The Callin Family History

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The object in writing this family history is to preserve to posterity an account of the descent of the Callin Family. As to the correctness of this history, we may presume that it is practically true. For, drawing conclusions from what came under our own observatioin and we know to be true, we may assume that that part of the family history which our fathers told is true also.

As far as we know the Callins in this country all descended from one man, James Callin, who with his brother John (who never married), emigrated from Ireland to America about the commencement of the Revolutionary War.

Our fathers tell us that these two brothers enlisted in the Continental Army and fought under Lafayette at the battle of Brandywine and remained in this army till the close of the war. These brothers settled on government land in Westmoreland Co. in Western Penn., where they remained the remainder of their lives, John sharing the home of James, who married about the year 1778. Making deductions from the earliest known marriage record, that of Thomas Callin, grandson of James 1st, the order of descent would be like this: James 1st, born 1750, emigrated 1775. Married 1778. James 2nd, born 1779, married 1802.

Record of James 1st.

Born about 1750.

Married about 1778, name of wife unknown.

Four known children were born to this union:

James 2nd, born about 1779.

John, born about 1780.

Polly, born about 1782, never married.

Unknown, born about 1784.

Date of death unknown.

Date of John's death 1835, both dying after 1816.

Record of James 2nd.

Born about 1779.

Married about 1800, name of wife Mary 2nd, name unknown.

To this union three children were born:

Thomas, born about 1801.

Alec, born about 1808.

James, born about 1810.

James 2nd, with his family moved from Penn. to Ashland Co. and located on a farm about the year 1810. He was killed in an altercation with a man named Fowler who struck him over the head with a rifle, this occurred about the year 1820. He was buried in Oliversburg Cemetery.

Record of Polly, Daughter of James 1st.

Born about 1782. Grew to womanhood in her Pennsylvania home. Was captured by the Indians, and started for the Indian country. Her father James 1st gathered some neighbors and militia and followed the trail, they were guided by bits of clothing Polly had from time to time stuck on bushes. After several days pursuit, the Indians with their captive were overtaken. In the skirmish that followed Polly attempted to escape by running. An Indian fired at her just as she fell over a log and he supposing her killed did not further molest her, there her father found her after the fight, and the men made a litter and carried her home. She was shot through the knee, and for the want of proper surgical attendance, became a cripple for life. She never married, lived to be middleaged, and noted for the exemplary life she lived. The date of her death is unknown but somewhere about 1825.

Record of the Unknown

James the first had a son whose name we do not know. Born about 1784. He with his wife and children determined to emigrate to Ohio and about the year 1820 went to the banks of the Allegheny, built a house boat on which he embarked his family intending as he told his friends to float down the river until he found a place that suited him when he would stop and enter some Government land. His friends never heard from him afterward. We believe, however, that he found a country to suit him; that he landed and made a home. We are confirmed in this belief by the many people of our name scattered over the southern part of the State.

Record of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, who was eldest son of James 1st.

Born about 1801.

Married to Nancy Burget 1822.

To this union were born 11 children:

Jane, born 1823, died 1879, unmarried.

George, born 1825, died 1865; shot by a rebel sharpshooter while on pickete duty in North Carolina.

Thomas Jefferson, born 1827, died 1902 at Oliversburg, O.

Elliott, born 1843, died at Columbus, O., 1865, in hospital.

Marguis, born 1840, died in Chicago, Ills., left 2 sons.

Abel

Mary Ann

Caroline

All died young.

Emiline

Sally

1 unnamed

Record of Thomas Jefferson, 2nd son Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born 1827, died 1908.

Married to Susan Egner in 1848.

To this union 8 children were born:

Alice, born 1850, aged 1 month.

Mary, born 1851, died 1861.

Martin, born 1853, died 1889.

Clara, born 1855, living near Mansfield, O.

Fred A., born 1858, living in Mansfield, Ohio.

George L., born 1860, living in Mansfield, Ohio.

Delbert, born 1863, living in Shelby, Ohio.

Minnie A., born in 1872, living near Oliversburg, Ohio.

Record of Marquis, 4th son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, who was eldest son of James 1st.

Born 1840, died in Chicago, date not known.

Married, date not known, Pauline Snyder.

To this union 2 sons were born:

John, date 1871.

Fred, date unknown.

Record of Martin, eldest son of Thomas Jefferson, 2nd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born 1853, died 1889.

To this union 4 children were born; all living:

Pearl, born Feb., 1877

Ben. born Oct., 1878.

William, born 1886.

Gaston, born 1888.

Wife remarried Harry Carlisle and now living in Shelby, O.

Record of Clara A. Callin Mohn, eldest living daughter of Thomas Jefferson, 3rd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born 1855.

Married 1875 to Mohn.

To this union were born seven children:

Alveranda Callin, born 1875, married Wm. Hess 1897.

Mable, born 1877.

Earnest, died at two years of age.

Arthur, born 1880.

Fred, born 1888.

Susan, born 1891, married Sept. 1911 to Lloyd Backensto.

Evangeline, born 1898.

Record of Fred A. Callin, Mansfield, O., 2nd son of Thomas Jefferson, 2nd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1858.

To this union were born three children:

Reid, born in 1887.

Russell, born in 1894.

Madeline, born in 1896.

Record of George, 3rd son of Thomas Jefferson, Mansfield, O., 2nd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1860.

To this union were born five children:

Perry, born in 1889, died 1899.

Jefferson, born in 1890.

Trell, born in 1892.

Leo, born in 1894.

Ruth, born in 1896.

Record of Delbert, 4th son of Thomas Jefferson, Selby, O., 2nd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1863.

To this union were born three children:

Ruby, born in 1892.

Martin, born in 1895.

Paul, born in 1902.

Record of Minnie Callin Ulrich, 4th daughter of Thomas Jefferson, 2nd son of Thomas, eldest son of James 2nd, eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1872, married on Aug. 27th, 1900.

To this union were born two children:

Vera, born in 1890, married Feb. 15 1911, to Edwin Pollock.

Christina, born in 1903.

Record of Pearl Callin Todd, eldest and only daughter of Martin Callin, the eldest son of Thomas Jefferson who was 2nd son of Thomas, who was the eldest son of James 2nd, who was the eldest son of James 1st.

Born Feb., 1877, married Nov. 5, 1899, to R.L. Todd.

Record of Ben Callin, Toledo, O., who was the eldest son of Martin Callin, who was the eldest son of Thomas Jefferson, the 2nd son of Thomas, who was the eldest son of James 2nd, who was the eldest son of James 1st.

Born Oct., 1878.

Married to Virginia White, lives in Toledo, Ohio.

Record of William Callin, of Shelby, O., 2nd son of Martin Callin, who was the eldest son of Thomas Jefferson, the 2nd son of Thomas, who was the eldest son of James 2nd, who was the eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1886. Married in 1907 Elizabeth Ziters. Born to this union 2 children: Joseph, 1908 Verenice, 1911.

Record of Gaston Callin, Toledo, O., who was 3rd son of Martin Callin, who was the eldest son of Thomas Jefferson, the 2nd son of Thomas, who was the eldest son of James 2nd, who was the eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1888.

Record of Alvenda Mohn Hess, who is the eldest daughter of Clara A. Callin Mohn, who was the eldest living daughter of Thomas Jefferson, who was 2nd son of Thomas, who was eldest son of James 2nd, who was eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1875.

Married Wm. Hess 1897.

To this union were born six children:

Helen, 12, born April, 1898.

Rbea, 11 born April, 1899.

Clayton, 9 born April, 1901.

Esther, 7, born 1905.

Geroldine, 3 born 1907.

William, 1, born 1909.

Record of Mabel Mohn Tranger who is the 2nd daughter of Clara A. Callin Mohn, who was the eldest living daughter of Thomas Jefferson, who was 2nd son of Thomas, who was eldest son of James 2nd, who was eldest son of James 1st.

Born in 1877.
Married in 1902.
To this union two children were born:
Clara, age 7, born in 1903.
Henry, age 2, born in 1908.

Record of James Callin, who was 3rd son of James 2nd, who was the eldest son of James 1st.

Born about 1810, died 1844.

Married his cousin, Margaret Callin, 1841, 5th daughter of John Callin 2nd son of James 1st.

To this union were born 2 children:

Warren, born 1842.

William, born 1845.

James Callin with his wife and baby moved to lowa where he died in 1844. William Callin, brother of Margret, went to lowa and brought her and the two above named children home to Ashland Co. after her husband's death. (See record of Margret Callin.)

Record of Alec Callin, who was 2nd son of James 2nd, who was eldest son of James 1st.

Born about 1808, died in Iowa.

Married and moved with his family and mother to lowa about the year of 1840. The mother referred to was "Aunt Mary", wife of James 2nd who was killed with a gun. She sold the farm and went with Alec to lowa where she died some years later. Nothing has been heard from that branch of the family since 1845.

Record of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st.

Born about 1780, died 1835.

Married about 1801 to Elizabeth Simon.

To this union 9 children were born:

John, born 1802, died 1825, unmarried.

Sarah, born 1808, married John Scott, moved to Ills. About 1840.

George, born 1804, died at Monroeville, Ohio, Feb. 12, 1879.

Ann, born 1806, died at Ashland, Ohio.

Eliza, born 1811, married Jas. Ferguson, moved to Ind. 1851.

William, born 1813, died 1881 at Bowling Green, Ohio.

James, born 1815, died 1866 at New London, Ohio.

Hugh, born 1817, died 1856 near Ashland, Ohio.

Margret, born 1819, died 1847 near Ashland, Ohio.

John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st, emigrated with his family from Westmoreland Co., Penn., to Ashland County in 1816 and settled on 60 acres of his brother

James' farm who gave him a life lease of it. He lived the remainder of his life on the same farm, dying in 1835 of tuberculosis and buried in Oliversburg Cemetery; his wife, Elizabeth, born Nov. 1780, died Nov., 1864, and buried near Auburn, Ind.; John, eldest son, died at 22, unmarried.

Record of Sarah Callin Scott, who was the eldest daughter of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1808, married John Scott and emigrated to Ills. About 1835. No family record.

Record of George Callin, 2nd son of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1804, died Feb. 12, 1879.

Married to Polly Ann Lewis, died Feb. 29, 1884.

To this union were born six children:

John, born in 1832, died Dec. 1906 at Elkhart, Ind.

Minerva, born 1836. Died.

William, born 1834, lives at Chicago Junction, O.

Lovina, born 1839, died July, 1880.

Amelia, born 1840, died Nov., 1875.

Sabra Ann, born 1843, died Feb., 11 1849.

Record of Ann Callin Campbell, who was the 2nd daughter of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born Sept. 16, 1806, died Mar. 18, 1889.

Married Henry Campbell Aug., 20, 1833.

To this union four children were born:

Cyrus, born Mar. 23, 1834, died July 21, 1873, at Ashland, Ohio.

Harrison, born Dec. 8 1837, lives at Tipton, Mo.

Elizabeth, born June 30, 1840, died at Ashland, O., Feb. 8, 1897, unmarried.

Francis, born Mar. 30, 1842, died Mar. 27, 1905.

Cornelia, born Oct. 13, 1843, died Mar. 13, 1849.

Record of Eliza Callin Ferguson, who was 3rd daughter of John Callin, who was 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1811, died near Auburn, Ind.

To this union were born 11 children:

Mary, born 1833, died 1895.

Elizabeth, born 1835, died 1898.

Mildred, born 1837, died 1911.

George, born 1838, killed in battle 1865.

Margret, born 1839, died 1902.

James, born 1841, died 1907.

Nicholas P., born 1845, lives in Auburn, Ind. Sarah, born 1846. Eliza, born 1847, lives in Auburn, Ind. John, born 1848, lives in Auburn, Ind. Minerva, born 1850, died 1881.

Record of William Callin, 3rd son of John Callin, who was 2nd son of James 1st.

Born May 10, 1813, died Nov. 9, 1881, at Bowling Green, O.

Married to Elizabeth Barlene 1837 who died Nov. 14, 1903, at Bowling Green, O., aged 86 years.

To this union were born seven children:

Harriett, born 1838, died 1907.

John, born 1840, lives in Fostoria, Ohio.

James M., born Feb 26, 1844, died 1903 in Canada.

George, born July 4, 1846, lives at Bowling Green, O.

Hugh, born May 16, 1848, died 1880 at Portage, Ohio.

Zimri, born Dec. 10, 1850, died Aug., 1907, at Bowling Green, O.

Milton, born 1852, died at 5 months old.

William Callin was 3 years old when his father moved from Penn. To Ashland, Ohio. He grew to manhood on the old farm. Married and lived there till 1849 when he moved to Huron Co., Ohio; bought and cleared up a new farm. In 1861 he bought and moved his family on to a farm in Wood Co., near Bowling Green. He was a perfect specimen of physical manhood, six feet tall, weight 200 pounds; all bone and muscle. Few men equaled him in strength. He followed clearing timber land and was badly crippled with rheumatism in old age.

Record of James Callin who was the 4th son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1815, died 1866. Married to Susan Stout. To this union two children were born: Mary Ann, born 1838. Died. Sabra Ann.

Record of Hugh Callin, who was the 5th son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born 1817, died 1856.
Married Barbara Mathews.
To this union were born four children:
John, born 1850, died Dec. 27, 1907.
Mary, born 1846, lives in Ashland, Ohio.
Maggie, born 1858, died 1882.
Fred B., born 1854, lives in Akron, Ohio.

Record of Margret Callin, 4th daughter of John Callin who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born 1819, died 1847.

Married James Callin, her cousin 1841, 3rd son of James 2nd.

To this union were born two children:

Warren, born 1842, died 1862 or 3.

William, born 1844, died 1907.

Warren enlisted in the spring of 1861 in 25th Regiment O.V.I., and died on Cheat Mt., West Va. Had been on a scout; only sick one hour. It is supposed he died from drinking poisoned milk. He was a musician, and wherever he went his violin went, and when in camp he drew crowds to hear him play. It is said no man in the regiment equaled him in strength, his soldierly qualities won the confidence of his colonel and he was made Scout. His kind heart and sweet disposition endeared him to all his comrades. The whole regiment mourned his death.

Record of John Callin, eldest son of George Callin who was 2nd son of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1832, died in 1906. Married to Helen Minor. To this union two children were born: James, Jennie.

Record of William Callin, who was the 2nd son of George Callin, who was the 2nd son of John Callin, who was 2nd son of James 1st.

Born Mar. 4, 1834.

Married to Ellen Chaning on Mar. 8, 1860.

To this union four children were born:

Lily, born in 1861.

Lydia, born in 1863.

Anna, born in 1865, died Jan., 1908.

Grace, born in 1878.

Record of Minerva Callin Smith, who was the eldest daughter of George Callin, who was 2nd son of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1836.

Married to John Smith.

To this union four children were born:

Frank: died.

Flora.

Willie,

Helen; died.

[Transcriber's note: following surnames (6 records) edited for time: Ricky, Horten, Campbell, Hoot, Sly. – RTC]

Record of John Callin, who was the eldest son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born Aug. 10, 1840.

[Margin note by Hattie Owen Callin]: Died March 17 – 1913

Married in 1874 to Amanda Walker.

To this union seven children were born:

Byron, born in 1875.

Leota, born in 1876, died at 5 months.

John, born in 1879.

Emma, born in 1885.

Prenice, born in 1887. [Margin note by Hattie Owen Callin: Sept 22]

Wells, born in 1889.

Ray, born in 1890 [Margin note by Hattie Owen Callin: b. "Aug 26 – 1890"; "Died Sept. 28 – 1921"]

Record of James M. Callin, who was the 2nd son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born Feb. 26, 1844, died in 1903.

Married to Rosaline Davenport in 1867.

To this union four children were born:

Albert in 1868.

Arthur in 1870.

Bessie in 1872.

Jessie in 1876.

Second marriage to Alvira Wirick in 1880.

To this Cora, born in 1881.

Carrie, born in 1883.

Aurilla, born in 1885.

Unnamed born in 1887, died at six months old.

James Callin enlisted in Co. H, 67th Regiment, O.V.I., in Sept., 1862, and served to the end of the war; engaged in many of the big battles of the war, was twice wounded, at Fort Wagner, S.C., and Chester Station, Va. His record as a soldier could not be excelled. He was kind hearted, loving and esteemed by all who knew him. He died a sincere Christian.

Record of George W. Callin, 3rd son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born July 4, 1846. [MN by HOC: Died July 1921]

Married to Mary S. St. John, April 22, 1871.

To this union three children were born:

Everett Leroy, born July 4, 1872.

Clement Carl, born May 11, 1877.

Mabel Augusta, born July 15, 1881.

Mary, the mother of the three children, died Aug. 25, 1894.

Second marriage to Lura M. Warner June 27, 1899.

To this union one child was born:

Rosemary, born Jan. 15, 1903.

George W. Callin enlisted Dec. 11, 1862, in 21st Ohio Battery, O.V.A., and served to the end of the war.

Record of Hugh W. Callin, who was the 4th son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born May 16, 1848, died Oct. 3, 1881.

Married to Sarah Leonard 1878.

No children were born to this union.

By profession he followed teaching school several years and studying medicine. Finally graduating at the Cincinnati Medical College in 1878. He had a large practice in and around Jerry City and Portage, Ohio, where he contracted Milk Sickness or Sick Stomach which resulted in his death. He lived a beautiful life, was just to all men, and liked by all who knew him.

Record of Zimri Callin, who was the 5th son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born Dec. 10, 1850, died Aug., 1907.

Married to Ella Franklin in 1874.

To this union one child was born.

Edward, born July 10, 1875; wife died same date.

Second marriage to Minnie Parker, 1877.

To this union four children were born:

Della, born Jan. 30, 1882.

Nellie, born Jan. 4, 1884.

Noamo, born Sept. 3, 1886.

Harry, born July 9, 1892.

Record of Thor Day, eldest son of Mary Ann Callin Day, eldest son of James Callin, 4th son of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st.

Born,, died,	-
Married,	
Born to this union one child.	

Record of Mary Ann Callin Day who was the eldest daughter of James Callin, who was the 4th son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1837, died in 18--. Married in 18—to Glyde Day. To this union were born two children: Stella Thor.

[TN: editing records of descendants of Hugh Callin, 5th son of John Callin, 2nd son of James 1st; editing records of Ferguson descendants. – RTC]

Record of William Callin, who was the 2nd son of Margret Callin, who was the 4th daughter of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1844, died in 1907 at Norwalk, Ohio. Married to Theodoan Johnson Aug. 9, 1868. To this union one child was born. Edith, born June 15, 1872.

William Callin was left an orphan in childhood about the age of 3. Was adopted by and raised by a family named Day near New London, O. At eighteen he enlisted in Co. E, 55th Regt. O.V.V.I., was in all of the battles of his Reg't. till captured on Sherman's Atlanta Campaign and remained in Andersonville prison till close of war. He escaped from prison three times but was each time traced by bloodhounds, captured and returned. His prison life resulted in curvature of the spine and he was badly crippled during later life, enduring much suffering and finally death, for the services he rendered his country, to which he gave the full measure of his devotion.

[TN: edited three pages of descendants from more recent generations; various surnames -RTC]

[MN: additions by Hattie Owen Callin in upper margin of page:

Wells Callin Born Apr 19 – 1889 Married Marion Silvernale 1911 Cameron Charles Jackie Sept 26 – 1920]

Record of Byron Callin, eldest son of John H. Callin, who was the eldest son of Wm. Callin, who was 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1875.

Married in 1906 to Ruby M. Cole.

To this union three children were born:

Opal L., born April 16, 1907. Elva, born Aug 18, 1908. [MN: additions by Hattie Owen Callin – Pearl - 1914 Perda March 1915 Died 1920 Elsie 1921]

Record of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of John H. Callin, who was the eldest son of Wm. Callin, who was 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born 1879.
Married to Bertha [Greenlee] in 1906.
Born to this union one child.
Yvonne, born May 9, 1907
[MN: additions by Hattie Owen Callin –
John Norman} 1912
Robert Jan. 1921]

Record of Emma Callin Matcham, who was the eldest daughter of John Callin, who was the eldest son of Wm. Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born July 8, 1885.
Married in 1907 to George Matcham.
Born to this union one child.
George, born Nov. 4, 1908.
[MN: additions by Hattie Owen Callin –
Edward
Marjie
Truman
Ruth]

Record of Prectice Callin, who is the 3rd son of John H. Callin, eldest son of Wm. Callin, who was 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born September 22, 1887.

Married June 15, 1910 to Hattie Owen.

[MN: additions by Hattie Owen Callin –

Owen Prentice Dec 4 – 1911

David Warren "31 – 1914]

Record of Jessie Callin Chudley, who was the 2nd daughter of James Callin, who was the 2nd son of William Callin, who was the 3rd son of John Callin, who was the 2nd son of James 1st.

Born in 1876. Married in 1893. Born to this union two children. Laverne, born in 1894. Lila, born in ----

[TN: edited descendants of James M.; remainder of record is of female descendants of various surnames. -RTC]

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