

Descendants of James Shelley

Generation No. 1

1. JAMES² SHELLEY (*JOSEPH*¹) was born Abt. 1780 in North Carolina, and died 1850 in Greene Co., Tennessee. He married HANNAH Unknown in Greene Co., Tennessee. She was born 1800 in Tennessee.

Children of JAMES SHELLEY and HANNAH are:

- i. LOUIZA³ SHELLEY, b. 1820.
2. ii. CALVIN SHELLEY, b. May 20, 1820, Greene County Tennessee; d. January 22, 1892, McDonald Co Missouri.
3. iii. THOMAS E SHELLEY, b. September 18, 1829, Greene County Tennessee; d. January 03, 1902, Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas.
- iv. HILY SHELLEY, b. 1836.

Generation No. 2

2. CALVIN³ SHELLEY (*JAMES*², *JOSEPH*¹) was born May 20, 1820 in Greene County Tennessee, and died January 22, 1892 in McDonald Co Missouri. He married MARY A. HARMON October 11, 1846 in Greene Co. Tennessee, daughter of ISSAC HARMON and ELIZABETH LUSTER. She was born December 12, 1825 in Greene County Tennessee, and died January 22, 1902 in Pineville, McDonald County, Missouri.

More About CALVIN SHELLEY:

Property: March 1857, McDonald Co Missouri; Property: Land

Notes for MARY A. HARMON:

Obituary Mary ShelleyPineville Herald (McDonald County, Missouri)

31 January 1902

Mrs. Mary Shelley died of pneumonia fever Wednesday of last week, at her daughter's, Mrs. Thursie Culp, near this place. Her remains were interred in the Spring Hill Cemetery, Thursday the 23rd. She leaves two sons and three daughters to mourn her loss.

More About MARY A. HARMON:

Burial: January 23, 1902, Spring Hill Cemetery

Children of CALVIN SHELLEY and MARY HARMON are:

- i. ELIZABETH H. (ELLEN)⁴ SHELLEY, b. July 1848, Tennessee; m. JAMES J. GOODNER, April 27, 1881, Newton County, Missouri.
4. ii. ISAAC ROBERT SHELLEY, b. October 1853, Tennessee; d. December 28, 1924, Pineville, McDonald County, Missouri.
- iii. THURSEY V. (THURSIE) SULLY SHELLEY, b. Abt. 1862, Missouri; m. WILLIAM CAPUS CULP, July 11, 1886, McDonald Co., Missouri.
- iv. MOLLIE BELLE (MARY) SHELLEY, b. Abt. 1864, Missouri; m. J. S. HODGE, May 10, 1886, McDonald Co., Missouri.
- v. ELVA JOSEPHINE SHELLEY, b. 1867, Missouri.
- vi. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN SHELLEY, b. 1869, Missouri.

3. THOMAS E³ SHELLEY (*JAMES*², *JOSEPH*¹) was born September 18, 1829 in Greene County Tennessee, and died January 03, 1902 in Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas. He married (1) CORDELIA 1856. She was born 1836, and died 1861 in McDonald County Missouri(Childbirth?). He married (2) MARY A. BULLARD 1862 in McDonald County Missouri, daughter of HENRY BULLARD and LEAH. She was born 1834 in Alabama, and died 1864. He married (3) MARY ELIZABETH LOVE October 26, 1865 in McDonald County, Missouri, daughter of JAMES LOVE and JANE MALONEY. She was born July 30, 1839 in Clinton County Kentucky, and died 1881 in McDonald County Missouri(Childbirth).

Notes for THOMAS E SHELLEY:
1st regiment of Arkansas Calvary

"LOVE", "Mary E.", "SHELLY", "Oct 26, 1865", "Thomas", "E.G. Williams, JP"

1900 Washington, Fayetteville, AR census shows Thomas SHELLEY (SHELLEY) age ca70 and his son, Curtis SHELLEY, living with John W. SHELLEY family. John W. SHELLEY was also a son of Thomas and was married to Callie. Thomas was probably a widower at that time. Thomas and J. W. bought land in Fayetteville.

FAYETTEVILLE DEMOCRAT

Thursday, Jan 9, 1902

Fayetteville, Arkansas

Mr. T. E. Shelley, who has been confined to his bed for a month, passed away very peacefully at his home on North College Avenue at 8 o'clock Friday morning. He was supposed to be asleep when his daughter discovered that he was dead. Mr. Shelley has lived here for six or eight years and was well thought of by his neighbors.

More: THOMAS SHELLEY (SHELLY)
1829 - 1902

Fayetteville Democrat, Thursday, January 9, 1902
Fayetteville, Arkansas

THOMAS SHELLEY OBITUARY

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BURIAL:

Evergreen IV Cemetery, located at corner of Center Street and University, Fayetteville Washington AR.
Headstone is either unreadable or missing.

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Parents:

James Shelly b abt 1780 NC, d abt 1850 TN?

sp 1 unknown

sp 2 Hannah unknown b abt 1800 NC, d aft 1860 MO

Brother: Calvin Shelley b 1820 TN, d 1892

McDonald Co MO, m Mary Ann Harmon 1846 Greene
Co. TN. Mary Ann was b 1825 Green Co TN,
d 1902 McDonald Co MO
(dau. of Isaac HARMON & Elizabeth LUSTER.)

Sisters: Louiza Shelley b abt 1820

Hily Shelley b abt 1836

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Shelley/Shelly family migrated from Greene Co. TN to McDonald Co. MO in the 1850's, and then to AR in the

1890's. Some of the Shelley family brought land in McDonald Co. and Newton Co. MO.

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Thomas Shelley/Shelly

b 18 Sep 1829, TN

d 3 Jan 1902, Fayetteville, Washington Co. AR.

m sp1 Cordelia Isabell unknown last name abt 1857 McDonald Co MO. Cordelia b abt 1836 AL.

m sp 2 Mary Ann "Polly" Bullard abt 1861. Mary Ann Bullard was b abt 1834 AL, d abt 1864 MO

m sp 3 Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Love 26 Oct 1865 McDonald Co. MO. Mary Elizabeth Love b 1939 Clinton KY, d 1881 McDonald Co. MO. (dau. James Martin LOVE & Jane MALONEY)

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Children with sp1 Cordelia Isabell:

Mary A. J. Shelley b 1857 McDonald Co MO, d 1932 Fayetteville Washington AR.

James Calvin Shelley b 1857 Rocky Comfort McDonald Co MO,

d 1942 Oilton Creek OK, m 1879 to Mary Isetta Johnson.

Henry D. Shelley b 1860, d unknown m 1883 to S. C. MONTGOMERY.

Cordelia D. Shelley (Not proven)

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Children with sp2 Mary Ann "Polly" Bullard: None

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Children with sp3 Mary Elizabeth Love:

William F. Shelley b 1867 McDonald Co MO, d unknown, m Mattie Unknown.

Ulysses G. Shelley b 1868 McDonald Co MO, d 1909 Los Angeles Los Angeles CA.

Mattie Shelley b abt 1870 McDonald Co MO, d unknown.

Isaac Shelley b abt 1871 McDonald Co MO, d 1948 Fayetteville Washington AR, m 1896 to Emma HUFF.

Nancy Shelley b abt 1872 Richwood McDonald Co MO, d unkn, m to Mr. ANDERSON.

John Walter Shelley b 1874 Richwood McDonald Co MO, d 1955 Washington AR, m 1897 to Callie MAGNESS CARDEN.

(Oscar HARDING, age 9 lived with this family in 1900.)

George Shelley b abt 1875 McDonald Co MO, d unkn, m 1900 to Estie WEST.

Albert Shelley b 1878 Pineville McDonald MO, d 1931 Teague Freestone TX, m 1900 sp1 Nora Johnson, m 1913 sp2 Emmaline Elizabeth George.

Elizabeth Shelley b abt 1879 McDonald MO, d unkn,
m Mr. COLLINS.

Curtis Shelley b 1881 Richwood McDonald MO, d 1948 Selma Fresno CA, buried Floral Memorial Park, Selma Fresno CA m 1902 Nora Belle Little in Tecumseh Pottawatomie Oklahoma. Nora Belle Little b 1886 Clark Co IN, d 1935 Selma Fresno CA. Nora Belle Little was daughter of Lewis Samuel Little & Ida Belle Morgan. (Ida Belle Morgan was daughter of Andrew Jackson Morgan and Harriet Elender Coons.)

More About THOMAS E SHELLEY:

Military: Bet. August 27, 1863 - August 23, 1865, Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas

Property: March 1858, McDonald Co Missouri; Property: Paid for land in Missouri

Marriage Notes for THOMAS SHELLEY and MARY LOVE:

She was the third wife of Thomas.

Children of THOMAS SHELLEY and CORDELIA are:

- i. MARY J.⁴ SHELLEY, b. September 18, 1857, McDonald County, Missouri; d. October 13, 1932, Fayetteville Washington County Arkansas.
5. ii. JAMES CALVIN SHELLEY, b. October 30, 1859, Rocky Comfort McDonald County, Missouri; d. September 17, 1942, Oilton Creek, Oklahoma.
- iii. HENRY BOON SHELLEY, b. Abt. 1860, McDonald County, Missouri; m. S. C. MONTGOMERY, August 26, 1883, Elkhorn TWP. Missouri.

Notes for HENRY BOON SHELLEY:

#094 Henry SHELLEY of Richwood to Mrs. S. C. MONTGOMERY of Elkhorn
on August 26, 1883 by J.A. Woolard, JP at his office in Elkhorn
Twp.

- iv. CORDELIA ISABELL SHELLEY, b. 1861, McDonald County Missouri; m. WILLIAM I. MINTORS, April 08, 1876, McDonald County Missouri.

Notes for CORDELIA ISABELL SHELLEY:

"SHELLY", "Cordelia D.", "MINTORS", "Apr 8, 1876", "Wm I.", "Holly Hinton, JP
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Children of THOMAS SHELLEY and MARY LOVE are:

6. v. WILLIAM F⁴ SHELLEY, b. 1866, McDonald County, Missouri.
- vi. ULYSSES GRANT SHELLEY, b. 1868, McDonald County, Missouri.
- vii. MATTIE SHELLEY, b. 1870, McDonald County, Missouri.

Notes for MATTIE SHELLEY:

She was crippled as a child.

- viii. JOHN ISAAC SHELLEY, b. 1871, McDonald County, Missouri; m. EMMA HUFF, November 16, 1896, Fayetteville, Washington Co., Arkansas.
7. ix. JOHN WALTER SHELLEY, b. August 27, 1874, McDonald County, Missouri; d. August 1955, Drowned in Illinois River.
8. x. NANCY A. SHELLEY, b. February 25, 1873, McDonald County, Missouri; d. July 07, 1949, Freestone County, Texas.
- xi. GEORGE SHELLEY, b. 1875, McDonald County, Missouri; m. ESTIE WEST, November 17, 1900, Fayetteville, Washington Co., Arkansas.
9. xii. ALBERT L. SHELLEY, b. March 28, 1879, McDonald County, Missouri; d. September 01, 1931, Teague, Texas.
- xiii. ELIZABETH SHELLEY, b. 1879, McDonald County, Missouri.
10. xiv. CURTIS SHELLEY, b. December 20, 1881, McDonald County, Missouri; d. June 02, 1948, Selma, Fresno Co., California.

Generation No. 3

4. ISAAC ROBERT⁴ SHELLEY (*CALVIN*³, *JAMES*², *JOSEPH*¹) was born October 1853 in Tennessee, and died December 28, 1924 in Pineville, McDonald County, Missouri. He married FANNIE E.. She was born 1862 in Missouri.

Notes for ISAAC ROBERT SHELLEY:

Pineville Herald

February 28, 1925

OBITUARY: Mr. I. R. Shelley (died December 28, 1924)

Our community was shocked and saddened by the death of one of our most prominent and highly respected citizens Mr. I. R. Shelley on last Sunday morning the 28th (Dec 28, 1924). He had spent his life which was 74 years, in and around this place having been in the mercantile business here 41 years. He leaves a wife and three daughters to mourn his departure. Mrs. Wanda Carter of Stella, Mrs. Ada McDonald, and Mrs. Blanche Lamberson, of Rock Comfort. He was a faithful member of the Christian church, and also a prominent member of the Masonic order. Funeral services were conducted by Eld. W. T. Hines of Neosho, assisted by a singer from Rogers, Ark. The Floral offerings were beautiful. Interment was made in the city cemetery Monday.

Isaac Robert Shelley

b abt 1850 TN

d 28 Dec 1924, Pineville, McDonald Co, MO

m Fannie

Children of ISAAC SHELLEY and FANNIE are:

- i. WANDA O.⁵ SHELLEY, b. February 1888, Missouri; m. CARTER.
- ii. ADA C. SHELLEY, b. December 1890, Missouri; m. McDONALD.
- iii. BLANCHE M. SHELLEY, b. August 1894, Missouri; m. LAMBERSON.

5. JAMES CALVIN⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born October 30, 1859 in Rocky Comfort McDonald County, Missouri, and died September 17, 1942 in Oilton Creek, Oklahoma. He married MARY ISABEL JOHNSON, daughter of HENRY JOHNSON and MATILDA MARRS. She was born April 05, 1860 in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and died October 13, 1932 in Oilton, Creek County, Oklahoma.

More About JAMES CALVIN SHELLEY:

Burial: 1942, Stillwater, Payne Co. Oklahoma

Children of JAMES SHELLEY and MARY JOHNSON are:

- i. ROSA⁵ SHELLEY, b. March 12, 1882, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. January 15, 1928, Shawnee Cemetery Oklahoma; m. (1) WALTER A. DOUGLASS; m. (2) CHARLIE TURNER; m. (3) FRANK SIMPSON.
- ii. BESSIE ELLEN SHELLEY, b. January 01, 1885, Washington County Fayetteville, Arkansas; d. August 13, 1969, Bentenville, Arkansas; m. (1) CHARLIE JACKSON; m. (2) WILLIAM RILEY KING, March 04, 1899; d. 1928.
- iii. JAMES SAMUEL SHELLEY, b. August 1877, Fayetteville, Wahshington County, Arkansas; d. May 11, 1921, Stillwater, Oklahoma; m. (1) ADA HATFIELD; m. (2) LILLIE JONES, March 25, 1905.

More About JAMES SAMUEL SHELLEY:

Burial: 1921, Stillwater, Oklahoma Cemetery

- iv. GROVER ALEXANDER SHELLEY, b. April 16, 1888, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. December 05, 1940, Ponca City, Oklahoma Hospital; m. (1) WILLIAMS; m. (2) NANCY JANE OBANION, 1908; b. 1879; d. 1955.

More About GROVER ALEXANDER SHELLEY:

Burial: Oilton Cemetery-Oilton, Oklahoma

- v. WILLIAM DORPHUS SHELLEY, b. June 03, 1890, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. February

03, 1973, Tecumseh, Oklahoma; m. GRACE B. STARK, August 06, 1911, Pottawatomie County , Tecumseh, Oklahoma; b. October 29, 1894, Iowa; d. February 21, 1966, Pottawatomie County , Tecumseh, Oklahoma.

Notes for WILLIAM DORPHUS SHELLEY:

STORY WITH MENTION OF WILLIAM D. "HEAVY" SHELLEY AND HIS WIFE GRACE STARK SHELLEY.

William D. "Heavy" Shelley was the son of James Calvin Shelley and Mary Isetta Johnson Shelley.

James Calvin Shelley was the son of Thomas Shelley and Cordelia Isabelle Shelley.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY OK HISTORY - Me and My Pott County by Francis

Stilley: When I first saw Tecumseh, I thought it to be a very large and very exciting place. No wonder. I was only five years old, and nothing in my life up to that time had prepared me for the exalting hurly-burly of such a bit city. I was all eyes and ears, and doubtless agape. I had been born in a teeny hamlet of Wardville was hardly more than a crossroads. Its population was somewhere around 50. About the only excitement there was on Saturdays in the summertime when a train brought in a five-gallon shipment of ice cream for a little five-stool cafe. My first view of the dazzling bigtown Tecumseh was on Sept 23, 1923. I arrived with my parents, Mabel and William Stilley, in our trusty road-eating Model T Ford Coupe. It had been a rather arduous all-day drive over the dusty, bumpy dirt roads of those days. But that mattered little. We all were too excited about the prospects of our new life in a new place. It's odd how one often long remembers something of little or no consequence. A thing about that trip which stuck in my mind was that around our feet on the Model T floorboard was a batch of potatoes. They kept rolling around throughout the journey. I'm still puzzled as to why my folks brought along the potatoes. Dad had become the Rock Island depot agent at Wardville, and now he was to become agent at Tecumseh. In time he also was to become an important civic leader. There was a very special reason why we moved to Tecumseh. It was me. My mother, in her very forthright way, had made it explicitly clear that we were going to move to some larger place where her little son could get a decent education as well as to have the social benefits of growing up with others my age. In Wardville, I had not had a single playmate because the few other children lived at some distance. As a result I was shy and knew not how to relate to others. Furthermore my mother as loving mothers were given to doing, evidently held the unshakable conviction that her son possessed extraordinary intelligence and quite possibly a touch of Tecumseh, came open at the right time.

Dad bid on the job and presto! We were on our happy way to Tecumseh, potatoes and all. Dad shipped our household goods by boxcar. We arrived late in the day and our first stop was at the Rock Island depot. Dad went in to perform the formalities of relieving the outgoing agent. IN THE STATION ALSO WAS W. D. "HEAVY" SHELLEY, THE LOCAL DRAYMAN. MR. SHELLEY AND HIS WIFE, GRACE, WERE TO BECOME LIFELONG, DEAR FRIENDS. For a few nights we stayed in a boarding house in the northeastern part of town near the business district, then rented a modest frame house a bit farther away. All this was exciting to me. For one thing, I had never lived in an ordinary house. At Wardville, the station had living quarters for the agent on the upper floor. And I had a yard instead of a station platform to play on. There was more excitement to come. A thing many people did in those times was to stroll downtown at night. There they could chat and socialize generally with others, as well as enjoy the sights and sound of bustling activity. It was sort of like a free carnival. Many blanket-clad Indians were amid it all. I had never seen so much commotion in any place before. There were countless wagons and cars rattling about and scores of people moving along the sidewalks. Saturday nights were especially big times. Most impressive to me was the business district itself. I thought it huge. It stretched for two blocks on both sides of Broadway. There were so many stores. I couldn't count them. I thought Tecumseh must be the biggest city that could be.....

MARRIAGE OF WILLIAM D. "HEAVY" SHELLEY AND GRACE STARK:

William D. "Heavy" Shelley was the son of James Calvin Shelley and Mary Isetta Johnson Shelley.

James Calvin Shelley was the son of Thomas Shelley and Cordelia Isabelle Shelley.

Certificate lists William Shelley as born in Arkansas and Grace Stark as born in Iowa.

Married 6 Aug 1911 Pottawatomie, Tecumseh, OK.

Wm was age 21 and Grace was age 17. Both listed as "white."

Witness: Lamar Hatfield and Lena Shelley [his sister], both of Tecumseh, OK. J. H. Hatfield was Justice of the Peace

OCCUPATION AND LOCATION OF WILLIAM D. "HEAVY" SHELLEY:

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James Calvin Shelley was the son of Thomas Shelley and Cordelia Isabelle Shelley.

1916 - Tecumseh, Pottawatomie OK. [Grace B.] tmstr. r E Jefferson

(found in R. L. Polk & Co. Directory)

BURIAL OF WILLIAM D. "HEAVY" SHELLEY AND HIS WIFE GRACE STARK SHELLEY:

William D. "Heavy" Shelley was the son of James Calvin Shelley and Mary Isetta Johnson Shelley.

James Calvin Shelley was the son of Thomas Shelley and Cordelia Isabelle Shelley.

William D. "Heavy" Shelley:

3 Feb 1973 - Masonic emblem on tombstone

Row 10, Block 7, 2nd addition of Tecumseh, Pottawatomie, OK Mission Cemetery, Vol IV.

Grace B. Stark Shelley:

21 Feb 1966 - O.E.S.

Row 10, Block 7, 2nd addition of Tecumseh, Pottawatomie, OK, Mission Cemetery, Vol IV.

MARRIAGE OF ROY LEE SHELLEY AND LAURA COGBURN:

Roy Lee Shelley, son of James Calvin Shelley and Mary Isetta Johnson.

James Calvin Shelley, son of Thomas Shelley and Cordelia Isabell.

Roy Lee Shelley was age 21 & Laura was age 18 when

they applied for their marriage license on

23 Dec 1918. (Application for marriage license bk 20, pg 67

- Tecumseh, Pottawatomie, OK)

More About WILLIAM DORPHUS SHELLEY:

Burial: February 1973, Cemetery in Pottawatomie County

More About GRACE B. STARK:

Burial: February 1966, Pottawatomie County, Tecumseh, Oklahoma

- vi. OTIS ISSAC SHELLEY, b. December 02, 1891, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. November 13, 1960, Drumright, Creek County, Oklahoma; m. (1) ELSIE HOLMAN; m. (2) LYDIA ANN COGBURN; m. (3) FRANCES PARIS, June 1920.
- vii. LENA METALENE SHELLEY, b. August 24, 1895, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. December 04, 1952, Stillwater, Oklahoma Cemetery; m. (1) ELMER ROY LEARN; d. July 1978; m. (2) OLLIE MORSE.
- viii. ROY LEE SHELLEY, b. November 19, 1897, Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas; d. September 29, 1976, Oilton, Creek County, Oklahoma; m. LAURA MAE COGBURN, December 23, 1918, Tecumseh, Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma; b. February 20, 1904, McAlester, Oklahoma; d. March 22, 1997, Oilton, Creek County, Oklahoma.
- ix. LONY SHELLEY, b. October 1898.

6. WILLIAM F⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born 1866 in McDonald County, Missouri. He married MARTHA E (MATTIE E). She was born 1867 in North Carolina.

Child of WILLIAM SHELLEY and MARTHA E) is:

- i. RUTH⁵ SHELLEY, b. 1901, Arkansas.

7. JOHN WALTER⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born August 27, 1874 in McDonald County, Missouri, and died August 1955 in Drowned in Illinois River. He married CALDONIA (CALLIE) W. CARDEN February 16, 1897 in Fayetteville, Washington Co., Arkansas. She was born June 30, 1872 in Arkansas, and died 1947 in Summer - Fayetteville, Arkansas.

More About JOHN WALTER SHELLEY:

Burial: 1955, Evergreen Cemetery, Fayetteville, Arkansas

More About CALDONIA (CALLIE) W. CARDEN:

Burial: 1947, Evergreen Cemetery, Fayetteville, Arkansas

Children of JOHN SHELLEY and CALDONIA CARDEN are:

- i. WANDA ELIZABETH⁵ SHELLEY, b. March 1898, Arkansas; d. June 04, 1919, Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas.

Notes for WANDA ELIZABETH SHELLEY:

She died of blood poison June 4, 1919. As a telephone operator, she used a switchboard on which plugs were not regularly cleaned on June 1, 1919 she received an infection attributable to the plugs. She died within four days.

- ii. BEN RICHARD SHELLEY, b. May 11, 1901, Fayetteville, Arkansas; d. June 06, 1965, Little Rock, Arkansas; m. ESSIE LUCILE SPIVA AKINS, March 26, 1920.
- iii. GUY DEWEY SHELLEY, b. February 18, 1906, Fayetteville, Arkansas; d. September 26, 1992, Hobbs, New Mexico; m. CLARA FRANCIS COOK, November 24, 1923, Tulsa, Oklahoma; b. January 21, 1902, Sallisaw, Indian Territory; d. June 21, 1991, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Notes for GUY DEWEY SHELLEY:

Guy D. Shelley, Sr,

Graveside services for Guy Dewey Shelley Sr. of Hobbs will be held at 10:00 am Tuesday, September 29, at Prairie Haven Cemetery. The Reverend Ray Ewing, minister of Highland Christian Church of Hobbs, will officiate and burial will follow under the direction of Griffin Funeral Home. Mr. Shelley, 87, died September 26 at Lea Regional Hospital. He was born February 18, 1905, in Fayetteville, Arkansas. He was married to Clara Francis Cook on November 23, 1922 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. His wife preceded him in death on June 21, 1991. He also was preceded in death by two sons, Lee Shelley in 1965 and Guy Shelley Jr. in 1969. Mr. Shelley had lived in Hobbs since moving from Lubbock, Texas, in 1953. He worked for GTE for 43 years before retiring in February 1970. He served as district manager in the Hobbs area from 1953 until his retirement. He was a member of Hobbs Rotary Club, a charter member of Rocky Mountain Pioneer Association and active in the Democratic Party in the 1950's and 60's. He also was a member of First Christian Church of Hobbs. Survivors include four sons: Ted Shelley of Hobbs, Ben Shelley of Abilene, Texas, Jack Shelley of Garland, Texas, and Fred Shelley of Charlotte, N.C.; a brother, Buster Shelley of Little Rock.; 18 grandchildren, 19 Great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

- iv. REBECCA JEAN SHELLEY, b. September 01, 1910, Fayetteville, Arkansas; d. July 17, 1989, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; m. HARRY E. BRINSON.

More About REBECCA JEAN SHELLEY:

Burial: Rose Hill Cemetery Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

- v. STIRMAN ELGA SHELLEY, b. February 03, 1913, Fayetteville Schools; m. (1) MADGE SHEPHERD RORIE; m. (2) ELOISE DAVILLA MORRIS; m. (3) NETTIE KATE KIRKLAND.

Notes for STIRMAN ELGA SHELLEY:

Buster got his nickname when Uncle Dee, Callie's brother picked him up and said "Boy hi's a buster!"

- vi. JACK WALTER SHELLEY, b. July 17, 1907, Fayetteville, Arkansas; d. August 16, 1988, Seymour, Texas; m. LILLIE DORCAS PARVIN.

More About JACK WALTER SHELLEY:
Education: Fayetteville Schools
Occupation: GTE Telephone, Plant Manager

vii. OSCAR HARDING, b. February 1891.

8. NANCY A.⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born February 25, 1873 in McDonald County, Missouri, and died July 07, 1949 in Freestone County, Texas. She married (1) MR. WILLIAM W. ANDERSON. He was born October 1868. She married (2) JOHN CHAFFIN GEORGE March 03, 1907 in Dallas, Texas, son of HUGH GEORGE and SARAH E.. He was born October 07, 1868 in Freestone County, Texas, and died January 12, 1945 in Freestone County, Texas.

Notes for NANCY A. SHELLEY:

Nancy had 5 children from a previous marriage. Johnnie (7) and Nancy (5) had twelve children and then they had Edna Mae was born.

More About NANCY A. SHELLEY:

Burial: July 07, 1949, George Cemetary Teague, Texas

Notes for JOHN CHAFFIN GEORGE:

Johnnie lived in Freestone County all of his life. Johnnie farmed, had a grist mill, store, and cotton gin. He was a Mason and a leader in the Baptist Church. Johnnie was lovingly called "Uncle Johnnie" by members of the community. Many Sundays Nancy cooked for thirty or more people who came home with them after Sunday services.

John Chaffin George was buried in the George family cemetery, established by his parents in 1867.

More About JOHN CHAFFIN GEORGE:

Burial: January 12, 1945, George Cemetary Teague, Texas

Children of NANCY SHELLEY and WILLIAM ANDERSON are:

- i. QUINCEY D.⁵ ANDERSON, b. January 1891.
- ii. MYRTIE M ANDERSON, b. March 1893.
- iii. WILLIAM H. ANDERSON, b. January 1896.
- iv. THOMAS A. ANDERSON, b. June 1898.
- v. JOHN ANDERSON, b. 1902.

Child of NANCY SHELLEY and JOHN GEORGE is:

- vi. EDNA MAE⁵ GEORGE, b. 1912.

9. ALBERT L.⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born March 28, 1879 in McDonald County, Missouri, and died September 01, 1931 in Teague, Texas. He married (1) NORA JOHNSON January 27, 1900 in Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas. She was born March 1880 in Iowa. He married (2) EMMALINE ELIZABETH GEORGE August 07, 1913 in Fairfield, Texas (ClayHill), daughter of JOHN GEORGE and ANNA HOUSE. She was born October 07, 1893 in Freestone County, Texas, and died January 20, 1944 in Teague, Texas.

Notes for ALBERT L. SHELLEY:

Honorable Discharged from Company F 1 Arkansas Infantry.

He was 22 years old , 5 feet 11 inches with a ruddy complexion, blue eyes and light brown hair.

Served in the Spanish American War

More About ALBERT L. SHELLEY:

Military: Bet. May 13, 1898 - 1900, Fayetteville, Washington Co. Arkansas

Children of ALBERT SHELLEY and EMMALINE GEORGE are:

- i. HULLIOUS RALPH⁵ SHELLEY, b. July 31, 1914, Teague, Texas; m. URA BEE YOUNG, June 28, 1940.
- ii. ODELL SHELLEY, b. January 07, 1916, Fairfield, Texas (ClayHill); d. September 07, 1992, Killeen, Texas; m. MARY LOUISE BUSBY, March 21, 1938, San Antonio, Texas; b. May 03, 1922, London, Texas; d. March 20, 2000, Killeen, Texas.

More About ODELL SHELLEY:
Burial: Killeen, Texas (memorial Cemetery)
Military: Bet. 1937 - 1968, Fort Hood, Texas

More About MARY LOUISE BUSBY:
Burial: Killeen, Texas (Memorial Cemetery)

- iii. EUGENE SHELLEY, b. December 11, 1921, Dallas, Texas; d. July 19, 1994, Killeen, Texas; m. (1) EVA LENA BLAKENEY, December 11, 1944, Dallas, Texas; m. (2) NAOMI LOUISE (OMA LOU) CARTER, April 12, 1948, Dallas, Texas; b. February 12, 1919, San Augustine County Texas; d. Dallas, Texas.

Notes for EUGENE SHELLEY:
Eugene Shelley and Eva Lena Blakeney were divorced May 1947.

More About EUGENE SHELLEY:
Burial: George Cemetery Teague, Texas

More About NAOMI LOUISE (OMA LOU) CARTER:
Burial: George Cemetery Teague, Texas

10. CURTIS⁴ SHELLEY (*THOMAS E³, JAMES², JOSEPH¹*) was born December 20, 1881 in McDonald County, Missouri, and died June 02, 1948 in Selma, Fresno Co., California. He married NORA BELLE LITTLE November 23, 1902 in Tecumseh, Pottawatomie, Oklahoma, daughter of LOUIS LITTLE and IDA MORGAN. She was born September 17, 1886 in Clark Co., Indiana, and died June 02, 1948 in Selma Fresno Co. California.

Notes for CURTIS SHELLEY:
CURTIS SHELLEY December 20, 1881 to June 2, 1948

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DEATH NOTICE:
SHELLEY - In Selma, June 2, 1948, Curtis Shelley. A native of Missouri (McDonald County), aged 67 years. Father of Roy Shelley, Sacramento; Francis Shelley, San Jose; Mrs. Gladys Helm, Kingsburg; Mrs. Dorothy Kimbro, Selma. Six grandchildren also survive. Brothers Jay and Ben Shelley, Arkansas. Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Byrne Funeral Home, Selma, Friday afternoon, June 4th at two-thirty o'clock. Rev. Thomas Ming officiating. Interment Floral Memorial Park.

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FAMILY:
Father: Thomas Shelley
Mother: Mary Elizabeth Love Shelley
Wife: Nora Belle Little Shelley, died 1935.
Six grandchildren: Lloyd Shelley, LeRoy Shelley,
Nora Helm, David Helm, Carolyn Helm, Linda Kimbro.

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BURIAL: 4 Jun 1948 Selma, Fresno County - Floral Memorial Park Cemetery.

Children of CURTIS SHELLEY and NORA LITTLE are:

- i. ROY LEE⁵ SHELLEY, b. April 19, 1904, Tecumseh, Pottawatomie Co.; d. December 18, 1961, Arbuckle Colusa Co. California; m. (1) VIVIAN; m. (2) ELIZABETH B. AUBUCHON, California; b. November 01, 1902; d. December 29, 1969, Selma Fresno Co California; m. (3) CHRISTINE.
- ii. FRANCIS GUY SHELLEY, b. September 23, 1906, Jones, Oklahoma Co., Oklahoma; d. July 06, 1958,

- Lakeport Lake Co California.
- iii. GLADYS NORABELLE SHELLEY, b. February 20, 1923, Brawley Imperial Co California; d. April 09, 2003, Selma Fresno Co California; m. (1) LON QUIM HELM, September 08, 1939, Hanford, Kings Co., California; b. August 12, 1921, Okmulgee Okmulgee Co. Oklahoma; d. December 13, 1972, Selma Fresno Co. California; m. (2) DEWEESE W STEVENS, February 14, 1981, Selma Fresno Co. California; b. September 14, 1920, Glendora Los Angeles Co California; d. April 06, 2001, Fresno Co California.

Notes for GLADYS NORABELLE SHELLEY:

OBITUARY:

GLADYS NORABELLE (SHELLEY) HELM STEVENS

February 20, 1923 to April 9, 2003

THE FRESNO BEE, FRESNO, CA, Sunday, April 13, 2003

Gladys Helm Stevens of Selma CA, passed away April 9, 2003 in Selma. She was born Gladys Norabelle Shelley February 20, 1923 in Brawley, CA. She was preceded in death by husband, Lon Q. Helm in 1972, second husband DeWeese Stevens 2001, daughter Carolyn (Helm) Coker Cervantes 1995, father Curtis Shelley 1948, mother Nora (Little) Shelley 1935, and grandson Christian Laikam 1967. Mrs. Stevens lived in Selma since 1927 and attended schools here. She was active on the Helm family farm until 1972. From 1981 until 1989 she owned and operated Creative Copy Center in Fresno with husband, DeWeese. Mrs. Stevens was a member of Cathedral of Light Church in Selma and previously coordinated their Prime Timers Senior Group, and chaired the Greeter program. She also belonged to the Women's Ministry, and founded the Good Samaritan Mission Willing Workers. Our precious mother was warm, friendly and laughed easily. She grew beautiful flowers and fed wild birds in her yard each day. She was especially proud of her early American pioneer heritage. Gladys is survived by sister, Dorothy Kimbro and her husband Ed of Selma. Children: David and Pat Helm, Barbara Helm and Barney Mendez of Selma; Earl and Pat Helm of Coarsegold; Nora Helm Laikam and stepdaughters Gayle Stevens Davilla, and Cynthia Stevens Downing of Fresno; and niece Linda Barker of Visalia; grandchildren: Leslie Helm, Kim Skidmore, Amber DeCaprio, Lance Coker, Douglas and Tom Navarro, Jason Laikam, Rachelle Helm, and Renee Davis. Eight great-grandchildren also survive her. Funeral services: 10:00 am, April 15, 2003 Cathedral of Light Church, 3200 McCall Avenue, Selma. Interment: Floral Memorial Cemetery in Selma. Remembrances may be made to: Diabetes Association Fresno County, 55 Shaw Ave., Clovis, CA 93612.

MEMORIAL: In Loving Memory of Gladys (Shelley) Helm Stevens. Born: February 20, 1923, Brawley, California. At Rest: April 9, 2003, Selma, California. Funeral Service: Tuesday, April 15, 2003, 10:00 o'clock A.M. Cathedral of Light Church, Selma, California. Officiating: Rev. Charles Harlin. Pianist: Ray Cooper. Soloists: Danny Kenner, Ray Cooper, Nancy Bracamontes. Song Selections: Light House, In the Garden, Leaving on My Mind. Pallbearers: Arlie Rogers, James Horne, Jim Clifton, Mark Clifton, Ray Cooper, Steve Lara. Interment: Floral Memorial Cemetery, Selma

MEMORIAL REMARKS: In Memory of Gladys Helm Stevens - Gladys Helm Stevens of Selma CA, passed away April 9, 2003 in Selma. She was born Gladys Norabelle Shelley February 20, 1923 in Brawley, CA. to Curtis and Nora Shelley. Gladys had older two brothers who preceded her in death, Roy and Francis. Gladys' sister, Dorothy Kimbro, currently lives in Selma along with her husband, Ed. In 1927, when Gladys was age-4, and her mother, Nora, was pregnant with sister, Dorothy, the family moved to Selma from Brawley, CA. While the girls were still quite young, their much older brothers left to begin their own adventures. In 1935, when Gladys was age-12 and Dorothy age-8, their mother, Nora, passed away. They later recalled that they didn't realize the difficulty their 54 year old father had at the time until they were older with families of their own. Their father Curtis passed away in 1948. Gladys attended Selma schools and was a member of the Class of 1942 when she left school in 1939 to begin a new journey. In 1939, at age-16, Gladys married Lon Quim Helm, the youngest son from a family with ten children who migrated from Oklahoma to Selma. Gladys met Lon at church. Gladys told her

children that she looked up when Lon walked in, and thought he was the most handsome boy she had ever seen. Gladys and Lon had five children: Nora, David, Carolyn, Earl and Barbara. Gladys and Lon, who worked hard all their lives, eventually purchased acreage, where they grew grapes, located at Academy and Huntsman Avenues in Selma and farmed there for many years before Lon's death in December 13, 1972. In 1981, at age-58, Gladys married widower, DeWeese W. Stevens. DeWeese, an educator, had just retired from his position of Superintendent of Schools in nearby Dinuba. Gladys met DeWeese as she stood at the door greeting churchgoers here at Cathedral of the Light Church. She often said that he seemed so serious and that she was determined to make him smile. DeWeese had two daughters from his first marriage: Cynthia and Gayle. Gladys and DeWeese purchased a commercial print shop, Creative Copy Center, in Fresno and operated it for over eight years. When they sold the business in 1990, they spent time traveling in their RV. They also were active in Cathedral of the Light Church, and its wonderful Christian school founded by DeWeese, and in other community activities. DeWeese passed away April 6, 2001. Mrs. Stevens was a member of Cathedral of Light Church in Selma and previously coordinated their Prime Timers Senior Group, and chaired the Greeter program. She also belonged to the Women's Ministry, and founded the Good Samaritan Mission Willing Workers. Gladys was always looking for ways she could help the unfortunate and the needy. Gladys was warm, friendly and laughed easily. Her children often told Gladys that she was a bit of a flirt. She grew beautiful flowers where ever she lived and fed wild birds in her yard each day. Gladys, who was especially proud of her early American pioneer heritage. Her ancestors arrived in the east and south in the early 1700's and even included a family connection to frontiersman, Daniel Boone, which she found amusing. Gladys is survived by sister, Dorothy Kimbro and her husband Ed of Selma. Children: David and Pat Helm, Barbara Helm-Mendez and Barney Mendez of Selma; Earl and Pat Helm of Coarsegold; Nora Helm Laikam and stepdaughters Gayle Stevens Davilla, and Cynthia Stevens Downing of Fresno; and niece Linda Barker of Visalia. Grandchildren: Leslie Helm, Kim Skidmore, Amber DeCaprio, Lance Coker, Douglas and Tom Navarro, Jason Laikam, Rachelle Helm, and Renee Davis. Eight great-grandchildren also survive her. Gladys was also preceded in death by daughter Carolyn (Helm) Coker Cervantes in 1995, and grandson Christian Laikam 1967.

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FAMILY:

FATHER: CURTIS SHELLEY - born Richwood McDonald Co. MO, died Selma Fresno Co. CA.

(Curtis Shelley was the son of Thomas Shelly - born Greene Co. TN, died Fayetteville Washington Co. AR; Mary Elizabeth Love - born Clinton Co. KY, died Richwood, McDonald Co MO. Thomas Shelly was the son of James Shelly and Hannah. Mary Elizabeth Love, was the daughter of James Martin Love and Jane Maloney.)

MOTHER: NORA BELLE LITTLE - born Clark Co. IN, died Selma Fresno Co. CA.

(Nora Belle Little was the daughter of Lewis Samuel Little - born Oldham Co. KY, died Bethlehem Clark Co IN; Ida Belle Morgan - born Lawrenceburg Dearborn Co. IN, died Tecumseh Pottawatomie OK [remarried to William Ragan]. Lewis Samuel Little was the son of James Little - born Campbell Co. VA, died KY; Louvica Varble - born Oldham Co. KY, died Louisville Jefferson Co. KY. Ida Belle Morgan was the daughter of Andrew Jackson Morgan - born Lawrenceburg Dearborn Co. IN, died Louisville Jefferson Co. KY; Harriet Elender Coons - born Clark Co. IN, died Louisville Jefferson Co. KY.)

FIRST HUSBAND: LON QUIM HELM - born Okmulgee Okmulgee Co OK, died Selma Fresno Co. CA.

(Lon Quim Helm was the son of Roscoe Helm - born TX, died Selma Fresno Co. CA; Laura Belle Fuller - born Conway Faulkner AR, died Selma Fresno Co. CA. Roscoe Helm was the son of James Bryant Helm - born Paducah McCracken Co. KY, died Severe Okmulgee Co. OK; Martha Jane Clement -

born TX, died Okmulgee Okmulgee Co. OK. Laura Belle Fuller was the daughter of John Wesley Fuller - born Centre Cherokee Co. AL, died Okmulgee Okmulgee Co. OK; Mary Francis Elizabeth McMurry - born Centre Cherokee Co. AL, died Okmulgee Okmulgee Co. OK.)

SECOND HUSBAND: DEWEESE WINCHESTER STEVENS - born Glendora Los Angeles Co. CA, died Fresno Fresno Co. CA.
(DeWeese Winchester Stevens was the son of Preston DeWeese Stevens and Lula Du King Beech.)

More About GLADYS NORABELLE SHELLEY:
Burial: April 15, 2003, Selma Fresno Co California

Marriage Notes for GLADYS SHELLEY and LON HELM:
Spouse one

Notes for DEWEESE W STEVENS:

DEWEESE STEVENS

DeWeese W. Stevens of Selma CA, passed away April 6, 2001 in Fresno. He was born September 14, 1920, in Glendora, CA, and preceded in death by first wife, Carol Penfield Stevens in 1980, his mother Lula King Stevens in 1982 and his father Preston DeWeese Stevens in 1947.

Mr. Stevens was superintendent of Dinuba Public Schools from 1962 to 1980. Previously, he was principal of Banning Union High School, Banning, CA and vice principal of Palo Verde High School, Blythe, CA. Mr. Stevens began his educational career at Rosemead High School, Rosemead, CA, after 1949 graduation from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He also received an MA degree from Oregon State College at Corvallis.

After retiring from public schools, he helped found Cathedral Christian School, Selma. He was school administrator and principal for a time and later board chairman. He also owned a printing business in Fresno until 1989. Always active, he spent his last years working as a senior citizen at Swanson-Fahrney in Selma.

Mr. Stevens served in professional and community leadership roles, and was devoted to family and church. He served as Banning Rotary Club president, and later as a Dinuba Rotary Club member. He was active in Rosemead and Tulare County YMCA's, and served in leadership roles in California Teachers Association and Association of California School Administrators. He was a Gideons International member for over 40 years, serving in local and state offices. For many years he was board secretary to Cathedral of Light Church. Besides serving on Selma civic boards and committees, he was also Chaplain for American Legion, Post 12. Mr. Stevens was in the U.S. Army Signal Corps from 1942 until 1945, and served overseas in the European Theater.

Mr. Stevens is survived by his wife, Gladys Shelley Helm Stevens; daughters, Cynthia Downing and her husband Tom, Gayle Davilla and her husband Robert all of Fresno; stepdaughters, Nora Laikam of Fresno, and Barbara Helm of Selma; stepsons, David Helm and his wife Pat of Selma, and Earl Helm and his wife Patti of Coarsegold. Seventeen step grandchildren and great grandchildren also survive him.

The family is grateful to physicians and medical staffs in Selma and at St. Agnes Hospital for compassionate care given Mr. Stevens and for kindness extended to his family.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., April 10, 2001, Cathedral of Light Church, 3200 McCall Avenue, Selma. Burial follows at Alta Cemetery, Dinuba.

Remembrances may be made to: Gideons International, Selma Camp, P. O. Box 439, Selma, CA 93662, or to a favorite charity.

More About DEWEESE W STEVENS:

Burial: April 10, 2001, Alta Cemetery, Dinuba.

- iv. DOROTHY MAE SHELLEY, b. December 25, 1927, Selma Fresno, California; m. EDMAN I KIMBRO, November 22, 1946, Hanford Kings Co California; b. November 22, 1925, Bixby Twp., Tulsa, Oklahoma.