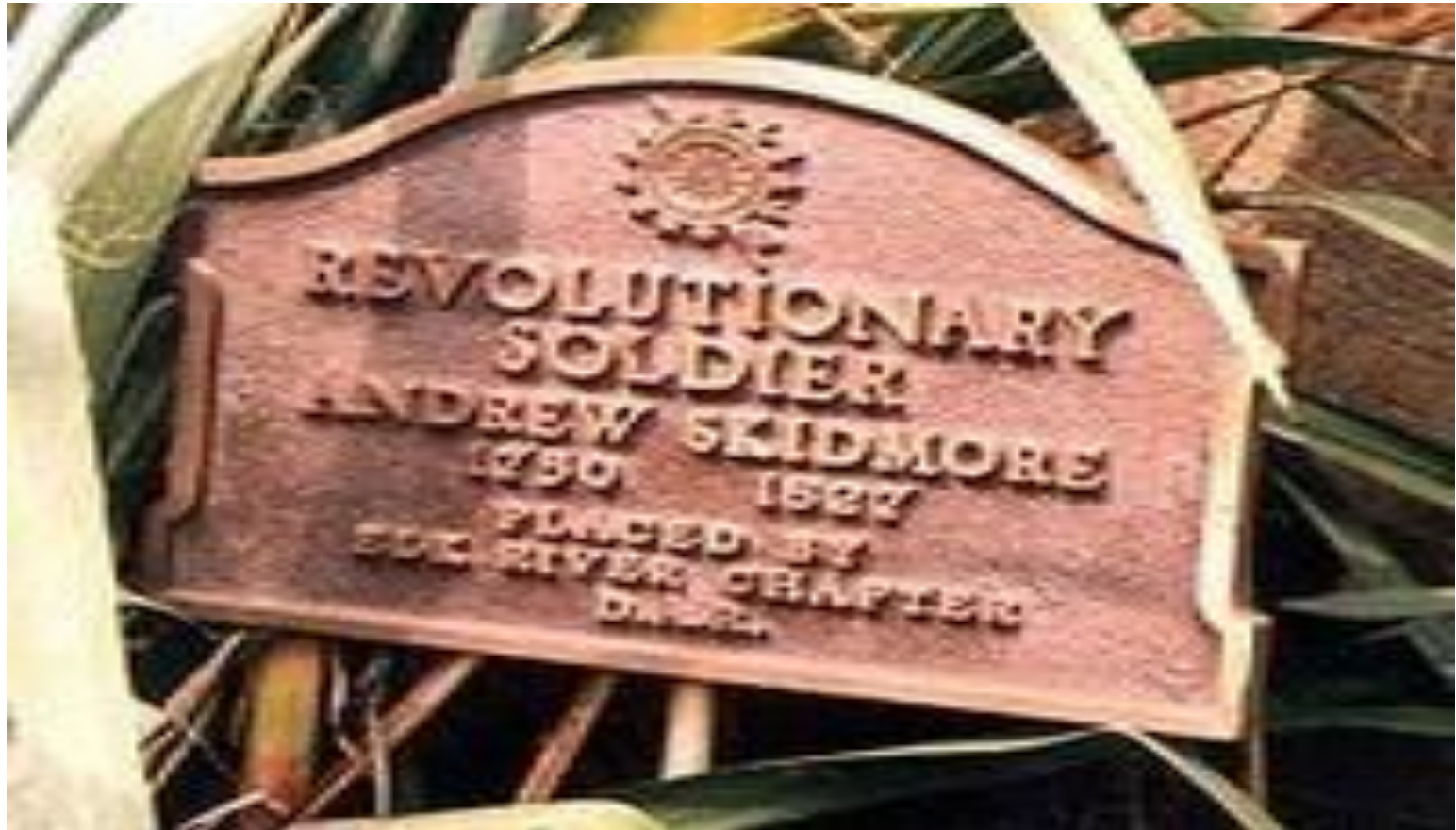




- John Skidmore
- GGGGGUncle
- Buried in Pendleton
County WV

Other markers are
flagstone and river
rocks.

Andrew Skidmore



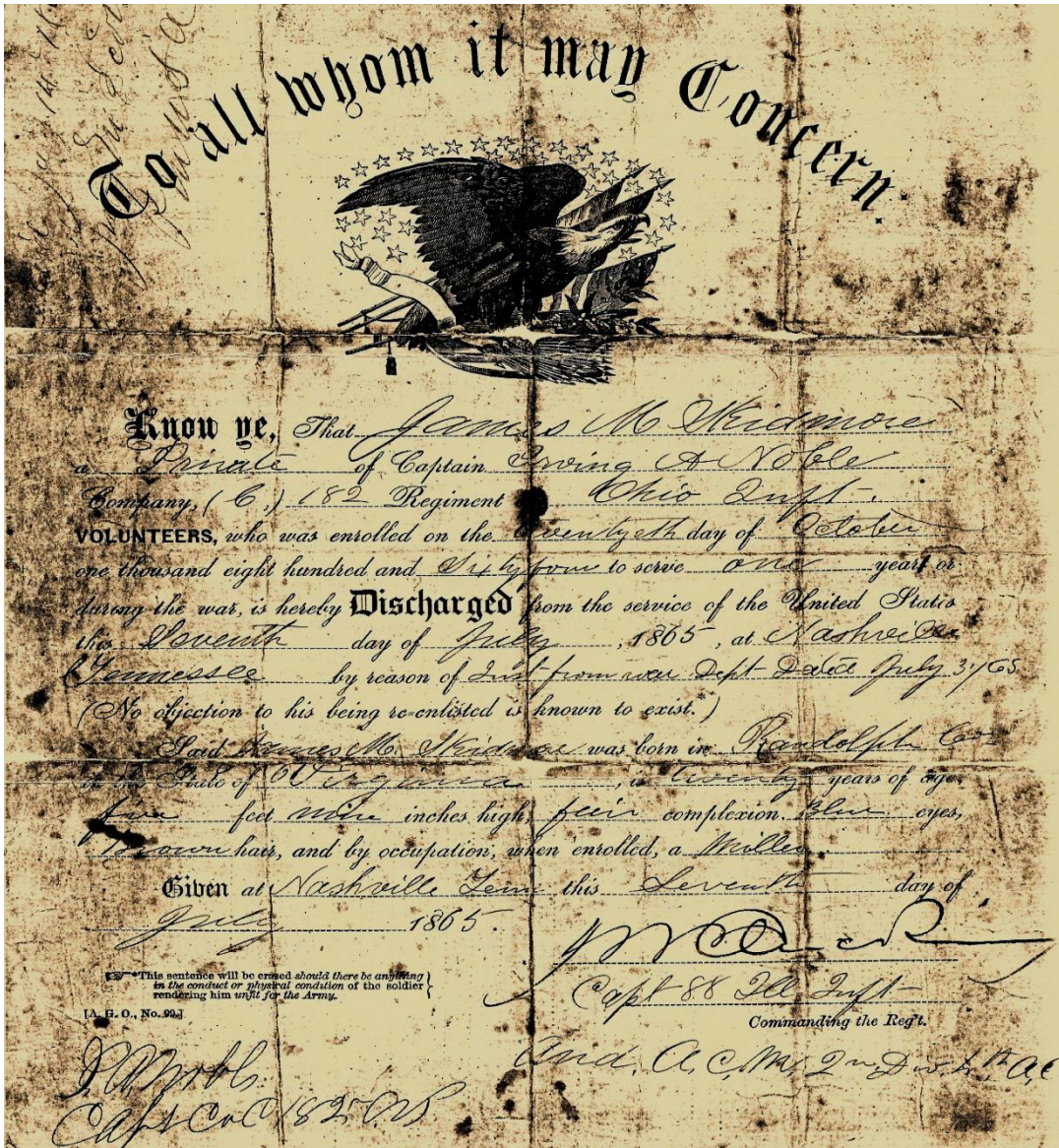
Indian Fighter



John Durst

War of 1812

MD Militia



James M. Skidmore

182d Ohio Infantry
 Enlisted
 Camp Chase Ohio

Brother Francis also
 Served in same unit
 (Skidmore Bible)

GAR Items

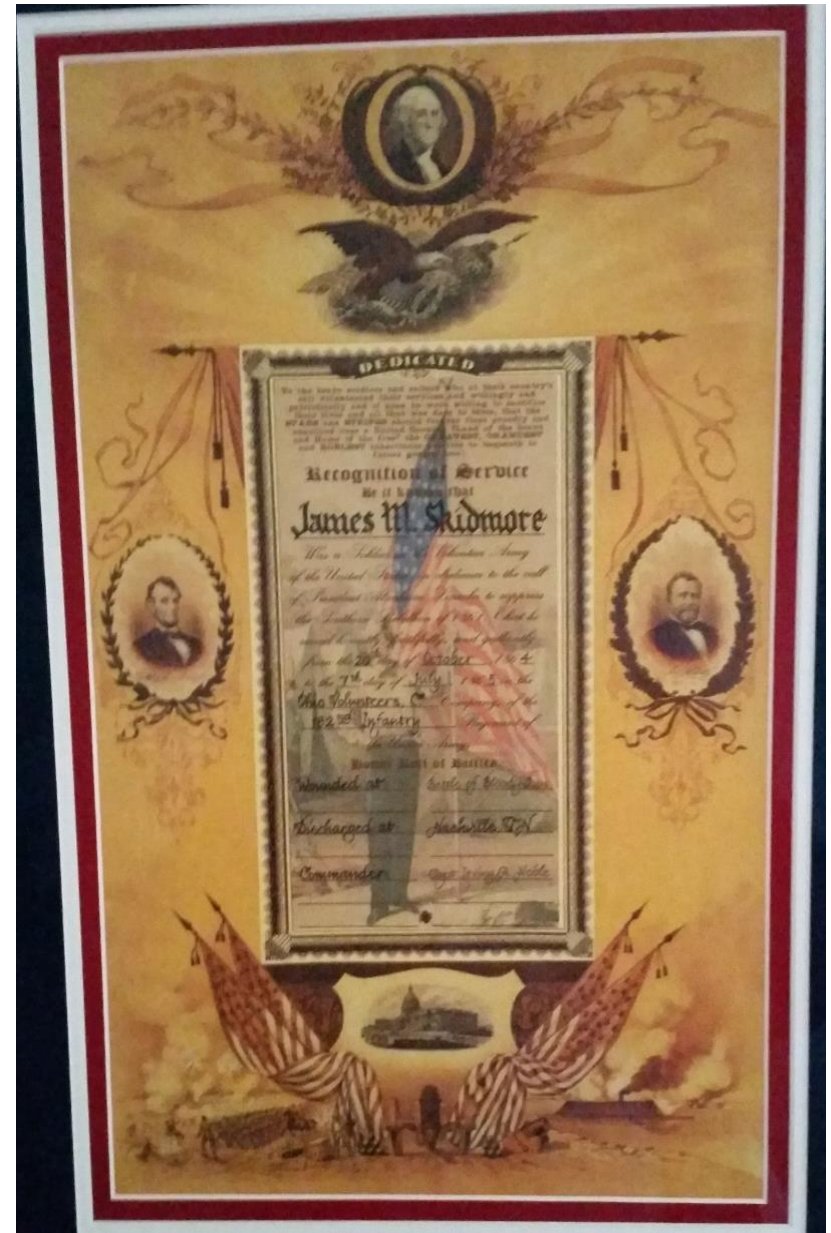
James Skidmore

Grand Army of the Republic

GAR Certificate

Referred to as Discharge
Similar to VFW Certificate

Fought and wounded
at Battle of Bloody Run



Mary Durst M. Iles
(seated)

- 1 John Miller
- 2 Nellie Miller Kemp
- 3 Viola Miller Skidmore
- 4 James M. Iles (usn)



Original: David Harben

James Miller

US Navy

1907 – 1911

Brother of Viola Miller Skidmore

9/12/11

CD

Ord 3-10-11

ENLISTMENT RECORD

DESCRIPTIVE LIST.

Name, MILLER
(Full name, surname to the left.)

James Barthol

Rating, Apprentice Seaman

C. S. C. No. _____

When enlisted, March 11th, 1907

Where enlisted, PITTSBURG, PA.

U. S. NAVY RECRUITING STATION

1907 Serial Number 195

Forwarded, Mar 14, 1911
F. W. Stelling
Captain, U. S. N. Comd'g.

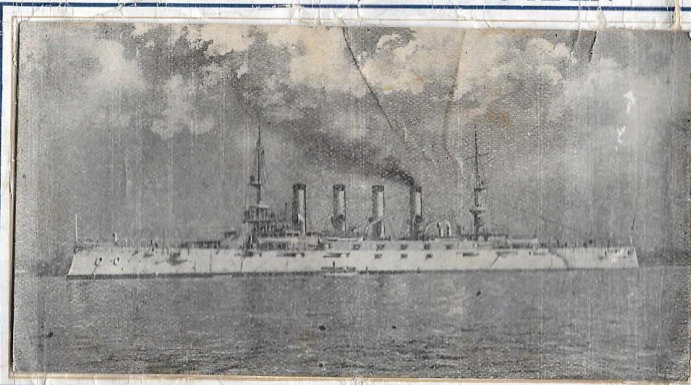
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D-Counted J. B. A.

Domain of Neptuneus Rex

RULER OF THE RAGING MAIN



To all Good Sailors Round the World, Greeting:

Know Ye: That on this, the 30th day of October, 1907, in Latitude 0 and Longitude 73° 21', there appeared within the limits of our Royal Domain, the First Class Armoured Cruiser U. S. S. Washington, bound Southward.

Be it Remembered: That the said Vessel and Officers and Crew thereof have entered our Kingdom and have been inspected and passed upon by myself and also by the Officers of my Royal Staff.

And be it known: By all ye sailors, soldiers, landlubbers, park statues, box-car tourists, haymakers, politicians, chauffeurs, air-ship manipulators and others who may be honored by his presence, that J. B. Truller has been gathered to our fold, and has been found worthy to be counted as one of our trusty shellbacks.

Be it Further Understood: That I do hereby enjoin all of my realm that the said vessel has been recognized and the aforesaid J. B. Truller has been duly initiated into the mysterious degrees of the Order of the Deep.

And, moreover, be it Remembered: That by virtue of the power vested in me by all the living things of the sea, I do hereby command all my subjects, such as mermaids, sea serpents, dolphins, pollywogs, skates, eels, whales, and others to abstain from eating, playing with, or otherwise maltreating his person, should he be unfortunate enough to fall or be pushed overboard.

Disobey this order under penalty of my Royal displeasure.

Given under my hand and seal of the Ruler of the Deep, on the

Harry Jones
Secretary to His Most Gracious Majesty.

30th day of October, 1907.



World War II Service



← Uncle "Jess"
Charles Harden

Uncle "Eddie"
Elwood Harden →

Mom and Dad
Anna & Robert
"Mic" Harden



3 Army

3 Navy

Uncle "Jack"
John B. Skidmore



Uncle "Kit"
James Christian Skidmore



Uncle "Dick"
Jesse Earl Harden



James Barthol Miller, Jr
Barthol was my Mother's cousin

US Army, WWII

Midge lived in Frostburg

Father of Sandy Miller

Sandy provided a lot of help



Cemetery Visits

- Tombstones usually provide names and dates and some relation information
 - Memorial Park, Frostburg, MD
 - Eckhart, MD
 - Porter's, Eckhart MD
 - Episcopal Church, Mt Savage, MD
 - Wellersburg, PA
 - Salisbury, PA
 - Markleysburg, PA
 - Grantsville, MD
 - Sutton, WV
- Cemeteries may be overgrown
- Go out on Memorial Day



George Harden
Wellersburg, PA

Died May 8 1880
Lists AGED
Years and Months

Do the math

Born About 1799

GGGGFather



Anne Harden
Markleysburg, PA

Daughter of George

Sister of GGGF
John Harden

Anna's father George
(GGGGF)
Lived with her when
he was elderly

History of the Church of the Brethren of the Western District of Pennsylvania, 1916

Elder Beeghly was called to the deaconship in 1857 and to the ministry in 1858. In 1876 he was ordained to the eldership. At different times and for a number of years he had charge of the Bear Creek and Maple Grove congregations in Western Maryland. Elder Beeghly did his active church work while living in Maryland. He represented his District on the Standing Committee in 1878, in North Manchester, Indiana, and in 1891 in Hagerstown, Maryland.

In 1910 Elder Beeghly moved to the home of his son-in-law, Andrew Chrise, a deacon, in Markleysburg, Pennsylvania, where they at present reside. Elder and Sister Beeghly have traveled life's journey together for more than sixty-one years, and while they have retired from all business, and he is not able to preach any more, he is still willing to do what he can on the side of right and good, awaiting the summons to the kingdom triumphant.

It is worthy of note that in Elder Beeghly's family five generations are represented in the ministry—his grandfather, his father, himself, his son and his grandson.

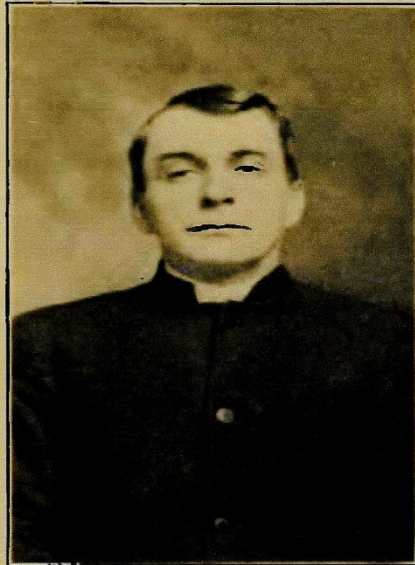


photo of
Andrew Chrise
descendant of
Elder Anna Harden

Beeghly
Chrise family
had 5
generations of
ministers

Also WWI Soldiers
WWII

Elder Beeghly
married Anna
Harden

Sister of
John Harden

Beeghly (Beechy)
5 Generations of
Ministers

Photo of Elder's
Son in Law

Sister Beeghly was
My GGGAunt

GGGFathers

John Harden (GGGFather) His Grave is Unfound
(Wife Hannah Caroline Winebrenner also unfound)

Obituary states he is buried in Porter Cemetery. There is a vacant area next to his son, Sam

Noah Skidmore (GGGFather) said to be in Percy Cemetery
But his stone is unfound also

We visited Lazarus's tomb on a tour in Israel, 2000 years old,
but my GGGFathers are unfound

Samuel and Josephine
Harden
Porter's Cemetary
Eckhart, MD



GGMother
Josephine Mosier



Samuel Harden
GGFather

James M. Skidmore
1842 - 1924

Susan E. (Weitzell)
His Wife
1843 - 1917

Buried in Frostburg
GGFather & GGMother

182d Ohio Volunteer Inf





Grandparents of David Harden
Buried in Porter's Cemetery, Eckhart
Cluster of Harden burials

Grandparents of David Harden
Buried in Frostburg Memorial Park
In a cluster of relatives





Grandfather Elijah Skidmore Grandmother Viola Miller

**Tombstone is on hill side on the right
as you enter the Frostburg Memorial
Park. A short walk below GGFather
James Skidmore**

Cluster of Skidmores buried there.

**Skidmores also buried in WV
Millers/Dursts in PA**

Grandmother
Slide 25





Grandfather Elijah Skidmore Baltimore Sun article 1957

Was a famous story teller, but these
were tall tales;

Two sided dog
20 Foot Blacksnake

Grandpap was interviewed by FSTC Dr
Howard and students, included Mrs Durney

Audio recording is at FSU



Parents of David Harden
Robert and Anna

Robert was provided the VA
Plaque for WWII service

Buried in Frostburg, MD
Memorial Park

Interesting Issues & Examples

- Tragedy in the Mines
- Indian Bloodline
- Finding Lillian
- Cousin Butch
- Aunt Mary's
- Family Curse

Miner Recollections: Runaway mine car kills two at Hoffman Mine

FOR THE FROSTBURG EXPRESS

(Editor's Note: Each week "Miner Recollections" will spotlight Georges Creek coal heritage, and the sacrifices made by those who mined it, by drawing upon biographical sketches, family narratives and historical research.)

The Hoffman Slope Mine, one of the earliest and longest-operating mines in the Western Maryland coal region, worked the Big Vein coal seam. Opened in approximately 1838, the mine came under control of the Cumberland Coal & Iron Co. in 1852. Ownership was conveyed to the Consolidation Coal Co. in 1870. By 1877, the interior slope extended 1,300 feet, connecting with the workings of the Astor Mine in Vale Summit. By 1881, the length of the slope had more than doubled to 3,100 feet, connecting with Consol No. 1 (aka Ocean No. 1) near Midland. The slope reached its maximum length of 7,000 feet in 1898.

Since the mine was at the lowest point of the Georges Creek coal basin, drainage was a persistent problem. Extensive pumping operations were necessary to keep the water in check until the completion of the Hoffman Drainage Tunnel in 1906. The early mines commonly used a coal-fired engine at the mine face to turn a "bull wheel." The wheel controlled wire cables that raised and lowered the mine cars. A runaway mine car in the dark and narrow passages posed a severe threat to the men working at the mine face, and anyone else in its path.

At 3 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, 1890, 37-year-old James Maurice Carter, his step-nephew, 39-year-old Hanson Porter, and an unmarried miner by the name of William Murray arrived at the Hoffman Mine to begin work on the second shift. Workers were loading tram cars with wooden props when the three men arrived at the mine portal.

Instead of using the assigned route to reach their work areas,



Submitted Photo

This undated photo shows James M. Carter Sr., who was killed in an accident at Hoffman Slope Mine on March 27, 1890.

the threesome decided to use the slope through which the mine cars entered and exited the mine. Although this was not the proper route for their purpose, it was easier than using the manway, which was very muddy at the time.

After pausing to allow the passage of a trip of tram cars being lowered to the coal face, the three miners proceeded onward down the slope toward their work stations. Somehow, a tram car loaded with mine props got away from the men working at the mine opening and ran away down the slope at a frightening pace. The noise of the wire rope on the rollers deafened the miners to the sound of the runaway mine car headed toward them. The car struck the three miners, and according to the newspaper stories, tore Porter and Carter to fragments. Murray was severely injured, and was reported to still be unconscious at 10 p.m. on the evening of the accident.

Father DeWolf of Frostburg was called to William Murray's bedside. The injured miner's condition was so precarious that he was not

expected to survive. In spite of diligent research, no further details on the fate of William Murray were discovered.

Hanson Porter was buried in the Porter Cemetery in Eckhart Mines. He was the son of James Porter and the stepson of Rachel (Carter) Porter, the sister of James M. Carter. Hanson left behind a widow, Margaret Ellen (Harden) Porter; a 17-year-old daughter, Laura Mae; and a 13-year-old son, John Porter. Hanson's father, James Porter, had died March 8, 1890. Within three weeks, Rachel Porter lost both her husband and step-son.

James M. Carter was also buried in the Porter Cemetery. He was the son of Richard Carter and Margaret Neibiser. He left behind his wife Harriet "Hattie" (Porter) Carter, with child, and a 7-year-old daughter, Fanny. James Maurice Carter Jr. was born on May 15, 1890, exactly seven weeks after his father's tragic death in the Hoffman Mine.

Be sure to read next week's "Miner Recollections," where you will discover the continued story of "Baby James," James Maurice Carter Jr.

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The Coal Miner Memorial Statue Fund is accepting contributions for the placement of an educational memorial near the crossroads of state Route 36 and the National Road in Frostburg. A bronze statue will honor all of our Georges Creek miners and name those who perished while mining. Tax-deductible donations can be mailed to Foundation for Frostburg CMMSF, P.O. Box 765, Frostburg, MD 21532.

We welcome updated information and encourage your participation. Contact Polla Horn at jph68@verizon.net or Bucky Schriver at bucky1015@comcast.net to share your thoughts and stories. Be on the lookout for future "Miner Recollections."

Miner Recollections: A Skidmore family saga

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In the movie "The Ten Commandments," the misty plague of death crept under doorways and through windows of every house not marked by lamb's blood. In the first half of the 20th century, this deadly mist seeped into coal mining homes from Barrellville to Westernport, suffocating those who served as husbands, fathers and sons.

Noah M. Skidmore was born in March 1847 to Noah Alan Skidmore and Susannah (Workman) Skidmore. He had seven brothers and three sisters. Noah married Mary A. Jones on Aug. 14, 1870. The couple lived at 60 Union St. (Main St.) in Frostburg where they raised six children.

Noah and Mary were respected citizens; they were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, just a few doors away, where Noah was an earnest worker for the Lord. He provided for his family by picking coal at Union Mine No. 1 in Zihlman. He was proud of the fact that he had worked for more than 35 years without an accident.

On May 8, 1903, Mary packed his lunch bucket, putting icy cold water in the bottom of the three-tiered metal container; next, a huge sandwich made with thick slabs of freshly baked bread; and on top, Noah's favorite: a fat apple dumpling, dripping with brown sugar syrup. He left for work just as the sun was peeking over the mountains. After laboring for several hours, he and his buddies sat down for a snack. Noah had been thinking about that apple dumpling all morning. Like most miners, he ate his dessert first ... "just in case."

He returned to the work of taking down breast coal when a slip of "horseback" caught him on the head. The accident was fatal, and Noah was laid to rest in the Allegany Cemetery (Frostburg Memorial Park) at the age of 56.

Death crept into the home of Noah's nephew, Jonas Skidmore, son of Noah's brother James, and his wife, Susan. Jonas lived in Borden Mines with his wife Elsie May (LaRue) and his two daughters: 2-year-old Beulah and 5-month-old Mary Alice. He was employed by the New York Mining Co. in Union Mine No. 2.

On July 10, 1918, Jonas and two of his co-workers, Robert and William Carter, had just finished their shift and were about to leave the mine. A king bar swung out, caught Jonas, and buried him beneath tons of top coal and rock. Robert and William Carter narrowly escaped death. A force of men worked for seven hours (tunneling under the fall and retreating several times, as the sides of the mine began to slide) before reaching Jonas' body.

The grave of 32-year-old Jonas, like his Uncle Noah's, is in Allegany Cemetery. Jonas' widow, Elsie May, moved with their daughters to Garrett County, where they lived with her widowed father and several of her siblings. She later married George Clark.

Two years later, on July 31, 1920, Noah's brother and sister-in-law, James and Susan Skidmore, lost another son. Jonas' brother, Thomas A. Skidmore, was employed by the Consolidation Coal Co. in No. 12 Mine. He was fatally injured by a fall of roof coal and slate around noon. He was taken to Miner's Hospital, where he died several hours later. Thomas' wife, Maud M. (Geary) and their son, Russell, were left to grieve with others in the Skidmore family.

The foggy fingers of death tried to grasp yet another of Noah's nephews. Louis Skidmore was the son of Matthew Skidmore and Martha "Jane" Bone. Louis was born in Borden Mines on Sept. 17, 1884. He and his wife Nellie (Drew) lived in Midlothian. Like the rest of his family, Louis was a coal miner, employed in No. 11 New Shaft Mine. It was here, in November 1921, that Louis Skidmore cheated death. He was injured in an explosion that caused permanent blindness. However, at the age of 37, and with great resilience and fortitude, Louis (with only a fifth grade education) went on to become a grocery merchant. He and Nellie were able to purchase a home and support their four daughters and two sons. Louis lived an additional 36 years after the explosion; he died in 1957 at the age of 72.

As confirmed by the saga of Noah Skidmore and his nephews, Jonas, Thomas and Louis, when researching one family member, the legacies of relatives are often uncovered, revealing the continued vulnerability of George's Creek coal miners to serious injury and the misty plague of death.

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Indian Bloodline

Nemacolin

Chief of Delaware band of

Approximately 160 Indians who
resided around Will's Town.

Memorialized on the Frostburg
University yearbooks

Wooden statue of Nemacolin is
in the Nemacolin Country Club
In Beallsville, PA. Located on
the Old National Highway.



Chief Lonacona, son of Nemacolin, of the Fish Clan of the Turtle Tribe of the Lenape Nation. Lonacona, befriended Daniel Cresap and was called George Cresap to Protect him from Retribution attacks. He also helped scout the Trail that became the National Road.

Lonacona is buried in Rawlings, MD

His daughter, Teresa born about 1793 at Ft Redstone, PA a wooden fort built in 1759 on the Nemacolin Trail, by Colonials for defense during French & Indian War

(Ft's Ashby, Cumberland, Ligonier, Shirley, Redstone)





William Workman,
Born about 1799
in Will's Town, MD

Called Indian Billy, he
was famous Indian dancer
Traded land holding for
whiskey when he moved
to WV

Married to Teresa (Tereca)

Related on Trimble
and Skidmore lines

1800 Census annotated As Will's Town

Includes William's
father Andrew
(Plus unidentified)

Arnold, Trimbles
and Josiah Frost are
Also listed here

23	57	24	19	12	40	18	13	19	9	24	3
Anthony Arnold	2	1		1		1			1		
Wm Logston				1							
Ralph Logston					2		1				
John Arnold		2		1				1			
Elizabeth Durbin	2										
John Durbin	3	2		1				1			
Saml McKenzie	3										
Fred Ricard	1				1	2	3		1		
James Bauer	4	1		1	3	1		1			
Arndt Arnold				1	1			1	1		1
Henry Mattingly			3								2
Nichl Durbin	1				4	2	2	1			
Geo McKenzie	2	2		1							
Wm Durbin					2			1			
Andrew Bruce	4	1		1	1	1			1		
Fred Lepp	3				1	3	1				1
Adam Munch						1		1			
Geo Lepp		1	1							1	
Geo Lepp Junr					2	1				1	
Eben Bruce	1	1			2		1				
Edw Grimes				1	3			1			
Philip Merrill	2	1		1	2	2		1			1
Nichl Oswald	2	1		1	4	1		1			
John Trimble											
John Trimble Junr					1				1		
Peter Preston											
Geo Preston	1	1			1		1				
Isaac Workman Junr	1	2									
Isaac Workman Senr			2		4			1			
Andrew Workman	2		1		2	2			1		
Isaac Workman	4	2	1		2	1					
John Wycoff	2	1	2		1	1		1			
Henry Sisor	1			1							
Wm Wycoff					3						
Harold McKenzie	3		1		1						
Saml Durbin				1		1	1	1			
Philip Hunsell	1	1	2	1	1				1		
Barbara Robinson		2	2		3	2					
Solomon Robinson	1				2			1			
John Sisor		2	1								
Wm Lancaster	1					1		1			
Geo Waddles	1			1							
Alban Miltton	1	2		1	4	2	2	1			
Josiah Frost		2			3	2					
Isaac Clapner	3	1		1	3	2			1		
John Clapner Junr											
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Finding Lillian



“Finding Lillian”

July of 2014, My sister-in-law, MaryAnn Harden asked if I could help identify this lady. The card was in some pictures from our Mother, Anna Harden, had before she passed away. MaryAnn scanned and sent me the picture and I was able to come up with this idea. This is an old style photo post card popular at the beginning of the 20th century, with the standard photo on one side and the address and stamping (w/o franking) on the other side. The McKinley post card stamp places the card after 1907, which is in keeping with the dress the young lady is wearing. McKinley was the 25th President, lead the country during the Spanish American War, although popular, he was assassinated in 1901. The stamp shows the 1901 date. It is hard to tell when the card was actually used due to the lack of franking, or cancellation.

The card was addressed to Grandma Viola Skidmore and annotated with the name "Lillian". In the Skidmore family there was a young lady of that era named Lillian Lancaster. And there is only one Lillian so that narrows this down. Lillian was the daughter of Ella Skidmore (Grandpop Elijah's sister) and Grant Lancaster. Lillian was my Grandma's niece, and our mother Anna Skidmore Harden was a first cousin, although Lillian was older than our mother. I found Lillian's birth year as 1894 on her tombstone. And her mother, Ella was born in 1874 according to the 1900 census.

Lillian is shown on the 1910 Census as being single and fifteen years old and is no longer residing at her parents' home. Her home was by now probably crowded and her schooling was done so Lillian was living with her Grandparents and helping the old folks. They were then almost 70 years old. That was my Great Grandfather, James Skidmore who served in the Civil War. Our Grandfather Lige is shown on the same Census page as living several houses away, so I am sure that Lillian was very well acquainted with Grandma Skidmore. And as the only girl in her family she probably spent time with her Aunt Viola.

Since the stamp came out in 1907, Lillian would be maybe 13 then and the card could have been used for the next few years, (In 1910 she was 15) so only guessing that the card was used later, (Remember Frostburg didn't get the new stamps and postage until the old stuff was used. I would guess this makes Lillian about 18 at the time of the picture, so maybe this is her 18th birthday photo or maybe this is an engagement photo or wedding picture.

In the 1920 census she is living with her husband George Bennett in Garrett County with at least 6 children, probably married in 1914. Then by 1940 the family moved back to Mount Savage. Lillian passed in 1951 and is buried in Frostburg, MD.

SHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY Election District No. 1
(Insert proper name and, also, name of class, as township, town, etc.)
NAME OF INSTITUTION _____

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910—POPULATION

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT NO. 5 SHEET NO. 12
ENUMERATION DISTRICT NO. 12

SHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY Electoral District no 11 NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE Dunelm, England WARD OF CITY 2
(Insert proper name and, also, name of claim, or township, town, precinct, estate, bounded, land, etc. See instructions.) (Insert proper name and, also, name of claim, or township, town, precinct, estate, bounded, land, etc. See instructions.)
NAME OF INSTITUTION _____ ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE 27th DAY OF April 1910 Chas. S. Williams ENUMERATOR

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Cousin Butch

My Cousin Butch was interested in his birth family. He was raised with 1 brother Tom by Foster parents. At a family picnic in 2015 Butch asked if I could research his birth family.

After a DNA test and contact, discussions with several genealogists, On-Line forums and family we identified 5 brothers, 3 half-sisters and birth mother.

Strange coincidence: I mentioned this at my home with a small group from church. The Pastor was amazed. Cousin Butch's mother, Virginia is the grandmother of the pastor from Union Chapel. The youngest of the 3 Half-sisters is the Pastor's mother.

Butch and brother Ed met for the first time, visited with Mother, met their nephew Mike and spoke with their sister Thelma in April 2016. Continuing to establish ties. Have met several cousins

GD*	Full Name	Email	Most Distant Ancestor	Y-DNA HG**
0	David F. HARDEN	Hardend@aol.com	Savel Duncan Harden b. 1768 d. 1832	G-Z16770
0	Mr. James Cornthwaite	ecornthw@gmail.com	Savel Duncan Harden b. 1768 d. 1832	G-Z16770
0	Dennis Robert Harden	faharden@yahoo.com	Henry Harden b 1810+/- d ?	G-M201
1	Ray Bigonesse	bigray327@yahoo.com		G-M201
1	Wayne A Clark	ruby2shoes_@hotmail.com	Alpheus Z. Clark, b. 1838 and d. 1917	G-Z16770
1	Richard Steven Clark	clarkrs1989@gmail.com	George Henry Clark	G-Z726
1	Mr. Lawrence Joseph Salisbury	fxofc2@gmail.com		G-M201
1	Mr. Bradley Robert Clark	gamma57721@gmail.com	Samuel Clark, b 1642, Newport, RI	G-Z16770
1	Edward W. Harden	yonan@fgi.net	Isaac Harden b 1767 PA, d. 1848, Somerset Co., PA	G-P303
2	Mr. James Robert Clark	clarkjim@earthlink.net	Christopher Clark	G-M201
2	Mr. Michael Paul Terry	kd4kl@arrl.net	John Terry b 1740 NJ	G-M201
2	Mr. Ronald Keith Harden	keith1560@comcast.net		G-M201
3	Bruce Clark	mllloyd@aol.com	Elisha Clark, b. 10 Sep, 1796, d. 2 Jul 1862	G-Z34083
3	Jason Lee	jason_delane@yahoo.com		G-M201
3	Craig E. Terry	cterry@gorge.net	John Terry Jr., b. 1742 and d. 1795	G-Z16770
3	James Grant Terry	SabreQueen1@aol.com	John Terry b 1740 NJ	G-Z726
3	Mr. Curtis William Waller	durness98@comcast.net	John Waller, b 23 Feb 1673, England	G-M201
3	Kenneth Scott Goss	kenneth.goss@yahoo.com	James Goss, 12 Taylor Street, Nottingham, England	G-Z16770
4	Robert Reynolds	robert0764@sbcglobal.net	John B. Reynolds, b abt. 1822 and d. 3/28/1901	G-Z16770
4	Roland Douglas Wildey	roem2@aol.com	Richard Wilde(y)	G-M201
4	Jerry Lee Terry	terryij@gmail.com	John Terry b 1740 NJ	G-M201
4	Matthew David Wilde	mwilde1@twmi.rr.com	Isaiah Wilde (b) Jan 30 1754, Dutchess County NY	G-Z726
4	James Robert Harden	cribbagebd2@yahoo.com	Isaac Harden b 1767 PA, d. 1848, Somerset Co., PA	G-M201
4	Mr. Wayne Williams	alsak@iafrica.com		G-M201
4	John Henry Reeves	crazyjohnla@yahoo.com	Reeves	G-M201

* Genetic Distance

** HaploGroup

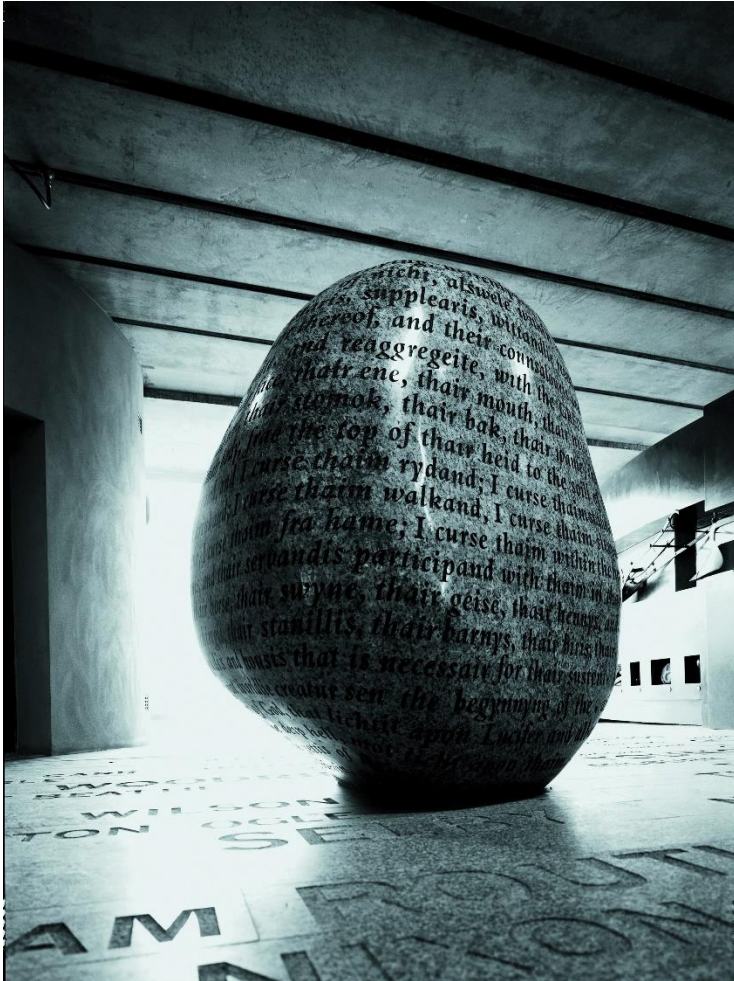
Family that had never
met



Aunt Mary's

- Aunt Mary
 - Harden side
 - WWII
 - Married 2 Uncles
- Aunt Mary
 - Skidmore side
 - Married 8 and a half times

Reiver's Curse



Along the Scotch-English border
In the early 1500's the church of
England owned property but had
little presence there, and few
clergy wanted to take a posting to
reside there with the challenge of
a clergy of cattle rustlers, thieves
and murderers known as Reivers.
In 1525 the Reivers had become
so lawless that the Archbishop of
Glasgow, Cumbria, Gavin Dunbar,
put a curse upon all the Reivers
of the borderlands.



Curse of the Reivers

The words of the curse were etched on the “Cursing Stone” and have been memorialized in the year 2000 in the entry ramp to the Carlisle Metro Station

Names of the Cursed Family Include:

Harden and Trimble

The curse may be lifted if family members Or descendants donate at the church.

Websites and Search Information

- Search Engines

- AOL
- Google
- Yahoo
- Amazon
- Ebay

- Specific Sites

- Ancestry.com
- Fold3.com
- Heritage Quest
- Findagrave
- NamesinStone.com

- Orgs

- Familysearch.org
 - Soc Sec Death Index
- Archives.org
- EllisIsland.org
- Castlegarden
- Library of Congress
- Newspaper archives
- Dawes Commision
 - American Indian

Websites and Search Information

Morgan County Facebook:

Morgan County WV Historical + Genealogical Society

Email Contact: MCHGS52@Hotmail.com

Research Room and Archives are located in the Morgan County Library, 2nd Floor, near the computer desks. Over 100 Family Histories and research materials are available.

Volunteers are there from 10 to 1PM on selected days of the week. Can also make appointments.

Members meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at First UMC at 1PM

THE END



Last Structure on property known as the Old Harden Farm

Introduction

