

## *Descendants of Steven Van Camp*

### *Generation No. 1*

**1. Steven<sup>1</sup> Van Camp<sup>1</sup>** was born Abt. 1765 in Pennsylvania(?), and died 1829 in Monroe County, Ohio. He married **Rachel Unknown<sup>1</sup>**. She was born Bet. 1761 - 1764, and died 20 févr. 1855 in Lee Township, Monroe County, Ohio.

Children of Steven Van Camp and Rachel Unknown are:

- 2        i. Unknown<sup>2</sup> Van Camp<sup>1</sup>.
- 3        ii. Sarah Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1791. She married (1) James Buchanan<sup>1</sup>. She married (2) Unknown Travis<sup>1</sup>.
- 4        iii. Unknown Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1792.
- + 5        iv. John S. Van Camp, born 1793 in Pennsylvania; died 20 juin 1873 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia.
- 6        v. Samuel Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born 15 nov. 1800. He married Lucinda Martin<sup>1</sup>.
- 7        vi. William Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1804. He married Frances Jenkins Ferrell<sup>1</sup>.
- 8        vii. Alexander Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1805. He married Lydia A. Kahler(?)<sup>1</sup>.
- 9        viii. Rolly Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born 04 mars 1806. He married (1) Vienna Watkins<sup>1</sup>. He married (2) Jemima Unknown<sup>1</sup>.
- 10        ix. Unknown Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1809.
- 11        x. Unknown Van Camp<sup>1</sup>, born Abt. 1811.

### *Generation No. 2*

**5. John S.<sup>2</sup> Van Camp** (Steven<sup>1</sup>)<sup>1</sup> was born 1793 in Pennsylvania, and died 20 juin 1873 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia. He married **Margaret Martin<sup>1</sup>**, daughter of John Martin and Melison Manning. She was born 1798 in Tyler County, West Virginia, and died Abt. 1885 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia.

Notes for Margaret Martin:

According to Shirley Shore:

Both John S. Van Camp and his wife Margaret Martin are buried in the Van Camp Cemetery, Wetzel Co, West Virginia. Margaret had no tombstone. Martin Van Camp stated that Margaret Martin was buried beside John S. Van Camp. When asked why there had never been a stone placed on Margaret Martin's grave, Martin Van Camp replied: "Because nobody liked her."

Children of John Van Camp and Margaret Martin are:

- 12        i. Nelson<sup>3</sup> Van Camp<sup>1,2</sup>, born 23 juin 1814.
- 13        ii. James Wilson Van Camp<sup>3,4</sup>, born 1818.
- 14        iii. Melison Amelia Van Camp<sup>5</sup>, born 1818.
- 15        iv. Benjamin Franklin Van Camp<sup>5,6</sup>, born 1820. He married Hannah Kerby<sup>7</sup>.
- 16        v. Elizabeth Van Camp<sup>7,8</sup>, born 1825. She married John Evans<sup>9,10</sup>.
- 17        vi. Butler Van Camp<sup>11,12</sup>, born 15 août 1827.
- 18        vii. Martin Van Camp<sup>13,14</sup>, born 1829.
- 19        viii. Amanda Van Camp, born 1830.
- 20        ix. Squire Van Camp<sup>15</sup>, born 1834.

Notes for Squire Van Camp:

While Shirley Shore lists a Squire having been born in 1834, W.E. Glendenning lists an Albert.

- 21        x. Caroline Van Camp<sup>15</sup>, born 1836.
- + 22        xi. John Marshall Van Camp, born 04 nov. 1837 in Wetzel County, West Virginia; died 30 déc. 1919 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia.
- 23        xii. Olivia Van Camp<sup>15,16</sup>, born 15 févr. 1839. She married (1) Aaron Scamhorns<sup>17</sup>. She married (2) James Irwin Carothers<sup>17</sup>.

### *Generation No. 3*

**22. John Marshall<sup>3</sup> Van Camp** (John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>)<sup>17,18,19,20</sup> was born 04 nov. 1837 in Wetzel County,

West Virginia, and died 30 déc. 1919 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia. He married **(1) Mary Belle Martin**<sup>21,22,23</sup> 16 déc. 1861 in New Martinsville, West Virginia, daughter of Squire Martin and Lavina Manning. She was born 23 avr. 1840 in Rosby's Rocks, (West) Virginia, and died 14 avr. 1873 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia. He married **(2) Margaret Anna Martin**<sup>24,25,26</sup> 15 oct. 1873, daughter of Squire Martin and Lavina Manning. She was born 1849.

Notes for John Marshall Van Camp:  
John Marshall married his first cousin.

Shirley Shores writes that John Marshall Van Camp was "very quiet", "almost dour in his demeanor".

She includes the following description taken from John Marshall Van Camp's Civil War pension records:

Van Camp, John Marshall, 25; b 4 Nov 1837, New Martinsville, Tyler Co; 5'5"; fair comp; black hair; black eyes; enl 15 Aug 1862 New Martinsville; mus 8 Sep 1862 Wheeling; sgt from enl to 26 Nov 1862 when rdcd to ranks b/o Colonel McCaslin; abs sick hosp Cumberland 2 Jan 1863 - mus Aug 1863; abs div Pioneer Corps at Webster & New Crk 3 Apr 1864 - mus May 1864; adm GH Cumberland from field 17 Jul 1864 w/dysentery; transf chaplain's quarters 11 Aug 1864; to GH Parkersburg 27 Sep 1864 w/rheumatism; rtd to duty 24 Feb 1865; abs wounded Ft. Monroe, VA, 26 Apr 1865; mus out while in GH, York, Pa, by dir from War Dept dated 3 May 1865.  
1/m 13 Mar 1862/Wetzel Co Mary Belle Martin (d 3 Mar 1862/Van Camp, Wetzel Co); 2/m 5 Oct 1873/Wetzel Co Margaret A. Martin (30 Apr 1927/Van Camp) Died 29 Dec 1919 & bur Van Camp Cem, Paden Fork, Wetzel Co. Children by 1/m: Ory C. F., b 18 Nov 1862; Sam H. B., b 7 Apr 1866; Winona F., b 10 Apr 1869; Louvina b., b 4 Apr 1873. Children by 2/m: Annie C., b 5 Mar 1875; John S., b 11 Oct 1876; Blanche S., b 13 Feb 1879; Una B., b 26 May 1882; Marsha, b 27 Apr 1887; Rachel N., b 23 Nov 1889; Vincent M., b 31 Aug 1891; and Martin, b 21 May 1893. (AGQ, MR, PR)  
AGQ = Adjutant General Report  
MR = Military Record  
PR = Pension Record  
SR = Service Record

Shirley Shore also provides the following colorful slice of family history:

This is the story my mother told me concerning how her mother got her name. John Marshall Van Camp was severely wounded in the head 4 days before the end of the Civil War. He was taken to a field hospital in Casinova, Virginia, and he always credited the surgeons there for having saved his life. When Grandma was born, he named her "Arma" in honor of the Army, and "Casinova" in honor of the surgeons who saved his life - choosing to use the location because he did not know the names of the doctors.

I remember going to visit Grandma up on the hill (I have since learned that the name of the road leading to her house is "Slider Run"). I remember sitting on the porch at night and watching millions of fireflies. We talked and sang until it was time for us to go to bed. Grandma had no electricity or running water in the house. It seemed a great adventure to me to live that way. She had a battery operated radio for emergencies. We weren't allowed to listen to it at just any time. I was allowed to listen to one half-hour show per week - and I chose "I Love a Mystery." I still remember sitting in her darkening bedroom, listening spellbound, savoring my weekly "treat."

I remember one time when it hailed huge hailstones - I think they were the proverbial "golf-ball" size - but they seemed bigger than that to me. The noise they made pounding down on grandma's tin roof was deafening. After the storm, we gathered up all the hailstones, and grandma made homemade ice cream. She had an ice cream maker that had a crank that we turned until the ice cream was thick. After Phillip was not allowed to have any milk products, we had another such hail storm, and that time Aunt Blanche made the ice cream. I remember being so upset that Phillip wouldn't be able to have any, but Aunt Blanche told me not to worry and that she would fix it so he didn't feel bad. She gave Phillip a large plate of butter which looked a lot like the ice cream, and he really did not like it. He thought we were all very strange to like such terrible tasting stuff.

Another of my favorite memories of days "on the hill" was the time when all the men got together and went on a turtle hunt. They brought home three washtubs full of snapping turtles. "Teddy" caught a baby snapper and delighted in chasing us all around the yard with it. Aunt Blanche cooked a fantastic meal - I can still see

the table - there were two big platters piled high with fried turtle, two big bowls of green beans fresh from the garden cooked with potatoes and bacon, and two big plates of sliced tomatoes - also right out of the garden. There were thick slices of homemade bread, and - of course - the home-churned butter. It's odd, but as I write, I can almost taste that wonderful meal. When I went to visit Uncle Archer just before he died, I remember being so surprised that the dining room was so tiny. It almost seemed that it was too small ever to have held such a magnificent banquet.

I remember Grandma climbing a peach tree to pick peaches, and I was terrified that she would fall. She just laughed at me.

As I said, there was no running water in the house. When the house was built, there was a good well right by the back door. However, Grandfather wanted a deeper well. He and Grandma argued about blasting. She was sure he would ruin the well; he was sure he would make a deeper, better well. She was right. He blasted and the well was lost. The water resurfaced in a spring down over a steep hill from the house. There was a narrow path that Grandma or Aunt Vaughn would walk every day to go to the spring for a bucket of water. I don't know how those two old ladies ever managed to go down that steep little hill when it was icy or muddy. The land around the spring was quite dense with underbrush - berries and the like. This area was fenced in all the way down the mountain until it hit the piece of ground where Aunt Twila & Uncle Brady had their house. I imagine that Grandpa gave them the land when they married, but I do not know this for sure. I do know the fenced land was part of the Van Camp property. Uncle Archer used to graze his cow on this land - now that I think of it, I really wonder how that cow ever found anything to eat - it was so overgrown. Another of my memories of the spring is watching Uncle Archer milk the cow (her name was Pet) down by the spring. He would get under the fence & set up his bucket & stool. My cousins and I would stand on the big rock by the spring, and as Uncle Archer would milk Pet, he would squirt at our open mouths. We thought it was great fun. Memories of the House on the Hill would not be complete without a few snake stories. Mother said that often there would be large blacksnakes draped across the tops of the berry vines in the land down by the spring, and the snakes would watch them as they picked the berries. Grandma never killed blacksnakes unless they were in the henhouse. I remember one very large blacksnake she killed with her hoe. Dad took movie pictures of it. (Unfortunately, all of the old home movies were accidentally ruined.) Grandma often killed copperheads in her cellar. Those snakes were quite prevalent. I remember one of Uncle Archer's dogs - Fannie - who was bitten by a copperhead. Aunt Blanche put a rag soaked with kerosene, I believe, on the wound. At any rate, Fannie recovered from the bite I remember one bright, moonlit night when we were walking back to Grandma's house from Uncle Archer's. Mom suddenly gave a short little skip, bent over, picked up a rock from the side of the road, and threw it - killing a large copperhead that was lying on the warm clay road. I never recalled ever having seen Mama move so fast.

And now, two stories of quite unusual, supernatural events that I want to pass on:

Oddly enough, both of these stories seem to be tied to the outhouse. In the first story, one of the children was very sick (I believe it was Aunt Vaughn). At any rate, she was in very serious condition, and the doctor gave little hope for her recovery, saying that the crisis was near. Grandma went out to the outhouse, and when she started her return to the house and rounded the corner of the chicken coop, she looked up in the sky and saw a bird - this was no ordinary bird. It was an eagle, and it was so large that its wings sheltered the entire house. Grandma said it was the Great Speckled Bird in the Bible. At any rate, Grandma said that at that moment, she knew the crisis had arrived, and she felt a great sense of calm. She wasn't sure if it meant that Aunt Vaughn had passed away or that she had survived the crisis. All Grandma knew was that she had been given a great sense of inner peace. When she got back into the house, the crisis had indeed come, and Aunt Vaughn had begun to recover.

The other story concerns the death of Theodore Van Camp. The night Grandpa was buried, we were all at Grandma's house. Aunt Hallie took David Ray out to the outhouse. As it was pitch dark, she took a flashlight with her. Suddenly, there appeared a small white light that danced around David Ray's head - Aunt Hallie focused the flashlight on it, but it continued to dance.

This went on the entire time they were outside, but when they came back into the house, it disappeared. Aunt Hallie was convinced that it was her father's spirit come back to give a blessing to a grandson.

Everything is gone now. The house was torn down, and all the big trees that once shaded the house and kept it so comfortable on hot summer days have been cut down. There is now a "Party Cabin" there owned by folks from Ohio who come there on weekends. All that is left from my treasure of memories is the row of cherry trees along the road, the wild rose bushes that grow along the lane leading up to the house, the huge rocks in the lane that make it impossible to drive a car up the lane, and the big tree and rock opposite the lane where Margaret Ann, Patty, and I - after a heavy rain - would make mud dishes and put them on the rock to "bake". The road was yellow clay - and after a rain, mud was plentiful. Cars would make deep ruts in the road, and we would dam up the ruts & make lakes. We played right out in the soft, warm rain, damming up the ruts and then jumping into the "lakes" making big splashes. The road is now paved, and no more little ones will ever know the joy of having a whole set of mud dishes, complete with mud pies and cakes.

And these are some of the memories that - for me - will never grow dim.

Notes for Mary Belle Martin:

Mary Belle married her first cousin, as did her own mother.

Shirley Shore writes:

After the birth of her fourth child, Mary Belle suffered from complications of childbirth, and when it became clear to her that she was not going to live, she asked her sister Margaret to take care of her four children and her husband. Margaret promised Mary Belle she would do so. Six months later, Margaret and John Marshall Van Camp were married.

With regards to the parentage of Mary Belle Martin, Shirley Shore cites History of the Upper Ohio Valley by Hardesty and "an article about the school at Rosby's Rock".

Notes for Margaret Anna Martin:

With regards to the parentage of Margaret Anna Martin, Shirley Shore cites History of the Upper Ohio Valley by Hardesty and "an article about the school at Rosby's Rock".

Children of John Van Camp and Mary Martin are:

- 24 i. Clarage Forrest<sup>4</sup> Van Camp<sup>27,28</sup>, born 28 nov. 1862. He married Liva Belle Gamble<sup>28</sup>.
- 25 ii. Samuel Boyd Van Camp<sup>29,30</sup>, born 07 juil. 1866. He married Sophia Virginia Probst<sup>30</sup>.
- 26 iii. Winona Frace Van Camp<sup>31,32</sup>, born 10 avr. 1869. She married James Richard Glendinning<sup>33,34</sup>.
- + 27 iv. Lavinia Beeler Van Camp, born 05 avr. 1873 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia; died 25 sept. 1931 in Bevan, Ohio.

Children of John Van Camp and Margaret Martin are:

- 28 i. Arma Casinova<sup>4</sup> Van Camp<sup>35,36</sup>, born 05 mars 1875. She married Theodore Dwight Van Camp<sup>37,38</sup>.
- 29 ii. John Shotwell Van Camp<sup>39,40</sup>, born 11 oct. 1876.
- 30 iii. Blanche Saprana Van Camp<sup>41,42</sup>, born 13 févr. 1879. She married Clemmen Irvin Watkins<sup>42</sup>.
- 31 iv. Euna Brady Van Camp<sup>43,44</sup>, born 26 mai 1882. She married Ferdinand Monroe Long<sup>44</sup>.
- 32 v. Marcena Pearl Van Camp<sup>45,46</sup>, born 27 mars 1887. She married Lewis Raymond Kennard<sup>46</sup>.
- 33 vi. Rachel Wynema Van Camp<sup>47,48</sup>, born 23 nov. 1889. She married Thomas Bunt Robinson<sup>48</sup>.
- 34 vii. Vincent Marshall Van Camp<sup>49,50</sup>, born 31 août 1891.
- 35 viii. Martin Presley Van Camp<sup>51,52</sup>, born 21 mai 1893.

#### *Generation No. 4*

**27. Lavinia Beeler<sup>4</sup> Van Camp** (John Marshall<sup>3</sup>, John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>)<sup>53,54,55</sup> was born 05 avr. 1873 in Van Camp, Wetzel County, West Virginia, and died 25 sept. 1931 in Bevan, Ohio. She married **Lucius McClellan Stancliff**<sup>56,57,58,59</sup> 20 août 1900 in Marietta, Ohio, son of Joseph Stancliff and Roxanne Hull. He was born 24 janv. 1863, and died 11 mars 1939 in Bevan, Ohio.

Notes for Lucius McClellan Stancliff:

Information on Lucius McClellan Stancliff, his siblings and their ancestors is, except as otherwise noted, according to Bob and Sherry Stancliff. For an excellent, detailed, and contextual account, I recommend Bob and Sherry's award-winning book "The Descendants of James Stancliff of Middletown, Connecticut."

Children of Lavinia Van Camp and Lucius Stancliff are:

- 36 i. Maxine Roxanne<sup>5</sup> Stancliff, born 06 juin 1901. She married George Gale Yost.
- + 37 ii. Wayne Forrest Stancliff, born 23 juin 1902 in Ohio; died 16 avr. 1989 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.
- 38 iii. Winona Maude Stancliff, born 05 juil. 1904. She married William Clark Thomas.
- 39 iv. Virginia Marie Stancliff, born 25 févr. 1908. She married John Samuel Hassinger.
- 40 v. Joseph McClellan Stancliff, born 10 févr. 1909.
- 41 vi. Helen Lavinia Stancliff, born 14 sept. 1910. She married Dale Haught.
- 42 vii. Sarah Geneva Stancliff, born 31 déc. 1912. She married Ray Haught.
- 43 viii. Martha Jane Stancliff, born 08 sept. 1915.

#### *Generation No. 5*

**37. Wayne Forrest<sup>5</sup> Stancliff** (Lavinia Beeler<sup>4</sup> Van Camp, John Marshall<sup>3</sup>, John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>)<sup>60</sup> was born 23 juin 1902 in Ohio, and died 16 avr. 1989 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. He married **Mildred Mae Hartshorn** 13 sept. 1924 in Marietta, Ohio. She was born 19 avr. 1907 in Newport, Ohio, and died juin 1983 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

Child of Wayne Stancliff and Mildred Hartshorn is:

*Generation No. 6*

**44. Doris Mae<sup>6</sup> Stancliff** (Wayne Forrest<sup>5</sup>, Lavinia Beeler<sup>4</sup> Van Camp, John Marshall<sup>3</sup>, John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>)<sup>61,62,63</sup>. She married **Peter Nunzio Zizzi**<sup>64,65,66,67</sup>.

Children of Doris Stancliff and Peter Zizzi are:

- 45 i. Perry Vito<sup>7</sup> Zizzi.
- + 46 ii. Bella Marie Zizzi.
- + 47 iii. Laura Lea Zizzi.

*Generation No. 7*

**46. Bella Marie<sup>7</sup> Zizzi** (Doris Mae<sup>6</sup> Stancliff, Wayne Forrest<sup>5</sup>, Lavinia Beeler<sup>4</sup> Van Camp, John Marshall<sup>3</sup>, John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>) She married **Neil Ira Reich** 03 nov. 1979.

Child of Bella Zizzi and Neil Reich is:

- 48 i. Jared Peirce<sup>8</sup> Reich.

**47. Laura Lea<sup>7</sup> Zizzi** (Doris Mae<sup>6</sup> Stancliff, Wayne Forrest<sup>5</sup>, Lavinia Beeler<sup>4</sup> Van Camp, John Marshall<sup>3</sup>, John S.<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>) She married **John Francis Corleto II** 22 mai 1982.

Child of Laura Zizzi and John Corleto is:

- 49 i. John Francis<sup>8</sup> Corleto III.

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