

First Generation

1. **James STEPHENSON**¹⁻⁴ was born about 1740.⁵ Property: Bought 286 acres in the Blue Grass valley for \$283 from Matthew Patton in 1785.⁵ Location: in Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA above Vanderpool about 1790.⁶ Moved From: Pennsylvania about 1790.⁶ Estate: on 8 May 1813 Willed 228 1/2 acre farm to son Adam .³ He signed a will on 8 May 1813 in Pendleton County, VA.⁴ He died in 1813; at the age of 73.¹ Office Held: Justice of the Peace, Pendleton County, VA for many years ⁵

James STEPHENSON and Rachel DAVIS were married about 1768.⁵ **Rachel DAVIS**^{1-2,4-5} was born (date unknown).

James STEPHENSON and Rachel DAVIS had the following children:

- +2 i. **Rachel STEPHENSON**, married James GWIN, 1799; died 1844.
- 3 ii. **Rebecca STEPHENSON**^{1,4,7} was born (date unknown).
- +4 iii. **Sarah STEPHENSON**.
- +5 iv. **Jane STEPHENSON**, married Joshua WOOD, 15 Nov 1810, Pendleton County, VA.
- +6 v. **Elizabeth STEPHENSON**.
- 7 vi. **Cynthia STEPHENSON**^{4,7-8} was born (date unknown).
- +8 vii. **Esther STEPHENSON**.
- 9 viii. **Aaron STEPHENSON**^{1,9} was born before 1776.⁵
- +10 ix. **John STEPHENSON**, born 1776; married Margaret Jane GREEN, 1799; died 1842.
- +11 x. **Adam C. STEPHENSON**, born 1780, Pendleton County, VA; married Elizabeth B. KERR, 1848, Pocahontas County, VA; married Eva C. CAMPBELL, 1806; married Margaret MOORE, 1821; died 1853.
- 12 xi. **James STEPHENSON Jr.**^{4,7,10} was born after 1780.⁵ Illness: weak in body in Feb 1817.⁷ He signed a will on 17 Nov 1821 in Pendleton County, VA.⁷ Military: Served briefly in the War of 1812.³
- +13 xii. **Mary STEPHENSON**, born 1785, Virginia; married Robert GWIN, 1805.
- +14 xiii. **Margaret STEPHENSON**, born 1794, Pendleton County, VA; married John MCNULTY, 4 Jun 1812, Pendleton County, VA.

Second Generation

2. **Rachel STEPHENSON**^{2,11-13} (James-1) died in 1844; .¹⁴

Rachel STEPHENSON and James GWIN were married in 1799.¹ **James GWIN**^{2,11-13,15-16}, son of David GWIN and Jane CARLILE, died before 1850; .¹⁷

James GWIN and Rachel STEPHENSON had the following children:

- 15 i. **Matthew GWIN**¹⁸⁻¹⁹ was born in 1801.²⁰ Agriculture: in 1850 200 acres improved, 100 acres unimproved land; farm value \$3,000, machinery value \$5, livestock value \$430 in Highland County, VA²¹ Occupation: Farmer in 1860.²⁰ Property: Owned personal estate valued at \$982 in 1860.²⁰ Property: Owned real estate valued at \$3,500 in 1860.²⁰
- +16 ii. **David GWIN**, born 1803, Bath County, VA; married Martha E. PRAY, 1842.
- +17 iii. **Rachel GWIN**, born 5 Jun 1809, Bath County, VA; married John HINER, 1841; died 17 Jan 1862, Highland County, VA.
- +18 iv. **James GWIN**, born 1817, Back Creek, Bath County, VA; married Mahala PRAY, 16 Oct 1849,

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- Highland County, VA; died 6 Jan 1867, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- 19 v. **Eliza GWIN**^{13,22-23} was born in 1823 in Bath County, VA.^{13,24} Occupation: Housekeeper in 1853.¹³ She died on 18 Jul 1853; at the age of 30 acute enteritis in Highland County, VA.¹³ Individual Note: unmarried.¹³
- 20 vi. **Ann GWIN**^{22,25-28} was born about 1824 in Bath County, VA.^{27,29-31} Occupation: Housekeeper in 1860.³² Illness: Infirm in 1870.²⁷ Property: Owned personal property valued at \$50 in 1870.²⁷ Property: Owned real estate valued at \$1,000 in 1870.²⁷ She died on 24 Nov 1875; at the age of 51 dropsy in Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.²⁸ Individual Note: single.²⁸
- +21 vii. **Alcinda GWIN**, born 1825, Bath County, VA; married George W. HOLLAR, 11 Dec 1876, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA; died Jan 1892, Bullpasture River Valley, Highland County, VA.
- +22 viii. **Samuel GWIN**, born 1824, Bath County, VA; married Eleanor DEVER, 12 Oct 1854, Highland County, VA; died 24 Jul 1871, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- +23 ix. **John GWIN**, born 1827, Bath County, VA; married Nancy MCGLAUGHLIN, 25 May 1875, Highland County, VA; died 14 Apr 1876, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.

4. **Sarah STEPHENSON**¹ (James-1) was born (date unknown).

Location: in Randolph County .¹ **Robert CRAWFORD**³³ was born (date unknown).

5. **Jane STEPHENSON**^{1,4} (James-1) was born (date unknown).

Jane STEPHENSON and Joshua WOOD were married on 15 Nov 1810 in Pendleton County, VA.^{1,34} **Joshua WOOD**^{1,35} was born (date unknown).

Joshua WOOD and Jane STEPHENSON had the following child:

- 24 i. **James WOOD**⁷ was born (date unknown).

6. Location: moved to Randolph County .¹ **Elizabeth STEPHENSON**¹ (James-1) was born (date unknown).

Andrew CRAWFORD¹ was born (date unknown).

8. **Esther STEPHENSON**^{1,4} (James-1) was born (date unknown).

Joshua KEY¹ was born (date unknown).

10. **John STEPHENSON**^{1,4,36} (James-1) was born in 1776.¹ Property: Purchased a farm near Bolar, VA before 1813.⁵ He died in 1842; at the age of 66.¹

John STEPHENSON and Margaret Jane GREEN were married in 1799.¹ **Margaret Jane GREEN**³⁷⁻³⁹ was born in 1777 in Bath County, VA.⁴⁰ Agriculture: in 1850 100 acres improved, 100 acres unimproved land; farm value \$4,000, machinery value \$78, livestock value \$1,135 in Highland County, VA²¹ Occupation: Farmer in 1850.⁴⁰ Property: Owned real estate valued at \$4,000 in 1850.⁴⁰

John STEPHENSON and Margaret Jane GREEN had the following children:

- 25 i. **Andrew J. STEPHENSON**⁸ was born (date unknown).
- 26 ii. **James STEPHENSON**¹⁰ was born (date unknown).
- +27 iii. **Margaret STEPHENSON**.
- +28 iv. **William STEPHENSON**, born 1805, Bath County, VA; married Eliza J. CURRY, 4 Nov 1847, Highland County, VA; died 1 Apr 1886, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- +29 v. **David STEPHENSON**, born 1807, Bath County, VA; died 21 Feb 1878, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- +30 vi. **Adam STEPHENSON**, born 15 Mar 1811, Jackson's River, Bath County, VA; married Sarah Charlotte WILSON, 1838; died 2 Oct 1889, Highland County, VA.
- +31 vii. **Washington STEPHENSON**, born 25 Jun 1813, Bath County, VA; married Susannah Esther WILSON, 2 Jan 1855, Highland County, VA; died 30 May 1858, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- +32 viii. **Eliza Jane STEPHENSON**, born 6 Sep 1815, Bath County, VA; married David GWIN, 2 Jun 1847, Highland County, VA; died 28 Jan 1885, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.

11. **Adam C. STEPHENSON**^{4,7,41-44} (James-1) was born in 1780 in Pendleton County, VA.⁴⁵⁻⁴⁶ Property: Inherited 228 1/2 acres from his father in 1813.⁵ Organization: on 20 May 1847 Member of the court to establish Highland County, Virginia.⁴⁷ Agriculture: in 1850 100 acres improved, 700 acres unimproved land; farm value \$4,000, machinery value \$10, livestock value \$780 in Highland County, VA²¹ Occupation: Farmer in 1850.⁴¹ Property: Owned real estate valued at \$4,000 in 1850.⁴¹ Property: May have begun construction of Sunnyside mansion, on route 640 near Hightown, VA about 1850.⁵ He died in 1853; at the age of 73.⁴⁸ Office Held: Justice of the Peace, Highland County, VA⁵ Military: Served briefly in the War of 1812.⁵

Adam C. STEPHENSON and Elizabeth B. KERR were married in 1848 in Pocahontas County, VA.⁴⁹ **Elizabeth B. KERR**^{5,50-51} was born in 1799 in Bath County, VA.⁴¹ She died in 1853; at the age of 54.⁵

Adam C. STEPHENSON and Eva C. CAMPBELL were married in 1806.^{1,5} **Eva C. CAMPBELL**¹ was born (date unknown).

Adam C. STEPHENSON and Margaret MOORE were married in 1821.⁵ Location: in Pocahontas County, WV.¹ **Margaret MOORE**⁵²⁻⁵³ was born (date unknown).

Adam C. STEPHENSON and Margaret MOORE had the following children:

- 33 i. Location: in Meadowdale area of Highland County, VA in 1857.⁵⁴ Location: left Highland County for the western U.S. in 1858.⁵⁴ Location: in Woodstock, IL in 1901.⁵⁴ **A. O. STEPHENSON**⁵⁵ was born (date unknown).

- +34 ii. **James STEPHENSON**, born 1824, Pendleton County, VA; married Lucinda BENSON, 4 Feb 1851.
- +35 iii. **Andrew W. STEPHENSON**, born 1825, Pendleton County, VA; married Susanna B. NOTTINGHAM, 7 Apr 1852, Highland County, VA.
- +36 iv. **John STEPHENSON**, born 24 Jan 1827, Pendleton County, VA; married Laura Anne WOODS, 25 Dec 1855, Meadowdale, Highland County, VA; died 19 Jan 1894, Meadowdale, Highland County, VA.
- +37 v. **Asgal C. STEPHENSON**, born Dec 1828, Pendleton County, VA; married Virginia Jane STEUART, 11 Sep 1851; died Mar 1907, Highland County, VA.
- +38 vi. **Janetta STEPHENSON**, born 1830, Pendleton County, VA; married David GROVES, 21 Apr 1853, Highland County, VA.
- +39 vii. **Julia STEPHENSON**, born 1832, Pendleton County, VA.
- +40 viii. **Mahala E. STEPHENSON**, born 1834, Pendleton County, VA; married John V. B. WADE, 6 Oct 1856, Highland County, VA.
- +41 ix. **Amos STEPHENSON**, born 1836, Pendleton County, VA.
- 42 x. **Caroline STEPHENSON**^{41,56} was born in 1838 in Pendleton County, VA.⁴¹

13. **Mary STEPHENSON**^{14,57-59} (James-1) was born in 1785 in Virginia.⁶⁰

Mary STEPHENSON and Robert GWIN⁵⁷ were married in 1805.¹⁴ **Robert GWIN**^{14,57-59}, son of David GWIN and Jane CARLILE, was born in 1784 in Virginia.⁶¹⁻⁶² Occupation: farmer in Bath County, VA in 1860.⁵⁹ Property: owned real estate valued at \$2,000 and personal estate valued at \$1,000 in Bath County, VA in 1860.⁵⁹ He died in 1869; at the age of 85.¹⁴ He was buried at Tomahawk Ranch in Highland County, VA.⁶³ Military: 59th Virginia Militia, War of 1812.⁶³

Robert GWIN and Mary STEPHENSON had the following children:

- 43 i. **Mary A. GWIN**⁶⁴ was born (date unknown).
- 44 ii. **Robert GWIN**²² was born (date unknown).
- +45 iii. **Jane GWIN**.
- 46 iv. **Caroline GWIN**⁶⁴ was born (date unknown).
- +47 v. **James GWIN**.
- +48 vi. **David GWIN**, born 1809, Bath County, VA; married Hannah FOLKS, 29 Jan 1857, Highland County, VA; married Jane LOCKRIDGE, bef 1857; died 1872.
- +49 vii. **Hester B. "Hettie" GWIN**, born 13 May 1818, Jackson's River, Bath County, VA; died 30 Jun 1873, Jackson's River area, Highland County, VA.
- +50 viii. **Cynthia GWIN**, born 1816, Bath County, VA; died 8 Feb 1893, Big Valley near Bolar, VA.
- +51 ix. **Emily M. "Emma" GWIN**, born 1820, Bath County, VA; died 13 Apr 1900, Bullpasture River Valley, Highland County, VA.
- +52 x. **Houston F. GWIN**, born 1826, Bath County, VA; married Jane E. SEYBERT, 16 Jun 1853, Highland County, VA.
- +53 xi. **Amanda GWIN**, born 1832, Bath County, VA; died 30 Aug 1869, Monterey, Highland County, VA.
- +54 xii. **Moses GWIN**, born Dec 1834, Bath County, VA; married Elizabeth Ann COBB, 17 Jun 1873, Highland County, VA.

14. **Margaret STEPHENSON**^{4,65-70} (James-1) was born in 1794 in Pendleton County, VA.⁷¹⁻⁷²

Margaret STEPHENSON and John MCNULTY were married on 4 Jun 1812 in Pendleton County, VA.^{34,65} **John MCNULTY**^{68-70,73} was born in 1769 in Ireland.⁷⁴⁻⁷⁷ Location: in Jackson's River, above Vanderpool about 1810.⁶ He

died in 1846; at the age of 77.⁷⁸

John MCNULTY and Margaret STEPHENSON had the following children:

- 55 i. **James MCNULTY**⁷⁹ died in 1842; .⁷⁸
- 56 ii. **Margaret MCNULTY**⁸⁰ was born (date unknown).
- +57 iii. **David MCNULTY**, born 1812, Pendleton County, VA; died 19 Apr 1900, Bolar, VA.
- 58 iv. **Daniel MCNULTY**^{13,66,78,81-82} was born on 15 Nov 1817 in Pocahontas County, VA.^{13,83-84}
 Agriculture: in 1850 30 acres improved, 140 acres unimproved land; farm value \$1,750, machinery value \$30, livestock value \$610 in Highland County, VA²¹ Occupation: Farmer between 1850 and 1860.^{66,84} Property: Owned real estate valued at \$1,750 in 1850.⁶⁶ Property: Owned real estate valued at \$2,069 in 1860.⁸⁴ He died on 25 Feb 1862; at the age of 44 fever in Highland County, VA.^{13,78} Property: Owned 182 acres valued at \$1,035.50 in 1862.⁸² Money at Interest: \$1,050 in 1862 .⁸² Cash on Hand: \$330 in 1862 .⁸² Agriculture: in 1862 Owned 10 cattle, horses, and mules valued at \$209 ⁸² Individual Note: single .¹³
- +59 v. **Nancy S. MCNULTY**, born 1825, Pocahontas County, WV; married Francis H. CARVER, 7 Jun 1848, Highland County, VA.
- +60 vi. **Franklin "Frank" MCNULTY**, born 23 Oct 1827, Pocahontas County, VA; married Frances Margaret WILSON, 8 Jul 1862, Highland County, VA; died 24 Dec 1893, Meadowdale, Highland County, VA.
- +61 vii. **John S. MCNULTY**, born 30 Nov 1832, Pocahontas County, WV; married Mary Margaret MCCLUNG, 26 Dec 1865, Clover Creek area, Highland County, VA; died 2 Jun 1915, Stonewall District, Highland County, VA.

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1. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337.
2. *New History of Highland County, VA* (1983), 150.
3. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02.
4. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 3, pages 259-262.
5. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. Summer Guide.
6. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 252.
7. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 4, pages 66-67.
8. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337. single.
9. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. Summer Guide. Eldest son; died young and unmarried.
10. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337. died at age 25.
11. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 292, 337.
12. Highland County Courthouse Marriage Records, Book 1, page 825.
13. Highland County Death Records.
14. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 292.
15. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A. likely dead by 1850 as 5 of his grown children were living in one household.
16. Highland County Courthouse Marriage Records, Book 1, page 883.
17. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A. likely dead by 1850 as 5 of his grown children were living in one household.
18. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 293.
19. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 208. sole member of household.
20. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 208.
21. 1850 Agricultural Census, Highland County, VA.
22. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 293. single.
23. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A. same household as 4 grown siblings.
24. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A.
25. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A. listed as Ann; same household as 4 grown siblings.
26. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 213. listed in brother John's household as Anna.
27. Highland County, Virginia Census 1870, 181B.
28. Highland County Death Records, 1875.
29. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 85A. says 26 years old.
30. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 213. listed as 34 years old.
31. Highland County Death Records, 1875. 60 years.
32. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 213.
33. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337. question as to first name.
34. Pendleton County, VA Marriage Records.
35. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 4, pages 66-67. Joshua Woods.
36. Highland County Death Records, 1858, 1878, 1885, 1886, 1889.
37. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337. says Margaret J.
38. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 83B. listed as Jane; also listed in household were John W. Stephenson, a farmer age 42, and 14 year old Guy Miller a mullato from Bath County, VA.
39. Highland County Death Records, 1858, 1878, 1886, 1889. Jane; Nancy (1886).
40. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 83B.
41. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 76B.
42. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337, 338.

43. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. Summer Guide; 6th born and 3rd son.
44. Highland County Death Records, 1894.
45. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 76B. abt 1784.
46. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. Summer Guide; says born in 1780.
47. *Recorder*, 6 Jul 1894.
48. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. 1853, Summer Guide.
49. **Wooddell, James E. & Rita H**; Pocahontas County Marriage Bonds and Minister's Returns, 42. no minister's return.
50. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 76B. lists 51 year old Elizabeth, born in Bath County.
51. **Wooddell, James E. & Rita H**; Pocahontas County Marriage Bonds and Minister's Returns, 42.
52. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 337. says Rachel.
53. *Recorder*, 16, 7 Jun 02. Summer Guide; says second wife's name was Margaret Moore.
54. *Recorder*, 3, 31 May 1901.
55. *Recorder*, 3, 31 May 1901. brother to Asgel; likely the same as Amos or another male sibling.
56. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 338. died as youth.
57. Highland County Courthouse Marriage Records, Book 1, page 827.
58. Highland County Death Records, 1869, 1873.
59. Bath County, VA Census, 1860, 236.
60. Bath County, VA Census, 1860, 236. 75 years.
61. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 292. 1782.
62. Bath County, VA Census, 1860, 236. 74 years.
63. **J. C. Matheny Jr., E. R. Matheny**, *Vital Records of Highland County, Virginia*, 121.
64. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 293. died young.
65. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 321, 337.
66. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 79B.
67. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 214. listed in son Daniel's household.
68. **J. C. Matheny Jr., E. R. Matheny**, *Vital Records of Highland County, Virginia*, 329.
69. Highland County Courthouse Marriage Records, Book 1, 349, 350.
70. Highland County Death Records, 1893.
71. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 79B. says 56 years old.
72. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 214. says 70 years old.
73. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 321, 337. says John McNulty.
74. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 252, 321.
75. Highland County, Virginia Census 1880, 177B.
76. Highland County, Virginia Census 1880, 186B. daughter Nancy's entry gives location.
77. Highland County, Virginia Census 1880, 201B. son David's entry gives location.
78. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 321.
79. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 321. single.
80. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 321. died young.
81. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 214. also listed in household were mother, brother Franklin, and 20 year old Rachael Waggy, house servant.
82. Civil War Tax Record, Highland County, VA 1862.
83. Highland County, Virginia Census 1850, 79B. listed as 28 years old.
84. Highland County, Virginia Census 1860, 214.