Wolfe-Harris Family

The first and second documents are from the perspective of the descendants of James Wolfe the father of John Henry Wolfe. One document is in simplified form and the other is in narrative form.



The third one is the Wolfe-Harris Ancestors from Thelma Ruby Wolfe's perspective. She was the little daughter of John Wolfe and Sallie Harris Wolfe who was born in 1919 and died in 1921 at the age of 19.5 months.

Most of the Wolfe Family Research has been done by our 3rd cousin once removed, Ernest Smith, who lives in Garland, TX and has been researching the family since 1965. His great grandfather, Manson Wolfe, was the brother of our great great grandmother, Mila Wolfe. They both lived in the household of George Franklin Wolfe of Grainger County, Tennesse. George Franklin Wolfe was born in 1812 and died in 1885.

In some ways ancestor research is like politics and religion. Every one has and is entitled to his/her own opinion. By the way, speaking of religion the first Wolfes who immigrated to Pennsylvania were Lutheran. I guess they became Southern Baptist once they moved to Tennessee.

John Jacob Wolfe was born on Dec. 27, 1751 in York, York Co, PA. to parents, John Nicholas and Maria Elizabeth (BRESSLER) Wolfe. He was christened on April 26, 1752 in Christ Lutheran Church, York, PA.

Collected from Telephone Conversation with Ernest Smith August 17, 2012

George Franklin Wolfe 1812-1885 had several children two of whom were Mila "Milly" Wolfe 1838and Manson Elijah Wolfe 1842-1917

Manson Elijah Wolfe had a daughter named Nancy E. Wolfe 1877-1960 who married Benjamin Priest Moore 1865-1937 Two of their daughters were Mary Bernice 1913-2006 and Juanita R 1915-2008

After their husbands died they lived together west of White Rock Lake before you get to Highway 75.

They were the first cousins once removed from James Wolfe relative to George Wolfe and also they were the first cousins once removed from Ernest Smith relative to Manson Wolfe who is George Wolfe's son.

Ernest Smith, who is our 3rd cousin once removed relative to George Wolfe via Manson Wolfe and has been researching the family since the 1960s, spoke and met with them several times and they said the following.

James Wolfe is the illegitimate son of Mila Wolfe who is the daughter of George Franklin Wolfe and also their great-aunt & also the sister of their grandfather, Manson Elijah Wolfe. Some believe that Addison Adam Wolfe, Jr. and Rebecca Coffey were the parents of "our" James Wolfe. This is a possibility, but is doubtful based on the previous page and the following information researched by Ernest Smith.

In the 1900 and 1910 U.S. Census, Rebecca Coffey was asked how many children she had and she replied 7 and 3 are still alive. The three that were still alive were from her marriage to Nathan Perry Dalton. All children with Adam Wolfe, Jr.- *including James A Wolfe* -were dead.

- 1-Addison Adam WOLFE Jr. born 31 Jul 1824, Rutledge, Rockcastle Co., KY, died 1862, Buckingham, Buckingham Co., VA married
- +Rebecca "Becky" COFFEY born 28 Oct 1828, Hancock Co., TN, died 22 Feb 1919, Rutledge, Grainger Co., TN
- 2-Hulda WOLFE born 1845, Grainger Co., TN, died 1846, Grainger Co., TN
- 2-Nancy Mulhulda WOLFE born Abt 1853, Grainger Co., TN, died 1880

married

- +Collins COFFEY born Abt 1854, Grainger Co., TN, died 15 Apr 1911, Morristown, Hamblen Co., TN
- 2-James A WOLFE born Abt 1855, Grainger Co., TN, died 1870, Grainger Co., TN
- 2-Ausborn WOLFE born 20 Dec 1856, Rutledge, Grainger Co., TN, died 28 Jul 1893, Mount Vernon, Rockcastle Co., KY2

All of these deaths occurred before the 1900 U.S. Census.

The following chart shows Ernest Smith's relationship to Us and James Wolfe and the relevant descendants of George Wolfe

