

Adam McKelvey Family

First Generation



Adam McKelvey

1. Adam McKelvey^{1,2,3,4,5}. Born on 20 Oct 1820 in North Huntingdon Twp. Westmoreland Co., PA.¹ Adam died in Westmoreland Co., PA, on 31 May 1891; he was 70.¹ Buried on 2 Jun 1891 in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹ Irwin Union Cemetery. Occupation: 1850 - Laborer.² Occupation: 1860 - Day Laborer.³ Occupation: 1870 - Farm Laborer.⁴ Occupation: 1880 - Works in Grist Mill.⁵

Military: 30 July 1861 - Enlisted at Pittsburgh, PA⁶ as a Private into Co. F of 12th Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry also know as the Pennsylvania 41st Infantry.⁷

March and August 1862 - 12th Pennsylvania Reserves were in the area of Manassas⁸ when Private McKelvey would have had the opportunity to write his name on the wall of Liberia Plantation.

31 May 1864 - Transferred into PA Co. G 190th Infantry.^{7,6}

19 Aug 1864 - Company was in action at Weldon RR and Private McKelvey was captured and taken prisoner.⁶

20 Aug 1864 - Prisoner at Richmond, VA⁶

9 Oct 1864 - Sent to Salisbury Prison, NC⁶

1 Mar 1865 - Paroled at N. E. Ferry, NC.⁶

10 Mar 1865 - Reported at College Green Barracks, MD.⁶

11 March 1865 - Sent to Camp Parole, MD.⁶

16 March 1865 - Furloughed for 30 days returned 5 May 1865 (no medical certificate recommending an extension of furlough on file).⁶

March & April 1865 - Absent, paroled prisoner.⁶

1 Mar 1865 - Mustered out with company near Arlington Heights, VA.⁶

9 May 1865 - Sent to Camp Distribution, Alexandria, VA. No evidence of disability on said records. Name does not appear upon the records of Salisbury, NC on file. Records of this office furnish no evidence of disability.⁶

28 Jan 1867 - Private McKelvey stated he was disabled by chronic diarrhea and malarial poisoning and general debility at Salisbury Prison, NC, Nov 25 1864. He stated he was in regimental hospital.⁶

12 Mar 1890 - Application referred to Record and Pension Division, War Department for report as to the hospital treatment or other evidence of disability, if any.⁶

2016 Spring - Adam McKelvey's signature revealed in the upstairs hallway of Liberia Plantation, Manassas, VA.⁹

Adam married **Eliza Plough**^{1,2,3}, daughter of Henry P. Plough Sr. & Mary Bosserman. Born abt 1820 in PA.² Eliza died in Westmoreland Co., PA, in Oct 1869; she was 49.¹⁰ Buried in Oct 1869 in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹ Irwin Union Cemetery.

1869 - Cause of Death was Consumption.¹⁰

They had the following children:

- i. David McKelvey^{2,3,4,11,12,13}. Born on 14 Dec 1843 in PA.^{2,12,14,15} David died in Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 31 Aug 1929; he was 85.^{14,15} Buried on 3 Sep 1929

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in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{14,15} Saint Clair Cemetery. Occupation: 1860 - Day Laborer.³ Occupation: 1870 - No Occupation listed.⁴ Occupation: 1880 - Teamster.¹¹ Occupation: 1900 - Grocery Clerk.¹² Occupation: 1910 - Salesman, Retail Grocery.¹³ Abt 1869 when David was 25, he married **Sarah Unknown (wife of David McKelvey)**^{4,11,12,13}.¹² Born in Feb 1846 in PA.¹² Sarah died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, in 1925; she was 78.¹⁵ Buried in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁵ Saint Clair Cemetery.

- ii. Henry Thomas McKelvey^{2,3,16}. Born on 16 Jun 1846 in PA.^{2,14} Henry Thomas died in McKeesport, Allegheny Co., PA, on 3 Mar 1916; he was 69. Buried on 5 Mar 1916 in McKeesport, Allegheny Co., PA.¹⁴ Richland Cemetery.
Military: 1864 May 2 - Mustered into Company B 28th Pennsylvania Infantry (listed as Henry T. McKelvy on roster)⁷
1865 July 18 Mustered out at Washington, DC.⁷
Company A 155 PA Infantry and Company B 28 PA Infantry.^{17,18}
1890 - No Pension on Vets. Schedule.¹⁶
1892 Mar 8 - Received CW Pension.¹⁷
1916 Apr 7 - Widow received pension.¹⁷

Henry Thomas married **Hannah Elizabeth Danby**¹⁴. Born on 7 Feb 1857.¹⁴ Hannah Elizabeth died in McKeesport, Allegheny Co., PA, on 23 Mar 1930; she was 73.¹⁴ Buried on 26 Mar 1930 in McKeesport, Allegheny Co., PA.¹⁴ Richland Cemetery.

- 2 iii. Mary Margaret McKelvey (11 Mar 1846-19 Dec 1908)
3 iv. Jacob H. McKelvey (13 Jan 1853/59-18 Jun 1925)
v. Samuel P. McKelvey^{3,4}. Born on 24 Mar 1858 in PA.^{3,15} Samuel P. died in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 3 Aug 1890; he was 32.¹⁵ Buried on 5 Aug 1890 in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁵ Brush Creek Cemetery.
4 vi. Adam (Abraham) Lincoln McKelvey (19 Nov. 1861/63-16 May 1927)

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2. Mary Margaret McKelvey^{2,3,11}. Born on 11 Mar 1846 in Allegheny Co., PA.^{2,19,14} Mary Margaret died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 19 Dec 1908; she was 62.^{19,14} Buried on 22 Dec 1908 in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{19,14} Saint Clair Cemetery.

Mary Margaret married **George H. Nez**¹¹. Born abt 1842 in PA.¹¹ George H. died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, bef 1907; he was 65.²⁰

They had the following children:

- i. David Nez¹¹. Born abt 1866 in PA.¹¹
- ii. Eliza Nez¹¹. Born abt 1869 in PA.¹¹
- iii. Annie Nez¹¹. Born abt 1872 in PA.¹¹
- iv. Martha Nez¹¹. Born abt 1878 in PA.¹¹

3. Jacob H. McKelvey^{3,4,5,21,22}. Born 13 Jan 1853/59 in PA.^{3,14} Jacob H. died in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 18 Jun 1925; he was 72. Buried on 20 Jun 1925 in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁴ Irwin Union Cemetery. Occupation: 1880 - Works for Coal Co.⁵ Occupation: 1900 - Laborer.²¹ Occupation: 1907 - Driver for Taylor Kinkle.²⁰ Occupation: 1910 - Odd Jobs.

Abt 1866 when Jacob H. was 12, he married **Alice Jamison**^{5,21,22,23,14}.²¹ Born on 19 Sep 1858 in PA.^{14,15} Alice died in Pittsburgh, PA, on 13 Jan 1931; she was 72.^{15,14} Buried on 15 Jan 1931 in Irwin, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{15,14} Irwin Union Cemetery. Occupation: 1900 - Dressmaker.²¹

They had the following children:

- 5** i. Merle McKelvey (21 Jul 1880-13 Feb 1960)
- ii. Clyde McKelvey^{21,22}. Born in Oct 1883 in PA.²¹

4. Adam (Abraham) Lincoln McKelvey^{4,24,13,25,14,15}. Born 19 Nov. 1861/63 in PA.^{4,14} Adam (Abraham) Lincoln died in Ellsworth, Jeannette, Westmoreland, Co., PA, on 16 May 1927; he was 65.¹⁴ Buried on 18 May 1927 in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁴ Saint Clair Cemetery. Occupation: 1900 - Blacksmith.²⁴ Occupation: 1910 - Blacksmith/Horseshoes.¹³ Occupation: 1920 - Blacksmith as Coal Works.²⁵ Occupation: 1927 - Blacksmith.²⁰

Born 4 Months after his father had enlisted in the Union Army.

1870 Census - Listed as Adam L. McKelvey.⁴

1900 Census - Listed as Abe. Linc. McKelvey.²⁴

1910 Census - Listed as A. Lincoln McKelvey.¹³

1918 WW I Draft Registration, son Fred lists his father as Adam Lincoln McKelvey.²⁶

1925 - Death Certificate and Head Stone list him as Abraham Lincoln McKelvey.¹⁴

1959 - Death Certificate for his son Harry lists his name as Abraham Lincoln McKelvey.¹⁴

1961 - Death certificate of daughter Florence Alice Keltz lists his name as Abraham Lincoln McKelvey.¹⁴

On 25 Dec 1885 when Adam (Abraham) Lincoln was 24, he first married **Amanda Wrigley (Wegley)**^{24,14} Westmoreland Co., PA.²⁷ Born in 1865 in PA.²⁴ Amanda died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, in 1902; she was 37.¹⁵ Buried in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁵ Saint Clair Cemetery.

They had the following children:

- 6** i. Florence Alice McKelvey (12 May 1887-19 Jul 1961)
- ii. Harry McKelvey²⁴. Born on 26 Aug 1889 in PA.^{24,14} Harry died in Greensburg,

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Westmoreland Co., PA, on 9 Feb 1959; he was 69.^{15,14} Buried on 10 Feb 1959 in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{15,14} Saint Clair Cemetery. Occupation: 1959 - Retired Mill Worker at the time of his death.¹⁴

Harry married **Ida Yates**¹⁴. Born in 1884 in PA.¹⁵ Ida died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, in 1952; she was 68.¹⁵ Buried in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁵ Saint Clair Cemetery.

- 7 iii. Laura McKelvey (abt 1892-)
- iv. Paul McKelvey^{24,28}. Born on 28 Nov 1894 in PA.^{24,15,14} Paul died in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 26 Feb 1950; he was 55.^{15,14} Buried on 27 Feb 1950 in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{15,14} Saint Clair Cemetery. Occupation: 1910 - Common Laborer.²⁸ Occupation: 1950 - Electrician in a Coal Mine at the time of his death.¹⁴
 1910 - Paul McKelvey was 16 living as a Boarder.²⁸

- 8 v. Fred William McKelvey (22 May 1899-22 Aug 1952)

Adam (Abraham) Lincoln second married **Elida J. Miller**^{13,25,1}. Born abt 1864 in PA.¹³

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5. Merle McKelvey^{21,22,23}. Born on 21 Jul 1880 in PA.^{21,14,15} Merle died in Wilkinsburg, Verona, Allegheny Co., PA, on 13 Feb 1960; she was 79.^{14,15} Buried on 13 Feb 1960 in Pittsburgh, PA.^{14,15} Homewood Cemetery.

Merle married **Emory Curtis Caldwell**^{22,23}. Born abt 1883 in PA.²² Occupation: 1910 - Conductor on RR.²² Occupation: 1830 - Conductor on RA.²³

They had one child:

- i. Clifford Caldwell²². Born abt 1915 in PA.²²

6. Florence Alice McKelvey^{24,14,29}. Born on 12 May 1887 in PA.²⁴ Florence Alice died in Latrobe, Westmoreland Co., PA, on 19 Jul 1961; she was 74.^{15,14} Buried on 21 Jul 1961 in Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., PA.^{15,14} Saint Clair Cemetery.

Florence Alice married **Wilson W. Keltz**^{29,15}. Born in 1879.¹⁵ Wilson W. died in Westmoreland Co., PA, in 1945; he was 66.¹⁵ Buried in 1945 in Westmoreland Co., PA.¹⁵ Saint Clair Cemetery. Occupation: 1910 - Farmer.²⁹

They had one child:

- i. William Keltz²⁹. Born in 1918 in Westmoreland Co., PA.²⁹

7. Laura McKelvey^{24,29,30}. Born abt 1892 in PA.²⁴

1910 Laura McKelvey age 18, was living with her sister Florence Keltz.²⁹

Laura married **Harry Alms**³⁰. Occupation: 1920 - Lather Buildings.³⁰

They had the following children:

- i. Ned Alms³⁰. Born abt 1913 in PA.³⁰
- ii. Charles Alms³⁰. Born abt 1917 in PA.³⁰

8. Fred William McKelvey^{24,26,30,31,32,14}. Born on 22 May 1899 in PA.^{24,26,15,14} Fred William died in Williamsburg, Pitcairn, Allegheny Co., PA, on 22 Aug 1952; he was 53.^{15,14} Buried on 25 Aug 1952 in North Versailles, Allegheny Co, PA.^{15,14} Grandview Cemetery. Occupation: 1918 - Salesman, National Biscuit Co.²⁶ Occupation: 1930 - Brakeman on Steam RR.³¹ Occupation: 1940 - Brakeman.³²

1920 - Living with his sister Laura Alms and her family.³⁰

Fred William married **Manilla J. Hicks**^{31,32,14}. Occupation: 1940 - Grocery Store Clerk.³²

They had the following children:

- i. Freddie McKelvey^{31,32}. Born abt 1927 in PA.³¹
- ii. Robert (Bobbie) Milton McKelvey^{31,32}. Born on 16 Oct 1928 in Pitcairn, Allegheny Co., PA.^{31,15} Robert (Bobbie) Milton died in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV, on 12 Oct 2009; he was 80.¹⁵ Buried in Oct 2009 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.¹⁵ Davis Memorial Park.

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