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From the Editor

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*If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you are dead and rotten,
either write things worthy of reading, or do things worthy of writing.*

Benjamin Franklin – Author, Satirist, Political Theorist, Politician,
Scientist, Inventor, Activist, Statesman, Soldier, Diplomat – 1738

*The scientist is not a person who gives the right answers,
he/[she] is one who asks the right questions.*

Claude Levi-Strauss – Anthropologist and Ethnologist – n.d.

My ancestors – and I suspect yours – wrote little about themselves, their families, their lives, their thoughts and their feelings. That doesn't mean that they didn't live interesting lives, have fun, suffer losses, and have thoughts and feelings worthy of note. Nor does it mean they were illiterate; the vast majority were, to the contrary, well-educated according to the standards of their time. It just means that they didn't have the time or interest – writing about oneself, one's activities, and one's thoughts and feelings just wasn't what people did.

It falls to us, therefore, to uncover and record the genealogical details of their lives and embellish the record with our guesses about their probable activities and thoughts. To do this we have to first carefully seek data from many sources, prove/disprove various interpretations of the data, and accurately report the data, carefully explaining our resolutions of conflicts among the data.

The resulting reports provide a foundation for then describing what our ancestors' lives were like and how each contributed to the lives of their relations and friends as well as their communities at large. To embellish the reports in this way, we have to understand the times in which they lived, find and absorb reports about community activities (e.g., coping with Indian raids) and local institutions (e.g., churches, stores and roadhouses), and then report on their probable involvement and their probable thinking and feelings as they participated.

The ultimate, in my mind, is an historical novel. All novels reflect their authors' experiences; most also rely on details of the lives of the author's friends, relations and consultants in order to give 'life' to the story. An historical novel is unique in being based on the lives of people, including one's ancestors, who lived in prior times. In an historical novel, the author literally 'becomes' his/her ancestors and reports on their activities as if the author were them. Books by Eckert,¹ Martin,² and Rutherford³ provide a small number of examples.

Less than this ultimate – but considerably more than a dull, dried report providing just birth, marriage, child, death and burial data – are genealogy reports based on extensive detective work, careful identification of data conflicts, well-defined statements of hypotheses, well-considered conclusions, articulate explanations of the resulting conclusions, and embellishments concerning the lives and times

¹ For example: Eckert, Allan W. *That Dark and Bloody River*, Bantam Books, 1996. For more information about this and Eckert's other historical novels, visit AllanEck.com/index.html.

² For example: Martin, William. *Harvard Yard*, Grand Central Publishing (New York), 2004.

³ Rutherford, Edward. *The Princes of Ireland: The Dublin Saga*, Ballantine Books (New York), 2005. See a review of this book at *Book: The Princes of Ireland: The Dublin Saga by Edward Rutherford, Ewing Family J.*, Vol. 16, No. 1 (February 2010), pp. 38-40.

of the people involved. I call these 'embellished genealogy reports' to distinguish them from reports that do not contain all that much information about the lives and times of the people involved. The embellishments make the reports much, much more than data-based and data-centric reports.

My goals – ever since I assumed editorship of the *Journal* about three years ago – have been to 1) broaden the scope of the *Journal's* material beyond the thirty-or-so Ewing emigrants⁴ who provided the *Association's* initial focus, and 2) publish embellished genealogy reports which provide accurate genealogical information and provide insights into the lives and times of Ewing ancestors.

This issue of the *Ewing Family Journal* provides three additional articles which contribute to achieving these goals.

- In his article – *Josephus M. Ewing and His Descendants* (page 1) – Ted Campbell provides extensive information about his ancestors and their lives gleaned from his currently living relatives, his personal knowledge and archives, and reports by others.
- Bill Sproul's *Early Ewing Families of Augusta County, Virginia: Parts II to IV* (page 16) extends his previous article⁵ and further sorts out confusions surrounding four James Ewings who all inhabited the Augusta County, Virginia, area during the last half of the 18th century.
- In *Grand-dad Will's Stories – Part V* (page 38), Margrett McCorkle continues her recounting⁶ of the stories passed down to her by her great-grandfather – William Marion Ewing – who she has always called Grand-dad Will. In previous articles, Margrett focused on the life-affecting stories she heard from Grand-dad Will. In this Part V article, she sorts out various confusions regarding her ancestry.

These articles provide genealogical and sociological information beyond the thirty-or-so Ewing emigrants who provided the *Association's* initial focus. The articles also provide examples of the results of extensive detective work, careful analysis of found data and their alternative interpretations, articulate and accurate exposition of the data, and well-considered embellishment of the underlying genealogical facts.

Wm E. Riddle

I pride myself on carefully protecting myself from the increasingly rampant viruses, Trojan horses, spam, phishing, and hacking challenges. I use a router as a "poor man's" firewall, I back up my data and scan incoming eMail and downloaded files for viruses and other 'nasties', and I practice 'safe computing' with respect to opening eMail attachments and eMail messages themselves. Turns out, however, none of this protected me from being clumsy! In early May, I dropped my laptop – my one and only computer – in just the right way to completely destroy my screen. Current-day pricing meant it was only about \$100 more to get a new computer rather than repair the screen. Setting up this new computer – loading applications, restoring data – and learning how to use the new operating system (Windows 7) and new application versions set me back about four weeks! That's why this issue is a month late.

⁴ www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/documents/immigrants.html

⁵ Sproul, William W., III. The Early Ewing Families of Augusta County, Virginia: Part I, *Ewing Family J.*, Vol. 15, No. 2 (May 2009), pp. 24-37. Available online at www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/documents/Sproul/AugustaPart1.pdf.

⁶ McCorkle, Margrett. Grand-dad Will's Stories, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), pp. 27-29; Grand-dad Will's Stories – Part II, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 4 (November 2008), pp. 13-18; Grand-dad Will's Stories – Part III, *Ewing Family J.*, Vol. 15, No. 2 (May 2009), pp. 38-40; Grand-dad Will's Stories – Part IV, *Ewing Family J.*, Vol. 15, No. 4 (November 2009), pp. 56-61. Available online at:

www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/documents/McCorkle_Articles/DocDirectory_Clan_McCorkle.html



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Bridge to the West

Eleventh Gathering
of the *Ewing Family Association*
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23-26 September 2010

The gathering's venue will be the elegant, historic ***Summit Inn***, close to Uniontown and Nemaacolin's Trail, a major route which supported migration from the East Coast to the southwestern Pennsylvania area and, from there, further west. For further information about this venue, visit www.SummitInnResort.com.



For more information about the gathering, see pages 73 and 48-52.

For the latest, up-to-date information about the gathering, visit:
www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/2010_Gathering/index_Project_Gather_2010.html.

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Josephus/Joseph M. Ewing and His Descendants

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The subject of this sketch, Joseph (born Josephus) M. Ewing, was born circa 1843, probably either in Cobb County or Paulding County, Georgia, the son of Green Berry Ewing and Rhoda Martin. The Ewing families who migrated to America in the early 18th century probably came primarily from Ireland, but were originally from Scotland. They are therefore part of the massive group of 18th century immigrants to America known as the Scot-Irish.

The story of the Josephus M. Ewing branch of the Ewing family is not one of fame or great prosperity, but is of interest in that the lives of its members are very representative of the average agrarian family in the south from 1845 to the 1940s, and the great movement 'off the farm' by so many thereafter. The migration of these Ewings from rural Georgia to rural Alabama, westward to Texas, and, for some, on to Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona, is representative of a pattern followed by countless southerners in search of better and cheaper land, relief from the tyranny of the Reconstruction Era, and perhaps the thrill of adventure.

Josephus M. Ewing's father, Green Berry Ewing, was born about 1802 in Georgia. Most Ewing researchers believe Green Berry Ewing to be the son of one William Ewing who acquired land in Jackson County, Georgia, in 1807 (see Figure 1). The basis for this belief is that after William Ewing apparently died intestate in Newton County, Georgia, circa 1827, Green Berry Ewing appears to be living in 1830 on a tract of land that was formerly William Ewing's homestead. Under the inheritance law at that time, absent a will the estate would have been divided equally amongst the children with the widow having the option of dower or a child's share. A biographical sketch written on the life of Green Berry Ewing's oldest son, Reuben Turner Ewing, in 1893 gives Green Berry's father as Samuel Ewing and states that Green Berry's mother was a Whaley. All known facts considered, the author has yet to see concrete evidence of the identity of Green Berry Ewing's father, although the safest bet would appear to be William Ewing of Marbury Creek.

William Ewing of Marbury Creek bought, in 1807, a hundred acres of land in Jackson County, Georgia, from a Joseph Camp. The land was on Marbury Creek, south of what is now the town of Winder, Georgia. The Camp family from whom William purchased the property was very prominent in this area according to the 1809 tax list of Jackson County. Marbury Creek begins in what is now central Barrow County, Georgia, and flows southward into the Apalachee River. It is sometimes incorrectly referred to as Marburg Creek, perhaps due to errors in the transcribing of early handwriting. Marbury Creek was named for a prominent Georgia family headed by Leonard Marbury who acquired an original 1,150 acre survey along the creek in 1785, and his son, Capt. Horatio Marbury, who acquired a 4,025 acre survey

Atkins, Robert	Ethrington, William	Milsaps, Thomas
Berry, John	Ewing, William	Milsaps, Jacob
Bingham, William	Franklin, Lewis	Milsaps, Reuben
Blalock, Reuben	Grace, Thomas	Morris, Jesse
Camp, Andrew	Hobson, John	Morris, John
Camp, Burwell	Hobson, Nicholas	Morris, Thomas
Camp, Benjamin	Holt, Harmon	Nichols, John
Camp, Thomas	Humphries, Shadrach	Shackelford, John
Camp, Thomas JR	Hyles, Peter	Short, Jonas
Camp, Thomas SR	Jacobs, Elisha	Steed, Green
Camp, Shearwood	McLeod, Malcolm	Sturdivant, Joel
		Thompson, James
		Thompson, Frederick

Figure 1: 1809 Jackson County, Georgia Tax List, page 49

on the creek in the same year. The area was opened to settlement in 1784 after the ceding of the land by the Cherokee Indians in the 1783 Treaty of Augusta. Marbury Creek was dammed in recent years, and a two-hundred-plus acre lake was created. The area now falls in Barrow County and is a state recreational area known as Fort Yargo State Park, Fort Yargo being built in the area during the 1790s to protect the settlers from hostile Indians.

By 1820 the Marbury Creek land fell within the newly formed Walton County. In May of 1823 William Ewing sold the hundred acre tract to Eli Whaley. The deed (see Figure 2) is recorded in the records of Walton County, Georgia, and states that the property was partly bordered by Marbury Creek. In October of 1823, immediately after selling his hundred acre tract on Marbury Creek, William Ewing bought a tract of land from William McCullers in adjacent Newton County, Georgia, in an area which had been recently acquired from the Cherokee Indians.

1823, 7 May -WALTON Co. GEORGIA DEED BOOK E page 44 reads:

"This indenture made this 7 day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight th Hundred and Twenty Three between William Ewens of the one part and Eli Whaley of the other part, both of the same place, witnesseth that the said Ewens for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars the receipt whereof is here by acknowledged have granted bargained sold and convey unto the said Eli Whaley his heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in st. and City aforesaid and on the waters of Marberg's Creek and on the NE side containing one hundred acres more or less being a part of a survey granted to Spratling beginning on a maple on said creek running north 45E to a pine on Evans old line, now McKnights, thence N45W to a post oak thence S45W to a pine thence N70W to Samuel Whaley's fence thence along the fence continuing a straight course until it strikes the said creek from thence down the creek to the beginning corner, to have and to hold the said tract of land together with all and singular the rights members and appurtenances belonging to the same or in any wise appertaining unto the said Eli Whaley his heirs, Exors. and administrators will warrant and forever defend against him his heirs and assigns and against the claim of every other person whatever the titles, in fee simple. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and Date Above."

/signed/ William Ewing [SEAL]

Written signed sealed and delivered in

presents of C.L. GILBERT

Figure 2: Deed recorded in Walton County, Georgia, 1823, for the sale of a hundred acres on Marbury Creek by William Ewing to Eli Whaley.

1827, 20 February- NEWTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, COURT OF ORDINARY -
Administrators and Guardians Bonds (1822-1831).
Recorded 31 October 1827, pages 41 & 42. It reads :

" Know all men by these presents that we, Samuel Patillo and Hannah Ewing, John Byers and Joel Culpepper are held and firmly bound into their Honors, the Justices of the Inferior Court sitting as a Court of Ordinary for said County and their successors in office in the just and full sum of \$1,200 for the payment of sum to the said Justices and their successors. We find ourselves our heirs, executors and Administrators in the whole and for the whole sum jointly and severally and firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals and dated this 20 Day of February 1827.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above, bound Samuel Patillo and Hannah Ewing, Administrator and Administratrix of the goods, chattels and credits of William Ewing, late of this county, deceased, do make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased which have or shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of the said Samuel Patillo and Hannah Ewing or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for them and the same as may, do exhibit into said court of ordinary. When they shall be thereunto required and such goods, chattel and credits do well and truly administer according to law and make a just and true account of their actings and doings therein when they shall be thereunto required by the Superior Court or the court of the Ordinary for said County and there the rest of the goods, chattels and credits which shall be found remaining up on the account of the said administration the same being first allowed by the court shall deliver and pay to each person or persons respectively as are entitled to the same by law and if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and testament was made by the said deceased and the same be proved before the court and the executors obtain a certificate of the Probate thereof and the said Samuel Patillo and Hannah Ewing in such case if required under and deliver up the said letters of Administration then this obligation to be void also to remain in full force."

Signed, Sealed and Acknowledged
Samuel Patillo [L.S.]
L. Hopkins, Clerk, C. O.
Hannah ("X" her mark) Ewing [L.S.]
John Byers [L.S.]
Joel Culpepper [L.S.]
Recorded 11th day of October 1827
L. Hopkins D. Clk

1827, 12th March - Newton County - Estate of William Ewing, decd.,
Amounted to \$357 37 ½ and the appraisal was signed Allen x Lenz [his mark]; Henry Lenz; Julius Bailey.

It was certified by S. Sumners, J. P.

Figure 3: 1827 Administrator and Guardian Bond, Estate of William Ewing

In March of 1827, estate papers (see Figure 3) were filed for William Ewing, deceased, whereby the widow Hannah Ewing and Samuel Patillo were named administrators of the estate and were to take an inventory of it. Therefore, it appears that William Ewing died in early 1827. Two additional men were bonded as part of the estate settlement, Joel Culpepper and John Byers.

On the 1830 census of Newton County, Georgia (see Figure 4), Green Berry Ewing is found living with his bride, having married Rhoda Martin by that time. He appears to be living on the tract of land in McCullers district which William Ewing purchased in 1827. This conclusion is based on the listed neighbors and his district of residence in 1830. Listed in the household are one male age 20-25 (which would be Green Berry Ewing), one male 15-20, two males 10-15, and one male 5-10. Also there were one female 40-50, one female 20-30, and one female 15-20. The older female in the house could be Hannah Ewing, the widow of William Ewing. Neighbors include three McCullers families and two Cook families.

SCHEDULE of the white number of Persons within the District attached to

District	WHITE PERSONS (continued on next page)												
	Under 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 25	25 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100
McCullers	1	1	2	1									
Cook													
...													

Figure 4: 1830 Newton County Census Clip of Green Berry Ewing Family

In the 1832 Cherokee Land Lottery of the Cherokee territory there were two Ewing winners from Newton County, Georgia. One was Hannah Ewing, listed as a resident of 'McCullers', who won land in the 7th District, 2nd Section, Cherokee County, which was then split into smaller counties. She was listed as a widow. The other Ewing winner from Newton County was "James Ewing orphans," listed as residents of 'Bracketts' who won land in the 27th District, Section 2. In 1837 there appears a sale of 160 acres in Walton County, Georgia, by Hannah Ewing to J. Peppers. This land was on Marbury Creek, and the deed specifically says that Hannah Ewing was living in Newton County. Where Hannah Ewing acquired the 160-acre tract is not known and warrants further research.

Green Berry Ewing is listed with his family in Cobb County, Georgia, in the 1840 U.S. Census at an age of 30-40 years. In the household with him are a female age 20-30, which would be wife Rhoda, and six children: one male 10-15, two males 5-10, one male under 5, a female 5-10, and a female under 5 years old. The three youngest males are probably sons William, George and Thomas who appear later in the 1850 census. The oldest son is likely Reuben Turner Ewing, who later appears with the family in Alabama, and who was born June 24, 1824, according to a biographical sketch of his life written in

1894. Reuben would have been sixteen when the 1840 census was taken. This sketch also states that Reuben had four brothers and three sisters. The two female children in 1840 are probably daughters Sarah Ewing, born 1833, and Hannah Ewing, born 1839.

In combining all sources it would appear that an accurate list of the children of Green Berry and Rhoda (Martin) Ewing is:

- Reuben T., born 1824; a Confederate Captain and later a member of the Georgia State Legislature
- William, born circa 1831
- Sarah E., born circa 1833
- George, born circa 1835; listed as an invalid in the 1860 census
- James Thomas, born circa 1837; died in the Civil War
- Hannah, born circa 1839
- Mary F., born circa 1841
- Josephus M., born circa 1843; went to Texas
- Rhoda Ann, born circa 1846

By 1850, according to U.S. Census records (see Figure 5), Green Berry Ewing and his family had moved to Paulding County, Georgia, and were living in the 464th Military District. Green Berry Ewing is listed as forty-eight years old and born in Georgia, and his wife Rhoda is listed as thirty-seven years old and born in North Carolina. This census lists the following children in the household of Green Berry Ewing, all born in Georgia: William, age 19; Sarah E., age 17; George, age 15; Thomas E., age 13; Hannah, age 11; Mary, age 9; Josephus, age 7; and Rhoda Ann, age 4.

SCHEDULE I - Free Inhabitants in the 464th Military District, Georgia, in the County of Paulding, 1850
of Georgia enumerated by me, on the 27th day of August 1850. *John W. Marshall*

Dist.	No.	Name	Sex	Age	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place of Birth.		Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
								State	Country	
	1	<i>Green Berry Ewing</i>	m	48	wh			Georgia		
	2	<i>Rhoda</i>	f	37	wh			North Carolina		
	3	<i>William</i>	m	19	wh			Georgia		
	4	<i>Sarah E.</i>	f	17	wh			Georgia		
	5	<i>George</i>	m	15	wh			Georgia		
	6	<i>Thomas E.</i>	m	13	wh			Georgia		
	7	<i>Hannah</i>	f	11	wh			Georgia		
	8	<i>Mary</i>	f	9	wh			Georgia		
	9	<i>Josephus</i>	m	7	wh			Georgia		
	10	<i>Rhoda Ann</i>	f	4	wh			Georgia		

Figure 5: 1850 U.S. Census of Paulding County, Georgia – Green Berry Ewing and family

By 1860, the Green Berry Ewing family had again migrated, this time to Coosa County, Alabama, where they are listed on the 1860 U.S. Census (see Figure 6) living in the Mount Olive community. Green Berry Ewing is listed as fifty-seven years old and a farmer with a \$400 personal estate value. Oddly, the

SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in *Green Berry Ewing* **in the County of** *Coosa* **State**
of *Ala* **enumerated by me, on the** *13* **day of** *June* **1860.** *H. W. Marshall* Ass't Marshal.
Post Office *At & Over*

1	2	3	4			7	8		9	10	11	12	13
			4	5	6		8	9					
154	157	<i>Green Berry Ewing</i>	52	M		<i>Reuben</i>		10	<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>Rhoda</i>	47	F					<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>George J</i>	23	M		<i>Invalid</i>			<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>James T</i>	21	M		<i>Thomas Ewing</i>			<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>Hanna E</i>	19	F					<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>Mary F</i>	17	F					<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>Josephus M</i>	15	M					<i>Yes</i>				
		<i>Rhoda</i>	12	F					<i>Yes</i>				

Figure 6: 1860 U.S. Census of Coosa County, Alabama – listing for family of Green Berry Ewing

children listed in 1860 are only eight years older than their age in the 1850 census. Wife Rhoda is listed as forty-seven years old and born in North Carolina. Son George is listed as an invalid, age twenty-three. Next is presumably a son, James T., age twenty-one.¹ This may be the same person as the Thomas E. listed in 1850, as Thomas does not appear here and the age is the same if, like his siblings, he is advanced eight years. Since no relationship is listed it is difficult to say with absolute certainty. Other children listed in 1860 are: Hanna E., age 19; Mary F., age 17; Josephus M., age 15; and Rhoda A., age 12. Also in the 1860 census of Coosa County, Alabama, is Reuben Turner Ewing, eldest son of Green Berry Ewing, employed as a shoemaker and boarding with one John H. Blalock.

After 1860 the family moved again, this time to Cherokee County, Alabama. By 1864 three sons of Green Berry Ewing had enlisted in the army of the Confederate States of America, joining up with the 48th Alabama Infantry, Company H, from Cherokee County, Alabama. This unit was known as 'The Cherokee Grays'. The three brothers may be found on muster and other records as James T. Ewing, Joseph M. Ewing, and R. T. Ewing. James T. Ewing is noted to have been killed in battle during the war. Joseph M. Ewing enlisted in the unit in 1864 at Cedar Bluff, Alabama, when he would have been in his late teens. At some point between the time the U.S. Census was taken in 1860 and when it was taken in 1870, Green Berry Ewing died. An 1894 biographical sketch of his son, Reuben Turner Ewing, states that Green Berry Ewing moved again in the 1860s to Colbert County, Alabama, where he died in 1869. Green Berry Ewing's widow, Rhoda (Martin) Ewing, must have returned immediately to the home of her son Reuben, for she is listed with his family in 1870 in the U.S. Census.

Reuben Turner Ewing (see Figure 7) served in the Confederacy during much of the war and obtained the rank of Captain, initially enlisting in the 7th Alabama Infantry, Company C. He fought as a volunteer in the Battle of Shiloh. He returned home after being wounded at Second Manassas and then rejoined the 48th Alabama as a private until the close of the war. He was at the surrender of Appomattox in 1865.

¹¹ This James T. Ewing enlisted in the 48th Alabama infantry in the Civil War and was killed in action.

Most probably his little brother, Josephus M. Ewing, was with him because they were part of the same unit. It can be safely assumed that the older and more experienced brother, Reuben, would have guided his teenage brother in many scrapes as the 48th Alabama saw action.

According to Edith Ewing, granddaughter of Josephus M. Ewing, there were many tales told around the fireplace in her family about the difficulties encountered during the Civil War and especially afterward during the Reconstruction Era and the occupation of towns by Federal troops. There were many cruelties suffered by those who had been loyal to the Confederacy which have managed to escape written history.

Up the road running northeast out of Cedar Bluff in Cherokee County, Alabama, and across the Georgia state line, is the town of Rome, county seat of Floyd County, Georgia. In Rome there lived a landowner and farmer by the name of Allen Bolt, who was born about 1817 in Laurens County, South Carolina. He was the son of Isham Bolt and grandson of Abraham Bolt, a patriot soldier during the Revolutionary War. Among Allen and Elizabeth Bolt's numerous children was a young woman by the name of Jane who must have caught the eye of Joseph M. Ewing either during the course of the Civil War or during a visit to Rome afterwards, for, in 1866 at about age seventeen, she married Joseph M. Ewing in Floyd County, Georgia. Jane was listed as eleven years old on the 1860 census of Floyd County, Georgia, which would indicate her birth year as about 1849.

By 1871, Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing had migrated to Texas, where their eldest son James was born on March 12, 1871. This date was obtained from the Bible which belonged to Jane (Bolt) Ewing (see Figure 8), now in the possession of the author. The Bible lists the next child as Albert Ewing, born June 11, 1876. Next was son Edward Ewing, the author's grandfather, born on January 18, 1878. According to the U.S. Census of 1880, the fourth child was Emma Ewing, born in 1879. Emma is not listed in the Bible and is not on any further census records. It is presumed she died as at birth and was just never entered into the Bible.

As of 1880 Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing were residing in Hill County, Texas. Joseph M. Ewing listed his birthplace as Alabama in the 1880 census. He would have moved to Alabama with his parents as a small child from Georgia and probably did not realize that he was born in Georgia. He cites Georgia as his birthplace in the 1900 census, perhaps a clue that he may have been in contact with his Alabama kinfolk sometime between 1880 and 1900. Their daughter Cora Beatrice Ewing was born on June 20, 1883. On December 31, 1884, twin sons were born, William Lee and John Ewing. The youngest child, Mary Ewing, was born on April 16th but the year is illegible. It would appear she was born between 1885 and 1892.

According to the Bible, Jane (Bolt) Ewing died on July 17, 1893. Joseph M. Ewing then married a second time to Martha Thompson, the marriage certificate being issued in Navarro County in 1893. There were no children from this second marriage. The family affectionately referred to Joseph's second wife as 'Aunt Martha'.



Figure 7: Captain Reuben Turner Ewing, Cherokee County, Alabama. He served the Confederacy for much of the war, was wounded at Second Manassas, later rejoined the 48th Alabama Cherokee Grays as a private along with his brothers James T. Ewing and Josephus M. Ewing, and was at Appomattox at the close of the war.

FAMILY RECORD.		FAMILY RECORD.	
MARRIAGES.		BIRTHS.	
<p>James, Son of Jacob and Jane Ewing, was married on Aug. 21, 1851, to Elizabeth Bolt, daughter of the late Jacob Bolt and his wife Elizabeth.</p> <p>Albert, son of Jacob and Elizabeth Ewing, was married on December 2, 1852, to Maria M. Bolt, daughter of the late Jacob Bolt and his wife Elizabeth.</p>		<p>Jane Ewing was born April the 27 1851</p> <p>Emma Daughter of Allen and Elisabeth Bolt was born in Floyd County Ga. May 18th 1840 and died June 2nd 1884.</p>	
DEATHS.		BIRTHS.	
<p>William Lee and John Lee was born December the 31 1874</p> <p>Mrs Jane Ewing departed this life July the 17 1893.</p> <p>Little Carrie daughter of J. M. Ewing died Dec the 23 1894 aged 13 years</p> <p>Mrs. Edie Ewing departed this life 1892</p>		<p>James Ewing was born the 12 of March 1871 Albert Ewing was born June the 18 1876 Edward Ewing was born January the 18 1878 Mary Lucretia Ewing was born April the 16 1878 Cora Leatia was born June the 20 1883</p>	

Figure 8: Pages from the Bible of Jane (Bolt) Ewing (1849-1893)

As of the U.S. Census of 1900, Joseph M. Ewing and his second wife Martha were living just south of Blooming Grove, Texas, in western Navarro County. In this census, Joseph listed his birthplace as Georgia and stated that he was born in April of 1846. He was likely not certain of his year of birth, a very common happening. It took years before Joseph's son Edward finally discovered the correct year of his own birth after finding his mother's Bible.

Son Edward, daughter Cora, and the twin sons Will and John were living in the same household. The 1900 census is the last written record known to exist of Joseph M. Ewing. Since he is not listed in the census of 1910, it appears that Joseph was deceased by that time. No death certificate was found on file at the Navarro County courthouse. Granddaughter Janie (Ewing) Barton, who was born in 1906, remembered attending the funeral of her grandfather at White Church Cemetery, Blooming Grove, Texas, and felt that she was about six years old when he died, which would put his death date about 1912. Family tradition holds that he was buried beneath the large oak tree on the western side of the cemetery, near the graves of Ed and Ina Ewing. If there was a marker laid, it went missing or was destroyed during the years when White Church Cemetery was overgrown and almost abandoned. A new marker for Joseph M. Ewing was recently placed beneath the tree by Gwen Waldrop, a great-granddaughter.

There is little known other than the above facts about the life of Joseph M. Ewing. There are virtually no stories passed down in the family about his military service or his childhood years. From the time he arrived in Texas, about 1870, until his death, circa 1910, he appears to have lived the life of a tenant farmer, moving around Hill and Navarro Counties in North Central Texas, simply trying to eke out a living from the land. He did, however, leave a legacy of numerous Ewing descendants (see Figure 9) who are proud to be members of a great family, and who are capable of throwing some of the finest family reunions this author has ever had the pleasure of attending.



Figure 9: Ewing Family Reunion, children and grandchildren of Ed and Ina (Shettlesworth) Ewing, circa 1950s, Corsicana, Texas. John B. Ewing, son of Josephus M. Ewing, is pictured at far left.

The lives of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing's children varied greatly. Some were adventurers and risk takers, some horse traders, but most were tenant farmers, living off land owned by others in very common sharecropping arrangements. All were a southern, 'salt of the earth' people who loved greatly a good family gathering and an excellent meal.



Figure 10: James Ewing, son of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing

According to the Jane (Bolt) Ewing Bible, James Ewing (see Figure 10) – the eldest son of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing – was born on March 12, 1871. His middle initial is variously listed as either T. or W., and he may have had two middle names, which was common within the Ewing family. He was probably named after his uncle James who was killed in action in the service of the Confederacy during the Civil War. In 1880, James was living with his parents in Hill County, Texas.

On August 21, 1890, according to the Jane (Bolt) Ewing Bible, James Ewing married Ava Ellis. This couple had a son, Sammie, who was born in 1891, but who died three years later in 1894.

In 1896, James Ewing married a second time to Mary <unknown>. By 1898, James and Mary Ewing had picked up stakes and gone to the Oklahoma Indian Territory, where their daughter Alma Ewing was born in that year, followed by Anna in 1900, Effie in 1903, and Nellie in 1909. Sometime in 1909 or 1910, this adventurous family of Ewings moved again, this time to Yellowstone County, Montana, where they are found in the 1910 U.S. Census.

There was a fellow living in their household in 1910 who is listed as a cousin, named Tom McDonnell, in his mid-forties and born in Texas. It has not been determined exactly how this fellow ties into the family.

By 1914, James and Mary Ewing had moved again, to Pima County, Arizona, where daughter Eula Lee (see Figure 11) was born that year. Their daughter Jewel was born in Arizona in 1917. The 1920 U.S. Census cites this family as living in Tucson, Arizona, on East Speedway Street. By 1930, the family was living in Dona Ana County, New Mexico. At this point they were in contact with the Ewings who remained in Navarro County, Texas, for there is evidence of correspondence, photographs, etc. exchanged among the families.



Figure 11: Eula Lee Ewing, daughter of James Ewing, granddaughter of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing

According to the Jane (Bolt) Ewing Bible, Jane and Joseph Ewing had a son named Albert 'Bud' Ewing, born on June 11, 1876. Albert is listed as four years old in the 1880 census, living with his parents in Hill County, Texas. In December 1894, he married fifteen-year old Cora Myrtle Vinson (born in 1879 in Tennessee and died in 1938 in Dallas, Texas) in Navarro County, Texas. As of 1900, Cora Myrtle and her mother were living in Limestone County, Texas, south of Navarro County, and Albert is not with them, although Cora Myrtle is listed as being married. Vinson family records say that Albert Ewing died on August 10, 1907, in Oklahoma. At some point he went to prison having been convicted in a horse deal gone bad. Vinson records show that he is buried in the Chatfield Cemetery in Navarro County, Texas. Albert and Cora Myrtle had three children. The eldest, Ethel, was born in Chatfield, Navarro County, Texas, on June 26, 1901, and died on July 1, 1902. Son Vernon Hershel Ewing was born on April 5, 1903, and died October 23 1946, having married Nita Bearder and left numerous children. Albert and Cora Myrtle's youngest child was Hazel Fonciel Ewing (see Figure 12), born September 25, 1906, and

died on March 31, 1990 in Dallas, Texas. Hazel Fonciel was married three times, first to Frank William Kugler, then to Joe Brown, and then to John Willis. Fonciel had at least one child, a daughter named Alvina Kugler, born circa 1930.



Figure 13: Ed Ewing at about age 18 (photo circa 1900)

Edward Ewing (see Figure 13), a son of Joseph and Jane (Bolt) Ewing and the author's grandfather, was born on January 18, 1878. Family tradition holds that he was born in or near Meridian, Texas, which is in Bosque County. Bosque lies just west of Hill County, which is where the family was living when the 1880 census was taken.

According to family tradition the family at some point moved to the Oklahoma Indian Territory, and it is said that they lived in a cave and had quite a hard time. It is not certain what years were spent in Oklahoma, but Ed's older brother, James, was there with his young family in 1898, because his daughter, Alma, was born there. Perhaps Joseph and Martha Ewing were there in 1898 with their family as well. In any event, they were back in Texas by 1900, living in western Navarro County.

In 1904, Ed Ewing married Ina Shettlesworth (see Figure 14). Ina was the daughter of Confederate veteran George Washington Shettlesworth and Nancy 'the 14th Black, so named because she was the fourteenth of fourteen children. G. W. Shettlesworth was from Pontotoc County, Mississippi, and was the son of David Shettlesworth. G. W. brought his family to Texas by train about 1903, stayed about one year, and went directly back to the flat woods of Pontotoc County. During the one year or so the Shettlesworth family was in Navarro County, Texas, Ina Shettlesworth met Ed Ewing and they were married at the Methodist Church in Blooming Grove, Texas.

To Ed and Ina Ewing were born eleven children of whom nine lived to maturity. Twins Clovis and Bessie Ewing died as babies and are buried at White Church Cemetery in Blooming Grove. The other children were:

- Lewis Talton Ewing (1905-1991); m. Lou Etta Melton; children Eljuan and Verlon
- Janie Ewing (1906-1992); m. A. W. Barton; children Charles, W. J., Tommy and Gwen
- Edna Ewing (1908-1930s); m. Clarence Carter; children Leonard C. and Junior (see Figure 15)



Figure 12: Hazel Fonciel Ewing, daughter of Albert and Myrtle (Vinson) Ewing; granddaughter of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing



Figure 14: Ed Ewing and wife Ina Shettlesworth (photo circa 1940)



Figure 15: Seated at right in the dark coat is Edna (Ewing) Carter, daughter of Ed and Ina (Shettlesworth) Ewing. The two children are LC and Junior Carter.

- Evie Beatrice Ewing (1912-1988); m. Sidney Featherston; children Joe, Modon, Eddie, Robert, Sue, Louise and Carolyn
- Annie May Ewing (1914-1996); m. Eugene Sisson; children Shirley and Bud
- Ruby Ewing (1915-); m. Hubert 'Bunk' Harris; child Rosie Lee
- Ruth Ewing (1917-??); m. Roy Cantrell; children Charles, Helen, Gelene, Doris and Teresa
- Edgar Earl 'Buster' Ewing (1/14/1919-9/18/1993); m. Bertha Sims; children Ronald and Donald
- Edith Elizabeth Ewing (1922-2001); m. Thomas Edgar Campbell; children Marie, Elaine and Tim (the author)

The author had the pleasure of personally knowing almost all of the children of Ed and Ina Ewing (see Figure 16), and as a child listened intently to many tales of their childhood. All of them grew up in the cotton-driven economy of rural Navarro County, Texas, and all of them did their duty in the cotton fields as children and teenagers to help their family make a living. When the Great Depression hit in 1929 and the local banks in Blooming Grove failed, Ed Ewing lost what money he had saved. Edith Elizabeth (Ewing) Campbell remembered her father sitting on the steps of their home and crying, the only time in her life she ever saw him cry. She also remembered the long, sultry Texas summers spent in the cotton fields during the Great Depression



7 of the children of Ed Ewing and Ina Shettlesworth, circa 1965. Left to Right are Edith Ewing Campbell, Ruth Ewing Cantrell, Edgar Earl "Buster" Ewing, Ruby Ewing Harris, Annie May Ewing Sisson, Janie Ewing Barton, and Lewis Tulton Ewing. A feast was prepared every time these folks gathered together.

Figure 16: A typical 1960s Ewing family reunion. Children of Ed and Ina (Shettlesworth) Ewing. Photo taken at home of Tom and Edith (Ewing) Campbell, Blooming Grove, Texas, circa 1965.

and that every once in awhile, while hoeing the tall cotton rows, someone would come across a watermelon growing on a wild vine, and the family would take a break and enjoy the watermelon.

Jugs of cold 'switchell' were used to keep the family hydrated. This concoction was made by mixing a base of equal parts of honey and vinegar, then adding water to the base to arrive at whatever strength was palatable to the maker. This recipe is perhaps as old as the cotton industry itself. Long sacks were carried and drug behind the pickers and were weighed at the end of the day.

The family also raised a garden every year from which canings were made to provide vegetables through the winters and spent many hours gathering other wild growing berries and nuts such as native pecans and walnuts.

Christmas was by far a favorite time of year. The children were treated with apples and oranges, ribbon candy, and perhaps one toy each. The Christmas tree consisted of a wild cedar cut fresh a few days before Christmas day, placed in the living room, and decorated by stringing thread through popcorn and wrapping it around the tree. As the old adage says, "tough times don't last, tough people do."

One by one the children of Ed and Ina Ewing grew up and married, with most of them moving 'off the farm' and into town.

Returning the children of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing (and siblings of Ed Ewing): Their fourth child was Emma Ewing, born circa 1879. She was one-year old when the 1880 census was taken, and that is the last known record of her. Cora Beatrice Ewing (see Figure 17) was born on July 20, 1883. In 1900 she was living in Navarro County, Texas, with her parents at age sixteen. In 1904 she married George W. Hollifield. In 1906 their son Otto was born in Texas, and in 1907 their daughter Lola was born in Oklahoma. Their daughter Viola was born in Texas in 1908. In 1910 the Hollifields were living in Navarro County, Texas. In 1913 their son Otis Tillman Hollifield was born in Texas, and in 1917 their son Alton S. Hollifield was born in Texas. As of 1920, the Hollifields were living in or near Malakoff, Texas, in Henderson County. As of 1930, they were back in Navarro County, Texas. The Hollifields moved to New Mexico in their later years.

Mary Ewing, child of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing, was born on April 16th but her birth year is not known as the family Bible is illegible. She married Virgil Henry Fuller (1878-1942). In the 1910 census, Virgil Fuller is listed in Ellis County, Texas, aged thirty-one with three sons: Jessie, 9; Homer, 8; and Olen, 5. Mary is not listed with them and may have died between 1905 and 1910. Olen Fuller lived in Blooming Grove and attended Central Baptist Church there. His 1985 obituary lists two brothers, Jess Fuller of Ennis and Homer Fuller (1902-1989) of Blooming Grove.



Figure 17: Cora Beatrice (Ewing) Hollifield (seated), daughter of Joseph and Jane (Bolt) Ewing. This photo is believed to have been taken in New Mexico.

Twin sons – William Lee Ewing (1884-??) and John B. Ewing (1884-1964) (see Figure 9) – were born to Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing on December 31, 1884. Both are listed in the 1900 U.S. Census for Navarro County, Texas, as fourteen years old and living in the household of Joseph Ewing and his

second wife Martha. John B. Ewing's gravestone states that he was born on December 28, 1885. However, the date of December 31, 1884, is recorded in the family Bible. The Bible was misplaced or lost for many years and so most of the children of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing did not know for sure when they were born for much of their life.

Will Ewing, son of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing, married Dannie M. <unknown> in 1905. In 1913 their son Wayne G. Ewing was born in Oklahoma. In 1916 their son Sterling Ewing was born in Texas. In 1920 their daughter Helen was born in Oklahoma. As of 1920, Will and Dannie Ewing owned a home in Elk, Oklahoma, although their occupation is listed as sharecroppers. In 1926 their son Robert L. Ewing was born in Texas, and in 1927 their daughter Betty Ewing was born in Texas. As of 1930, Will and Dannie Ewing were living in Hill County, Texas, next to land owned by Jefferson Cowan. This Ewing family moved to New Mexico sometime after 1930. As of several years ago, there were descendants of this family living in Las Cruces, New Mexico.



Figure 18: John B. Ewing and wife Cannie (Hollifield) Ewing

John B. Ewing, son of Joseph M. and Jane (Bolt) Ewing and twin brother of Will Ewing, was living with his father and stepmother in 1900 in Navarro County. By 1910, his father was deceased and he is found in census records living with his older brother, Ed Ewing. Sometime around 1911, he married Cannie Hollifield (see Figure 18), and their first son, Leroy, was born on August 14, 1912. In 1914 a daughter, Leona, was born. On January 23, 1923 another son, Homer, was born. This family of Ewings stayed in the Blooming Grove, Texas, area and the author was well acquainted with both Leroy and Homer Ewing.

The descendants of Josephus M. Ewing are today scattered from Texas to Arizona to California to Alaska and beyond. Only a handful remain in western Navarro County, Texas, where so many of the family toiled cotton fields, factories, and construction sites, established their homes, raised their children, and offered up their prayers for some fifty-plus years. Whether near or far, this Ewing family may be proud of its extensive and great heritage.

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Early Ewing Families of Augusta County, Virginia: Parts II to IV

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In the early Western Virginia settlement period of the mid-1700s, most of the area from the Blue Ridge to the Mississippi was Augusta County, Virginia. Within this area, there were at least three early James Ewing settlers in Augusta County plus a Joshua Ewing settler, all with large families using similar names and living in close proximity:

- James Ewing of Monroe County (c1722 - b1800)
lower Greenbrier River area – Indian and Turkey Creeks
- James Ewing of Pocahontas County (1720 - 1801)
upper Greenbrier River – Ewing/Knapp Creek
- Joshua Ewing of Pocahontas County (1734 - 1810)
upper Greenbrier River – Locust Bottom
- Capt. James Ewing (c1721 - 1796)
Staunton and Middlebrook areas

Early records of the James Ewings in this area are quite ambiguous as to just which James is being referenced. Lyman Chalkley's *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia*,¹ the definitive compilation of Augusta County records to 1800, contains some ninety-six items referencing Ewings. Of these, about seventy-eight can be reasonably well associated with one of six different Ewing families, the remaining eighteen still being ambiguous. These six Ewing families in Chalkley's accounting are the four above plus a Henry Ewing family in Rockingham County and Charles and Robert Ewing families in Bedford County.

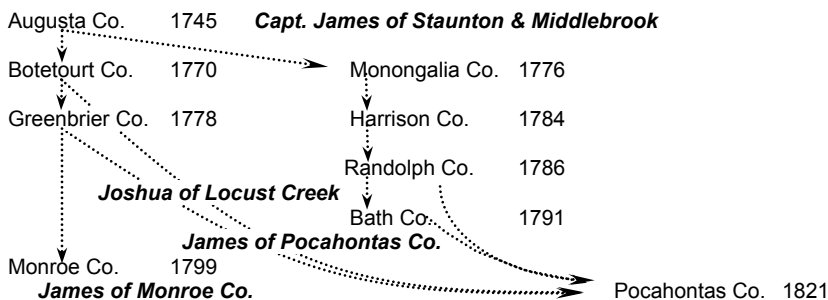
In addition to the confusion caused by there being numerous Ewing families, the Virginia counties and their boundaries were continually changing. In 1745 Augusta County encompassed almost all the land west of the Blue Ridge, down to the North Carolina / Tennessee line and west to the Mississippi River. The land that James Ewing of Monroe settled was first in Augusta County, then in Botetourt County, and then in Greenbrier County before becoming part of Monroe County. The early records are dispersed among these counties and other colonial and United States jurisdictions. Pocahontas James' records can be found in Augusta, Botetourt, Greenbrier, Bath and Randolph Counties before Pocahontas County. Further, the continuing movement of these settlers among areas amplifies the difficulty of tracing their records.

While two of these Augusta County settlers – James and Joshua – are associated with Pocahontas County, that county did not exist until 1821, long after both were gone. Their records are mostly found in Botetourt and Greenbrier counties with some found in Bath County. With the partitioning of the Augusta County area into many new counties and their boundaries changing, records are found in dispersed

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places. The changing of counties and Ewing family movement is depicted in the sketch below indicating where their records might be found.

Evolution of Augusta County to New Counties in Areas of Ewings



I have analyzed these four Ewing families whose overlapping records in the 1700s and early 1800s in the Augusta County area cause so much confusion. I have found various source documents and uncovered various references worthy of further investigation.

I have recorded only an overview of the Pocahontas James and Joshua Ewing families; these families are well-known and have been well-documented. My focus has been on the Monroe County James Ewing family and the Staunton-area Capt. James Ewing family. These have not been, until now, all that well-researched and documented.

My conclusions with respect to the Monroe County James Ewing were presented in an earlier *Journal* article.² My conclusions with respect to the others are presented in this article. The 'full story' – presenting all I have found with respect to these four Ewings – is available on the *Ewing Family Association's* web site, accompanied by various detailed material.³

Part II – James Ewing Family of Pocahontas County, West Virginia

James Ewing, born in 1721 and an early settler of Pocahontas County, was the fifth child of John Ewing of Carnashannagh, Ireland, and his second wife Janett McElvaney. His brother John had a son, Joshua, who also settled nearby on land originally assigned to his uncle James. The background of the John of Carnashannagh family is well documented in Evelyn (Jones) Ewing's *Ewings of Shenandoah Valley Virginia*,^{4,5} and more detail of this family is presented in Margaret Ewing Fife's *Ewing in Early America*.⁶

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James Ewing was an early pioneer in the Jackson River and Greenbrier River areas of what is now western Virginia and West Virginia. His earliest recorded date is for a land survey, 254 acres on the Jackson River at Muddy Run in 1746, so he must have been there by then, but probably not long before as that area was just being surveyed and opened following a 30,000-acre grant to Andrew and Thomas Lewis in 1743. James later moved about nineteen miles further west to settle and establish the name of Ewing Creek (now known as Knapps Creek). He is noted in a 1751 survey there with a call "over the top of Ewing's house." This is in the area near today's town of Marlinton in Pocahontas County, West Virginia.

In 1770, James turned over his claim to Moses Moore for a steel trap and £2. This is the last known transaction involving James Ewing. His inventory was filed in 1801 in Bath County so he lived to eighty years of age. His inventory included only a horse, gun, saddle, and some clothes and blankets. His children were by then grown and long off on their own.

James had ten children, born from 1741 to 1772. These children and their children are listed in the following table, which should be helpful in identifying persons associated with various records. Included are a few more James Ewings to compound our confusion. Note that there are also brothers John and William. These brothers appear to have had local contact with similarly named John and William Ewing brothers both of the Frederick County and Monroe County Ewing families.

One daughter, Ann, married Archibald Clendenin who was killed in a 1763 raid by Indians of Chief Cornstalk's Shawnee tribe. Ann, two of her children, and her brother John were taken captive. Ann escaped, but one of her children was killed as the Indians attempted to lure her back. John and his niece Jane were taken to an area in Ohio where they remained with the Indians for nearly two years before being allowed to return. John was known as 'Indian John' thereafter. Most of the family moved to Gallia County, Ohio, in 1810.

A great deal has been written about this family in Nancy Hanks Ewing's *James Ewing – Pioneer*.⁷ Wally Ewing presents some additional interesting family history in his *The Ewings: One American Family*.⁸ There is a continuing debate as to whether or not this James Ewing married a second wife, Sarah Edwards, and raised another five children, as shown in the following table.

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⁸ Ewing, Wallace K. *The Ewings: One American Family*. Self-published, Grand Haven, Michigan, 1998.

Descendants of James Ewing of Pocahontas County, West Virginia⁹

	born	died	married
James (Pocahontas James)	1720, America	1801, Virginia	
Sarah Mays, first wife			
Ann Janett	1741	1817, Greenbrier County (first) Archibald Clendenin	
John Clendenin		1763, Pocahontas County	
Jane Clendenin	1757, Augusta County	1834, Christian County, Kentucky	
James Clendenin	1760	1763, Pocahontas County	
			(second) John Rogers
Nancy Ann Rogers	1768, Greenbrier County	1768, Greenbrier County	
Archibald Rogers	1770		
James Rogers	1773		
Susan Jane	1743, Greenbrier County		Moses Moore
Aaron Moore	1792, Pocahontas County	1839, Pocahontas County	
John (Indian John)	1747, Virginia	1824, Gallia County, Ohio	Ann Smith
William	1774, Augusta County	1858, Pocahontas County	
Susanna	1776, Pocahontas County	1855, Van Buren County, Iowa	Stephen Holcomb
John Smith	1778, Pocahontas County	1837	
Jane Jennet	1780, Pocahontas County	1855, Jackson County	
Sarah (Sallie)	1783, Augusta County	1850, Gallia County, Ohio	
Nancy Ann	1785, Augusta County	1858, Ohio	
Andrew	1787, Augusta County	1868, Gallia County, Ohio	
Elizabeth	1788, Augusta County	1853-60, Gallia County, Ohio	
Lydia	1792, Bath County	1872, Harrison County, Missouri	
Samuel	1795, Bath County	1855, Van Buren County, Iowa	
Elizabeth	1750		George Daugherty
William (Swago Bill)	1756, Bath County	1822, Gallia County, Ohio	Mary McNeill, 1785
Elizabeth	1787, Pocahontas County	1852, Gallia County, Ohio	
Thomas	1788, Pocahontas County	1874, Gallia County, Ohio	
Jonathan	1790, Pocahontas County	1850, Gallia County, Ohio	
William	1792, Pocahontas County	1847, Gallia County, Ohio	
James	1793, Pocahontas County	1824, Gallia County, Ohio	
John	1795, Pocahontas County	1827, Jackson County, Illinois	
Sarah Jane	1797, Pocahontas County	1827	
Enoch	1799, Pocahontas County	1885, Hillsdale County, Michigan	
Jacob	1802, Pocahontas County	1878, Hancock County, Illinois	
Abram McNeel	1804, Bath County	1891, Gallia County, Ohio	
George A.	1807, Bath County	1883, Gallia County, Ohio	
Andrew	1809, Pocahontas County	1885, Wayne County, Iowa	
Sarah Edwards, second wife		1818	
James Jr.	1758, Botetourt County	1810	(first) Unknown
John S.	1785, Tennessee	1847, Logan County, Illinois	

⁹ From *FamilyTreeMaker.genealogy.com/users/e/w/i/Wallace-Ewing*

	born	died	married
James	1787		
Edy Margaret	1798, Virginia	before 1870, White County, Illinois	
Ruthy	1787		
		(second) Ladovesey/Ladusa Dillard	
Ruben B.	1801, Tennessee	1875	
William P.	1802, Kentucky	1864, Clark County, Arkansas	
Alfred	1805, Tennessee	after 1880	
Melinda	1806, Smith County, Tennessee		
Sarah	1808		
Nancy	1809		
Edward	1762	1780, South Carolina	(never married)
Mary	1763		William Sexton
Sarah (Sallie)	1765		
Robert J.	1772	1844	Elizabeth Booker
Robert W.	1808, Kentucky	1877, Neosho County, Kansas	

Part III – Joshua Ewing of Locust Creek at Greenbrier River

Joshua Ewing is the grandson of John Ewing of Carnashannagh, Ireland, and son of John Ewing. Thus, Joshua is a nephew of James Ewing of Pocahontas County – Pocahontas James – and came to live near the Greenbrier River on land originally assigned to his uncle James. The background of the John of Carnashannagh family is well documented in Evelyn (Jones) Ewing's *Ewings of Shenandoah Valley Virginia*¹⁰ and a great deal of detail regarding this Joshua Ewing family is presented in Fife's *Ewing in Early America*.¹¹

Around 1729, John Ewing of Carnashannagh, at age eighty-one, came to America with his large family and settled in Chester County, Pennsylvania. Several of his children, including William Ewing, ancestor of the Stephens-City Ewings, moved onward by the Great Philadelphia Wagon Road to the better land opportunities of the Shenandoah Valley. After John Ewing, father of Joshua, was killed by a male servant in 1736 in Chester County, his brother William Ewing and brother-in-law David Jenkins were named guardians and trustees of Joshua and his brother Thomas until they were twenty-one.

Grandparents of Joshua Ewing

John Ewing of Carnashannagh 1648 – 1745
m. (second), Janet McElvaney, 1701

Parents of Joshua Ewing

John Ewing 1703 – 1736
m. Sarah Jenkins

Thomas Ewing circa 1732 – ?? deaf mute
Joshua Ewing 1733 – 1810

¹⁰ *Ewing, Evelyn (Jones) - Part 1* and *Ewing, Evelyn (Jones) - Part 2*

¹¹ *Fife*, Chapter XI - John Ewing of Carnashannagh.

Joshua Ewing Family¹²

Joshua Ewing	1733 – 1810	buried at Little Levels
m. Eleanor, 1759		
Rebecca		m. John Collins
Elonor		m. Abraham Hawks, 1802 ¹³
Mary		m. Samuel Curry Jr.
Hannah		m. Collins
Arron		m. Elineor Bartley
John		
Elijah		
Joshua		
Moses		m. Peggy Brown
Sarah		m. Alexander Stevenson, 1778 ⁹
Agnes		m. John Stevenson

The earliest record we find for Joshua Ewing in the Augusta county area is in the 1763 estate sale of Naphtalim Gregory, one of the earliest settlers of what is now Pocahontas County. The first land record of Joshua is an 1774 survey of 270 acres on the north side of the Greenbrier River, at Little Levels near Locust Creek. In 1775, Joshua is noted in the list of tithables of the Little Levels area of Botetourt County along with William and John Ewing. These may have been sons of Pocahontas James since Joshua was located on Locust Creek, about twelve miles below Slago Creek where William and John Ewing held land. But other cousins, William and John Ewing, sons of William of Stephens City, were also in the area. At this point there were actually three sets of Ewing brothers in this area named William and John: the sons of Pocahontas James, Frederick William, and Monroe James. Joshua appears to have been reasonably prosperous. The *Greenbrier Historical Society Journal* notes that Joshua held 500 acres of land in 1783. and the Greenbrier County Tax List of that year shows him as having nine horses and seventeen cows.

Joshua Ewing was buried in the Ewing Cemetery, an acre of land which he gave as a public burying ground, located about ¼ mile from the Greenbrier River about a mile above the mouth of Locust Creek in an area that became the Rhea place. Said to be buried there are Catherine Rhea, W. E. Ewing, Robert Rhea, and J. E. Ewing (Joshua).¹⁴

Year Records Related to Joshua Ewing of Locust Creek

- 1763 Augusta County WB 3, p.292 – 26th September, 1763. Naphtalim Gregory's appraisement and settlement of estate recorded. – Debts due the estate by James Rusk, Jno. Rusk and Jno. Martin's estate. Account of sales on 13th September, 1763: To Jas. Williams, Michael Weaver. Wm. Fitzjarrell, Thos. Kirkpatrick, Richd. Morrison, Jno. Jordan, Joshua Ewing. Articles kept in hands of widow Mary. – Some hooks. Paid Jno. Humphries.

¹² Bath County, Virginia, WB 1, p.471 – Joshua Ewing's will lists his wife and the eleven children cited here.

¹³ Greenbrier County, West Virginia, Marriage Records – Greenbrier Historical Society Archives. For further information about these archives see www.GreenBrierHistorical.org/GHS-archives.htm.

¹⁴ Although the cemetery was overgrown in 2007 to the point that I could not locate the Ewing stones, the Rhea stones were visible.

- 1763 Samuel Curry Jr. was born circa 1760. He married Mary (Ewing) Curry. Mary was born circa 1763 in Botetourt County, Virginia. Mary was the daughter of Joshua Ewing and Eleanor Ewing. Samuel's will was probated 14 May 1823 in Gallia County, Ohio.
- 1774 Survey of 270 acres for Joshua Ewing on the North side of the Greenbrier River.¹⁵
- 1775 Tithables: March and April 1775, Little Levels: Joshua Ewing, William Ewing, John Ewing.¹⁶
- 177x 177x, Joshua Ewing, 250 acres, Little Levels, assignee of Samuel Ewing.^{17,18}
- 1780 Joshua Ewing, 250 acres, Little Levels, adjacent to Wm Idings, by settlement, assignee James Ewing¹⁹
- 1783 1782/3 Greenbrier County Virginia Tax List²⁰
- | <u>Ewing</u> | <u>tithes</u> | <u>horses</u> | <u>cows</u> | <u>year</u> |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Joshua | 1 | 9 | 17 | 1783 |
- 1783 Land Owned in Greenbrier at the end of the Revolutionary War²¹
- | | | |
|------|--------------|-----------|
| 1783 | Joshua Ewing | 500 acres |
|------|--------------|-----------|
- 1784 Joshua Ewing, assignee of James Clerk, enters 100 acres adjacent land of the said Ewing at a place called Locust Bottom.²²
- Land Grants in West Virginia²³
- | | | | | | |
|------|---------------|-----------|---------------|------|-------------------|
| 1783 | Ewing, Joshua | 250 acres | Little Levels | 1783 | Greenbrier County |
| 1792 | Ewing, Joshua | 250 acres | Locust Creek | 1792 | Greenbrier County |
| 1797 | Ewing, Joshua | 150 acres | Little Levels | 1797 | Bath County |

¹⁵ Botetourt County, Virginia. *Book of Surveys*, Vol. 1, p. 11.

¹⁶ Stinson, Helen. *Tithables in Greenbrier Co 1775 in Botetourt Co Va Records*.

¹⁷ *Greenbrier County Surveyor's Land Book One, from 1750*, p. 4.

¹⁸ The only known 'Samuel Ewing' in this area at this time was the son of James Ewing of Monroe County.

¹⁹ Shuck, Larry. *Greenbrier County, West Virginia Records, Vol 1 – Greenbrier Co. (West) Virginia early survey records, 1780-1799, Greenbrier Co. (West) Virginia early court minutes, 1780-1801, 1811, 1817-1819, Greenbrier Co. (West) Virginia court record books, 1828-1835, district court records, Batetourt, Greenbrier, Kanawha, and Montgomery counties, 1792-1797, district court deeds, Sweet Springs Virginia court house, 1789-1808*, Iberian Pub. Co. (Athens, Georgia), 1988, p.2. Further information about this manuscript may be found at: [OpenLibrary.org/b/OL2128121M/Greenbrier_County_\(West\)_Virginia_records](http://OpenLibrary.org/b/OL2128121M/Greenbrier_County_(West)_Virginia_records).

²⁰ Shuck, Larry. *Greenbrier County, West Virginia Records, Vol II – Greenbrier County (West) Virginia personal property tax lists: 1782/3, 1786/8, 1792, 1796, 1799, 1805 & 1815*, Iberian Pub. Co. (Athens, Georgia), 1988. Further information about this manuscript may be found at: [OpenLibrary.org/b/OL2128121M/Greenbrier_County_\(West\)_Virginia_records](http://OpenLibrary.org/b/OL2128121M/Greenbrier_County_(West)_Virginia_records).

²¹ *Greenbrier Historical Society J.*, Vol. 1, No. 1 (August 1963), p. 17. For information about the society, see www.GreenbrierHistorical.org.

²² Stinson, Helen. *Land Entry Book 1780-1786 – Greenbrier County, West Virginia*, p. 93. [Short Citation: *Stinson, Land Entry*]

²³ Sims, Edgar. *Index to Land Grants in West Virginia*, Greenbrier County, West Virginia. For further information see www.genealogical.com/products/Sims%20Index%20to%20Land%20Grants%20in%20West%20Virginia/5401.html.

- 1811 Ewing Cemetery: Located on the Rhea place, about ¼ mile from the Greenbrier River just east and close to Denmar Correctional Facility. There is a small abandoned church right across the road from it. The land was originally willed as one acre of public burying ground by Joshua Ewing who was on the land when it was still not open for settlement. He patented the land, and it passed through at least a couple hands, one of which was the Rhea's. This is the only information currently available: Catherine Rhea, W. E. Ewing, Robert Rhea, J. E. Ewing (Joshua).²⁴
- 1811 Will of Joshua Ewing²⁵ mentions:
 wife - Elonor
 daughter – Rebecca
 daughters – Elonor Hawks, Mary Curry
 daughter – Hannah Collins
 son – Arron
 sons – John, Elijah, Joshua, and Moses
 daughters – Sara and Agnes Stevenson
- 1811 Inventory of Joshua Ewing²⁶

Part IV – Capt. James Ewing Family of Staunton, Virginia

The origins of this James Ewing have not been established and there are probably no surviving lines. However, from the DAR records of the Glebe Burying Grounds gravestones²⁷ and the will of Capt. James,²⁸ the names and birth/death dates of this family are known.

Parents of Martha (Wilson) Ewing			Age
Col. John Wilson	b. 1701	d. 1773; 27 Years a Representative in the House of Burgesses	72
Martha Wilson	b. 1695	d. July 10 th 1755; wife of Col John Wilson	60
Capt. James and Martha Ewing Family			
James Ewing		d. Feb 16 th 1796	
m. (1 Nov 1761) Martha Wilson			
	b. Feb 15 th 1741	d. July 12 th 1828	87
Jane Ewing	b. Mar 4 th 1762	d. Sept 26 th 1794	32
Martha Ewin	b. Mar 14 th 1764	d. July 21 st 1855; unmarried	91
Sarah Ewing	b. Sept 8 th 1766	d. Mar 7 th 1793	17
John Ewing	b. Dec 13 th 1768	d. June 3 rd 1794	26
William Ewing	b. May 9 th 1771	d. June 17 th 1794	23
James Ewing, Jr.	b. April 18 th 1775	d. June 6 th 1799	24

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²⁴ This cemetery, near the mouth of Locust Creek, was heavily overgrown but fenced when visited in 2007.

²⁵ Bath County, Virginia, WB 1, p.471. Probated April 1811.

²⁶ Ibid.

²⁷ *Glebe Burying Grounds, 1749, Stones copied by Major W. A. Murphy and Mrs. W. W. King for the Colonel Thomas Hughart Chapter of the DAR, 1934.* Available online at www.SproulFamily.net/ref/glebe_burying_ground.pdf. [Short Citation: *Glebe Burying Ground*]

²⁸ Augusta County, Virginia, WB 8, p. 244 – James Ewing Will, February 1795.

Joseph Ewing	b. Oct 12 th 1775	d. Sept 22 nd 1835; m. Marlyn ²⁹	60
Nancy Ewing	b. July 24 th 1780	d. June 22 nd 1798	18

All members of the Capt. James Ewing family are buried in the Glebe Burying Grounds with the site and stones well-preserved today, although located in a somewhat remote woods near Middlebrook, Virginia. It is sad to note that almost all of this family died in the 1790s, two passing within days of each other in 1794 and seven altogether over a short five-year period. By 1800, the survivors consisted only of Martha, wife of Capt. James, a daughter Martha, and a son Joseph.

Martha never married. She used the name Ewin, both in her will and on her gravestone. Joseph is believed to have been married, but no survivors have been found. With the passing of Joseph at the age of sixty and Martha at ninety-one, this Ewing line seems to come to an end. However, Martha Ewing/Ewin did mention one unknown Ewing in her 1855 will – "to the heirs of Rob Ewin" – so perhaps there was some survivor of this line.

This James Ewing family mostly used the same given names as found in both the nearby and often confused Monroe and Pocahontas James Ewing families. Capt. James' signature appears on documents with the Monroe James, and his daughter Martha's will mentions many of the Monroe James family descendants who lived nearby. Still, there is no established family relationship.

The closest indication of a relationship found would be that these Ewings lived in close proximity to Susanna (Ewing) Sproul, daughter of James Ewing of Monroe County. The land that Capt. James purchased in 1772 appears to be adjacent to the farm of William and Susanna (Ewing) Sproul – Martha lived in nearby Middlebrook, and James Jr. owned lot #8 in Middlebrook. Archibald Alexander Sproul and his brother William Scott Sproul, grandchildren of Susanna, bought ninety-four acres of Martha's land also adjacent the Sproul farm in 1855 after she died. Of great significance is that Martha Ewing/Ewin a wealthy woman and in her 1855 will left the predominance of her wealth to various members of the Sproul family. This may indicate a familial relationship with the Monroe Ewing family or, perhaps also, that there were just no remaining survivors of the Capt. James line.

In *James Ewing – Pioneer*,³⁰ Nancy Hanks Ewing gives a brief sketch of this family:

Capt. James Ewing, merchant of Staunton, was married to Martha Wilson, daughter of Colonel John and Martha Wilson, also of Staunton. The colonel was for 27 years a representative in the Virginia House of Burgesses in Williamsburg. Both he and his wife, Martha who died in 1755 are buried in the Glebe Burying Grounds, as are Capt. James Ewing and his wife Martha and most of their children, several of whom died young.

Capt. James' will is dated February 3, 1795, and was proven October 18, 1796. His wife Martha is mentioned, as are two sons – James and Joseph – two daughters – Martha and Nancy – and several slaves.

This matches the information from the family gravestones at the Glebe Burying Grounds. There are ten Ewings buried at the Glebe Burying Ground, all apparently of the immediate family of Capt. James and Martha Ewing. All ten are either mentioned in Capt. James Ewing's 1796 will or were already dead at the time of his death. There were four family members already buried here at the time of James' death.

²⁹ Augusta County, Virginia, WB 21, p. 378 – 1837 Appraisal of estate of Joseph Ewing dec'd and Marlyn

³⁰ *Ewing, Nancy Hanks*

Glebe Burying Grounds Records

Records of the Glebe Burying Grounds and its Capt. James Ewing family gravestones come from two sources:

- Chalkley's *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia*.³¹

Col. John Wilson		d. 1773; in the 72 nd year of his age, having served his country 27 years a representative in The Honorable House of Burgesses
Martha Wilson,		d. July 10 th 1755; in the 60 th year of her age; wife of Col. John Wilson
Martha Ewin	b. February 15 th 1741	d. July 12 th 1828; wife of James Ewin
Martha Ewin	b. March 14 th 1764	d. July 21 st 1835
Joseph Ewin	b. October 24 th 1775	d. September 22 nd 1835
James Ewing	b. March 4 th 1762	d. September 26 th 1794
John Ewing	b. December 13 th 1768	d. January 3 rd 1794
Sarah Ewing	b. September 8 th 1766	d. March 7 th 1793

- A *Glebe Burying Grounds* pamphlet prepared for the Colonel Thomas Hughart Chapter of the DAR.³²

Parents of Martha Wilson Ewing

Col. John Wilson	b. 1709	d. 1773; 27 Years a Representative in the House of Burgesses
Martha Wilson	b. 1695	d. July 10 th 1755; wife of Col. John Wilson

James and Martha Ewing Family

James Ewing		d. Feb 16 th 1796; often referred to as Capt. James Ewing
Martha Ewing	b. Feb 15 th 1741	d. July 12 th 1828; wife of James Ewing
Jane Ewing	b. Mar 4 th 1762	d. Sept 26 th 1794
Martha Ewin	b. Mar 14 th 1764	d. July 21 st 1855
Sarah Ewing	b. Sept 8 th 1766	d. Mar 7 th 1793
John Ewing	b. Dec 13 th 1768	d. June 3 rd 1794
William Ewing	b. May 9 th 1771	d. June 17 th 1794
James Ewing Jr.	b. April 18 th 1775	d. June 6 th 1779
Joseph Ewing	b. Oct 12 th 1775 ³³	d. Sept 22 nd 1835
Nancy Ewing	b. July 24 th 1780	d. June 22 nd 1798

The Chalkley record, while published earlier, is less complete and does not identify its source. The DAR record is more complete but contains a birth date conflict as well as conflicts with the Chalkley record.

³¹ Chalkley, Lyman

³² *Glebe Burying Ground*

³³ Note that this record indicates that Joseph was born only six months after James Jr.

Corrections for Family Dates

There are obvious inaccuracies here, some caused by the difficulty of deciphering inscriptions (as noted in the DAR booklet). Another source of inaccuracies would be that many of the Ewing gravestones and inscriptions were not installed until after 1855. Martha's will, probated in 1855, provided that "I direct that there shall be a decent head and foot stone placed at the grave of each of the family with a suitable inscription on each." That provision of Martha's will, executed more than seventy-six years after the first Ewing graves, may account for errors in the inscriptions such as the birth dates of the siblings James and Joseph being six months apart.

Additionally, there was another son, also named James Jr., who lived locally and died about 1799.³⁴ He was unmarried⁵ and most certainly should have been buried here with all of his family. This James Jr. would have had to be born by 1777 to have been of age eighteen and named an executor of his father James' estate in 1795.³⁵ It seems most probable that the James Jr. gravestone which the DAR report records actually refers to this James Jr. and the record of his date of death should be 1799 rather than the inscribed 1779.³⁶

That leaves the problem of there being only six months between the births of siblings James Jr. and Joseph. One of the birth dates must be wrong, but there is no evidence as to which, so that conflict remains unresolved. The Chalkley record definitely has Jane's dates incorrectly attributed to James.⁷ The foregoing rationale thus accepts the DAR record with the changed 1799 death date for James Jr. and recognizes the conflict between the birth dates for James Jr. and Joseph.

James Ewing's Will³⁷

3 February 1795, Augusta County, Virginia, WB 8, page 244

To my beloved wife, Martha, 1/3 of all land as long as she lives and other household furnishings and slaves. To my son James Ewing all lands that William Scott conveyed to me on the East Side of the land I now live on between lands of Philip Singer and James Hathorn and 200 acres joining on the S. W. of James Hathorn and Matthew Wilsons land in Beverly Manor (land to be located with warrant of 500 acres) and 1/2 of the still and 1/5 of the horses. To my son Joseph Ewing the Plantation I purchased of William Dean and now lives upon with 1/2 of the still and other plenishings etc. 1/5 of horses. To daughter, Martha, one negro named Benjamin, 1/5 of horses and 1/3 of cattle and 1/3 household plenishings, etc. To my daughter Nancy, one negro named Frank, 1/5 of the horses and 1/3 of cattle and 1/3 household plenishings. I have a bond on Frances McCormick for £125 and land I purchased of John Williams on Gauley River to be sold and the money collected with that of McCormicks bond to pay last debts and remainder to be divided between wife, Martha and two daughters.

/s/ James Ewing [Seal]

³⁴ Augusta County DB 1A, p.299 –April 2, 1800. James Ewing possessed a lot in Town of Middle Brook, No. 9 in the plot. James Ewing died Intestate and Joseph Ewing, his brother, became the Regular Heir at Law to the Goods and Chattels of James Ewing. Joseph Ewing sold this lot to Jacob King for £15.

³⁵ Augusta County WB VIII, p. 244 –February 3rd 1795.

³⁶ I personally visited the Glebe Burying Grounds in 2008 and verified that 1779 was the date on the James Jr. stone and also that the DAR record of Jane was correct.

³⁷ *Fife*, Chapter XXVIII Supplement.

Witnesses were: Robert Hanna, John McCutchen and William Wilson. Executors were to be wife, Martha Ewing, John Wilson and Matthew Wilson Jr. Matthew asked to be excused and James Ewing Jr. was made one of the Executors in his place. Mathew Wilson Jr. called James Ewing "Captain Ewing."

The will was probated on October 18th 1796.

See Land Entry Book - Greenbrier, Kentucky, p. 68 – Capt. Jas. Ewing warrant #2228, 1000 acres on branch Gauley.

James Ewing's Executors Statement

The executor's statement³⁸ by Mathew Wilson which was recorded after the will refers to the preceding will of Capt. James Ewing.

Four children were alive at the time of Capt. James' death. Nancy and James Jr. died a few years later, leaving Joseph and Martha. Joseph lived with his mother and died in 1835. Martha died in 1855.

James Ewing of North Mountain Meeting House Cemetery

Capt. James and his family lived near Middlebrook, Virginia, and were all buried at the Glebe Burying Grounds, nearby the home of Susanna (Ewing) Sproul, daughter of James Ewing of Monroe County. Recently found at the nearby North Mountain Meeting House Cemetery is the grave of Susanna's brother James, another James who died ten years after Captain James. This James also had a son James Jr., so there were some four persons named James Ewing in that area of Augusta County at one time. This explains some of the conflicts and ambiguities such as where apparently duplicate records were actually referencing different persons. Having established that Capt. James and his son James Jr. died before 1800, subsequent references in the Augusta/Middlebrook area are generally to the North Mountain James family descendents of the Monroe County James. A timeline chart depicting the time-frame on these two James Ewing families appears on the next page.

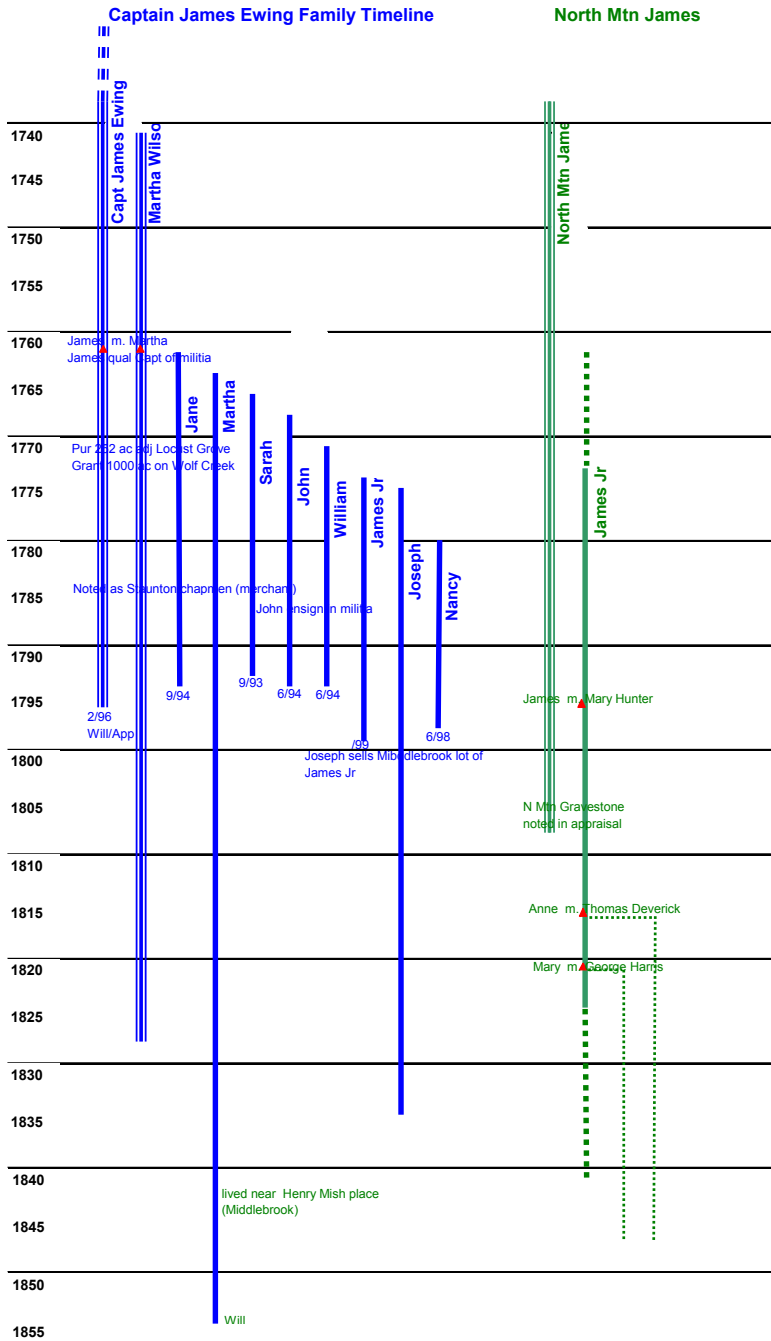
Reference Notes – Capt. James Ewing

While there are numerous persons named James Ewing in the Augusta County area, the many documented citations noted below are believed to be associated with the Capt. James Ewing family.

Chalkley's *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia* has some ninety-seven citations regarding Ewings which relate to at least six different Ewing families.³⁹ About thirty-seven of these that seem to be associated with Capt. James Ewing of Staunton.

³⁸ Augusta Co Will Book VIII, p.244 –February 3, 1795

³⁹ *Chalkley, Lyman*



**Timelines for
Capt. James
Ewing and
North Mountain
James Ewing
Families**

Ckly Ref	Year	Records Presumed to be Associated with Capt. James Ewing of Staunton
Ch2-276	1761	1 November 1761. James Ewing marriage license
Ch1-98	1762	24 May 1762. (253) James Ewing qualified Captain of Militia.
Ch3-99	1767	WB 3, p. 33 – 13 August 1767, Charles Lockhart's estate appraisal, by James Ewing, et al.; To James Ward Sr.
Ch3-101	1767	WB 4, p. 55 – 13 November 1767. Martha Patterson's estate appraised by James Ewing, John McPheeters, James McCleerey and John McCleere.
Ch3-101	1768	WB 4, p. 161 – 9 September 1768. Robert Wilson's will: farmer; to son, David, 260 acres I live on; wife; son, William (unmarried, infant) [?]; daughter, Lettice, unmarried; daughter, Ann, unmarried; son, Robert, 105 infant [?]; sons, Thomas, Samuel, James, have already had their shares. Executrix, wife Mary. Teste: Robert Mitchell, John Tate Sr., John Tate Jr. Proven, November 16 th 1768, by John Tate and John Tate Jr. Mary Wilson qualified, with James Ewing, William Crow and Arthur Graham.
Ch1-355	1769	March 1769 (A). James Ewing vs. John Thompson. – Attachment: John Thompson, heir to Anthony and Robert Thompson, late of Pennsylvania. Capt. John Willson, surety. Account as follows: <i>John Thompson, Dr. To your promise to pay me for your brother Robert.</i>
Ch3-500	1770	DB 16, p.391 – 23 April 1770. William McNabb and Martha to son, James McNabb, 10, 150 acres on North Fork of Christian's Creek in Beverley Manor; corner Alexander McFeeters; corner Samuel McNab's part of the tract. Teste: Jas. Ewing, Alexander McFeeters, Samuel McNabb, John Campbell. Delivered: James McNab, June, 1780.
Ch3-115	1770	WB 4, p. 331 – 3 August 1770. John Brown's estate, appraised by James Ewing, William McPheeters, John Buchanan.
Ch1-367	1771	May 1771. William Davis vs. Joseph Scott. – Writ, November 23 rd 1771. "Scott is now in Carolina, but expected in. Captain Ewing is his uncle, where he resides when in Virginia."
	1772	Augusta County, Virginia, DB 18, p. 101 – 13 February 1772 <i>William Dean to James Ewing for 5 shillings paid by ... Ewing sold a tract of land containing 252 acres in Beverly Manor in Augusta Co., beginning at Hugh Davis line to James Trotters line to John McCutchions line on Nathan Lusk's line back to Hugh Davis. Land part of 802 acres to Mary Dean late Mary Cook and to Jean and John Cook all descended to Mary Dean the only surviving heir." Signed only by William Dean. On p. 103, dated 13 April 1775, Mary Dean releases her dower right. This is the land willed to son, Joseph, by the 1795 will of James Ewing. It had been recorded on March 17th 1772. /w/ Wm. Bowyer, Robt. Reed, Jno. Cawley, Dnl. Kidd.⁴⁰</i>
Ch3-517	1772	DB 18, p. 101 – February 1772. William Dean and Mary (?) to James Ewing, 252 acres part of 802 acres conveyed to said Mary Dean, late Mary Cook and to Jean and John Cook by Wm. Beverley, all which land descended to the said Mary Dean, she being the only surviving heir.
Ch1-367	1773	March 1773 (C). James Gamble vs. James Ewing Sr. – Petition. Writ, May 28 th 1772. Defendant is son-in-law to Colonel Wilson.

⁴⁰ *Fife*, Chapter XXVIII Supplement.

- Ch3-210 1773 WB VIII, p. 236 – Mathew Willson, administrator to the legatees of Col. John Wilson,⁴¹ deceased, estate Dr. – A statement of the whole, 1773, paid 18th April, to Patrick Crawford, legatee; 1772, paid, 14th December, to James Ewing, legatee; 1774, paid, 20th April, to Wm McKennan, legatee.
- 1774 Virginia Land Office – Patents No 42 – Reel 41, p.518
*Grant without fee to officers and private soldiers as had served in North America and are residing there, lands subject to ten years Quitrents and proven. That Alexander McClanahan, late a Lieutenant in the service of this colony is entitled to two thousand acres, one thousand acres thereof said Alexander hath assigned to James Ewing and lying in the County of Botetourt on the branches of Wolf Creek, a branch of the Green Brier River, including the place in dispute between Ewing and Mann.*⁴²
- Ch3-150 1774 WB 5, p. 1 – 19 November 1774. David Cunningham's will: to wife, Ann, executrix; to son, David, executor; to son, Patrick, 1 shilling; to son, William, 1 shilling; to daughter, Ann, 1 shilling; to daughter, Mary, 1 shilling; to John, David, James, Alexander, Jane, Sarah, all estate. Teste: James Ewing, Capt. James Ewing. Proven, March 17th 1778, by the witnesses. Executor qualified.
- Ch3-150 1774 WB 5, p. 4 – 20 August 1774. James Clark's will: to daughter, Jean Clark (Clok), 2 shillings; to daughter, Elizabeth Regh, 2 shillings; to daughter, Sarah Clok, 2 shillings; to son, John, 2 shillings; to son, James, 2 shillings; to son, William's heir, 2 shillings; to daughter, Ane Dunlap, 2 shillings; to son, Alexander, 2 shillings; to son, Samuel, 2 shillings; to son, Robert, 2 shillings; to daughter, Marget, 2 shillings; to wife, Elizabeth. Executors, wife and son Wm. Regh. Teste: James and John McCleerey, James Ewing. Proven, March 17th 1778, by James McCreerey and Ewing.
- Ch3-146 1775 WB 5, p. 481 – 4 June 1775. Robert Campbell's will: farmer, to wife, Sarah, executrix, 390 acres home plantation; Hugh Fulton, son-in-law, executor; to daughter, Mary Richey, daughter Martha Kennedy; to daughter, Sarah Fulton; to Rebecca Crawford, daughter of James Crawford and Isabella Crawford, daughter of testator; to Isabella Crawford, daughter to George and Isabella above; to James Crawford's second wife, 5 shillings to be paid each by Isabella and Rebecca when they come of age; to daughter Mary Richey, Wm. Kennady, and Hugh Fulton. Date at end is 4 July 1775. Teste: Pat. Buchanan, James Ewing, James Burnsides, Mathew Wilson. Proven, March 18th 1777, by Buchanan and Wilson. Executors qualified.
- Ch3-150 1778 WB 5, p. 16 – 21 April 1778. Recorded: David Cunningham's appraisement by James Ewing, Samuel McCutchan, Wm. Hughes.
- Ch3-158 1780 WB 5, p. 154 – 23 September 1780. Jacob Seccafoose's estate appraised by Mathew Willson, James Ewing, Samuel McCutchen.
- 1781 Augusta County Lists I,⁴³ Feb-June 1781 (including adjacent names in list) *James Ewing 2 beeves £1180.*

⁴¹ John Wilson was the father-in-law of Capt. James Ewing.

⁴² This 1,000-acre land grant along Wolf Creek at the foot of Swoopes Knob in 1774 was assigned to Capt. James Ewing of Staunton County, not to James Ewing of Monroe County. When James of Augusta County sold that parcel to James Byrnside in 1786 (Greenbrier County DB 1, p. 16), he also executed a note stating "whereas the said 1000 acres of land is liable to the Dower of Martha the wife of the said Ewing, in case she survive him, the said Martha would relinquish and give all rights and Title to the same [Byrnside]."

⁴³ Abercrombie, Janice L. and Richard Slatten. *Virginia Publick Claims - Augusta County*, p. 12. Information about this manuscript may be found at OpenLibrary.org/b/OL1350667M/Virginia_publick_claims_name_of_county. [Short Citation: *Abercrombie and Slatten*]

- 1782, 1788 Only Ewing land seems to be for Capt. James and James Jr. (Listed in both books.⁴⁴)
- 1783 Public Claim: James Ewing⁴⁵
- 1783 James Ewing, Assigner, 260 acres assigned to Robert Mitchell.^{46,47}
- 1783 Capt. James Ewing enters by virtue of a preemption warrant for 1,000 No. 2228 on Williams River, a branch of Gauley River, to join his settlement and to extend both up and down the River.⁴⁸
- 1784 Ewing, James 1784 Augusta County Provisions Procured – 2 beeves 1180#⁴⁹
- Ch1-381 1784 October 1784. Philip Benezet vs. James Ewing. – Bond dated February 10th 1761. James Ewing of Stanton Town, in Augusta County, in the Province of Virginia, Chapman.
- Ch3-574 1785 DB 24, p. 113 – 31 March 1785. Patrick Cunningham and Jane, of Wilks County, Georgia, to John and David Cunningham, power of attorney to convey tract which belonged to Alexander Cunningham in his lifetime to James Ewing. Teste: Alexander McNutt, Wm. Hamilton, Med. Wood. Acknowledged before Wilks County Court, March 21st 1785. Signed George Dalton, Chief Justice of Georgia. Attest: Benj. Catching. C.W.C.
- Ch2-391 1786 20 June 1786. Elizabeth Brown, administrator of Thomas Brown; Jas. Hogshead, Jno. Ewin Jr., administrators of Robt. Hogshead; Alexander Scott, administrator of Thomas Scott; William Bowyer, administrator of Terissa Bowyer.
- Ch3-579 1786 DB 25, p. 414 – 20 September, 1786. William Scott, of Lincoln County, to James Ewing. Delivered to Joseph Ewing, son of the grantee, January 4th 1800.
- Ch3-590 1786 DB 26, p. 454 – 12 June 1786. Dr. John Jackson, of Washington County, Maryland, to Capt. John and David Cunningham, power of attorney to settle all claims and demands in Augusta County. Teste: James Ewing, Lettice Cunningham.
- Ch2-19 1786 Elizabeth Graham vs. James Ewing and John Scott – Debt. Augusta, October 21st 1790. Bond dated October 7th 1786.
- 1786 Greenbrier County Deed Books, 1/16/1786 – James Ewing of Augusta County to Byrnside 1,000 acres on Wolf Creek.
- Ch1-246 1786 20 June 1786. (73) – Admn. of estate of Robert Hogshead granted to James Hogshead and John Ewing. Ann, the widow, appeared and refused to administer.
- 1786 James Ewing of Augusta Co. land for £50 from James Byrnside of Greenbrier Co. land granted to Alexander McClenahan in 1763 and is land in dispute between Ewing and Mann and is on Wolf Creek branch of Greenbrier River, beginning at the foot of Swoops Knob.⁵⁰

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- Ch2-347 1787 Married by Rev. Archibald Scott: May 22nd, John Ewing and Sarah Davies.
1787 John Ewing married to Sarah Davis by Rev Archibald Scott.⁵¹
- Ch1-249 1787 17 May 1787 (283) – John McCutchen recommended Captain, vice David Trotter, who is removed, and John Ewing, Ensign.
1787 Capt. James Ewen and James Ewen (Jr.?) were in census ten days earlier on Tax List A.⁵²
1793 James Ewing: land dispute on branches of Wolf Creek/Greenbrier River.⁵³
1794 James Byrnside of Montgomery County, 1,000 acres to James Byrnside Jr. of Greenbrier County. Land formerly owned by Alexander McClenahan. Assigned to James Ewing on Wolf Creek in dispute between Ewing and Mann.⁵⁴
- Ch2-318 1795 24 June 1795. Ezekiel Hopping and John Diddey, surety. Ezekiel Hopping and Fanny Cunningham, daughter of John Cunningham (consent). Teste: David Cunningham Jr., James Ewing.
- Ch1-280 1795 16 June 1795. (315) John Shark recommended Ensign in 2nd Battalion, vice John Ewing, dead.
- Ch3-210 1795 Augusta County WB 8, p. 244 – 3 February 1795. James Ewing's will: to wife, Martha, and children; after the two boys have received their part; to son, James, lands conveyed by William Scott adjoining Philip Osinger and James Hathorn, also 200 acres joining James Hathorn and Mathew Wilson in Beverley Manor; to son, Joseph, tract purchased of William Deen; to daughter, Martha; to daughter, Nancy Ewing. Executors, wife Martha, John Wilson, Mathew Willson, Jr. Teste: Robert Hanna, John McCutchen, Wm. Willson. Proven, October 18th 1796, by the witnesses. Mathew Willson refuses in writing, others personally refused. Administration granted Martha Ewing, John Wellson and James Ewing.
1796 Augusta County WB 8, p. 260 – 18 October 1796 – App: personal estate of James Ewing dec'd - \$1,844. Appr: John Cuningham, Dev Cuningham, William McCutchen
1796, 1797 Augusta County WB 8 – Ewing, James 1796 - Will, p. 244; Ewing, James 1797 - Appraisal, p. 260.
- Ch3-211 1796 DB 1, p. 260 – James Ewing's appraisement taken November 17th 1796, by John Cunningham, David Cunningham, Wm. McCutchan.
- Ch2-27 1800 April 1800. James Burnsides vs. John Wilson, Martha Ewing, James Ewing – James Burnsides, of Montgomery County.
1800 Augusta County DB 1A, p. 297 – 2 April 1800 - James Ewing died Intestate and Joseph, his brother, conveys his Middlebrook Lot #9 to Jacob King for £15.
1800 Augusta County DB 1A, p. 299 – 2 April 1800 - *Whereas James Ewing Decd, late of Augusta County possessed a lot in Town of Middle Brook; No 9 in the plot ... and whereas James Ewing died Intestate and Joseph Ewing, his brother, became the Regular Heir at Law to the Goods and Charttels of James Ewing, Joseph Ewing sells this lot to Jacob King for £15.*

⁵⁰ Shuck, 1770 Deeds, p. 11.

⁵¹ DAR, Col. Thomas Hughart Chapter. *First Marriage Record of Augusta County, Va., 1785-1813.*

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⁵³ Shuck, 1770 Deeds, p. 29.

⁵⁴ Shuck, 1770 Deeds, p. 28.

- 1807 m. 1807, Sarah Ewing to John Towell, Rev John Brown.⁵⁵
- 1812 Ewing, Joseph, Private, Glebe Burying Ground, Rte 876/Augusta.⁵⁶
- 1828 Augusta County DB 50, p. 513 – Joseph Ewing of Augusta County to John Randolph for \$650 [Difficult to read.]
- 1828 Augusta County DB 50, p. 513 – Assessment: Joseph Ewing and John Randolph.
- 1835 Augusta County WB 21, p. 6 – 1835 bond of John Sproul and Washington Swoope as administrators for estate of Joseph Ewing.
- 1837 Augusta County WB 21, p. 378 – Appraisal of the joint estate of Joseph Ewing dec'd and Marlyn Ewing, including slaves, by Wm Wilson, Wm Beard, Washington Swoope, John Shers.
- 1855 Augusta County DB 76, p. 351 – 10 September 1855 – Martha Ewing Estate to Randolph Turk and A. B. Light – 186 acres 1 mile north of Middlebrook.
- 1855 Augusta County DB 76, p. 387 – 10 December 1855 - Martha Ewen estate to William S. Sproul and Archibald A. Sproul, *94 acres about 1 mile southwest of Middlebrook [possibly located at Locust Grove] beginning on west side of Middlebrook and Brownsburg Tpk.*
- 1855 Augusta County WB 34, p. 518 – Martha Ewin Will – written 1849 and proven 27 August 1855. [See synopsis in the next subsection.]
- 1855 Augusta County WB 34, p. 634 – Real and Personal Estate of Martha Ewin.
- 1855 Augusta County WB 35, p. 104 – Sale of Personal Estate of Martha Ewin.
- 1855 Augusta County WB 34, p. 518 – Martha Ewing Will. [See synopsis in the next subsection.]

Will of Martha Ewing, signed November 23, 1849, proven 27 August 1855⁵⁷

Martha Ewing died in 1855 at the age of ninety-one, the last survivor of the family of Capt. James and Martha. Her will shows she was fairly wealthy, but reveals few Ewing family relationships. Her strongest connections seem to be with the Middlebrook Sproul family, who are the children and grandchildren of Susanna Ewing of the Monroe James Ewing family. While no actual family relationship has ever been found between the Staunton and Monroe Ewing families, Martha lived in close proximity to the Sproul family and Martha's family relatives appear to have all died twenty years before her death. The thirty-six items of her will are listed below, grouped by the family relationships that have been identified.⁵⁸

⁵⁵ Bushman, Katherine. *Second Marriage Record of Augusta County, Va. 1813-1850*, DAR, Colonel Thomas Hughart Chapter, 1972.

⁵⁶ Lyman, Mike. *Index of the Location of War of 1812 Veteran Graves in Virginia*. Compiled by the War of 1812 Society in Virginia, 2007.

⁵⁷ Augusta County WB 34, p.518 – August 27, 1855, Martha Ewin will.

⁵⁸ I have reorganized and grouped the items in the will into sections based on the families of the beneficiaries: First, Ewing/Wilson family beneficiaries; second, Sproul family beneficiaries; third, beneficiaries in other families; and finally, items that are not related to any beneficiary family. The purpose of this grouping is to vividly show that Martha's (and the Capt. James Ewing family's) fortune predominately went to my Sproul family which strengthens suggestions of a Staunton Capt. James Ewing family relationship with the Monroe James Ewing family whose daughter Susanna was the Sproul family matriarch.

Martha Ewing/Ewin – 1855 Will Identifying some beneficiaries	Relationship	Will Item
Ewin and Willson Families	Martha's father was Capt. James Ewing. Martha's mother's parents were Col. John and Martha Wilson of Staunton.	
Heirs of Rob Ewin, Two Hundred Dollars		19
Matthew Willson, One Thousand Dollars		6
<i>Two bonds of One Hundred Dollars each, one on John P. Willson dated Feb 19th 1844 and one on Jas S Willson</i>		10
James S Willson, One Hundred Dollars		12
John P. Willson, One Hundred Dollars		13
Thomas Willson, One Hundred Dollars		14
Widow of Dr. Wm Willson of the State of Ohio, One Hundred Dollars		15
Martha Willson, Twenty Dollars <i>which I direct shall be retained by my executor for her benefit</i>		24
Sproul Family		
Heirs of John Sproul dec'd, Two Thousand Dollars	Son of Settler William Sproul	4
William Beard, Fifteen Hundred Dollars	Son of Sidney Sproul (daughter of Settler William) and Joseph Beard and married to a Jane Ewing	5
William Beard, Four Hundred Dollars <i>in addition to the bequest of Fifteen Hundred Dollars before made making in all the sum of Two Thousand Dollars</i>	Son of Sidney Sproul (daughter of Settler William) and Joseph Beard and married to a Jane Ewing	25
<i>the residue of my estate, share and share alike to Matilda K Sproul and her children and to Wm Beard and his heirs forever.</i>	Wife of John Sproul, above	36
Martha Hutchenson, widow of Robert Hutchenson dec'd, One Hundred Dollars	Daughter of Settler William Sproul	8
Fanny Thompson wife of Thomas Thompson, One Hundred Dollars	Daughter of Settler William Sproul	9
Martha A. Sproul, One Hundred Dollars	Daughter of John Sproul, above	26
William White, One Hundred Dollars.	Husband of Fanny, daughter of Settler William Sproul	31
Mary Sheltman, One Hundred Dollars	Daughter of Martha (Sproul) Hutchenson, daughter of Settler William Sproul	32
Martha Moffet, Fifty Dollars	Daughter of Martha (Sproul) Hutchenson, daughter of Settler William Sproul	33
Polly Bell, Fifty Dollars	Daughter of Emeline Sproul, daughter of John Sproul, above. Mary Bell living	23

	with Martha in 1850.	
Mary Jane McCutchon, Ten Dollars <i>to be applied to her schooling</i>	Perhaps daughter of Margaret, daughter of Settler William Sproul	35
William Franklin Steele, Twenty Dollars	Perhaps brother of Lizza Steele Hutchenson	18
Other Persons		
Rev. James McKennon, Four Hundred Dollars		7
Rev. James McKennon, Two Hundred Dollars		11
Wm Cale, Twenty Dollars <i>to be applied to the schooling of his daughter called for me</i>		16
John Cale, Twenty Dollars	son of Peter	30
Jane Argenbright, wife of Augustine, Twenty Dollars		21
John Argenbright, Thirty Dollars <i>in trust ... for the benefit of his mother to be paid as her necessities may require</i>		29
Henry Mish, Twenty Dollars <i>to be applied to the schooling of his daughter called for me</i>	Martha lived near the Mish place	17
Nancy Dunlap, Twenty Dollars		20
George Crawford, One Hundred Dollars		27
John Crawford, One Hundred Dollars	father of George	28
Elizabeth Harris, Thirty Dollars		34
Other Items		
<i>a decent head and foot stone placed at the grave of each of the family with a suitable inscription on each</i>		2
<i>Fifty Dollars as a permanent fund the interest of which is to be applied to keeping in repair of the grave yard at the Glebe</i>		22
<i>It is my will and desire all my estate real and personal of every description, shall be sold by my executor as soon after my decease</i>		3
<i>all my just debts funeral charges etc, to be paid</i>		1
Executor/Bondsmen		
Executor -	Washington Swoope	
Bondsmen -	James Bumgardner	Father of Eugene E., wife of A. A. Sproul, son of John Sproul, above
	William S. Sproul	Son of John Sproul, above
	Samuel Bell	Husband of Emeline Sproul, daughter of John Sproul, above

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Bill Sproul did not know he was a Ewing descendent until a few years ago when, while researching the Sproul family, he found that his great-great-great-grandfather was a James Ewing who settled Monroe County, West Virginia. James' daughter Susanna married the Scots-Irish settler William Sproul, originally from County Donegal, Ireland. Susanna and William built the family's homestead in the Shenandoah Valley in Augusta County, Virginia. Now, Bill is retired from a career in aerospace systems development and living in the Greenbrier Valley of West Virginia, near the land and records of several early Ewing settlers.

Grand-dad Will's Stories – Part V

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In my previous articles,¹ I have introduced my great-grandfather – William Marion Ewing who I have always called Grand-dad Will – and provided some life-illuminating stories which have had an incredible influence on my childhood and beliefs.

Memories are wonderful things, and during Grand-dad Will's and my lives together, he greatly relished both recalling his memories and sharing them with me. At the time he was in the autumn of his years, and I was very fortunate to be there and able now to pass on his stories and memories.

Rather than focusing on his stories, this article turns to Grand-dad Will's heritage, discussing and clarifying some inconsistencies and incompleteness's in what has been published regarding him, his ancestors and his descendants. A synopsis of the relationships among the people identified in this article appears at the end of the article.

Death and Burial of Grand-dad Will's Father, John Anderson Ewing

John Anderson Ewing, the father of Grand-dad Will, died in 1878/79 when William was about nine years old. John died of a gunshot accident in front of his young son. The story as Grand-dad Will told it to me was:

He and his father were out hunting one morning, and John had climbed up on a tree stump to get a better view of their surroundings. John slipped on the stump because of the morning dew. As he fell, his gun hit the stump, causing it to fire, and John got both barrels of the shot gun blast in his chest. Firing at such close range, his clothing caught fire and this then set the woods on fire around him. William was uninjured and ran home for help. When help arrived, John had been very badly burned, had died, and they buried him where he lay.

This is essentially the same as Nancy Hanks Ewing's account of this tragic accident in her book *James Ewing - Pioneer*.² Based on information provided by James Monroe Ewing, Nancy Hanks Ewing adds that:

Years later James [Monroe Ewing]'s father, Timothy Jordan Ewing, John [Anderson]'s brother, went to the spot where this all happened, along with a man by the name of Houston. This was probably Andrew Jackson Houston who married a niece of both Timothy and John [Anderson], Lena Etta May Ewing.

Andrew Jackson Houston ... would have been about 13 [years] old at the time of the accident. He had told Timothy he knew the exact spot where John [Anderson] had died. They went out there and Houston set his foot down in a spot and said, "If you dig under my foot, you will find

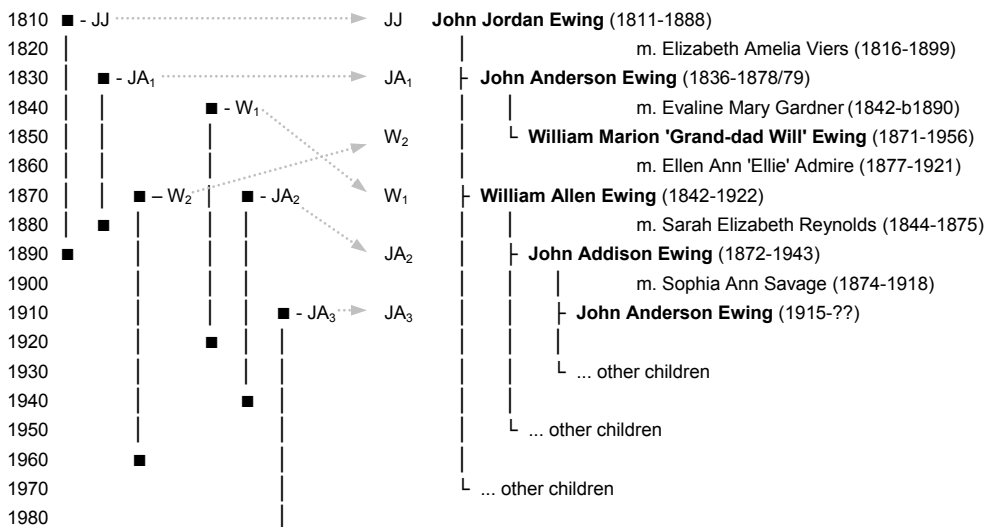
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John A. Ewing's boots." "My dad did dig down," James Monroe [Ewing] wrote, "and there was his leather boots." ... Houston knew where to look ... because for years he had kept a little pole fence around the spot. [James Monroe Ewing adds] "My dad tore off two small pieces and somewhere in my stuff I have those two pieces of leather."

In a relatively small area over an approximately 150-year period, there were two William Ewings – one with a middle name 'Marion' and the other with a middle name 'Allen' – and three John A. Ewings – two with 'Anderson' as their middle name and the other having 'Addison' as his middle name:



The two Williams and the first two John A.s were all living from 1871 to 1878/79. Later, from 1915 to 1922, the two Williams and the latter two John A.s were all living. There were even more Williams and Johns as time went on. This has led to several confusions.

To help sort them out, consider the following: William Allen Ewing was born February 11, 1842, a son of John Jordan and Elizabeth Amelia (Viers) Ewing. This William married, first, Sarah Elizabeth Reynolds in 1867 and, second, Nicinda Partin in 1878. William Allen Ewing died in 1922 at the age of seventy and is buried in what was then known as Brasfield Cemetery and is now known as Pleasant Home Cemetery in Worthington, Putnam County, Missouri. William and Sarah Elizabeth (Reynolds) Ewing had a son, John Addison Ewing, born February 2, 1872, in Adair County, Missouri. This John married Sophia Ann Savage. They were the parents of thirteen children all born in Adair County, Missouri. Sophia and John both died in Adair County, Missouri. John Addison and Sophia Ann Ewing's thirteenth child was named John Anderson Ewing, born June 7, 1915, in Adair County, Missouri.

Some of the confusions that have arisen are:

- Some have reported that John Anderson Ewing – Grand-dad Will's father – was buried in New Harmony Cemetery, in Schuyler County, Missouri. This cemetery does hold a number of Ewings, including a 'John A. Ewing'. But this is John Addison Ewing – Grand-dad Will's first cousin – rather than Grand-dad Will's father who is buried with his wife Evaline and their son Timothy Jordan Ewing.

- Nancy Hanks Ewing³ records the name of John Anderson Ewing's only son as William Allen Ewing. This mixes up John Anderson Ewing's son – William Marion Ewing – and his brother – William Allen Ewing. She further reports: "[This] is the last that is known of this family. All of them - ... Evaline, Georgia Annie, William and his wife – disappeared from the Missouri scene. There is no record of any of them in the 1900 Missouri census index, and none of their Ewing family remaining in that part of Missouri has any knowledge of them." This is probably because she was looking for a 'William Allen Ewing' when she should have been looking for a 'William Marion Ewing'.
- Another confusion is the claim in Nancy Hanks Ewing's book⁴ that: "On 23 August 1885 Evaline and Simon A. Haynes were married in Elm Township, Putnam County, Missouri." This was news to me and my family. It might indicate that a young boy of fourteen-to-fifteen years may not have accepted a stepfather and had, instead, gone to live with his grandmother. Or it might have been that in those days an elderly woman – his grandmother – needed a strong lad to help care for her after her husband had passed away. Either way, Grand-dad Will told me that he looked after his grandmother Elizabeth (1816-1899) until she died on May 24, 1899, in Putnam County, Missouri. I don't remember him telling me any stories about his mother; his stories were of his grandmother. As is always the case, there is likely much more to this story.

My own understanding of, and rationale for, my heritage comes from family memorabilia and my genealogical research:

- I have personal records written by family members. William Marion Ewing himself recorded his marriage date and the dates his children were born. I also have his death certificate with his middle initial as 'M' and several letters addressed to him as W. M. or William M. Ewing. In addition, his descendents have carried the name 'Marion' down through second and third generations.
- Various records I have found indicate that William Marion Ewing – Grand-dad Will – was born February 21, 1871.⁵ He was the only son of John Anderson Ewing – born October 29, 1836 – and Evaline Mary Gardner – born in 1838. He had a sister Georgia Ann ('Georgiana' in some records). She was known as 'Anna' and was born February 5, 1878
- The 1870 census has John and Evaline Mary (Gardner) Ewing listed in Schuylar County, Missouri. In the 1880 census, the family of John A. Ewing, wife Emeline [sic], William (age eight) and Annie (age two) is listed as living in Adair County, Missouri. It can't be determined when they moved from Schuylar County to Adair County. As Adair, Schuylar and Putnam Counties all share borders, it could be that county lines changed or that just moving across a road put you in a different county. It was always reported that William was born in 1871 in Schuylar County and that his sister Anna was born in 1878 in Schuylar County as well.

My Family History

Grand-dad Will claimed that, after the death of his father (in 1878/79) and before the death of his grandfather (in 1888), he lived with his grandparents, John Jordan and Elizabeth Amelia (Viers) Ewing. Grand-dad Will also claimed that he continued to live with his grandmother Elizabeth after his

³ *Ewing, Nancy Hanks*

⁴ *Ewing, Nancy Hanks*

⁵ Notice that this birth date is different from the 1872 date reported by Nancy Hanks Ewing.

grandfather's death. It's believed by my family that Grand-dad Will's mother, Evaline, died by 1890. It has been written by others that she remarried on August 22, 1885, to Simon A. Haynes.

The net sum of all of this appears to be that upon the accidental death of his father in 1878/79, Grand-dad Will went to live with his grandparents, John Jordan and Elizabeth Amelia (Viers) Ewing. His mother, Evaline Mary (Gardner) Ewing, subsequently, after a half-dozen-or-so years, married Simon A. Haynes. Grand-dad Will's sister, Georgia Ann Ewing, lived with her mother and step-father.

Grand-dad Will spoke highly of his grandparents, John Jordan and Elizabeth Amelia (Viers) Ewing. As he was a young boy when his father died and he went to live with his grandparents, he most likely had more memories of his grandparents than he had of his parents.

Grand-dad Will told of his grandfather, John Jordan, as the one who migrated west. When Grand-dad Will's father – John Anderson Ewing – was about twenty years old, John Jordan Ewing moved his family to Missouri and ended up in Putnam County. Grand-dad Will told me about the big wagons, the matched set of mules that pulled them, and the trials of traveling overland in those times. His stories told of someone being bitten by a snake and being very sick, and another time of a mule slipping and breaking a leg and having to be shot. These stories would make me sad, but he would tell how it was important to be strong and brave.

Grand-dad Will told of John Jordan Ewing being a very Christian man and a loving grandfather. Grand-dad Will also told me that his grandfather loved to read his Bible and would preach in his church. He also told me that life was very hard for John Jordan and Elizabeth Amelia (Viers) Ewing during their years together, losing many of their children to war and accidents.

As I look back today – with information recently learned and my memories of Grand-dad Will's stories – I can see where at the young age of eight-to-nine, when Grand-dad Will lost his father due to a horrific hunting accident, that he would rely greatly on his grandfather, John Jordan Ewing, and that John Jordan would have more than welcomed the young son of his son, as and his wife had already lost five sons by 1865.

Grand-dad Will married my great-grandmother, Ellen Ann Admire, on October 30, 1892, in Martinstown, Putnam County, Missouri. Ellen, or 'Ellie' as she was known to her family, was a young girl just a month shy of her fifteenth birthday. Her father, Jesse Admire, had to sign a document giving permission for his daughter to marry.

The first of Will and Ellie's children – my grandmother, Evaline Mary 'Linee' Ewing – was born in Missouri. She was without a doubt named after her grandmother Evaline Mary (Gardner) Ewing. Linee was born July 26, 1895. This birth date differs from census records and data recorded by others, but this is the date recorded in Grand-dad Will's 'little black book'.

Shortly after, on February 21, 1898, a son – Henry Lee 'Pete' Ewing – was born in Putnam County, Missouri.

Between the birth of Henry and their third child Anna, Will and Ellie moved to Boone County, Arkansas. They made their home in Alpena Pass which sits on the border of two counties, Carroll (west side) and Boone (east side).

Their third child, Anna Mae Ewing, was born September 30, 1900, in Boone County, Arkansas. She was my father's aunt, and the one he called his 'real mother'. She is the grandaunt who raised me from the age of two until her death in February of 1954.

On February 17, 1902 – as listed in Carroll County, Arkansas, records – Marion Francis Ewing was born. Known as 'Monk', he was killed in a railroad accident circa 1942-45. I was told he had a daughter, but I have no further information.

Will and Ellie had the following additional children:

- On May 22, 1904 – as listed in Carroll County records – twin daughters were born to Will and Ellie Ewing. They died soon after birth.
- On March 3, 1907, in Carroll County, Arkansas, William Hugh Ewing, known as 'Bill', was born. Bill lived most of his adult life in Texas and returned to Arkansas in the 1980s where he died.
- Vinita 'Nettie' (Ewing) Breeden was born May 30, 1911, in Boone County, Arkansas. She and her husband and four children lived most of her adult life in Oklahoma.
- The last of William and Ellie's children, John Anderson 'Pat' Ewing, was born April 28, 1915, in Boone County, Arkansas. John had five children.

Will and Ellie's last child – John Anderson 'Pat' Ewing – was born just a year before Will and Ellie's first grandchild, my father Frederick Richardson, who was born on July 18, 1916, in Alpena, Boone County, Arkansas. He was the only child of Evaline Mary Ewing and Garland Blaine Richardson. The 1920 census for Boone County, Arkansas, has my father, age three, living with his grandparents – Will and Ellie Ewing – along with his mother and his four-year-old uncle, John 'Pat'.

On December 3, 1921, while living in Boone County, Arkansas, great-grandmother Ellie Ewing died and was buried in Alpena Cemetery, Carroll County, Arkansas. This left Grand-dad Will with a fourteen-year-old son (William Hugh 'Bill' Ewing), a ten-year-old daughter (Vinita 'Nettie' Ewing), a six-year-old son (John Anderson 'Pat' Ewing), and a five-year old grandson (Frederick Richardson) living with him.

In addition, his older daughters – Evaline Mary 'Linee' Ewing and Anna – lived with him off and on in those years after the death of grandmother Ellie, but both were often away. By the 1930s, both were married: Evaline Mary had married a man by the name of Osburn and they had other children, leaving my father to be raised all his life by his grandfather. By 1935, Anna Mae Ewing had married Andrew J. Miller. They had no children.

By the early 1930s, Grand-dad Will had obtained the land at the bottom of Petit Jean Mountain and had built his house and moved to this home outside of Casa, Arkansas. There he would live out the rest of his life until his death on July 1, 1956.

In 2002, I flew to Lewisburg, Greenbrier County, West Virginia, and from there travelled to Marlinton, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, to visit my older brother William Richardson, named after his great-grandfather William Marion 'Grand-dad Will' Ewing. My brother Bill was fighting cancer at the time, and things were just not looking good for him. I lost this beloved brother in 2005. Bill, just recently retired, and his wife lived outside Marlinton, in the little settlement of Frost, West Virginia. His daughter and her family lived across the road.

Bill had fallen in love with that area of West Virginia on one of his construction jobs a few years prior. At that time, he had no knowledge of our family history in the area. When I went to visit in 2002, I had by

that time learned of our family history in the Greenbrier and Pocahontas areas and was anxious to see with my own eyes the land of my ancestors. Much to my surprise, I discovered, running along the road in front of both my brother's and his daughter's homes, was Knapp Creek, known to us Ewings as Ewing Creek.

Sitting on the front porch of my brother's home, looking out over the West Virginia landscape, I was very close to the beginning of a well-traveled course of several lifetimes. My family's journey started on Ewing Creek, then on to Ohio, then into Missouri and Arkansas, and then to far away Washington state. I was back on Ewing Creek, the start of the journey. It was a humbling experience. 250-plus years had passed, many generations had come and gone. In my heart, I was quite proud to be a Ewing.

Margrett McCorkle was born a Richardson but has always felt more to be a Ewing as she did not grow up with her Richardson ancestors but rather with her Ewing family. She has worked on her family genealogy since she was a teenager, but seriously pursued her ancestry only after she purchased her first computer in 1994. Art is her first love, and she has taught art on a private basis. In the past, she has been a home health-care worker, worked in the graphic arts field for several years (among other things, helping to develop the first printed Mylar circuit boards for KeyTronic Corp.), and worked at daycare centers focusing on disadvantaged-child education. She may be reached at Margrett42 at comcast dot net but be careful to use the two t's in her given name when trying to contact her.

Family Stories

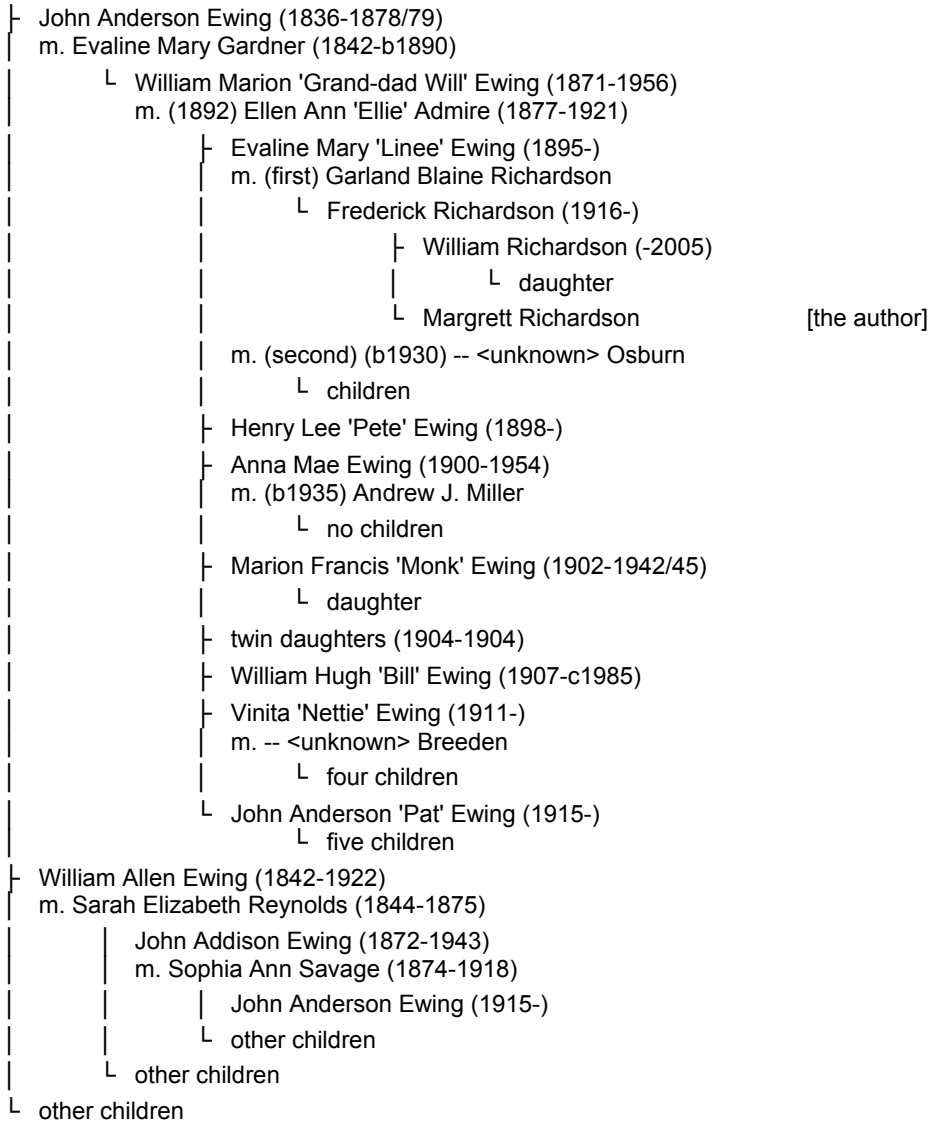
I grew up in Yonkers, the son of Hebrew parents who settled there because they had always dreamed of having a very small lawn.

Billy Crystal, Mark Twain Prize Ceremony, 2007.

Summary of Relationships

John Jordan Ewing (1811-1888)

m. Elizabeth Amelia Viers (1816-1899)



Ewing Digital Library

This section of the *Journal* provides various genealogical tidbits – obituaries, will abstracts and transcriptions, abstracts and transcriptions of other primary-research documents (deeds, administration papers, guardianship papers, etc.), newspaper articles, etc. The information has been analyzed to varying degrees by its contributors. Some information is presented with no analytic commentary; some has been rather extensively analyzed. Sometimes, the information is annotated with various comments and data. All of the information is intended to help readers in their genealogical research.

Obituary – Hon. Thomas Ewing Sr. New York Times, Wednesday, October 28, 1871

A dispatch from Gen. SHERMAN, dated Lancaster, Ohio, states that his father-in-law, Hon. THOMAS EWING, died at 3½ o'clock Thursday afternoon, surrounded by his family, easy and naturally, as though taking a sleep.

Mr. EWING had passed the limit of four-score years. Had he lived two months longer he would have been eighty-two years of age. He was born in West Virginia on Dec. 28, 1789, but went with his father's family to Ohio in 1792. His parents were poor, and his early life was one of continuous toil. He received his early education from an elder sister, and continued it by the help of the rather primitive common schools of that early period. In 1814 he was a school teacher; in 1815 he received the degree of A. B. from the Athens Academy, the first ever granted in Ohio. In 1816, at the age of twenty-seven, he was admitted to the practice of law, and soon took a high position at the Bar of the State. In 1830, when forty-five years old, he was elected to the United States Senate. There he took a prominent part as a leader of the Whig Party, and even in the days of WEBSTER, CLAY, CALHOUNE, BENTON and SILAS WRIGHT, was acknowledged as among the ablest men in the Senate. In 1837 he retired to private life, but in 1841 he accepted the position of Secretary of the Treasury in the Cabinet of President TYLER. When Mr. TYLER went over to the Democrats, after President HARRISON'S death, Mr. EWING, with other members of the Cabinet, resigned.

[In] 1849, when President TAYLOR assumed the Executive office, Mr. EWING took charge of the new Department of the Interior, but left it in 1850 for a seat in the United States Senate, which he held for over a year. Since 1851 he has held himself aloof from public political life. He was one of those old conservative Whigs who could find no party with which to ally themselves after the old Whig organization went to pieces in 1853. He saw nothing congenial in Democracy, and he was too conservative to unite heartily with the new ideas and aggressive spirit of the Republican Party. He, therefore, lived in retirement, occasionally reminding the world of his existence by a long letter in which he promulgated his views of politics. Mr. EWING was a man of the old generation in politics, a stately figure, honorable, high-toned, without fear and above reproach, but unfitted for these times of change, and progress by an inbred conservatism which clings to the past, and refuses to see any good in the future. A singular coincidence is found in the fact that Mr. EWING died exactly two years after a severe attack of apoplexy which seized him while engaged in an argument before the Supreme Court in Washington, when his death was confidently expected.

As a mark of respect to the memory of Mr. EWING, the first Secretary of the Interior, that Department was yesterday draped in mourning, and, with the other Departments, will be closed today.

James Ewing – Almost a Centenarian

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, October 24, 1894

James Ewing Within a Month of the Century Mark

He is Frisky and is Still a Good Shot – He Has Not Been in Pittsburg¹ for Fifty Year – Married Three Times

James Ewing, a resident of Clinton Township, Butler county, has resided within seven miles of a railroad for the past 15 years and has not yet seen the cars or the roadway. He is 99 years and 11 months old, and retains the vigor and activity of a man not half his years. For the last 40 years he has attended the services of the christian united presbyterian church, and has never yet gone to the services in any kind of a conveyance. The church is two miles from his home, and his tall, slender figure is a familiar sight as he walks along the footpath by the roadside from the services.

Mr. Ewing, or "Uncle Jimmy," as he is familiarly called by those who know him, is a remarkably well-preserved man. He stands 6 feet 1 inch in height, and is of a muscular build. His snow-white hair is permitted to curl down upon his shoulders, and he states with pride that is has not been cut during the past 15 years.

It has been 50 years since he has been in Pittsburg, and he has never been known to express any desire to again see the city. His last visit to this city was during the days of canal boating and when his grand nieces, who visited him during the summer, spoke of riding in an electric car he looked at them in blank astonishment, and demanded a full explanation of how they were operated.

On Sunday last he was seen by a "Post" reporter, as he walked along the roadside at a rapid gait. His rapid walking is occasioned by his having sustained a paralytic stroke about 20 year ago, which left his limbs slightly affected. At the time of his stroke he lay in bed for six months and was unable to move or make a sound. All the doctors of the neighborhood examined him, but were unable to relieve his sufferings. After a time his case was given up as hopeless, but one day as his relatives returned from the fields at the close of the day's labor they were surprised to find him sitting up in bed and able to talk. Since then he has not had illness of any description with the exception of toothache, which is caused by one remaining stump of a tooth.

Mr. Ewing, [like] all other pioneers of this part of the state, has a remarkable history, and during his early residence in Butler county he led a life of thrilling adventure. He was known throughout the country as a scout and famous rifle shot, and he and his possessions were severely let alone by marauding redskins, who both feared and disliked new settlers.

Mr. Ewing was born in county Antrim, Ireland, in 1795, and came to this country unaccompanied when only 6 years of age. After reaching New York he came direct to Pittsburg with a number of other Irish

¹ For two decades spanning the end of the 19th century, Pittsburg's name was officially spelled 'Pittsburg'. After the defeat of the French at Fort Duquesne around the middle of the French and Indian War, General John Forbes named the area in honor of Sir William Pitt and began construction of Fort Pitt. Being a Scotsman, it's possible that Forbes intended the Scottish pronunciation 'pʁtsb(ə)rə (as in 'Edinburgh'). A century and a half later – in 1890 – and probably in recognition of the then-common pronunciation ('pʁtsbørg), the spelling was declared to be 'Pittsburg' by the United States Board on Geographic Names. The 'Pittsburgh' spelling was restored in 1911 after a citizenry campaign.

emigrants. When 18 years old he entered the employ of John Robeling, the father of the famous Brooklyn bridge engineer, and helped construct the wire ropes that were used to haul the canal boats over the mountains on the steam tramway.

Several years later he joined a party of settlers and moved in the vicinity of what is now Saxonburg. The country was in a very unsettled state, and Mr. Ewing's deeds of daring made him one of the most renowned residents of that section of the state.

After clearing a piece of ground he erected a loghouse [sic] and returned to Pittsburg to secure a wife. He married a Miss Hood, of Pittsburg, and returned to his home with his wife. After being married 50 years his wife died, leaving the husband with one son. Several years later he married Peggy Trimble, the daughter of one of his pioneer associates. The second Mrs. Ewing lived 15 years, and the husband was a second time a widower. Shortly after his marriage to Miss Trimble his son suddenly disappeared, and no trace of his whereabouts could be learned.

After living the life of a hermit in his log cabin for 10 years, Mr. Ewing again concluded to marry. He was now 75 years of age, and to find a suitable helpmate he went to West Middlesex township and married Miss Rebecca Monks, aged 68 years. Shortly after his third marriage his son returned, but instead of killing the fatted calf for the prodigal, the delinquent, who was over 30 years of age, was soundly thrashed and set to work.

His third lived until 1887, when she died of heart failure. Mr. Ewing would have again attempted to live alone, but his son, who had married, moved his father's furniture to his own house during the owner's absence, and the old gentleman was compelled to make his home with his son. His son died in April 1893, and since then Mr. Ewing has resided with his daughter-in-law.

Of late years he employs himself around the farm, but retains good eyesight and is a good shot with the gun. For the past 18 years he has shaved himself twice a week, and he has used tobacco for over 85 years.

When asked if he would not like to visit Pittsburg he stated that he had no desire to see the city, but if he should come to town he would stop over in Allegheny town at the Schole [?] tavern, which stood in a field between the canal and the commons. [He] said he had not been in town for 50 years, but he was sure he could not be lost.

Ain't So

It isn't what we don't know that gives us trouble, it's what we know that ain't so.

Will Rogers.

Bridge to the West - News

- **Register Online:** Go to www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/Query_Gathering_2010.html.
- **Pennsylvania Room Access:** Uniontown's Public Library (www.uniontownlib.org) has an exceptional genealogy section (www.uniontownlib.org/paroom.html) focused on the area's general and genealogical history. Its librarian – Victoria Dutko Leonelli, Genealogical Records Specialist (www.uniontownonline.com/Genealogy.html) – has done an exceptional job in creating and managing this very valuable resource. The library has waived its nominal fee – \$5 per visit – for gathering attendees. Just show your gathering badge. [Of course, if you'd like to forego this courtesy and make a \$5/visit donation, there'd be no complaint!]
- **Opening Dinner Presentation:** At the gathering's Thursday-evening Opening Dinner, Dave Ewing – long-time resident of Uniontown – will provide a history of Uniontown/Fayette County from George Washington's arrival, focusing on the Ewing's role throughout.
- **Banquet Presentation:** Following up on his recent article,¹ Thor Ewing (ThorEwing.net) will address the question "Is there a Clan Ewing?" in a presentation at Saturday-night's Banquet. He will argue his conclusion: "In my mind, there is no question that, as descendants of a Scottish family, the Ewings represent a clan."
- **Entertainment:** In addition to his being a cultural historian, Thor Ewing and his wife, Anne Marie Summers, research songs and music of all eras as heard on street corners throughout history and perform this music using self-made reconstructions of period instruments (www.Squeake.co.uk). They will use this knowledge, their voices, and their reconstructed instruments at various points during the gathering to entertain participants.
- **Lay of the Land:** The Summit Inn is an historic facility. As such it doesn't have an elevator. If you are mobility challenged, consider the following when you make your lodging reservation:
 - The Summit Inn's reservation desk, restaurant, bar/lounge, and informal meeting areas are on the its main floor. Our Research Room will also be on this level. The gathering's Registration Desk will be in the Research Room.
 - Lodging rooms are primarily on what the Summit Inn calls the 'first floor' and 'second floor' which are up one/two flights, respectively, from the main level via an elegant, curved staircase with very substantial banisters. The staircase is easily negotiated using a cane but not using a wheelchair. If you are confined to a wheelchair, you should request a handicap room on the main floor.
 - Breakfasts and Thursday's Dinner will be held on a level that is down one flight of stairs from the main level. Presentations will also be held on this lower level. This flight of stairs has adequate handrails; it is easily negotiated using a cane. There's a convoluted, round-about route for anyone confined to a wheelchair, but it isn't easily negotiated without help. If possible, it's best to descend by foot and have someone carry your wheelchair down to the lower level.

¹ Ewing, Thor. Who Were the Ewings?, *Ewing Family J.*, Vol. 16, No. 1 (February 2010). pp. 1-9.

Bridge to the West

Eleventh Gathering of the *Ewing Family Association*



Pittsburgh Bridges (© World of Stock)

General Information

Venue: *Summit Inn*, Uniontown, Pennsylvania



The historic, elegant *Summit Inn* sits majestically atop Chestnut Ridge in the beautiful Laurel Highlands of Southwestern Pennsylvania, about fifty miles south of Pittsburgh. With its turn of the century splendor, the *Summit Inn* beckons travelers to stop, rest, and journey back to a simpler time. Situated on the historic National Road (Route 40) – America's first federally funded highway – the *Summit Inn* is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Visit www.SummitInnResort.com for additional information about the Inn's history and services as well as the area's attractions.

Arranging Your Participation

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| Event Registration | Use the form on page 51 to register for the gathering. Alternatively, register online at www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/Query_Gathering_2010.html . |
| Room Reservations | Use the information on the next page to arrange your lodging at the <i>Summit Inn</i> . |
| Getting There By Land | The <i>Summit Inn</i> is 40-or-so miles southeast of Pittsburgh. Look it up on MapQuest (www.mapquest.com) for driving directions. |
| Getting There By Air | Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT) is the closest major airport. The <i>Summit Inn</i> does not have a to-from-airport shuttle. Information about commercial shuttle, car rental and limousine services is available at www.pitairport.com . |

General Plan

The gathering's plan and its schedule will evolve over time.

An up-to-date plan and schedule will periodically be posted on the *EFA* web site (www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org). Registrants will receive periodic updates about the gathering's plan and schedule.

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| Meals | Breakfasts on Friday, Saturday and Sunday are included, as are a Welcoming Dinner on Thursday and an evening Gathering Banquet on Saturday. |
| Presentations | A variety of presentations will provide valuable, interesting information on beginning-, intermediate- and advanced-level Ewing Family-related topics. |
| Research Room | The Ewing Family Archives and work tables in the Research Room will help participants carry out individual and collaborative research. Computer use and Internet connection will be supported. |
| Tours | There will be a tour of Uniontown, including its Courthouse where many Ewings have served as lawyers and judges. Other tours may be included depending on the interests of the participants. |
| Making Connections | Support will be provided for participants trying to connect with other-participant relatives as well as those wishing to organize/join groups working on specific topics, visiting local attractions, or having non-included meals at the <i>Summit Inn</i> 's restaurant, in Uniontown (about six miles away) or at another of the area's excellent restaurants. |

Lodging Reservations

A block of reduced-rate rooms will be held at the *Summit Inn* until August 15th. Once these rooms have been reserved, the *Summit Inn* may, at their discretion, charge their regular lodging rates. Because late-September is the height of the fall-foliage season, they may not have any rooms available after August 15th.

In other words ... **Make your lodging reservation NOW!**

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| Reduced Rate | \$109 per night – single/double occupancy – plus 9% tax. |
| To Make Your Lodging Reservation | Contact the <i>Summit Inn</i> at
+1 800.433.8594, or
+1 724.438.8594 (locally), or
+1 724.438.3917 (by fax)
and mention the <i>Ewing Family Association</i> to get the gathering's reduced rate. |
| Arriving Early or Staying Late? | The <i>Summit Inn</i> will provide the reduced rate for two nights (Tuesday, Wednesday) prior to the gathering and one night (Sunday) after the gathering for those who wish to come early or stay late. Note that the reduced rate does not include breakfast; breakfast on Friday through Sunday is part of the Event Registration. |
| In Making Your Lodging Reservations, Please Note | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>Summit Inn</i> has a 72-hour cancellation policy. Cancellations after 72 hours before your check-in date will result in a charge for one night. (See the Event Registration form for the gathering's Registration Cancellation Policy.) • The <i>Summit Inn's</i> check-in time is 4 p.m. Its check-out time is 11 a.m.
You are welcome, however, to arrive prior to a 4 p.m. check-in and leave your luggage with the front desk or in your vehicle. Similarly, you are welcome to leave your luggage with the front desk or in your vehicle after an 11 a.m. check-out if you wish to stay longer in the area. |
| If Your Have Special Needs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>Summit Inn</i> has handicap-supportive rooms. If you need such a room, request it when you make your reservation. They will work with you to match your needs. • The norm is for one/two adults to occupy a room. If you are accompanied by children under 18 years of age, the <i>Summit Inn</i> will work with you to provide acceptable accommodations meeting your needs. Please work this out with them when you reserve your lodging. |
| Should You Have Problems Arranging Your Lodging | Make your reservation and contact Barb McGuiness at <i>AirReservations at hotmail dot com</i> or +1 330.224.5771, letting her know your Confirmation Number and explaining the problem. She will sort out your reservation. |

For your convenience, downloadable versions of the Lodging Reservations information and the Event Registration form are available on the *EFA* web site (www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org).

You can also register online at
www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/Query_Gathering_2010.html.

Event Registration

Name _____

Mailing Address

Street _____

City, State/Province,
Zip/PostalCode, Country _____ , _____ , _____ , _____

E-Mail Address _____

(Please print legibly.)

Phone Number _____

(____) (____)-(____) (Please print legibly.)

Please provide an EMail Address if you have one. It will be used to confirm your registration and send you news about the gathering's plan and schedule. The confirmation and news will otherwise be sent to your mailing address.

Full-event Registrants

Name (for your badge)	First-timer*	EFA Member	Adult [\$225 prior to 8/10; \$250 on or after 8/10]	Child Under 12 [\$100 prior to 8/10; \$110 on or after 8/10]	Fee
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Total Fee:					\$ _____ .00

Do any registrants have access or dietary requirements? _____

Who is your earliest known Ewing ancestor? _____

Birth Date: _____ Death Date: _____

His/Her children/grandchildren leading to you: _____

Are you a participant in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project? Yes No If 'yes', what is your project ID? _____

Are you related to a participant in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project? Yes No If 'yes', what is his project ID? _____

We Need to Know Your Preferences:

Will you participate in the tour of Uniontown and its Courthouse? Yes No

Would you use a reduced-rate shuttle between the Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT) and the *Summit Inn*? Yes No

What topics would you like to have addressed by the presentations? _____

Would you participate in tours to the following sites:

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Comments, Suggestions and Questions: _____

Gathering Registration Cancellation Policy

Cancellations prior to August 10th are subject to a \$25/person processing fee. Cancellations on or after August 10th are subject to a charge of 50% of the Total Fee.

Make your check for the Total Fee payable to *Ewing Family 2010 Gathering* and send it with your registration to William E. Riddle, 223 N. Guadalupe #313, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

Questions? Contact William E. Riddle at *Riddle at WmERiddle dot com* or +1 505.988.1092.

Making Connections

You can make all the plans you will, plot to make a fortune in the commodities market, speculate on developing trends: all will likely come to naught, for "however carefully you plan for the future, someone else's actions will inevitably modify the way your plans turn out." So writes the English scholar and documentary producer James Burke in his sparkling book *Connections*,¹ a favorite of historically minded readers ever since its first publication in 1978. Taking a hint from Jacob Bronowski's *Ascent of Man*,² Burke charts the course of technological innovation from ancient times to the present, but always with a subversive eye for things happening in spite of, and not because of, their inventors' intentions. Burke gives careful attention to the role of accident in human history. In his opening pages, for instance, he writes of the invention of uniform coinage, an invention that hinged on some unknown Anatolian prospector's discovering that a fleck of gold rubbed against a piece of schist – a 'touchstone' – would leave a mark indicating its quality. Just so, we owe the invention of modern printing to Johann Gutenberg's training as a goldsmith, for his knowledge of the properties of metals enabled him to develop a press whose letterforms would not easily wear down. With Gutenberg's invention, Burke notes, came a massive revolution in the European economy, for, as he writes, "the easier it is to communicate, the faster change happens." Burke's book is a splendid and educational entertainment for our fast-changing time.

Gregory McNamee

¹ Burke, James. *Connections*, Little Brown & Co, 1995.

² Bronowski, Jacob. *Ascent of Man*, Little Brown & Co, 1976.

Chancellor's Message

David Neal Ewing, Chancellor (+1 505.764.8704, *DavidEwing93 at gmail dot com*)

Bridge to the West

I am starting to get excited about seeing everyone at the *Ewing Family Association's* gathering this September. ***Bridge to the West*** will be held in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, September 23-26. Bill Riddle and a Gang of Four have been hard at it and are promising the best gathering ever, but of course that depends on the rest of us to show up. Frankie and I will be there with bells on! It will be great to see old friends and make new ones. There is information about registration in this issue of the *Journal* and online at our web site. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

John Ewin and EFA Merchandise

Sadly, we lost *EFA* member John Ewin last month. You can read more about John's passing elsewhere in this issue of the *Journal*. Those of you who attended the last gathering will remember meeting John at the *EFA* merchandise table, and what a great job he did with it. John had taken over handling *EFA* merchandise from Bob and Doralyn Johnson earlier in 2008. He much increased the selection and inventory at his own expense, and we saw quite a jump in the amount of logo merchandise purchased at the 2008 gathering compared to previous gatherings. He was thinking about ways to improve Internet sales, too. I am sure he hoped to get us all outfitted in new *Clan Ewing* golf shirts and ball caps at the upcoming gathering. We are going to miss his hard work and enthusiasm.

Now, we need a volunteer to take over handling *EFA* merchandise. Historically, we have not sold enough of this from the web site between gatherings to amount to anything, so the biggest part of the job involves organizing the inventory and offering it for sale at the gatherings. We would like to find someone to take over handling the *EFA* merchandise for the foreseeable future, but if we cannot do better than finding someone to take care of this at just ***Bridge to the West***, we sure wouldn't turn away a person willing to do that.

Please step forward if you can help us. My contact information is above. Drop me a line or give me a call and we can talk in more detail about what needs to be done.

Nominating Committee

At each gathering, *EFA* elects a Chancellor and a new Board of Directors, which in turn elects the officers. We are very interested in wider participation, so if you are interested in serving the *EFA* in any capacity, please let me know.

Meanwhile, it is time to organize a Nominating Committee, which will develop a list of candidates for Chancellor and for the Board of Directors for the election in Uniontown this September. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact me now or very soon.

David Neal Ewing

Chair's Message

James Earl 'Jim' Ewing Jr., Chair, Board of Directors (+1 434.634.9227, *jeej at telpage dot net*)

Spring has been beautiful in Virginia this year. Gorgeous red, pink, purple and white azaleas are in their third week of full bloom, and other flowering shrubs and trees are opening. I was hospitalized for back surgery in March so truly enjoyed the car ride home.

Evelyn and I are looking forward to the *Ewing Family Association's* gathering in September. Pittsburgh will be an interesting area to visit with so much Ewing history. It is always fun to see Ewings from other gatherings and we are hoping to see many of the Winchester attendees.

We will miss John Ewin who passed away on April 11th. John, who lived in Brunswick, Maryland, joined the 2008 Gathering Committee to plan the Winchester gathering and became the Merchandise Chairman. He enlarged the stock and ran a bustling business at the Hampton Inn with the assistance of his son Bret. John Ewin will be missed by all of us.

Jim Ewing

Genealogist's Message

Karen Avery, Genealogist (+1 703.743.1293, *BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

James McMichael, the *Association's* Genealogist for many years, was very knowledgeable and his shoes are difficult to fill. He focused mostly on those thirty-some Ewing folks who were known to have come to America about 1727. Jim also studied locations in Scotland and Ireland for information of people living in those places prior to their immigration to America. I have little expertise for that time period. The majority of my work begins with the arrival of the first immigrants and continues with collected data to the present day.

My genealogical research began in 1995 and has long since been a major passion. When a new fact comes to light, or an old mystery is solved or brick walls come tumbling down, it brings me so much pleasure.

In my job as Genealogist, I simply want to say that I am very happy to be able to help in any possible way. My personal Ewing database began growing as I collected Ewing information as I came across it. Over the years, I have amassed data about over 10,000 Ewing individuals during searches for my own direct line. This number represents only a small fraction of Ewing folks who have lived in America since the early 1700s. I have very little information on Ewing people living any place besides the United States.

As I write this, I am recovering from two major problems. Please let me remind each of you that you should never have food or liquids around your computer. Recently I spilled a cup of coffee on my laptop keyboard and you can guess the results. Yes, the computer died by drowning. Fortunately my husband, Bob, has a few computer related tricks up his sleeve and was able to retrieve the data from the hard drive. Over two thousand valuable eMail messages which related mainly to Ewing genealogy were retrieved. Lesson learned and hopefully forever remembered!

My second headache stems from very recently updating my genealogy software. Having used the same version for many years, I knew an upgrade would mean that I would need to learn a completely different method in doing my daily genealogy work. Can an 'old dog' learn new tricks? That remains to be seen, but the attempt will be made.

I am an amateur genealogist, but make every attempt to always record the source from which I gleaned any information. I will be happy to help all who request information. Do I have your family information in my Ewing database? Please share yours to make my valuable Ewing database continue to grow. Perhaps one day it will appear on the *EFA* web site, but for now you will need to ask me.

Karen Avery

Membership News

Jill Ewing Spittle, Coordinator - Current Members (+1 330.464.6378, *JEwingSpit at aol dot com*) and Karen Avery, Coordinator - New Members (+1 703.743.1293, *BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

New *EFA* Members ... Welcome Aboard!

Vicki 'Lynn' Hill lives in Crossville, Tennessee. She may be reached at *Hill73 at junos dot com*.

My earliest known Ewing is Sallie Ewing who married Mr. Anthony Christian. Sallie Ewing was born in 1779 in Powhatan County, Virginia, and died in 1835 in Cocke County, Tennessee. Sallie married Mr. Christian in Tennessee in 1798. He was born in 1779 in Virginia and died in 1839 in Tennessee. They are my great-great-great-great-grandparents.

Their daughter is Sarah Jalah Christian (March 5, 1797 – January 5, 1875). Sarah married John Gillette in Tennessee in 1820. John was born July 5, 1794, and died October 5, 1875. All of these birth/death events occurred in Cocke County, Tennessee.

I have tried to 'do' genealogy for a number of years, plus, in the meantime, be an Army wife for twenty years and raise, first, my two children and, then, three grandkids. I am researching all lines of my family as well as my husband's line. I have not gotten far due to moving around for twenty-two years. Now that I have settled down in Tennessee, I hope to do a lot more research.

Ellen (Samson) LaBarbera lives in Montclair, New Jersey. She may be reached at *EllenLaBarbera at gmail dot com*.

My Ewing-related ancestry is:

self	Ellen Kennedy Samson (1948-) m. Michael James LaBarbera
parents	Mary Mitchell Singer (1921-1973) m. Jack Howells Samson Jr.
grandparents	Jessie Mitchell Ewing (1887-1960) m. Robert Williams Singer Sr.
great-grandparents	John Kennedy Ewing Jr. (1855-1925) m. Mary Hanway Mitchell
great ² -grandparents	John Kennedy Ewing Sr. (1823-1905) m. Ellen Louisa Willson
great ³ -grandparents	Nathaniel Ewing (1794-1874) m. Jane Craig Kennedy
great ⁴ -grandparents	William Porter Ewing (1769-1827) m. Mary 'Polly' Conwell

Virginia (Ewing) Okie and I are third cousins, our common great-great-grandparents being John Kennedy Ewing Sr. and Ellen Louisa Willson. We met once as children and then were out of touch until about a year ago when Virginia sent me a query via *Ancestry.com*. It was Virginia who introduced me to the *Ewing Family Association*.

I was born in New Jersey, raised mostly in Los Angeles County, California, and have lived for the past thirty years in Montclair, New Jersey. My husband and I have three adult daughters. I had a long career in book publishing and currently work as the communications manager for a local nonprofit organization. I also work as an independent interior decorator. I sneak genealogical research in whenever I can find time or when Virginia sends me an irresistible piece of information.

I am currently engrossed in the book *Albion's Seed*,³ which was recommended to me by David Neal Ewing. At 800-plus pages, it is not for the faint of heart but is well written, easy to read and very enlightening about the Scots-Irish migration in the early-to-mid-18th century.

Melissa (Ewing) Ruhan, Exmore, Virginia, *MRuhan at yahoo dot com*.

My grandparents were Anna and Morris Ewing of Highland Mountain, Beckley, West Virginia. My father was their son, Leonard.

Deaths

With sincere and heartfelt condolences to their families, we note the passing of:

John Craig Ewin (April 17, 1942 – April 11, 2010)

Frederick News Post, Frederick County, Maryland, April 14, 2010

John Craig Ewin, of Brunswick, died Sunday, April 11, 2010.

He was the beloved father of Bret J. Ewin (Karen); and loving grandfather of Andrew, Brooke, Jimmy, Joey, Georgia and Livie. John will be missed by his loving dog, Boggy Bear.

Friends will be received from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Pumphrey's Colonial Funeral Home, 300 W. Montgomery Ave., Md. 28, exit 6-A off I-270, Rockville. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 16, at the funeral home. Interment will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Suitland.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Delaware SPCA, 455 Stanton Christiana Road, Newark, DE 19713.

Editor's Note: John Craig Ewin is 'JC' in Group 1e in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project.

Francis Ivan Ewing (July 7, 1921 – March 20, 2010)

TimesHeraldOnline, Vallejo, California, March 28, 2010

Ivan 'The Terrible' passed away at home in Elk Grove, Calif., at the age of 88 years with his loving wife Karen at his side. He was born in a covered wagon in Odessa, Neb., while his family traveled to Missouri for work.

At the age of five, Ivan and his mother moved to Los Angeles, and then to Windsor, Calif., where he began his adventures as a teenager supporting himself by picking fruit, cleaning chicken coops and doing odd jobs. He often told stories of how as a teenager he would salvage old cars and repair them. Family enjoyed having him name all of the 80-plus of the vehicles, some now unheard of.

³ Fischer, David Hackett. *Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America*, Oxford Univ. Press (New York), 1989. A review of this book appears at www.ihf.org/jhr/v12/v12p114_Rosit.html.

Ivan eventually moved to Tiburon, always finding work at the train yard, driving a cab and working at Marin Ships. That's when he discovered his interest in electronics. In 1949, he built the family's first television set. During World War II, Ivan started work at Mare Island Naval Shipyard (Shop 67) and retired in 1979.

Ivan and Karen were married in 1970 and moved to Elk Grove where he built their dream home. He was very proud of this accomplishment.

The couple's life together was full of travels and adventures, with family and friends, their favorite being the many vacations at Kona Beach in Hawaii

Ivan was preceded in death by his parents, Nellie Fern (Bauer) and Paul W. Ewing

In addition to his wife, Karen, he is survived by his daughter, Kathryn (Dave) Sterk; son, Stanley Ewing; stepchildren, Cara Foley and Craig Johnson; grandchildren, Wendy Austin, Joseph Costa, Patrick (Kim) Pierson; Sara and Sean Foley and Cody Johnson; great-grandchildren, Sarah (Brandon) Austin-May, Rachel (Erin) Austin-Husmann, Cassandra and Jacob Pierson, Tayvleon, Joyner and Gracie Gonzalez.

Per his request, there will be no services. A memorial will be planned at a later date.

Rev. Dr. Harold Walter Ewing (October 28, 1913 – February 28, 2010)

The Repository, Canton, Ohio, March 3, 2010

Rev. Dr. Harold Walter Ewing age 96, of Sebring, Ohio, died Sunday, Feb. 28, 2010, at Copeland Oaks. Harold was born Oct. 28, 1913, in Hoopston, Ill., to the late Rev. Walter Lee and Ethel Marie Ewing.



Harold received his undergraduate degree from DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind. and received ... MA and MDiv. Degrees from Boston University School of Theology.

Harold married Dorothy Day of Des Moines, Iowa in 1935, and they had three sons. Harold and Dorothy shared their love of and work for the United Methodist Church for more than 50 years. Harold retired in 1983 but continued to be active as interim pastor in a number of churches.

Rev. Harold and Dorothy Ewing served churches in Litchfield, New Hampshire; in Gnadenhutten, Ohio; at Christ UMC in Canton, Ohio; as National Director of Youth Ministries for the UMC in Nashville, Tenn.; at Union Avenue UMC in Alliance, Ohio; at Willoughby UMC, Willoughby, Ohio; and retired from Bay UMC, Bay Village, Ohio in 1983. Harold served as Superintendent of the Painesville District UMC and was the founding director of the Area Wide Council on Ministries for the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Rev. Ewing received an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Ohio Wesleyan University. He served as a trustee of Clark College in Atlanta, Georgia; as a trustee for the Lakeside Association, Lakeside, Ohio; trustee for Copeland Oaks, Sebring, Ohio; and trustee for the Methodist Theological School in Ohio.

Dr. Ewing and his wife traveled extensively around the world leading tour groups, visiting educational and church related agencies and meeting with leaders of the local churches. Together they visited in excess of 100 countries.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Day Ewing; and sons, Stephen and William Ewing.

Survived by son, Michael Ewing of North Canton; grandchildren, Jonathan Ewing of North Canton, Ashley Ewing Redieck of California, Kristie Ewing Contestabile of Georgia, Shane Ewing of Arizona and daughter-in-law, Fran Ewing of Atlanta.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, in the Bennett Chapel at Copeland Oaks, Sebring, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the World Fund of the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church, 8800 Cleveland Ave. NW, North Canton, Ohio 44720.

Note from David C. Ewing: Rev. Dr. Harold Ewing was the brother of Rev. Ellsworth Samuel Ewing, our organization's founder. Harold attended the first meeting of Clan Ewing in America and assisted his brother with many contacts that helped start our organization many years ago. Our prayers and sympathy go out to his family and friends.

Editor's Note: Harold Ewing is participant 'HW' in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project.

Harry Marshall Ewing (January 1, 1926 – November 29, 2009)

Holechek Funeral Home and Cremations Announcement, Chappell, Nebraska

Harry Marshall Ewing, 83 of El Dorado Hills, California and a former Lodgepole resident passed away peacefully on November 29, 2009 in Folsom, California.

Graveside services will be held at 11:00 A.M., Friday, December 4, 2009 in the Mennonite Cemetery east of Chappell, Nebraska with Pastor Art Roth officiating. Military rites will be provided by the Chappell V.F.W. Post #7002 and American Legion Post #217.

There is no visitation at the funeral home.

He was born January 1, 1926 at Alma, Colorado. He served in the U.S. Army, then married Doris Yoder in 1947. In 1948 they moved to Lodgepole, Nebraska where he farmed and worked at the Sioux Ordinance Depot. In 1965 he transferred to Sacramento Army Depot, where he retired as the Safety Director in 1984. After moving to El Dorado Hills, Harry enjoyed boating and camping with family and friends. He was a member of the Folsom Community Bible Church.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Doris of El Dorado Hills, CA; his sons: Steven and wife Mary of Antioch, CA and Richard and wife Lori of Wasilla, AK; three granddaughters: Denise (John) Maples of Pilot Hill, CA, Rachel (Jesse) Hutchinson of Sacramento, CA and Sarah Ewing of Irvine, CA; one grandson, Jesse Ewing of Sacramento, CA; and four great-grandchildren: Jacob, Syndee, and Mason Maples and Audrey Hutchinson.

Holechek Funeral Home and Cremations in Chappell is serving the Ewing family.

Note from Larry Bryant: Harry Ewing was not a Ewing Family Association member but was the uncle of member Linda/Lynn Ewing Bryant. Harry is 'HM' in Group 3a in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project.

Raymond Ewing (August 9, 1930 – March 26, 2010)

Posted by Barbara and George Grenier on rootsweb.com

NEWARK [Ohio]: A Funeral Service will be held for Raymond Ewing, age 79, of Newark, on Monday, March 29, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Criss-Schoedinger Funeral Home. Interment will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery, with Rev. Bruce Hissong officiating.

Mr. Ewing was born August 9, 1930 to the late Raymond Cassius and Edna (Aumiller) Ewing. He died Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at the Licking Memorial Hospital.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Loretta June (Hartman) Ewing; his son, Raymond Samuel Ewing; brother, Earl Ewing; and sister, Etta Goff.

He is survived by his sons, Gary (Linda) Ewing of Zanesville, Daniel (Elizabeth) Ewing, Michael (Debra) Ewing, Joseph (Barbara) Ewing of Newark, and Timothy (Nikki) Ewing of Heath; and numerous grandchildren; and great grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Connie Ewing; sisters, Stella Watts, Ella Dalrymple, Claire Zink, Rose Rupp, and Norma Cannon.

Friends may call Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home, 179 Granville Street, Newark, or go to www.CrissSchoedinger.com to share a life story or to sign the guestbook.

Information Available and Sought

This section is intended to facilitate dialogues among members of the *Ewing Family Association (EFA)* as well as among them and non-members. It includes items sent directly to the *Journal's* Editor and the *EFA* Genealogist which offer up or request Ewing-related information.

This section also, as a service to members, reprints selected requests for information and offers of information posted to several sites focused on Ewings, for example, the Ewing-related rootsweb message board at boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/mb.ashx. With the same intent, selected postings to *EFA's* Forum at groups.google.com/group/EwingFamilyAssociation are also included. Only the item itself is included here. Readers interested in further information for any of these items should go to the item's cited URL.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies Launches National Fundraiser, Preserve the Pensions!, to Digitize the War of 1812 Pension Files

With the approaching bicentennial of the War of 1812, the Federation of Genealogical Societies, a non-profit genealogical organization headquartered in Austin, Texas, is pleased to announce a national fundraising initiative to raise \$3.7 million to digitize of the War of 1812 pension files. The digitization process will enable online access by historians and family researchers to the memories and biographies of those who fought to protect our nation's independence. This announcement is being made at the start of the National Genealogical Society's 2010 conference, an event that will draw more than two thousand genealogists to Salt Lake City, Utah.

The War of 1812, often referred to as America's second war for independence, significantly shaped this country's identity both internationally and domestically. Many remember the War of 1812 as the war that give us the "Star-Spangled Banner" and the burning of the White House. Some of the great leaders of our country, including three presidents, took part in this conflict. Nearly 300,000 men served, including members of at least eighteen Native American tribes.

The pension records for the War of 1812 consist of more than 7.2 million documents in 180,000 files. The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) receives more than three thousand requests per year for War of 1812 pensions, placing them among the most requested sets of records. Digitizing these valuable records will preserve the originals by removing them from continued heavy use. It will

also make the images of the records much more widely available. NARA reports these important historical records already have been conserved and readied for digitization, so scanning could start as soon as funds are received. With the cost for digitizing and saving a single page from a pension file being fifty cents, supporters will see progress from the earliest days of the fundraising initiative.

Genealogists, historians, and scholars of military history have long appreciated the value of pension files. A typical pension file may contain documents that describe a veteran's service as well as why he, his widow, or his dependents qualify for a pension. In the cases of widows' and dependents' filings, there are typically a number of documents proving the claimant is related to the veteran. The testimony of a veteran's comrades can provide unique and valuable data on what military life entailed, the rigors of everyday camp life, and details of particular skirmishes and battles. One may discover numerous details of an ancestor's life in these pension files, some of which may be many dozens of pages long.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies is committed to projects that link the genealogical community and advance the cause of preserving records and making them more accessible. The Federation will be working with the genealogical and historical societies nation-wide, particularly in states where War of 1812 activities took place, as well as the many War of 1812 societies and bicentennial commissions, to raise awareness about this vital preservation and access project and to raise the funds necessary to complete the project.

Those interested in contributing to the **Preserve the Pensions!** Project or wanting additional information should contact the Federation of Genealogical Societies via their web site at www.fgs.org/1812, or contact Curt Witcher at 260-421-1226 or *1812 at FGS dot org*.

Wesley K. Ewing

Query by Keri Ewing (*KEwing55 at hotmail dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Wesley Ewing was my grandfather. He was from Kansas originally. However his father died when he was about one-year-old and we do not have any information on where our name comes from. Do you have anything on the Ewings in Kansas?

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Keri Ewing's query

I wish I could be of help to you. If you could give an estimated date of birth for Wesley, his father's name or any other clues, it would be helpful. Depending on dates of birth, it might be possible to find your family in the census records. The most recent one open to the public is 1930. The census was taken every ten years and all are extant except for almost all of the 1890 census which was lost in a fire. If you know even the first name of your grandmother, it would be helpful. Her maiden name could also lead you to a marriage record. Did she remarry? What other clues might you share?

Additional response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Keri Ewing's query

I believe I have some very good news for you that will help you on your journey to find your Ewing family roots. The Social Security (SS) record of Wesley K. Ewing gives his date of birth as July 19, 1933, and date of death as May 2, 2000, in Haines County, Haines, Alaska. His SS number is 509-30-9611 and was issued in Kansas before 1951. He is buried in Jones Point Cemetery which is some type of U.S. Veteran's Cemetery.

The following is a sample of a letter you can use to ask for a copy of the original Social Security application.

<date>

Social Security Administration
 OEO FOIA Workgroup
 300 N. Green Street
 P.O. Box 33022
 Baltimore, Maryland
 21290-3022

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please send me a photocopy of the actual application for a Social Security card (Form SS-5-- Social Security Number Record Third Party Request for Photocopy) filed by the following person.

I obtained this information from the Social Security Death Master file at RootsWeb.com, Inc. who obtained it from the Social Security Death Master file, originally compiled by the Social Security Administration.

<lastName>, <firstName> <middleName(s)/Initial(s)>
 <SSN>
 Birth: <date>
 Death: <date>

My understanding is that the fee is \$27 when the Social Security number is provided or \$29 if the Social Security number is unknown or incorrect. Enclosed is a check or money order for \$<dollarAmount>, made payable to the Social Security Administration.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

<yourName>
 <yourAddress>
 Daytime Phone No.: (<areaCode>) <phoneNumber>

Harris-Ewing Connections

Query by Shanna Harris (*Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

I am interested in contacting some of my direct relatives. How do I learn who they are and how to contact them? Also, I am becoming a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (under the Ewing ancestors) and would like to be in touch with other members of the DAR?

Response by Karen Avery (BKAVery2 at comcast dot net) to Shanna Harris (Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com)

I think we corresponded some time ago, but for the life of me, I can't find my reply to you. In looking at my Ewing data base I find that I added only your name. Did you give me other information in your original query? If I remember correctly, I think you only mentioned that you wanted to join the DAR. I will be happy to try to help but will need some names, dates, places lived and the like.

I am most interested in your lineage and to which group it is a part. Of course, the most important question is this: Do you have any living Ewing males in you lineage who could join the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project? The results of such a test help in probable confirmation of a line.

Response by Shanna Harris (Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com) to Karen Avery (BKAVery2 at comcast dot net)

I am embarrassed for just now getting around to responding to you. I moved it from my inbox and just discovered it. I joined the *Ewing Family Association* about eight years ago and am interested in locating some of my more immediate relatives but don't know where to start. I submitted my application to the DAR in December and should be hearing back from them in the next few weeks and am very excited about that.

Do my teenage boys qualify as Ewing males? If so, I think they would be willing to submit their Y-DNA for analysis.

Can you give me any information on your lineage?

I think I could go crazy on this genealogy thing.

Response by Karen Avery (BKAVery2 at comcast dot net) to Shanna Harris (Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com)

So glad to hear from you again, and I will be happy to help you search for living Ewing relatives of your line. As the first step, you need to share your lineage with me. Until I have some names/dates/places to work with, there is no way I can help.

I wasn't aware you have been a member of the *Ewing Family Association* since you use your married name! I did find you on the current list.

Your sons cannot join the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project because they do not carry Ewing blood. They carry the male Y-DNA of their father, grandfather, great-grandfather and so on. We females help promote the Ewing surname project by locating Ewing males to be tested. Do you know any Ewing-surnamed males of your lines who might participate?

I anxiously await details about your lineage and hope I will be able to help. If you can send a genealogy report, an outline descendants list, or the information you are using to join the DAR, I can begin to search my records.

Response by Shanna Harris (*Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

My brother (who is descended from my dad who is the Ewing) might do it. I think that would work, right? I have attached my genealogy worksheet¹ I prepared for my DAR application. Are you a member of the DAR? Where do you live?

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Shanna Harris (*Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com*)

Thanks for your work sheet. Now I know the line of which we are speaking. I have entered most of your data and can now clearly see your lineage.

You seem to be confused about lineage. You say your Dad is a Ewing, but, of course, he is not a Ewing but is a Harris. The most recent Ewings in your lineage were Martha Venable Ewing (1841-1913) and her father, James Ewing Jr. (1804-1889).

I think you actually have two Ewing lines in your ancestry when Alexander Ewing (c.1733-1826) and Rachel Margaret Ewing (1734-1823) were married. I believe both of these lines probably go back to the immigrants Nathaniel and his half-brothers. When we get back this far, my records are a bit murky as there are differing opinions so I cannot speak with authority about that time frame.

I am not a member of the DAR, but have spent numerous hours researching there since 1995. I live in Northern Virginia about forty miles west of Washington.

The following is an outline report beginning with Alexander and his wife, Rachel with direct lineage to you. Please check that my data are correct and we can continue work on your genealogy.

Alexander Ewing: b. Abt. 1733, Cecil Co, MD; d. Apr 02, 1826, Blount Co, Maryville, TN
 + Rachel Margaret Ewing: b. Jan 02, 1734, Cecil Co, Little Britain, MD; m. Abt. 1756, Prince Edward Co, VA (Cousins); d. Jul 16, 1823, Blount Co, Marysville, TN

James Ewing Sr.: b. Apr 06, 1766, Prince Edward Co; d. Nov 11, 1856 Monroe Co, Madisonville, TN
 + Mary Thompson: b. Bet. 1766 – 1780; NC; m. Apr 30, 1798, Blount Co, Maryville, TN [James Edmiston, Jr. was bondsman]; d. Dec 25, 1835, Blount Co, TN

James Ewing Jr.: b. Nov 03, 1804, Blount Co, TN; d. Mar 01, 1889, Cumberland Co, Neoga, IL
 + Mary A. Alexander: b. Abt. 1812, Murray Co, TN; m. 1837; d. May 1864, Cumberland Co, IL

Martha Venable Ewing: b. Jun 26, 1841, Edgar Co, IL; d. Apr 23, 1913 Cumberland Co, IL
 + Arthur Laverne Blair: b. May 22, 1840, Norgren Co, IN; m. Jul 28, 1865; d. Jan 30, 1917, Cumberland Co, IL

Arthur Laverne Blair: b. Dec 11, 1865, Welsh Indian Territory, OK; d. Jun 16, 1932 Scottsluff, NE
 + Martha Argula Hart: b. Jul 18, 1868, Cumberland Co, IL; m. Jan 02, 1894; d. Mar08, 1925, Torrington, WY

Florence Olive Blair: b. Sep 14, 1897, Welsh Indian Territory, OK; d. May 04, 1991 Casper, WY
 + Dale Harris: b. May 09, 1891, Waupun, WI; m. Jul 11, 1920; d. Jun 26, 1967, Torrington, WY

Dale Wesley Harris: b. Mar 09, 1926, Torrington, WY; d. Feb 01, 1992, Jay Em, WY
 + Virginia 'Ginger' Etta Merritt: b. Aug 29, 1928, Cheyenne, WY; m. Sep 9, 1948

Shanna Florence Harris: b. Oct 17, 1957, Cheyenne, WY

¹ This worksheet's information is included in the subsequent genealogy report, produced by Karen Avery, appearing at the bottom of this page.

Response by Shanna Harris (*Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

How do I go about learning of other relatives in my (direct and indirect) line?

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Shanna Harris (*Shanna at UnitedWayneC dot com*)

Because I have a very large Ewing data base of information that I have collected over a period of many years, I am able to see connections and kinships between people. I can't guarantee that my work is 100% correct, but I am confident that most of it is correct. Using my genealogy software program, I can make reports in various ways and quickly 'see' exciting things!

When I look for your possible relatives, the results bring up several people who are currently members of EFA. Without actually having someone from your direct line in the Y-DNA project, I still believe that if there were such a man, he would most likely be among those who are members of Group 2a. Go to the following www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/DNA_Project/SiteMap_YDNA.html and there you will see the men in this group. If you click on their initials, you can see their personal lineage charts. (You may need to update Adobe Reader since there is a new one. I needed to do that in order to view these pages).

A discussion of all of men in the various sub-groups of Group 2 may be found at:

www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/DNA_Project/DNA_ProjectResults/results/Group2Discussion.html

My personal representative, RC, falls into Group 2b.

Because your most recent Ewing ancestor lived many generations ago, your relationship to any of your living cousins is on the order of 6th, 7th or 8th.

Various Ewings

Posted by Dick & Karen (*dnk at escapees dot com*) to the EFA Forum (*EwingFamilyAssociation@googlegroups.com*)

People might be interested in the Ewing information in the following book:

Cutter, William Richard and William Frederick Adams. *Genealogical and Personal Memoirs Relating to the Families of the State of Massachusetts*, Volume II. Lewis Historical Pub. Co. (New York), 1910.

It is available online courtesy of Google Books. Go to books.google.com, search for 'Ewing Families Iowa', and select the (probably first) item in the results list for Cutter's book. The resulting information concerns Major Finlay Ewing, Robert Ewen, Thomas Ewing, Thomas Maskell, Hon. Thomas Ewing, John Ewing, Alexander Ewing, Henry Ewing, Samuel Ewing, Noble Ewing, George Clinton Ewing, Edward Cornelius Ewing, etc.

Response by Martin Ewing (*m.ewing at snet dot net*)

This is my branch of the Ewings through Noble and George Clinton. It's nice to be discovered!

If anyone sees any connections, especially with (i) Alexander, (ii) William, and/or (iii) Noble, I want to know! Unfortunately, the connections (if they exist) among these persons are not clear.

Cutter has Noble born at Southampton, Massachusetts, but other indications suggest New Jersey.

Upcoming Events

2010 June-: Adams County Historical Society Programs and Events:

June 1 st	Elise Singmaster and Her Pennsylvania German Writings
June 9 th	Tea at the Historic Tate Farm
July 13 th	The Coward and the Glory
July 24 th	Underground RR in Adams County: Undiscovered Treasure of East Berlin
September 7 th	An Evening in Biglerville
October 5 th	Adams County Freemasons and Freemasonry
November 20 th	Semi-Annual Cupola Tour
December 14 th	An Evening at Saint Francis Xavier Church in Gettysburg

For further information, visit achs-pa.org/events.

2010 August 18-21: *Rediscovering America's First Frontier*, Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee. For further information, visit www.fgs.org/2010conference.

2010 August 13-21: Clan Grant Third International Gathering 2010, Nethybridge, Scotland. While not Ewing-oriented, this gathering will include participants from the Cherokee Nation, half of which, it is believed could be descendants of Ludovick Grant, who was a laird's son from Creichie in Aberdeenshire. Some Ewings have noted Native American features in pictures of their ancestors. For further information about this (and other potentially interesting events) visit www.VisitScotland.com.

2010 September 23-26: ***Bridge to the West***: Eleventh Gathering of the *Ewing Family Association* at the Summit Inn, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. For further information, see pages iii, 48-52 and 73, or visit www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org/2010_Gathering/index_Project_Gather_2010.html.

2011 May 11-14: 2011 NGS Family History Conference, Charlestown, South Carolina. For up-to-date information about this event, visit www.NGSGenealogy.org.

2011 September 7-10: *Pathways to the Heartland*, 2011 FGS/ISGS National Conference, Springfield, Illinois. "The Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Illinois State Genealogical Society are pleased to announce the official call for lecture proposals for our 2011 national conference, "Pathways to the Heartland," to be held in Springfield, Illinois, 7-10 September 2011. The conference will explore the resources of America's Heartland through a variety of regional and national topics aimed at engaging genealogists and family historians of all levels and experience. Topics relating to the Midwest, migration patterns, and religious and ethnic groups are encouraged. Wednesday, 7 September 2011 will include "Focus on Societies," with lectures, focus groups, and other special events devoted to assisting genealogical societies, lineage societies, historical societies, and family associations succeed and thrive in their activities." For further information, visit www.fgs.org/2011conference.

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Bridge to the West

Eleventh Gathering of the *Ewing Family Association*

Where, When, What and Why?



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Where and When?

The Eleventh Gathering of *the Ewing Family Association* will be held in the Pittsburgh area at the elegant, historic *Summit Inn* in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, 23-26 September 2010.

What? – The Gathering's Theme

The Pittsburgh area was the target for many Ewings migrating to the frontier starting in the 1760s, as well as a doorway for many Ewings who later used their Pittsburgh-area relatives as stepping-stones to the Ohio Valley and farther west. Pittsburgh itself – lying at the confluence of three rivers: the Allegheny, the Monongahela and the Ohio – is popularly known as the *City of Bridges*, leading to the gathering's Ewing-migration theme: ***Bridge to the West***.

Why? – Relevance to Ewing Genealogy

The earliest migrants to the area, starting around 1730, were trappers and traders who traveled back and forth to the area when the French claimed sovereignty. There is only anecdotal evidence that Ewings were among them. As a result of the February 10, 1763, Treaty of Paris, ending the French and Indian War, the British were awarded the land west of the Allegheny Mountains. American Indians resisted this change from one relatively friendly foreign-nation conqueror to another they felt were oppressive, leading to Pontiac's Rebellion starting in May 1763.

With the end of Pontiac's Rebellion about nine months later, two things were true: For one, settlement was a bit safer. For two, the British decided that, nonetheless, settlement was still so dangerous that they could not – because the French and Indian War had depleted their resources – assure safety and declared that settlement was prohibited in the Indian Land west of the Alleghenies. It was not until 1769 that this land was officially opened for settlement.

Many of the Scots-Irish in the Upper Chesapeake Bay area –Ewings among them – were of a somewhat different mind. They had supported the British in the French and Indian War, they had received little (often no) compensation for their support, and they had, in their mind, won the western areas as the spoils of war. Net sum: they felt they had the right to settle this area. As a result, Ewings and other Scots-Irish settled the Redstone and Uniontown areas in current-day Fayette County, southeast of Pittsburgh, in the mid-to-late-1760s. Soon afterward, several descendants of James Ewing of Inch settled the current-day Robinson and Collier Township areas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, starting in 1770.

Many cousins, nephews, and other relatives followed the early settlers. Some remained in the area. Others stayed a while and then moved on further west, often accompanied by early-settler descendants who found the opportunities in the area to be limited and went farther west to find land and better their lives. The early settlers and their follow-on relatives left many genealogical records in the area's copious Ewing-related Census, Will, Guardianship, Land, Church, etc. records.

For more information about the gathering, see pages iii and 48-52.

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