

**BECKERS AND STREHLES**

Long of Stanton, Augusta County, VA and Miss Elizabeth Baker of this city, the ceremony being performed at the home of the officiating clergyman. Several members of the class of the Christian East End Sunday School, to which the bride belongs, attended. Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Baker, brother and sister in law of the bride serving as attendants. The bride was dressed in a pretty all over white lace gown and carried a bouquet of white roses. Her sister in law carried a bouquet of white carnations. Following the ceremony, the bridal party and guests went to the home of the bride's brother, Fred W. Baker, 1704 Chestnut where a delicious wedding supper was served. The bridegroom is employed as a finisher in one of the local show case works. He and his bride will go on a honeymoon to his home state and then return to Quincy to reside."

Lizzie and Peyton had ten children: Harold L., Loretta, Kathleen, Donald, Margy, Dorothy and four more I know not their names. by Nan Olson, nanolson\_62301@yahoo.com

**The Talcott/Tallcott Family Cemetery, Mendon, Illinois**

In September of 2010, Ann Bowler wrote the Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County about the Tallcott family. She was looking for the graves of Chester Hills Talcott, first wife Mary Hale , second wife Elizabeth Hale, third wife Harriet Finch, and his children.

Jean Kay sent her the Talcott tombstones inscriptions from volume III, *Cemeteries of Adams County*. C. H. and Harriet had markers in the old section of the Mendon Cemetery. She was also told about the small burial plot along Highway 61 near Mendon. The story being that members of the Talcott family all died very close together from influenza or some other contagious disease and were buried in this plot. The names of these family members were unknown at the time of the publishing of volume III.

Ann Bowler replied that Mrs. Fern Tallcott had provided her with internal information about the family. Additional information was found in the book, *Hale, House and Related Families: Mainly of the Connecticut River Valley*, published by Clearfield in 1997. With those two sources, Ann was able to establish who was buried within that plot. Those burials were:

Elizabeth Hale Talloctt, daughter of Oliver and Betsey Hale, second wife of C. H. Tallcott. She was born 9 October 1816, Glastonbury, Hartford County, Connecticut and died 14 July 1849, Mendon.

Mary Elizabeth Tallcott, daughter of C. H. and Elizabeth, who was born 13 November 1848 in Mendon and died 16 July 1849, Mendon.

Oliver Tallcott, son of C. H. and Mary, who was born 9 July 1836 and died 18 July 1849 in Mendon.

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- d. **Frederich "Fritz" William Becker**, born 25 December 1886 in St. Louis, Missouri, died 6 May 1961 in St. Mary's Hospital, Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. His details were in Chapter 7 and the 3 daughter's information will be continued in Chapter 9. On his wedding license he used the name Baker and that was the family name from then on. His brother "Baldy" was his witness and he signed the marriage license as C. B. Becker. Family lore says that Fritz was born prematurely and was very small and was put into the warming oven of the stove to sleep until he was able to function on his own.
- e. **Julia Becker**, born 1888 in St. Louis, Missouri, died 28 January 1892 in St. Louis, Missouri.
- f. **Clemens Balthazar "Baldy" Becker**, born 5 August 1889 in St. Louis, Missouri, though again, his obituary claims he was born in Quincy, Illinois, died 10 December 1984 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. He married Jeanette Roberts (born 2 August 1889 in Kirksville, Adair County, Missouri, a daughter of John and Katherine Lange Roberts) on 30 November 1910 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois; they were married by Edward Schueler, Minister of the Gospel. They had one daughter, Margaret Baker, born 26 January 1912, died 22 September 1993 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois, married Carl Henry Boehl, born 21 January 1906 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois, a son of Henry F. and Elisa Heusser Boehl, and died 1 April 1986 in Columbia, Missouri) on 1 December 1948 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. They had one son, Kenneth Carl Boehl, born in May of 1950.
- g. **Charles Edward Becker**, born 14 December 1892 in St. Louis, Missouri and died 2 November 1975 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery in Quincy. On 1 April 1913 he married in St. Rose Catholic Church, Quincy, Illinois, Stella Niehaus, born 2 July 1886 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois to Benjamin and Anna Holtman Niehaus. She died 1 June 1970 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois and is buried in Calvary Cemetery. They had three daughters:
1. **Irene M. Baker**, born 4 August 1917 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois, died 24 May 1995 and is buried in Calvary Cemetery. On 6 July 1934 she married Walter E. Bunte, born 17 February 1908 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois a son of August C. and Louise Futterer Bunte and died 1 July 1980 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. She is buried in Calvary Cemetery. They had 2 daughters and 2 sons.
  2. **Esther Baker**, born 26 June 1917 (still living in 2010) in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois and
  3. **Ruth Baker**, born 1922 and died 29 August 1931.
- h. **Elizabeth "Lizzie" L. Becker**, born 6 March 1895 in St. Louis, Missouri and died in Dubuque, Iowa. She married Peyton Long (born 26 September 1893 in Stanton, Virginia to George W. and Sarah Woodson Long and died in July 1979 in Dubuque, Iowa) on 17 September 1914 in Quincy, Adams County, Illinois. The following from the Quincy newspaper of the day. "Last Evening at 7 o'clock, the Rev. J. F. McMahan, 2104 Hampshire, Pastor of the East End Christian Church, spoke the words that united in marriage, Peyton

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Mary and Elizabeth Hale were sisters. It must have been a difficult time for Chester Hills Tallcott, his surviving son, Asa Welles Tallcott and daughter, Anna Mary Tallcott. Elizabeth was his second wife. His first wife, Mary Hale, had died in 1844.

Chester Hills Tallcott married his third wife, Harriet Stringham Finch on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 1849. Together they had six children.

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David Motycka has photographed and granted permission to publish the gravestones of Asa Tallcott (1778-1860) and Fannie Hills Tallcott (. He asked that we credit the Green Cemetery, Glastonbury, CT.

This photograph is of the gravestone of Asa Tallcott, born 4 Oct 1750, died 8 Jan 1785 in Glastonbury, Connecticut. This would be Chester Hills Tallcott's grandfather. His grandmother was Aner Stillman, born 6 Aug 1748 in Wethersfield, Hartford County, Connecticut, died 2 Jan 1829 in Glastonbury.

Asa and Aner had six children: Anna, Amelia, Asa, Sophia, Southmayd Stillman and William Tallcott



The pictures were taken with the help of a mirror. Most old gravestones face west. If you go to the cemetery in the morning when the sun is in the east, you can use a door mirror to reflect the sun diagonally back across the face of the stone. The surface is lit and the lettering is more in shadow. Asa's stone is on the left and his wife Polly's on the right and nearly destroyed.

