

# *Descendants of William Davidson*

## *Generation No. 1*

1. WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> DAVIDSON<sup>1,2,3</sup> was born 15 Nov 1832 in Jefferson County, OH, and died 12 Mar 1907 in Smithfield, OH<sup>4</sup>. He married (1) NANCY ANN CHADWELL<sup>5,6</sup> 27 Oct 1853 in Smithfield, OH, daughter of DUFFET CHADWELL and MAHALA CHANEY. She was born 24 Mar 1828 in Smithfield, OH, and died 02 Sep 1873 in Smithfield, Jefferson County, OH. He married (2) ELIZABETH GOSNELL 18 Oct 1874 in Smithfield, OH, daughter of GIDEON GOSNELL and HESTER UNKNOWN. She was born May 1832 in Ohio, and died 22 Mar 1918 in Ohio.

Notes for WILLIAM DAVIDSON:

William Davidson was born near Smithfield, Ohio, according to an entry in a small black journal given to me by Zella Mae (Davidson) Snider. The journal contains hand written notes about different relatives in the Davidson family. My grandma Davidson (Mary Heter Davidson) wrote much of the book. The journal was written at different times of her life as the relatives were born.

The following information appears on the last page of the journal and was written by Mary (Heter) Davidson. "Father Davidson's (William A. Davidson) home town was Smithfield, Ohio. His father's name was William Davidson. He (William A .Davidson) had 1 brother. His name was John Logan (Davidson). He was the youngest child. Sister's names was Mary. Married a man by the name of Connel. (Connell) Annie married F. A. Yarling. (I am not sure about this spelling?) Maggie the youngest girl. Don't know who married her. Mary had 3 girls. She is dead. Also Annie is dead."

I have not been able to locate William Davidson's grave yet but I have documentation from his civil war pension papers that he was buried in the cemetery at Smithfield, Ohio.

William Davidson's first wife was Nancy Ann Chadwell. I have a picture of William and Nancy with a handwritten note at the bottom of the picture which says " Great Grandfather Wm Davidson - and 1st wife." I believe the handwriting is Mary (Heter) Davidson as she was describing the picture for one of her children. I have a copy of William Davidson's marriage license to Nancy A. Chadwell. They were married by John W. Case (spelling?) but I am not sure what church or where yet.

William Davidson's second marriage was to Elizabeth Gosnell. They were married by Rev. Walter Moore who later became mayor of Smithfield between 1884-1894. In the same history of Smithfield, Walter Moore is listed as a Methodist Protestant Church Pastor between 1871 - 1875.

I have researched an 1871 atlas of Jefferson County, Ohio, and it has a map of the village of Smithfield in it. I have located two homes which I believe were owned by William Davidson at one time. Those homes are still standing today. (2005)

At one time in the history of Smithfield, there was a planing mill located in the center of town with the name of Sutherland & Davidson. I am not sure if this is the same Davidson but William Davidson has listed his occupation to be a carpenter on more than one census record. I am still researching this fact.

William Davidson enlisted as a Lieutenant 1st Class on May 2, 1864 at the age of 32. He enlisted in Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment Ohio on May 15, 1864. He was mustered out of the same regiment on September 2, 1864 at Camp Chase, Ohio. I have some copies of civil war letters written by George Washington Glover and Jefferson Cuthbert Clover. In these letters they mention the name of Captain Davidson from Jefferson County. They were all residents of Smithfield, Ohio.

I have researched all of the census records from 1850 through 1930 and I have located William Davidson's family residing in Smithfield from 1860 through 1900. William Davidson's son, William A. Davidson, supposedly ran away from his home at some time in his life. We don't know why but he does not appear in the 1880 census records any more. I have documentation that he moved to Tuscarawas County and married Caroline Kail. (This would be my great grandfather)

More About WILLIAM DAVIDSON:

Burial: 14 Mar 1907, Northern Cemetery, Smithfield, OH

Medical Information: Dark complexion Eyes are Brown Hair is Dark

Military service: Bet. 15 May - 02 Sep 1864, 157th Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry 1st Lieut.<sup>7</sup>

Occupation: Carpenter<sup>8</sup>

Religion: Methodist Protestant Church<sup>9</sup>

Notes for NANCY ANN CHADWELL:

Nancy Ann Chadwell lived in Smithfield, Jefferson County, Ohio. I have located her tombstone in the Northern Cemetery located in Smithfield. Her grave is near the top of the hill over looking route 152. Her tombstone has been broken from it's stand and is laying down in the ground. I plan to take another trip to Smithfield and repair the tombstone soon. It reads "Nancy A. Wife of William Davidson Died Sept. 1, 1873 in the 45 years of her age."

More About NANCY ANN CHADWELL:

Burial: Northern Cemetery, Smithfield, OH

Cause of Death: Consumption<sup>10</sup>

Census: 1850, Smithfield, Jefferson County, OH

Medical Information: Nancy A. Chadwell died Sept. 2, 1873 ae 45 yrs. 5 mos. 9 days of consumption.

Notes for ELIZABETH GOSNELL:

I received an email from a Harold Gosnell listing Elizabeth Gosnell born in Ohio abt 1831. Her father's name could be Gideon Gosnell b: 1805 either in Ohio or PA.

In the 1860 census record of Smithfield Township, Gideon Gosnell age 55, is listed as head of the household. His spouse is Esther age 51, Elizabeth age 29, Ann age 27, James age 16, George age 12, and Joseph age 8.

In the 1880 census record of Smithfield, William Davidson has a Hester Gosnell age 71, mother-in-law, and George Gosnell age 30, brother-in-law, residing with them. Also listed on the same census is Elizabeth age 45, keeping house, Annie age 21, Maggie age 16, and John (H) age 13.

More About ELIZABETH GOSNELL:

Death Certificate: 22 Mar 1918, Certificate No. 17794, Volume 2537, [dbs.ohiohistory.org](http://dbs.ohiohistory.org)

Children of WILLIAM DAVIDSON and NANCY CHADWELL are:

2. i. WILLIAM A<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, b. 08 Jul 1854, Smithfield, Jefferson County, OH; d. 11 Apr 1932, Tuscarawas County, Gnadenuhuten, OH.
3. ii. MARY EMILY DAVIDSON, b. 1857, Smithfield, OH; d. 02 Sep 1889, New Alexandria, Jefferson County, OH.
- iii. ANNA DAVIDSON, b. 1859, Smithfield, OH; d. Unknown.
- iv. MAGGIE DAVIDSON, b. 03 Jan 1864, Smithfield, OH; d. Unknown; m. UNKNOWN.

More About MAGGIE DAVIDSON:

Burial: Unknown

- v. JOHN LOGAN DAVIDSON, b. 21 Nov 1866, Smithfield, OH; d. Unknown; m. ANNIE STROBEL, 10 Jul 1889, Belmont County, OH.

More About JOHN LOGAN DAVIDSON:

Burial: Unknown

Marriage Notes for JOHN DAVIDSON and ANNIE STROBEL:

I located a list of Ohio marriages through the internet in Belmont County, Ohio. John Logan Davidson would have been born in 1866. This listed only one match with this name and age. As of 12/22/04 I am only assuming this is our John Davidson. I do need to find copies of this marriage license and some other proof to verify this family line.

2. WILLIAM A<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON (*WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>)<sup>11,12,13</sup> was born 08 Jul 1854 in Smithfield, Jefferson County, OH<sup>14</sup>, and died 11 Apr 1932 in Tuscarawas County, Gnadenhutten, OH. He married CAROLINE L KAIL 10 Oct 1886 in Gilmore, OH, daughter of JAMES KAIL and RIDLEY KINSEY. She was born 21 Mar 1854 in Gilmore, OH, and died 03 Jun 1945 in Gilmore, OH.

Notes for WILLIAM A DAVIDSON:

We have been told that William A. Davidson ran away from home when he was young. He met Caroline Kail in Gilmore, Ohio, and married her. Caroline's father, Samuel, had a farm outside of Gilmore, Ohio. Part of this farm is still owned by Norwood (Woody) Davidson. Norwood is William A. Davidson's grandson.

William A. Davidson's mother and father had five children; William A., Mary, Anna, Maggie, and John Logan Davidson. William A. Davidson's mother, Nancy Ann (Chadwell) Davidson passed away in 1873. This could have been reason enough for William A. Davidson to leave his home. He would have been 19 years old. In the 1880 census record for Smithfield, only four children were listed as living in Smithfield at the time.

William A. Davidson was age 77 years, 9 months, and 3 days, when he died. He lived on the farm near Gilmore until May 24, 1927, when they moved to Gnadenhutten, Ohio. William A. Davidson joined the Methodist Protestant Church early in his life.

More About WILLIAM A DAVIDSON:

Burial: 13 Apr 1932, West Union Cemetery, Gilmore, OH

Cause of Death: Cerebral Hemorrhage

Medical Information: William A. Davidson had a arteriosclerosis in 1925 and a cerebral hemorrhage April 8, 1932. Death Certificate File No. 1255, Clay Tounship, Gnadenhutten, OH

Occupation: Carpenter

Property: 27 Jul 1938, Transfer of Real Estate No. 16434 Probate Court, New Philadelphia, Ohio

Religion: Methodist Protestant Church

Notes for CAROLINE L KAIL:

Mary (Heter) Davidson wrote "Grandma Davidson died June 3, 1945. She was sick in bed 10 weeks. The funeral was the 6th of June, 1945." Mary (Heter) Davidson refers to Caroline Kail as mother Davidson. References are made to mother Davidson's mother (Ridley Kinsey) and her possessions. See Ridley Kinsey Notes.

More About CAROLINE L KAIL:

Burial: 06 Jun 1945, West Union Cemetery, Gilmore, OH

Cause of Death: Myocardial Failure

Medical Information: Caroline died of myocardial failure due to myocardial enlargement and degeneration due to diffuse arterial sclerosis. Reg. Dist. No. 1255 Primary Reg. Dist. No. 3339

Occupation: House Wife

Children of WILLIAM DAVIDSON and CAROLINE KAIL are:

4. i. CURTIS EMMET<sup>3</sup> DAVIDSON, b. 15 Apr 1887, Gilmore, Tuscarawas County, OH; d. 20 Feb 1981, North Canton, Stark County, OH.
- ii. EFFIE MAE DAVIDSON, b. 19 Jan 1889, Near Gilmore, Tuscarawas County, OH; d. 31 Jan 1909, Gilmore, OH.

More About EFFIE MAE DAVIDSON:

Burial: West Union Cemetery, Gilmore, OH

Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever

Medical Information: Effie Mae Davidson was 20 years, 12 days old when she died of typhoid fever.

Religion: Methodist Protestant Church

3. MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON (*WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>) was born 1857 in Smithfield, OH, and died 02 Sep 1889 in New Alexandria, Jefferson County, OH. She married JAMES SAMUEL CONNELL 08 Nov 1876 in Unknown.

More About MARY EMILY DAVIDSON:

Burial: Unknown, Unknown

Cause of Death: Consumption

Census: 1860, Residence is Smithfield, Jefferson County, OH

Medical Information: Certified Death Certificate from Steubenville Courthouse, Jefferson County, OH Vol. 2, page 154.

She was 32 years old.  
Occupation: Housewife

More About JAMES SAMUEL CONNELL:  
Burial: Unknown

Marriage Notes for MARY DAVIDSON and JAMES CONNELL:  
Notes taken from the Jefferson County, Ohio Marriage Records Book No. 8 1874-1883 lists on page 519 James Connell and Mary E. Davidson were married 8 November, 1876 by Samuel F. Fleming, M.G.

Children of MARY DAVIDSON and JAMES CONNELL are:

5. i. MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL, b. 04 Dec 1877, New Alexandria, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH; d. 1956, Harmony Cemetery, Mingo Junction, OH.
- ii. ADA E. CONNELL, b. 26 Apr 1882.

More About ADA E. CONNELL:  
Birth Certificate: 31 Mar 1883, No. 693 Page 116 Records of Birth Vol. No. 2, Steubenville, OH

- iii. EFFANY CONNELL, b. 14 Oct 1886, Wells Township, OH.

More About EFFANY CONNELL:  
Birth Certificate: 1887, No. 429 Page 240 Record of Births Vol. No. 2  
Cause of Death: Pneumonia  
Medical Information: Certified Death Certificate from Steubenville Courthouse, Jefferson County, OH. Vol. 2, page 172.

#### *Generation No. 3*

4. CURTIS EMMET<sup>3</sup> DAVIDSON (*WILLIAM A<sup>2</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 15 Apr 1887 in Gilmore, Tuscarawas County, OH, and died 20 Feb 1981 in North Canton, Stark County, OH. He married (1) MARGIE BUCHANNAN. He married (2) MARY ELIZABETH HETER 22 Apr 1910 in Gilmore, OH, daughter of LEWIS HETER and ELLEN WIANDT. She was born 30 Aug 1890 in Rush Twp, Tuscarawas County, OH, and died 23 Apr 1966 in Aultman Hospital, Canton, OH.

More About CURTIS EMMET DAVIDSON:  
Burial: 23 Feb 1981, Sunset Hills Burial Park, Jackson Township, OH  
Religion: Methodist Protestant Church

Notes for MARY ELIZABETH HETER:

The following information was written by Mary Elizabeth (Heter) Davidson. It was written in her little black journal. I will make reference to this book many times. "Mary Heter was born in Rush Township, Ohio August 30, 1890. She joined the U.B. Church (United Brethern?) at New Philadelphia, Ohio at the age of 10 years. Married Curtis E. Davidson and moved to Gilmore. Married April 20, 1910 and moved to Gnadenhutten April 25, 1920. Joined the United Brethern Church when young. "

She continues to write " We moved to North Canton, Ohio, October 1, 1946. Joined the Luthern Church March 30, 1947. Finished the house in February, 1947."

More About MARY ELIZABETH HETER:  
Burial: 26 Apr 1966, Sunset Hills Memorial Park, Jackson Township, OH  
Occupation: House Keeper  
Religion: 1900, United Brethern Church, New Philadelphia, OH  
Residence: 1910, Gilmore, OH

Children of CURTIS DAVIDSON and MARY HETER are:

6. i. ZELLA MAE<sup>4</sup> DAVIDSON, b. 25 Jan 1918, Gnadenhutten, OH.
7. ii. NORWOOD WILLIAM DAVIDSON, b. 04 Sep 1922, Gnadenhutten, OH.

5. MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL (*MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 04 Dec 1877 in New Alexandria, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH, and died 1956 in Harmony Cemetery, Mingo Junction, OH. She married CARL

VINCENT TARR 29 Mar 1899 in Brilliant, Jefferson County, OH, son of JOHN TARR and MARY CRISWELL. He was born 1877 in Steubenville, Jefferson County, OH, and died 14 Jan 1968 in Harmony Cemetery, Mingo Junction, OH.

Notes for MARGARET ANN CONNELL:

I located Margaret's grave stone along with Carl Tarr's next to his mother and fathers garve in the Harmony cemetery near Mingo Junction, OH. (8/20/05) I spent the entire day traveling through Jefferson County to locate the burial sites of several relatives.

More About MARGARET ANN CONNELL:

Birth Certificate: 1878, No. 291 page 320 Record of Births Vol. No. 1

Notes for CARL VINCENT TARR:

Carl V. Tarr's Will was filed in the Probate Court of Steubenville, OH on March 4, 1968. At the time Carl resided in the village of Mingo Junction, OH. He died on January 14, 1968. His spouse, Margaret Ann (Connell) Tarr had already passed away.

Carl left his daughter, Ruth Eleanor (Tarr) Coffman as the executor of the will. Robert L. Quinn was the attorney of the document.

Carl's children listed in the will were Floyd Ellsworth Tarr, Stanley Edward Tarr, Robert James Tarr, Viola Mary R. (Tarr) Knight, Ruth Eleanor (Tarr) Coffman, and Hazel (Tarr) Henry. Carl's signature appears on the Last Will and Testament dated January 16, 1956.

Carl was a carpenter.

More About CARL VINCENT TARR:

Burial: Unknown

Will: 04 Mar 1968, No. 57497 Probate Court, Steubenville, OH

Children of MARGARET CONNELL and CARL TARR are:

8. i. HAZEL<sup>4</sup> NORMATARR, b. 1911.
- ii. ROBERT JAMES TARR.
9. iii. FLOYD ELLSWORTH TARR, b. 1900.
- iv. STANLEY EDWARD TARR, b. 17 Aug 1902, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH; m. CAROLINE OWENS; b. 1907.

More About STANLEY EDWARD TARR:

Birth Certificate: 04 Aug 1903, No. 615, Page 180, Record of Births Vol. No. 3, Steubenville, OH

10. v. VIOLA MARY R. TARR, b. 07 Sep 1904, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH.
11. vi. RUTH ELEANOR TARR, b. 15 Sep 1907, Brilliant, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH; d. 21 Jan 1981, Mingo Junction, OH.

#### *Generation No. 4*

6. ZELLA MAE<sup>4</sup> DAVIDSON (*CURTIS EMMET<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM A<sup>2</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 25 Jan 1918 in Gnadenhutton, OH. She married JAMES RICHARD SNIDER 19 Jul 1942 in Gnadenhutton, OH.

Notes for ZELLA MAE DAVIDSON:

Mary (Heter) Davidson wrote the following about Zella Mae Davidson. " Born at Gilmore, Ohio Jan. 25, 1918. Joined church at Gnadenhutten at the age of 13 by Dr. Fisher. Married James R. Snider July 19, 1942. Methodist Church in Gnadenhutten, O. by Rev. Bonner. Attended Kent State College 2 years. Taught school 4 years."

More About ZELLA MAE DAVIDSON:

Education: Kent State University, Kent, OH

Occupation: Teacher

Religion: 1931, Methodist Protestant Church, Gnadenhutten, OH

Children of ZELLA DAVIDSON and JAMES SNIDER are:

- i. PENELOPE<sup>5</sup> SNIDER, b. 31 May 1941.
- ii. DAVID SNIDER, b. 31 May 1946.

7. NORWOOD WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> DAVIDSON (*CURTIS EMMET<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM A<sup>2</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 04 Sep 1922 in Gnadenhutton,

OH. He married VIVIAN JANE ROHRER 03 Sep 1949 in Community Christian Church, North Canton, OH, daughter of SIDNEY ROHRER and FLORENCE SHROYER. She was born 29 Aug 1924 in North Canton, OH.

Notes for NORWOOD WILLIAM DAVIDSON:

The following information was written by Mary (Heter) Davidson. " Norwood W. Davidson was born at Gnadenhutten, O. Sept. 4, 1922. Joined church at Gnadenhutten Methodist in 1933. Attended Kent State College 1940-1941. Inducted in the Army Jan. 21, 1943. Out of the Army March 27, 1946. Started to teach Oct. 1946."

Norwood W. Davidson's military pocket bible list's his service number as 3559879. His home address was listed as Gnadenhutten, Ohio, Box 732. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Davidson. Issued Jan. 21, 1943.

More About NORWOOD WILLIAM DAVIDSON:

Baptism: 1933, Methodist Protestant Church

Degree: Bachelors Degree, Kent State University, Kent, OH

Education: Bet. 1940 - 1941, Kent State University, Kent, OH

Military service: 21 Jan 1943, Inducted into the U.S. Army.

Occupation: Teacher - Math & Industrial Arts

Retirement: 1977, Retired from teaching at Hoover High School, North Canton, OH

Children of NORWOOD DAVIDSON and VIVIAN ROHRER are:

- i. DANNY LEE<sup>5</sup> DAVIDSON, b. 16 Jul 1951, Aultman Hospital, Canton, OH; m. RUTH ANNE FRABLE, 05 Feb 1977, Arlington, VA; b. 23 Dec 1948, Washington D.C..
- ii. DALE ALAN DAVIDSON, b. 01 Apr 1954, Aultman Hospital, Canton, OH; m. KAREN KAY ROSS, 02 Jul 1983, Lakemore Methodist Church, Lakemore, OH; b. 26 Aug 1959, Akron City Hospital, Akron, OH.

More About DALE ALAN DAVIDSON:

Baptism: Disciples of Christ, Community Christian Church, North Canton, OH

Education: Bet. 1972 - 1974, Kent State Stark County Branch, North Canton, OH

First Communion: 15 Apr 1965, Community Christian Church, North Canton, OH

Graduation: 11 Jun 1977, Bachelor of Music in Music Education, KSU

Medical Information: No allergies, Severe sinus at times, pneumonia twice

Occupation: 1977, Teacher-Band Director

- iii. DEBRA LYNN DAVIDSON, b. 29 May 1955, Aultman Hospital, Canton, OH; m. WILLIAM WILKINSON, 21 Jun 1980, The Chapel, Akron Oh; b. 14 Jan 1957, Akron City Hospital, Akron, OH.
- iv. DOUGLAS CURT DAVIDSON, b. 03 Oct 1957, Aultman Hospital, Canton, OH; m. BEVERLY JEAN WORRELL, 31 Jul 1981, The Chapel, Akron, OH; b. 20 Jul 1960, Akron City Hospital, Akron, OH.

**8. HAZEL<sup>4</sup> NORMATARR** (*MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL, MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 1911. She married NORMAN HENRY. He was born 1909.

Child of HAZEL NORMATARR and NORMAN HENRY is:

- i. NORMA JEAN<sup>5</sup> HENRY, b. 1934; m. CLIFFORD DAILY; b. 1934.

**9. FLOYD ELLSWORTH<sup>4</sup> TARR** (*MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL, MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 1900. He married FLORENCE UNDERWOOD. She was born 1904.

Children of FLOYD TARR and FLORENCE UNDERWOOD are:

- i. DOROTHY<sup>5</sup> TARR, b. 1925; m. HENRY VANDERHORNE; b. 1923.
- ii. MARGARET TARR, b. 1925; m. WADE HUBER; b. 1921.
- iii. BETTY TARR, b. 1926; m. EARNE HATCHER; b. 1926.
- iv. FLOYD E. TARR JR., b. 1934; m. RUTH ANN WILSON; b. 1934.
- v. RUTH ANN TARR, b. 1934.
- vi. JULIA ANN TARR.

**10. VIOLA MARY R.<sup>4</sup> TARR** (*MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL, MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 07 Sep 1904 in Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH. She married JAMES RAGER. He was born 1902.

More About VIOLA MARY R. TARR:

Birth Certificate: 01 Jun 1905, No. 356, Page 220, Record of Births Vol. No. 3, Steubenville, OH

Children of VIOLA TARR and JAMES RAGER are:

- i. JAMES JR.<sup>5</sup> RAGER, b. 1924; m. DOROTHY TAYLOR; b. 1928.
- ii. ANDREW CARL RAGER, b. 1926; d. 1956; m. GLORIA TAYLOR; b. 1930.

Notes for ANDREW CARL RAGER:

Andrew was killed in an automobile accident.

- iii. EDNA RAGER, b. 1931; m. ZANE KENNEDY; b. 1922.

**11.** RUTH ELEANOR<sup>4</sup> TARR (*MARGARET ANN<sup>3</sup> CONNELL, MARY EMILY<sup>2</sup> DAVIDSON, WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>*) was born 15 Sep 1907 in Brilliant, Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH, and died 21 Jan 1981 in Mingo Junction, OH. She married VIRGIL COFFMAN 09 Nov 1929 in Steubenville, OH, son of JAMES COFFMAN and ARMAITH EISCRAFT. He was born 29 May 1904 in George's Run, OH.

Notes for RUTH ELEANOR TARR:

Ruth Eleanor (Tarr) Coffman is the daughter of Carl V. Tarr and Margaret Ann (Connell) Tarr. Ruth was a clerk as she listed her occupation on her marriage license. She resided in the town of Brilliant, OH. She was 22 years old when she got married.

In Ruth's will, it lists her three sons names. They are Virgil Don Coffman, Robert James Coffman, and William Wayne Coffman. All three sons list Wintersville, OH as their place of residence.

Ruth's son Virgil Don Coffman was the executor of her will.

(8/20/05) I located Ruth and Virgil's grave located in New Alexandria Cemetery, Jefferson County, OH.

More About RUTH ELEANOR TARR:

Birth Certificate: 28 May 1908, No. 1187, Page 83, Record of Births Vol. No. 4, Steubenville, OH

Notes for VIRGIL COFFMAN:

Virgil Coffman lived in George's Run, OH but was born in Rinehart, West Virginia. He listed his occupation as a car repairman on his marriage license. His parent's names were Jaames Coffman and Armaith Eiscraft. Virgil was 25 years old at the time of his marriage.

Marriage Notes for RUTH TARR and VIRGIL COFFMAN:

The application for Ruth Tarr's marriage license is No. 44370. It was filed and recorded in the probate court in Steubenville, OH on November 12, 1929.

Children of RUTH TARR and VIRGIL COFFMAN are:

- i. VIRGIL DON<sup>5</sup> COFFMAN, b. 1931; m. MARAGRET CAROLE HIBBITTS; b. 1927.
- ii. ROBERT JAMES COFFMAN, b. 1944.
- iii. WILLIAM WAYNE COFFMAN, m. JOYCE LOVEGROVE.

Notes for WILLIAM WAYNE COFFMAN:

William Wayne Coffman married Joyce, who he met in England during the service.

### *Endnotes*

1. *Will Docket No. 8 for William Davidson*, (Docket No. 8), p 424.
2. Federal Census Record, *1860 Census Record*, p159, William Davidson's Family living in Smithfield, OH.
3. *Will Docket No. 8 for William Davidson*, (Docket No. 8), p 424.
4. Death Certificate.
5. *1850 Census Record*, (Federal Census Index), 358.
6. *1870 Census Record*.
7. Pension Records for William Davidson, Company H, 157th Ohio Volunteer National Guard.
8. Federal Census Record, *1860 Census Record*.
9. Marriage Record Book No. 8 (Second Half) 1874 - 1883 Jefferson Co. OH, *Marriage Certificate*, (Davidson, Gosnell, Tarr, Connell).
10. *Death Index for Jefferson County, OH 1867-1887*, 1-78-140.

11. *1870 Census Record.*
12. 1890 Veterans and Widows Census of Jeffeson County, OH, *1890 Veterans Census*, p 52, William Davidson & 2nd Wife Elizabeth (Gosnell) Davidson.
13. Marraige Record Book No. 8 (Second Half) 1874 - 1883 Jefferson Co. OH, *Marraige Certificate*, (Davidson, Gosnell, Tarr, Connell).
14. Federal Census Record, *1860 Census Record.*