

Crowell Chronology

The following is a chronology of events in the lives of my Crowell ancestors as they migrated from Pennsylvania to Maryland, Virginia, and Ohio.

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Generation 1: Johann Michael Graul, master carpenter

Johann Michael emigrated from Heuchelheim, Pfalz, Germany to Berks Co., PA.

1683 (about), born in Heuchelheim, Germany

8 July 1724 married Sybilla Fulman/Filman/Vellman, Heuchelheim¹

Children born in Heuchelheim² (Note: family lines printed in bold are followed into the next generation):

- Johann Georg, 21 Nov 1725 married Elizabeth Lerch
- Johan Nicolaus, 25 Mar 1727 (died 1729)
- **Joh. Heinrich, 14 May 1729** married **Anna Margaretha Bader**
- Jacob, 2 Jan 1731 married Anna Maria Schmidt; Catherine Christ
- Joh. Phillip, 18 Aug 1732 married Eva Catherine
- Johannes, 2 Oct 1733

1736, emigrated to Philadelphia on ship *Harle*.³ Also on board were Sybilla and her parents, Jacob & Barbara Vellmann (Filman)

1774, (about), Michael died, Berks Co., PA

1776, Sybilla (Michael's widow) died on 4 April, Berks Co., PA⁴

1784, tax lists for Berks Co., PA, show:

- 2 Jacob Kroul's in Town of Alsace;
- 1 Jacob Growl, Innholder in Town of Reading;
- 1 George Groul in Town of Brunswick;
- 1 George Growl, Smith in Town of Reading;
- 1 John Groul in Town of Brunswick
- 1 Christian Croll, Smith in Town of Maxatawny.⁵ It is very likely that some of these men are Michael's sons George, Jacob & John.

Generation 2: Johann Heinrich Crowl, farmer

Johann Heinrich (Henry) moved his family to Frederick Co., MD

14 May 1729, born in Heuchelheim, Germany

1736, arrived on ship *Harle* with his family

Married Anna Margaretha Bader, about 1750, Berks Co., PA. Children:

- **Johann (Devalt), 8 Apr 1751, Berks Co.** married **Juliana Nutz**
- Michael, 1752, Berks Co., PA married Mary Hospelhawn⁷
- Barbara, 1754, PA or MD married J. Leonard Young⁸
- Margaret, 1754, Reading, Berks Co., PA (died 1754)
- Elizabeth, 1758, Frederick Co., MD married Daniel Root
- **Henry, 1760, Frederick Co., MD** married **1) Rachel Smith 2) Elizabeth McLaughlin**
- Seville, 1762, MD married Conrad Sadler
- John, 1765, Frederick Co., MD married Susan Dagur⁹

1769-1775, Henry purchases land in Frederick Co.¹⁰

1775, Henry Crowl (of "Burnt Woods Hundred") appointed by the Committee of Correspondence to solicit subscriptions to purchase arms during the Revolutionary War. Also mentions his death in 1784 and his wife Margaret and children.¹¹

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1775, Henry Crowl, listed as "Associator" in the Revolution (i.e., he was for the cause)¹²

1778, Henry Crowl, juror; swore his Oath of Allegiance (anyone who swore the oath became a "juror")¹³

2 Oct 1784, Henry Crowel's will is probated: Wife Margaret receives land & plantation with liberty to sow 35 acres of winter grain yearly, 25 lbs money, a cow, 200 lbs pork, 50 lbs beef, 30 bushels wheat. Son-in-law Daniel Root already has 450 lbs in land; 450 lbs money to his other 6 children: Devalt, Michael, Barbara Young, Henry, John, and Savile.¹⁴

1786, first administration account plus final account of Henry's estate¹⁵

1790, census, Margaret Crowl is in Frederick Co., MD, living alone, pg. 58

1800, census, widow Crowel (probably Margaret) is in Washington Co., MD, with 2 others; pg. 152

Generation 3: Heinrich Crowel

Heinrich (Henry) moved from Frederick Co., MD to Pulaski Co., VA.

8 Nov 1760, born in Frederick Co., MD

1778, Married Rachel Smith, Botetourt Co., VA¹⁶

Children born to Henry & Rachel:

- Elizabeth married George Boswell in 1818¹⁷
- Harry
- James, abt 1800
- John, 1794
- Margaret, 1792 married Abraham Butt in 1812¹⁸
- Mary (Polly), abt 1800 married Jacob Sadler in 1818¹⁹
- Rebecca, 1810 married James Hagan in 1826²⁰
- **Joseph, abt 1788** married **Mary Ann McLaughlin**
- William, 1778
- George W., 1785 married Margaret Root Taylor
- Ann Maria, 1814

1784-85, Henry was a Road Overseer, Frederick Co., MD²¹

1790, census: Henry is in Frederick Co., MD, pg. 58

1795, Daniel Shaver, who was bound out to Henry Crowel, cooper, now bound to Conrad Sadler, cooper, as Henry is moving out of state, 2 Nov 1795²²

mid-1790's, the family moved to Botetourt Co., VA²³

1810-1830 census, Henry is in Botetourt Co., VA (pg. 613; pg. 54; pg. 268)

1812, sold the Botetourt farm; moved to Wythe or Pulaski Co., VA²⁴

1819, Henry married second Elizabeth McLaughlin, (widow), 6 Jan 1819, Botetourt Co.,²⁵

1820, letter for Henry Crowl remained at Post Office, Fincastle, VA as of 30 June²⁶

Children born to Henry & Elizabeth:

- Eliza
- Henry
- Susan, 1826

1840, census: Henry is in Wythe Co., VA, pg. 95

1850, census: Pulaski Co., VA., pg. 260

1857, Henry died in Pulaski Co., VA

Generation 3: Devalt Crowel

Devalt (Henry's brother, above) moved from Frederick Co., MD to Botetourt & Franklin County, VA; then to Montgomery and Preble County, OH. Devalt's grandson, son of Devalt and also named Devalt (three generations of Devalt's) was a Brethren minister in Ohio, as was his son Joseph.²⁷

8 April 1751, born in Frederick Co., MD

Married Juliana Nutz. Children:

- Michael, 1773 to Preble Co., OH
- Henry, 1774 married Elizabeth Cress²⁸; moved to Btrt & Frnkln Co., VA; Montg Co., OH
- Jacob, 1775 married Polly Altick²⁹, moved to VA, then Montgomery Co., OH in 1808
- Devalt, 1780 married Salome Rudy³⁰; moved to Botrt Co., VA; Montg. Co., OH in 1808
- Susanna, 1782 married Adam Bowsman, 1805, Franklin Co., VA³¹
- Nancy Ann, 1786 married William Fraim, moved to OH³²
- Sarah (Sallie), 1795 married Henry W. Eagle; moved to Montgomery Co., OH

1790 census, Devalt is in Frederick Co., MD, pg. 57

1810 census, Devalt & Michael (son or brother?) are in Franklin Co., VA; p. 480; p. 462

1811, a bond was due to Devalt and others from the estate of Jubal Early (wife Polly: exec.), Franklin Co., VA.³³ This Jubal Early is most likely related to Jubal A. Early, the Confederate General (1816-1894), as both were from Franklin Co., VA. (Polly Early was also on 1810 census of Franklin Co.) For more information see Early, Samuel S. *The History of the Family Early*.

1839, Devalt died at son Devalt Jr.'s near Covington, Miami Co., OH. Juliana died at her daughter Sallie Eagle's at W. Carrolton, OH.³⁴

Generation 4 : Joseph Crowl

1788 (about), born in Pulaski Co. to Henry and Rachel

Not much is known about Joseph, other than his marriage to Mary McLaughlin. The census shows him in Pulaski Co., VA in 1860 (pg. 710). Several of his sons fought in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. Son James W., born in 1833, Pulaski Co., VA., joined the 4th VA Infantry and died in the battle of First Manassas. Alfred N. Crowell and David C. Crowell (believed to be sons of Joseph) also joined the 4th VA Infantry. Alfred was slightly wounded at First Manassas.³⁵

Generation 5: James W. Crowell

1833, born in Pulaski Co., VA

25 March 1852, married Nancy Hurst, Pulaski Co., VA³⁶

Children born to James & Nancy:

- Augustus Matthew Newton, 2 Dec 1852 married Nancy Ashworth; moved to Montg. Co., OH³⁷
- Ballard W., 1854 married Lizzie O'Dell
- Matilda Rachel, 1858 married Reason Vinson Hurst
- Jonathan R., 1860
- James Watson "Doc", 1861 married Rebecca Dove Graham

1860, census: James in Pulaski Co., VA with wife Nancy and children Augustus 8, Ballard 6, Matilda 4 and Jonathan 1., pg. 759

21 July 1861, James fought in the Civil War, and died at the Battle of First Manassas (Bull Run)³⁸

Generation 6: Augustus ("Gus") Crowell, farmer; author's great grandfather

2 Dec 1852, born in Pulaski Co., VA³⁹

1875, married Nancy Ashworth, Pulaski Co., VA

Children born to Gus & Nancy:

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| · Ernest, 1876 | married Eva McFarland |
| · Bertha, 1879 | married John Franklin Wysong, 1901, Eaton, OH |
| · Daisy, 1881 | married Oscar Geeting, 1902 |
| · Homer, 1883 | married Elsie Pittinger, 1910 |
| · Albert, 1885 | married Ruth Winholt, 1913 |
| · Edith, 1887 | married Willard F. Leach, 1909 |

1880, census: family is in Rock, Mercer, WV, pg.66

¹ Burgert, Annette. *Palatine Origins of Some Pennsylvania Pioneers*, pg. 112

² Ibid., pg. 112

³ Strassburg & Hinke, *Pennsylvania German Pioneers*, pg. 154-156

⁴ Burgert, p. 112

⁵ Dix, Katherine F. *1784 Berks Co. PA Archives*, pgs. 15, 30, 50

⁶ Burgert, *Palatine Origins*, p. 113

⁷ Myers, Margaret E. *Marriage Licenses of Frederick Co., MD*, pg. 32

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Ibid.

¹⁰ Deeds, Frederick Co., MD M:153, (1769); V:404, (1774); BD:53, (1775); BD:478, (1775)

¹¹ Peden, Henry. *Revolutionary War Patriots, Frederick Co., MD.*, pg. 89

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Peden, Henry. *Revolutionary War Patriots, Frederick Co., MD*; pg. 89

¹⁴ Henry Crowel's will, Frederick Co., MD, 1784; vol 3, pg. 104

¹⁵ Administration Records, Frederick Co., MD; GM#1:205, 223; 1786

¹⁶ Crowel, Henry. *Crowel History: Footprints in the Sands of Time*. Supplement. Dayton OH, 1904, pg. 35 (note: the first edition was published in 1899)

¹⁷ *Botetourt Co., VA Marriages*, pg. 382

¹⁸ *Botetourt Co., VA Marriages*, pg. 381

¹⁹ Ibid., pg. 382

²⁰ Ibid.

²¹ Schaffer, *Inhabitants of Frederick Co. MD*, vol. 1, pg. 100

²² Frederick Co. Indentures. In: *Western Maryland Genealogy (WMG)*, 1988, p. 108

²³ Crowel, Henry. *Footprints, Supplement*, 1904, pg. 35

²⁴ Ibid., pg. 35

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²⁶ *Herald of the Valley* (newspaper), Fincastle, VA, 8 July 1820, pg. 3

²⁷ *Brethren Encyclopedia*, vol. 3, pg. 1593

²⁸ Marriage Records, Franklin Co., VA. In: *Over the Mountain Men, Their Early Court Records in Southwest VA* by Anne L. Worrell, 1983., pg. 9

²⁹ Wingfield, Marshall. *Marriage Records, Franklin Co., VA*, pg. 9

³⁰ Wingfield,, Marshall. *Marriage Records of Franklin Co., VA.*, pg. 66 (from Ancestry.com)

³¹ Wingfield,, pg. 43

³² Ibid., pg. 92

³³ Franklin Co. Will Book, vol. 1, pg. 113

³⁴ Crowel, Henry. *Footprints*, pg. 21 (note error: text states 1739). See also Bible Record of Henry Crowel, compiled by Cass Co., Indiana DAR, 1976. Located at Indiana State Library, Genealogy Division, G 977.2 D238bi, vol 4, pgs 104-6. Also on Ancestry.com message boards under surname Crowel

³⁵ Robertson, Dr. James I. *Fourth VA Infantry*, H.E. Howard Inc., 1982, pg. 47

³⁶ Marriage Records, 1839-1900 in the Pulaski Co. Courthouse, Pulaski, VA

³⁷ Augustus is the author's great grandfather

³⁸ Robertson, Dr. James. *Fourth VA Infantry*, pg. 47

³⁹ Birth and marriage information from Family Group Sheet of June Crowell, Eaton, OH (author's cousin)

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