



December, 1989

Dear Family:

I knew Aunt Hazel had been a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Algonquin Chapter, St. Joseph, MI. and knew there were family records some of us might be interested in. One of the members of DAR, who knew Aunt Hazel, gave me the information to obtain the first 21 pages of this delineation of lineage of the SYKES Family.

Pages 22, 23 and 24 I composed with the information I had compiled. I left a few blanks which you can complete, and no doubt each family might want to add more information. I did not know the year of birth for Nolita, Marybeth and Mark Wiltse (Helen gave me birth month and days). Also, places of birth I left blank rather than to guess wrong. Counties are important as they are good sources of birth and marriage and death records.

I also intend to go out to the Keeler Cemetary next year where I can find Roll Clover's birth and death dates (and for Mildred, his second wife, after whom our Mildred Mae is named). Uncle Carl and Claude Sykes and other of their brothers and sisters are buried there. Uncle Carl died on Labor Day, I think in 1939, and I know approximately where their graves are.

If you have any corrections or additions, please let me know so I can keep a master copy updated.

Instead of buying gifts this year, I am sending this information to you. Each of the Clover girl children are receiving sufficient copies for their children (our grandchildren). I hope our children and grandchildren will appreciate, as time goes on, that their family background goes back to 1633 in Massachusetts, and prior to that, in England.

Merry Christmas, Happy 1990, and Love, as ever,

*Sister, Mother, Grandmother
and Aunt Joyce Clover Parren*

DELINATION OF LINEAGE

of the

SIKES FAMILY

(Spelling changed to SYKES early 1800's)

(Note: Mildred Ethel Sykes was the mother
of Clarence Horace [Clare] Clover.)

SYKES-FAMILY

DELINEATION OF LINEAGE

RICHARD SIKES, a Puritan, from England settled in Roxbury, Mass. about 1633.

About 1641 he removed and settled in Springfield where he died March 1676 and where his widow, Phebe, died January 2, 1687.

Children born in Springfield, except the first.

- 1- Rebecca, born in Roxbury, 1640, married Nathaniel Burt of Springfield in 1662.
- 2-- Experience, born in 1642, died June 7, 1648.
- 3-- Increase, born August 6, 1644, married March 22, 1671, Abigail Fowler.
- 4-- Nathaniel, born October 30, 1646, married Hannah Bagg.
- 5-- Victory, born March 3, 1649, married Elizabeth Burt.
- 6-- James, born June 11, 1651, died May 24, 1684.

Rebecca, oldest child of Richard and Phebe Sikes, married January 15, 1662, Nathaniel Burt, a prominent citizen of Springfield, who gave lands for support of schools and the church and many years after his death the town erected a tablet to his memory.

Children born in Springfield were;

1--Nathanial, born Jan. 18, 1663, married Jan. 21, 1691

Elizabeth Dumbleton

2--Rebecca, born Dec. 10, 1665, married Jan. 29, 1690, Chas. Ferry

3--David, born May 20, 1668, married June 27, 1706, Martha Hale.

4--John, born August 23, 1670, married Dec. 23, 1697, Mary

Lombard and was killed Feb. 25, 1704.

5--Sarah, born July 27, 1673, died July 31, 1673

6--Sarah, born April 7, 1675, married Feb. 8, 1693, Nathanial Horton

7--Experience, born Jan. 23, 1677, married Feb. 15, 1705, Thomas Hale

8--Dorcas, born Feb. 10, 1680, married Feb. 25, 1703, John Atchinson

Increase Sikes, son of Richard and Phebe, married

Abigail Fowler, daughter of Ambrose and Jane, March 22, 1671. He died March 24, 1712 and his widow died June 19, 1733. He settled in Springfield.

Children born in Springfield.

1--John, born April 23, 1672, died Nov. 1689.

2--Nathanial, born July 7, 1673, married Elizabeth ^Ball

3--Increase, born Jan. 1, 1675, married Mary Knowlton.

4--Abigail, born March 16, 1677, married William Hendrick

5--Rebecca, born Sept. 15, 1678, married Samuel Wright

6--Samuel, born March 27, 1680, married Mary Foot

7--Phoeben born Feb. 21, 1682, died March 15, 1682

8--James, born 1684, died May 24, 1684.

9--Benjamin, born 1685, died July 30, 1687.

Victory Sikes, son of Richard and Phebe, married Elizabeth Burt, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth, January 22, 1672. He married second at Suffield, January 16, 1684, Elizabeth Granger. He married, third, Mary Trumble, Dec. 22, 1692 and died at Suffield, April 25, 1708. He settled in Springfield where his 6 oldest children were born.

- 1--Jonathan, born Dec.16, 1673, died August---1674
- 2--Jonathan, born July 17, 1675, married Mary Lane of Suffield Ct. and died there Sept. 25, 1710.
- 3--Elizur, born Dec.11, 1677, died Dec.28,1677.
- 4--Abel, born Feb.24,1678, died March 14,1679.
- 5--Samuel, born March 3, 1680, married Mehitable Hanchet.
- 6--Benjamin, born Oct. 16, 1682, died Nov. 1, 1682.
- 7--Victory, child by second wife, born at Suffield, Sept.5, 1689, married Maty King, of Suffield.
- 8--John, born ----died April 19 16--

Nathanial, fourth child of Richard and Phebe Sikes, married Hannah Bagg, daughter of John and Hannah, Feb. 3, 1680. He settled in Springfield and died Sept. 15, 1687 and his widow died May 13, 1740.

His Children Were;

- 1--Hannah, born June 27, 1682, died July 29, 1685.
- 2--Hannah, born July 14, 1685, married Samuel Barker.
- 3--Nathanial, born August 23, 1686, died April 13, 1750.

Nathanial, second child of Increase and Abigail (Fowler) Sikes, married Nov. 27, 1697 Elizabeth Ball and settled in Springfield.

Their children were;

- 1--John, born Dec. 30, 1697.
- 2--Elizabeth, born Jan. 29, 1699.
- 3--Francis, born Feb. 2, 1701-2
- 4--Abigail, born Dec. 10, 1703.
- 5--Nathanial, born March 15, 1705-6, died Sept. 13, 1733.
- 6--James, born May 24, 1709.
- 7--Mercy, born June 1, 1712.
- 8--Joseph, born March 31, 1715.
- 9--James, born August 13, 1719.

Increase Jr. third child of Increase and Abigail (Fowler) Sikes, married Oct. 28, 1697, Mary Knowlton, born Sept. 17, 1677 daughter of Benjamin Knowlton and Hannah Merrick. She died Jan. 2, 1708, and he married second Mary Warriner, daughter of James Warriner, Sept. 30, 1709. He settled in Springfield and died Sept. 3, 1750.

His children all by his first wife were;

- 1--Mary, born August, 18, 1698, died August 26, 1698.
- 2--Increase, III, born March 20, 1700, married 1722 Mary Sikes

3--James, born Sept. 30, died Oct. 7, 1702.

4--Benjamin, born August 18, 1704.

5--Jonathan, born Dec. 31, 1707, married 1731.

Samuel, the sixth child of Increase and Abigail (Fowler) Sikes, married Mary Foot, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Merriick) Foot.

Their Children were;

1-- -----born Nov. 20, 1707

2--Sarah, born Jan. 24, 1709-10

3--Samuel, born Oct. 21, 1715.

4--Mirriam, born July 11, 1719

January 21, 1725

Benjamin Sikes, enters his intention of marriage with Hannah Chapin and their publishment was posted up the 22nd day of said month. (Taken from Springfield Town Records.)

Benjamin, the fourth child of Increase and Mary (Knowlton) Sikes, married March 10, 1726, Hannah Chapin. He settled first in Springfield where all his children were born.

Their children were;

1-- Hannah, born Dec. 17, 1726

2--Benjamin, born June 2, 1728.

3--Abner, born Oct. 12, 1729.

4--Eunice, born June 11, 1731 and died 1731

- 5-- Eunice, born June 9, 1732 and died 1732
- 6-- Eunice born August 19, 1733.
- 7-- Lois--, born-----
- 8-- Jonathan, born July 20, 1736, died Nov. 1736.
- 9--Mary, born June 7, 1739.
- 10--Phebe, born July 14, 1741.
- 11--Jonathan, consider born Dec. 1742.
- 12--Phebe, born July 14, 1744.
- 13--Cibil--born March 13, 1745.
- 14--John, born Oct. 19, 1747, married Hannah and died in Ludlow July 27, 1807.
- 15--Eleanor, born March 5, 1748.

Benjamin Sikes settled second in Ludlow where he died Aud. 2, 1781 and where she died April 17, 1790.

Abner Sikes enters his intention of marriage with Mercy Parsons of Springfield Dec. 21, 1756.

Abner Sikes, and Mercy Parsons were joined in marriage Jan. 13, Anne Domini 1757

(From Town Records of Springfield)

Abner Sikes settele d in ~~Springfield~~ Ludlow

Richard Sikes came to America from England and settled in Roxbury, Mass. about 1633.

About three years later, William Pynchon, who had come with Richard Sikes from London, with two others from Roxbury, purchased land of the Indians on the Connecticut river 100 miles west of Roxbury for an English settlement.

A street was laid out running nearly parallel with the river and about $1/4$ of a mile east of it. On this street which is the present Main st. of Springfield, were laid out narrow strips of land, averaging about 8 rods on the street and running back to the river for Homelots for about 40 families, but only those could obtain a Homelot who were thought to be worthy characters and would make desirable citizens.

After living in Roxbury perhaps seven or eight years, Richard Sikes with his wife and child, removed to Pynchon's new settlement on the Connecticut and was admitted as an inhabitant as early as 1641.

This act showed him to be a bold and fearless man, for none other would risk not only his own life but that of his family in a weak defenceless settlement surrounded by tribes of savages that were liable at any time to utterly destroy them. The land granted him for a Homelot probably cost him only a few shillings and was where the new Municipal Building, City Auditorium and Tower built in 1913 at a cost of 2,000,000.00 dollars now stand and next to what has long been known as Court Square.

In 1644 Richard Sikes was chosen a member of Springfield

first of Selectmen, and served 2 years. He served on important committees also as overseer of roads and bridges etc.

It was the custom in early days to choose a committee to "seat" the church. Persons were "seated" according to rank, respectability etc.

Those who stood highest were given the best seats--those directly in front of the pulpit. For several years Goodman Sikes was assigned the second seat in front of the pulpit which indicates that he was highly respected in the town.

In the first century of the history of Springfield the historian says "We find Richard Sikes who was on the first board of selectmen not only following the vocation of a farmer, but doing what ever came to him, and while he had stood as one of the foremost of "discreet" men, we note his public service in sweeping the meeting house, and in ringing the bell for meetings, marriages and funerals. He continued to serve the town in this office for several years, for which he received 52 shillings a year.

For nearly 35 years he lived in his early settlement, laboring for and enjoying its peace and prosperity, which was perhaps as great as could be expected under the circumstances of those times, but on Oct. 5, 1675, in King Phillip's War, a terrible event occurred, which must have been one of great sorrow, discouragement, and perhaps personal loss to him when the Indians

lly destroying the place. Three persons were
ur wounded , about thirty houses and nearly as many
2/3 of the whole number in town) were burned down,
stored the fruit of the summer's toil, on which
for their winter's support. It may be that his hou
ere among the number.

ths after witnessing the destruction of these
1 1676 Richard Sikes, the emigrant and ancestor
s we trust to the Heavenly Home, to a house not
s, eternal in the Heavens".

of Richard, served in various minor offices.
ed a sawmill as the town granted him the
tting one up. He was often chosen sealer of
so measurer of lumber, etc. According to the
made and mended shoes.

n fortified the meeting-house by building a
s, 5 rods long on each of its 4 sides. Increase
, Victory, furnished enough logs for 1 rod in
lasides. In 1677 the town paid him 70 pounds
town house.

Increase Sikes Jr. served on the board of Selectmen in 1721, 1722 and 1724. He also served the town as measurer of lumber and sealer of leather etc.

About 1751 Benjamin son of Increase Sikes Jr. with his family removed from Springfield village to the northeastern part of the territory embraced in the original town of Springfield and which 23 years later (1774) was incorporated as the town of Ludlow. The territory had remained unoccupied, probably from fear of the Indians for about 16 years, although only about 8 or 10 miles distant from Springfield village.

Benjamin Sikes is supposed to be one of the first four who ventured to establish a home here. It is supposed he settled on the allotment of land which was given in 1685 by vote of the town of Springfield to Phebe, widow of Richard Sikes, and Increase Sikes Sr. who were two of the 19 persons who were made proprietors of this territory and that the land fell to him by inheritance.

The oldest cemetery in town is on land donated by Benjamin Sikes and a suitable acknowledgement of the gift is in the town records.

Abner, son of Benjamin Sikes served on the first board of Selectmen of Ludlow and served 12 years.

John, brother of Abner served 3 years.

Benjamin, brother of Abner, served 9 years.

Johathana, brother of Abner served 4 years.

Pliny, son of Abner served 1 year

Theodore Sikes, served 4 years.

Chester Sikes served 2 years

Benjamin Sikes, served 7 years

Reuben Sikes, served 3 years.

Town clerks of the town of Ludlow by the name of Sikes.

Pliny Sikes, 1793-4-5-6-7

Increase Sikes, 1800-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8

Theodore Sikes, 1830-3-4-5-9-41

Representatives in the Legislature

Increase Sikes, 1807

Theodore Sikes, 1849

The above, Increase Sikes, who was town clerk 9 years and representative to the Generd Court in 1807 was probably son of Abner and brother of Pliny Sikes, who settled in Westhampton about 1800.

Revolutionary War History

✓
Moses Montague, South Hadley.

Captain of a company of Minute men. Col. Ruggles Woodbridge Regiment which marched in response to the alarm of April 19, 1775. Entered service April 20, 1775, service 15-2/3 days; Also Captain 2nd Company, Colonel Porter's (4th Hampshire Co.) Regiment of Mass. Militia; list of officers commissioned May 28, 1778; Also Captain Col. Israel Chapen's Regiment. Engaged Oct. 13, 1779, discharged Nov. 21, 1779; service 1 month, 6 days at Claverack including 6 days (120 miles) travel home. Regiment raised to reinforce Continental Army for 3 months.

The above is a correct copy of the Revolutionary War record of Moses Montague, from Volume X page 885 of the Mass. Soldiers and Sailors books compiled from the State Archives by Sec. of State in 1902.

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Revolutionary War Record of
ABNER SIKES, LUDLOW, MASS.

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Abner Sikes, Ludlow, Private Capt. Reuben Nunn's Company, Nicholas Dike's Regiment; pay abstract for mileage dated Roxbury, Sept. 17, 1776, also same company and regiment, pay abstract for mileage etc, dated Boston, Nov. 26, 1776, mileage for 92 miles allowed said Sikes.

Also Captain Aaron Grave's Company, Col. David Leonard's Regiment, entered service May 8, 1777; discharged July 8, 1777; service 2 months, 10 days at the Northward including 10 days (206) miles travel from camp home.

Also Captain Ephraim Chapin's Company, Col. Ruggles Woodbridge's Regiment; enlisted Aug. 12 (also given Aug. 23) 1777; discharged Nov. 30, (also given Nov. 20)1777; service 3 months 26 days (also given 3 months 14 days) under General Gates in Northern Department including 7 days (146 miles) travel home order for payment amount of roll dated at Springfield and signed by Captain Chapin.

FROM THE "HISTORY OF THE CONNECTICUT VALLEY"

In 1663 Richard Sikes was one of the 26 voters of Springfield.

In 1672 Richard and Increase Sikes were legal voters.

In 1685, 19 persons by vote of Springfield were made proprietors of the "commons" which is the land of the present town of Ludlow.

Among the 19 were Increase Sikes Sr. and Widow Sikes Sr.

Benjamin Sikes was one of the first four settlers in 1751 and is supposed to have lived on his allotment of Commons (Presume this means the allotment he was heir to through Increase Sikes) or Widow Sikes, Sr.)

The town of Ludlow was incorporated in 1774. Abner Sikes was chosen a member of the first board of Selectmen and served 12 years.

Plynn Sikes served 1 year. (Probably 1790 and 1800)

Plynn Sikes was town clerk in 1795 and 1797.

The land of the oldest place of burial in Ludlow was presented by Benjamin Sikes who died April 17, 1790 aged 87 years.

Abner Sikes who died June 24, 1800 in his 70th year.

The line of descent from Richard, the emigrant to Dea Pliny of Westhampton is Richard, Increase Sr. Increase Jr. Benjamin, Abner, Pliny.

Mrs. Zenas Sikes, Grandfather, Samuel Janes, 11, had a remarkable 'soldiers' family. It appears that all four of his sons were in the Revolutionary War and were in it at such an advanced age.

Samuel was 53 and 55 years old.

Jonatahn was 51 years old.

Obediah was 49 years old.

Elisha was 43 years old.

These four brothers have their graves in East Street Cemetery, Easthampton, marked with Revolutionary Soldiers markers and their names are on the Memorial Tablet in Memorial Hall of Northampton

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Samuel and Jonatahn were soldiers in the French and Indian War and were at the fall of Louisburg. Samuel Jr. is said to have lived after the war in the eastern part of the state and was probably buried there.

There were 16 soldiers in the Revolutionary War from Mass. by the name of Sikes. All but two or three were from Springfield and its surrounding towns and probably were descendents of Richard Sikes.

Family of Pliny Sikes.

Pliny Sikes , was born Dec. 22, 1764, moved from Ludlow, Mass. to West Hampton about 1800.

Lucena Montague , daughter of Capt. Mose^r Montague, born April 26, 1768, married Feb. 11, 1790.

THEIR CHILDREN

1---Zenas , born March 24, 1791

2---Orren, born August 11, 1792

111---Arna, born Jan. 15, 1795.

4---Lucinda, born Oct. 16, 1796.

Pliny Sikes , died Nov. 12, 1835 at West Hampton

Lucina Montague Sikes died Jan. 23, 1850. at Owasso, Mich.

Family of Enos Janes

Enos Janes, born Dec. 15, 1764.

Hannah Wright, born Nov. 1, 1761, married Feb. 10, 1787.

Their Children

1--Nancy, born March 3, 1790.

2--Lovisa, born March 15, 1792.

3--Melzar, born May 22, 1794.

4--Luke, born July 5, 1796.

5--Helena, born July 14, 1799.

6--Melzar, born Sept. 27, 1800.

7--Samuel, born Feb. 15, 1804.

DIED

Enos Janes, died July 31, 1807.

Hannah Wright Janes, died July 11, 1839.

Family of Zenas Sikes

Zenas Sikes, born March 24, 1791.

Nancy Janes, born March 3, 1790.

Married Dec. 23, in Easthampton, Mass. 1813.

THEIR CHILDREN

Orrando Montague, born Westhampton, March 23, 1815.

2--Loring Wright, born Westhampton, Nov. 11, 1816.

3--Lucina Graves, born July 15, Westhampton, 1820.

4--Pliny Parsons, born Westhampton, Sept. 3, 1824.

5--Samuel Janes, born August 15, 1826.

6--Zenas, born Dec. 28, 1828.

7-- Chas. Lonson Wells, born Jan. 30, 1830.

8--John Truair, born Jan. 12, 1835, Westhampton, Mass.

DEATHS

Zenas Sikes, died Jan. 28, 1862, in Keeler, Mich.

Nancy J. wife of Zenas Sikes, died Oct. 7, 1888.

John T. died Jan. 12, 1835.

Spelling of the name S-I-K-E-S changed to S-Y-K-E-S

Family of Joseph Terry

Joseph Truax, born July 16, 1790.

Cynthia Wiggins born April 6, 1775.

THEIR CHILDREN

1--Lydia Ann, born Nov. 11, 1814.

- 2--Abigal, born Oct. 29, 1816.
 3--Edwin born June 5, 1818.
 4--Masach, born April 9, 1820.
 5-- Joy S. born May 1, 1822.
 6--Marinda B. born Oct. 1, 1824.
 7--Cynthia, born Feb. 10, 1827.
 8--Joseph, born Jan. 11, 1830.
 9--Elmie, A. born August 13, at Pittsfield, Ohio, 1833.
 10--Lovina, born Dec. 20, 1839.

DEATHS

- Joseph Terry, Sr. died March 19, 1835.
 Cynthia Terry, Sr. died July 18, 1840.

Family of Pliny P. Sykes

- Pliny Parsons Sykes , born Sept. 3, 1824 at Westhampton, Mass.
 Elmie A. Terry, boen August 13, Pittsfield Ohio, 1833
 Married at Dowagiac Michigan May 1, 1856.

THEIR CHILDREN

- 1--Mabel Elmie, born May 15, 1858, Keeler Mich.
 2--Clarence Terry, born Dec. 28, 1859, Keeler Mich.
 3-- Mildred Ethel, born Jan. 25, 1863 Keeler Mich.
 4-- Claude Pliny, born Oct. 17, 1871 Keefer, Mich.
 5--Carlton Zenas, born Feb. 22, 1874. Keeler, Mich.

Clarence T. Sykes died in Decatur, Mich. Sept. 21, 1886

aged 28 years, 9 months and 10 days.

Mildred E. Clover passed away Junell, 1901 aged 38 years 4 mo. 11 d

Elmie A. Sykes, wife of Pliny P. Sykes died July 15, 1901 aged 68

Pliny P. Sykes died July 1907.

Mabel E. Sykes and Edwin E. Ames were married at Loveland, Colo.

May 8th, 1889.

THEIR CHILDREN WERE;

1--Bessie Elmie Ames born Jan. 14 1890

2--Edith Mildred Ames born Jan 28, 1892.

3--Beulah Estella Ames born May 14, 1898.

Bessie Elmie Ames died Jan. 20, 1895, aged 5 yrs. in
Cripple Creek, Colo.

Mildred E. Sykes and Roll F. Clover were married Nov. 25, 1886.

THEIR CHILDREN

1-Hazel Ethel Clover, born Dec. 29, 1888.

2--Clarence Horace Clover, born Oct. 24, 1891.

Children of Clare Clover

Joyce Loraine born May 31, 1919

Helen Dorathea born December 2, 1920

Mildred Mae born August 5, 1925

Myrna Gail born October 17, 1932

Sykes Family

Marriages

() Orrendo Sikes and Elizabeth George were married Jan. 8, 1846
in Bainbridge, Mich.

Orrendo Sikes and Mrs. Susan Parmlee were married in Keeler, Mich.
Jan. 26, 1871.

Lucina G. Sikes and John Barney were married April 26, 1841
in Keeler, Mich.

Loring W. Sykes and Emma Daniels were married Jan. 26, 1846
in Wayne, Mich.

Pliny P. Sykes and Elmie A. Terry were married at Dowagiac, Mich.
May 1, 1856.

Samuel J. Sikes and Lucinda G. Salisbury were married June, 19, 18
1859 in Keeler, Mich.

Zenas Sikes and Elisa M. Burrel were married in Santa Clara,
Calif. July 3, 1853.

Chas. L. W. Sykes and Louisa Harker were married in Santa Clara
Calif. May 1, 1857.

Nancy Jane Barney and Frank H. Gage were married in Chicago Dec 23
1865.

() Clara Helena Barney and George Savory were married in Boulder
Colo. in 1867.

Sikes Family

DEATHS

Lucina G. Barney died Feb. 4, 1848.

John G. A. Barney died in Boulder, Colo.

Emma, wife of Loring W. Sykes died at Santa Clara, Calif. Mar. 1884

A. Elizabeth, wife of Orrendo M. Sikes died at Keeler, Mich.
Dec. 6, 1863.

Zenas Sikes, Jr. died at Barnardo, Calif. April 2, 1881 - aged 51

Samuel J. Sikes died at Keeler, Mich. Mar. 21, 1888 - aged 62 yr 6mo

Loring W. Sykes died at Santa Clara, Calif. aged 76yr. Jan. 1892.

Orrendo Montague Sikes died Nov. 19, 1895 aged 80 yr. 8 mo. 25 da.

Pliny P. Sykes died July 1907 aged 84 Yrs.

N. Jennie Gage wife of F. H. Gage died at Loveland, Colo.

Geo. Savory died at Longmont, Colo.

Mildred Ethel Sykes and Roll F. Clover were married November 25, 1886.

Mildred Ethel Sykes Clover died June 11, 1901 (Age 38 yrs 4 mo. 11 da.)
 Roll F. Clover, born _____, died _____

Children of Mildred and Roll Clover:

1. Hazel Ethel Clover, born December 29, 1888, Keeler Township (MI).
 (Married and divorced Dell E. Coffey early 1920's).
 Died October 1, 1973 (84 years), St. Joseph (Berrien Cty), MI.
2. Clarence Horace Clover, born October 24, 1891, Keeler Township.
 Died February 28, 1952 (60 years old), in Dowagiac (Cass Co.), MI.
 Married Josie Belle Koob (born October 14, 1890, Coloma, MI),
 in Naperville (DuPage), IL, on December 8, 1917. Died in Berrien
 Center, MI, On October 11, 1980; funeral was on October 14 when
 she would have been 90 years old.

Children of Clarence (known as Clare) and Josie Clover:

1. Joyce Loraine born May 31, 1919, Hartford (Van Buren County), MI.
 Died _____
 Married Glenn Burton Parren July 18 1953, in Benton Harbor
 (Berrien County), MI. Glenn was born March 6, 1903, and
 died March 1, 1983 - 5 days before 80th birthday.

Joyce and Glenn had one son:

Mark Leighton Parren born March 1, 1955, in Berwyn, IL.

2. Helen Dorathea Clover born December 2, 1920, Paw Paw
 (Van Buren County), MI.
 Died _____
3. Mildred Mae Clover born August 5, 1925, in Hartford (Van Buren)
 MI. Died _____
 Married Robert L. Scranton November 24, 1950, Hartford, MI.
 Robert born November 8, 1918 in PAW Paw, MI.
 Died _____

Mildred and Bob Scranton had two children:

One son Clare Arthur Scranton, born February 17, 1953,
 in _____

One daughter Karen Lou Scranton. born March 9, 1956,
 in _____

4. Myrna Gail Clover, born October 17, 1932, in Hartford, MI.
 Died _____
 Married Clyde W. Colman November 9, 1952, in Hartford, MI.
 Clyde born May 3, 1928, in Hartford.
 Died _____

Their children (see p. 23)....

4. Gail and Clyde Colman had three children:

Roger Clyde Colman born July 31, 1953 in

Carol Jo Colman born November 1, 1955, in

Robert Leslie Colman born April 25, 1970, in

MARRIAGES AND CHILDREN:

Child of Joyce Clover and Glenn Parren:

Mark Leighton Parren March 1, 1955.

Married Cheri Lynn Prentice (born November 20, 1956) on
November 19, 1977, St. Joseph, MI.

Their two children:

Kathy Lynn Parren born October 10, 1981, in St. Joseph, MI.

Christa Lee Parren born March 29, 1983, in St. Joseph, MI

Children of Mildred Clover and Robert Scranton:

1. Clare Arthur Scranton born February 17, 1953.

Married Nolita June 19, 1982.

Nolita born March 14,

Their son:

Eric Ray Scranton, born June 25, 1984, in

Also, Nolita has two sons (Clare's stepsons):

Darren born

and

David born

2. Karen Lou Scranton born March 9, 1956.

Married Chester Kierpaul September 25, 1982

Chet born March 20,

Their two children:

Aaron Robert Kierpaul born February 19, 1984, in

Kassandra Lin Kierpaul born December 9, 1986, in

Children of Gail Clover and Clyde Colman:

1. Roger Clyde Colman born July 31, 1953.

Married Marybeth Popma June 10, 1978.

Marybeth born February 3,

Their two children:

Ryan William Colman born September 7, 1979

Sara Marie Colman born November 5, 1981,

Children of Gail Clover and Clyde Colman: (continued)

2. Carol Jo Colman born November 1, 1955

Married Mark Wiltse June 23, 1979.

Mark born May 15,

Their two children:

Matthew Douglas Wiltse born October 24, 1979

Jennifer Carol Wiltse born November 9, 1981

3. Robert Leslie Colman born April 25, 1970

"The God of peace shall be with you."
—Philippians 4:9

John Akin was born in Scotland 1843, came to Canada with his mother Mary Ann Akin at the age of four years old. His father had died and his mother was brought to Kingston, Canada with his uncle who was Captain on the big ship on which they sailed. There were John and his mother and sister Agnes Akin who left their native home to be near her brother in Canada.

In a short time after coming to Canada, Mary Ann gave birth to the second daughter Mary Ann, who was always called Ann. John as I remember them telling later went to live with his uncle who lived in New York State, remember him telling of Albany and how he use to skate on the Erie Canal. His uncle was a blacksmith as I remember, pa use to tell of things that happened but children don't listen as they should.

Later Grandma Akin married a man by the name of Vickerman, and they own the place where the Thomas Glavin family live, the same house, only kept remodeled. Vickerman died and later grandma

went to Watervliet to live with Aunt Agnes and uncle Pete Heffner. Grandma was a little short scotch woman with a brogue.

LaEtta Elizabeth Stener born near Niles, July 19, 18 but I can't make out the rest of that year. She was the daughter of John and Mary Stener. Her mother who was the former Mary Hinchman died when LaEtta was nine years old and she help care for her two sisters Ora and Ellen. They also had a brother William Stener. John Stener married three times all wives named Mary the last one out lived him. This last Mary was an aunt of Mamie Parren. Grandpa and this Mary had two children Lillian and Charley, they were much younger than the other children. Ma said that the second Mary was an Angel, but the last one made it hot for them. After Pa and Ma were married they came to Harbert to live and after living in a few places they bought our old farm and built a home there just got it finished when I was born.

Pa was a Civil War Veteran and served from 61 to 65 ~~xxxx~~ with the First Michigan ~~xxxx~~ Cavalry Company M. He use to tell us how they went hungry and

go through a farm and they would kill a pig and almost eat it raw. How I wish I had been old enough to ask and write down different things.

Pa built our farm house using logs for the underpinning and small polls for rafters, and I am quite sure had lumber sawed for siding and roofing. But we had fun in our house, it was open to every one and we had a big family but always had othersthere with us. We didn't have much money, but always plenty to eat, enough to wear, and a warm house and that was something in those days.

Most of the fun was young and old getting to gether and singing and dancing, hayride parties skating parties, and in the summer we had all Lake Michigan to play in, walk two miles to get there and swim, walk home in the dirty sand and bath again.

All of us kids attended the Harbert school, and on Sunday the Sunday School was held in the school house. Larry Sizer's mother and father use to be the head ones to keep the Sunday School going. I remember Larry's grandparents, he was an old man then and played the Fife. They owned property near the lake bought for possibly one or two dollars an

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"The Lord hath done great things for us."
—Psalm 126:3

an acre, now it would be that much a cup full.
Larry's aunt Olie took sick and died after skating
on the ice, she was a wonderful girl and ma help
care for her when she was so bad. Ma was a practical
nurse and for years brought all the babies around
there.

Ma was at you grandpa Parren's when Grandma
Parren died and dressed her for burial. Grandma
Vickerman was with you grandma Parren when your
father was born, and at our house when your mother
was born, and Ma was with Agnes when Mildred was
born. These are just of extra things that I know
and throw them into other data. *Now of all
our sisters + brothers I am all that
is left.* I think you have your grandfather's
old powder horn, and the New Testament he had
in his pocket when a bullet glazed off the
book which saved his life. I have some things
like a hat band, badge which I feel that Mark
should have as he is the only great grandson,
and it will mean more to him in years to come.

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