

FORWORD

We present to you THE WHITAKER FAMILY INDEX. However, it is more than just an index. It is also comprised of fourteen individual articles and/or information that were not in the first four Whitaker Family Book Volumes.

They are:

[1] Descendants of Robert Whitaker born 1517	P1843
[2] The Mark and Catherine Teague Memorial Story	P1853
[3] The Thomas and Mary Wilson Memorial Story	P1861
[4] The Mark Whitaker Memorial of Castlewood Virginia	P1869
[5] The Martha "Patsy" Whitaker Memorial Story	P1877
[6] The William R. Whitaker Marker Story	P1881
[7] Orval Whitaker's Life in WW II	P1893
[8] The Family of Thomas Benton Whitaker [added information]	P1922
[9] Additional Obituaries	P1938
[10] Josephine Whitaker Minix Genealogy	P1948
[11] The Capture of Jane Whitaker	P1954
[12] The James O. Whitaker Cemetery Story	P1958
[13] A Whitaker Story by Kymberlee Hitchcock	P1964
[14] The Story of Lark C. Whitaker	P1966
[15] Whitaker Family Volume I – IV and the Index Book Index	P1974

Kay Bentley produced a typed listing of the Whitaker Family Books Index by name/subject and page number for Volume I through IV. There are 1840 pages in these volumes and a massive amount of work. Bob and Betty Whittaker sorted the index alphabetically and inserted the extra material above. They then made a master to be used to print books. We thank Kay Bentley and Bob and Betty Whittaker for their work.

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Dear Ancestor
Your tombstone stands among the rest;
Neglected and alone.
The name and the date are chiseled out
On polished, marbled stone.
It reaches out to all who cares
It is too late to mourn.
You did not know that I exist
You died and I was born.
Yet each of us are cells of you
In flesh, in blood, in bone.
Our blood contracts and beats a pulse
Entirely not our own.
Dear Ancestor, the place you filled
One hundred years ago
Spreads out among the ones you left
Who would have loved you so.
I wonder if you lived and loved,
I wonder if you knew
That someday I would find this spot,
And come to visit you.

Author Unknown
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