

## The Second Generation of Lances Born in Indiana

### Mary J. Lance (1840-1881)

Mary J. Lance was born on December 26, 1840 in Gibson County, Indiana. She was the 1<sup>st</sup> born child of **Olley** Lathom and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On November 28, 1850, Mary Lance was 9 years old and living with her parents and 4 younger siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 136, family #146) also indicates: Mary was born in Indiana, she attended school during the census year, and her parents were also born in Indiana.

On September 10, 1860, Mary J. was 19 years old and still living with her parents and siblings in Columbia Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) again shows Mary and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On April 15, 1864 Mary J. Lance married Moses C. Witherspoon in Gibson County, Indiana. He was born about May 1841 in Gibson County and was the son of Lemuel and Violet Ann (Wallace) Witherspoon. Mary and Moses became the parents of 2 daughters – Violet Ann and Ida Witherspoon. On January 19, 1869, Moses passed away in Gibson County at age 27.

On June 16, 1870, Mary 'Witherspoon' was a 30 year old widow living with her 2 young daughters - Violet and Ida Witherspoon, on her parent's Columbia Township farm. The 1870 Indiana census also indicates Mary owned personal property worth \$100.

On August 10, 1873, Mary re-married to William Johnson Simpson in Gibson County, Indiana. He was born about 1847 in Kentucky. They were the parents of 2 children – Rosella and William P. Simpson.

On June 14, 1880, Mary J. 'Simpson' was 39 years old and still 'keeping house' in Columbia Township in Gibson County. She was farming with: her 25 [sic] year old 2nd husband, 'Johnson' Simpson; their 2 children - Rosella and William Simpson; and Mary's 12 year old daughter from her previous marriage, Ida 'Weatherspoon'. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 106, pg 24) also shows: Mary again reported Indiana as her place of birth and also the birthplace of her parents.

On February 3, 1881, Mary passed away at age 40 years, 1 month, and 8 days in Gibson County. She was buried at Meade Cemetery in Center Township, Gibson County, Indiana.

### John Wesley Lance (1842-1892)

John Wesley Lance was born on December 16, 1842 in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 2<sup>nd</sup> child born to **Olley** Lathom and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On November 28, 1850, John W. Lance was 8 years old and living with his parents and 5 siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 136, family #146) also indicates: John was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

On September 10, 1860, John was 18 years old and still living with his parents and 5 siblings in Columbia Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) again shows John and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On November 12, 1861, John enlisted with the Union Army during the Civil War. He served as a Private with Company B, 58<sup>th</sup> Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He was severely wounded in the left arm in the Battle of Chickamauga on September 19, 1863. After recuperating from his wound, John re-

enlisted as a veteran on February 29, 1864. On July 25, 1865, he was promoted to Corporal and discharged.

"War Department, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, April 9, 1888....Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.....John W. Lance, a privt of Company B, 58th Regiment Indiana Volunteers is reported on Rolls from enrollment to Aug. 31,'63 & May & June '65, Present. Nov & Dec '63, Absent wounded, at New Albany, Ind....Company Morning Report - Jany 26, '64 shows him Returned to duty from Hosp'l Madison, Ind....Returns show him; Jany 1865 Absent on furlough; Mch '65, Home on furlough, Cause or period of furlough not stated. No additional information in case....R. C. Drum, Adjutant General"....(source: document from the Military Pension claim file of his widow, America Jane Hargrove/Lance/Maxfield, 9 Apr 1888).

### John Wesley Lance

John returned home to Gibson County as a civilian but he suffered from his arm wound for the rest of his life. He filed for an invalid military pension on July 26, 1869 and was granted a small allowance.

"War of 1861 - Act July 14, 1862....Brief in the case of John W. Lance, Prv. & Corp of Company B, 58 Regiment, Ind. Vols; Post Office Address of Applicant - Francisco, Gibson Co. Ind; Enlisted - Nov. 12th, 1861; Discharged - July 25, 1865; Application filed - July 26th, 1869....Claim For An Invalid Pension, Declaration and Identification in Due Form....Proof Exhibited: Adj. Gen. reports wounded in Battle Chickamaga [sic] Sept, 1863. Re-enlisted as vetran Feby. 29, 64. M.O.R. [mustered-out roll] dated July 25, 65 reports him Corp. promoted July 25, 1865....Lt. Whitney Co. A, same Regt swears (July, 10, 69) to his wounding as above in the shoulder or chest; & the fact of his being wounded at the time, place & under the circumstances came under his personal observation - Applicant swears that he has not been employed in the Military or Naval service of the U.S. since above date of Dis.....Exm Surgeon Welborn certifies (May 28, 69) was wounded in left arm, just below the shoulder; Ball passing under the humerus entered the body & passed out below the scapula; injuring in my opinion the posterior portion of the lung. He has considerable pain over that region. There is also some atrophy of the left arm, is 1/4 incapacitated. Dis. is probably permanent....Admitted Apr, 25, 1870, to a Pension of \$2 per month commencing July 26, 1865. Disabled by G.S.W. [gun shot wound] left arm & chest....R. A. Wilson, Examining Clerk....Name and residence of Agent: W. S. Dorsey Esq, Princeton, Ind."



On September 5, 1867, John Wesley Lance married Martha J. Witherspoon in Gibson County, Indiana. She was born about 1849 in Gibson County and was a daughter of Lemuel and Violet Ann (Wallace) Witherspoon. John and Martha became the parents of 4 children – **Oliver O.**, **Harrison**, **Ellen**, and **Cora Lance**.

On June 16, 1870, John was a 28 year old farmer still living in Columbia Township in Gibson County. He was farming with his 22 year old wife, Martha, and their 2 year old son, Olley Lance. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 35, house 280) also shows: John again reported Indiana as his place of birth, their real estate was valued at \$1,200, and their personal property was worth \$200. John's parents - Olley and 'Joannie' Lance, were living on an adjacent farm.

Martha apparently passed away within a few years. On March 7, 1878, John Wesley Lance married America Jane Hargrove. They were united in matrimony in Gibson County by Minister Martin Lovett. She was born in May 1859 in Oakland City in Columbia Township, Gibson County, Indiana and was a daughter of Marston Gnat/Green Clark and Caroline (Cochran) Hargrove. John and America were the parents of the following 7 children – **Joseph Clark**, **John Warrick**, **Oscar P.**, 2 unnamed **infant boys**, **Oday Eber**, and **Howard Blaine Lance**.

On June 5, 1880, John was a 37 year old farmer living in Center Township in Gibson County. He was farming with: his 22 year old 2nd wife, 'Annah' [America]; their 2 young sons – Clark and Warrick Lance; and his 4 older children from his previous marriage - 'Oley', Harry, Ellen, and Cora Lance.

In June 1883, John was 39 years old when his 3rd child was born....and 42 years old in November 1884 when his 4th child was born....and 43 years old in May 1886 when his 5th child was born.

On September 12, 1892, John passed away at age 49 in Center Township. His widow then struggled with the government to obtain a pension to support their dependent children based on John's previous military service. After she re-married and then divorced, her struggles with the government continued as she tried to obtain a pension allowance to support herself.

"Medical Division, Bureau of Pensions, Washington D.C. Apr. 19, 1898, Minors Clt. 461.180; Claimant - Minors of Soldier, Jacob W. Cassell [sic...the soldier was actually John Wesley Lance. Jacob W. Cassell was appointed by the court to care for John's 3 minor children - Oscar P, Oday E., and Howard B. Lance, after his death] Co. B, 58 Reg't Ind. Vols....Respectfully returned to: The Chief of the First Division - with the Opinion that the testimony furnished by Dr. George Strickland and Dr. James C. Patten giving as their opinion that the Hemorrhage from the Stomach of which they claim the soldier died was a result of the gunshot wound of chest and arm is untenable or at least not probable. The soldier was pensioned also for chronic diarrhea and resulting piles, and the last medical examination of soldier made June 29, 1892 less than three months before he died, showed tenderness over stomach and liver which was possibly connected with the chronic diarrhea for which pensioned. An examination in 1890 showed the soldier greatly disabled from effects of diarrhea. It would probably be a matter of justice to learn by Special Examination the exact extent of the chronic diarrhea during soldier's last sickness."...(source: document from the Military Pension Claim file of America Hargrove/Lance/Maxfield, widow of soldier John Wesley Lance, 19 Apr 1898).

America was then summoned to give her detailed testimony describing John's last sickness. "On this 7th day of Feb., 1899, at Vincennes, County of Knox, State of Ind, before me, J. H. L. Eagan, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared America Maxfield, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: her age is 40 years, and residence 1306 N. 3rd St., Vincennes, Ind. and the wife of John Edward Maxfield, and formerly the widow of John W. Lance. I am the mother of three living children. I had two killed last summer. One by a switch engine and one got drowned, aged 19 and 18. Joseph Clark Lance was 19 when killed by the engine May 12, 1898. John W. was drowned at the age of 18 years on the 4th day of June 1898. Oscar P. now living, was born on the day that Giteau was hanged. Oday E. was born in May 13, 1886, and is living. Howard B. was born Oct. 10, 1888, and is living. We lived in Gibson Co., Ind. when my husband, John W. Lance died, in Center Twp, 2 1/2 miles North of Frisco, on the farm of Warren Douglas, deceased. My husband had owned the farm up to about 8 years before he died. He lived on that farm 25 years and I lived there two years after his death. Martin Mead, Spence Mead, Wesley Keith, My husband's father, died, lived next to us - Ollie L. Lance. They all lived comparatively close to our house. We dealt at Frisco, Ind at the store of Samuel Adams, now at Princeton, Ind. Besides those around there, were present during my husbands last sickness, Thomas Harper and his wife, Sarah Jane Harper, Sanford Farmer and I ain't certain whether his wife was present when he died but she was there during his sickness, also Walis Farmer and his wife and Robbie Farmer. None of them are related to me nor were they to Mr. Lance. Mr. Lance was taken sick on Saturday evening and he died on Monday evening following. Dr. James Patten was there when Lance died. Dr. Wm. Strickland was in attendance but was not there at death. Dr. Patten had been our family physician and had attended Lance during a former spell of bleeding about 4 years before his death. Dr. Dan Revis had treated him thro a spell about 10 years ago, when Dr. Patten was absent in Kentucky. (Q): What were these bleeding spells? (A): He passed blood through the rectum and he also vomited blood. The blood that he vomited was dark colored and clotted. The blood that passed his rectum was also dark colored. It would pass with his stool. He never passed blood except with movement of bowels. He has coughed blood up ever since we were married. No, he would not cough all the time, but would take cold and cough. He wouldn't always raise blood when coughing. If the blood that he raised from his stomach was foamy, I never noticed. The first time that he vomited blood was when Howard was just 2 weeks old (Oct. 1888). Lance had been at a funeral and when he came home he said he felt sick and vomited blood and then lay down; he vomited more blood and then fainted before we got the doctor (Patten) there. I never knew him to raise blood except by vomiting. He has come in and said, 'I have spit up more blood today than at any time before'. Lance was very slender and was slender ever since I knew him. Yes sir: I have seen his stools

when he would have his chronic spells; they were a grayish color. He passed blood in his stools ever since I knew him. Yes; I've seen my husband taking salt from his hand, but I never knew what he took it for. He kept these bleeding spells from me whenever he could. I've seen him eat salt but I never knew what it was for at the time. Dr. Revis treated him for ulcerated bowels. Dr. Blair from Princeton was called in with Dr. Revis. They made an examination of him. I don't know if they used a speculum. I know they talked of taking the ulcers off; but they didn't. At the time he was last taken down, he had gone to Oakland in a buggy alone. He wasn't well when he left home that day. Three of the children, Oscar, Odday & Howard were all down with the typhoid fever at that time. Odday was very low with typhoid fever and Lance went to town to get things. It was the 10th day of September. When he came home he said he felt bad. When he came from the barn, he said he felt bad and I asked him if he felt as though he was going to raise more blood and he said yes. I went to the kitchen and when I heard him coughing I came in and found him at the end of the hall on the steps and he had cast up considerable blood and in a few minutes, he raised still more blood. Dr. Strickland was there in about 20 minutes and Lance raised more or less blood all during that night and the next day and continued to bleed at intervals until his death. I was so worried I don't remember what the doctor did for him. If he called for or gave Lance salt, I did not know it, or don't now remember it. He sweat from weakness while bleeding; he had had night sweats before; but I am not sure whether he had them at the last or not. His death was very easy. When coughing, he didn't expectorate much phlegm or mucous. I can't remember what it looked like. He didn't have a steady cough only when he would take cold. He said he had spit up blood ever since he had been wounded. He said it came from his wounds. Dr. Patten said after John's death that the bullet had killed him at last. Lance never used any patent medicines. I don't know what kind of medicine the doctors gave. The last medicine that he took was very dark looking medicine which was given in whiskey. I think there were 11 drops of the medicine to a table spoonful of whiskey. That was just during his last sickness. He told me that he passed blood in his stool just after he felt sick that evening and before the bleeding from his mouth commenced. He told me that he felt so bad on his way home that he was afraid that he would fall out of his buggy. (Q): How long before his death did he have a running off of the bowels. (A): He had that chronic diarrhea all that Fall. He got up or tried to get up on Monday evening just before his death and I think exertion was what hurried his death. The doctor had told me do not let him turn over, but to keep him as quiet as possible and perhaps the bleeding would not commence again. I sat at his side from Sunday evening till Monday evening with my hands on his arms to keep him from trying to get up or turn over. On Monday evening, he insisted upon my going out to the dining room and eating something and I finally consented to go if his son Olley, since deceased - by former marriage, promised me that he would not allow him to turn over. I was only out a short time when they called me and told me he was dying. He had tried to arise from the bed and it started the blood flowing again. When I came in he was then throwing up blood. He would get awful sick and it seemed when he would throw it up it would ease him. After his death when they were dressing him, and turning him over, the blood ran from his mouth. Yes, his bowels moved after he took his bed on Saturday. I know of the one movement but I am not sure of more than one. The stool was blackish looking. I don't know if it had the appearance of physic. Tom Harper and Walis Farmer, I think laid him out and dressed him. I know Thomas Harper shaved him. They were soldiers together. Ollie, the son, died about July 17, 1893 of inflammation of the bowels, the result of the typhoid fever. No sir: Lance had no other sickness. He complained of a pain in his left side like pleurisy. He would have that occasionally. He was wounded through the left arm passing through the arm, entered the side and came out under the shoulder blade. He never had pneumonia that I knew of nor any fevers. Harry Lance now lives at Frisco. He was at home at the time of his father's death. Lance complained of severe pain in his side, down at bottom of his ribs and blistered it many times with mustard and sometimes with turpentine. He complained of that pain ever since I married him. He never seen a well day after I married him 1878; but always complained of that pain at intervals. He complained of aching in his arms and side & walked the floor and cried. No, the wound never broke out at the scar; but there would be a kind of an irritation out up above, below and around the scar occasionally. The irritation was in the form of pimples with white surfaces. He never used any medicine on that. It was all located below the shoulder blades. I think his father died of typhoid fever and old age about two years after John died. I lived on the place until the old man died. Lance's daughter, Ellen, died of the typhoid fever too, in 1895 in the Fall. There was a good deal of typhoid fever all

around there; but John had no fevers. We lived right below the cemetery and Dr. Strickland said that he thought the location had something to do with his death. I prefer not to go and be present during any further examination of the claim and it is not necessary to notify me. I understood your questions. You have recorded my answers correctly.....America Maxfield - Deponent.....Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th Feb. 1899, and I certify that the contents were first fully made known to deponent before signing.....J. H. L. Eagan - Special Examiner."....(source: 'Deposition C', from the Military Pension Claim file of America Lance, now Maxfield, Vincennes, Indiana, 7 Feb 1899).

## **Nancy Ann Lance (1844-1936)**

Nancy Ann Lance was born on December 23, 1844 in the town of Francisco in Center Township, Gibson County, Indiana. She was the 3<sup>rd</sup> child born to **Olley** Lathom and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On November 28, 1850, Nancy A. was 6 years old and living with her parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 135, family #146) also indicates: Nancy was born in Indiana, she attended school during the census year, and her parents were also born in Indiana.

On September 10, 1860, Nancy A. was 16 years old and still living with her parents and 5 siblings in Columbia Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) also shows Nancy and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On November 1, 1862, Nancy Ann Lance married John W. Duke in Gibson County, Indiana. He was born on December 5, 1840 in Gibson County and was a son of James T. and Elizabeth (Wallace) Duke. Nancy and John became the parents of 3 children – William P., Emma E. and James Q. Duke.

On June 14, 1870, Nancy was 25 years old and still living in Columbia Township. She was farming with her 30 year old husband, John Duke, and their 2 children - William and Emma Duke. The 1870 Indiana census (page 30, house 228) also indicates their real estate was valued at \$500 and their personal property was worth \$175.

On July 10, 1876, John W. Duke passed away in Center Township in Gibson County, Indiana at age 35. He was laid to rest at Meade Cemetery in Center Township.

On May 28, 1878, Nancy married Samuel Parker Aydelotte in Pike County, Indiana. He was born on June 8, 1849 in Greene County, Indiana and was a son of James Ridgeway and Cynthia Ann (Hollingsworth) Aydelotte. Nancy and Samuel became the parents of 3 children – Flora Amelia, Charles Franklin, and John Wilbur Aydelotte.

On June 12, 1880, Nancy 'Aydelotte' was 35 years old and still living in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. She was 'keeping house' with her 30 year old farmer husband, Samuel Aydelotte, and her 2 children from her previous marriage - Emma and James Duke. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 106, pg 7) also shows Nancy again reported Indiana as her place of birth.

On June 11, 1900, Nancy 'Aydelotte' was 54 years old and still living in Columbia Township. She was farming with: her 50 year old husband, Samuel Aydelotte; her 2 adult children from her 1st marriage - Emma and James Duke; and 3 teenage children from her 2nd marriage - Flora, Charles and John Aydelotte. Nancy's 8 year old schoolgirl granddaughter, Pearl Duke, was also enumerated with the 1900 Aydelotte household. The 1900 Indiana census also shows Nancy was born in January of 1846 (instead of December 1844) in Indiana and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

About 1917, Nancy and her family migrated to Washington Township in Independence County, Arkansas.

On January 8, 1920, Nancy was 74 years old and living with her 70 year old husband, 'Sam', in Washington Township in Independence County, Arkansas. Their son, John Aydelotte, was farming on an adjacent farm.

On January 5, 1936, Nancy passed away in the town of New Hope in Washington Township, Independence County, Arkansas at age 92. She was laid to rest at New Hope Cemetery in New Hope

The Arkansas State Board of Health issued a 'Certificate of Death' which includes the following information: Nancy Ann Aydelotte died at age 92 on January 5, 1936 at Washington Township, Independence County; she had lived there 19 years, 17 days; she was born December 23, 1844 in Francisco, Indiana; she was a white female and was a housewife until December 31, 1935; she had been a housewife 92 [sic] years and was the widow of S. P. Aydelotte; her father was Olley Lance who was born in Francisco, Indiana; her mother was Joana Hollonsworth who was born in Gibson Co., Indiana; the informant was Jack Aydelotte of O'neal Farm Rd (address questionable due to a faded record and poor penmanship); Nancy was buried at New Hope on January 7, 1936; the undertaker was Barnett Bros. of Batesville, Arkansas.; "I hereby certify, that I attended deceased from Jan 3, 1936 to Jan 5, 1936, I last saw her alive on Jan 5, 1936; death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 p.m. The principal cause of death, and related causes of importance were as follows: heart lesion; the disease or injury was not in any way related to her occupation....(Signed) Paul H. Jeffery, M.D. [end].

## **Sarah Ellen Lance (1846-1940)**

Sarah Ellen Lance was born on November 28, 1846 in Center Township in Gibson County, Indiana. She was the 4<sup>th</sup> child born to **Olley** Lathom and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On November 28, 1850, Sarah E. was 4 years old and living with her parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 136, family #146) also indicates Sarah and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On September 10, 1860, Sarah was 14 years old and still living with her parents and 5 siblings in Columbia Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) again shows Sarah and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On February 27, 1866, Sarah Ellen Lance married Cornelius Wilhite. He was born on February 23, 1846 in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana and was a son of Jefferson and Nancy D. Wilhite. Sarah and Cornelius became the parents of 4 children – Richard [adopted], twin infant girls, and Charles B. Wilhite.

On June 6, 1870, Sarah E. 'Wilhite' was 22 years old and farming in Columbia Township. She was 'keeping house' with her 24 year old farmer husband, Cornelius. Five year old Richard Adams was also enumerated with the Wilhite household. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 18, family #132) also shows Sarah again reported Indiana as her place of birth.

On June 14, 1880, Sarah E. 'Wilhite' was 33 years old and still living in Columbia Township. She was still keeping house with: her 34 year old husband, 'Cornealis' Wilhite; their 2 year old son, Charles Wilhite; and their 15 year old adopted son, Richard Adams. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 106, pg 24) also indicates Sarah once again reported Indiana as her place of birth.

On June 13, 1900, Sarah E. was 53 years old and living on Morton Street in Oakland City in Columbia Township, Gibson County, Indiana. She was living with her 54 year old husband, Cornelius, and their 20 year old son, Charles Wilhite. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 5, pg 14) also shows: Sarah was born in November of 1847 in Indiana, her only [sic] child was still living, and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

On August 1, 1940, Sarah passed away in Oakland City in Gibson County at age 93. She was laid to rest at Forsythe Cemetery in Columbia Township, Gibson County.

## Joseph N. Lance (1849-unknown)

Joseph Lance was born in October 1849 in Center Township, Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 5<sup>th</sup> child born to **Olley Lathom** and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On November 28, 1850, Joseph Lance was 6 months old and living with his parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 136, family #146) also indicates Joseph and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On September 10, 1860, Joseph 'M.' was 10 years old and still living with his parents and 5 siblings in Columbia Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) again shows Joseph and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On October 28, 1869 Joseph was about 20 years old when he married Melissa Farmer in Gibson County, Indiana. She was born in July 1852 in Gibson County and was a daughter of Ferris and Lucretia (Dill) Farmer. Joseph and Melissa were the parents of 9 children – **Elmore S.**, **Burtis F.**, **Maud**, **Delta**, **Colfax**, **Dora E.**, **infant girl**, **Joseph C.**, and **Orval Lance**.

On June 14, 1870, Joseph was still 20 years old and farming in Columbia Township with his 17 year old wife, Melissa. Four of Melissa's siblings were also working and living on the farm. Melissa's share of the real estate was valued at \$800. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 31, family #245) also indicates Joseph once again reported Indiana as his place of birth.

On June 12, 1880, Joseph was 30 year old farmer still living in Columbia Township. He was farming with his 27 year old wife, 'Malissie', and their 5 children – Elmore, Burtis, Maud, Delta, and Colfax Lance. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 106, pg 23) also shows Joseph once again reported Indiana as his place of birth and also the birthplace of his parents.

In 1883, when another baby girl was born, Joseph was 34 years old and still farming in Columbia Township. Shortly thereafter, Joseph and his family moved to Kansas (source: 'Tartt History of Gibson County').

On June 14, 1900 Joseph was a 50 year old stock raiser living in Weskan Township in Wallace County, Kansas. He was living with his 47 year old wife, Melissa, and their 2 sons - Joseph and Orval Lance. The 1900 Kansas census also indicates Joseph and Melissa had been married 30 years and all 8 of their children were still living.

On January 9, 1920, Joseph was 70 years old and farming in Precinct 5 in Otero County, Colorado. He was farming with his 67 year old wife, 'Mallissa'. The 1920 Colorado census also indicates they were renting their home and Joseph again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

## Oliver Pinkney Lance (1853-1893)

Oliver Pinkney Lance was born in 1853 in Center Township in Gibson County, Indiana. He was the 6<sup>th</sup> child born to **Olley Lathom** and Joanna (Adams) Lance.

On September 10, 1860, Oliver P. Lance was 7 years old and living with his parents and siblings on the family farm in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 219, family #1492) also indicates Oliver and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 16, 1870, 'Pinkney' was 17 years old and still living at home with his parents and his 30 year old sister, Mary J. (Lance) Witherspoon (and her 2 young daughters – Violet and Ida Witherspoon) in Columbia Township. The 1870 Indiana census again shows 'Pinkney' was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

"'Pink' did marry - I have a picture of his wife and 2 **sons** taken in a Hamburg, Iowa, studio."..(source: June Harbison of Princeton, Indiana to Michael L. Lance of Spring, Texas, Dec 1997).

On August 18, 1893, Oliver passed away in Indiana at about age 40.

**Oliver Pinkney Lance**



**Mrs. Oliver Pinkney and their two sons**



## **Sylvester J. Lance (1840-1916)**

Sylvester J. Lance was born on September 15, 1853 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 1<sup>st</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 10, 1850, Sylvester Lance was 10 years old and living with his parents and 4 younger siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 187, family #203) also indicates Sylvester and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On January 20, 1858, Sylvester Lance and Sarah E. Shepard obtained a marriage license in Pike County. They were united in matrimony 3 days later by William Sutherland, L.P. (licensed Preacher). She was born in 1842 in Kentucky. They were the parents of 6 children – **James T.**, **Louisa Jane**, **Sarah Belle**, **Mary E.**, **Nancy Ann**, and **Benjamin Franklin Lance**.

On June 5, 1860, Sylvester was a 19 year old farmer still living in Monroe Township. He was farming with his 17 year old wife, Sarah, and their 1 year old son, James T. Lance. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 12, family #85) also shows: Sylvester again reported Indiana as his place of birth, their real estate was valued at \$300, and their personal property was worth \$325.

Sarah passed away 10 years later at about age 28 leaving behind 6 children.

On March 25, 1872, Sylvester Lance and Nancy C. (McKinney) Johnson obtained a marriage license in Pike County. They were wed 3 days later by Justice of the Peace, James A. Shepard. Nancy was born on June 5, 1852 in Pulaski County, Kentucky and was the daughter of John Watson and Rebecca (Pittman) McKinney Sr. Sylvester and Nancy were the parents of the following 12 children – **Elisha Emery**, **William Preston**, **Daniel Milton**, **Lewis Alvin**, **Lillie Ellen**, **Francis Marion**, **Harvey Whitman**, **Emily Catherine**, **Angy Rolly**, **Verner Jacob**, and **Sylvester Willis Lance**.

On June 10, 1880, Sylvester Lance was a 39 year old farmer still living in Monroe Township. He was farming with: his 28 year old 2nd wife, Nancy C.; their 4 sons - John W., Elisha E., William P., and 'Louis' A. Lance; Sylvester's 5 children from his previous marriage - Louisa J., Sarah I., Mary E., Nancy A., and

Benjamin F. Lance; and Franklin Parker (a future son-in-law). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 15) also indicates Sylvester again reported Indiana as his place of birth and also the birthplace of his parents.

In 1897, Sylvester was appointed as guardian of his elderly mother. "Sir: I have the honor to report that in the case of Johanna S. Lance, Mother of Wm. - Pvt. Co. D. 58th Ind, Certificate No. 354.687, Sylvester Lance whose post-office address is Spurgeon, Indiana, was appointed as guardian, February, 1897, pensioner having been adjudged Insane. Very respectfully, M. Spencer, U.S. Pension Agent"....(source: memo from the Department of the Interior, Indianapolis Agency to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D.C., March 5, 1897, pension claim file of Joanna Lance).

On June 6, 1900, Sylvester was 59 years old and continued to farm in Monroe Township. He was farming with his 46 year old 2nd wife, Nancy, and their 5 children – Lewis, Lilly E., Francis M., Harvey W., Emily C., and Jacob V. Lance. The 1900 Indiana census also shows: Sylvester again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Nancy had been married 29 years, and 8 of her 12 children were still living.

On April 19, 1910, Sylvester was a 69 year old farmer still living in Monroe Township with: his 57 year old wife, Nancy; their 5 children - widower Preston, Marion, Harvey, Emily, and Jacob Lance; and 2 grandsons - Claude and Argle Lance (probably sons of Preston). The 1910 Indiana census (ED 34, pg 3B) also indicates: Sylvester once again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Nancy had been married 38 years, 7 of their her 12 children were still living, they owned their farm free and clear, and Sylvester again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

In June 1910, Sylvester and his wife, Nancy McKinney, were still farming in the town of Spurgeon in Monroe Township when their daughter Emma Lance, married....and again in December 1913 when their son, Harvey Lance, married (sources: Emma and Harvey's marriage records).

On September 2, 1916, Sylvester passed away in the town of Stendal in Monroe [sic] Township at age 75. His Spurgeon Cemetery mention in the book: 'Pike County, Indiana Cemetery Records - Monroe Township', page 74, compiled by Joan Woodhull, 1979....states: "Lance, Sylvester J., 9-15-1840 - 9-2-1916 - father".

The Indiana State Board of Health issued a 'Certificate of Death' for Sylvester which includes the following information: Sylvester Lance died at Stendal in Monroe Township, Pike County on September 2, 1916 at age 75 years, 11 months, 18 days; he was born on September 15, 1840 in Pike County, Indiana; he was a white male and his occupation was farmer; at his time of death, he was married to Nancy K. Lance; his parents were Ben Lance (born in Indiana) and Miss Beatty (born in Pennsylvania); "I certify, That I attended deceased from Aug. 27, 1916 to Sept. 2, 1916; that I last saw him alive on Aug 27, 1916; and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 10:30 a.m. The cause of death was as follows: appoplexy; Duration - 6 days"; (signed) James S. Baker, M.D., Spurgeon, Ind., Sept. 4, 1916; "The above stated personal particulars are true to the best of my knowledge and belief", informant - W. P. Lance (Sylvester's son, William Preston Lance) of Stendal, Indiana; Sylvester was buried September 4, 1916 at Spurgeon; and the undertaker was S. J. Julian of Spurgeon, Indiana [end].

## **William H. Lance** **(1842-1862)**

William H. Lance was born about 1842 in Indiana. He was the 2<sup>nd</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 10, 1850, William Lance was 8 years old and living with his parents and 4 siblings on the Lance family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 187, family #203) also indicates William and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 8, 1860, William was a 17 year old farm worker still living with his parents and 7 younger siblings in Monroe Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) again shows William was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

On September 15, 1861, William enlisted with the Union Army during the Civil War. He served as a Private with Company D, 58<sup>th</sup> Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. During the war his regiment lost 4 officers and 60 enlisted men killed and mortally wounded and 2 officers and 192 enlisted men by disease for a total of 258 casualties. William Lance was among the casualties. He died on November 23, 1862 from typhoid pneumonia at a military hospital at Bowling Green, Kentucky.

In 1879, his father, Benjamin Lance, applied for a government pension based on the military service of his late son, William Lance. The "State of Indiana, County of Warrick - On this 26th day of May, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy nine personally appeared before me, A. J. Honeycutt, clerk of the Warrick Circuit Court within and for the county and State aforesaid, Benjamin Lance, aged 60 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration: in order to obtain the pension provided by acts of Congress granting pensions to dependent relatives: That he is the father of William Lance who enlisted under the name of William Lance at Gibson Co. Ind. on the 15 day of September, A.D. 1861, in Co. 'D' 58th Reg. Indiana Vol. in the war of Late Civil War who contracted the disease of typhoid pneumonia which resulted in his death at the hospital No. 7 Bowling Green in the State of Kentucky on the 23rd day of November, A.D. 1862 who bore at the time of his death the rank of Private in Co. 'D' 58th Reg. Ind Vols., that said son William Lance, left neither widow nor child under sixteen years of age surviving; that the declarant was married to the mother of said son at Pike Co. Ind on the 17 day of November, A.D. 1839, by John Alman; that he was wholly dependent upon said son for support."....(source: 'Declaration For Original Pension of a Father or Mother', pension claimant Benjamin Lance, Warrick County, Indiana, May 26, 1879).

"Said Soldier was under 21 when he died and had worked on the farm all his life and helped to support the family and when he started in the army, I was with him and he spoke of leaving his parents and that he recognized his obligations to aid and assist all that he possibly could in supporting them; that his contributions during his said enlistment to de cease, during which period he had no other adequate means of support, were as follows: I often heard the parents say that said Soldier Sent all his money home to them which [he] Drew from the Government."....(source: 'Proof of Dependence Affidavit', by Clark Reed of Oakland City, Gibson County, Indiana, recorded by Notary Public William W. Richardson, June 4, 1890).

## **Sarah Jane Lance (ca. 1843-unknown)**

Sarah Jane Lance was born about 1843 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 3rd child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 16, 1850, Sarah Lance was 7 years old and living with her parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 187, family #203) also indicates Sarah and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 8, 1860, 'Jane' was 14 years old and still living with her parents and 7 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) again shows 'Jane' was born in Indiana and she attended school during the census year.

On September 26, 1866, 'Jane' Lance and William Wesley Richardson were united in matrimony in Pike County, Indiana by Minister F. M. Halbrook. William was born in March 1844 in Warrick County, Indiana. He was a son of George W. and Joannah Richardson. 'Jane' and William became the parents of an infant son born September 27, 1867 and passed away December 5, 1867.

On June 4, 1880, 'Jane' was 32 years old and living in Columbia Township in Gibson County, Indiana. She was 'keeping house' with her 36 year old farmer husband, 'Wesley' Richardson. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 106, pg 9) also shows 'Jane' again reported Indiana as her place of birth.

On June 10, 1900, 'Jane Richardson' was 55 years old and living on Ash Street in Oakland City in Columbia Township, Gibson County, Indiana. She was living with her 56 year old insurance agent husband, 'Wesley' Richardson. Forty-four year old divorced boarder, Winfred Wallace, was also enumerated with the

Richardson household. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 5, pg 11) also shows 'Jane' once again reported Indiana as her place of birth and her 1 child had passed away.

On October 6, 1903, William Wesley Richardson passed away in Columbia Township at age 59. On February 24, 1905, Sarah Jane re-married to George Austin Rutter. He was born on November 12, 1841 in Posey County, Indiana and was a son of Austin Joseph and Elizabeth Jane (Johnson) Rutter. Sarah and George are not known to have had any children together.

"Mrs. Rutter is a daughter of Benjamin and Joanna (Beatty) Lance, natives of Pike county [Indiana]....Mrs. Rutter holds her church membership with the United Brethren church, and both of them are well known and have many warm friends not only in Oakland City, but throughout Gibson county."....(source: biographical sketch in 'History of Gibson County, Indiana', page 648, by Gilbert R. Stormont, published by B. F. Bowen & Co., Inc. of Indianapolis, Indiana, 1914).

"State of Indiana, County of Gibson: In the matter of Pension Claim No. 793346 of Widow of William W. Richardson, late of Company F, 33rd Regiment Ind Inft Vols, on this 21 day of November, 1903, before me, O. M. Stone a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Jane Richardson, aged 59 years, whose post office address is Oakland City, County of Gibson, State of Indiana, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn according to law upon her oath declares, that at the death of my husband that he owned no real estate except our little house in Oakland City, Indiana that I value at two hundred dollars, and if I were to rent it out I could not get over four dollars per Month. I have no income from any source whatever and will be bound to go to the wash tub to get something to eat and ware. No one is legally bound to support me. That neither I or the soldier had been previously married before our Marriage in Sept. 1866. That the soldier was never out of the state of Indiana over a month at any time on business and was never married to any other woman than me. That I have heard my husband say frequently that he believes that his brother James, who deserted from the Army had impersonated him in a marriage some where west, as their had been a family trouble between them. That my maiden name was Lance and I was married to William W. Richardson in 1866 and I have an interest and a concern in this matter....[signed] Jane Richardson....Two witnesses required when signature is made: John D. McCullough - John T. Allbrought....Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21 day of November, 1903 and I certify the contents of the forgoing affidavit were duly read and fully made known to affiants before making oath to the same, and that I have no interest in this matter...Official Signature: O. M. Stone, Notary Public."....(source: General Affidavit from the military pension application file of William Wesley Richardson, 21 Nov 1903).

George Austin Rutter passed away on March 28, 1915 in Oakland City in Gibson County, Indiana at age 73. Sarah then married a Mr. Johnson on November 30, 1915 but they were divorced on May 19, 1917.

"Jane Johnson, formerly widow of William W. Richardson, Pvt. Company F, 33rd Indiana Infantry, filed, May 28, 1917, her application for renewal of pension under section 2 of the act of September 8, 1916, and was advised September 6, 1917, of the rejection of the claim on the ground that she had contracted more than one marriage since the soldier died. An appeal was entered October 15, 1917....Claimant was formerly pensioned as the widow of the soldier in question under the act of June 27, 1890, he having died October 6, 1903. She remarried February 27, 1905, her second husband died March 28, 1915. She again married November 30, 1915, and was divorced from her last husband May 19, 1917. There is no denial that the claimant has contracted more that one marriage since the death of the soldier, but it is contended, in effect, that the claimant is entitled to renewal of pension under a correct interpretation of the act invoked....The question presented in the appeal was recently considered and passed upon by the Department in its decision rendered March 27, 1917 (Renewal of Widow's Pension, advance sheets No. 61, 20 p. D.) construing the act of September 8, 1916, and is was held in said decision: 'The title of a widow to renewal of pension XXX under section 2 of the act of September 8, 1916, is dependent in every instance on her having contracted but one marriage since the death of the soldier on account of whose service and death she had originally been pensioned.'....The action complained of is in strict accordance with said decision, and is affirmed....[signature illegible] Assistant Secretary."....(source: memo from the Commissioner of Pensions included in the military pension file of William Wesley Richardson, Department of the Interior, Washington, 16 May 1918).

## **Mary Lance** **(ca. 1844-unknown)**

Mary Lance was born about 1844 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 4<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 16, 1850, Mary was 6 years old and living with her parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 187, family #203) also indicates Mary and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 8, 1860, Mary was 14 years old and still living with her parents and 7 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) again shows Mary was born in Indiana and she attended school during the census year.

On July 25, 1870, Mary was 26 years old, unmarried, and still living with her parents in Monroe Township. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 13) again indicates Mary and her parents were all born in Indiana.

## **Thomas Lance** **(1849-1870)**

Thomas Lance was born in 1849 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 5<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 10, 1850, Thomas was 1 year old and living with his parents and 4 older siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 187, family #203) also indicates Thomas and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 8, 1860, Thomas was 11 years old and still living with his parents and 7 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) again shows: Thomas was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

On May 3, 1870, he passed away at about age 21.

## **Elisha Emery Lance** **(1850-1911)**

Elisha Emery Lance was born in July 1850 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 6<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On October 16, 1850, Elisha Lance would have been about 3 months old (according to his birth information recorded on the 1900 census - see below), but he was not enumerated with his parents on their Monroe Township, Pike County, Indiana farm (1850 census - pg 187, family #203).

On June 8, 1860, 'Embree' was 9 years old and living with his parents and 7 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) also indicates: 'Embree' was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

On July 25, 1870, 'Emery' was 18 years old and still living with his parents and 5 younger sisters in Monroe Township. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 13, family #37) again shows 'Emery' and his parents were all born in Indiana.

On December 24, 1872, Elisha married Ginerva Parker in the town of Boonville in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana. She was born in October 1849 and was a daughter of John F. and Harriet Jane (West) Parker. Elisha and Ginerva were the parents of 4 children – **Robert B.**, **George Dello**, **William T.**, and **Harriet Anna Lance**.

On June 10, 1880, 'Emory' was a 28 year old farmer still living in Pike County. He was farming with his 31 year old wife, Ginerva, and their 3 children - 'Robbert', George, and Harriet Lance. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 15) also shows 'Emory' again reported Indiana as his place of birth and the birthplace of his parents.

On June 27, 1900, Elisha E. was 49 years old and farming in Lane Township in Warrick County, Indiana. He was farming with his 50 year old wife, Ginerva, and their 20 year old unmarried daughter, Harriet A. Lance. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 152, pg 12) also indicates: Elisha was born in July of 1850 in Indiana, he and Ginerva had been married 27 years, they owned their farm with a mortgage, and Elisha again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

On June 29, 1901, Ginerva passed away in Lane Township in Warrick County, Indiana at age 51. On December 22, 1901, Elisha re-married to Martha B. Morris. She was born about 1862 in Indiana. They are not believed to have had any children together.

On April 27, 1910, 'Emory E.' was 58 years old and still living in Lane Township. He was living with his 48 year old 2nd wife, Martha. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 169, pg 6) also shows: 'Emory' once again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Martha had been married 8 years, and 'Emory' again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

On May 15, 1911, Elisha passed away at age 60 in Lane Township in Warrick County, Indiana. A Spurgeon Cemetery listing in the book: 'Pike County, Indiana Cemetery Records, Monroe Township', page 69, compiled by Joan Woodhull, published 1979.....states: "Lance, William T., 1-7-1879 - 9 mo 14 da - son of E. E. & C. Lance". This infant may have been a son of Elisha and Geneva (if C. Lance is a misspelling of G. Lance).

## **Margaret E. Lance** **(ca. 1853-unknown)**

Margaret E. Lance was born about 1853 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 7<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On June 8, 1860, Margaret E. was 6 years old and living with her parents and 7 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 18, family #131) also indicates Margaret was born in Indiana and she attended school during the census year.

On July 25, 1870, Margaret was 17 years old and still living with her parents and siblings in Monroe Township. The 1880 Indiana census for Pike County (ED 173, pg 21) again shows Margaret and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On October 27, 1870, Margaret E. Lance married Jacob Holton in Pike County. He was born about 1846 in Kentucky and was a farmer. They became the parents of the following 6 children – Nancy B., Benjamin F., Mary J., Joseph E., daughter, and Bertha Holton.

Jacob passed away in 1901 at about age 55. He was laid to rest at Meade Cemetery in Center Township, Gibson County, Indiana.

On January 2, 1920, Margaret 'Holton' was a 67 year old widow living at 1433 Sixth Street in the city of Terra Haute in Harrison Township, Vigo County, Indiana. She was living with her 29 year old unmarried daughter, Bertha A. Holton, and her 20 year old unmarried [grand] nephew, Claude L. Lance (son of her nephew, William Preston Lance). The 1920 Indiana census (ED 147, pg 1) also indicates: Margaret again reported Indiana as her place of birth, she was renting her house, and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

## **Joanna Lance (1856-1925)**

Joanna Lance was born in November 1856 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 8<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On June 8, 1860, 'Joann' was 4 years old and living with her parents and 7 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 14, family #131) also indicates 'Joann' and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On July 25, 1870, 'Joann' was 14 years old and still living with her parents and 5 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 13) again shows 'Joann' and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On February 27, 1873, Joanna Lance married Josiah Watson McKinney in Pike County, Indiana. He was born on September 9, 1854 in Kentucky. He was a son of John Watson and Rebecca (Pittman) McKinney Sr. Joanna and Josiah were the parents of the following 9 children – Bertha E, William Homer, Lillie Jane, Dora S., Clara C., Harmon E., Emma C., Rufus D., and Josie May McKinney.

On June 19, 1880, 'Joanah McKinney' was 23 years old and farming in Monroe Township. She was 'keeping house' with her 25 year old husband, Josiah McKinney, and their 3 children – Bertha E., William H., and Lilly J. McKinney. Josiah's elderly parents, John W. and Rebecca McKinney Sr., were also enumerated with the household. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 32) also shows: 23 year old 'Joanah McKinney' again reported Indiana as her place of birth and also the birthplace of her parents.

On June 4, 1900, 'Joannah' was 43 years old and still farming in Monroe Township. She was living with her 45 year old husband, Josiah McKinney, and their 6 McKinney children – Dora, Clara C., Harman E., Emma C., Rufus D., and Josie May McKinney. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 29, pg 3) also shows: 'Joannah' was born in November of 1856 in Indiana, 9 of her 10 children were still living, and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

On April 21, 1910, Joanna 'McKinney' was 53 year old and still living in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. She was farming with her 54 year old husband, 'Joseph McKinney', and their 2 children – Rufus and Josie 'McKinney'. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 34, pg 4B) also indicates: Joanna once again reported Indiana as her place of birth, 8 of her 10 children were still living, and she once again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

In August 1912, Joanna was still living in Pike County with her husband, Josiah, when their son, Harman McKinney, married (source: Harman's marriage record).

In 1925, Joanna passed away at about age 69 in Pike County. Her Log Creek Cemetery mention in the book: 'Pike County, Indiana Cemetery Records - Monroe Township', page 66, compiled by Joan Woodhull, 1979....states: "McKinney, Joanna, 1855 - 1925 - wife of J. W. McKinney" (instead of born November 1856 as reported on the 1900 Indiana census).

## **Charlotte Lance (ca. 1858-unknown)**

Charlotte Lance was born about 1858 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 9<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On June 8, 1860, 'Charrolotte' was 1 year old and living with her parents and 7 older siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 14, family #131) also indicates 'Charrolotte' and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On July 25, 1870, Charlotte was 12 years old and still living with her parents and 5 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 13) again shows Charlotte and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 14, 1880, Charlotte was 21 years old, unmarried, and still living with her widowed mother and her 17 year old sister, Rebecca Lance, in Monroe Township (her father's line on the census page was scratched through indicating he had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 21) again shows Charlotte and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On November 14, 1880, Charlotte Lance married Benjamin F. Dorsey in Pike County, Indiana. He was born about 1860 in Indiana. They were the parents of the following 9 children – Elizabeth A., Ida A. B., daughter, Ida Z., Mary A., Daniel L., Golda A., Martha F., and daughter Dorsey.

On May 2, 1910, Charlotte 'Dorsey' was 50 years old and farming in Skelton Township in Warrick County, Indiana. She was living with her 50 year old husband, Benjamin Dorsey, and their 6 children – Ida Z., Elizabeth A., Mary A., Daniel L., 'Gola' A., and Martha F. Dorsey. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 176, pg 14B) also shows: Charlotte again reported Indiana as her place of birth, 7 of her 12 children were still living, she and Benjamin had been married 29 years, it was the 1<sup>st</sup> marriage for them both, and she once again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her parents.

## **Rebecca Lance (1861-before June 1900)**

Rebecca Lance was born on December 19, 1861 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 10<sup>th</sup> child born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

On July 25, 1870, Rebecca was 8 years old and living with her parents and 5 older siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 13) also indicates Rebecca and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On June 14, 1880, Rebecca was 17 years old and still living with her widowed mother and her 21 year old unmarried sister, Charlotte Lance, in Monroe Township (her father's line on the census page was scratched through indicating he had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 21) again shows Rebecca and her parents were all born in Indiana.

On May 19, 1881, Rebecca Lance married George McKinney in Pike County. They were united in matrimony by George's uncle, George Harrison McKinney, an Elder of United Baptist Church. George was born in May 1859 in Indiana. He was a son of Bayles Logan and Sarah McKinney. Rebecca and George became the parents of 5 children – son, Hardy, Ada O., Benjamin, and Ida McKinney.

The 1900 Indiana census shows 41 year old George McKinney was still living in Monroe Township in Pike County. He was living with his 4 children – Hardy, Ada, Benjamin, and Iva McKinney. Rebecca had apparently passed away sometime earlier.

## **Jonathan and Mont Lance (1864 and 1865)**

Jonathan and Mont Lance were reportedly born in 1864 and 1865 respectively. They would have been the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> children born to **Benjamin** and Joanna (Beatty) Lance.

Brothers Mont and Jonathon Lance are "not listed in any census, but included in an article published in 'Stormont History of Gibson County', as children of Benjamin Lance."...(source: June Harbison to Michael Lester Lance of Spring, Texas, Dec 1997). "Mrs. Rutter is a daughter of Benjamin and Joanna (Beatty) Lance, natives of Pike County, who passed their entire lives within its borders, engaged in farming. They were the parents of seven [sic] children, namely: Sylvester, Emory, William, Jane, who is Mrs. Rutter, Mont, Jonathan and Lottie."...(source: 'History of Gibson County, Indiana', pg 648, by Stormont, 1914).

## **George Lance (ca. 1845-unknown)**

George Lance was born about 1845 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 1<sup>st</sup> child born to **Finas Euen** and Elizabeth (Leet) Lance.

On October 1, 1850, George was 5 years old and living with his parents and 2 younger sisters - Martha and Mary Lance, on the Monroe Township, Pike County, Indiana farm of his paternal grandparents - John and Ellenor Lance. The 1850 Indiana census also indicates George and his parents were all born in Indiana.

## **Martha Lance (1847-unknown)**

Martha Lance was born in 1847 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 2<sup>nd</sup> child born to **Finas Euen** and Elizabeth (Leet) Lance.

On October 1, 1850, 'Marthess' was 3 years old and living with her parents and 2 siblings – George and Mary Lance, in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. They were all living on the farm of her paternal grandparents - John and Ellenor Lance. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 169, family #71) also indicates Martha and her parents were all born in Indiana.

## **Mary Lance (1849-unknown)**

Mary Lance was born in 1849 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 3<sup>rd</sup> child born to **Finas Euen** and Elizabeth (Leet) Lance.

On October 1, 1850, Mary was 1 year old and living with her parents and 2 older siblings – George and 'Marthess' Lance, in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. They were all living on the farm of her paternal grandparents - John and Ellenor Lance. The 1850 Indiana census (pg 169, family #71) also indicates Mary and her parents were all born in Indiana.

## **Benjamin Franklin Lance (1853-1908)**

Benjamin Franklin Lance was born on January 16, 1853 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 4<sup>th</sup> child born to **Finas Euen** and Elizabeth (Leet) Lance.

On June 3, 1870, 'Benji' Lance was an 18 year old coal miner living with: his father; his step-mother, Lydia; his younger brother, Finas E. Lance; and his younger half-brother, Abraham Lance, in Ohio Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 6, family #48) also indicates 'Benji' was born in Indiana, he could not write, and his father and step-mother were also born in Indiana. On June 9, 1872, Benjamin married Sarah Ann Bristow in Warrick County. She was born in February 1856 in Indiana and was a daughter of John and Emily Elinor Bristow. Benjamin and Sarah were the parents of 3 children – **Mary Jane**, **William Albert**, and **Harvey James Lance**.

On June 5, 1880, Benjamin was 27 years old and living in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County. He was living with his 24 year old wife, Sarah, and their 3 year old daughter, 'Bayli' Lance.

The 1880 Indiana census (ED 61, pg 18) also indicates: Benjamin again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he was working in a 'local bank', he still could not read or write, and he also reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

In 1886, Benjamin was a 33 year old miner still living in Newburgh when his son, James Harvey Lance, was born.

On June 11, 1900, Benjamin was a 47 year old coal miner living on Church Street in Newburgh. He was living with his 44 year old wife, 'Sallie', and their 2 sons - 'Albert' and 'Harvey' Lance. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 156, pg 10) also shows: Benjamin was born in January of 1853 in Indiana, he and 'Sallie' had been married 28 years, they owned their house with a mortgage, and Benjamin again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

On April 9, 1908, Benjamin passed away in Newburgh at age 55. His Certificate of Death includes the following information: Benjamin was born January 16, 1853 in Indiana; he passed away at age 55 years, 2 months, and 23 days; he was a widower and his late wife was Sallie Lance; his father was 'Huen' Lance; and his mother's name and birthplace was recorded as 'don't know'; Benjamin was a laborer; he passed away from 'elephantiasis of telangiectodes variety' (clinical definition: general increase in bulk of the skin and tissue, especially of the lower extremities, accompanied by and dependent upon dilation of the blood vessels, due to long-standing obstructed lymphatic vessels, most commonly after years of infection by filarial worms) on April 9, 1908 in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana after about a 2 month illness; Benjamin was buried at Rosehill Cemetery in Newburgh; and the 'Certificate of Death' information was contributed by his son, 'Albert' Lance of Newburgh on April 10, 1908 [end].

Benjamin's gravesite is in Ward #7, Lot #18, Grave #2 at Rosehill Cemetery in Newburgh, Indiana.

## **Finas Euen Lance Jr. (1857-1923)**

Finas Euen Lance Jr. was born on August 1, 1857 in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana. He was the 5<sup>th</sup> child born to **Finas Euen** and Elizabeth (Leet) Lance.

On June 3, 1870, Finas E. was 13 years old and living with: his father; his step-mother, Lydia; his older brother, 'Benji' Lance; and his younger half-brother, Abraham Lance, in Ohio Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 6, family #48) also indicates: Finas was born in Indiana, he could not read or write, and his father and step-mother were also born in Indiana.

On January 14, 1879, Finas married Anna Eich in the town of Boonville in Ohio Township, Warrick County. She was born on October 21, 1861 in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township. She was a daughter of Joseph Eich. Finas and Anna were the parents of the following 7 children – **George, Emma L., Eunia A., Henry Royal, Ben F., Russell, and Nelson John Lance.**

On June 12, 1880, 'Union' was a 23 year old coal miner still living in Ohio Township. He was living with his 22 year old wife, Annie, and their baby son, George Lance.

On June 16, 1900, 'Euen' was a 41 year old coal miner still living in North Ohio Township. He was living with: his 39 year old wife, 'Annie'; their 3 sons - Euen, Henry, and Nelson Lance; and their married daughter, Emma (Lance) Sutherland (with her husband and 1 month old daughter). The 1900 Indiana census (ED 155, pg 8) also shows: 'Euen' was born in August of 1858, he could not read or write, he and 'Annie' had been married 21 years, 'Euen' had been unemployed 7 1/2 months during the census year, and they owned their house free and clear.

In October 1901, Finas and Annie purchased real estate which produced the following Bond (with



original word spelling): "Bond For a Deed.....Know all men by these presents that I, Charls F. W. Inderieden & Lizzie Inderieden, his wife, of Warrick County, State of Indiana, Are bound to Euen Lance in the sum of four hundred dollars on the folowing conditions to wit...The Said Charls F. W. Inderieden and Lizzie Inderieden has this day Sold to Euen Lance of Warrick County in the State of Indiana, The folowing Real Estate in Warrick County in the State of Indiana to wit....Lot five (5) in block seven (7) in the Town of Chandler, County and State aforsaid on the folowing conditions to wit.....The Said Euen Lance Shal pay to The Said Charls F. W. Inderieden the Sum of Two hundred and Thirty Eight dollars and Seventy Two cents \$238.72....The Said amount to be pade in Twenty four Equel payments begining the 1st day of November 1901 and paying then the Sum of \$9.95 and thus paying Succesivly Each month for the period of Twenty four months that amount Til The amount of \$238.72 is pade and in The full".

On May 3, 1910, 'Ewin' was a 51 year coal miner still living in Ohio Township with: his 48 year old wife, Anna; their 2 sons - 'Eunie' and Nelson Lance; and their 32 year old widower son-in-law, Charles 'Southerland' (with his 3 young 'Southerland' daughters - Anna, Mary, and Emma). The 1910 Indiana census also indicates: 'Ewin' still could not read or write, he and Anna had been married 31 years, and 3 of their 6 children were still living.

In September 1917, 'Euen' and Anna were living in the town of Chandler in Warrick County when their son, Nelson Lance, married (source: Nelson's marriage record).

On January 8, 1920, 'Euen' was 61 years old, retired, and living on North Street in Chandler. He was living with his 58 year old wife, Anna, and their son, Richard Lance.

On June 13, 1923, Finas Jr. passed away in Chandler at age 65. He was laid to rest at Greenwood Cemetery in Chandler on June 15, 1923.

The Indiana State Board of Health issued a 'Certificate of Death' (certificate no. 22329) for Finas which includes the following information: Euen Lance passed away at age 65 years, 10 months and 12 days on June 13, 1923 at Chandler in Ohio Township, Warrick County; he was a married white male; his wife was Anna Lance; he was born August 1, 1858 in Warrick County, Indiana; his occupation was retired coal miner; his parents were Euen Lance, born in Warrick County, and Elisabeth Leet, born at 'do not know'; the informant was Anna Lance (his wife) of Chandler, Indiana; "I herby certify, that I took charge of the remains described above, held an inquest thereon and from the evidence obtained by said inquest find that said deceased came to his death on the day stated above, at 12-5 p.m. The cause of death was as follows: Chronic form of astma"....(signed) Preston G. M. Broshears, M.D. on June 13, 1923; Euen was buried at Chandler on June 15, 1923; the undertaker was Billups & Wiry of Boonville; he was embalmed; the death information was filed on June 14, 1923 [end].

## Anna (Eich) Lance



## Abraham Lincoln Lance (ca. 1862-1890)

Abraham Lincoln Lance was born about 1862 in Warrick County, Indiana. He was the only child of **Finas Euen** and Lydia (Murphy) Lance.

On June 3, 1870, Abraham L. Lance was 8 years old and living with his parents and 2 older half-brothers - 'Benji' and Finas E. Lance, in Ohio Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 6, family #48) also indicates: Abraham was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, and his parents were also born in Indiana.

On May 12, 1880, Abraham and Eva Bills were united in matrimony in the town of Boonville in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana. She was born about 1862 in Indiana. They are not believed to have had any children.

On June 12, 1880, Abraham was an 18 year old coal miner still living in Ohio Township in Warrick County. He was living with his 18 year old wife, Eva.

On May 5, 1882, Abraham married his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Betty Wilden (or Wilder). She was born about 1863 in Indiana. A **son** was born to them in Warrick County during the year. Another **son** was born in Ohio Township on May 18, 1883. 'Lincoln' was 21 years old and still working as a coal miner. Betty was 20 years old and it was her 2<sup>nd</sup> child as well.

Abraham Lincoln Lance passed away on August 15, 1890 at about age 28.

## **Allen Lance (1852-unknown)**

Allen Lance was born in 1852 in Indiana. He was the 1<sup>st</sup> child born to **Simeon** and Elizabeth J. (Beeler) Lance.

On August 6, 1860, Allen was 8 years old and living with his parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Anderson Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 133, family #979) also indicates Allen and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Ohio.

Allen Lance married Anna.

On September 5, 1882, Allen was a miner living in the town of Newburgh in Warrick County, Indiana when his son, **Euen Lance**, was born.

## **Elizabeth Lance (1854-unknown)**

Elizabeth Lance was born in 1854 in Indiana. She was the 2<sup>nd</sup> child born to **Simeon** and Elizabeth J. (Beeler) Lance.

On August 6, 1860, Elizabeth was 6 years old and living with her parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Anderson Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 133, family #979) also indicates Elizabeth and her father were born in Indiana and her mother was born in Ohio.

On June 6, 1870, Elizabeth was not enumerated on the Indiana census with her widowed mother in Ohio Township in Warrick County. She would have been about 16 years old.

## **John A. Lance (1856-1919)**

John A. Lance was born in August 1856 in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana. He was the 3<sup>rd</sup> child born to **Simeon** and Elizabeth J. (Beeler) Lance.

On August 6, 1860, John Lance was 7 [sic] years old and living with his parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Anderson Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 133, family #979) also indicates John and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Ohio.

On June 6, 1870, John was 15 years old and living with his 35 year old widowed mother, Elizabeth 'Lance', and his 13 year old brother, Simeon Lance, in Ohio Township in Warrick County. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 11) also shows: John was born in Indiana, he could not read or write, and his mother was born in Ohio.

On March 12, 1879, John A. Lance married Vitura J. Hickman. She was born on March 15, 1861. They became the parents of the following 8 children – **Katherine B., Norman, Jesse Allen, Robert L., Albert, Alice, Irene,** and **Sim Emil Lance**.

On June 12, 1880, John was a 24 year old coal miner still living in Ohio Township. He was living with his 19 year old wife, 'Tura', and their 5 month old daughter, Catherine Lance. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 60, pg 32) also shows: John again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he had been unemployed 3 months during the census year, and he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his father and Ohio as the birthplace of his mother.

On June 4, 1900, John was a 43 year old farmer living in Patoka Township in Pike County, Indiana. He was farming with his 39 year old wife, 'Tura', and their 5 children – Norman, Jesse, Robert, Albert, and Irene Lance. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 32, pg 3) also indicates: John was born in August of 1856 in Indiana, he and 'Tura' had been married 21 years, all 6 of their children were still living, and he reported Indiana as the birthplace of both his parents (instead of Indiana and Ohio).

In December 1906, John was a coal miner living in the town of Ayrshire in Patoka Township, Pike County with his wife, 'Tura' Hickman, when their son, Norman Lance, married....and again in January 1909, when their son, Robert Lance, married (sources: Norman and Robert's marriage records...Robert's marriage license indicates the birthplace of his father was Pike County, Indiana and his mother's birthplace was Spencer County, Indiana).

In May 1911, when their daughter, Alice Lance, married, her marriage license indicates John was a coal miner living in the city of Petersburg in Washington Township, Pike County, and he and his wife, 'Tura' Hickman, were both born in Pike County (instead of Pike and Spencer Counties).

In 1919, John passed away at about age 63. His Oak Hill Cemetery mention in the book: 'Pike County, Indiana Cemetery Records, Patoka Township', page 73, compiled by Joan Woodhull, 1979...states: "Lance, John W., 1856 - 1919" (instead of middle initial 'A.').

## **Simeon Lance Jr.** **(1856-1924)**

Simeon Lance was born on May 11, 1856 in the town of Newburgh in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana. He was the 4<sup>th</sup> child born to **Simeon** and Elizabeth J. (Beeler) Lance.

On August 6, 1860, 'Sim' was 3 years old and living with his parents and 4 siblings on the family farm in Anderson Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 133, family #979) also indicates 'Sim' and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Ohio.

On June 6, 1870, Simeon was 13 years old and living with his 35 year old widowed mother, Elizabeth 'Lance', and his 15 year old brother, John Lance, in Ohio Township in Warrick County. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 11) also shows: Simeon was born in Indiana, he could not read or write, and his mother was born in Ohio.

On August 14, 1878, Simeon Lance Jr. married Sarah Elizabeth Harris in Warrick County, Indiana. She was born on August 2, 1859 in the town of Rockport in Spencer County, Indiana and was a daughter of James and Eliza Jane (McAdams) Harris. Simeon and Sarah became the parents of the following 9 children – **Mary Dorothy, George Arthur, Samuel, John Wesley, Lovie, Sadie E., Sherman J., Iola,** and **Frederick Edward Lance**.

On June 12, 1880, 'Sim' was a 23 year old coal miner still living in Ohio Township in Warrick County. He was living with his 20 year old wife, Sarah, and their 10 month old daughter, Mary Lance. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 60, pg 32) also shows: 'Sim' again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he had been unemployed 6 months during the census year, and he also reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

On November 11, 1886, 'Sim' was working as a laborer and living in the town of Newburgh in Warrick County when his son, John Wesley Lance, was born.

On January 9, 1895, 'Sim' was 38 years old and working again as a miner when a daughter was born.

On January 27, 1902, 'Sim' was still working as a miner when his 9th child, Frederick Edward Lance, was born.

**Simeon Lance Jr.**

On April 20, 1910, 'Sim' was a 54 year old coal miner living on Gray Street in Newburgh with his 50 year old wife, Sarah, and their 5 children – Samuel, Sherman, 'Iola', Saddie, and Freddie. Sim's 23 year old married son, John Lance, was also living on the property with his 18 year old bride, Maud, and their 2 year old daughter, Mary Lance. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 172, pg 4A) also shows: 'Sim' again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Sarah had been married 32 years, it was the 1<sup>st</sup> marriage for them both, 8 of their 9 children were still living, 'Sim' still could not read or write, they were renting their house, he had been unemployed 20 weeks during the census year, and he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.



On January 7, 1920, 'Sim' was 63 years old, unemployed, and still living Ohio Township in Warrick County. He was boarding with his 37 year old married son, Sam Lance and wife, Leona. 'Sim' was listed as married but his wife, Sarah, was not enumerated with the Lance household. The 1920 Indiana census (ED 182, pg 6B) also indicates: 'Sim' once again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he still could not read or write, and he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his parents.

**Sarah Elizabeth (Harris) Lance**

On January 29, 1923, 'Sim' was still working as a miner and still living in Newburgh when his son, 'Fred', married (source: Fred's 1st marriage license). Sim's wife, Sarah, was also living in Newburgh according to Fred's marriage license, but it does not indicate whether or not she was living with 'Sim'.



On February 3, 1924, Simeon Lance Jr. was 67 years old when he reportedly passed away from miners asthma and Bright's disease (kidney disease). The State of Indiana issued a 'Certificate of Death' for Simeon which includes the following information: Sim Lance passed away on February 3, 1924 in Warrick County, Township of Ohio, town of Newburgh at age 67 years, 8 months, 23 days; he was a white married male; his wife was Sarah Lance; Sim was born May 11, 1856 in Indiana; his occupation was retired miner; his parents were Sim Lance, born in Indiana and Lizzie Murphy [?], born in Kentucky [note: Lizzie Murphy is probably the Elizabeth Leet that married Sim's father. It is not clear why her maiden name is shown as Murphy on this death certificate. Also, the birthplace of Sim's mother on the 1850 and 1860 Indiana census records is shown as Indiana instead of Kentucky]; the informant was Sarah Lance of Newburgh; "I hereby certify, that I attended deceased from December 15, 1924 to February 2, 1924, that I last saw him alive on Feb 2, 1924, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1 a.m. The [primary] cause of death was as follows:

Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Contributory [secondary cause] - Arteriosclerosis [hardening of the arteries]", (signed) Dr. C. J. M...? [the doctor's name is illegible]; Sim was embalmed and then buried at Casey Cemetery [now Sharon Cemetery] in Newburgh on February 5, 1924; the death record was filed February 3, 1924 [end].

## Samuel Elijah Lance (1860-unknown)

Samuel Elijah Lance was born in May 1860 in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 1<sup>st</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On June 2, 1860, Samuel Lance was 1 month old and living with his parents on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1860 Indiana census (pg 7, family #47) also indicates Samuel and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On August 2, 1870, Samuel was 11 years old and still living with his parents and 3 siblings in Monroe Township. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 29, family #214) also shows: Samuel again was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, his father was born in Indiana, and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On December 11, 1879, Samuel Lance and Lucinda Caroline Stephens obtained a marriage license in Pike County. They were united in matrimony 3 days later by Justice of the Peace, James A. Shepard. She was on April 22, 1862 in Indiana and was a daughter of Elijah Franklin and Mary Emily (Carnahan) Stephens. Elijah and Lucinda were the parents of 7 children – **George Dellen, infant, Elijah Dello, Myrtle Jane, Arthur C., Charles** and **Mary Lance**.

On June 4, 1880, Samuel was a 20 year old farmer working his own farm in Monroe Township. He was farming with his 18 year old wife, Lucinda. The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 7) also shows: Samuel again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Lucinda had married during the census year, he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his father, and Kentucky as the birthplace of his mother.

In 1910, Samuel was enumerated on the federal census at age 49. He was living in Lawrence County, Illinois with his 48 year old wife, Lucinda, and their teenage son, Arthur Lance.

On January 12, 1920, Samuel was a 59 year old flourmill teamster living in the city of Vincennes in Vincennes Township, Knox County, Indiana. He was living with his 57 year old wife, Lucinda, and his 70 year old widowed aunt, Isabell Hamilton. The 1920 Indiana census (ED 113, pg 6B) also indicates: Samuel once again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he and Lucinda were renting their house, and he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his father and Kentucky as the birthplace of his mother.

## Louvena Lance (1864-1941)

Louvena Lance was born on January 9, 1864 in the town of Spurgeon in Monroe Township, Pike County, Indiana. She was the 2<sup>nd</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On August 2, 1870, 'Lovenav' was 6 years old and living with her parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 29, family #214) also indicates: 'Lovenav' was born in Indiana, she attended school during the census year, her father was also born in Indiana, and her mother was born in Kentucky.

On June 3, 1880, 'Luvena' was 16 years old and still living in Monroe Township. She was living with: her father; her step-mother, Martha Ann; and 4 younger siblings - Rhoda, Lewis, 'Alviria', and Franklin Lance (her mother's line on the census page, Rachel, was scratched through indicating she had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 6) also indicates: 'Luvena' was born in Indiana, she again attended school during the census year, her father was born in Indiana, and her mother was born in Kentucky.

On March 1, 1883, Louvena Lance married Greene Leland Carnahan in Warrick County, Indiana. He was born about 1852 in Indiana and was a son of Ephraim and Mary (Bristow) Carnahan. Louvena and Greene were the parents of a daughter, Nora Jane Carnahan. They were divorced on September 28, 1889 in Warrick County.

"Louvena was born 9 January 1864 in Spurgeon, Pike County, IN. She married Green Carnahan of Warrick County on 1 March 1883 in Warrick County, IN. [Geen had been previously married and married again after he and Louvena divorced]. My grandmother, Nora Jane Carnahan was born 16 September 1886 in Iron County, MO. Family legend has it that Green abandoned Louvena and my grandmother in MO and somehow she made it back to IN and filed for divorce for abandonment (in Warrick County and I have a copy of the papers). She was granted the divorce on 28 September 1889...She then married Warren W. Batchelor of Warrick County on 17 April 1890 (Don't have his date of death but know that he is buried in Lynnville Cemetery in Lynnville, IN). She had one son by Warren, William Wilbert b. 23 February 1891 in Lynnville, Warrick Co., IN....I don't remember my ggrandmother as she died 10 July 1941 in Pike County, IN. She is buried at Log Creek Cemetery in Pike County. I do know that she and her son, William, (his nickname was Son) lived on the family farm (near Lynnville as far as I know)."....and...."Louvena's marker has the wrong birth date on it. It has her son's birthdate. We have an Elliott family reunion each year and our project is to place new or replace old markers. Hopefully we will get her marker replaced next year. When we were down at the cemetery last Friday, it was raining but we did get the marker leveled and reset.".....(source: Jane Chamberlain of Bloomfield, Indiana, via e-mail to Michael Lester Lance of Spring, Texas, 17 May 2001 and 21 May 2001).

Louvena's divorce papers include 3 documents - the complaint, an affidavit, and the court decision. The complaint she filed states: "State of Indiana, Warrick County....In the Warrick Circuit Court June Term 1889....Louvena Carnahan V Green L. Carnahan....Divorce....The plaintiff complains of the defendant and says that she is now and for more than two years lst past has been a bona fide resident of the State of Indiana and for more than six months last past has been a bona fide resident of Warrick County, Indiana. That the plaintiff and defendant were duly married on 1st the day of March, 1883, at Warrick Co., Ind. and so lived together as husband and wife until the 10 day of October 1886 when they were seperated for the reason that defendant abandoned plaintiff without cause or excuse or fault of plaintiff. That they have so lived seperate and apart ever since their said seperation. That defendant left plaintiff with [sic] any money or any means of support and has never contributed anything to the support of plaintiff for more than two years last past and that plaintiff has been compelled to support herself by her own daily labor ever since their said seperation. That she has one child by said defendant whose name is Norah Jane Carnahan. That defendant fail [sic] for more than two years immediately prior to their seperation to make reasonable provisions for his family...Wherefor plaintiff demand [sic] a divorce from defendant, the care and custody of her child and for all proper relief....Taylor & H\_\_?, Plf's Atty".

Louvena's affidavit states: "State of Indiana, Warrick County...In the Warrick Circuit Court June Term 1889....Louvina Carnahan V Green L. Carnahan....Affidavit of Plaintiff....Lavina Carnahan being duly sworn upon her oath says that she is the plaintiff in the above entitled cause of action which is an action by the plaintiff against said defendant for a divorce. That she is now and has been for more than two years last past a bona fide resident of the State of Indiana, and for the three years last past has resided in the Hart Township, Warrick County, Indiana and that her occupation is that of [blank]....Louvena Carnahan subscribed and sworn to before me this the 29 day of April 1889....W. J. Hargrave, Clerk".

The court decision states: "Warrick Circuit Court, 24 Day Sept. 28 Term, 1889....Lavina Carnahan vs. Green L. Carnahan....Comes the plaintiff by her attorney John L. Taylor and the defendant being three times called in open court comes not but makes default and it is now shown to the court that the defendant has been notified of the precedency of this suit by publication in the Boonville Standard a weekly newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the town of Boonville, Warrick County by three successive publications the last of which was more than thirty days before the first day of this term of court and the court having heard the evidence and being fully advised in the premises finds for the plaintiff that she is entitled to a divorce from defendant on the grounds alleged in her complaint, that she is the proper person to have the custody of her child Carnahan. It therefore adjudged & decreed by the court that plaintiff be granted a divorce from the defendant, that plaintiff have the care and custody of her child until the further order of the court. It is further considered by the court that it shall not be lawful for plaintiff to marry within two years from this date."

On April 17, 1890, Louvena married Warren W. Batchelor. He was born December 17, 1846 in the town of Boonville in Ohio Township, Warrick County, Indiana and was a son of Elisha and Mariah (Seely) Batchelor. Louvena and Warren became the parents of William Wilbert Batchelor on February 23, 1891.

On July 10, 1941, Louvena passed away in Pike County, Indiana at age 77. She was laid to rest at Log Creek Cemetery in the town of Stendal in Lockhart Township, Pike County.

The Indiana State Board of Health issued a 'Certificate of Death' for Louvena which includes the following information: Louvena Batchelor died July 10, 1941 on a rural route near Oakland City in Pike County; she was 77 years, 6 months, and 1 day old; she was a white widowed female; her late husband was Warren; Louvena was born January 9, 1864 in the town of Spurgeon in Monroe Township, Pike County; her occupation was housewife; her usual residence was Oakland City RFD, Pike County, Indiana; her parents were George Lance, born U.S.A. and Miss Roberts, born U.S.A.; the informant was Willie Batchelor of Oakland City, Indiana; "I certify that death occurred on the date stated; that I attended deceased from June 10, 1941 to July 10, 1941 and that I last saw her alive on July 10, 1941. Immediate cause of death - endocarditis; Duration - don't know; Due to - don't know; Other conditions - arteriosclerosis"....(signed) W. G. Camp M.D., Lynnville, Ind; Louvena was buried on July 13, 1941 at Log Creek Cemetery in Pike County; the funeral director was Ora McWilliams on Lynnville, Indiana; the death information was filed July 12, 1941 by Health Officer L. R. Miller [end].

"I set a new marker for Louvena Lance Batchelor. The old one was cracked and had the wrong dates on it so we had a new one made. We set it late last summer and it really looks nice."....(source: Jane Chamberlain/Elliott, via e-mail to Michael Lester Lance, 7 Mar 2002).

## **Rhoda Lance (1866-unknown)**

Rhoda Lance was born on February 21, 1866 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 3<sup>rd</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On August 2, 1870, Rhoda was 3 years old and living with her parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 29, family #214) also indicates Rhoda and her father were born in Indiana and her mother was born in Kentucky.

On June 3, 1880, Rhoda was 14 years old and still living in Monroe Township. She was living with: her father; her step-mother, Martha Ann; and 4 siblings - Luvena, Lewis, 'Alviria', and Franklin Lance (her mother's line on the census page was scratched through indicating she had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 6) also shows: Rhoda was born in Indiana, she attended school during the census year, her father was born in Indiana, and her mother was born in Kentucky.

On July 9, 1891, Rhoda Lance married Finis Robling in Warrick County, Indiana. He was born in about 1854 in Pike County, Indiana and was a son of John Lewis and Elizabeth (Fettinger) Robling. Rhoda and Finis are not known to have had any children. He passed away on February 23, 1899 in the city of Evansville in Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

Rhoda (Lance) Robling was 31 years old on July 5, 1896 when she married her 2nd husband, William Russell Elliott (note: according to the reported dates, this marriage occurred about 2 and a half years prior to the death of her 1st husband). William was born on April 8, 1842 in the town of Marion in McDowell County, North Carolina. He and Rhoda are also not known to have had any children. They divorced in June 1898 in Warrick County, Indiana.

Rhoda's Warrick County 'Complaint for Divorce' document states: "State of Indiana, Warrick County....In the Warrick Circuit Court, June Term, 1898....Rhoda Elliot vs. William R. Elliott...Complaint for Divorce....Plaintiff complains of the defendant and says that she is now and for more than two years last past has been a bonafide resident of the state of Indiana, and that she is now and for more than six months last past has been a bonafide resident of Warrick county....That plaintiff and defendant were married on the 5th day of July 1896 and lived together as husband and wife until the 30th day of May 1898 when they

separated and have not lived or cohabited together since....That defendant was guilty of cruel and inhumane treatment to this plaintiff in the following to wit; that defendant was continually abusing plaintiff calling her all manner of ugly names such as G-d d--m slut and G-d d--m bitch and on or about May 25th 1898 defendant threatened to throw plaintiff out of the house on her head. That defendant has failed to make reasonable provision for plaintiff for a period of two years....That defendant is the owner of considerable property to the value of 500 dollars, and the plaintiff has no property whatever...Wherefore plaintiff prays that the bonds of matrimony now existing between them be dissolved and she be granted a divorce and 250 dollars alimony and the costs of this suit and all other proper relief.....E. J. Crenshaw, Atty for Pltf." (note: William's cross-complaint is even more colorful).

Rhoda's divorce affidavit states: "Rhoda Elliot upon her oath says; That she is the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, that she is now and for more than two years last past has been a bona fide resident of the State of Ind. and that she is now and for more than three years last past has been a bona fide resident of Warrick County, and that her occupation is that of a housekeeper.....[signed] Rhoda Elliott....Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 31st day of May 1898 [signed] John W. Perigo, Clk".

On June 22, 1900, Rhoda was 34 years old and was listed last on the census for Hart Township in Warrick County, Indiana with the household of her former husband, 58 year old divorced William Elliott. The census enumerator, Theodore H. Rickrich, listed her relationship to day laborer William as "Wife. Div" and 'servant'. She may or may not have been living in the Elliott household at that time. William's 3 children – William L., Floyd, and Martha Elliott, were also enumerated with William. Someone reported to Mr. Rickrich that Rhoda was born in Indiana and her parents were both born in Illinois (instead of Indiana and Kentucky).

## **Lewis Lance** **(ca. 1868-unknown)**

Lewis Lance was born about 1868 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 4<sup>th</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On August 2, 1870, 'Louis' Lance was 2 years old and living with his parents and 3 siblings on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana. The 1870 Indiana census (pg 29, family #214) also indicates 'Louis' and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On June 3, 1880, Lewis was 12 years old and still living in Monroe Township. He was living with: his father; his step-mother, Martha Ann; and 4 siblings - Luvena, Rhoda, 'Alviria', and Franklin Lance (his mother's line on the census page was scratched through indicating she had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 6) also indicates: Lewis was born in Indiana, he attended school during the census year, he could not write, his father was born in Indiana, and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On August 6, 1896, Lewis Lance was 28 years old when he married Phena Hall in Pike County, Indiana. They are not known to have had any children.

## **Elvira Lance** **(1874-1912)**

Elvira Lance was born on March 28, 1874 in Pike County, Indiana. She was the 5<sup>th</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On June 3, 1880, 'Alviria' Lance was 6 years old and living with: her father; her step-mother, Martha Ann; and 4 siblings - Luvena, Rhoda, Lewis, and Franklin Lance, on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana (her mother's line on the census page was scratched through indicating she had

recently passed away). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 6) also indicates: 'Alviria' was born in Indiana, she attended school during the census year, her father was also born in Indiana, and her mother was born in Kentucky.

On October 8, 1896, Elvira Lance was 23 years old when she married Christian Allen Fark in Warrick County, Indiana. He was born on May 1, 1859 in Indiana and was a son of John Clemmore Freddrick and Rose Ann (Stewart) Fark. Elvira and Christian were the parents of 6 children – Allen, Elbert, Sarah Isabel, Wilburn, Mary J., and Bertha Fark.

On June 19, 1900, Elvira 'Fark' was 26 years old and living in Lane Township in Warrick County, Indiana. She was farming with: her 41 year old husband, Christian Fark; her 16 year old step-son, Elmer D. Fark; and their 3 month old son, Elbert Fark. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 152, pg 7) also shows: Elvira again reported Indiana as her place of birth, she and Christian had been married 3 years, only 1 of Elvira's 3 children was still living, and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her father and Kentucky as the birthplace of her mother.

On May 3, 1910, Elvira was 35 years old and still farming in Lane Township with her 50 year old husband, Christian A. Fark, and their 4 children – Elbert, Sarah B., 'Wilborn', and Mary J. Fark. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 169, pg 8A) also indicates: Elvira once again reported Indiana as her place of birth, she and Christian had been married 13 years, it was her 1<sup>st</sup> marriage and his 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4 of her 5 [sic] children were still living, and she again reported Indiana as the birthplace of her father and Kentucky as the birthplace of her mother.

On July 22, 1912, Elvira passed away at age 38 in Owen Township in Warrick County, Indiana. She was laid to rest on July 23, 1912 at South Fork Cemetery.

The Indiana State Board of Health issued a 'Certificate of Death' for Elvira which includes the following information: Elvira Fark died on July 22, 1912 in Owen Township in Warrick County; she was 38 years, 3 months, and 24 days old; she was a married white female; her occupation was housewife; she was born March 28, 1874 in Pike County; her husband was Christian Fark; her parents were George Lance who was born in Kentucky and Miss Roberts who was born in Kentucky; the informant was Christian Fark of Folsomville in Warrick County; "I hereby certify, that I attended deceased from July 10, 1912 to July 22, 1912; that I last saw her alive on July 22, 1912; and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 10 a.m. The cause of death was as follows: chronic endocarditis with ascites(?)"....(signed) Quincy L. Williams, M.D. on July 22, 1912 at Folsomville; Elvira was buried at South Fork Cemetery on July 23, 1912; the undertaker was J. A. Billups, license No. 831, of Tennyson; Elvira was embalmed [end].

In early 1998, Elvira's daughter, Bertha (Fark) Bronn, reported Elvira and Christian were buried at Log Creek Church Cemetery (instead of South Fork Cemetery), but without grave markers (source: Michael Pierce of Ohio, via e-mail to Michael Lester Lance of Spring, Texas).

## **Franklin Lance (1876-unknown)**

Franklin Lance was born in May 1876 in Pike County, Indiana. He was the 6<sup>th</sup> child born to **George** and Rachel (Roberts) Lance.

On June 3, 1880, Franklin was 4 years old and living with: his father; his step-mother, Martha Ann; and 4 older siblings - Luvena, Rhoda, Lewis, and 'Alviria' Lance, on the family farm in Monroe Township in Pike County, Indiana (his mother's line on the census page was scratched through indicating she had passed away during the census year). The 1880 Indiana census (ED 173, pg 6) also indicates Franklin and his father were born in Indiana and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On June 27, 1900, Franklin was a 24 year old unmarried farm laborer living with his 62 year old divorced father, George Lance, in Lane Township in Warrick County, Indiana. The 1900 Indiana census (ED 152, pg 12) also shows: Franklin was born in Indiana, he was unemployed 3 months during the census year, his father was also born in Indiana, and his mother was born in Kentucky.

On April 29, 1910, Franklin is probably the unmarried 33 year old hired farm laborer, 'Frank Lance', who was boarding with the James R. Hopper family in Lane Township in Warrick County. The 1910 Indiana census (ED 169, pg 7A) also shows: 'Frank' again reported Indiana as his place of birth, he again reported Indiana as the birthplace of his father and Kentucky as the birthplace of his mother.

**End of the Second Generation of Lances Born in Indiana**