

Descendants of John Smith

Generation No. 1

1. JOHN¹ SMITH was born 1816 in , , Ohio, and died 1881 in , , Illinois. He married SARAH A. DOWNEY. She was born 1825 in , , Pennsylvania, and died Unknown.

More About JOHN SMITH:

Census: June 18, 1860, Naples, Scott Co., Illinois

Children of JOHN SMITH and SARAH DOWNEY are:

- i. UNKNOWN² SMITH, d. Unknown.
- ii. UNKNOWN SMITH, d. Unknown.
- iii. MARSHAL SMITH, b. 1841; d. Unknown.
2. iv. LEVI (ELI) SMITH, b. May 02, 1843, , Scott Co., Illinois; d. Unknown.
- v. ALONZO SMITH, b. 1846; d. Unknown.
- vi. ELILEEN SMITH, b. 1848; d. Unknown.
- vii. ALICE SMITH, b. 1851; d. Unknown.
- viii. JOHN SMITH, b. 1852; d. Unknown.
- ix. OSCAR SMITH, b. 1854; d. Unknown.
- x. HORACE SMITH, b. 1856; d. Unknown.
- xi. HOWARD SMITH, b. December 1859; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 2

2. LEVI (ELI)² SMITH (JOHN¹) was born May 02, 1843 in , Scott Co., Illinois, and died Unknown. He married (1) MARY E. HARRIS January 01, 1867 in Naples, Scott Co., Illinois, daughter of JOHN HARRIS and CINTHIA MOORE. She was born November 17, 1844 in New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas Co., Ohio, and died June 19, 1872 in Naples, Scott Co., Illinois. He married (2) LAVISA ADAMS November 20, 1879, daughter of JEREMIAH ADAMS and ELIZABETH ROBINSON. She was born August 22, 1854 in Bloomington, , Illinois, and died Unknown.

Notes for LEVI (ELI) SMITH:

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BIOGRAPHY FROM THE HISTORY OF ALLEN AND WOODSON COUNTY KANSAS

LEVI SMITH.

Among those who wore the blue in defense of the Union during the Civil war Levi Smith was numbered and to-day is as true and loyal to his duties of citizenship as when he followed the Stars and Stripes upon the battlefields of the south. Thus he is accounted one of the valued residents of Woodson County, well worthy of representation in its history.

Mr. Smith was born in Scott County, Illinois, May 2, 1843, and is the third son in a family of eleven children whose parents were John and Sarah A. (Downey) Smith, the former a native of Ohio and the latter of Pennsylvania. The father was a farmer by occupation and before his marriage went to Illinois, casting in his lot with the early settlers who laid the foundation for the development and upbuilding of that state. There he remained until his death which occurred in 1881, when he was sixty years of age. His wife still survives him and is living upon the old homestead in Illinois, at the venerable age of seventy-eight years. Of their children six are yet living.

In taking up the personal history of Levi Smith we present to our readers the record of one who for a quarter of a century has been a well known resident of Woodson County. He was reared upon a farm, received his education in the country schools, and worked in the fields until the 9th. of August, 1862, when with his patriotic spirit aroused by the continued opposition and rebellion in the south, he offered his services to the government, joining company I, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Illinois infantry. After two years and ten months of arduous and fearless service as a defender of the Union he received an honorable discharge June 8, 1865. He was in many hard fought battles, participated in the campaign from Resaca, Georgia, to Atlanta, went with Sherman on the memorable march to the sea, which proved that the Confederacy was but an empty shell, took part in the battle of Marietta and was in many other engagements and skirmishes of that campaign. He was never captured or wounded although several times his clothes were pierced with bullets and his haversack and canteen were shot away. At the close of the war he received an honorable discharge in Washington and was mustered out in Chicago, Illinois.

He then returned to his home and spent one year as guard on the bridge across the Illinois river. In the fall of 1876 he came to Kansas and engaged in farming upon rented land until 1884, when with the money which he had saved from his earnings he purchased eighty acres of land one mile west of Vernon, where he has since made a good home for himself and family. His possessions are a monument to his enterprise and worth, and are the visible evidence of his labor and his economy, for all that he has is the reward of his individual effort.

Mr. Smith has been twice married. He first wedded Miss Mary E. Harris, who only survived their marriage five years, and at her death left two little children: Allie, now the wife of Will Farris, a resident of Idaho, and Charles E., who is also living in the same state. On the 20th of November, 1879, Mr. Smith was joined in wedlock to Miss Lavis Adams, a native of Bloomington, Illinois, born August 22, 1854. Her father, Jeremiah Adams, was a native of Indiana, and after reaching mature years wedded Elizabeth Robinson. He died when Mrs. Smith was only about a year old and her mother afterward became the wife of Edward Summerfield, who removed with the family to Kansas in 1866. Woodson County was then but sparsely settled and they were forced to live in true frontier style. They had to pound their meal in a mortar—for the nearest mill was at Iola, Allen County—and other primitive methods of life formed part of their pioneer experience. Mrs. Summerfield passed away in 1896, at the age of seventy-one years. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Smith have

been born five children: Mrs. Carrie D. Porter, who died August 2, 1900, leaving a little son. Roscoe C. Porter, who is now a bright little boy of fourteen months living with his grandparents. Dora E., Newton L., Roy A. and Elza O., who are still at home.

Socially Mr. Smith is connected with Woodson Post, No. 185, G. A. R., and thus continues his comradeship with the boys in blue. During his long residence in Woodson County he has ever commanded the respect of his fellow citizens by reason of his genuine worth, and by all who know him he is appreciated for his commendable qualities.

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More About LEVI (ELI) SMITH:

Census 1: July 30, 1870, Oxville, Scott Co., Illinois

Census 2: 1895, Everett Twp., Woodson Co., Kansas

Census 3: April 30, 1910, Everett Twp., Woodson Co., Kansas - grandson Roscoe Porter Smith is living in the household. He is 10 years old, born in Kansas. His mother Carrie died shortly after his birth or during childbirth.

Census 4: January 30, 1920, Center Twp., Woodson Co., Kansas

Military service 1: August 1862, Joined the Army -129th Illinois Infantry - Pension application # 667064 - Certificate # 457169

Military service 2: June 08, 1865, Honorable Discharge - mustered out Chicago, Illinois

Notes for MARY E. HARRIS:

Mary came out to Illinois with her parents in about 1863 and settled in Naples, Scott County, where she married Levi Smith four years later on the first day of January 1867.

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Mary passed away shortly after giving birth to her son Charles. Her two small children, Allie and Charles were raised by their grandmother Cinthia Moore-Harris

Children of LEVI SMITH and MARY HARRIS are:

3. i. ALLIS MAY (ALLIE MAE)³ SMITH, b. February 1868, , , Illinois; d. January 27, 1940, Spokane City, Spokane Co., Washington.
4. ii. CHARLES EDGAR SMITH, b. December 26, 1871, Naples, Scott Co., Illinois; d. 1914, Newport, , Washington.

Children of LEVI SMITH and LAVISA ADAMS are:

5. iii. CARRIE D.³ SMITH, b. 1881; d. August 02, 1900, , Woodson Co., Kansas.
- iv. DORA E. SMITH, b. 1883; d. Unknown.
- v. NEWTON L.SMITH, b. 1888, , , Kansas; d. Unknown.
- vi. ROY AGUILLA SMITH, b. 1891, , , Kansas; d. Unknown.
- vii. EZRA (ELZA) O. SMITH, b. 1893, , , Kansas; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 3

3. ALLIS MAY (ALLIE MAE)³ SMITH (LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born February 1868 in , , Illinois, and died January 27, 1940 in Spokane City, Spokane Co., Washington¹. She married WILLIAM J FARRIS 1886, son of GILBERT FARRIS and CATHERINE POLITE. He was born August 22, 1858 in Greencastle, Sullivan Co., Missouri, and died November 01, 1929 in Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington.

Notes for ALLIS MAY (ALLIE MAE) SMITH:

Allis's mother died when she was only about 3 years old. Allis and her brother, Charles, were raised by their grandmother, Cinthia Moore Harris.

More About ALLIS MAY (ALLIE MAE) SMITH:

Census: July 30, 1870, Twp 15 R13, Scott Co., Illinois. Postoffice - Oxville . At home with parents.

Notes for WILLIAM J FARRIS:

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It is not known why William and Allis are living separate int he 1910 and 1920 census. She is in Spokane, Washington and he is in Harpster, Idaho.

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OBITUARY

WILLIAM J FARRIS

Age 71. Home was at E1914 8th. Surviving are his wife Allie M.; a son, John E.; one daughter Georgia C.; three brothers, Dutch, Bub and Maj; one sister, Laura Blakely. Funeral Monday at 2 p.m. from Turnbull & Merager Funeral home. Rev. Van Winkle officiating.

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More About WILLIAM J FARRIS:

Burial: Unknown, Clearwater, Idaho Co., Idaho

Census 1: 1900, Nezperce, Lewis Co., Idaho (Allis)

Census 2: 1910, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington - Allis is listed as head of household. William is living next door to brother Rolly Farris in Harpster Idaho. He is listed as being married but is the only one in the household.

Census 3: April 22, 1910, Harpster, Idaho Co., Idaho (William)

Census 4: 1920, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington - William is not listed in the household. Where is he?

Census 5: April 03, 1930, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington - Allis is widowed.

Daughter Georgia and husband Herbert are living in the household

Land Patent: August 06, 1894, Idaho land Patent #2753, recorded in the Lewiston Land Office

Medical Information: William had arthritis very bad and was in much pain. He was confined to a wheelchair for many years.

Occupation: Farmer

Tax List 1: September 1893, Idaho County - lots 1, 2 & 3

Tax List 2: 1894, Idaho County, by Mrs. Farris - Sunnyside lots 1, 2 & 3, 70 acres, Section 7, Twp 31, Range 2E - deeded

Tax List 3: 1895, Idaho County, Mt. Idaho - 2 cow, 2 work horses, 4 stock horses

Children of ALLIS SMITH and WILLIAM FARRIS are:

- i. JOHN E.⁴ FARRIS, b. October 1887, , , Kansas; d. November 09, 1960, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington; m. MARGERY E, 1922, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington; b. Montana; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN E. FARRIS:

John had no children

More About JOHN E. FARRIS:

Census: April 09, 1930, Spokane City, Spokane Co., Washington

Occupation: Refrigeration - worked for the ice company

- ii. GEORGIA C. FARRIS, b. November 11, 1894, Moscow, Latah Co., Idaho; d. April 04, 1981, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington; m. (1) RALPH GREEN, 1914, Seattle, King Co., Washington; d. March 08, 1965; m. (2) HERBERT NEILL, 1919, Spokane, Spokane Co., Washington; b. 1882, , , Pennsylvania; d. Unknown.

Notes for GEORGIA C. FARRIS:

Georgia had a hemstitching shop in Spokane. She did not have any children.

More About HERBERT NEILL:

Census: January 02, 1920, Brown Precinct, Spokane City, Spokane Co., Washington

4. CHARLES EDGAR³ SMITH (LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born December 26, 1871 in Naples, Scott Co., Illinois, and died 1914 in Newport, , Washington. He married HATTIE GRANGER 1895 in Kendrick, Latah Co., Idaho. She died Unknown.

More About CHARLES EDGAR SMITH:

Census: June 14, 1880, Center Twp, Woodson Co., Kansas. Living with his Grandmother, Cinthia Harris. Allis is not in the household.

Occupation: 1914, Barber

Child of CHARLES SMITH and HATTIE GRANGER is:

6. i. CLYDE⁴ SMITH, b. 1897; d. 1981, Ashland, , Oregon.

5. CARRIE D.³ SMITH (LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born 1881, and died August 02, 1900 in , Woodson Co., Kansas. She married UNKNOWN PORTER. He died Unknown.

Child of CARRIE SMITH and UNKNOWN PORTER is:

- i. ROSCOE C.⁴ PORTER, d. Unknown.

Generation No. 4

6. CLYDE⁴ SMITH (CHARLES EDGAR³, LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born 1897, and died 1981 in Ashland, , Oregon. He married MILLIE JOBES. She died Unknown.

Children of CLYDE SMITH and MILLIE JOBES are:

7.
 - i. CHARLES⁵ SMITH, b. Private.
 - ii. KAREN LOUISE SMITH, b. Private.
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 - iii. JAMES SMITH, b. Private.

Generation No. 5

7. CHARLES⁵ SMITH (CLYDE⁴, CHARLES EDGAR³, LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born Private. He married ROBERTA MORREHEAD Private. She was born Private.

Child of CHARLES SMITH and ROBERTA MORREHEAD is:

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 - i. KATHRYN SUZANNE⁶ SMITH, b. Private.

8. JAMES⁵ SMITH (CLYDE⁴, CHARLES EDGAR³, LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born Private. He married BETTY ROBERTSON Private. She was born Private.

Children of JAMES SMITH and BETTY ROBERTSON are:

- i. ANTHONY EUGENE⁶ SMITH, b. Private.
- ii. TERRY DAWN SMITH, b. Private.

Generation No. 6

9. KATHRYN SUZANNE⁶ SMITH (CHARLES⁵, CLYDE⁴, CHARLES EDGAR³, LEVI (ELI)², JOHN¹) was born Private. She married EDGAR GROVES Private. He was born Private.

Children of KATHRYN SMITH and EDGAR GROVES are:

- i. DALE EDWARD⁷ GROVES, b. Private.
- ii. RUSSELL TODD GROVES, b. Private.

Endnotes

1. Washington Death Index.