



# Lance Lines

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Lance Family Newsletter

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## In The Beginning

The earliest known member of the Indiana branch of the Lance family is **John Lance**. He was born in Kentucky about 1794. His parents had entered the virtually untamed and heavily forested lands of Kentucky sometime in or before 1794. Kentucky had only recently gained statehood. On June 1, 1792, it had been formed out of the western-most part of Virginia. It is not yet certain if John's parents settled permanently in Kentucky or were just passing through.

There were very few Lance families living in Kentucky around the time of John's birth. The primitive living conditions of the area produced only scant and sketchy records. Identifying the names of John's parents is proving to be very difficult and, so far, unsuccessful.

*Tax rolls* from 1789 through 1792 show only two Lance families living in Kentucky. They were both in Fayette County and were headed by **Coonrod Lance** and **George Lance**. In 1796, another Lance family appeared on the Fayette County tax rolls. It was headed by a **John Lance**. This John Lance family appears sporadically on the Fayette County tax rolls until 1803. In addition, from 1799 to 1805, a **George Lance** was mentioned on the tax rolls of Barren County, Kentucky.

Kentucky *Census records* for 1790 and 1800 were somehow lost. The 1810 federal census shows only three Lance families living in Kentucky. They were headed by **Martin Lance** (in Barren County), **Coonrod Lance** (in Montgomery County), and **George Lance** (in Warren County). Unfortunately, the names of the other members of these three Lance households were not recorded. John would have been about 16 years old in 1810. The census records indicate all three Lance families had at least one male member living in the household aged at least '16 but under 26'. Therefore, any of the three Lance families living in Kentucky could have been John's.

Like his parents, John Lance must have had a restless spirit. He left his family as a young man

and traveled north. He crossed the Ohio River and entered the mostly unsettled and wild lands of the Northwest Territory. He eventually settled in what would soon become Gibson County and took up farming.

The Northwest Territory included the lands between the Ohio River and the Great Lakes. Before 1800, it was only sparsely inhabited by white settlers. However, it was thick with increasingly hostile Indians and wild animals. The lure of the open and unspoiled lands of the Northwest Territory was irresistible to an increasing number of brave American adventurers - like young John Lance. Settlers continued to cross the Ohio River to seek their fortunes.

On May 7, 1800, due to the rapidly increasing white population, the Northwest Territory was split into two smaller territories. The Indiana Territory was thus created.

Meanwhile, Tecumseh and his younger brother, Tenskwatawa (The Prophet), two sons of a Shawnee warrior chief, became determined to stop the advance of white settlement north of the Ohio River. Tecumseh believed it was vital that the Indians eliminate all forms of the white man's culture from their lives. It became his mission to convince the Indians to return to a state of purity and to live in their traditional ways. He also urged the Indians to forget their inter-tribal rivalries and unite in order to more effectively resist the steady American Advance. In 1809, the tribes in the Indiana Territory ceded large portions of their land to the United States. Tecumseh protested these land sales to the territorial Governor, General William Henry Harrison, but to no avail. In the fall of 1811, Tecumseh traveled far south to carry his message of purity, unity and resistance to the Chickasaw, Choctaw, and Creek nations. He vigorously and eloquently attempted to convince the southern tribes to rise up and join his confederacy of resistance. Tecumseh had left his younger brother,

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**Lance Lines** is a quarterly newsletter published for the purpose of providing a forum for sharing information and ideas. The primary goal of this forum is to bring the widely dispersed members of the Lance and allied families closer together through communication and awareness.

These pages belong to us all. I encourage you to participate by donating stories of family traditions or incidents and other genealogical data. Please send announcements of births, deaths, marriages, photos, awards, events, etc. to:

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Your suggestions, questions, and comments regarding the content and presentation of this newsletter are always welcome.

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### Message from the Editor

After many months of musing about producing a family newsletter, I have finally taken the plunge. I am pleased to introduce this inaugural issue of **Lance Lines**. I hope you enjoy reading it and find these pages to be informative and entertaining.

The hobby of family history research has been extremely addictive and fascinating for me. The more I learn, the more questions I have. The insights gained from my research about the lives and times of our ancestors has given me a greater sense of appreciation and respect for those who came before us. And best of all, I have come into contact with numerous 'lost cousins' located around the country. Some of those now 'found' cousins and I have since become good friends. I often wish I had started working on the Lance family heritage decades earlier!

In order to launch the **Lance Lines** family newsletter, I have produced a mailing list of Charter Members (see page 6). I have limited the list to those with close family ties and other cousins and friends who have contributed family information to me in the past.

Since I initiated this distribution to those Charter Members, the annual dues for the first year to cover copying and postage costs is strictly voluntary. You will continue to receive new issues each quarter. However, if you wish to be removed from the mailing list, please let me know as soon as possible.

If someone you know would like to become a member of this family organization, please send me name and address information.

Wishing you all the best!



**Michael L. Lance**

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## In The Beginning *(Continued from page 1)*

The Prophet, in charge of Prophet's Town, near Tippecanoe Creek back in the Indiana Territory. Prophet's Town was located in a wooded area seven miles north of today's Lafayette, Indiana. It had been established as a utopian village where the Indians practiced Tecumseh's principles. The Indians were drawn to follow The Prophet by his charisma and his imagined mystical powers.

### **William Henry Harrison**



The white settlers living in the Indiana Territory soon became alarmed by the increasing activities and power of Tecumseh's followers. In the late summer of 1811, General William Henry Harrison organized a small army of about 1,000 men. This mostly volunteer regiment then marched north from the territorial capital of Vincennes to

approach Prophet's Town. General Harrison was hoping to subdue or destroy the town while Tecumseh was away on his southern recruitment drive. The regiment arrived near Prophet's Town on November 6, 1811.

The Prophet dispatched a few representatives forward to meet with General Harrison. They mutually agreed that there would be no hostilities until a formal meeting could be held the following day. General Harrison's scouts then guided the troops to a suitable campsite on a wooded hill about a mile west of Prophet's Town. The nerves of the soldiers were undoubtedly on edge due to the closeness of the large Indian village. They also must have worried about the daunting task looming before them on the following day.

General Harrison warned his men of possible treachery by The Prophet. The troops were placed in a quadrangular formation. Each man was ordered to sleep fully clothed. Numerous fires were lit to combat the cold, rainy night, and a large detail was assigned to sentinel the outposts.

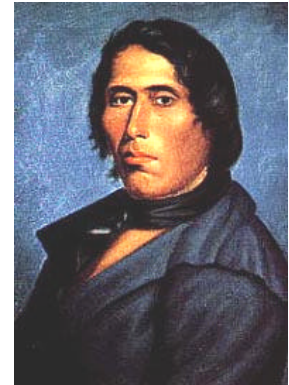
Before he left on his southern travels, Tecumseh had warned his brother not to attack the white men until the Indian confederation was strong and completely unified. But the incensed Prophet lashed his warriors that evening with fiery oratory. He convinced them the white man's bullets could not harm them. The Indians strongly believed in the power of The Prophet's magic.

During the night, The Prophet led his men stealthily toward the army campsite. Just before daylight, from a high rock ledge west of the camp, he gave an order for his warriors to attack. The ensuing vicious fight, often hand to hand, has ever since been called '*The Battle of Tippecanoe*'.

The Americans struggled valiantly to repel their attackers. After heavy losses on both sides, the Indians were finally compelled to withdraw. To their dismay, the warriors saw that the soldier's bullets were, in fact, deadly effective. They silently retreated back to their village. The stature and reputation of The Prophet was thereafter greatly diminished.

General Harrison expected Tecumseh to return soon with another large band of Indians. He quickly fortified his camp during the day and no man was permitted to sleep the following night. However, after taking care of their dead and wounded, the demoralized Indians evacuated Prophet's Town and quietly left the area. When General Harrison's men attacked the village on November 8, 1811, they found only an aged squaw who had been left behind to attend a wounded chief. After burning the town, the small American army began their painful march back to Vincennes.

After Tecumseh returned to Indiana from the south, he joined with the British to fight against the Americans in the *War of 1812*. As a brigadier general, Tecumseh led 2,000 warriors. He fought at Frenchtown, Raisin River, Fort Meigs, and Fort Stephenson. By January 1815, the *War of 1812* was over.



**Shawnee Chief Tecumseh**

On June 5, 1815, John Lance and Sarah Lathom were united in matrimony in Gibson County, Indiana. Sarah passed away shortly after giving birth to their son, Olley Lathom Lance. On October 5, 1816, John re-married to Eleanor Lemasters. They became the parents of 11 children. They remained in the area and followed farming the rest of their lives. Indiana became the 19<sup>th</sup> State of the Union on December 11, 1816.

Many of John Lance's descendants remain in southern Indiana to this day. All are undoubtedly endowed with a bit of the restless spirit that was handed down from the original John Lance of Kentucky and his parents

..... by [Michael L. Lance](#)

## The Immediate Family of Pioneers John and Sarah (Lathom) Lance

**Line 1** [Olley Lathom Lance](#): Olley was born in 1816 in the town of Francisco in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the only child of John and Sarah (Lathom) Lance. On September 30, 1838, Olley married Joanna Adams in Gibson County. They were the parents of 6 children - Mary J., John Wesley, Nancy Ann, Sarah Ellen, Joseph N., and Oliver Pinkney Lance. On March 9, 1891, Olley's wife, Joanna, passed away at age 72 and on February 12, 1894, he passed away at about age 78.

## The Immediate Family of Pioneers John and Eleanor (Lemasters) Lance

**Line 2** [Mary Ann Lance](#): Mary Ann was born about 1817 in Gibson County, Indiana. She was the 1st child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On September 12, 1838, she married Pennsylvania-born farmer Martin Harger in Gibson County. Mary and Martin were the parents of 7 children - Andrew, Jasper A., Ellenor, John, Harvey, George, and Lydia A. Harger. On December 26, 1861, Mary (Lance) Harger married her second husband, John W. Wire (or Wise) in Pike County, Indiana. They did not have any children together. Mary Ann passed away sometime after 1886 in Pike County.

**Line 3** [Benjamin Lance](#): Benjamin was born in 1820 in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 2nd child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On October 16, 1839, Benjamin Lance and Joanna Beatty obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the same day by Minister John Almon and became the parents of 12 children - Sylvester J., William H., Sarah Jane, Mary, Thomas, Elisha Emery, Margaret E., Joanna, Charlotte, Rebecca, Jonathan, and Mont Lance. On February 15, 1880, Benjamin passed away at age 59.

**Line 4** [Finas Euen Lance Sr.](#): Finas Sr. was born about 1825 in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 3rd child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. An April 17, 1845 Warrick County, Indiana marriage record unites a Ewing Lance with Betsy Cutright. It is not clear if Betsy Cutright was, in fact, Finas' wife, Elizabeth Leet. Elizabeth and Finas were the parents of 5 children - George, Martha, Mary, Benjamin Franklin, and Finas Euen Lance Jr. Elizabeth passed away in the latter part of 1859 or early 1860 at about age 31. On May 26, 1860, Finas married his 2nd wife, Lydia Murphy. Finas and Lydia were the parents of one child, Abraham Lincoln Lance. On March 12, 1878, Finas Sr. passed away in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana at about age 53.

**Line 5** [Simeon Lance Sr.](#): Simeon was born about 1829 in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 4th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On April 3, 1849, he and Elizabeth J. Beeler obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the same day by Justice of the Peace, Mr. Davis. They became the parents of 4 children - Allen, Elizabeth, John A., and Simeon Jr. Simeon Sr. passed away sometime before August 1872.

**Line 6** [Sarah Jane Lance](#): Sarah Jane was born about 1829 in Gibson County, Indiana. She was the 5th child of John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. She passed away unmarried sometime after 1880.

**Line 7** [Margaret Lance](#): Margaret was born in 1831 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 6th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On April 1, 1847, Margaret married Pennsylvania-born farmer John Harger in Pike County. Margaret and John became the parents of 14 children - Mary Ellen, Nelson Emery, Minerva Jane, Charles, Sarah, Alfred, George, James, John, Lucy, Henry, Grant, Homer, and Luther Harger. On December 27, 1877, Margaret passed away at age 46 years, 7 months, and 19 days in Warrick County, Indiana.

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**Line 8** [George Lance](#): George was born about 1834 in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 7th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On June 8, 1854, George Lance and Rachael Roberts obtained a marriage license in Pike County, Indiana. They were united in matrimony the following day by Minister William Sutherland. George and Rachel became the parents of 6 children - Samuel Elijah, Louvena, Rhoda, Lewis, Elvira, and Franklin Lance. Rachel passed away in 1879. On November 18, 1879, George Lance and Martha Ann Johnson were wed in Warrick County, Indiana. They did not have any children together. On December 1, 1889, George was 60 years old when he married his 3rd wife, Susannah Robinson, in Pike County, Indiana. They did not have any children. On April 3, 1894, George Lance was a 57 year old farmer still living in Indiana when he and his 4th wife, 42 year old (Mrs.) Harriet Bryant obtained a Pike County marriage license. She was also living in Indiana and it was her 2nd marriage. After George's marriage to Almeda on March 28, 1895, the 'Boonville Standard' reported: "Uncle George is convinced that man should not live alone. Last Thursday, accompanied by J. F. Cox, Justice of the Peace, he went to Boonville and captured his 5th wife. Uncle George has been married 2 times, in last year." In 1897, the 'Boonville Standard' reported: "Uncle George says it is not good for man to live alone, so he made his 6th matrimonial venture, a few days ago." They also divorced.

**Line 9** [Ruth Lance](#): Ruth was born about 1837 in Indiana. She was the 8th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On July 27, 1854, Ruth married farmer Stephen Roberts in Pike County, Indiana. Ruth and Stephen became the parents of 5 children - Arminda, Mary E., Margaret, Charles M., and Malinda Roberts. On March 23, 1873, Ruth married her 2nd husband, Charles Osborne. They became the parents of 3 children - Mariah Elizabeth, Jane, and Noah E. Osborne. In 1924, Ruth passed away at about age 87 in Gibson County, Indiana.

**Line 10** [Eleanor Lance](#): Eleanor was born on June 28, 1841 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 9th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On February 7, 1858, with the written consent of her father, Eleanor married farmer Larkin Raney in Pike County. She was about 16 years old. Eleanor and Larkin became the parents of 3 children - Miline, Daniel Thomas, and William Raney. On November 26, 1863, Eleanor passed away in Pike County at age 22 years, 4 months, 28 days. She was buried beside her parents at Log Creek Cemetery in the town of Stendal in Pike County, Indiana.

**Line 11** [Martha Lance](#): Martha was born about 1844 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 10th child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On October 23, 1861 Martha married Moses Ambrose in Pike County. They divorced on March 29, 1864 in Pike County after becoming the parents of 1 child, Isaac William Ambrose. On August 28, 1864, Martha married Larkin Raney, the former husband of her recently deceased sister, Eleanor Lance. They became the parents of 4 children - Alvin Jackson, Caroline, Newton, and John W. Raney. On October 26, 1876, Martha married Obediah Stephens in Pike County, Indiana. They were the parents of a daughter, Florence N. Stephens, born on July 25, 1879 in Pike County. It is believed Martha passed away before June 1880 in Pike County.

**Line 12** [Nancy Lance](#): Nancy was born about 1846 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 11<sup>th</sup> and last child born to John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance. On January 29, 1865, Nancy married Thomas D. Midkiff in Pike County. They became the parents of 1 child, John Midkiff. However, their marriage was dissolved by divorce on March 26, 1869. On October 24, 1869, Nancy and Lewis Cass Davis were united in matrimony in Pike County. Nancy and Lewis became the parents of the following 5 children - Louisa, Mary A., Eva A. Emma J., and Mary E. Davis. On November 22, 1886, Nancy passed away at about age 40 in Pike County, Indiana.

## Lance Lines Charter Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Line</u>
Bittner, Sharon Rae	Evansville, IN	4	Marotz, W. Jerrie	Selma, OR	4
Brigger, Deanna L.	Woodlands, TX	5	Meny, Tracy Renee	Newburgh, IN	3
Bruce, Mary Jane	Evansville, IN	5	Niemeier, Robert S.	St. Louis, MO	4
Bufkin, Jennifer D.	Evansville, IN	3	Nix, Robert Ermil	Jeffersonville, IN	--
Bufkin, Joyce Marie	Boonville, IN	3	Pitz, Norma Jean	Richland, TX	4 *
Burggrabe, Catharine	Evansville, IN	4 *	Ricken, Tammy M.	Surprise, AZ	4
Burks, Wilma	Evansville, IN	4	Roberson, Samuel	San Pablo, CA	4 *
Byers, Larry Allen	Chandler, IN	4	Steffes, Kelly Lynn	Grandville, MI	4
Chapman, L. Sue	Petersburg, IN	11	Thompson, Susan M.	Muskegon, MI	4
Dougherty, Beverly	Grand Blanc, MI	7	Unger, A. Kathleen	Topeka, KS	1
Eads, Cindy Lou	Boonville, IN	3	Vanover, Terri Lynn	Boonville, IN	3
Eckels, Maryellen	Yorba Linda, CA	4	Wagner, Joanne Sue	Boonville, IN	3 *
Egan, Patricia Ann	El Dorado Hills, CA	4	Womack, Ivalou	Southwest City, MO	3 *
Gaston, Jillaine P.	Rockport, IN	3			
Gish, Vickie Jo	Newburgh, IN	4			
Harbison, H. June	Princeton, IN	1			
Harger, Charles	Laporte, TX	2 *			
Harger, James G.	Ozark, AR	2 *			
Harger, Michael	Redding, CA	2 *			
Hocker, Cathy D.	Lynnville, IN	3			
Hutchison, Lana Joy	Evansville, IN	4			
Kinney, Marcie C.	Evansville, IN	3			
Kling, Jean Ann	Oshkosh, NE	1			
Lance, Artie Faye	Oakland City, IN	5 *			
Lance, Betty Jean	Chandler, IN	4 *			
Lance, Carl Robert	Westville, IL	3			
Lance, Chester	Newburgh, IN	4			
Lance, Gerald	Seattle, WA	4			
Lance, Gloria Louise	Evansville, IN	4			
Lance, James Earl	Miami, FL	4			
Lance, James F.	Boonville, IN	3			
Lance, Joe	Martinsville, VA	--			
Lance, John Dennis	Evansville, IN	4			
Lance, John Fesler	Deer Lodge, MT	--			
Lance, Kenneth Jas.	Bucyrus, OH	4			
Lance, Kenneth W.	Boonville, IN	3			
Lance, Linda Faye	Boonville, IN	3 *			
Lance, Louise G.	Evansville, IN	5 *			
Lance, Martha Sue	Evansville, IN	5 *			
Lance, Matthew W.	Georgetown, KY	3			
Lance, Nina Marie	Newburgh, IN	3 *			
Lance, Paul Ray	Boonville, IN	3			
Lance, Randy Allen	Plainfield, IN	3			
Lance, Robert Keith	Newburgh, IN	3			
Lance, Thomas Wm.	Grand Rapids, MI	4			
Lance, Wendell E.	Bowling Green, KY	3			
Lathom, William N.	Princeton, IN	1 *			
Lawson, Randall W.	Mission Viejo, CA	3 *			
Luff, Brandi Michelle	Boonville, IN	3			
Luff, Levaun Mae	Boonville, IN	3			
Malone, Brenda L.	Houston, TX	4			

\* Related to the indicated Lance Line by marriage

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The **Lance Lines** Charter Members listed above are direct descendants or spouses of direct descendants of the indicated Lance Line (the ancestors are described and numbered on pages 4 and 5).

Column two shows the city in which each Charter Member lives. If you wish to communicate with someone on this list, please contact the editor for a reference. Exact addresses and other information will be kept confidential unless disclosure permission is given by both parties wishing to communicate.

This list of names is only a small fraction of the thousands of persons related or allied to the extended family of pioneer John Lance. Hopefully, more 'lost cousins' will be found in the near future.

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## Murder

### The Charge

A grand jury presented the following indictment to the September 1874 term of the Gibson County, Indiana Circuit Court.

*"The Grand Jurors of Gibson County present that William H. Lance, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 1874 did feloniously, purposely, and with premeditated malice, unlawfully kill and murder George W. Watson by striking, beating, and mortally wounding said Watson in and upon the head with a large iron stove leg."*

### The Publicity

On August 27, 1874, a Gibson County newspaper printed the following account of the incident:

*"Owensville Items: One of the most cowardly and inhuman murders ever perpetrated in Gibson County was committed at the house of Presley Garrett Jr. in Wabash Township, on last Friday night. The particulars as gathered from parties who were present were as follows: Among a crowd gathered at Garrett's house to participate in a dance was one William Lance, who had just married last week, who had been drinking and was very noisy and quarrelsome. His conduct troubled his wife so much that she was crying. A young man named George Watson inquired what that woman was crying about. Lance replied that it was 'none of his d---d business'. Watson said he did not mean to insult him and the difficulty was apparently settled. Lance then went out of the house and came back in a few minutes with a stove leg in his hand, and finding Watson sitting on a table, he struck him on the head with the stove leg, knocking him off the table, after which he struck him three times inflicting injuries from which he died the following day at 2 o'clock. Watson had the reputation of being an honest, peaceable citizen. Lance made his escape."*

### The Defense

On February 4, 1875, William Lance presented the following application to the February 1875 term of the Gibson Circuit Court:

*"William H. Lance, being sworn, says that he cannot safely go into the trial at the present time on account of the absence of Mary Garrett, a competent and material witness in his defense. She is detained at her home by sickness. By Mary Garrett, he expects to prove that: it was at her house that the difficulty occurred between the defendant and George Watson; that she was at her home on the night of said difficulty; that just before the difficulty occurred, Watson had, in the presence of a crowd of ladies and gentlemen who were present on that occasion attending a dance, been making sport of and offending the wife of this defendant; that the conduct and remarks of Watson toward the wife of the defendant were such as to cause her to weep bitterly; and he expects also to prove by Mary Garrett that George Watson, there in the room and presence of the defendant, drew his knife and opened the same, the blade being about four inches in length, and threatened this defendant, saying at the same time that he would hurt the defendant before the ball was over or die in the attempt; and that the said Watson was in the act of going up on the defendant with his drawn knife when the witness caught him by the coat and pulled him back to prevent him from cutting the defendant with the knife; and that all this occurred within four or five minutes before the difficulty occurred in which the defendant is charged of having killed said Watson; and that he is unable to prove said facts by any other witness whose testimony can be as readily procured; and that this application is made not for the purpose of delayment; wherefore he prays a continuance of said cause until the next time of this court."*

Wm (his X mark) Lance  
February 4, 1875.

As these records indicate, two distinctly different versions of the events leading to the 'difficulty' between William H. Lance and George Watson were put forward. Which version do you think was correct?

There is no doubt that Watson was killed at that Friday night dance and that William H. Lance killed him. The case eventually went to a jury trial and a verdict was reached (see page 18).

.....Michael L. Lance - Editor

## In Loving Memory

### Byers, Joseph U.



Joseph was the father of Norma Jean (Byers) Lance. She was the husband of John Wesley Lance (*Lance Line 3*).

*"Lynnville - Joseph U. Byers, 102, formerly of Lynnville, Ind., died Sunday morning, April 4, 2004 at the James Haggin Memorial Hospital in Harrodsburg, Ky. - Joe was a retired school teacher, former postmaster and a member of the Lynnville United Methodist Church and the Lynnville Masonic Lodge No. 396, where he served as past master. Joe last worked for the Pemberton-Bradley Funeral Home in Lynnville, Ind. - Surviving are two grandsons, Gary and Larry Lance, both of Harrodsburg, Ky.; two granddaughters, Janice Young of Lawrenceburg, Ky., and Lois Watts of Harrodsburg, Ky.; two nephews, Stanley and Bob Byers, both of Illinois, nine great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. - He was preceded in death by his wife, Bonnie, in 1995, and his daughter, Norma Jean Hall, in 1992. - Funeral services 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, 2004, from the Pemberton-Bradley Funeral Home in Lynnville, Ind., with burial in the Lynnville Cemetery. Rev. Honna Schloss will officiate. - Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and from 10 a.m. to service time Wednesday at the funeral home. There will be a Masonic service 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Contributions in memory of Joe may be made to the Lynnville United Methodist Church or the American Heart Association." - (obituary)*

### Garrett, Jeffrey David



Jeffrey was the son of Mary Jane (Lance) Bruce of Evansville, Indiana (*Lance Line #5*)

*"Jeffery Garrett passed away Sunday, March 28, 2004 in Saginaw, Michigan. He would have been 47 April 2, 2004. He had not been ill that we knew but, he had a blood infection and it caused heart failure. I am getting a copy of his death record when all the reports come in. Because he was not under a doctor's care, they had to do an autopsy and all the reports are not in yet." - (source: his mother Mary Jane Lance/Bruce, 5 Apr 2004).*

### Lance, Lester



Lester was the son of William Albert and Rose Marie (Bush) Lance (*Lance Line 4*).

*"Lester Lance died at 7:50 p.m. on January 25, 2004. He was 74 years old and died at home at 324 Lawndale N.E. in Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, 49503. Lester's cause of death was a 'cerebrovascular accident'. Lester was born on October 17, 1929 in Evansville, Indiana and was a high school graduate. He was white, with English/German ancestry, and served in the U.S. Armed Forces. His usual occupation was a printer in the printing industry and he was widowed. His parents were William Albert Lance and Rose Marie Bush. Lester was buried at Resurrection Cemetery in Grand Rapids, Michigan.".... (source: Michigan 'Certificate of Death').*

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**Lance, Lois Mae**



Lois was a daughter of Nelson John and Luella (Leisring) Lance (Lance Line 4).

*"Lois M. Lance - Chandler - Lois M. Lance, 77, died Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at Woodlands Convalescent Center in Newburgh, Ind. She was a lifetime resident of Chandler, Ind. - Lois was a member of the Chandler United Methodist Church and a graduate of Chandler High School. She had previously worked at St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville, Ind., as a seamstress before working for S.I.R.S. She loved and enjoyed her family. - Lois was preceded in death by a sister, June Byers, and four brothers, George, Ben, Robert, and James Lance. - Lois is survived by two sisters-in-law, Betty Lance, and Margaret Lance, both of Chandler, Ind.; and numerous nieces*

*and nephews. - Funeral services 10 a.m. Thursday, April 1, 2004, at Koehler Funeral Home Perigo Chapel, 7022 Heim Road in Chandler, Ind., with burial in Greenwood Cemetery in Chandler, Ind. - Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. today and from 8 a.m. to service time Thursday at Koehler Funeral Home Perigo Chapel in Chandler, Ind. Memorial contributions may be made to the Chandler United Methodist Church."..... (obituary).*

**Luff, Levaun Mae (Lance)**



Levaun was a daughter of Robert Samuel and Anna Katherine (Weyerbacher) Lance (Lance Line 3).

*"BOONVILLE - Levaun M. Luff, 73, died at 12:17 a.m., Saturday, May 1, 2004, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville, Indiana. Levaun was born in Pike County, Ind. She and her late husband, Charles, operated the Parkette Drive-In in Boonville for several years. Levaun was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church in Boonville, Ind. Levaun was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, Charles C. Luff, in 1990, and four brothers, Leroy, Victor, James and Richard Lance. Levaun is survived by four daughters, Marcie and her husband Jim Kinney of Evansville, Ind., Cathy Luff and her husband Brent Hocker of*

*Lynnville, Ind., Connie and her husband Jess Pitts of Rantoul, Ill., and Cindy and her husband Terry Eads of Boonville, Ind.; one son, Mike and his wife Linda Luff of Boonville, Ind.; six grandchildren, Brandi and Chad Luff, Tom and David Hocker and Ross and Craig Eads; a great-grandson, Tyler Luff; a sister, Joyce Bufkin of Boonville, Ind.; and three brothers, Paul and Kenneth Lance, both of Boonville, Ind., and Carl Lance of Westville, Ill. Funeral services 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, 2004, at Koehler Funeral Home Boonville Chapel, with burial in Plainview Memorial Cemetery near Boonville, Ind. Friends may call from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday and from 8 a.m. until service time Tuesday at Koehler Funeral Home Boonville Chapel. Condolences and any special remembrance can be made online at [ww.koehlerfuneralhome.com](http://ww.koehlerfuneralhome.com)."*

## Final Resting Place of Pioneers John and 'Nelly' (Lemasters) Lance

### A.) Log Creek Church



John's tombstone (*photo C*) stands to the right of the tombstone of his 2nd wife, Eleanor, in Log Creek Church Cemetery (*photo B*). Both tombstones contain inscriptions pertaining to John's birth and death dates - and they conflict with each other and with the date of his Will. His tombstone inscription reads: *John Lance - Husband of Ellen Lance - Died Jan 12, 1872 - aged 77 Y, 10 M, 13 D.*

### B.) Log Creek Cemetery Entrance Gate



Eleanor's tombstone reads: *Ellen Lance - Born Jan 10, 1801 - Died Nov 9, 1885*" and on the reverse side (facing John's marker) is another inscription which reads: *"John Lance - Born Mar 25, 1797 - Died Jan 12, 1872.*

### C.) Grave Markers of John and Eleanor Lance



John Lance's age at death information on his tombstone indicates he was born in the year 1794 (rather than 1797 as shown on Eleanor's tombstone). Also, John's age bracket of 25-45 on the 1820 census would indicate he was born prior to 1795. His age reported on the 1850, 1860, and 1870 census records all seem to indicate he was born in 1794.

John's actual date of death was probably later than January 12, 1872 (as shown on the 2 tombstones) since he signed his Will on August 24, 1872.

## Descendants of Olley Lathom Lance – Lance Line 1

The following outline shows the direct descendants of Olley Lathom Lance (*Lance Line 1*). I realize that this type of diagram can be confusing and tedious to read. I have color coded the generations to make it easier to spot the siblings. This chart shows the depth of this family line and hopefully will be of some interest to you. I will portray *Lance Line 2* in the next newsletter. I also request that you assist me by forwarding to the editor a list of any missing names or dates or needed corrections (address is on page 2).

### **Olley Lathom Lance** - (1816 - 1894)

m. 1838 to **Joanna Adams** (1818 - 1891)

child: **I.) Marv J. Lance** (1840 - 1881)

m. 1864 to **Moses C. Witherspoon** (1841 - 1869)

child: **A.) Violet Ann Witherspoon** (1866 - 1871)

**B.) Ida Witherspoon** (1868 - 1902)

m. 1890 to **Pleasant C. Johnson** (1856 - 1946)

child: **a.) Nora Mae Johnson** (1891 - 1979)

m. **Arthur Dow Lockwood** (1888 - 1964)

child: **I.) Lilyan Ida Lockwood** (1910 - unknown)

m. 1931 to **George Schaub**

**II.) Eugenia 'Jean' Lockwood** (1913 - unknown)

m. 1<sup>st</sup> 1934 to **Herrel Midkiff**

m. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Millard McCloud**

**III.) Wilma Lockwood** (1915 - unknown)

m. **Ben Windle**

**IV.) Will Lockwood** (1918 - 1918)

**b.) Herbert R. Johnson** (1892 - 1924)

m. **Edna**

**c.) Nellie B. Johnson** (1894 - 1951)

m. 1915 to **John Oval McDowell** (1895 - 1973)

child: **I.) Haskell McDowell**

m. **Bessie**

**d.) Hazel Cordelia Johnson** (1897 - unknown)

m. 1<sup>st</sup> 1915 to **Harold McCullough** (1892 - unknown)

child: **I.) Donald McCullough** (1916 - unknown)

m. **Sara Wilson**

**II.) Maurice McCullough** (1917 - unknown)

m. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Mr. Garrison**

**e.) Eunice Johnson** (1899 - unknown)

m. **Earl McDowell**

**f.) Ida C. Johnson** (1902 - 1994)

m. ca. 1927 to **Birl M. Pauley**

child: **I.) William C. Pauley**

**II.) Wilma Jean Pauley**

m. **Mr. Coomer**

**2.) John Wesley Lance** (1842 - 1992)

m. 1<sup>st</sup> in 1867 to **Martha J. 'Mattie' Witherspoon** (ca. 1849 - unknown)

child: **A.) Oliver O. Lance** (ca. 1868 - 1893)

m. 1890 to **Alice R. Pearson** (1869 - unknown)

child: **a.) Oliver Otis Lance** (1893 - unknown)

m. **Irene**

child: **I.) boy Lance**

**II.) Robert Lance**

**B.) Harrison Lance** (1871-1920)

m. 1891 to **Mariah Elizabeth 'Rie' Osborne** (1876 - 1955)

child: **a.) infant Lance** (1892 - 1892)

**b.) Ruth Eva Lance** (1894 - 1917)

m. 1914 to **Will Newton Lockwood** (1893 - 1957)

child: **I.) Ruth Marie Lockwood** (1917 - 1982)

m. **John Treadway**

child: **i.) Naomi Treadway** (1934 - )

**ii.) Connie Treadway**

**iii.) Anita Treadway**

**iv.) William Treadway**

**c.) Esther M. Lance** (1900 - 1980)

m. 1918 to **William Rex Holland** (1898 - 1938)

child: **I.) Lance Holland** (1927 - 1927)

**II.) Joanna Holland** (1929 - )

m. **Alvin Bolin**

**d.) Ollie Lance**

**C.) Ellen Lance** (ca. 1872 - 1894)

**D.) Cora Lance** (1874 - 1885)

John Wesley married 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1878 to **America Jane Hargrove** (1859 - 1930)

child: **E.) Joseph Clark Lance** (1879 - 1898)

**F.) John Warrick Lance** (1880 - 1898)

**G.) Oscar P. 'Bubbles' Lance** (1882 - 1937)

m. 1911 to **Martha Jane 'Mattie' Conlin** (1883 - 1953)

child: **a.) Gaylord Lance** (1912 - 1976)

m. **Mrs. Gavlord Lance**

child: **I.) Woody Lance**

**II.) Jack G. Lance** (1932 - )

**III.) Daisy M. Lance** (1936 - 1994)

**b.) Ralph Wilbur Lance** (1913 - 1913)

**c.) Joseph W. Lance** (1913 - unknown)

**d.) Norma Rose Lance**

**e.) Betty Jean Lance**

**f.) Virginia Margaret Lance** (1914 - unknown)

**g.) Marvel Jane Lance** (1918 - unknown)

m. **Mr. Elson**

child: **I.) Kevin Elson**

**H.) boy Lance** (1883 - unknown)

**I.) boy Lance** (1884 - unknown)

**J.) Oday Eber Lance** (1886 - 1964)

m. **Ada Mav Bear** (ca. 1883 - unknown)

child: **a.) John Lance** (ca. 1909 - unknown)

**K.) Howard Blaine Lance** (1888 - 1969)

m. 1915 to **Margaret Francis Cardinal** (1898 - 1974)

child: **a.) Marilyn C. Lance** (1915 - unknown)

**b.) Francis Lance**

**c.) LeRoy Howard Lance** (1917 - 1991)

m. 1944 to **Helen Winnefred Grinde** (1918 - unknown)

child: **I.) Jean Ann Lance** (1945 - )

m. 1963 to **Bernard Leroy Kling** (1939 - )

child: **i.) Michael Alan Kling** (1964 - )

m. 1991 **Karen Hudnell**

child: 1. **Bailey Noelle Kling** (1992 - )

2. **Riley Harrison Kling** (1996 - )

**ii.) David Eric Kling** (1968 - )

m. **Kathleen Hald** (1974 - )

child: 1. **Cyle Lucas Kling** (1993 - )

2. **Dawson Lance Kling** (1994 - )

3. **Madison Jean Kling** (2000 - )

**II.) Thomas Lee Lance** (1947 - )

m. 1988 to **Ann Marie Ernst**

**d.) John William Lance** (1919 - 1979)

m. 1<sup>st</sup> to **Eva**

m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to **Lillian**

child: **I.) Jonathon Blaine Lance**

**II.) Valerie Lance**

**e.) Mary Ruth Lance** (1922 - 1982)

m. 1942 to **James Sullivan**

child: **I.) Bill Sullivan**

**II.) Jimmie Sullivan**

m. **Janette Linnemann**

child: **i.) William P. Sullivan** (1969 - 1986)

**III.) Phyllis Sullivan**

**IV.) Vickie Sue Sullivan** (1943 - 1944)

**V.) John R. Sullivan** (1945 - 1969)

**f.) Margaret Lance** (1924 - 1974)

m. **Floyd W. Burris**

child: **I.) Sandra Burris**



- m. Bertis Charles Riley (1900 - 1964)
  - child: I.) **Frances Ruth Riley** (1922 - 1971)
    - m. Chester Eugene Shelton (1920 - 1980)
      - child: i.) **Judy Shelton** (1943 - )
        - m. Jack McMerlin
        - child: 1. **John Paul McMerlin**
      - ii.) **Nancy Shelton** (1946 - )
        - m. unknown
        - child: 1. **John Bradlev/Shelton**
      - iii.) **John Bradley/Shelton** (1949 - )
      - iv.) **Timothy Shelton** (1950 - )
        - m. 1992 to Mrs. Timothy Shelton
- II.) **Dorothy Jean Riley** (1923 - )
  - m. Robert Carl Thurgood (1923 - )
    - child: i.) **Steven Roberts Thurgood** (1952 - )
      - m. Karen Louise Ottinger (1952 - )
      - child: 1. **Jessica Marie Thurgood** (1979 - )
      - 2. **Jeannette Elizabeth Thurgood** (1982 - )
    - ii.) **Thomas Charles Thurgood** (1955 - )
      - m. 1<sup>st</sup> 1973 to Christina Grzyb (1955 - )
      - child: 1. **Katherine Suzanne Thurgood** (1974 - )
      - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1981 to Donna Marie Stewart (1958 - )
      - child: 2. **Neil David Thurgood** (1983 - )
      - 3. **Brian Scott Thurgood** (1985 - )
- III.) **Vivian Helen Riley** (1925 - )
  - m. Roger Dean Townsend (1924 - )
    - child: i.) **Constance Jo Townsend** (1946 - )
      - m. Stephen Lief Nelson (1944 - )
      - child: 1. **Stephanie Nelson** (1974 - )
      - 2. **Brett Nelson** (1976 - )
    - ii.) **Robert Dean Townsend** (1948 - )
      - m. Judith Lynn Haysley (1948 - )
      - child: 1. **Eric Dean Townsend** (1982 - )
- IV.) **Densel Charles 'Bud' Riley** (1927 - )
  - m. Meredith Wallace (1931 - )
    - child: i.) **Michael Riley** (1954 - )
      - m. 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs. Michael Riley
      - child: 1. **Christopher Riley**
      - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Brenda Clements (1960 - )
      - child: 2. **Adam Riley** (1984 - )
      - 3. **McKenzie Jo Riley** (1994 - 1994)
      - 4. **Evan James Michael Riley** (1995 - 1995)
    - ii.) **Kathy Riley** (1957 - )
    - iii.) **Kellev Riley** (1958 - )
      - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Tom Perry
      - child: 1. **Josh Perry** (ca. 1979 - )
      - 2. **Jason Perry** (ca. 1984 - )
      - 3. **Nicole Perry** (ca. 1985 - )
      - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Mr. Turner
    - iv.) **Daniel Charles Riley** (1960 - )
    - v.) **Shannon Riley** (1962 - )
    - vi.) **Patrick Riley** (1963 - )
    - vii.) **Shawna Riley** (1965 - )
      - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Mr. Fisher
      - child: 1. **Janice 'Jojo' Fisher**
      - 2. **Laura Fisher**
      - 3. **Logan Fisher**
      - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Eugene Heldt
      - child: 4. **Jaymond Robert Heldt** (1993 - )
    - viii.) **Tiffany Riley** (1969 - )
- V.) **Marilou Riley** (1930 - )
  - m. Russel Leon Stillwell
  - child: i.) **Peggy Jo Stillwell** (1954 - )
    - m. Frank Earl Prewitt (1940 - )
    - child: 1. **Rachel Leigh Prewitt** (1980 - )
  - ii.) **Susan Jane Stillwell**

- m. Dale Freeman Hanks
- VI.) Jerry Lee Riley (1937 - )
  - m. Mary Ann Hausenour (1936 - )
  - child: i.) James Lee Riley (1956 - 1979)
    - m. Cheryl Lynn Harkness (1957 - )
    - child: 1. Jamie Lynn Riley (1980 - )
  - ii.) Brian David Riley (1957 - )
    - m. Georgia A. Schupp
    - child: 1. Jennifer Michelle Riley (1980 - )
    - 2. Matthew James Riley (1982 - )
  - iii.) Sheryl Lynn Riley (1959 - 1965)
- c.) Lillian Irene Harbison (1907 - 2002)
  - m. Charles Henry Keith (1908 - 1979)
  - child: I.) William Charles 'Bill' Keith (1944 - )
    - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Marie Carlisle (1946 - )
    - child: i.) Gayle Kathleen Keith (1966 - )
      - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Mr. Jesse
      - child: 1. Andrew Jesse (1986 - )
      - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Mr. Cornwell
      - child: 2. Kelly Cornwell (1988 - )
      - 3. Racheal Cornwell (1991 - )
      - 4. child Cornwell
      - 5. child Cornwell
    - ii.) Stacie Ann Keith (1971 - )
      - m. Mr. Offerson
      - child: 1. Ann Marie Offerson (1988 - )
      - 2. Amanda Carlyle Offerson (1996 - )
  - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Karen Schmitt
  - child: ii.) Krvstle Michelle Keith (1984 - )
  - m. 3<sup>rd</sup> to Toni Greer (1959 - )
- II.) Deana Irene Keith (1945 - )
  - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Tex Tooley
  - child: i.) Todd Richard Tooley (1962 - )
    - m. Debbie Reneer
    - child: 1. Kayley Lynn Tooley (1988 - )
    - 2. Tiffany Nicole Tooley (1990 - )
  - ii.) John Colter Tooley (1970 - )
    - m. Lisa
    - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Jerry Cox
- d.) James Walter 'Bud' Harbison (1909 - unknown)
  - m. Irene Moore (1916 - unknown)
  - child: I.) Shirley Ann Harbison (1934 - )
    - m. Wayne Caskey (1921 - unknown)
    - child: i.) Cindy Caskey (1957 - )
    - ii.) Michael Caskey (1959 - )
    - iii.) Wayne Caskey
    - iv.) Laurie Caskey (1964 - )
  - II.) Larry James Harbison (1940 - )
    - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Marilvn Huskv
    - child: i.) Larry James Harbison (1968 - 1992)
    - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sebilla 'Billy' Weber
    - child: ii.) Patrick Harbison (1965 - )
    - iii.) Michael Harbison (1970 - )
- e.) George Leister Harbison (1911 - 1928)
- f.) Helen Juanita Harbison (1913 - 1974)
  - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to Jesse Bittner (1901 - 1951)
  - child: I.) Ann Kathleen 'Taffy' Bittner (21 May 1935 – 31 Dec 2004)
    - m. Matthew Unger (1930 - ) divorced 1974
    - child: i.) Mark Unger (1955 - )
    - ii.) John Unger (1957 - )
      - m. Sarah
      - child: 1. Heidi Unger
      - 2. Elise Unger
    - iii.) Kathleen Unger (1958 - )
      - m. unknown
      - child: 1. Jason



- child: i.) **Jeffery Carroll Aydelotte** (1974 - )
  - ii.) **Andrea Rene Aydelotte**
  - iii.) **Kimberly Kay Aydelotte** (1980 - )
- II.) **Vickv Carol Aydelotte** (1955 - )
  - m. **David Loveless** (1952 - )
  - child: i.) **Robert 'Rob' Wayne Loveless** (1973 - )
  - ii.) **Adam 'A.J.' Justin Loveless** (1983 - )
- d.) **Amel Ray Aydelotte** (1933 - )
  - m. **Anne Collins** (1935 - )
  - child: I.) **Greg Aydelotte** (1960 - )
    - m. **Lisa**
    - II.) **Jeff Aydelotte** (1962 - )
      - m. **Winona**
      - child: i.) **Sara Aydelotte**
- e.) **Richard Lee Aydelotte** (1935 - )
  - m. **Mary Louise Borden** (1940 - )
  - child: I.) **Lisa Aydelotte** (1960 - )
    - m. **Ron Heldt**
    - child: i.) **Brittnev Heldt** (1982 - )
    - ii.) **Jamie Heldt** (1987 - )
  - II.) **Amy Aydelotte** (1962 - )
  - III.) **Kristi Aydelotte** (1970 - )
- F.) **John Wilbur 'Jack' Aydelotte** (1886 - 1971)
  - m. 1908 to **Lillian Cassandra Westfall** (1889 - 1957)
  - child: a.) **Wilbur Aydelotte** (1910 - 1919)
    - b.) **Samuel R. Aydelotte** (1912 - 1983)
      - m. **Veneta 'Kate' Mitchell** (1917 - unknown )
      - child: I.) **Minnie Aydelotte** (1934 - )
        - II.) **Jimmv Aydelotte**
    - c.) **Edith Mae Aydelotte** (1914 - 1992)
      - m. 1933 to **Clarence Kelley** (1913 - unknown )
      - child: I.) **Avis Kelley** (1934 - )
        - m. **Dale Welsh** (1932 - )
        - child: i.) **Dana Welsh** (1954 - )
          - m. **Mrs. Dana Welsh**
          - child: 1. **Paige Welsh**
          - 2. **Emily Welsh**
          - 3. **Katie Welsh**
          - ii.) **Kellev Welsh** (1957 - )
          - iii.) **Cory Welsh** (1959 - )
            - m. **Lupie Gomez**
            - child: 1. **Carine Welsh** (1990 - )
          - iv.) **Gail Welsh** (1960 - )
            - m. **Mr. Olin**
            - v.) **Shannon Welsh**
        - II.) **Chester Samuel 'Bill' Kelley** (1936 - )
          - m. 1<sup>st</sup> to **Lucille Benford**
          - m. 2<sup>nd</sup> to **Jan**
          - child: i.) **Garrett Kelley**
        - III.) **Kenneth Kelley** (1943 - )
          - m. **Karen**
          - child: i.) **Geoffry Kelley** (1965 - )
          - ii.) **Bridget Kelley** (1966 - )
        - IV.) **Patti Kellev** (1956 - )
          - m. **Todd Hart** (1961 - )
          - child: i.) **Amanda Hart** (1983)
          - ii.) **Kevin Hart** (1987)
    - 4.) **Sarah Ellen Lance** (1846 - 1840)
      - m. 1866 to **Cornelius 'Neil' Wilhite** (1846 - 1929)
      - child: A.) **Richard Adams/Wilhite** (ca. 1865 - unknown )
        - B.) **twin girl Wilhite** (1869 - 1869)
        - C.) **twin girl Wilhite** (1869 - 1869)
        - D.) **Charles B. Wilhite** (1878 - 1917)
    - 5.) **Joseph N. Lance** (1849 - unknown )
      - m. 1869 to **Melissa A. Farmer** (1852 - unknown )
      - child: A.) **Elmore S. Lance** (1870 - unknown )

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- m. Myrtle (1873 - unknown )  
child: a.) **Jessie Lance** (1898 - unknown )
  - B.) Burtis F. Lance** (ca. 1872 - unknown )
    - m. 1899 to **Susie L.** (1873 - unknown )
    - child: a.) **Hazel Lance** (1901 - unknown )
      - m. **Jesse Mason** (1888 - unknown )
      - child: l.) **Harold Mason** (1919 - unknown )
      - b.) **Burtis Lance** (ca. 1903 - unknown )
      - c.) **Wilbur Lance** (ca. 1905 – unknown )
      - d.) **Ruth Lance** (ca. 1907 - unknown )
      - e.) **Delmer Lance** (ca. 1911 - unknown )
      - f.) **Vernon Lance** (ca. 1913 – unknown )
  - C.) Maud Lance** (ca. 1874 - unknown )
  - D.) Delta Lance** (ca. 1877 - unknown )
  - E.) Colfax Lance** (1879 - unknown )
  - F.) Dora E. Lance** (1882 - unknown )
  - G.) girl Lance** (1883 - unknown )
  - H.) Joseph C. Lance** (1884 - unknown )
    - m. **Lovina R.** (ca. 1877 - unknown )
    - child: a.) **Olive M. Lance** (ca. 1909 - unknown )
    - b.) **Oren C. Lance** (ca. 1911 - unknown )
    - c.) **David E. Lance** (ca. 1913 - unknown )
    - d.) **Delma E. Lance** (ca. 1913 - unknown )
  - I.) Orville Lance** (1893 - unknown )
    - m. **Ruth** (ca. 1894 - unknown )
    - child: a.) **Dela May Lance** (ca. 1917 - unknown )
    - b.) **Margaret H. Lance** (ca. 1919 - unknown )
  - 6.) Oliver Pinkney 'Pink' Lance** (1853 - 1893)
    - m. to Mrs. Oliver Pinkney Lance
    - child: **A.) boy Lance**
    - B.) boy Lance**
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**The Verdict**

*"We the Jury find the defendant guilty of man-slaughter and that he be imprisoned in the State Prison for the term of twenty-one years." - J. P. McDaniel – Foreman*

We are still attempting to discover which Lance family line our infamous William belonged to. We only know that he married Miss Pheba A. Golden on August 7, 1874 in Gibson County, Indiana and that he passed away on January 1, 1900 in the town of Owensville in Gibson County

---- **Michael L. Lance**

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