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Family Record

PARENTS' NAMES

Husband *Alfred L. Moody Johnson*
Born *Sept. 23, 1875.*

Wife *Elizabeth Willard*
Born *August 27, 1879.*

Married *August 26, 1898, by Rev.*
F. P. Johnson, the father of
A. L. M. Johnson, at the bride's
home.

CHILDREN'S NAMES

Kenia Elizabeth Johnson
Born June 16, 1899.

John F. Moody Johnson
Born February 16, 1901.

Mary Anna Johnson
Born April 15, 1903.

Jeannie Esther Johnson
Born June 10, 1905

Lucia Elaine Johnson
Born Sept 29, 1907.

Maggie Pearl Johnson
Born Feb. 2, 1910.

James Moses Johnson
Born Dec. 10, 1912

Sarah Greenwood Johnson
Born Nov. 17, 1914

Mary Elizabeth Johnson
Born May 20, 1917.

Ruth Wilson Johnson
Born Jan. 13, 1919

Rhea Avis Johnson
Born Sept. 21, 1921.

MARRIAGES

Corra Alice Beavers and John H.
Moody Johnson May 28, 1933
By Dr. J. O. Williams, Bowling Green, Ky.

Leanne E Johnson and Roy
Lowell M Beck April 3, 1936 ^{Rich} Hartman

Maggie Pearl Johnson
March 23 1931 by C. G. Hinkle
to Myron Albert Van Ness

Sarah Greenwood Johnson and E. Elton
Larkins of Oakrow, July 17, 1934
By Rev. C. R. Wadick, Trenton, Kentucky

Ruth Wilson Johnson and Thomas A. Farhead
of Littlefield, Ill., Dec. 13, 1941. By Rev. A. D.
Hart, Rossville, Ga.

DEATHS

Veria Elizabeth J. Feb 13, 1899

Mary Anna J. Oct. 24, 1914.

Wm L. Moody J. June 15, 1927

Relationship
to George Luther
(Luthers follow)

Me: Thomas A. Forehand and Ruth Johnson Forehand

Her parents: A. L. M. Johnson & Elizabeth Pillard

His parents: Fountain Pitts Johnson & Mary Anne Davidson

Her parents: James M. Davidson & Sara Jane (Sally) Luther

HER PARENTS: George Luther & Mary Bowden (moved to Dickson Cty
in 1825)

His parents: Michael Luther - Revolutionary War Vet.

He seems to descend from the ^{father of the} ~~grand~~ great uncle of
Reformed Dr. Martin Luther

A LUTHER FAMILY HISTORY

Historical facts were obtained from:

1. Dr. Henry J. Schroeder, Bethesda, Maryland, a recognized genealogist by the Library of Congress. His study was made from records in the Library of Congress; the National Archives; War Department; Post Office Department; Augsburg Confession Cathedral at Strasbourg, France; and Mr. M. Groeber, genealogist, Strasbourg, France, who searched the records of the seven Protestant churches of Strasbourg.
2. Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.
3. Stories related by Andrew Jackson Luther and Arthur J. Luther to A. J. Luther, Jr.
4. Primitive Baptist Records.
5. Family Bible Records.
6. North Carolina State Library.
7. History of Kentucky Illustrated-1885.
8. Tennessee State Library and Archives.

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A. J. Luther
12-19-76

The earliest recorded Luther name in German history dates back to Johann Luther, 1328, in Saxony. Because of numerous wars, mostly religious, the Saxony area of Germany was practically depopulated and records were destroyed.

The Luther lineage in which we are interested are descendants of John Luther, who was born approximately 1423 in the Thuringia forest region of old Saxony. His brother Henry (Heine) Luther, born approximately 1425 also in old Saxony, was the grandfather of Dr. Martin Luther (1483-1546), the Reformer.

The Luther coat-of-arms is found in Rietstap "Armorial General", page 114, volume 2, published in 1887. It is described as:


Arms--Per chevron azure and argent, in chief two apples or, and in base a rose gules, seeded or.

Crest--A man, bearded, issuant, wreathed about the temples with a crown of rose gules, habited parti azure and argent, the collar counterchanged, holding in his dexter hand a rose gules, seeded or, leaved and barbed vert, and in his sinister an apple or, stem and leaves vert.

Dr. Martin Luther used as a seal the rose bearing a heart bearing a cross, which would be the device found on the bottom of the shield of the original coat-of-arms. This "seal" would be similar to the device on a present-day signet ring, used to imprint in wax to seal letters or authenticated documents. This seal is described in a book on coat-of-arms by Siebmacher, "Wappembuck", page 38, printed in Nurnberg and Munich, Germany, in 1854.

This lineage of Luther, descendants of John Luther, born 1423, migrated down from old Saxony through Switzerland into Baden and Wurttemberg section of Germany, east of the Rhine River and on into Strassburg, Alsace, where Albrecht Luther was born in 1650. They lived in this area until approximately 1745 when all traces of these families disappear from the records of the seven Protestant churches in Strasbourg, Alsace, France. Strasbourg had been a French city since 1681, and the Protestants in this area were being continuously harassed and persecuted by King Charles VII, 1697-1745, ruler of France, with the help and sanction of the Pope.

The Luthers moved back into the Wurttemberg area of Germany near Switzerland where it is supposed they started their move to the New World. Getting out of these areas was not easy and took several years of planning. Christian Luther, his wife Christiana (Kelp), three sons, Michael, George, Jacob, and a daughter (name unknown) landed at Alexandria, Virginia in 1759. Michael was 8 years old, George 5 years old and Jacob was 2 years old. They settled in a German settlement at Frederick, Maryland. The three sons served in the Revolutionary War, Michael and George as foot soldiers; Jacob managed a wagon train to supply the infantry company his brothers were in. Andrew Auman, also from Frederick, Maryland, served in the same company. His sister, Elizabeth Auman, married George Luther, and he married the Luther brothers' sister. They were granted leave from the Army to go home to celebrate the marriages which were conducted by Parson Henry Henop. Their parents belonged to the German Presbyterian Church (Reform) at Frederickstown, Maryland.



Michael was born March 7, 1751, at Strasbourg, on Rhine, France. In Frederick County, Maryland he enlisted in Captain Duvall's company of Colonel Baker Johnston's Maryland Regiment on December 15, 1776. He fought in the battle of Piscataway. After three months and fifteen days, he was discharged April 1, 1777. He enlisted again on August 15, 1777, in Captain Hilary's company of Colonel Baker Johnston's Maryland Regiment and fought at the Battle of Germantown. He was discharged December 25, 1777. He enlisted again in Captain Burged's company of Colonel Baker Johnston's Maryland Regiment in June, 1781, and was discharged in April, 1782. In January, 1790, he moved to Randolph County, North Carolina, where he applied for a Revolutionary War pension on November 5, 1832. Michael died October 10, 1834, in Randolph County, North Carolina.

Michael Luther married Mary Kindle December 20, 1789, at German Reform Church, Frederick, Maryland.

Her people lived in southern Pennsylvania where she met Michael during the Revolutionary War. Michael and Mary were living with her people when their son George was born in 1790. In 1790, Michael and his father Christian moved their families to Randolph County, North Carolina, where they established farms at the headwaters of the Cape Fear River, along the Haw River branch. Around 1793, Jacob joined Michael and their father Christian in Randolph County while the other brother George took a farm in adjacent Chatham County at "Martha's Vineyard". There George's son, George, Jr., was the first Postmaster at Buckhorn Falls, North Carolina, 1816, and was elected Clerk of the Chatham County Court about 1830.

In Carolina, as in Maryland, the farm lands soon wore out, and with the thousands of immigrants pouring in from Europe, these lands soon became overcrowded. The pioneers started pushing west over the Appalachian Mountains into Kentucky, Tennessee, and the Ohio Valley. Jacob and his married children founded a large community in Clay County, Indiana, along the Wabash River near Bowling Green. George's children, being some ten years older than their cousins, remained in Randolph and Chatham County.

George, eldest son of Michael and Mary Kindle, married Mary Bowden, daughter of Westward Bowden, in Randolph County, North Carolina. To this union were born eight children:

1. Travis, born 1813.
2. Jacob, born August 14, 1815, Randolph County, North Carolina.
3. John.
4. Elizabeth.
5. Sara Jane (Sally), married James M. Davidson February 28, 1841, Dickson County, Tennessee.
6. Peggy.
7. Nancy.
8. Patsy, married William Davidson January 4, 1846, Dickson County, Tennessee.

George, son of Michael, moved his family over the Appalachians and down through the Cumberland Valley into Dickson County, the "Middle District" of Tennessee, and settled on a 200-acre farm near Burns in 1825 where he became famous as a sheep and wool grower. He won several blue ribbons at the county fairs with his purebred sheep and fine wool.

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Jacob, Goerge's son and Michael's grandson, married Elizabeth (Betty) Anderson, who was born in Dickson County, Tennessee on October 25, 1819, the daughter of John Anderson. To this union were born nine children:

1. Harriet E., born October 18, 1835, died June 15, 1860.
2. Elizabeth A. (Eliza), born 1837, married William Madison Bullock in Graves County, Kentucky.
3. William G., born December 3, 1840. Married Eveline Thompson March 26, 1863. He served as a foot soldier in General Pierre G. T. Beauregard's army during the Civil War, 1861-1865. At one time he was stationed with a company of soldiers at Camp Beauregard near Water Valley, Graves County, Kentucky.
4. Mary A., born 1844. Married Thomas Easley. Thomas served as a foot soldier in the Civil War, 1861-1865. He fought at the Battle of Gettysburg, July 1-3, 1863, and was at Appomattox when General Lee surrendered to General Grant on April 9, 1865, which ended the Civil War.
5. M. Tennessee, born 1846. Married Mack Suthard.
6. Andrew Jackson, born February 28, 1850.
7. John F. B.
8. Alice D.
9. Travis Newton.


Jacob moved his family to Cuba, Graves County, Kentucky in 1853. He was a farmer and blacksmith. He made nails with which the settlers built their homes. He also made farm tools which they used to till their soil. Elizabeth, "Betty", his wife, died at the age of 60 in 1878 and was buried in their small family cemetery on their farm, approximately two miles west of Cuba, Graves County, Kentucky. Jacob died in 1891 at the age of 76 and was buried beside her.

Andrew Jackson Luther married Rosibelle Roberts November 14, 1872. Rosibelle was born July 29, 1855, the only child of Frank Roberts and Caroline Cavender Roberts. Frank Roberts was a large land owner and lived in Graves County, Kentucky, approximately three miles north of Dukedom, Tennessee. During the Civil War his Negro slaves were set free, and his livestock and crops were confiscated by the Union Army.

To the union of Andrew Jackson and Rosibelle were born five children:

1. Arthur J., born April 23, 1874.
2. Nettie, born December 23, 1875 (twin). Married Monroe Kitts.
3. Betty, born December 23, 1875 (twin). Married T. Hicks.
4. Frank, born October 8, 1882. Married Edna Kitts, sister of Monroe.
5. Dillard Bowden, born August 2, 1887. Married Inez Taylor. He served in the infantry in World War I and was elected Tax Commissioner of Graves County, Kentucky, in 1926.

Andrew Jackson and Rosibelle lived on their farm adjoining his father's farm near Cuba, Graves County, Kentucky. Andrew Jackson, "Uncle Jack", was a Primitive Baptist Minister, active in the Church Association, which was the governing body of the churches in West Kentucky and Northwest Tennessee. He retired from his farm in 1921 and moved to Mayfield, Kentucky, where Rosibelle died October 23, 1922. He died February 6, 1930. Both were buried in the Dobson Cemetery near the old Luther settlement west of Cuba.



Arthur J. married Lou Ella Lancaster February 6, 1910. She was the daughter of John H. and Mary Godwin Lancaster. Mary Godwin's grandfather was a building contractor and built President James K. Polk's home in Nashville, Tennessee. Lou Ella was born September 17, 1889, near Lynnville in Graves County, Kentucky.

Arthur J. was a farmer and livestock dealer in early life and in 1926 established a funeral home and furniture store in Wingo, Kentucky. He retired from the funeral home in 1950 and died February 2, 1961. He was buried in the Wingo Cemetery, Wingo, Kentucky.

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No. 19 _____ Luther, born c. 1400.

No. 18 John Luther, born c. 1423. Lineage unknown until 1650.

Henry (Heine) Luther, born c. 1425, Moehra, Mansfeld Co., Saxony, Germany. Married Margaret Lindemann.

No. 17 John (Hans) Luther, born c. 1450, Moehra, Mansfeld Co., Saxony, Germany. Married c. 1480, Moehra, Germany, to Margret Ziegler.

No. 16 James Luther

Dr. Martin Luther, born 11-10-1483, Mansfeld Co., Saxony, Germany. Married 6-13-1525 to Catharine Von Bora (born 1-29-1499, Leipzig, Saxony, Germany). Died 2-22-1546 at Whittenburg, Germany.

No. 15 John (Hans) Luther, born 6-7-1526, Whittenburg, Germany. Died 1575 at Koenigsberg.

Martin Luther, born 1531, died 1565.

Paul Luther, born 1533, died 1593. Wife's name unknown.

Elizabeth Luther

Magdalene Luther

Margaret Luther, born 1535.

No. 14 Martin Gottlob Luther, died 1659.

Brothers of Catharine Von Bora: Florian Von Bora, Hans Von Bora, Klemens Von Bora.

NOTE: Dr. Martin Luther's male descendants became extinct with the death of his grandson, Martin Gottlob Luther, in 1659. He was Paul's son and a lawyer in Dresden. Paul was a physician. Martin, Jr., was a theologian. John was tutor to the sons of Prince John Friedrich, then allied to Duke Albrecht of Prussia. (Meyers: Konversations Lexikon, XII, 873).

The Luther coat-of-arms and later Luther families are attributed to the 18th generation: #131,072a JOHN LUTHER, brother of Dr. Martin Luther's grandfather, Henry Luther. (Reitstap: II, 114)

Lineage books of distinguished German families make frequent reference to Luther families, but obscurely, particularly in Catholic regions. The collateral Luther families, and the Von Boras, did not always adopt Luther's Protestantism, and thereby escaped most of the persecution.

No. 11 [Albrecht Luther (descendant of John Luther, No. 18). Born 1650, Strassburg, Germany. Married 1680, Strassburg, Germany.

[Susanna Clauss

No. 10 [John George Luther. Born 3-28-1683, Strassburg, Germany. Married 4-24-1709, Strassburg, Germany. Died 4-10-1741, Strassburg, Germany.

[Catharine Dorothy Hoffman. Born 12-10-1677, Strassburg, Germany. Died 11-17-1739, Strassburg, Germany. Daughter of August and Maria Reuchlin Hoffman.

- No. 9 [John George Luther, Jr. Born 6-5-1714, Strassburg, Germany. Married 1731. Died 6-5-1741, Strassburg, Germany.
- [Maria Barbara Naegel
- No. 8 [Christian Luther. Born 1732, Strassburg, Germany. Married 1750, Strassburg, Germany. 1759 to Alexandria, Virginia. 1760 to Frederick, Maryland. 1790 to Randolph County, North Carolina. Died 1800, Randolph County, North Carolina.
- [Christiana Kelp
- No. 7 [Michael Luther. Born 3-7-1751, Strassburg, Germany. Married 12-20-1789, Frederick, Maryland. Died 10-10-1834, North Carolina.
- [Mary Kindle. Born 1760, Pennsylvania.

Brothers and sister of Michael Luther:

George Luther. Born 3-1-1754, Strassburg, Germany. Married 6-15-1779 at Frederick, Md., to Elizabeth Auman. Died 2-15-1834, Randolph County, North Carolina.

Jacob Luther. Born 1757. Married 1791 to Sara _____ at Frederick, Md. 1830 moved to Clay County, Indiana from Randolph County, N. C. Died September, 1836, in Indiana.

_____ Luther (sister). Married 1779 at Frederick, Md., to Andrew Auman, brother of Elizabeth Auman Luther, wife of George Luther.

- No. 6 [George Luther. Born 1790, Pennsylvania. Married 1812, Randolph County, N. C. 1825 moved to Dickson County, Tenn. Died 1858.
- [Mary Bowden. Born 1792, North Carolina. Died 1862, Tennessee. Daughter of Westward Bowden.
- No. 5 [Jacob Luther. Born 8-14-1815, Randolph County, N. C. Married 1835. 1853 moved to Graves County, Kentucky. Died 1891, Cuba, Graves County, Kentucky.
- [Elizabeth Anderson. Born 10-25-1819, Dickson County, Tenn. Died 1878, Graves County, Kentucky. Daughter of John Anderson.

Brothers and sisters of Jacob:

Travis Luther, born 1813, N.C.

John Luther, born 1820, N.C.

James B. Luther, born 1822, N.C.

Liza Luther

Sally Luther

Peggy Luther

Nancy A. Luther, born 1832, Tenn.

George W. Luther, born 1834, Tenn., married Sarah Tate.

Susan Luther, born 1836, Tenn.

- No. 4 [Andrew Jackson Luther. Born 2-28-1850, Dickson County, Tenn. 1853 moved to Graves County, Kentucky, with parents. Married 11-14-1872. Died 2-6-1930, Mayfield, Kentucky.
- [Rosibelle Roberts. Born 7-29-1855, Graves County, Kentucky. Died 10-23-1922, Mayfield, Kentucky. Only child of Frank and Caroline Cavender Roberts.

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