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JACOB HERSHBERGER
EARLY PIONEER OF FOUNTAIN COUNTY, INDIANA

Jacob Hershberger was one of the early pioneers of the area, being issued original land patents as early as 1829. On 22 September 1829 he purchased 80 acres (E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S22 T19N R8W) and on 23 September, another 80 acres (W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S23 T19N R8W). Source: Federal Land Records and Fountain County Records.

Jacob was born in Virginia about 1784, as he died 29 April 1849, being 64 years of age. He is buried in the Hershberger-Cade Cemetery located in Fountain County, Indiana. He was married to Mary Magdalene KING, daug. of George King, on 15 May 1810 in Rockingham County, Virginia. (Source: Marriage and Cemetery Records). Jacob's father was John Hershberger, who migrated from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia to Preble County, Ohio, where he died sometime between December 1832 and March 1833. (Source: land records).

Jacob entered the War of 1812 in July of 1813 and served in the Virginia military under Captain Robert Hook. He returned home on a furlough sick and not being able to recover his health, was discharged 16 January 1814. (Source: GSA Records, National Archives).

Records indicate that Jacob and Mary left Rockingham County, Virginia in 1814 to move westward to Montgomery County, Ohio. They lived there until the move to Fountain County, Indiana in 1829. Jacob prospered well in life and left a fine estate to his heirs. He had a brother, Abraham Hershberger who also migrated to Fountain County and where many of his descendants still live.

The children of Jacob and Mary Magdalene King Hershberger were:

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Co., Ind
1. Christina Hershberger, m. John WINSETT, jr., d. 22 Feb 1831
 2. Abigail Hershberger, m. John RAMAGE
 3. Samuel Hershberger, b. 1819, d. 1838
 4. Elijah Hershberger, b. 1819, d. 1881, m. Sarah Mae HARTMAN, b. 1824, d. 1892
 5. John Hershberger, d. 21 Oct 1889, m. Elizabeth BODEN, daug. of Thomas and Elizabeth RUSH Boden, she d. 30 Sept 1900
 6. Elizabeth Hershberger, b. 1823, m. George Washington BOOE
 7. Levi Hershberger, b. 1827, in Co. C, 53rd Indiana Infantry of Civil War, m. Nancy C. HARTMAN
 8. Jacob Hershberger, m. Mary Jane CRANMORE
 9. David Scott Hershberger, b. 24 June 1828, d. 29 Sept 1891, m. Eliza DEHAVEN, b. 10 July 1835, d. 14 June 1896, she was daug. of Jacob and Susan OSBORN DeHaven
 10. Jeremiah Hershberger, b. 5 Oct 1831, d. 5 June 1907, m. 1st (name unknown) in California and had children, wife died; m. 2nd Sarah Jane FOSTER, b. 19 Dec 1850, d. 10 May 1929
(Sources: family records, cemetery records, Fountain Co. marriage and court records, death certificates, newspapers).

The children of the above named no. 5, John and Elizabeth Boden Hershberger:

1. Elizabeth Hershberger, b. 1841, m. 1st Josiah KEELING, 2nd Steve BONEBRAKE
2. Adam Hershberger, b. 1842, d. 19 Feb 1884, m. 1st Sarah CARNES, 2nd Harriet MYERS
3. Serena Hershberger, b. 24 Dec 1845, d. 7 Dec 1903, m. William H. CARTWRIGHT
4. Mary Hershberger, b. 1847-9, m. a Mr. CRONK

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5. Willard Hershberger, b. 1855, d. Feb 1935, Gallatin, Missouri, m. Lucy E. CALDWELL
6. Emma Hershberger, b. 25 July 1863, d. 14 Oct 1915, m. a Mr. REATH
7. Charles Edward Hershberger, b. 29 March 1867, d. 30 July 1937, m. Dora TIPTON, daug. of James H. and Amanda BURK Tipton, b. 21 April 1871, d. 1956
(Sources: death certificates, marriage records, newspapers, tombstones, personal interviews).

The 2nd child, Adam Hershberger, was born in Fountain County, Indiana on the 6 April 1842. He enlisted as a private in I Company of the 40th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers on 11 Nov 1864 for service in the Civil War. His war records describe him as 5 feet 8 inches tall with light complexion, light hair, and blue eyes. Adam was wounded on 30 November 1864 at the skirmish line in the Battle of Franklin, Tennessee. Two other Fountain County men, Snowden B. GOOKINS and Cornelious BONEBRAKE, were within 3 feet of Adam Hershberger when he was wounded in the left thigh and abdominal region by a bullet fired from a sharp-shooter's rifle. These two men carried him from the field of battle. From 16 December 1864 until his discharge on 12 June 1865, Adam was treated at the U.S. General Hospital at Jeffersonville, Indiana. He died 19 February 1884 of Pyema in the gunshot wound that he had suffered from during battle. (Source: GSA Records, National Archives).

Adam Hershberger was married 1st to Sarah Ann CARNES, b. 1843 in Ohio, d. 4 August 1871, the daug. of Joseph and Parmelia Carnes. They had:

1. Parmelia Elizabeth Hershberger, b. 1 March 1869, d. 6 Jan 1943, m. Charles G. HAMM
2. William Hershberger, b. 21 March 1871, d. May 1943, m. Mary Rebecca THOMAS

(Sources: GSA Records, family and cemetery records).

Adam Hershberger married the 2nd time to Harriet Orintha MYERS, b. 16 May 1838, d. 18 March 1913, the daug. of William and Sarah VAN GUNDY Myers, grand-daugh. of John and Anna Marie DAVIS Van Gundy. They had children:

1. Sarah Jane Hershberger, b. 11 April 1875, d. 21 April 1959, m. John SMITH, b. 31 March 1860, d. 27 Oct 1933; son of Henry and Mary Elizabeth NEWNUM Smith
2. Ora May Hershberger, b. 14 March 1877, d. 18 Feb 1916, m. Floy BARKER
3. John Murphy Hershberger, b. 11 Oct 1880, d. 3 Dec 1952

John Murphy Hershberger was married to Eulala Pearl REDENBAUGH, b. 13 Sept 1881 in Fountain Co., d. 28 Sept 1959, daug of Willis and Nancy Jane HUTTS Redenbaugh. The children of John and Pearl Hershberger, all born Fountain Co., Indiana were:

1. a still-born son
2. Hazel May Hershberger, b. 7 May 1900, m. Otto Livingstone CHALMERS, b. 22 Dec 1887, son of James Chalmers whose family came from Virginia to Xenia, Ohio
3. Fredia Jane Hershberger, b. 17 March 1903, m. James Verlin ELLIS, son of Alva and Alma WRIGHT Ellis
4. Harry Adam Hershberger, b. 9 Sept 1905, d. 15 Feb 1961, m. Dorotha CHAPPLE, b. 19 May 1909, d. 12 June 1958, daug of Ila Justus and Myrtle CRUEY Chapple

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5. Tryphose Hershberger, b. 30 July 1908, m. Joseph GAGEN
6. Victor Wilson Hershberger, b. 16 April 1911, m. Irma Louise LANGMAN, dau of John and Mary J. HOFFMAN Langman
7. Ruby Helen Hershberger, b. 15 Oct 1913, m. Arthur E. RYAN, b. 5 Apr 1909, son of Charles Henry and Mary Ellen NEIGHSWHINGER Ryan
8. Retha Willa Hershberger, b. 10 Oct 1916, m. Charles Allen FEATHERSTONE, b. 18 Nov 1915, son of Herman Lester and Bertha HALE Featherstone
9. Iona Evangeline Hershberger, b. 3 April 1919, m. Russell Milton NALE, b. 9 Sep 1918, son of David Milton and Emma Wilmeth NICCUM Nale
10. John Glenville Hershberger, b. 31 July 1921, m. Ethel Lucille FUNK, dau of Mr. and Mrs. Loy Funk
11. Eamer Laverne Hershberger, b. 19 Feb 1924
(Sources: family records and birth certificates)

This information was from Mrs. Russell (Iona Hershberger) Nale, Star City, Indiana in 1976.

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CITY DIRECTORIES

Everyone always goes to the Censuses to find someone, have you ever used a city directory? If it is a city that issued such a source, then you may have a chance of finding them. At our Danville Public Library in the Genealogy Room, you may ask to see those available. Xerox copies of a Danville Business Directory for 1869 & 1870 may help if they were business people. Then with 1874-75 start the Danville City Directory. In these you will find a variety of material. They will tell you the population of the city by white, colored, female & male; the names of all streets and if they run north-south or east-west; plus many other interesting facts. And for each person who lived in the city is a listing of their name, occupation and exact location of the address they lived. Most years from 1874 up to the present are available. It doesn't appear that the smaller towns in the county issued such directories, until the 1901 edition for Danville is a complete listing of the entire county of Vermilion, persons listed according to the township they lived in. Maybe this source would provide the information you have been seeking. We know of one lady who was fortunate enough to find her family in a New York City Directory of 1811! So the next time you are in the library, check to see if this source will help you. At Danville, you will have to ask to see a City Directory as they are not kept on the open shelves. This has to be done so that they will be preserved and not destroyed.

BURGET FAMILY RECORD

This family bible record was sent to Mrs. Eunice Morrison, 208 East 12th Street, Georgetown, IL 61846 by Mrs. Gloria Carter, Springfield, Missouri.

New Testament of Our Lord and Saviour
Published Philadelphia 1818

Births

Valentine BURGET, son of Valentine and Mahala BURGET was born June 8th 1773
Mary Jane, dau of Samuel and Hannah LANE was born March the 16th 1778
Jetisa V. BURGET was born May 11th 1843
Hannah BURGET, dau of Valentine and Mary BURGET was born January 28th 1802
Elizabeth BURGET, dau of Valentine and Mary BURGET was born March 28, 1804
Lettice BURGET, dau of Valentine and Mary BURGET was born July 11th 1807
Mary BURGET, dau of Valentine and Mary BURGET was born October the 3rd, 1810
Samuel BURGET, son of Valentine and Mary BURGET was born January 25th 1812
Robert GRIFFITH, son of Thomas son of Thomas (typed as written in Bible)
was born November the 16th 1797
Samuel I. GRIFFITH, son of Thomas and Hannah GRIFFITH was born February
the 12th 1820
Mary GRIFFITH, dau of Thomas and Hannah GRIFFITH was born 18th February 1822
William RICHEY was b. 1807
Mary G. BRASELTON was born Feb. the 9th 1814
Elizabeth GRIFFITH, dau of Thomas and Hannah GRIFFITH was born December
the 2nd 1827
George Washington GRIFFITH, son of Samuel and Mary G. BURGET was born March
the 24th 1827
Robert WORK, son of William WORK and Mary WORK his wife was born Oct 4th 1727
Mary J.B. WORK, dau of Robert WORK and Lettice WORK was born November
2nd 1825
William V. WORK was born June the ____ first 1828
Harriet PARKER, dau of William and Elizabeth PARKER was born October the
16th 1813
Harriet BURGET, dau of Samuel and Harriet BURGET was born Nov. the 18th
A.D. 1831

Deaths

Valentine BURGETT Departed this life June the Six (?) 1829 aged 36
Mary BURGET wife of Valentine BURGET died July the 24, 1855; aged 76 years
4 mos. 8 days
Samuel BURGETT departed this life Feb. 26th 1885 age 73 years 1 month 1 day
Felix BURGET departed this life Feb. the 5th 1858
Samuel W. BURGET 1858 departed this life Feb 16
Mary J.B. BURGET wife of Samuel BURGET died November the 4th 1890 age 76
years 8 months 26 days
Mary WORK wife of Jonas died Oct 9th age 77year 11 months 29 days
Harriet BURGET wife of Samuel BURGET departed this life Nov the 18th A.D.
1831 age 18 years and too days old
Samuel BURGETT departed this life Feb 26th 1885 age 73 years 1 month 1 day