

Descendants of John D. Stephens

Generation No. 1

1. JOHN D.¹ STEPHENS (Source: Forrest Calico, *History of Garrard County and its Churches*, (1947), p. 370.) was born 1786 in VA, and died Aug 6, 1845 in Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Source: (1) *Probate file of John D. Stephens, Monroe Co, MO*, Box 47., (2) Tombstone of John D. Stephens., (3) American Genealogical Research Institute, *Stephens Family*, (1975).). He married MARY (POLLY) UNKNOWN Abt. 1805 in VA or KY. She was born 1781 in VA, and died Jun 1858 in Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Tombstone of Mary (Polly) Stephens.).

Notes for JOHN D. STEPHENS:

Farmer in Garrard Co, KY, and Monroe Co, MO. The family probably moved from VA to KY, either in the late 1700's or early 1800's. The Garrard Co, KY tax records first show John Stephens owning 72 acres of land on Paint Lick Creek in 1812. A warranty deed showed that John Stephens purchased the 72 acres of land in 1815. The family moved to MO about 1837. John then lived in Marion Township, Monroe Co, MO on 440 acres of land until his death. John did not leave a will, but his estate was probated in 1845. The probate records mention his wife Mary, his sons Thomas, Isaac, Robert and John D., and his daughter Nancy, all living in Monroe County, and his daughters Jane Alexander, Margaret Alexander and Elizabeth Pagett, all living in Randolph County.

From "History of Monroe County, Missouri (1884)"- Among the old settlers of Marion township- John Stephens.

Birth: See tombstone at Hughes Cemetery, Monroe Co, MO. According to the 1880 census for John's sons John and Robert, their father and mother were born in Virginia.

Marriage: VA or KY- no record found to date. Possibly could be marriage record of John Derben Stephens to Polly Bates in 1804 in Franklin Co, VA.

Death: See tombstone at Hughes Cemetery, Monroe Co, MO. Also see probate box 47 at Monroe Co, MO, probate office.

Census summary:

1810 VA or KY?
1820 No twp listed, Garrard Co, KY
1830 No twp listed, Garrard Co, KY
1840 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Mary only)

From the Monroe County, MO Genweb site on the internet- The Village of Ash is located in Monroe County, Missouri. It is situated 8 miles east of Cairo, Missouri, on Route K. It is also 8 miles northwest of Madison, Missouri, and can be reached by going 3 miles north of Madison on Route 151, to Route K, then go west 5 miles on Route K, to Ash. Ash was settled around the 1820's. At one time, it had a population of some 200 people, and had two general stores, two churches (a Baptist and a Christian), blacksmith shop, grist mill, telephone office, post office, two doctors, and was the trade center for several surrounding farms. It has been said that you could buy anything from a sewing needle to high-wheeled wagon in Ash at one time. During the depression and World War II, Ash dwindled to a population of only a few people and all the businesses were closed. The Christian Church was closed and the building torn down. Hickory Grove Baptist Church continued to have services on a part time basis until 1970, when it closed. Rev. Ross Luntsford, a former member of the church, left his work in another part of the state in late summer, 1976, came to Ash, surveyed the community, and held a revival to reopen the church. Following the revival, the church called a part time pastor and continues to have services only part time (twice a month) to this date. It has no desire to expand or grow and has no desire to reach out, or to minister to the needs of the Ash community, which is growing in population.

Today, Ash is on the rise again. Rev. Ross Luntsford and his family formed a family foundation in 1990, purchased 5.85 acres of land on the northwest corner of the crossroads at the center of the village, and have

developed a park. The park has a 30' by 50' pavilion, complete with a kitchen and modern restrooms. It also is equipped with modern playground equipment. It is used for private family reunions, church social functions, and other family activities. Rev. Ross Luntsford and wife, Arlene, founded Bethel Baptist Church in July, 1996, built a new home, and are in the process of building a new church building. The population of the village is now 19, with dozens of new families in the surrounding area. There are 4 cemeteries in the Ash community. Hickory Grove Cemetery in the village of Ash; Hughes Cemetery, 1 mile north of Ash; Alexander Cemetery, 2 miles northeast of Ash; and the Ash Family Cemetery, 1 1/2 miles southeast of Ash. These cemeteries have fallen into disrepair over the years for lack of maintenance and lack of funds. Recently, a group of local interested citizens founded a nonprofit corporation for the purpose of raising money and promoting the care and maintenance of these cemeteries. (Submitted by Rev. Ross Luntsford, Sept. 25, 1999)

Notes for MARY (POLLY) UNKNOWN:

Birth: See tombstone at Hughes Cemetery, Monroe Co, MO. According to the 1880 census for Mary's sons John and Robert, their father and mother were born in Virginia.

Marriage: Married to John D. Stephens in early 1800's. No record found for sure at this time. Possibly could be marriage record of John Derben Stephens to Polly Bates in 1804 in Franklin County, VA.

Death: See tombstone at Hughes Cemetery, Monroe Co, MO.

Children of JOHN STEPHENS and MARY UNKNOWN are:

2. i. THOMAS L.² STEPHENS, b. Bet. 1805 - 1808, KY ?; d. Jan 24, 1849, nr Duncans Bridge, Monroe Co, MO.
3. ii. ISAAC B. STEPHENS, b. 1809, Garrard Co, KY; d. Dec 18, 1878, Sullivan Co, MO.
4. iii. MARGARET (PEGGY) STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1810, Garrard Co, KY; d. Bet. 1870 - 1880, Randolph Co ?, MO.
5. iv. JANE STEPHENS, b. May 5, 1811, Garrard Co, KY; d. Aug 3, 1858, Randolph Co, MO.
6. v. ELIZABETH STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1814, Garrard Co, KY; d. Bet. 1880 - 1900, near Ash, Monroe Co, MO.
7. vi. ROBERT H. STEPHENS, b. Feb 4, 1817, Garrard Co, KY; d. Apr 14, 1899, Adair Co ?, MO.
8. vii. JOHN D. STEPHENS, b. Jun 20, 1818, Garrard Co, KY; d. Jul 8, 1888, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO.
9. viii. NANCY STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1826, Garrard Co, KY; d. Aft. 1852, MO.

Generation No. 2

2. THOMAS L.² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Bet. 1805 - 1808 in KY ?, and died Jan 24, 1849 in nr Duncans Bridge, Monroe Co, MO (Source: *Probate file of Thomas L. Stephens, Monroe Co, MO, Box 41.*). He married ELIZABETH (BETSY) CLARK Apr 20, 1829 in Garrard Co, KY, daughter of WILLIAM CLARK and SARAH CRAWFORD. She was born Oct 5, 1807 in Garrard Co, KY ?, and died Apr 4, 1883 in Shelby Co, MO (Source: (1) *Probate file of Elizabeth Stephens Hardesty, Monroe Co, MO.*, (2) Tombstone of Elizabeth Hardesty.).

Notes for THOMAS L. STEPHENS:

Farmer in Monroe Co, MO. The family moved from Garrard Co, KY, to Monroe Co, MO about 1837, probably with his father's family. Thomas lived there on 150 acres of land until his death in 1849. Thomas did not leave a will, but his estate was probated in 1849. A land transaction record after Thomas' death mentions his wife Elizabeth and 5 of his children, John, William, Sarah, Milla and Richard.

From "History of Monroe County, Missouri (1884)"- Among the old settlers of Woodlawn township- Thomas Stephens, Johnson and Perry Whiles. (Note: Johnson and Perry Whiles were brothers of Elizabeth Whiles, the first wife of Thomas Stephens' son John C. Stephens.)

Birth: Born before 1810 in VA or KY; see 1840 census of Monroe Co, MO.

Marriage: Marriage record of Garrard County, KY.

Death: Died near Duncans Bridge in Monroe Co, MO; place of burial is not known; see probate box 41 in Monroe County probate office.

Census summary:

1830 No twp listed, Garrard Co, KY

- 1840 No twp listed, Monroe Co, MO
- 1850 No twp listed, Monroe Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
- 1860 Middle Fork Twp, Woodville P.O., Macon Co, MO (Eliz. w/R. Hardesty)
- 1870 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
- 1880 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Elizabeth only)

Notes for ELIZABETH (BETSY) CLARK:

After Thomas' death Betsy married Richard Hardesty on Dec. 15, 1859 in Shelby Co, MO. They lived in Macon County until his death in 1867. Betsy then bought 160 acres of land in Marion Township, Monroe County, and lived there until 1879, when she moved to live with her daughter Elizabeth Fifer in Shelby County. Upon her death in 1883 she did not leave a will, but her estate was probated that year in Monroe County. The probate records mention 4 of her children, John of Shelby County, William of Randolph County, Richard of Monroe County, and Elizabeth A. Fifer of Shelby County.

Birth:

Marriage: Marriage records of Garrard Co, KY, and Shelby Co, MO.

Death: Died in Shelby County, MO; see 1880 census of Shelby Co; also see tombstone at Phillips Cemetery; see probate file in Monroe County probate office.

I did not find an obit in the Paris (MO) Mercury.

Children of THOMAS STEPHENS and ELIZABETH CLARK are:

- i. JOHN C.³ STEPHENS, b. Aug 14, 1831, Garrard Co, KY (Source: *Stephens family information sheet.*); d. Mar 20, 1894, Shelby Co, MO (Source: (1) *Stephens family information sheet.*, (2) *Probate file of John C. Stephens, Shelby Co, MO.*, (3) Tombstone of John C. Stephens, Pleasant Hill or "Shake Rag" Cemetery listing, p. 1., (4) Death notice of John C. Stephens, Shelby County (MO) Herald, Mar. 28, 1894.); m. (1) ELIZABETH WHILES, Feb 19, 1863, Macon Co, MO (Source: *Marriage license of John Stephens & Elizabeth Whiles, Macon Co, MO.*); b. Feb 14, 1833, Pulaski Co, KY; d. Sep 4, 1883, Shelby Co, MO (Source: Tombstone of Elizabeth Whiles Stephens, Pleasant Hill or "Shake Rag" Cemetery listing, p. 1.); m. (2) MARY KING, Nov 6, 1884, Macon Co, MO (Source: *Marriage license of John Stephens & Mary King, Macon Co, MO.*); b. Jan 13, 1850, Howard Co, MO (Source: *Stephens family information sheet.*); d. Aug 6, 1918, Clarence, Shelby Co, MO (Source: (1) *Death certificate of Mary King Stephens, Clarence, Shelby Co, MO.*, (2) *Stephens family information sheet.*, (3) Tombstone of Mary King Stephens., (4) "Obituary of Mary King Stephens," Clarence (MO) Courier, August 7, 1918 & August 14, 1918.).

Notes for JOHN C. STEPHENS:

John moved to Monroe County, MO, with his parents about 1837 when he was 6 years old. John and his family moved to Shelby Co, MO in 1871. He lived there as a farmer on 80 acres of land until his death. John was 58 years old when his last child, Shelby, was born in 1890. John made a will leaving the following items: to his wife Mary, \$160.00 and 1 cow; to his son Marcus, \$100.00; to his son Sanford, \$100.00; to his son Shelby, \$100.00; and to his son Frank, 1 rifle gun.

Birth: Family record sheet in the possession of Bev Dickson in Des Moines, IA.

Marriage: Records of Macon Co, MO, both marriages.

Death: Tombstone at Shake Rag Cemetery, Macon Co, MO; Will- Shelby Co, MO, probate office; Probate file at Shelby Co, MO.

Census summary:

- 1870 Not located, probably in Macon Co or Shelby Co, MO
- 1880 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Farmer)
- 1900 Middle Fork Twp, Macon Co, MO (Mary only w/Elizabeth King)
- 1910 Middle Fork Twp, Macon Co, MO (Mary only w/J.I. Carter family)

Death notice (Shelby County (MO) Herald, Mar. 28, 1894)- John S. Stephens and Mrs. John Hyrum of Jefferson township died last week. (I assume this is our John C. Stephens, since I doubt there was another John Stephens who died in Jefferson township the same week as our John C. Stephens.)

I could not find an obit in the Shelbina Democrat.

Notes for ELIZABETH WHILES:
I could not find an obit in the Paris Mercury.

Notes for MARY KING:
Birth:
Marriage: Records of Macon Co, MO.
Death: Tombstone at Shake Rag Cemetery, Macon Co, MO.

Obituary- Mrs. Mary Stevens- At the home of her son, Sanford Stevens occurred the death of Mrs. Mary Stevens Tuesday morning about 7:00 O'clock. Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday afternoon at Salem, four miles south of Clarence, at 3:00 O'clock. She leaves three sons, Marquis, Sanford, of Clarence and Shelby who is somewhere in France, one sister, Mrs. Martha J. King, of Excelsior Springs, two brothers, of Excello, and Mrs. Zack of Woodville.

Obituary- Mrs. Mary Stephens was born Jan. 13, 1850 in Howard Co. MO, died Aug. 6, at 8:15 a.m. 1918, at Clarence, MO, aged 68 years, 6 months and 24 days. She was married to Mr. John Stephens in 1884, who passed away in March 1894. To this union was born three sons, Marcus, Sanford and Shelby, who survive her. Marcus, residence unknown, Sanford of Clarence, MO, at whose home she passed into the great beyond, and Shelby is somewhere in France. Besides these sons she leaves a sorrowing sister, Mrs. Mattie King of Excelsior Springs, MO, and two brothers, John King of Excello, MO, and Jack King of Woodville, also a host of relatives and friends. She was bedfast seven months and six days. She bore her suffering patiently, putting her trust in Him who doeth all things well.

- ii. WILLIAM (WILL) N. STEPHENS, b. May 1833, Garrard Co, KY; d. Jun 26, 1917, Hannibal, Marion Co, MO (Source: Obituary of William Stephens, Madison (MO) Times, June 28, 1917.); m. (1) FRANCES ANN DAILEY, Jul 31, 1856, Monroe Co, MO (Source: *Marriage license of William Stevens & Frances Daily*, Monroe Co, MO, Marriage Book B (1849-1858).); b. Apr 13, 1833, Franklin Co, KY; d. May 10, 1863, Monroe Co, MO; m. (2) NANCY ANN FIFER, Abt. 1867, MO ?; b. Dec 1848, IN; d. Bet. 1900 - 1910, Monroe Co, MO ?.

Notes for WILLIAM (WILL) N. STEPHENS:
Census summary:

1860 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer) (Maimed or crippled per census)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1910 Not located

Will is supposedly buried at Phillips Cemetery in an unmarked grave (per Christine McNeel).

The following might be our William Stephens!

Article in the Clarence (MO) Courier, Aug. 17, 1904- Wm. Stephens, who lives on the A. M. Bishop farm near Maud, was struck by lightning Saturday afternoon while returning from town and considerably scared and slightly injured. The bolt of lightning struck him about the right hip and passed down the leg. The gentleman in the spring wagon with him was not stunned at all. They were in front of P. G. Withers' house when it happened.

Editor's note: Our William Stephens lived on a farm in Woodlawn Township in the 1900 census. The William Stephens in the article lived on a farm near Maud. Woodlawn Township in Monroe County is just across the county line from the Maud area of Shelby County.

Obituary (Hannibal (MO) Courier-Post, June 26, 1917)- William Stephens died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Perkins, on Sycamore street, at 4:30 this morning. He was 70 years old. Besides Mrs. Perkins, he has a son in Quincy, and other relatives in Clarence, Mo. The remains will be sent to Clarence at midnight tonight and the burial will be in Clarence tomorrow afternoon.

Death notice (Madison (MO) Times, June 28, 1917)- William Stephens, aged 84 years, died at his home in Hannibal Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock, death being due to a heart trouble. The body was brought to Duncan's Bridge Wednesday and burial was made in the Phillips cemetery.

- iii. SARAH JANE STEPHENS, b. 1838, Monroe Co ?, MO; d. Bef. 1860, MO; m. MOSES TISUE, Nov 10, 1854, Shelby Co, MO; b. Dec 9, 1835, PA; d. Mar 4, 1912, Duncans Bridge, Monroe Co, MO (Source: (1) *Probate file of Moses Tisue, Monroe Co, MO.*, (2) Tombstone of Moses Tisue, Phillips Cemetery listing, p. 177., (3) Obituary of Moses Tisue, Newspaper clipping.).

Notes for MOSES TISUE:

Census summary:

1860 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1910 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

Obituary- Moses Tisue, a well known and respected citizen of the Duncan's Bridge vicinity, died Tuesday morning. For many years he was mail carrier on the Star route from Duncan's Bridge to Madison via Woodlawn. The weather and roads were seldom too bad for "Uncle Mose" to make the trip, and he was never too busy to attend to any little favor requested of him. His courtesy, coupled with his hearty greeting to every acquaintance won him the friendship of every one with whom he came in contact and the news of his death will be learned with genuine regret by many. The later years of his life have been spent on his farm. He was 77 years old, and leaves four sons and two daughters, his wife having died last year. The sons are: John, of Texas; Hanger, of Woodlawn; and James and Charles, of Duncan's Bridge. The daughters are: Mrs. Robert Lokey of this city, and Mrs. Tom Overfelt, of Duncan's Bridge. Funeral services were conducted at the home, Wednesday, by Reverend Hill after which the body was laid to rest in the Phelps cemetery. He had been a member of the Masonic lodge at Woodlawn for many years and the burial service was conducted by that order.

- iv. MILDRED STEPHENS, b. 1841, MO; m. JACOB MEFFORD, Oct 27, 1887, Shelby Co, MO Not sure if this is correct husband.

Notes for MILDRED STEPHENS:

I'm not sure if this is the correct husband of Mildred.

Notes for JACOB MEFFORD:

A Jacob Mefford died Nov. 21, 1951 at age 86 in Hunnewell, Shelby Co, MO. Check for obit.

- v. RICHARD H. STEPHENS, b. Oct 14, 1847, Monroe Co, MO; d. Aug 29, 1935, Liberty, Clay Co, MO (Source: "Obituary of Richard Stephens."); m. HANNAH LACKEY ALEXANDER, Mar 28, 1878, Monroe Co, MO; b. Aug 28, 1855, nr Ash, Monroe Co, MO; d. Jun 6, 1914, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Hannah Stephens, Newspaper unknown.).

Notes for RICHARD H. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1880 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO
1910 Monroe Co, MO
1920 Randolph Co, MO
1930 Ash village, Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (living w/son Orph & family)

Obituary- Richard Stephens died at the home of his son, Claud Stephens, in Liberty, Friday of last week. He would have reached his eighty-eighth birthday in October. Mr. Stephens is survived by two sons, Orph Stephens, living west of Madison and Claud, of Liberty. His wife died twenty-one years ago. A daughter, Myrtle, died when eleven months of age. "Uncle Rich", as he was familiarly called, resided near Ash for many years and was a kindly man and an honored citizen. His passing is deplored by many life long friends in this section. The body was brought to the Thompson funeral home in Madison, Friday. On Saturday funeral services were held at the Orph Stephens home, conducted by Rev. L. M. White. Burial was made in the Alexander cemetery. The son, Orph Stephens, is in failing health and at his request the obsequies were held at his home.

Notes for HANNAH LACKEY ALEXANDER:

Obituary- Hannah Lackey Alexander was born near Madison, August 28th, 1855, passed from this life June 6th, 1914. In 1877 she joined Hickory Grove Baptist church of which she was a member at the time of her death. On March 28th, 1878 she was united in marriage to Richard Stephens. To this union three children were born, Claud T., Orph T., and Willie Myrtle, the latter died in infancy the other two remain.

Sister Stephens was one of those characters that if you met you ever longed for the time to come that you might again have the same privilege. She had a smile and a pleasant word for all who came in her path. She

went about doing good. She has gone from us never to return, but still in our minds will remain the good that we received from her life, and will be an inspiration to make us better. It is true "In the midst of life we are in the midst of death," and well it is this way for by it we are taught to be watchful. She was ready because her life was lived for Him who died for her. She will be missed from her home, church and community where she took her place in her way. Our loss is her gain so we must be content to wait our time. So father and sons you have many things to be thankful for, she was ready. You in life gave your flowers that she might enjoy them and now that she has gone may her life be an incentive to higher things.

She leaves two sons, husband, two grand-children, two sisters, four brothers, and a host of relatives and friends. A service was conducted at the home by Revs. Green, (her pastor, and R A Jones, a former pastor) after which the body was conveyed to the Alexander cemetery to await the coming Day. May the Lord bless. Welcomed at the pearly ports, Evermore a welcome guest. Welcome to the life immortal, to the Mansion of the blest. Home Sweet Home, our home forever. All the pilgrims journeyed past Welcomed home to wander never, Saved thro' Jesus Home at last. R A Jones

Obituary- Mrs. Richard Stephens, aged 58 years and 7 months, died at her home near Ash, Saturday, following an illness of only a few days duration. She suffered from heart trouble. Mrs. Stephens is survived by her husband and two sons, Claud and Orph Stephens. She had been a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist church and her death brings sorrow to the hearts of many friends. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. A. Jones Tuesday afternoon, after which burial was made in the Ash cemetery. The sincere sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved family in their sorrow.

- vi. ELIZABETH (BETSY) ANN STEPHENS, b. Jun 30, 1848, Monroe Co, MO; d. Oct 29, 1934, Clarence, Shelby Co, MO (Source: Tombstone of Elizabeth Ann Fifer.); m. ELISHA FIFER, Apr 12, 1875, Shelby Co, MO; b. May 20, 1843, MO; d. Aug 24, 1905, MO (Source: Tombstone of Elisha Fifer.).

Notes for ELIZABETH (BETSY) ANN STEPHENS:
Obituary (from Clarence Courier?)- Mrs. Elizabeth Fifer Dies (1934)

Mrs. Elizabeth Fifer, a well known resident of Clarence, passed away Monday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Sage, of this city. She had been in declining health several months, but had been seriously ill only the past two or three weeks. Elizabeth Stephens Fifer was born in Monroe County June 30, 1848 and was past 86 years of age at the time of her death. She was married in the year 1867 to Elisha Fifer, and to this union two daughters were born, Mrs. Dollie Garlow, who passed away a year ago, and Mrs. Mary Sage, who had tenderly cared for her mother. Besides one daughter, she is also survived by one granddaughter, Betty Jane Sage, and her sons-in-law, Emmett Sage, and Lindsay Garlow. She was a member of the Methodist church of Clarence, and her life exemplified her faith. Funeral services will be held this Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church conducted by Rev. Wm. Rutherford, who will be assisted by Rev. L.C. Maggart, her former pastor, of Shelbina.

Notes for ELISHA FIFER:
Census summary:

1880 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Farmer)
1910 Clay Twp, Clarence city, Shelby Co, MO (Elizabeth w/daughter Mary)
1920 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Elizabeth w/ daughter Mary Sage)
1930 Clarence, Clay Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Mary & Emmett Sage living w/Elizabeth)

I found an executor's notice in the Sep. 13, 1905, Clarence (MO) Courier newspaper, but I could not find an obituary in that paper nor in the Madison (MO) Times.

3. ISAAC B.² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born 1809 in Garrard Co, KY (Source: *Novinger (Adair County) Missouri*, (April, 2001), p. 607.), and died Dec 18, 1878 in Sullivan Co, MO (Source: (1) *Cemeteries of Adair County, MO*, p. 267., (2) Obituary of Isaac B. Stephens, North Missouri (Kirksville) Register, Dec. 26, 1878.). He married NANCY ANN WOOD Dec 27, 1849 in Adair Co, MO. She was born Mar 1823 in KY, and died 1903 in Adair Co ?, MO.

Notes for ISAAC B. STEPHENS:
Census summary:

1850 Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Morrow Twp, Waltersville P.O., Adair Co, MO (Farmer)

1870 Twp 62, Range 15, Kirksville P.O., Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Morrow Twp, Adair Co, MO (Nancy w/daughter & son-in-law Rachel & John Shibley)
1900 Morrow Twp, Adair Co, MO (Nancy w/daughter Rachel)

From Novinger (Adair County) Missouri (April, 2001) (Submitted by Ralph Hover, Rockford, Illinois)- Isaac and Nancy (Bradshaw) Stephens- Isaac B. Stephens (1809-1878) was born in Kentucky and eventually moved to the northwest portion of Adair County, Missouri and died in that county. He married Nancy A. Bradshaw (ca 1814-1903) on December 27, 1849 in Adair County. Nancy had five children at that time, all with the surname "Bradshaw". Their names as shown in the 1850 Adair County census were: Rachel, Elizabeth, Delila, Joseph R. and Sarah F. The name of Nancy's first husband is unknown as is her maiden name. Isaac B. and Nancy A. Stephens had two children together, Isaac Franklin and America Lavina "Meck".

Much of the information on the Isaac Stephens line comes from the Novinger, Missouri book.

Obituary (North Missouri (Kirksville) Register, Dec. 26, 1878)- Died on the 18th inst. at his residence in Sullivan County, Missouri, Mr. Isaac B. Stephens, aged about 69 years. His death was quite sudden. He was a brother of Judge John D. Stephens of this county. Interment was in the Scobee cemetery.

Children of ISAAC STEPHENS and NANCY WOOD are:

- i. MARY A. (POLLY)³ STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1851, MO; d. Aft. Aug 1875; m. WILLIAM H. SHOLLEY, Aug 29, 1875, Adair Co, MO.
- ii. NANCY J. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1857, MO; d. Aft. Jul 1870.
- iii. ISAAC FRANKLIN STEPHENS, b. Jan 31, 1857, MO; d. Aug 14, 1947, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Isaac F. Stephens, Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Aug. 14, 1947.); m. EVANGELINE CLAIRE LEONARD, Abt. 1875, MO ?; b. Aug 11, 1857, WI; d. Nov 19, 1919, Novinger, Adair Co, MO.

Notes for ISAAC FRANKLIN STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1880 Buchanan, Sullivan Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Nineveh Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1910 Ninevah Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1920 Ninevah Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer) (daughter Edith & her husband William & their family living w/Isaac)
1930 Ninevah Twp, Connellsville, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Aug. 14, 1947)- Isaac Franklin Stephens, 92, aged resident of Connellsville, died in a Kirksville hospital this morning about 12:15. Mr. Stephens had been in reasonably good health for his advanced age until last Friday when he was brought to the hospital. Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending word from his son, Jesse, of Lomita, Calif. Mr. Stephens was born Jan. 30, 1855. He was married to Miss Eva Leonard and to this marriage six children were born, four daughters having preceded him in death. Mrs. Stephens died in 1919. He is survived by two sons, Jesse, of Lomita, Calif., and Elmer, of Detroit, Mich., twelve grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Mr. Stephens had been an Adair County farmer in the vicinity of Connellsville most of his life. The body will lie in state at the Summers & Powell Funeral Home. Interment will be made in the Novinger Cemetery.

Funeral notice (Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Aug. 18, 1947)- Funeral services for Isaac Franklin Stephens, aged resident of Connellsville, who died Thursday morning at 12:15, will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Novinger Cemetery Church conducted by Elder Clyde Johnson. Interment will be in the Novinger cemetery. The pallbearers will be William, Sam and Gerald True, Lester Decker, Bill Sanders, and George Goucher.

- iv. MARY B. (OR ISABELE) STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1862, MO; d. Nov 1881, Adair Co, MO ?; m. JOHN H. VANSICKLE, Mar 1, 1881, Adair Co, MO; b. Abt. 1857, IN; d. Aft. Jul 1870, MO ?.
- v. AMERICA LAVINA STEPHENS, b. Mar 2, 1868, MO; d. Jan 29, 1914, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Source: Obituary of America Leonard, Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Jan. 29, 1914.); m. FRANK ORIS LEONARD, Mar 3, 1881, MO ?; b. Oct 25, 1855, WI; d. Jan 28, 1947, National City, San Diego Co, CA.

Notes for AMERICA LAVINA STEPHENS:

America L. Stephens was living with her half brother Joseph Bradshaw and his family in Morrow Twp, Adair Co, MO in the 1880 census.

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Jan. 29, 1914)- Mrs. America L. Leonard, wife of Frank Leonard, died at the family residence, 615 East Mill street, this morning at 1:30 o'clock, of tuberculosis. Mrs. Leonard

was 47 years, 10 months and 28 days old and leaves besides her husband seven children as follows: Clarence Leonard, of Oklahoma; Claude Leonard, of St. Joseph; Mrs. Goldie Trower, of Troy, and Merle, Ruby, Alice and Myrtle Leonard who reside with their parents. Funeral services were held at the home this afternoon at 5 o'clock by Rev. A. F. Zeigel and the body will be taken across country by H. C. Wilson to Connellsville tomorrow and burial will take place in the Green Grove cemetery.

Notes for FRANK ORIS LEONARD:

Census summary:

1900 Polk Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer, America 7 children, 4 living)
1910 Benton Twp, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (No occupation) (13 children, 8 living)
1920 Benton Twp, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Cement- shoe factory) (living alone)
1930 National City, San Diego Twp, San Diego Co, CA (no occupation, living w/daughter Ruby Peters & her family)

4. MARGARET (PEGGY)² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Abt. 1810 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Bet. 1870 - 1880 in Randolph Co ?, MO. She married GARLAND ALEXANDER Apr 20, 1829 in Garrard Co, KY, son of WILLIAM ALEXANDER and ELIZABETH SMITH. He was born Jul 8, 1802 in VA, and died Jun 12, 1867 in Randolph Co, MO.

Notes for MARGARET (PEGGY) STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1830 KY
1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Margaret only)
1880 Not located

Notes for GARLAND ALEXANDER:

Census summary:

1830 KY
1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Margaret only)
1880 Margaret not located

Children of MARGARET STEPHENS and GARLAND ALEXANDER are:

- i. JANE³ ALEXANDER, m. RICHARD BROWN.
- ii. ANDREW ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1830, KY; d. Aft. Nov 1850; m. UNKNOWN BEAN; b. KY.
- iii. MARY ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1831, KY; d. Aft. Nov 1850.
- iv. FRANCES ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1833, KY; d. Aft. Nov 1850.
- v. MARTHA ANN ALEXANDER, b. Nov 1835, KY; d. Feb 28, 1903, Holliday, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Death notice of Martha Palmer, Madison (MO) Times.); m. WILLIAM H. PALMER, Abt. 1855, MO ?; b. Jun 1832, KY; d. Feb 21, 1903, Holliday, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Obituary of William H Palmer, Madison (MO) Times.).

Notes for MARTHA ANN ALEXANDER:

Death notice (Madison (MO) Times) - Mrs. William Palmer, died at her home at Holliday, Saturday, February 28, at 1:30 o'clock, after a week's illness of pneumonia. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J.D. Smith Monday afternoon, after which her remains were laid to rest in the Holliday cemetery beside her husband who had preceded her to the grave just one week. Mrs. Palmer was a devoted member of the Baptist church, a sacrificing mother, and good neighbor. We extend sympathies to the family and friends.

Notes for WILLIAM H. PALMER:

Census summary:

1860 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

1880 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Marion Twp, Holliday village, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

Death notice (Madison (MO) Times ?)- (Resolutions of Respect.) A respect of the (. unable to read several words) to rest our dearly beloved brother, W.H. Palmer, who died Feb. (21st), (1903), at his home in Holliday.

Therefore, be it resolved: That in the death of Brother Palmer his family has lost a devoted husband and father; the lodge a faithful and useful member, and the community an upright and honored citizen. Resolved; That we will ever bear in grateful remembrance the zeal and fidelity with which Bro. Palmer discharged all his Masonic duties and will try to imitate his devotion to the grand principles of our Fraternity. Resolved; That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved relatives and recommend them to the care of that God whom Bro. Palmer served and in whom he trusted. Resolved; That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our records and published in the Madison Times."

Com: J.C. Frank, C.H.
Atterbury, W.P. Ash.

- vi. ZERELDA JANE ALEXANDER, b. Sep 28, 1837, MO; d. Mar 30, 1911, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Zerelda Brown, Madison (MO) Times, Apr. 13, 1911.); m. ARMSTEAD BROWN, 1855, MO ?; b. Bet. Mar 1827 - 1835, KY; d. Bet. Apr 1911 - Jan 1920, Monroe Co, MO ?.

Notes for ZERELDA JANE ALEXANDER:

Obituary (Madison (MO) Times, Apr. 13, 1911)- Mrs. Armstead Brown- The old must die and the young may die. Zerelda Jane Brown was born September 28, 1837 in Missouri. She died at her home southwest of Shelbina, March 30, 1911, aged 73 years, 6 months and 28 days. In 1855 she was united in marriage to Armstead Brown and to this union 9 children were born. Five have passed into the beyond to be with the mother on the other side. Four remain: Carl, Major, Urb and Effie, besides several grandchildren. She joined the Baptist church at Hickory Grove in Monroe county about 1850. At the time of her death she was a member at Fairview. Sister Brown was a woman who stayed at home and looked after the affairs of her family. For the last two years her health had not permitted her to be very active. Notwithstanding, knowing that sooner or later the end would come, it was hard to bear. But remember those things in her life that were good. On last Friday morning in the presence of a number of friends, Rev. R. A. Jones of New London conducted the service, after which the body was conveyed to the Alexander burying grounds. Thus the race was run, the complete circle was made. It was near where she first saw the light. To the aged husband who has lived there for many years, we say, "Look to God". To these children and grandchildren we would say, "Look to God in all things". R. A. Jones.

Notes for ARMSTEAD BROWN:
Census summary:

1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Farmer, this family living w/Zerelda's mother, Margaret Alexander)
1880 Jefferson Twp, Shelby Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer, Zerelda 9 children, 4 living)
1910 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Own income)
1920 Not located

Armstead Brown is buried at Alexander Cemetery, Monroe Co, MO (no dates)

- vii. JOHN ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1841, MO; d. Aft. Nov 1850.
viii. JAMES GABRIEL ALEXANDER, b. 1845, MO; d. 1883, Woodville, Macon Co, MO (Source: Tombstone of James G. Alexander, Macon County Cemeteries, Woodville Cemetery.); m. (1) BELLE J. MENEFFEE, Bet. 1865 - 1866, MO ?; b. 1841; d. 1874 (Source: Tombstone of Belle J. Alexander, Macon County Cemeteries, Woodville Cemetery.); m. (2) ELIZABETH (LIZZI) ESTHER WALKER, Feb 23, 1875; b. Feb 1843, MO; d. Aft. May 1910, MO ?.

Notes for JAMES GABRIEL ALEXANDER:
Census summary:

1870 Not located
1880 Middle Fork Twp, Macon Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Elizabeth w/her children)
1910 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Elizabeth w/her daughter Mona)
1920 Elizabeth not located

- ix. ELIZABETH H. ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1847, MO; d. Aft. Aug 1860.
- x. ROBERT ALEXANDER, b. Abt. 1849, MO; d. Aft. Nov 1850.

5. JANE² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born May 5, 1811 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Aug 3, 1858 in Randolph Co, MO. She married FRANCIS ALEXANDER Dec 27, 1831 in Garrard Co, KY, son of WILLIAM ALEXANDER and ELIZABETH SMITH. He was born Nov 18, 1809 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Jun 30, 1861 in Randolph Co, MO.

Notes for JANE STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO

Alexander, Jane (Stephens) -- 5 May 1811 Garrett Co., KY-3 Aug 1858; m. Frances Alexander; Ref: HRM p. 685

Notes for FRANCIS ALEXANDER:

Census summary:

1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO

Alexander, Frances -- 18 Nov 1809 Garrett Co., KY-30 Jun 1861; m. 27 Dec 1831 Jane (Stephens); children: (1) William F., (2) Martha L. C. (b. 16 May 1852) m. William A. Alexander, (3) John D.; Ref: HRM p. 685

Children of JANE STEPHENS and FRANCIS ALEXANDER are:

- i. BABY³ ALEXANDER, b. Aug 31, 1846, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; d. 1846, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO.
- ii. WILLIAM FRANCIS ALEXANDER, b. Aug 16, 1848, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; d. Bet. 1926 - 1928, Duncans Bridge?, Monroe Co, MO; m. (1) VIRGINIA WINE, Oct 8, 1868, MO; b. Dec 16, 1847, Monroe Co, MO; d. 1923, MO; m. (2) SARAH DAN TISUE HENDRICKS, 1926.

Notes for WILLIAM FRANCIS ALEXANDER:

Census summary:

1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Merchant)
1910 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Merchant- general store)
1920 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Retired merchant)

From Old Families of Randolph County, MO (1976)- The Alexander farm, owned by Mrs. Harold (Doris) Bond and her daughter, Mrs. Ron (Maria) Hediger, located northeast of Cairo is also a centennial farm. The west line of the farm joins the Thunderbird Boy Scout Camp and they often use a trail that follows along the bluff of Mud Creek and east across the land. Francis Alexander, the person that settled the farm, was the great-grandfather of Doris Alexander Bond.

The following concerning William F. Alexander, farmer, tobacco and stock raiser (and dealer), great-grandfather of Mrs. Bond, appeared in the "History of Randolph and Macon Counties Missouri 1884":

"Mr. Alexander, one of the enterprising agriculturists and business men of Salt River township and one of its intelligent, influential citizens, is a representative of one of the oldest and best families in the county. His father, Francis Alexander, is remembered by all old citizens of this section of the county as one of the good and true men in their midst, whose life, as a father and citizen and as a neighbor, was one of more than ordinary usefulness and value and without reproach."

"He was a native of Kentucky, born in Garrett county, Nov. 18, 1809. He was reared in that county, and on the 27th of December, 1831, was married to Miss Jane Stephens, who was born in the same county, May 5,

1811. Less than four years after their marriage, they came to Missouri, and located first in Monroe County, but a year later in 1837, came to Randolph County, where they spent the remainder of their useful and blameless lives. In this county, they entered a large body of land on Section 13 of Salt River township and improved a fine farm. He died on this place, June 30, 1861, she having preceded him to the grave nearly three years, Aug. 3, 1858. He became a leading farmer and stock-raiser in the county, and was in easy circumstances at the time of his death. No man in his vicinity was more highly respected and esteemed than he."

"They left a family of three children, namely: William F., Martha L. C., now the wife of William A. Alexander; and John D. All three are residents of Randolph County, and they were born respectively; William F., Aug. 16, 1848; Martha L. C., May 16, 1852; and John D., Sept. 9, 1855. One besides, a sister, died in infancy. She was born, Aug. 31, 1846."

"The others were reared on the farm in this county, and were educated in the common schools. William F. Alexander, after he grew up, was married Oct. 8, 1868, to Miss Virginia, a daughter of Joel and Hulda Wine, of Monroe County, Mo. Mrs. Alexander was born in that county, Dec. 16, 1847. Her father died in Iowa in July, 1858, and her mother now finds a welcome and pleasant home with Mrs. Alexander. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have two children: Ewing, born July 4, 1849 (1869?); and Alfred D., born July 2, 1874. One, besides, the second child, Lucy A., who was born July 11, 1871, died Nov. 23, 1874."

"Mr. Alexander has followed farming from boyhood and has also been raising and handling stock for a number of years. He has likewise been engaged in raising and handling tobacco for several years. He settled on his present place, located in section 13, of Salt River township in 1872. Here he has a good farm of over 100 acres, and raises about 10 acres of wheat, from 30 to 35 acres of corn and cuts 40 acres of meadow annually. In the stock line he handles from 80 to 100 head of cattle and from 150 to 200 sheep, the latter being of the Cotswold and Leicester breeds. Mr. Alexander, it should be remarked, gives but little attention to hogs. He raises however, from four to six acres of tobacco, and buys largely for dealers in that commodity, usually from 400,000 to 600,000 pounds annually. He buys principally for E. E. Samuel of Huntsville."

"He is a member of the I.O.O.F., Woodland Lodge, No. 222, of Monroe County. He and his wife are members of the Missionary Baptist Church at Hickory Grove in Monroe County. Mrs. Alexander's parents were early settlers and respected residents of that county, locating there from Kentucky in 1839. Mr. Alexander, though not a college graduate, is a man of superior education and possessed of wide and varied information, having always been an industrious and intelligent reader of the best class of books, periodicals and other publications. He is a man of agreeable address and an instructive and entertaining conversationalist. He is quite influential in his vicinity, though he has no personal ambition for official advancement but always takes a commendable interest in public affairs in order to secure the best men for the different offices in his district, township, and county, to be filled. He is highly respected and esteemed."

W. F. Alexander died in 1926 and his wife, Virginia Wines Alexander, died in 1923. Some years before his death he moved to Duncans Bridge, where he operated a grocery store. When he left the farm, he divided the land between his two children, Ewing, who died in 1958, leaving no descendants, and A. D., who died in 1955. D. married Emilie (Tina) Newton, who died in 1934. When D. retired from farming his only son, Irvin, who had farmed with his dad since boyhood, took over the operation of the farm and continued to run it until his death in 1960. Since that time, Irvin's son-in-law, Harold Bond, has been managing the farm. Irvin married Utha Conway, who, at present, is living in Jacksonville.

Shortly after Irvin's death in 1960 a tornado struck the farm. It leveled an older barn that stood about 75 yards southwest from the house, demolished two double hog farrowing houses, took out a picket fence on the west side of the yard and did considerable damage to the house. The trail of the tornado could be clearly seen from the house both to the northwest and southwest. In the pasture southwest from the house 16 giant bur oak trees were left twisted, torn and uprooted never to grow again. The bur oak entered in the "Liberty Tree" contest, recently was one of the few left standing. Just before it reached the house, like a miracle, the tornado lifted and left the house, which had been directly in its path, standing intact, though needing some repairs. Utha, who was in the house at the time, had experienced nothing quite like it before and hoped never to again.

D. and Irvin raised Hereford cattle and Chester White and Hampshire hogs and did diversified grain farming. The farm, at present, continues to be a grain farm. The house as it stands today was remodeled by Irvin and Utha in 1956. The south room is the only part of the original house built by W. F. and Virginia in the late 1800's. The remainder was built by D. and Tina around 1915. The white barn by the road, stands where the tobacco barn once stood. It was built in the 1930's. About five years ago a mysterious sink hole appeared in the west shed of the barn. Speculation has it that there might once have been some kind of pit used in drying tobacco or possibly an old well; but investigation has proved nothing and filling it seems to have been in vain as it has begun to appear again recently.

In earlier years several arrow heads were found on the farm and the Bonds have a small collection of these.

They also have a room of antique furniture passed down from preceding generations. Their favorite piece is a four poster walnut bedstead restored by Utha several years ago after she found it in a woodshed. It's believed to be at least 150 years old. Story has it that it was brought to Missouri by covered wagon by the earliest settlers of the family.

The farm is now owned by Irvin's daughter, Mrs. Harold (Doris Alexander) Bond and Mrs. Bond's daughter, Mrs. Ronald (Maria Bond) Hediger. Friends of the family, Mr. and Mrs. John Courtney, and their daughters, Penny and Shelly are now residents of the farm. The Bonds live in Cairo, where Harold is postmaster. They are members of the Cairo Baptist Church. Harold is Sunday School Director and a trustee of the church. Doris serves as a substitute Sunday School teacher and has a story hour each Tuesday at the church for pre-school children. They also operate a mobile home park in Cairo.

The Hedigers, after spending a year in Korea and earning their masters' degrees at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, have made their home in Independence. Maria is a vocational business education teacher at William Christman High School and Ron is a counselor at Fort Osage School.

Alexander, William F. -- b. 16 Aug 1848 Rand. Co.; [s/o Frances & Jane (Stephens)]; m. 8 Oct 1868 Virginia (Wine) b. 16 Dec 1847 Monroe Co., MO (d/o Joel (d. Jul 1858 IA) & Hulda Wine (living with William), of Monroe Co.); children: (1) Ewing (b. 4 Jul 1849), (2) Alfred D. (b. 2 Jul 1874), (3) Lucy A.; HRM p. 685

- iii. MARTHA (MATTIE) LEE CLAY ALEXANDER, b. May 16, 1852, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; d. Aft. 1915, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; m. WILLIAM ANDREW (BILL AN) ALEXANDER, Feb 27, 1873, MO; b. Jan 1852, MO; d. Bef. 1915, MO ?.

Notes for WILLIAM ANDREW (BILL AN) ALEXANDER:

Census summary:

1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer, Mattie 2 children, 2 living)
1910 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Mattie w/daughter Roberta)
1920 Not located

- iv. JOHN DEE ALEXANDER, b. Sep 9, 1855, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; d. Sep 10, 1933, 12 mi. NE of Moberly, Randolph Co, MO (Source: (1) Tombstone of John D. Alexander, Hickory Grove Cemetery listing., (2) Obituary of John D. Alexander, Moberly (MO) Monitor-Index & Democrat, Sep. 11, 1933.); m. SALLIE E. BENNETT, Dec 2, 1877, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO; b. Jul 27, 1858, MO; d. Mar 24, 1915, Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Source: (1) Tombstone of Sallie Alexander, Hickory Grove Cemetery listing., (2) Obituary of Sallie Alexander, Newspaper unknown.).

Notes for JOHN DEE ALEXANDER:

Census summary:

1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer, Sallie 2 children, 2 living)
1910 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1920 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1930 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)

From the History of Randolph County- John D. Alexander, a successful farmer and stockman of Salt River township, is a native of Randolph County and a descendant of a pioneer Missouri family. He was born in Salt River township, Sept. 9, 1855, a son of Francis and James (s/b Jane) (Stephens) Alexander. Francis Alexander was born in Garrard County, Ky., Nov. 18, 1809. He was reared to manhood in his native state and on Dec. 27, 1831, was married to Miss Jane Stephens who was also a native of Garrard County, Ky. They remained in Kentucky about four years after their marriage and in 1835 came to Missouri and first settled in Monroe County. They remained there for two years and in 1837 came to Randolph County and here Francis Alexander entered a large tract of government land in section 13, township 55. Here he was engaged in farming and stock raising during the remainder of his life. He died June 30, 1861 and his wife departed this life Aug. 3, 1858 and their remains are buried in the Alexander cemetery in Monroe County, Mo. They were the parents of three children as follows: Mattie, widow of W. A. Alexander, now living in Salt River township; William F. Alexander, who was born in Randolph County, Aug. 16, 1848 is a retired merchant and farmer now living at Duncans Bridge, Monroe County, Mo. and John D., the subject of this sketch.

John D. Alexander was educated in the district schools and remained on the home farm until he was 21 years old when he was married and remained on the home place for three years. He then bought 60 acres, which is a part of his present farm, Nov. 29, 1881. On Aug. 23, 1892, he purchased 58 acres more and in Oct. 4, 1909, he bought 40 additional acres and is now the owner of 158 acres of valuable land. He had made substantial

improvements, including an eight room residence which he built in 1886. In 1884, he built a barn 50x64 feet, and in 1910 he built another barn, especially designed for stock which is 24x30 feet. His place is well supplied with water which is pumped from a well 328 feet deep by a wind mill and the water is piped to various convenient points about the place. Mr. Alexander, in addition to being extensively engaged in general farming, raises a good grade of Aberdeen Angus cattle and Poland China hogs. His place is equipped with all modern machinery and bears ample evidence that its owner is a progressive and up-to-date farmer.

Mr. Alexander was married in Salt River township Dec. 2, 1877, to Miss Sallie E. Bennett. She was born July 27, 1858 and was a teacher of Avington and Louisa (Lilly) Bennett. Mrs. Alexander died March 24, 1915, and her remains are buried in Hickory Grove cemetery, Monroe Co., Mo. To John D. Alexander and wife were born two children: Maud Bell and Bertha D., both of whom reside at home with their father. Mr. Alexander is a Democrat and one of the enterprising and successful citizens of Randolph County.

Obituary (Moberly (MO) Monitor-Index & Democrat, Sep. 11, 1933)- John D. Alexander, prominent Randolph county farmer and stockman, died at his home 12 miles northeast of Moberly at 10:45 o'clock yesterday morning, the day after his seventy-eighth birthday. He had been in failing health the past year and a half. Mr. Alexander is survived by two daughters, the Misses Maude and Bertha, of the home, and three nephews. The son of Francis and Jane (Stephens) Alexander, Mr. Alexander was born on a farm two miles north of the farm on which he died. His parents were Kentuckians who came to Missouri in 1835, settling first in Monroe County and moving to Randolph in 1837. For the past 50 years, with the exception of about nine months, Mr. Alexander had lived on the same farm. The family lived in Moberly for about nine months several years ago during Mrs. Alexander's last illness. Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Baptist Church at Ash by the Rev. R. A. Jones of New London. Burial will be in the Ash cemetery.

Notes for SALLIE E. BENNETT:

Obituary- Mrs. Sallie B. Alexander, 57 years old, died at the family home in Moberly, at 7:10 Wednesday morning, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Alexander was born July 28, 1858. She is survived by her husband, John D. Alexander; two daughters, Misses Maude and Bertha Alexander; two brothers, Geo. D. and James Bennett, both of near Ash, and a sister, Mrs. P. W. Houston, of Monroe City.

6. ELIZABETH² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Abt. 1814 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Bet. 1880 - 1900 in near Ash, Monroe Co, MO. She married JOHN PAGETT Apr 15, 1835 in Garrard Co, KY. He was born Mar 9, 1810 in KY, and died Sep 4, 1858 in Randolph Co, MO (Source: (1) Tombstone of John Pagett, Hughes Cemetery listing., (2) *Heirs of John Padgett*, Randolph Co, MO Administration & Will Records 1836-1858.).

Notes for ELIZABETH STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth living w/son Greenberry)

Randolph Co, MO Administration & Will Records (p. 52)- Heirs of John Padgett
Elizabeth Padgett, the widow. Huston Padgett, Simeon A. Padgett, Nancy Jane Padgett, Richard T. Padgett, John Padgett, Mary Elizabeth, Greenberry, and Hardin C. Padgett. Signed: Francis Alexander 20 Dec 1858.

Notes for JOHN PAGETT:

Census summary:

1840 MO
1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1860 Salt River Twp, Milton P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth only)
1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Elizabeth living w/son Greenberry)

Randolph Co, MO Administration & Will Records (p. 52)- Heirs of John Padgett
Elizabeth Padgett, the widow. Huston Padgett, Simeon A. Padgett, Nancy Jane Padgett, Richard T. Padgett, John

Children of ELIZABETH STEPHENS and JOHN PAGETT are:

- i. HUSTON P.³ PAGETT, b. Apr 4, 1835, KY; d. Mar 4, 1916, nr Ash, Monroe Co, MO (Source: (1) Tombstone of Huston Pagett, Hughes Cemetery listing., (2) Obituary of Huston Pagett, Madison (MO) Times, Mar. 9, 1916.); m. MARY A. TIPTON, Abt. 1861, MO ?; b. May 22, 1844, KY; d. Apr 5, 1915, near Ash, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Mary Pagett, Madison (MO) Times, Apr. 8, 1915.).

Notes for HUSTON P. PAGETT:

Census summary:

1870 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer, Mary 5 children, 5 living)
1910 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer, Mary 7 children, 5 living)

Obituary- Madison (MO) Times, Mar. 9, 1916)- Huston P. Padgett, aged 79 years and 11 months, died at his home near Ash Saturday. He is survived by four sons, James, Will, Joe and John, and by one daughter, Mrs. Ben Bates. Mr. Padgett was a substantial and highly esteemed citizen and his death is deeply deplored by many friends. Funeral services were conducted Monday by Reverend Green, after which burial was made at the Hughes cemetery.

Notes for MARY A. TIPTON:

Obituary (Madison (MO) Times, Apr. 8, 1915)- Mrs. H. P. Padgett, aged 72 years, died at her home near Ash, Monday. She is survived by her aged husband, four sons and one daughter. The children are: Joe Padgett, of Los Angeles, California; John Padgett, of Moberly; James Padgett, who is at home; Will Padgett, of the Ash neighborhood; and Mrs. Ben Bates, of Hannibal. Funeral services were conducted at the home, Wednesday by Reverend Green, after which burial was made in the Hughes cemetery. The most sincere sympathy of many friends goes out to the bereaved family.

- ii. SIMPSON A. PAGETT, b. Abt. 1838, MO; d. Aft. 1858.
- iii. NANCY JANE PAGETT, b. Abt. 1840, MO; d. Aft. 1858.
- iv. RICHARD F. PAGETT, b. Nov 19, 1842, MO; d. Jan 24, 1877, Randolph Co, MO ? (Source: Tombstone of Richard Pagett, Hughes Cemetery listing.).

Notes for RICHARD F. PAGETT:

Census summary:

1870 Salt River Twp, Cairo P.O., Randolph Co, MO (w/mother Elizabeth)

- v. JOHN J. PAGETT, b. Jan 1845, MO; d. Jun 9, 1917, north of Ash, Monroe Co, MO (Source: Obituary of John J Pagett, Madison (MO) Times, June 14, 1917.); m. SARAH F. UNKNOWN, Abt. 1870, MO ?; b. Mar 16, 1850, MO; d. Aug 6, 1940, Moberly, Randolph Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Sarah Pagett, Madison (MO) Times, Aug. 8, 1940.).

Notes for JOHN J. PAGETT:

Census summary:

1880 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer, Sarah 10 children, 8 living)
1910 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer, Sarah 10 children, 8 living)
1920 Marion Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Sarah living w/her son Otto & his family)
1930 Sarah not located

Obituary (Madison (MO) Times, June 14, 1917)- John J. Pagett died at his home north of Ash Friday evening after a week's illness. The immediate cause of death being pneumonia fever. He was 72 years of age and a substantial upright christian gentleman. Deceased is survived by his wife and eight children, two boys and six girls. They are: Emmett Pagett, of Ash; Otto Pagett, of Moberly; Mrs. Isaac Adams, of near Moberly; Mrs. Coleman Clark, of Hannibal; Mrs. Allen Wilson, of Moberly; Mrs. Ed Helensmith, of Venice, Ill.; Mrs. T. R. Bell, of Moberly; and Mrs. Sam Blackwell, of near Ash. Funeral services were conducted from the home Sunday afternoon by Rev. Showmaker and interment was made in the Hughes cemetery.

Notes for SARAH F. UNKNOWN:

Obituary (Madison (MO) Times, Aug. 8, 1940)- Mrs. Sarah Frances Pagett, 91, died at the home of her

daughter at 671 North Ault St., Moberly, at 6:30 Tuesday evening. She was the wife of J. J. Pagett who died 22 years ago. Mrs. Pagett made her home with her children. The surviving relatives are: Mrs. Eva Clark, Ohio; Otto Pagett, Ash; Mrs. Allen Wilson, Mrs. T. R. Bell, Emmett Pagett, Mrs. Ed Hellensmith, Mrs. Anna Blackwell, all of Moberly; a number of grandchildren, several great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. The body will remain at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Blackwell of Moberly, until the funeral hour. The funeral will be held at 2:30 Thursday at Hickory Grove Baptist church at Ash by Rev. Powell, pastor of the 4th St. Methodist church. Burial will be in Hughes cemetery.

- vi. HARDEN C. PAGETT, b. May 1850, MO; d. Bet. 1920 - 1930, MO ?; m. SARAH ELIZABETH HERRON, Feb 1, 1880, Monroe Co, MO; b. Apr 1862, MO; d. Bet. 1920 - 1930, MO ?.

Notes for HARDEN C. PAGETT:

Census summary:

1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1910 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer, Sarah 2 children, 2 living)
1920 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1930 Not located

- vii. MARY ELIZABETH PAGETT, b. Dec 16, 1850, MO; d. Feb 4, 1902, Monroe Co, MO ?; m. JAMES NEWTON SKINNER, Abt. 1871, MO ?; b. Apr 2, 1847, OH; d. Jan 30, 1901, Monroe Co, MO ?.

Notes for JAMES NEWTON SKINNER:

Census summary:

1880 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Woodlawn Twp, Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

- viii. GREEN B. PAGETT, b. Abt. 1852, MO; d. Bet. 1880 - 1900, MO ?; m. SARAH UNKNOWN; b. May 1851, MO; d. Aft. 1900, MO ?.

Notes for GREEN B. PAGETT:

Census summary:

1880 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Sarah w/daughter & son-in-law Mary & Frank Glover)

7. ROBERT H.² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Feb 4, 1817 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Apr 14, 1899 in Adair Co ?, MO (Source: *Cemeteries of Adair County, MO*, p. 869.). He married EMILY JENNIE HILL Mar 26, 1857 in Monroe Co, MO (Source: *Marriage license of Robert Stephens & Emily J. Hill*, Monroe Co, MO, Marriage Book B (1849-1858).). She was born Feb 18, 1837 in MO (Source: *Cemeteries of Adair County, MO*, p. 868.), and died Aft. Apr 1930 in Adair Co ?, MO.

Notes for ROBERT H. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1850 Salt River Twp, Randolph Co, MO (Blacksmith)
1860 Marion Twp, Madison P.O., Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)
1870 Jefferson Twp, Clarence P.O., Shelby Co, MO (Farmer)
1880 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Jennie not located
1910 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Jennie w/Robert F. & Gabe)
1920 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Jennie living w/sons John R. & Gabe)
1930 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Jennie living w/son Gabe)

I could not find an obituary for Robert in the Kirksville Journal newspaper or the Monroe County Appeal. Kirksville Democrat & Kirksville Saturday Mail- no obit found. Kirksville Weekly Graphic- this time period not filmed.

Notes for EMILY JENNIE HILL:

Reviewed Kirksville Journal from 5-1 to 5-15-1930- no obit found.

Children of ROBERT STEPHENS and EMILY HILL are:

- i. JOHN R.³ STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1858, MO; d. Bet. Apr 1930 - 1945, MO ?.

Notes for JOHN R. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1920 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (No occupation- John's mother Jennie & his brother Gabe are living with him)

1930 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (No occupation- living w/brother Gabe & mother Jennie)

- ii. THOMAS J. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1859, MO; d. Bet. Apr 1910 - Jul 1945, ID ?; m. MATTIE A. UNKNOWN, Abt. 1893; b. Abt. 1864, NY; d. Aft. Apr 1910, ID ?.

Notes for THOMAS J. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1900 Not located

1910 Mission Precinct, Kootenai Co, ID (Farmer- Mattie 5 children, 3 living)

1920 Not located

1930 Not located

- iii. ROBERT F. STEPHENS, b. Feb 19, 1861, Monroe Co, MO; d. Jan 31, 1912, 4 miles NE of Kirksville, Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Source: (1) *Cemeteries of Adair County, MO*, p. 868., (2) Obituary of Robert F. Stephens, Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Feb. 1, 1912.).

Notes for ROBERT F. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1910 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, Feb. 1, 1912)- R. F. Stephens died yesterday at his home four miles northeast of Kirksville. He had been in poor health for over a year, suffering from lung trouble. He was about 51 years old and unmarried, and lived with his mother and brother Gabe. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at ten o'clock at the residence, conducted by Rev. B. F. Jones. Burial will take place at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Millard, and will be in charge of the Kirksville K. P. Lodge, of which deceased was a member.

- iv. EMMA LEE STEPHENS, b. Dec 1863, Monroe Co, MO; d. Aft. Jul 1945, ID ?; m. JOHN F. DODSON, Abt. 1881, MO ?; b. Jul 1857, MO; d. Aft. Apr 1930, ID ?.

Notes for JOHN F. DODSON:

Census summary:

1900 District 83, Big Eddy Twp, Nez Perce Co, ID (Farmer- Emma 5 children, 5 living)

1910 Pocatello, 6th Precinct, Bannock Co, ID (Contractor- houses)

1920 Aberdeen Precinct, Bingham Co, ID (Carpenter- house)

1930 Aberdeen Precinct, Bingham Co, ID (Farmer- Emma 7 children, 6 living)

- v. JAMES GABRIEL STEPHENS, b. Mar 13, 1864, Monroe Co, MO; d. Jul 22, 1945, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Source: (1) *Cemeteries of Adair County, MO*, p. 868., (2) Obituary of James G. Stephens, Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, July 23, 1945.).

Notes for JAMES GABRIEL STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1910 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)

1920 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer- living w/brother John R. & mother Jennie)

1930 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer- mother Jennie & brother Richard living w/Gabe)

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Daily Express, July 23, 1945)- James Gabriel (Gabe) Stevens, 81, died in Kirksville hospital Sunday afternoon at 2:40 o'clock. He had been in failing health the past four months and seriously ill the past ten days. Funeral services will be conducted at the Davis Funeral Chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by the Rev. James T. McClanahan, pastor of the Hazel Green Holiness Church. Interment will be in the Stukey Cemetery at Millard. Mr. Stevens was the son of Robert and Jennie (Hill) Stevens and was born in Monroe County, Missouri, on March 13, 1864. Mr. Stevens was never married. He

is survived by twelve nieces and nephews and was the last of a family of eleven children. He lived on a farm about four miles northeast of Kirksville for 45 years and was a member of the Board of Directors of the Farmers Exchange in Kirksville. The body will lie in state at the Davis Funeral Home.

- vi. WILLIAM (WILLIE) A. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1866, MO; d. Bef. Jul 1945; m. UNKNOWN.
- vii. MARY F. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1868, MO; d. Bef. Jul 1945.
- viii. CHARLES STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1871, MO; d. Bef. Jul 1945.
- ix. IDA E. STEPHENS, b. Abt. Dec 1872, MO; d. Oct 25, 1873, MO (Source: Tombstone of Ida E. Stephens.).
- x. LETTIE S. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1874, MO; d. Bef. Jul 1945.
- xi. EVA STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1877, MO; d. Bef. Jul 1945.

8. JOHN D.² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Jun 20, 1818 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Jul 8, 1888 in Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Source: (1) "Obituary of John D. Stephens II," Kirksville, MO, newspaper, July, 1888., (2) Tombstone of John D. Stephens II.). He married AMERICA L. SHARP Jan 11, 1847 in Monroe Co, MO, daughter of LEONARD SHARP and MALINDA SHORTRIDGE. She was born Nov 18, 1829 in VA, and died Mar 24, 1895 in Adair Co, MO (Source: Obituary of America Stephens, Kirksville (MO) Weekly Graphic, Mar. 29, 1895.).

Notes for JOHN D. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

- 1850 Monroe Co, MO (Blacksmith)
- 1860 Benton Twp, Kirksville P.O., Adair Co, MO
- 1870 Kirksville P.O., Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
- 1880 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Probate judge)
- 1900 Could not locate America Stephens (wonder if she remarried?)

Information from Evelyn Wines- Liberty (MO) Tribune, June 25, 1852- Monroe- The Whigs of Monroe County met in convention at Paris on the 7th inst. and nominated the following ticket: For Representative, James M. Bean (Editor of the Mercury) and Gabriel Alexander - Sheriff, Marion Biggs - Assessor, John D. Stephens. The convention was composed of ten delegates from each township with the exception of Indian Creek, from which but two appeared - being one of the most respectable and intelligent assemblages of the kind ever convened in Paris, and we hope it's action will be cordially sanctioned by the Whigs of the county.

From Missouri Pioneers Vol. 21- Monroe County Guardianship Bonds- Book A (1831-1842, 1848-1854)- John D. Stephens was elected at the Aug 1852 election, county assessor for 2 years. John D. Stephens was elected in Aug 1854, county assessor.

From Sketch of Adair County, MO 1800's- J. D. Stephens, farmer, Kirksville P.O., Section 13, Township 62, Range 15, born in Kentucky, settled in Adair County in 1857.

Obituary- The Weekly Graphic- Kirksville, MO. Friday, July 13, 1888

Died- Stephens- At the family residence in this city Sunday July 9, 1888. Judge John D. Stephens, after a long and painful illness. Judge Stephens was an old resident of Adair County and widely and favorably known. Burial took place Monday in the Kirksville Cemetery. Rev. Ray Palmer conducted the funeral services.

The burial record book of Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery (formerly Kirksville Cemetery) states after his date of death "runaway team".

Notes for AMERICA L. SHARP:

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Weekly Graphic, Mar. 29, 1895)- Died of pneumonia (sic), March 24, 1895, Mrs. L. Stephens, aged 65 years, 4 months, and 6 days. She was born in Virginia Nov. 18, 1829, and died March 24, 1895. She was married to John D. Stephens, January 6, 1847. Of the twelve children born of this union ten are living. she united with the Baptist (sic) church in 1870, and lived a constant christian until death.

Children of JOHN STEPHENS and AMERICA SHARP are:

- i. ELIZA J.³ STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1848, Monroe Co, MO; d. Aft. Jun 1860.
- ii. HENRY CLAY STEPHENS, b. Apr 1850, Monroe Co, MO; d. Jun 23, 1930, Colorado Springs, El Paso Co, CO ?; m. HANNAH E. HUNSAKER, Feb 26, 1880, Adair Co, MO; b. Nov 1858, MO; d. Oct 31, 1926, Colorado Springs, El Paso Co, CO ?.

Notes for HENRY CLAY STEPHENS:

Henry C. Stephens lost the election for sheriff of Kirksville in 1894. Source: Selby books at Kirksville, MO, library.

Census summary:

1880 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Benton Twp, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Doctor)
1910 Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Foreman- city sewerage)
1920 Colorado Springs, El Paso Co, CO (Manager- lumber camp)
1930 Colorado Springs, El Paso Co, CO (No occupation listed, living w/daughter Letah & her husband Galen Broyles)

- iii. ADALINE S. STEPHENS, b. Sep 1855, MO; d. Aft. Jan 1920, MO or TX?; m. JOHN W. HILL, May 10, 1883, Adair Co, MO; b. Nov 1855, MO; d. Aft. Jan 1920, MO or TX?.

Notes for JOHN W. HILL:

Census summary:

1900 Mexico, Salt River Twp, Audrain Co, MO
1910 Mexico, Salt River Twp, Audrain Co, MO (no occupation listed)
1920 San Antonio, Bexar Co, TX (no occupation listed- John Wm. & Addy Hill. Not sure if this is the correct family)

- iv. NEWTON M. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1856, MO; d. Aft. 1884; m. CORA LINDSEY, Feb 9, 1876, Macon, Macon Co, MO; b. Abt. 1859, OH; d. Aft. 1880.

Notes for NEWTON M. STEPHENS:

Newton M. Stephens was Secretary of the IOOF Lodge in Kirksville in 1884. Source: Selby books at Kirksville, MO, library.

Census summary:

1880 Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Clerk in probate)

- v. MORTIMER L. STEPHENS, b. Feb 23, 1858, MO; d. Dec 20, 1928, Arcadia, Iron Co, MO (Source: (1) Tombstone of Mortimer L. Stephens, Cemetery listing of Knights of Pythias Cem, Ironton, Iron Co, MO., (2) Obituary of Mortimer L. Stephens, Iron County (Ironton, MO) Register, Dec. 27, 1928.); m. ELLA DEATON, Oct 31, 1880, Adair Co, MO; b. Jan 31, 1861, MO; d. Dec 3, 1958, Ironton, Iron Co, MO ? (Source: Tombstone of Ella Deaton Stephens, Cemetery listing of Knights of Pythias Cem, Ironton, Iron Co, MO.).

Notes for MORTIMER L. STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1910 Maplewood, St. Louis Co, MO ?
1920 Arcadia Twp, Iron Co, MO
1930 Jefferson City, Cole Co, MO (Ella, widow, living w/her daughter Juanita & Juanita's husband Julius)

Obituary (Arcadia Valley (Ironton, MO) Enterprise, Dec. 21, 1928)- Dr. M. L. Stephens, father of State Treasurer, C. E. Stephens, died suddenly yesterday afternoon.

Obituary (Iron County (Ironton, MO) Register, Dec. 27, 1928)- Dr. M. L. Stephens, osteopath, died quite suddenly at his home in Arcadia, Thursday morning, December 20, 1928, at 11:30 o'clock. Dr. Stephens seemed to be in his usual health that morning, ate breakfast and then walked to the post office. About 10 o'clock he was stricken by something diagnosed as apoplexy and in a short time passed away. The deceased was 70 years, 9 months, and 27 days of age; he had been a resident of Iron County for many years, first locating on a farm south of Arcadia, and about two years since buying a residence in Arcadia. He was an honest man and good citizen and held in high regard by all who knew him. Dr. Stephens is survived by a widow, son, C. E. Stephens, and two daughters, Mrs. J. O. Cottle and Mrs. Wm. McClelland. The funeral was held in the Baptist church Saturday afternoon and interment was made in the K. P. Cemetery.

Notes for ELLA DEATON:

Article (Kirksville (MO) Weekly Graphic, Apr. 6, 1888)- Mrs. M. L. Stevens of Pittsburg, Kansas, is visiting her father, Mr. W. B. Deaton of this city.

- vi. MARY MALINDA STEPHENS, b. Aug 19, 1860, MO; d. Mar 26, 1895, near Millard, Adair Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Mary Archer, Kirksville (MO) Weekly Graphic, Mar. 29, 1895.); m. JOHN W. ARCHER, Feb 17, 1878, Adair Co, MO; b. Sep 1859, IL or MO; d. 1950, Adair Co, MO ?.

Notes for MARY MALINDA STEPHENS:

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Weekly Graphic, Mar. 29, 1895)- Died- Archer - At her home near Millard, March 26, of pneumonia, Mrs. John Archer, nee Stephens. Rev. Morgan conducted the funeral service.

Notes for JOHN W. ARCHER:

Kirksville (MO) Democrat, Jan. 9, 1903- John W. Archer and Miss Cora Whiteford were married Christmas Eve at the residence of the bride's parents.

Census summary:

1880 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1900 Wilson Twp, Adair Co, MO
1910 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (left side (names) cut off on Ancestry website)
1920 Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Farmer)
1930 Kirksville, Benton Twp, Adair Co, MO (Landlord- rental property)

- vii. JOHN D. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1865, MO; d. Aft. Jun 1880.
viii. WILLIAM SHERMAN STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1867, MO; d. Aft. Jun 1880.
ix. KITTIE (KATY) STEPHENS, b. Sep 1869, MO; d. Aft. Jun 1880.
x. THOMAS A. STEPHENS, b. Abt. 1873, Adair Co, MO; d. Aft. Jun 1880.
xi. JESSIE MAUDE STEPHENS, b. Sep 9, 1876, Adair Co, MO; d. Feb 3, 1965, Kansas City, Jackson Co, MO (Source: Obituary of Jessie Miller, Kansas City (MO) Star, Feb. 4, 1965.); m. RAPHAEL (RALPH) M. MILLER, Aug 1, 1899, Kirksville, Adair Co, MO; b. Jan 1, 1876, Milletsburg, Putnam Co, MO; d. Jan 19, 1935, Kansas City, Jackson Co, MO ?.

Notes for JESSIE MAUDE STEPHENS:

Obituary (Kirksville (MO) Express & News, Feb. 4, 1965)- Jessie Miller, 88, of Kansas City, former Adair County resident, died Wednesday morning at her home. Graveside services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 in the Maple Hills cemetery. She was the daughter of John O. (s/b D.) and America (Sharpe) Stephens and was born Sept. 9, 1876 in Adair county. She married Raphael Miller who preceded her in death. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Gordon W. (Charlotte) McKenzie of Kansas City; two sons, John D. Miller of Kansas City and R. Steve Miller of Hollister, Mo.; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Mrs. Miller had been a resident of Kansas City since 1925. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Kirksville. The body will arrive at the Jackson Dee Riley Funeral Home late Saturday morning. The casket will not be opened.

Obituary (Kansas City (MO) Star, Feb. 4, 1965)- Mrs. Jessie M. Miller, 88, of 300 West Armour boulevard, died yesterday at her home. Mrs. Miller was born in Adair County, Mo. She was a member of the Baptist church in Kirksville, Mo. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Gordon W. McKenzie, of 4608 West Sixty-second terrace, Fairway; two sons, John D. Miller, of 1315 West Red Bridge road and R. Steve Miller, Hollister, Mo.; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Graveside services will be held Saturday at the Maple Hill cemetery in Kirksville. The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 o'clock Friday at the Freeman chapel.

Notes for RAPHAEL (RALPH) M. MILLER:

Census summary:

1900
1910
1920 Kirksville, Adair Co, MO (Listed as Raphael- Dealer- real estate)
1930 Kansas City, Jackson Co, MO (Listed as Robert M. Miller, Dealer- real estate- I think this is the correct family because the birth years and locations agree, and because the daughter Charlotte is correct)

9. NANCY² STEPHENS (*JOHN D.*¹) was born Abt. 1826 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Aft. 1852 in MO. She married WILLIAM MCNEAL POLLARD Mar 19, 1846 in Monroe Co, MO, son of ABNER POLLARD and MARTHA UNKNOWN. He was born Abt. 1829 in Garrard Co, KY, and died Bet. 1851 - 1852 in Monroe Co, MO.

Notes for NANCY STEPHENS:

Census summary:

1850 Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

Notes for WILLIAM MCNEAL POLLARD:

Census summary:

1850 Monroe Co, MO (Farmer)

Monroe County, MO probate records- William McNeal Pollard apparently died in late 1851 or early 1852. John D. Stephens (Jr.), a son of John D. Stephens (Sr.), apparently was the executor for his sister Nancy's husband, William McNeal Pollard. John D. Stephens (Jr.) states that the heirs of William M. Pollard are Nancy Pollard, the widow, John Pollard, Greenville, Pollard, and James William Pollard, all of whom reside in Monroe County. The document is dated January 9, 1852.

Children of NANCY STEPHENS and WILLIAM POLLARD are:

- i. JOHN³ POLLARD, b. Abt. 1846, MO; d. Aft. Nov 1850.
- ii. GREENVILLE POLLARD, b. Abt. 1848, MO; d. Aft. Nov 1850.
- iii. JAMES WILLIAM POLLARD, b. Bet. 1850 - 1851, MO ?.