William Meek & Rosanna Skinner

Some authors have suggested that Rosanna Skinner married William Meek. The source of this information is unknown. There were several men named William Meek(s) in Indiana during the first half of the 1800's. The only one not accounted for to some extent was William Meeks in the 1840 census of Clinton Co., IN age 30 to 40. (1-2-2-0-0-1//1-1-0-0-1) He is not in the 1850 census. William Skinner and some of Rosanna's sons moved to Clinton County. There is no known credible evidence concerning who Rosanna's husband was.

William Skinner was born about 1871 in Virginia based on the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN. He was listed in the 1840 census of Decatur Co., IN age 70 to 80. He died 21 May 1856 and is buried next to Milly in Layton Cemetery in Michigan TWP, Clinton Co., IN according to his tombstone. His Clinton Co., IN will refers to his wife Milly and daughter Rosanna Meeks as well as other children. It states "I will and devise to the heirs of my beloved daughter Rosanna Meeks one dollar each..." The date of the will is not known as of this writing.

In 1840 William Skinner was listed after John Meek born between 1810 and 1819. However, this John Meek cannot be the husband of Rosanna Skinner as he was alive after Rosanna was listed alone in 1850.

- 11. **Rosanna Skinner** was born about 1794 Virginia according to the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN where she listed next to her father, William Skinner. She died before May 1856. The name of her husband is not known but she is obviously a widow in 1850 as she was listed as Rosanna Meek with several Meek children.
 - 101. **William Meek** was born about 1820 according to the 1850 census where he lived with William Skinner. Indiana was given as the place of birth but may not be correct. He **may be** the person listed in the 1860 census of Adams TWP, Decatur Co., IN. He was living with his probable wife Susan _____ born about 1830 Indiana and one child. They were living near his brother Obadiah Meek. He **may be** the person listed in the 1870 census of Sand Creek TWP, Decatur Co., IN.
 - 201. Martha Meek was born about 1858 in Indiana.
 - 202. Eliza E. Meek was born about 1861 in Indiana.
 - 203. James M. Meek was born about 1864 in Indiana.
 - 204. Charity Meek was born about 1867 in Indiana.
 - 102. **James Meek** was born about 1820 in Kentucky according to the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN where he is listed with Rosanna Meek.
 - 103. **Obadiah Meek** was born about 1822 in Kentucky according to the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN where he lived next to Rosanna Meek. He was not listed in the 1880 census with his family. He married (1) Sarah _____.
 - 221. **George W.** Meek was born about 1838 in Indiana. He was not listed with his parents in 1860.
 - 222. **William J.? Meek** was born about 1841 in Indiana. He was not listed with his parents in 1860.
 - 223. Martha M. Meek was born about 1846 in Indiana.
 - 224. **Jesse Meek** was born Jun 1850 in Indiana. Resided Tipton Co., IN. He married **Eliza A. Meeks** daughter of George Meeks and Elizabeth _____. She was born about 1850.

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- 301. **George Meeks** was born about 1873 1923
- 302. Margaret Mattie Meeks was born about 1874 –
- 303. **Thomas Hendricks Meeks** was born 18 Sep 1876 in Indiana according to Draft card. He died about 1931. He married **Mollie Meeks** 6 Apr 1905 in Clinton Co., IN. She was the widow of Joseph Meek (#233) son of Obadiah Meeks.
 - 401. Flossie Meeks was born about 1906.
 - 402. Jessie Meeks was born about 1908 Male
- 304. Clara Alfreda Meeks was born about 1886 1962
- 305. **Iva Grace Meeks** was born about 1894 1977
- 225. Sarah Meek was born about 1854 in Indiana.

Obadiah married (2) **Julia Ann Coy** 19 Jun 1856 according to Indiana marriage abstracts. She was born about 1841 according to two census records. They were listed in the 1860 census of Adams TWP, Decatur Co., IN. Living with them was Rose Ann Coy age 61. They were listed in the 1870 census of Michigan TWP, Clinton Co., IN. Living with them was Sarah A. Meek age 16 and Jesse D. Meek age 19. Julia was listed in the 1880 census of Tipton TWP, Tipton Co., IN. She was listed in the 1910 census with Joseph as Julia Hendrickson age 78.

- 226. George Ann Meek was born about 1858 in Indiana.
- 227. Mary F. Meek was born about 1861 in Indiana.
- 228. Nancy M. Meek was born about 1863 in Indiana.
- 229. John Meek was born about 1865 in Indiana. Grant Co., IN
- 230. Florence Meek was born about 1868 in Indiana.
- 231. James Nelson Meek was born about 1871 in Indiana. Clinton Co., IN
- 232. **David Meek** was born about 1875 in Indiana. Indiana
- 233. Joseph Meek was born Sep 1876 in Indiana. Resided Clinton Co., IN He married Mollie, widow of _____ Fields, 13 Jun 1896 in Tipton Co., IN. They were listed in the 1900 census of Cicero TWP, Tipton Co., IN. Also listed was Thomas Meeks born Sep 1876 a nephew.
 - 311. Leo Meek was born Aug 1898 in Indiana.
 - 312. Mable Meek was born Apr 1900 in Indiana.
 - 313. Laura Meeks was born about 1902
 - 314. Alice Meeks was born about 1904
- 232. **Obadiah Meek** was born about 1878 in Indiana.
- 104. **John Meek** was born about 1823 in Kentucky according to the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN where he is listed with Rosanna Meek.
- 105. **Betsy Meek** was born about 1828 in Indiana according to the 1850 census of Washington TWP., Decatur Co., IN where she is listed with Rosanna Meek.

The connection, if any, to the following family is unknown

11. **George Meek** was born about 1821 in Indiana. Age varies in census records. The 1880 census suggests that his father was born in Virginia. He married Elizabeth ______ 10 Apr 1844. She was born about 1819 in Kentucky. (Her surname may have been Pierce.) They were listed in the 1850 census of Adams TWP, Decatur Co., IN. They were listed in the 1860 census of Warren

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TWP, Clinton Co., IN. They were listed in the 1870 and 1880 censuses of Michigan TWP, Clinton Co., IN.

- 101. Rosanna Meeks was born about 1845 in Indiana.
- 102. Lafayette Meeks was born about 1847 in Indiana.
- 103. **Eliza A. Meeks** was born 2 Aug 1849 in Decatur Co., IN. She died 24 Oct 1926 in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN. She married **Jesse Meek** born 1850 son of Obadiah Meeks.
- 104. Moses Meeks was born about 1849 in Indiana. Not in 1850 census
- 105. James Harvey Meeks was born about 1852 in Indiana.
- 106. Sarah C Meeks was born about 1854 in Indiana. Not in any census.
- 107. George W Meeks was born about 1859 in Indiana. Not in 1870 census.
- 108. Mary S. Meeks was born about 1861 in Indiana.
- 109. **Lucinda Meeks** was born 12 May 1863 in Indiana (source unknown). She died 12 May 1940 in Michigan TWP, Clinton Co., IN. She married **John Abner Skinner** 9 Oct 1879. He was born 1 Feb 1855 in Kentucky. He died 7 Jun 1931 in Clinton Co., IN.

1850 IN Decatur Adams TWP		1860 IN Clinton Warren TWP		
283-283		George Meeks	33 IN 1827	
George Meeks	28 KY 1822	Elizabeth	33 KY	
Elizabeth	29 KY	Rosanna	14 IN	
Rosanna	5 IN	Moses	11 IN	
Lafayette	3 IN	Lafayette	12 IN 1848	
Eliza	1 IN	Eliza A.	10 IN	
		James H	8 IN	
		George W.	1 IN	
1870 Clinton Co., IN Michigan TWP 89-89		1880 Clinton Co., IN Michigan TWP 172-179		
Meeks, George	57 IN 1813	Meeks, George	60 IN <mark>VA</mark> KY	
Elizabeth	57 KY	Elizabeth	62 KY KY KY	
Margaret	20 IN	James H.	28 IN son	
James H.	18 IN	Mary S.	19 IN dau	
Mary S.	9 IN			
Lucinda	7 IN			