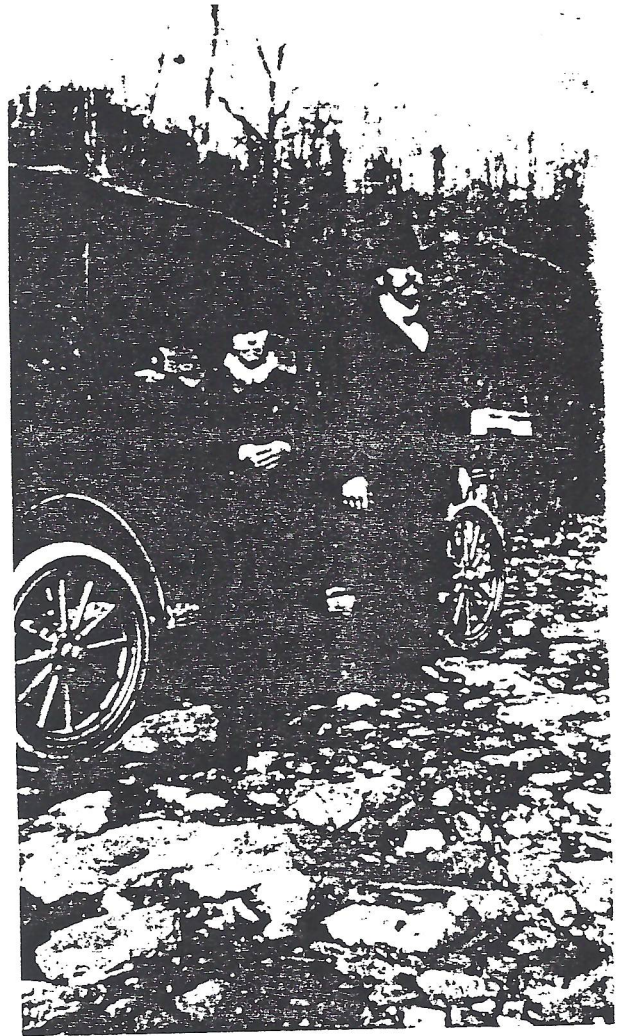




First Row (kneeling) Nannie Ruth Agee Beach, Charles Emmett Agee Standing (left to right and front to back) Doris Lillian Agee, John Taylor Agee, Jr., Laura Louise Agee, John Taylor Agee, Sr., Laura Epperly Agee, Ola Virginia Agee Harris, Lois Epperly Agee Terry and William Clyde Agee . Picture was taken at Starkey, Virginia about 1943.

Right-

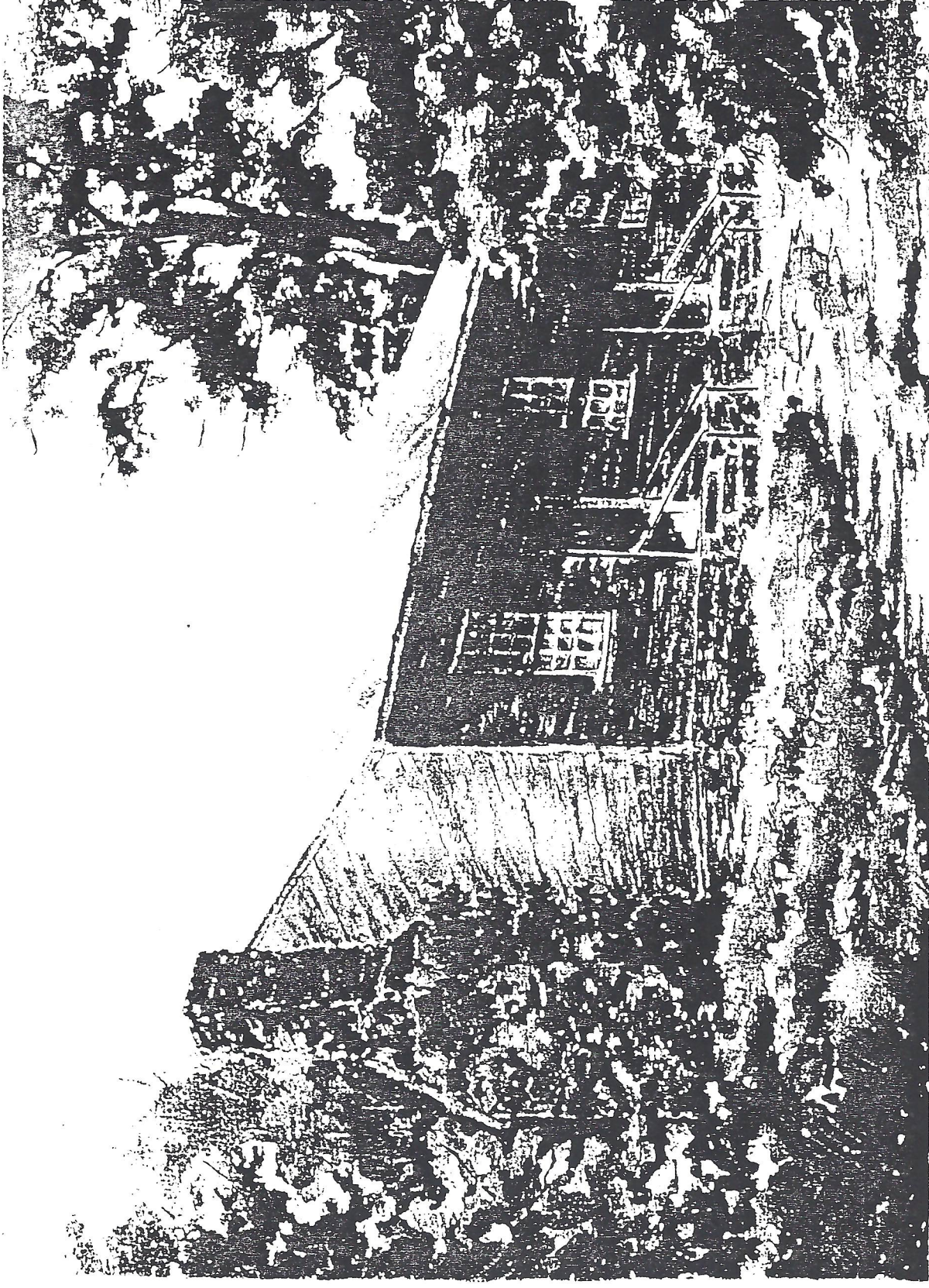
Parents of Laura E. Agee,
John William and Nancy
Adaline Cannaday Epperly



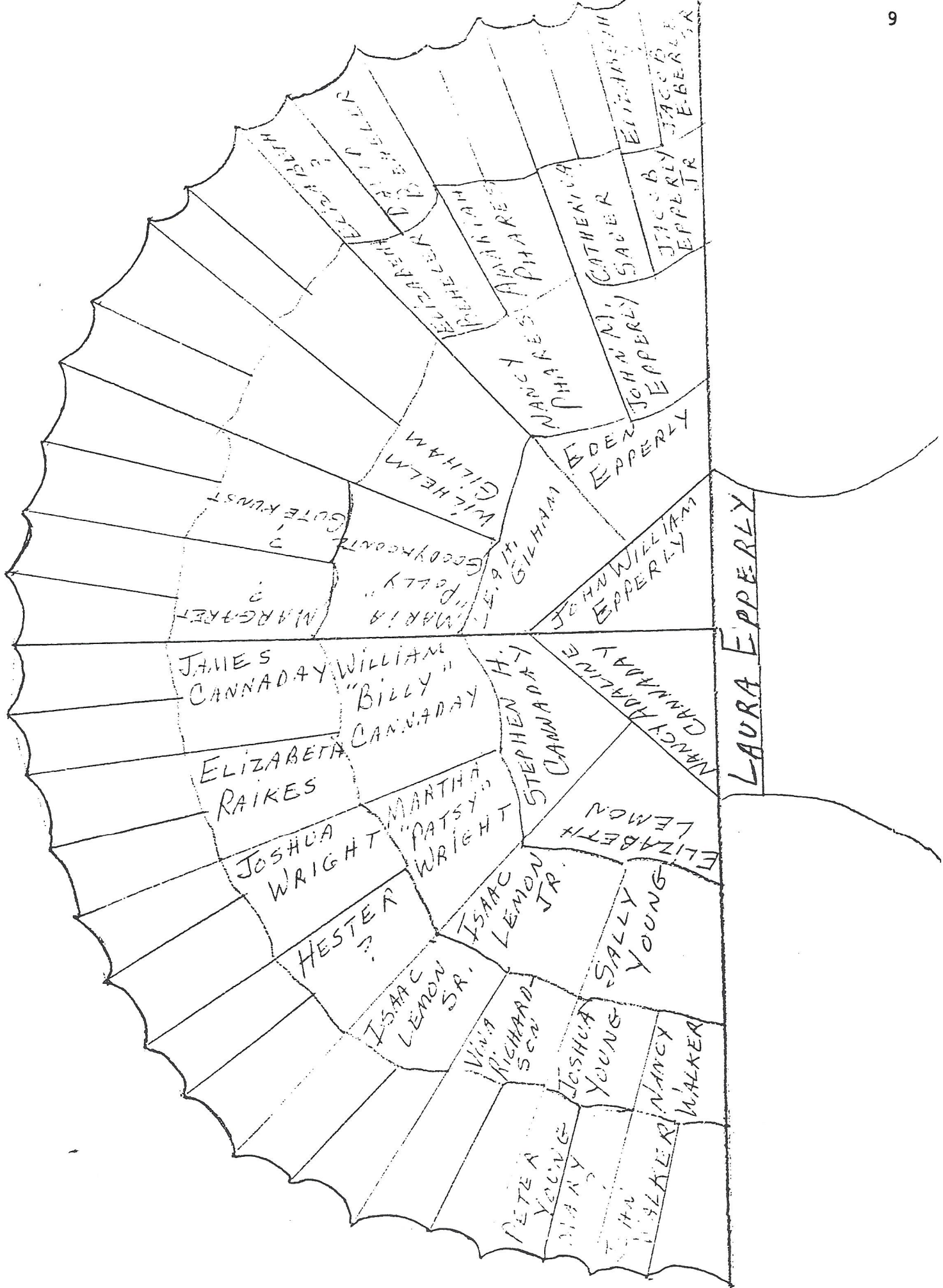
Left-

Parents of John Taylor Agee
John Tazewell and Ruth Lillian
Nolen Agee

Baby is their grandson -Leon
Lackey - their daughter Lillie's
child. Picture was taken in the
fall of 1920 (Leon had been born
April, 1920)



WEST FORK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH



JAMES CANNADAY
WILLIAM "BILLY" CANNADAY

ELIZABETH RAIKES

JOSHUA WRIGHT

MARTHA "PATSY" WRIGHT

HESTER ?

ISAAC LEMON SR.

ISAAC LEMON JR.

Wm RICHARDSON

SALLY YOUNG

PETER YOUNG
MARY ?

JOSHUA YOUNG

NANCY WALKER

ELIZABETH LEMON

STEPHEN H. CANNADAY

NANCY HOLLAND CANNADAY

MARGARET ?
"POLLY" ?
GEOFFREY ?
GOTERKUNST ?

WILHELM GILHAM
GILHAM

JOHN WILLIAM EPPERLY

EDEN EPPERLY

NANCY ESTHER PHARR

JOHN M. EPPERLY

CATHERINA SAUER

JACOB EPPERLY TR

ELIZABETH EPPERLY

Laura EPPERLY

OUR BEHELER ANCESTORS

DAVID BEHELER m. ELIZABETH Armstead (?)

ELIZABETH BEHELER m. AMARIAH PHARES

NANCY PHARES m. JOHN M. EPPERLY

EDEN EPPERLY m. LEAH GILHAM

JOHN WILLIAM EPPERLY m. NANCY ADALINE CANNADAY

LAURA EPPERLY m. JOHN TAYLOR AGEE

DAVID & ELIZABETH BEHELER

David and Elizabeth Beheler lived in Franklin County, Virginia on the waters of Pigg River and Chestnut. They were the parents of at least eight children who were named in property settlements which began in 1814, after David had died, and lasted until 1828.

Elizabeth was still alive in 1814 when she released all claim to the 300 acres of land she and David had owned for \$ 30.00. The money was to be paid to her by her children and their spouses. In 1828 George Beheler entered a lawsuit against his brothers and sisters to force the sale of the land. The 300 acres was sold by the commissioner to the highest bidder - and George became the owner for the sum of \$ 1.00.

Children of David and Elizabeth Beheler were:

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| 1. | ELIZABETH BEHELER | m. | AMARIAH PHARES |
| 2. | Catherine Beheler | m. | Robert Scarborough |
| 3. | George Beheler | m. | Mary Doss |
| 4. | Jacob Beheler | m. | Susannah Doss |
| 5. | Nancy Beheler | m. | Frederick Fishburn |
| 6. | David Beheler | | no info. |
| 7. | Polly Beheler | | no info. |
| 8. | John Beheler | m. | Mildred _____ |

ELIZABETH BEHELER

Elizabeth Beheler, daughter of David and Elizabeth Beheler, lived in Franklin County, Virginia prior to her marriage on January 13, 1791 to Amariah Phares. She must have been born in 1775. She was German and we're told that she spoke only German and Amariah only English when they met.

Elizabeth and Amariah were the parents of eight children:

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| 1. NANCY PHARES | m. JOHN M. EPPERLY |
| 2. John B. Phares | m. Rachel Rupe |
| 3. Elizabeth Phares | m. Henry Rutroff |
| 4. Mary Phares | m. Martin Walters |
| 5. Sarah (Sally) Phares | m. John Sowers |
| 6. Hannah Phares | m. Jonathan Iddings |
| 7. Rachel Phares | m. John Becket |
| 8. Son-name not known | Was dead by 1831 |

I am not sure when Elizabeth died nor where she was buried. She and Amariah owned 75 acres of land in the part of Franklin County that became Floyd County in 1831. This land was, in 1831, sold by Elizabeth and her children to her son-in-law and daughter John M. and Nancy Phares Epperly.

OUR CANNADAY ANCESTORS

JAMES CANNADAY (SR.) m. ELIZABETH RAIKES

WILLIAM CANNADAY m. MARTHA WRIGHT

STEPHEN CANNADAY m. ELIZABETH LEMON

NANCY ADALINE CANNADAY m. JOHN WILLIAM EPPERLY

LAURA EPPERLY m. JOHN TAYLOR AGEE

JAMES CANNADAY (SR.)

James Cannaday (Sr.) was born about 1755 and died February 1817. His record during the Revolutionary War shows service from October 1776 through March 1, 1777.

James married Elizabeth Raikes in 1775. They lived in the west end of Franklin County, Virginia on Runnet Bag Creek. This is now (1989) on the Franklin-Floyd County line. They were, reportedly, parents of twelve children although records have been found for only 8.

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| 1. Elizabeth Cannaday | m. | Isaiah Turner |
| 2. WILLIAM CANNADAY | m. | MARTHA (PATSY) WRIGHT |
| | m. | 2nd. Nancy Winfrey Hill |
| 3. Mary Cannaday | m. | Pleasant Thomas |
| 4. James Cannaday, Jr. | m. | Sarah Young |
| 5. Charles Cannaday | m. | Mary Ingram |
| 6. David Cannaday | m | Jane Walker |
| 7. Pleasant Cannaday | m. | Elizabeth Young |
| 8. John Cannaday | m. | Martha (Susan) Winfrey |

WILLIAM (PATRICK BILLY) CANNADAY

William Cannaday, son of James and Elizabeth Raikes Cannaday, was born in Franklin County, Virginia 1781-83. He married about 1804 to Martha "Patsy" Wright, daughter of Joshua and Hester Wright. Family legend is that she was 12 years old when they married.

After Patsy's death in 1857 William Cannaday married September 11, 1857 in Floyd County, Va. to Nancy Winfrey Hill, widow, daughter of Steven and Mary Winfrey. William's place of residence was Patrick County and Nancy's was Floyd County. William and Nancy had drawn up a marriage contract on September 10, 1857 (the day before their marriage). She agreed, if he died first, not to make any claims against his estate and he agreed to give her a certain tract of land and a negro woman named Lee Ann.

William Cannaday died July 11, 1874. His death was reported by his son Constantine who gave his age as 93. He also said William lived about 5 miles east of Charity in Patrick County, Va. His burial site or that of either of his wives have not been found.

William and Patsy Cannaday were the parents of 24 children including three sets of twins:

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| 1. Nancy Cannaday | m. | Anderson Taylor |
| 2. Mary Cannaday | m. | John Randolph Hall |
| 3. James B. Cannaday | m. | Charlotte Agnew |
| 4. Martha Cannaday | m. | John Moran |
| 5. Fleming Cannaday | m. | Susannah Thomas |
| 6. Pleasant Cannaday | m. | Deborah Hall |
| 7. Delilah Cannaday | m. | James S. Moran |
| 8. William Cannaday | m. | Elizabeth Hylton |
| 9. Joshua Cannaday | m. | Lydia Short |
| 10. Constantine Cannaday | m. | 1st. Sarah Hall |
| | | 2nd. Elizabeth Martin |
| 11. Susan Cannaday | m. | Lewis Burnett |
| 12. Jacob B. Cannaday | m. | Ellender Cannaday |
| 13. STEPHEN CANNADAY | m. | ELIZABETH LEMON |
| 14. Randolph Cannaday | m. | Mary Jane Via |
| 15. Marshall P. Cannaday | m. | Ann Sumpter |
| 16. John Cannaday | m. | Sally Bartlett |
| 17. Elizabeth Cannaday | m. | Reuben Rakes |
| 18. Mahala Cannaday | | no information |
| 19. Hester Cannaday | | no information |
| 20. Burwell Cannaday | | no information |
| 21. Ira Cannaday | | no information |
| 22. Granvel Cannaday | | no information |
| 23. Tommy Cannaday | | no information |
| 24. Died at birth | | |

WILLIAM (PATRICK BILLY) CANNADAY - continued

The names of the last seven children were given to me by Elva Keith (a gr. gr. granddaughter of William and Martha) with a notation that she got them from Callahil Epperly and Virgil Cannaday.

Many of the descendants of William and Martha moved to Raleigh and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia and were coal miners, merchants and mechanics.

STEPHEN CANNADAY

Stephen Cannaday, son of William and Martha Wright Cannaday was born in Patrick County, Virginia in 1828. He married February 18, 1846, in Floyd County, Va. to Elizabeth Lemon, daughter of Isaac, Jr. and Sally Young Lemon.

Stephen is listed as a blacksmith in the Floyd County records of births of their children.

Stephen died in 1879 and Elizabeth died in 1886. They were both buried in the "Ballinger" Cemetery which is on Floyd County, Va. road 807 off Rte. 8-3 miles south of the town of Floyd. This is high on a hill on the farm of (1989) Kyle Lee.

Stephen and Elizabeth were the parents of:

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| 1. Tazewell H. Cannaday | m. | Julia Ann Foster |
| 2. Isaac L. Cannaday | m. | Emma Jamison |
| 3. Stuart Cannaday | m. | Nannie O'Brien |
| 4. NANCY A. CANNADAY | m. : | JOHN WM. EPPERLY |
| 5. Emmazetta Cannaday | m. | 1st. Elkanah Weddle
2nd. John W. Epperly |
| 6. Laura M. Cannaday | m. | John Weaver |
| 7. Eliza Cannaday | m. | Will Epperly |
| 8. Sarah E. Cannaday | | no information |

NANCY ADALINE CANNADAY

Nancy Adaline Cannaday, daughter of Stephen H. and Elizabeth Lemon Cannaday was born June 19, 1854 in Floyd County, Virginia. She married May 16, 1875 to John William Epperly, son of Eden and Leah Gilham Epperly. Officiating minister at their wedding was Wilson H. Dodd.

They lived on Dodd's Creek about three miles south of the town of Floyd on what is now (1989) county rd. 720. They attended the West Fork Primitive Baptist Church, as had his parents. Nancy and John were probably neighbors as they grew up as the lands of their parents adjoined.

Nancy Adaline Cannaday Epperly died February 18, 1928 and was buried in the "Ballinger" Cemetery very near their home and where her parents and John's were buried. This is on what is now (1989) county road 807 off route 8 about three miles from the town of Floyd, Va. on a farm currently owned by Kyle Lee.

Nancy and John were the parents of:

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| 1. Arthur E. Epperly | m. | Sallie L. DeHart |
| 2. Levi G. Epperly | m. | Clara V. DeHart |
| 3. Isaac L. Epperly | m. | 1st. Linda Weddle
2nd. Nellie Witham |
| 5. Callahil M. Epperly | m. | Linnie E. Cannaday |
| 4. Etta M. Epperly | m. | Daniel F. Smith |
| 6. LAURA EPPERLY | m. | JOHN TAYLOR AGEE |
| 7. Fitzhugh L. Epperly | m. | Alzora Ratliff |
| 8. Giles M. Epperly | m. | Eugenia Draper |
| 9. L. Elizabeth Epperly | m. | Edgar V. Roop |
| 10. Julia Epperly | m. | L. Dow Blair |
| 11. Florence Epperly | m. | Raymond Cole |