

Register of Deaths

The Henderson County Death Records, 1839 – 1911 were copied, edited and indexed by the Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society in 1981. The information listed in the original book was copied from the original Register of Deaths, made by the certifying physician recorded in the City Building. Laws requiring governments to keep records did not go into effect until 1912. Therefore, records of this era are not recorded elsewhere. Some names were difficult to read, there is a possibility of error in some cases and for accuracy you should check the microfiche listing yourself. In reviewing this book it was discovered that a lot of information was omitted as well as people. We're hoping that this will rectify the omissions.

The listings are categorized by:

- 1) last name, first name, initial if applicable
- 2) age, approximate birth year and location
- 3) color, sex, marital status, occupation
- 4) f) for father and birth location if known
- 5) m) for mother and birth location if known
- 6) date of death, place of death, cause of death
- 7) notes, remarks, attending doctor or coroner's name.

Due to the large amount of "unknown" answers, other reference books were checked for confirmation. If any additional information was found, the annotations will be in italicized lettering or parentheses. The names are listed alphabetically per Register of Death pages.

Here's a sampling of the rough draft.....

REGISTER OF DEATHS, CITY OF HENDERSON, KENTUCKY PAGE (1)

ALVES, Mary Ann, 73 yrs, b)abt 1805, North Carolina, Black, female, widow, (probably housewife) f) Richard Alves, m) Flora ()Alves, d) 15 Oct 1878, Henderson, Typhoid Fever. Wm. Hanna, M.D.

BAUM, Elizabeth, 51 yrs, b)abt 1827, White, female, married, housekeeper
d) 01 Sep 1878 5:00 a.m., Henderson County, Septicemia. Remarks: This patient had strangulated hernia of three days standing, before seen by physician. Oper(ation) performed by Dr. J. A. Hodge in presence of Dr. J. H. Letcher, Lud Worsham and myself. Bowel gave away just after operation from softening. Ben Letcher, M.D.

BENBRIGHT infant, 06 hrs, b)abt 18 Sep 1878, Henderson, White, male, single, f) Wm. F. Benbright b) Ohio, m) Kate E. () Benbright b) Ohio, d) 18 Sep 1878, Henderson, Premature birth. J. A. Hodge, M.D.

BEVERLY, infant, (stillborn), b) 15 Jun 1878, Henderson County, Black, female, f) Cornelius Beverly, M) Ellen () Beverly, d) 15 Jun 1878, Henderson County, Stillborn. Remarks: this child was stillborn. No attending physician. Arch Dixon, M.D., City Phys.

BROCKREADE, Elizabeth, 17 days, b)abt 09 Jul 1878, Henderson, White, female, single, f) William Brockreade b) Evansville, IN, m) Carline () Brockreade b) Germany, d) 26 Jul 1878, Henderson, Cholera Infantum. John L. Cook, M.D.

BROWN, Carrie, 13 yrs, b)abt 1865 Henderson, Black, female, unmarried, f) Jim Brown b) Nelson County, KY,

Last Will and Testament of John Folden

them a good education, and it is my will and desire that the said Henry WILLIAMS shall not be required to give surety as such executor and guardian...

Eighth, If I should die before next Christmas it is my desire that my executor sell the remained of my personal property and stock at or about Christmas together with the crops...

Ninth, If at any time the guardian of said named grandchildren should think it necessary or proper for their interest he may invest any portion of their money in his hands in good lively young Negroes. And when so invested the Negroes are to be held by him for the benefit of my said grandchildren in the same manner as the slaves herein devised to them are held...

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal hereby revoking all other wills by me made this 27th day of April A.D. 1859

Signed: JOHN "his mark" FOLDEN

Signed and sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us who signed the same at the request of the estator

Signed: Rich. A. Noel
John C. Wallace
L. W. Trafton

State of Kentucky

} ct. May County Court 1859 — 23rd May —

Henderson County

The last will and testament of John FOLDEN deceased was produced and proved in open court according to law by the oaths of Rich. A. Noel, John C. Wallace and L. W. Trafton subscribing witnesses here to be recorded which done accordingly —

Attest: Will D. Allison

FAMILY FILES that have been updated or are new: Allin, Alves, Anderson, Anthony, Applewhaite, Ashby (see Cobb), Audubon, Babb, Barrett, Bilbo, Bright, Bugg, Bullock, Busby, Chandler, Chaney, Cheaney, Clark, Clendenin, Cobb, Cooksey, Cooper, Cummings, Curtis, Day, Disney, Duke, Emburton, Emmerick, Farmer, Fellows, Floyd, Fields, Gaines, Gish, Griffen, Handly, Hancock, Hardy, Hawkins, Hazelwood, Hickman, Henderson, Hicks, Higdon, Holbrook, Hopkins, Howard, Hughes, Hulty, Hurley, Keller, Kimmel, Lampkin, Langston, Lawrence, Lilly, Littlepage, McClanahan, McCoy, Marshall, Matthews, Meahl, Melton, Moore, Morehead, Mullen, Nevell, Peals, Pfingston, Powell, Priest, Randolph, Rideout, Savage, Septer, Sinclair, Sprinkle, Stephen, Stone, Strange, Tally, Tandy, Tapp, Taylor, Thornberry, Townsend, Walton, Watkins, Watson, Wells, Woodard, Wright.

Powell, Cottingham Bible Records

Contributed by Mrs. Mary Jane Powell Pentecost – Corydon, Kentucky

Isham Cottingham – born Sep. 26 1807
 Anna Elizabeth Rideout – born Feb. 20, 1806
 Mary Jane Rawley Sigler – born Sep. 25, 1817

1st Marr Sept. 23, 1829
 2nd Marr Oct. 1873

George Henry Cottingham – born Mar 4, 1838
 Malinda Ann Sigler – born Jun 22, 1836

Marr Nov. 28, 1860 by J. Norman

James Rawley – born Aug. 11, 1782
 Ann Hughes – born Jun 10, 1782

Marr Oct. 20 1805

Mary Jane Rawley – born Sep. 25, 1917
 d/o James & Ann Hughes Rawley
 m/o Malinda A. Sigler
 John Robert Sigler – born Aug. 20, 1817
 s/o Jacob and Malinda Sigler

Marr. Sep. 7, 1837 by Thomas Dossett

Harrison Powell I. – born Jan. 3, 1787
 Elizabeth, his wife – born Nov. 22, 1788

Harrison A. Powell, II – born Feb. 24, 1816
 Judith Ann Bruce, his wife – born Feb 25, 1818

Marr Oct. 22, 1835

Harrison Albert Powell, III – born Aug. 11, 1859
 Lurah Ella Cottingham, his wife – born Oct. 8, 1860

Children:

Chester Eugene Powell – born Aug. 12, 1881 and died Aug. 1, 195__
 Clyde _____ Powell – born Apr. 30, 1883
 Ernest Compton Powell – born Sep. 23, 1884 and died Apr. 9, 1954
 Judith Ann Powell – born Jan. 2, 1887
 Edward _____ Powell – born Jan. 2, 1888
 Mary Jane Powell – born Jul. 20, 1890
 Herman Rhea Powell – born Dec. 24, 1893
 George Earl Powell – born Oct. 24, 1895

DEATHS:

Isham Cottingham – died Jun. 26, 1883
 Anna Elizabeth Cottingham (first wife) - died Sep. 30, 1872
 Mary Jane Rawley Sigler Cottingham (second wife) - died Aug. 1904
 George Henry Cottingham – died Aug. 9, 1931
 Malinda Ann Sigler Cottingham – died Jun. 8, 1916
 Harrison Powell I. – died _____ 31, 1838
 Elizabeth, his wife – died Feb. 4, 1853
 Harrison A. Powell II. – died Apr. 4, 1875
 Judith Ann, his wife – died Oct 29, 1878
 Harrison Albert Powell III – died Mar. 9, 1927
 Lurah E., his wife – died Apr. 13, 1901

Last Will and Testament of John Folden

Will Book "C" pages 164 - 165

I, John FOLDEN of Henderson County, State of Kentucky, being in feeble health, but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say...

First, It is my will that all my just debts if I should owe any at the time of my death be paid...

Second, I give and devise to my son, John FOLDEN, my tract of land containing three hundred and twenty five acres lying in Henderson County on the Ohio River called the Harrison Farm, also my tract of land lying in said Henderson County containing five hundred and nineteen acres called the Knight Pond tract, and also my Negroes Ned and his family, Providence, George, Rufus, Levi, Nancy, Robert, Ann, Charles and Alfred with their increase to have and to hold said two tracts of land and the Negroes above named with their increase to him, the said John FOLDEN, during his natural life and after death to his children forever. I, also give and bequeath to my said son John FOLDEN three thousand dollars in cash absolutely the cash to be paid to him and said land (both tracts) and the Negroes a fore said delivered to him by Christmas Day next if I should die before that time...

Third, I give and devise to my wife Eliza FOLDEN my "home" or "back farm" in said Henderson County to hold the same during her natural life. I, also give to her the following slaves to wit, Rosella and her family viz: Sarah and Frances. James, Homer, and John Thomas, and my slave named Jim to hold the said slaves during her natural life. I, also give and bequeath, to my said wife absolutely one third of my money after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses. Said third to be deducted after the said three thousand is paid to my son John FOLDEN: and I also give to her all of my household and kitchen furniture to use and dispose of as she pleases...

Fourth, All the remainder of my estate and property of every kind and description whether real, personal, or mixed not here in above willed to me son John FOLDEN... including the property and estate willed to my said wife during her life time. I give and devise to my grandchildren John Turner STANLEY, William Thomas STANLEY, Nathaniel Green STANLEY, and George Washington STANLEY children of my deceased daughter Permila STANLEY and her husband N. G. STANLEY — the estate and property herein willed to my wife to go to my said grandchildren after the death of my wife. All the property willed to my said grandchildren is to be held and kept by their guardian, the money put to interest, the slaves hired out, and the land rented until the youngest of said children arrive at the age of twenty one years. And the same to be equally divided among them, to have, hold, use and enjoy the same during their lives, and after death to be equally divided among their children — the guardian of said grandchildren can hold the said property as above provided and work the said slaves on the lands devised to said children instead of hiring and renting out said property if he thinks its best for the interest of my said grandchildren. The slaves herein devised to may said grandchildren are as follows Charlotte, Frank, Melinda, Harriet, Ann, Old John, Young John, William, Leathy, Catherine, Caleb, Lot, Sam, Fanny and her two children Catherine and Mary and their increas...

Fifth, It is my will and desire that if my son John FOLDEN should die bearing no child or children nor their descendants living at his death. Then and in that event the property willed to him during life together with its increase shall go to my said grandchildren above named to be held and enjoyed in the same manner, and under the same terms and restrictions as the other property herein willed to them...

Sixth, I hereby empower and authorize the guardian of my said grandchildren at any time if he thinks its best for their interest to sell the Negro man slave named Old John or the best time he can and to hold the proceeds of the sale in the same manner as the money herein devised to my said grandchildren is held...

Seventh, I hereby nominate and appoint my friend Henry WILLIAMS executor of this my last will and testament and guardian of my said grandchildren to have the management and control of their property and funds as herein above decided and out of the precedes of which he may contribute to obtaining

Folden Research

1890 Henderson County Tax List

FOLDEN, Jno. (Henderson Precinct)

#76 - one male over 21 years

#77 - one legal voter

#79 - two children ages 6 - 20 years

FOLDEN, Sam (Spottsville Precinct)

#76 - one male over 21 years

#77 - one legal voter

Gone, But Not Forgotten

Mary Jane (Powell) Folder, b)1817 and d) 08 Aug 1933, bur) Jordan Cemetery

Kitty Folden, b)1873 and d) 28 Nov 1918, bur) McClain Cemetery

Sherman Folden, b)1871 and d) 24 Nov 1918, bur) McClain Cemetery

Ambrose Folden, b)1858 and d) 18 Apr 1931, bur) Galloway-Folden Cemetery

John Folden, b) 10 Oct 1798 VA and d) 29 Apr 1959, bur) Stanley Cemetery

Elizabeth Falloway Folden Williams, b) 15 Feb 1804 VA and d) 22 Oct 1880, bur) Stanley Cem.

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James Folden, b)1868 and d) 02 Jan 1929, bur) Fernwood Cemetery

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MORNING GLEANER, HENDERSON, KENTUCKY FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1933

115 YEAR OLD WOMAN BURIED

Henderson's and probably western Kentucky's oldest resident was buried Thursday from the Seventh Street colored church where the pastor, the Rev. S. A. BRYAND paid tribute to Mrs. Jane FOLDEN, who lived to be 115 years old.

Reared a slave in the family of Governor POWELL she spoke familiarly of a visit to Frankfort during his administration about 80 years ago, and although practically blind and unable to walk around lately retained her memory to a remarkable degree.

Folden Research

1870 Henderson County Census, Page 295, Listing #85

FOLDEN, Samuel, age 50, M, B, farmer, b)abt 1820 KY
 FOLDEN, Mary, age 40, F, B, b)abt 1830 KY
 FOLDEN, Barnet, age 17, M, B, b)abt 1853 KY
 FOLDEN, Malinda, age 15, F, B, b)abt 1855 KY
 FOLDEN, Ambrose, age 10, F, B, b)abt 1860 KY
 FOLDEN, Betsy, age 7, F, B, b)abt 1863 KY
 FOLDEN, James, age 5, M, B, b)abt 1865 KY
 FOLDEN, George, age 2, M, B, b)abt 1868 KY
 FOLDEN, Samuel, age 1, M, B, b)abt 1869 KY
 CHURCHILL, Henry, age 25, M, B, b)KY
 STEWART, John, age 16, M, B, b)KY

1880 Henderson County Census, Page 388, Listing #81

FOLDEN, Sam, age 60, M, B, farmer, b)abt 1820 KY, parents b) VA
 FOLDEN, Jane, age 50, F, B, b)abt 1830 KY, parents b) KY
 FOLDEN, Henry, age 18, M, B, b)abt 1862 KY
 FOLDEN, George, age 16, M, B, b)abt 1864 KY
 FOLDEN, Sam, age 14, M, B, b)abt 1866 KY
 FOLDEN, Susan, age 12, F, B, b)abt 1868 KY
 FOLDEN, Matilda, age 8, F, B, b)abt 1872 KY
 FOLDEN, Sophia, age 4, F, B, b)abt 1876 KY

1880 Henderson County Census, Page 308, Listing #116

PICKLE, Thomas, age 30, M, B, farmer, b)abt 1850 KY, parents b)KY
 BUTLER, Letha, age 20, F, B, servant, b)abt 1860 KY, parents b)KY
 FOLDEN, Ambrose, age 22, M, B, boarder, b)abt 1858 KY, parents b)KY

1900 Henderson County Census, Page 196, Listing #59

FOLDEN, Ambrose, age 43, M, B, head, b)abt 1857 KY
 FOLDEN, Maria, age 30, F, B, wife, b)abt 1870 KY
 FOLDEN, Mary, age 12, F, B, dau, b)abt 1888 KY
 FOLDEN, Jesse, age 09, M, B, b)abt 1891 KY
 FOLDEN, James, age 01, M, B, b)abt 1899 KY

1900 Henderson County Census, Page 118, Listing #763 ~ possible son

BRADFORD, Jerry, age 40, M, W, head, b)abt 1860 KY
 BRADFORD, Ella, age 28, F, W, wife, b)abt 1872 KY
 BRADFORD, Alla, age 02, F, W, dau, b)abt 1898 KY
 THOMASON, Thomas, age 22, W, M, h-hand, b)abt 1878 KY
 FOLDEN, Charles, age 27, B, M, h-hand, b)abt 1873 KY

