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Photo from Barbara Dillman Jones.

William Ballard (1827 - 1863)

Buried at Stones River National Cemetery.

Ballard-Dillman-Morris Families

By Barbara Jones <djfarm33@yahoo.com>

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

John Morris and Lurana Ballard married the 26th day of September 1866 in Crawford County, Indiana.

Lurana Riggle, daughter of James and Elizabeth Riggle, was born in Pennsylvania March 8, 1833, and died November 27, 1906 at her home, six miles south of English. She moved to Indiana with her parents in childhood. She was married to William Ballard, December 9, 1852. To this union there were six children born: three girls and three boys, one of these, a daughter, died in infancy,

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Items found on the web relating to Crawford County.

By Roberta Toby.

The Indiana State Journal, December 22, 1897

Those people in Crawford county who made dire threats against the life of a fugitive bank cashier a few weeks ago have received him as if he were a public benefactor. And yet they have not received their money. It would not be wise, however, for others to fall into the habit of defaulting in expectation of ovations from their victims.

The Indiana State Journal, December 27, 1897

CASHIER WILLETT FOUND.

Turns up in Cincinnati in Good Health, and Will Return Home.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 15. — Richard H. Willett, the missing cashier of the banks at Leavenworth, English and Marengo, Ind., is in this city. A dispatch from English, Ind., printed here today, said Cashier Willett was very ill. Instead he was in good health, and when the dispatch was written was on

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his way with his wife and lawyer, Mr. Hatfield, of Booneville, Ind., from Augusta, Ga., to Cincinnati. He says he first went to Louisville and then to Augusta, where he remained until Tuesday. He determined to return home after being told by his attorney that the assignee of the three banks which closed Nov. 9 by his departure had said the banks would pay out. Willett declares he is not a defaulter, and says he left \$15,000 cash, which could just as well have been taken with him. He says he loaned too much. He foresaw a coming crisis, and fled because he feared personal injury, owing to enemies he had made in the county seat contest in that county. He says he will return to Leavenworth Saturday, and will do all in his power to assist the assignee in settling the affairs of the banks.

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The Ft. Wayne News Sentinel, October 22, 1918

The Day's War Casualties

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23. — The following casualties are reported today by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces:

- Killed in action, 40
- Missing in action, 43.
- Severely wounded, 71.
- Slightly wounded, 45.
- Died of accident and other causes, 6.
- Died of wounds, 11.
- Wounded degree undetermined, 323.
- Died of disease, 54.
- Prisoners, 11.
- Total, 559.

Among the names in the list are the following:

INDIANA.

Missing In Action.

Privates Roy Hanover, English.

Died of Wounds.

Corporal Arthur F. Turner, Grantsburg.
Wounded, Degree Undetermined.

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New Albany Tribune, Friday, March 18, 1910.

AT POINT OF GUNS

Revenue Officers Arrest Quartet in Crawford County.

Tuesday's Daily

M. B. Thurman, deputy internal revenue collec-

tor of the New Albany district, returned this morning from Crawford county where he has been engaged for several days in investigating reports of the operation of an illicit still. As a result of his secret trip a worm and still were captured and William Tucker, Charles Tucker, Mahlen Newton and John Newton are in the Crawford county jail at English. The apparatus used in making moonshine whiskey was shipped to this city and will be used as evidence in the United States court.

At present the charge against the quartet of Crawford county residents is for robbing freight cars of the Southern Railway Company and the evidence obtained by Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Thurman will be forwarded to the internal revenue office at Terre Haute, where complaints will be filed against those who are alleged to have been engaged in violating Uncle Sam's internal revenue laws.

In the arrest of the quartet, which was made after midnight last Friday night at the point of guns, Collector Thurman was assisted by John Chewning, deputy internal revenue collector of the Evansville district, and Detectives Perry and McIntosh, of the Southern railway.

For several months the Southern has been suffering from the depredations of a gang of car thieves, the booty secured amounting to hundreds of dollars. In investigating the robberies the Southern detectives ascertained that some members of the gang were engaged in "moonshining" and the railway company and internal revenue department co-operated in an attempt to break up not only the robberies but also the illicit distilling.

Last Thursday the officers went to Crawford County and quietly secured evidence that appeared to point to the culprits and late Friday night they started for the neighborhood several miles south of Eckerty, forty miles west of this city. The Tucker home was surrounded, and at the muzzle of revolvers William and Charles Tucker were ordered to throw up their hands and they were handcuffed. Later the Newtons were caught at their home and the quartet were taken to English and placed in jail.

A large quantity of merchandise of various kinds, which was identified by the Southern officials as property that had been stolen from freight cars,

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Lizzie Condra, another daughter died May 17, 1903. William Ballard, her husband, was a soldier of the Civil War, and gave his life for his country in 1863 on the battlefield of Murfreesboro. Mrs. Ballard, the widow, was then married to John Morris, September 27th, 1866. To this union there were born three children, John, George, and Samuel, of which Samuel and John had preceded their mother to the other world.

John Morris died in April 1877. Sister Morris has been a member of the U. B. Church for a number of years. She said that she was prepared to meet her God. She leaves five children, Charles Ballard, William Ballard (Dennis, Glennis, and Peggy's grand father, their dad Jerry Ballard's father), Walter Ballard, Emma Dillman (my great grandmother, my dad John Dillman's grand mother—his dad, Elmer Dillman's mother), George Morris.

These mourn the loss of a faithful and loving mother, but while these mourn she is enjoying a happy reunion with those that were taken from her: she also leaves a number of grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn her departure. The funeral was preached by the Rev. W. H. Howerton at Riddle M. E. Church at 2 o'clock p. m. Thursday November 29, 1906, after which the body was laid to rest in the cemetery at that place.

William H. Ballard son of William and Lurana Ballard was born November 5, 1861, and departed this life June 29, age 69 years, 7 months, and 24 days. He married Julia C. Wright, October 4, 1885. Six children were born in this union, three girls and three boys: Mrs. Lillie Enlow, of Union Chapel; Mrs. Metta Highfull, of Oak Grove; Mrs. Bertha Cole of Leavenworth; John Ballard (married Rosa Schultz, sister of my dad, John Dillman's mother—Elizabeth Christina Schultz Dillman, in other words, John married my grand mother's sister) and Jerry Ballard, of Riddle. (Crawford County, Indiana and one boy who died in infancy.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife and children, two brothers, Walter Q. and Charles of Burnett, and one sister, Mrs. Emmaline Dillman (my grand mother) of Temple, and a half brother, George Morris, of Cape Sandy.

He is buried at Riddle Cemetery, next to Lurana. [I live about a couple of miles from the



Photo from Barbara Dillman Jones.

William H. Ballard, son of Wm. K. and Lurana Riggles Ballard with wife, Julia Wright Ballard. Children pictured: Metta (Highfill), Lill (Enlow) and John. Not yet born: Jerry Ballard.

Riddle church and cemetery.]

Walter Q. Ballard, son of William and Lurana Ballard, was born February 10, 1866, and died April 15, 1937, aged 71 years, 2 months and 5 days. He married Pearl Batman on January 1, 1900, to this union 5 children were born: Elwood, Charles and Ethel Elliott, of near English; Lucille Fischer and Hilda Ballard, of Indianapolis. Besides his children he leaves one grandson, Harold Elliott, one half brother, George Morris, of Cape Sandy; one sister, Mrs. Emma Dillman and a host of relative and friends.

His wife preceded him in death on May 5, 1936; also his mother and father, two brothers, William and Charles; one sister, Elizabeth; one half brother, Samie Morris, and two children by a former marriage, Eddie and Nellie.

Mr. Ballard was a former sheriff of Crawford County.

[I gave a copy of his picture to the historical society, and they are supposed to be getting copies

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of former sheriffs and hang pictures on the wall of the new courty house and jail complex.]

Mrs. Sarrah Ballard passes away

Sarrah Jenkins, daughter of Elisha and Caroline Jenkins, was born June 4, 1864 in Crawford County, Indiana. She was united in marriage to Charles Ballard on September 4, 1885. She was a faithful and loving companion for 21 years. When her husband rejoiced she rejoiced with him, when he was under the cloud of sorrow, she sympathized with him. On Dec, 3, 1906, she contracted that dreaded disease, pneumonia which assumed alarming proportions from the first. On Wednesday, December 5th, sister Ballard realized that the end was approaching and not being satisfied with her relation to God, she called Rev. Howerton of the M. E. Church of English at about 8:30 o'clock. She was gloriously converted, having the assurance of her adoption into God's family. She continued to rejoice in a Saviors love while she lived. On Monday morning, December 19th, the end came. She was conscious until the last. She begged her husband not put off his salvation, like she had. She leaves a loving husband, one sister and a host of relatives and friends to mourn the great loss of the departed. [She is buried at Riddle cemetery also.]

Obituary of George W. Morris

Jacksonville, Ill.—George W. Morris 76, died on March 27 at a hospital here after a lingering illness.

The son of John and Lurana Morris, he was born in English on November 10, 1871. He was married to Vestia Brown on January 1, 1893.

Survivors are his wife, six children: Mrs. Mabel Jenkins, of Athens, Ill.; Mrs. Georgia Hoover, Charles E. and Arthur W., of Jacksonville, Ill.; John M., of Hannibal, Mo.; and Curran E. of Fredonia; 18 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, and a half-sister, Emma Dillman, of near English.

Two children preceded him in death, Grace Ruby, of Jacksonville, and Harry Ray Morris. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Funeral services were conducted in Jacksonville, with the buriel in Ashbury cemetery.

Hope you enjoy this information. A lot of it



was found at Memphis, Tenn. at my second cousin's home, Fanchion Goldman Smith Pollock. She was attacked in her home and died in April 2003. She was the only daughter of Claude and Lula May Dillman Goldman.

She took care of her mother Lula May Dillman Goldman, until she died, and was brought back to be buried at Dillman cemetery, not far from where I live.

Lula May took care of her mother Emma Ballard Dillman, at her farm, North of English, until she died, and she was buried at Dillman Cemetery, next to John Michael Dillman her husband. John Michael Dillman born September 27, 1876 married Emma Ballard November 2, 1876, died August 29, 1934. Children to this union: Elmer Dillman born June 6, 1884, married Elizabeth Christina (Lizzie) Schulz. Lizzie died April 8, 1932; Lula Mae Dillman born June 12, 1892, married Claude M. Goldman December 21, 1912.

Obituary of Mrs. Emma Dillman

English, Indiana Route 1—Mrs. Emma Dillman, daughter of Lurana and William Ballard, was born March 8, 1859, and died December 19 at the age of 93 years at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Claude Goldman, with whom she had lived for the last 18 years. Due to her age and failing health, she had spent the last few years at home and had been confined to her bed the last 3 and a half months.

On November 2, 1877, she married John Michael Dillman, who preceded her in death on

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August 27, 1934. To this union were born three children: Charles who died at the age of 4 years; Elmer and Lula May.

She joined the Methodist Church at Nisbet Chapel, near Mt. Carmel, Illinois, in 1902.

Mrs. Dillman was born in Crawford County and lived most of her life here, except for the 4 years she lived in Illinois. She is the last of a family of nine children: Mary Jane, Elizabeth, Charles, William and Walter Q., and three half-brothers, Johnnie, Sammie and George Morris, all having preceded her in death.

Her father, William Ballard, was a soldier in the Civil War and was killed on the battlefield at Murfreesborow, Tenn., in 1863.

Survivors are a son, Elmer of Riddle and a daughter, Mrs. Claud Goldman; two grandchildren, John Elmer Dillman, and Mrs. Glenn (Fanchion) Smith, and four great-grandchildren.

*Night after night the stars will shine,
Over a treasured mound,
Where sleeps the sweetest mother
God ever placed in the cold, dark ground.*

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Dillman Church, near Curby, with the Rev. L. S. Wilkes, of Beechwood, in charge. Burial was in the Dillman Cemetery.

I am one of the great-grandchildren.

Barbara Louise Dillman Jones.

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was recovered.

Information was secured relative to the moonshine still and a visit was made to the farm of Isabelle Knight. In a hollow, carefully concealed, was found the brass coil, kettle and other apparatus used by the moonshiners and it was confiscated. In collecting evidence relative to the operation of the illicit still Collector Thurman learned something about the potency of the product. One man took a drink and started for home and was found in the roadway the next morning still sleeping off its effects. Another man, after taking a drink, did not recover consciousness for thirty-six hours and did not fully recover from its effects for several days.

**Correction From February
Newsletter:**

From: David C. Kellems
152 Clairbourne Ave.
Satellite Beach, FL 32937

I thought I should reply to the mistakes made in the February 2010 article about William Mitchell Kellems.

1. William was born 18 DEC 1832 and died 20 MAR 1902. He did not serve in the military during the Civil War. His brother, Martin, died in a Confederate POW camp 28 OCT 1864 at Columbia, SC.

2. James Kellems was born 20 OCT 1784 in Washington Co., VA and died 4 JAN 1843 in Crawford Co., IN. Catherine Mitchell was born 11 APR 1811 in KY and died 3 APR 1901.

3. William and Nancy Kitterman Kellems were married on 27 JAN 1853.

There is a good bio about Wm. M. Kellems from Goodspeed Bros. & Co. pub. in 1885. Perry County Library and Courthouse have information on William and Nancy Kellems as well as her parents, George and Mary Fortune Kitterman.

Sincerely,
David C. Kellems.

Thanks for the corrections! We will try to be more careful in the future.

Larry Burmeister, publisher

1840 Federal Census of Crawford County, Indiana

Ballard , William Sr.

Not Stated, Crawford, Indiana

(First listing of Ballard Name in CC.)

1850 Federal Census of Crawford County, Indiana

Name	Location	Date Born	Place Born	Age
Ballard, Elizabeth (wife of Wm. Sr.)	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1806	Virginia	44
Ballard, James	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1825	Tennessee	25
Ballard, William	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1827	Tennessee	23
Ballard, Rebecca A.	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1829	Tennessee	21
Ballard, Fletcher	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1831	Tennessee	19
Ballard, Margret	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1831	Clark Co	19
Ballard, Robert	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1833	Tennessee	17
Ballard, Jonathan	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1835	Crawford Co	15
Ballard, Jane	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1838	Harison Co	12
Ballard, Joseph	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1840	Crawford Co	10
Ballard, Mary	Whiskey Run, Crawford, IN	1844	Harrison Co	6

1860 Federal Census of Crawford County, Indiana

Age	Name	Trade	Born
24	361 BALLARD, JOHN	M W FARMER	IN
17	361 BALLARD, NANCY	F W	IN
53	365 BALLARD, ELIZABETH (wife of Wm. Sr)	F W FARMER	VA
20	365 BALLARD, JOSEPH P.	M W	IN
16	365 BALLARD, MARY	F W	IN
32	559 BALLARD, WM (Civil War)	M W FARMER	TN
26	559 BALLARD, LURANA	F W	IN
6	559 BALLARD, CHARLES	M W	IN
4	559 BALLARD, ELIZABETH	F W	IN
1	559 BALLARD, EMALINE	F W	IN
34	1407 BALLARD, JAMES M.	M W shoemaker	TN
29	1407 BALLARD, MARGARET	F W	IN
6	1407 BALLARD, DAVID	M W	IN
4	1407 BALLARD, JOSEPH	M W	IN
2	1407 BALLARD, JULIUS	M W	IN

**Ballard Marriages listed in the
Crawford County Marriage Index.**

Ballard, Bertha	Cole, Vercile1919-K539
Ballard, Beth A.	Jellison, Timothy A.-1983-V499
Ballard, Beverly Ann	Oxley, Dennie R.-1970-T477
Ballard, Blan	Etherton, Lucinda-1832-A123
Ballard, Charles	Levell, Aileen-1936-N466
Ballard, Charles E.	Jenkins, Sarah-1885-E365
Ballard, Darrin T.	Thompson, Jami S.-1990-X51
Ballard, Eliza Jane	Askren, Warren-1854-B223
Ballard, Elizabeth	Kendall, William M.-1850-B116
Ballard, Elizabeth	Straughn, Jacob-1875-D116
Ballard, Elwood	Ott, Lela-1923-L408
Ballard, Emma	Dillman, John M.-1877-D265
Ballard, Ethel	Elliott, Harold-1922-L310
Ballard, Fletcher	Baylor, Vashti-1852-B169
Ballard, James	Jenkins, Margaret-1850-B114
Ballard, Jerry	Brandenburg, Geraldine-1928-M253
Ballard, Jerry Eugene	Timberlake, Iris Lavon-1969-T405
Ballard, Jill L.	Allen, Jeffrey L.-1985-W189
Ballard, John G.	Schulz, Rosa-1919-L10
Ballard, Jonathan	Spencer, Nancy-1860-B386
Ballard, Jonathan	Hawkins, Mary F.-1861-C45
Ballard, Joseph	Vanhoozer, Sarah Ann-1863-C106
Ballard, Julia	Roberson, Timothy H.-1939-O14
Ballard, Larry Michael	Patton, Beverly Ann-1964-S547
Ballard, Lillie D.	Enlow, John N.-1902-G451
Ballard, Lucille	Fisher, William F.-1927-M233
Ballard, Lurane	Morris, John-1866-C296
Ballard, Mary	Wilkes, Henry Wm.-1818-A1
Ballard, Mary M.	Shafer, Henry-1862-C49
Ballard, Mettie	Highfill, Hallie-1910-J105
Ballard, Minerva W.	Warfield, Daniel R.-1831-A119
Ballard, Peggy Cloriece	Chanley, Wm Warren-1956-Q401
Ballard, Sarah A.	Doolittle, David A.-1871-C548
Ballard, Thomas J.	Deen, Sallie-1889-F46
Ballard, Walter Q.	Jones, Belle-1891-F159
Ballard, Walter Q.	Batman, Pearl E.-1899-G217
Ballard, William	Riggle, Lurana-1852-B169
Ballard, William H.	Wright, Julie C.-1885-E370

**Ballard Burials listed in the
Crawford County Burial Index.**

Ballard, Arleen LEVELL	El Bethel Cemetery
Ballard, Belle	Mt. Sterling Cem.
Ballard, Charles E.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Eddie	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Elwood C.....	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Geraldine	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Infant son	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Isaac	Mt. Sterling Cem.
Ballard, Jerry L.....	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, John	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Julia C.....	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Lela E.....	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Mary A.	Mt. Sterling Cem.
Ballard, Nellie B.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Paula Michelle	Birdseye/King Cem-DC
Ballard, Pearl E.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Perry J.	Mt. Sterling Cem.
Ballard, Rosa	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Sarah	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Wallace L.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, Walter Q.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.
Ballard, William H.	Riddle, Ohio Twp.



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Photos identified as "Grandma Ballard".

Eliza Jane Ballard: Daughter of William & Elizabeth Ballard (see census record), Sister to Wm. who died at Stone's River in the Civil War and wife to Warren Askren. Records indicate she was called "Grandma Ballard" and not grandma Askren, which was her married name. Warren Askren served in the Civil War and is buried in the Grantsburg Cemetery. Eliza Jane went to Illinois with her son, John, and his family and she is buried in Lawrence County, IL with her son

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Cont. Eliza Jane Ballard

and his family.

Warren Askren and Eliza Jane Ballard had the following children:

1. William Kendall (1855-1933) Died in Kansas.
2. Mary Etta (1858-1938) Married Wm. Henry Jones, buried in Riddle Cemetery.
3. Joseph ((1861-1926)
4. David T. (1863-1921)
5. William A. (1867-1933)
6. Charles M. (1871-1942)
7. Rovilla J. (1873-1935)
8. John E. (1875- ?) Buried in Lawrence Co., IL
9. Daniel Spencer (1878-1956) Bur.Bridgeport
10. Nancy C.1882- ?) Died in Bridgeport, IL.

Mary Etta Askren Jones was the paternal grandparent of Helena Jones Burmeister, Rose Mary Jones Belcher and Ronald Cyrus Jones.



Mary Askren.



LC WILLIS. Oakland City, Indiana.

Believed to be a photo of Eliza Jane Ballard Askren and Warren Askren. Warren died in 1889 and Eliza Jane in 1902.

Warren Askren

was the son of David Askren (early spelling sometimes "Askrin or Askins," and Nancy Davis. Both born in Washington Co., KY, he on 18 JULY 1797 and she on 16 OCT 1798. He died 26 MAY 1867 and Nancy on 5 FEB1889. They are buried in the Haas Cemetery south of Frenchtown in Harrison Co., IN. Nancy was the daughter of John Davis and Sarah Litsey. David was the son of William Askren and Hannah Springer. Their children were:

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| 1. Sarah 1819 | 2. Melissa 1823 |
| 3. John 1827 | 4. Dennis 1829 |
| 5. Warren 1833 | 6. Susannah 1835 |
| 7. Elizabeth 1841 | |