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# CARMACK COUSINS NEWSLETTER

**MARCH**

**APRIL**

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# SPRING





Cover Picture- Carmack's Inc., Anderson, Indiana, 1959 before fire. Painted by- Jean Carmack from small black and white she found after fire. Jean surprised her husband Horace T. (Mac) Carmack with this painting for fathers day. Horace T. son of Travis Lee Carmack, grandson of Alvin Ridley Carmack of Overton Co., TN.

*Will of Levi Carmack*

*Will dated 19 June 1784*

*Probated 3 December 1875*

*In the name of God Amen, the nineteenth day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four. I, Levi Carmack of Frederick County and state of Maryland, being weak in body tho of a sound and perfect memory and understanding-----Loving wife, Susannah all my lands, goods and chattels until my son, Ephriam Carmack comes of age, then lands sold and divided between my three children, Ephriam, Catherine and Susannah.*

*Executors-----Wife, Susannah and brother William Carmack.*

*Levi Carmack*

*Wit: Jacob Stitley, Michael M. Dotson, John Mickesell*

A.7. Levi Carmack, (See Carmack Cousins Vol.1, NO 1, Sept. 1, 1984), born 3 Nov. 1750, Woodsboro, Frederick Co., Md. son of William & Jane Carmack, died 3 Dec. 1785, Frederick, Maryland.  
Married- Susannah Justice born 30 March 1748, died 26 July 1834, Butler Co., Oh.  
after death of Levi, Susannah married Benjamin White.

Children:

A.7.a. Ephriam Carmack, born 20 May 1779, Woodsboro, Md., died 14 April 1854, Mercer, OH.  
Married- Sarah Brightwell, born 12 Oct. 1785, died 28 July 1834, Butler, OH.

A.7.b. Catherine (Caty) Carmack, born 20 Feb. 1782, died 23 June 1806.  
Married- Jacob Carmack, see Carmack Cousins Vol. 11, No. 2, Jan. 1, 1986.

A.7.c. Susanna Carmack, born 30 March 1784, Md., died 1 July 1872, Nevada, Iowa.  
Married- William McClain, SR, born 13 March 1782, died 19 Nov. 1801.

Children of-Benjamin White & Susannah Carmack White- Sarah 1791, John 1792, Elizabeth 1794, William 1796, Levi 1798, Rachel 1801, Ann 1803.

A.7.a. Ephriam Carmack- (from files of Lillie Gruden Davis)- Ephraim(Ephriam) Carmack was born 20 May 1779 in Woodsboro, Maryland, the oldest child of Levi and Susannah Justice. He moved from Maryland to Crab Orchard, Kentucky and then to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1802. There he met Sarah Brightwell, daughter of William and Mary Wadde and they were married about 1806. Their first four children were born Cincinnati; about 1814 they moved to Paddy's Run (now Shandon) Butler Co., Ohio. In 1834 the cholera epidemic spread thru Ohio and Ephraim lost his mother Susanna, his step-father Frederick Benjamin White, his wife Sarah, one son and one daughter. Ephraim moved to Mercer Co., Ohio in 1844 where he died 14 April 1854. He is buried 2½ mi. west of Saint Henry, ¼ mi. north of Wendelin, Ohio.

Children:

A.7.a.1. Maria, born 27 Oct. 1807, Cincinnati, Oh., died 24 July 1808, Cincinnati, OH.

A.7.a.2. Susanna, born 27 Feb. 1808, Cincinnati, Oh., died 26 April 1847, Mercher, OH.  
Married- James Grant

Ephraim Carmack Cont:

- A.7.a.3. Catherine Carmack, born 26 Jan. 1811, Cincinnati, OH, died 19 Oct. 1901, Coldwater, OH. Married on 6 Jan. 1831 to James Gruden, born 16 Nov. 1804, Huntington, Pa., died 7 Nov. 1893, Coldwater, Oh.
- A.7.a.4. Mary Ann Carmack, born 11 Dec. 1812, Cincinnati, OH, died 3 May 1879, Macedon, OH. Married- William Miller.
- A.7.a.5. Parry Carmack, born 26 Jan. 1815, Butler, OH, died 9 Dec. 1876, Mercer, OH. Married- Mary Ann Miller, died 3 May 1879, Macedon, OH., Brother to Wm. Miller
- A.7.a.6. William Carmack, born 7 Oct. 1818, Butler, OH., died 10 Oct. 1818, Butler, OH.
- A.7.a.7. Rachel Carmack, born 29 Dec. 1816, Butler, OH, died 1 Feb. 1898, Redding, CA. Married- Abbot Powers (1)-son Carmack Powers
- A.7.a.8. Charles Carmack, born 30 Dec. 1819, Butler, OH., died 7 Aug. 1875, Macedon, OH. Married- Sarah Jane Robinson on 29 July 1852, born 8 Mar. 1824, died 26 Sept. 1910.
- A.7.a.9. Harriet, born 25 July 1822, Butler, OH.  
\*\*\*\*\*Twins\*\*\*\*\*
- A.7.a.10. Sarah Carmack, born -25 July 1822, Butler, OH, died 19 July 1845.
- A.7.a.11. Basil Carmack, born 10 Mar. 1825, Butler, OH, Died 24 July 1834, Mercer Co., OH.
- A.&.a.12. Rhoda Carmack, born 3 Jun. 1827, Butler, OH., died 3 July 1827, Butler Co., OH.  
Butler- Butler County            Mercer- Mercer County
- A.7.a.3. Catherine Carmack Gruden, born 26 Jan. 1811, died 19 Oct. 1901., married James Gruden, Catherine was an invalid for 30 years, she lived past 90, her last 30 years were spent on crutches this being from a fall causing a broken hip, Catherine continued to do her housework on the farm.
- Children:
- A.7.a.3.1. Perry C. Gruden, born 8 Mar. 1832, died 13 June 1878.
- A.7.a.3.2. Samuel Gruden, born 3 Mar. 1833, died 20 July 1908.
- A.7.a.3.3. Margaret Hannah, born 12 July 1835, died 17 Nov. 1908, lived unmarried on home farm until death.
- A.7.a.3.4. Sarha Ann, born 19 Oct. 1836, died 28 May 1908.
- A.7.a.3.5. Mary A., born 16 Mary 1838, died 15 Feb. 1902.
- A.7.a.3.6. Ephriam Gruden, born 7 Nov. 1840, died 10 Nov. 1920.
- A.7.a.3.7. Bassell Brightwell Gruden, born 27 Mar. 1842, died 5 July 1918.
- A.7.a.3.8. Charles Oliver Gruden, born 12 Feb. 1844, died 3 Mar. 1904 Nebraska. Married- Sarah Ann Elizabeth Keister, born 21 Jan. 1855, died 22 Mar. 1944.
- A.7.a.3.9. John Snyder Gruden, born 3 Sept. 1848, died 1933.



## EPHRAIM CARMACK & Daughter CATHERINE

In the late 1700's in Maryland part of the Carmack family converted to the Methodist faith, some of them regularly held meetings in their homes until congregations could be formed that could build a church-house.

Ephraim Carmack was of that family. Born in 1779, his father died in 1785 and his mother married Benjamin White in 1790, having a large family of children in the order of that day. When Ephraim attained his majority he sold his inheritance and with his mother, step-father, half brothers and sisters and some others in the numerous Carmack family, started for Ohio. Somewhere in Kentucky, tradition says Crab Orchard, the family decided to split ways, some went into Pennsylvania and then to Licking County, Ohio then on to Wyandot County, some travelled to Tennessee and settled there. Ephraim went on to finally settle in what is now Butler County, Ohio. History says "He was a natural born teamster and distinguished in his cherished avocation. He brought with him a genuine conestoga wagon and a team of eight horses. He was also "mighty hunter" and seldom returned from his excursions without bringing many trophies of his skill in the chase. He removed with his family to Mercer County and was among the early pioneers of that section." This same history relates that religious meetings were held in his home until a church and a regular preacher took over. He and one other man opened graveyards on their property where the neighbors could find "for their dead a sepulcher." In 1834 an epidemic of the "Asiatic Plague" swept the neighborhood and Ephraim lost his wife, his mother, his step-father, one son and one daughter on consecutive days, five days and five deaths.

Ephraim's children were reared in the Methodist faith. One daughter, Catherine Carmack, married in 1831, my great grandfather James Gruden (Lillie Gruden Davis). I have several receipts for quarterly dues of her membership in the Methodist Church, dated 1842 and 43. She in turn installed a Christian faith in her children.

My grandfather, tho not the sanctimonious type of Christian, but was a calm, peace loving man, he lived his religion in every day life.

One of my dearest memories is of visiting my grandparents. He died when I was seven. Everyone in his house, large or small, visitor or family, must arise for early Bible service before breakfast. On the farm that was early. Grandmother's kitchen was large and I well remember sitting quietly while grandfather read a passage from the big Bible (which my brother now has), then grandfather prayed and it seemed a long prayer to the small children but was beautiful even to us, and I would kneel by my chair, facing the east windows and watch the sun come up over the orchard, maybe that was what I liked most about grandfather's prayer. Then we all sat down at grandmother's table which seemed to accommodate all the family present, no matter how many there were. But before we could eat grandfather again must thank the Lord for his watchful care through the night and ask for his continued care and guidance through the new day. Grandmother continued that practice to her death at the age of 89. Whenever grandmother visited any of her children or grandchildren in their homes these blessings were gratefully acknowledged and asked to be continued. This is one of the shining jewels of my treasured store of wonderful memories. I can think of no greater heritage than this, the memory of a strong and steadfast faith, workable and liveable, which sustained my forebears, when little else at times was available. A staff to which one can cling in a troublesome, changing world.

Lillie Gruden Davis, 11 Nov. 1954.

Lillie Gruden Davis, born 11 Jan. 1897, Frontier Co., Neb., died 27 Oct. 1957, Cheyenne, Wyo. Thanks to daughter Dorothy Davis Hildreth, Centennial, Wyo. for sharing her mother's wonderful memories with Carmack Cousins.



Picture taken around 1916-

Lillie, Perry & Henry Gruden,  
 children of- George Gruden, gggg-grand-  
 children of William & Jane Carmack.  
 Thanks to Dorothy Hildreth for sending  
 pictures of her mother Lillie Gruden  
 Davis & her brothers.

MEMBERSHIP:

Ephram Carmack- Newsletter  
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 Centennial, WY 82055

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 Mrs. Anna Bell Adams  
 13420 McGill RD  
 Saddy Daisy, TN 37379  
Jesse & Ann Carmack (Overton Co., TN)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Horrace T. Carmack  
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 Mr. & Mrs. H. A. Carmack  
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 Cincinnati, OH 45231

Cornelius Carmack & Lettice (Overton Co., TN.)  
 Mr. & Mrs. U. C. Qualls  
 RT 6, Box 6043  
 Manchester, TN 37355

Lewis Carmack & Rebecca (Warren Co., TN  
& Van Buren Co., TN to Missouri)  
 Mr. Kenneth Carmack  
 Box 385  
 Perry, OK 73077  
 Roberta McCabe  
 617 N Broadway  
 Edmund, OK 73034

REUNIONS\*\*\*\*\*

Maryland Reunion

Frederick, Maryland, week of May 11th. through 14th., 1988  
 For information- Sue Thompson, 807 Oak Ridge Lane, Irving, TX 75061  
 Tel. # 213-445-0013

Tennessee Reunion

Cookville, Tennessee, July 9th., Standing Stone Park, family picnic, Sunday 10th.  
 For Information- Agnes C. Jones, 221 Frawley RD, Chattanooga, TN 37412  
 Tel. # 615-892-8830  
 Jessie Murphy, 30 Sullivan ST, Cookville, TN 38501  
 Tel. # 615-526-8241  
 Dempsey Webb, Hilham, TN Tel. # 615-823-2382

Iowa Reunion

Macedonia, Iowa, Sunday 31st. July 1988  
 For Information- Mrs. Jake (Roberta) Morris, 610 King St, Emerson, Iowa 51533  
 Tel. # 715-824-7254

Family History

Roberta Morris has some books available on the history of her family,  
 Isaac Carmack & Comfort Hale Carmack if interested you may contact her  
 at above address.

WASHINGTON COUNTY VIRGINIA CEMETERY RECORDS:

Mendota Cemetery-

Carmack, Agnes Stickley, 31 Oct. 1890-10 Oct. 1936

Talbert Cemetery-

Carmack, Ernest Isaac, s/o John W. Carmack & Evaline Pippin, 1882-1944

Carmack, Evaline Pippin, w/o John W. Carmack (no marker-grave known to family)

Carmack, Charlie Lee, s/o John W. Carmack & Evaline Carmack (no marker-grave known)

Carmack, Inf. s/o John W. Carmack & Evaline Carmack (no marker-grave known)

Valley View Cemetery-

Carmack, Willis C. 12 June 1879- 8 Nov. 1936

Carmack, Rachel Leonard, w/o Willis Carmack, 4 Aug. 1891- 1 June 1920

Sinking Springs Cemetery- Abingdon, VA-

Carmack, Mary Rachel, w/o Wm. Carmack, 28 Mar. 1855- 11 July 1911

Old Baptist Cemetery-

Carmack, Minnie R., 1872-1960

Old Glade Sprints Cemetery-

Carmack, David C., 14 March 1841- 27 Oct. 1885 (Masonic Emb.)

Carmack, Adelaide R., 5 Dec. 1844- 28 April 1905, Age 60y 4m 23d

Carmack, Rosalee B., 2 Dec. 1868- 27 June 1906, age 37y 6m 25d

Carmack, Janie D., d/o D. C. & Addie R. Carmack, 12 July 1881-19 Jan. 1910

one grave in Carmack square marked only with C.S.A.

Clark Cemetery-

Carmack, Bertha (no dates)

Carmack, C. C. (no dates)

Rock Springs Cemetery-

Carmack, Elizabeth J., w/o J. T. Carmack, d/o Col. Wm. S. & R. J. Ryburn, 28 July 1858-28 Nov. 1884. "Erected by father, Wm. S. Ryburn"

Cold Springs Cemetery- Sullivan Co., TN-

Carmack, John Thomas, 1 April 1868, 23 Sept. 1918

Carmack, Mollie Cowan, 1 Feb. 1868 - 24 Oct. 1944

Carmack, John Cowan, 30 Oct. 1898- 27 March 1921

Carmack, Mary E., 1 June 1900- 20 Aug. 1901

High Point Cemetery-

Carmack, Bernice M., d/o J. C. & M. L. Carmack, 9 July 1905-22 Dec. 1913.

Carmack, James Cornelius, 17 Dec. 1879- 13 Aug. 1959

Carmack, Mayme Lou Stone, 11 Oct. 1879- 28 Aug. 1972

Carmack Cemetery-

Carmack, John, April 1833, age 82y, (m.m.) John Carmack, Virginia Rev. WAR Apr. 1833.

Carmack Cemetery- (located a short distance east of Carmack Cemetery above)

Carmack, William, 5 Jan. 1761- 22 Oct. 1849, Va. Pvt. Montgomery's VA Regt. Rev. War.

Carmack, Elizabeth, 12 Aug.---

Mountain View Cemetery-

Carmack, Jack L., 4 Jan. 1925- 7 Jun. 1953 (Shrine Emb.)

Carmack, Robert S., 1893-1950 "rather"

N. of drive crossing center section-

Carmack, A. Watson, 1880-1950

Carmack, Lillie Craig, 1882-1950

East Hill Cemetery- West Circle

Carmack, Robert A., d21 Aug. 1872, age 27y.

Carmack, Maggie R. Jones, w/o Robert A., 13 Aug. 1843- 11 Apr. 1869.

Carmack, Mrs. A. W., 1850-1934

East Hill- South Section-

Carmack, Columbus Cornelius, 1845-1929

Carmack, Susan Rebecca, 1852-1914

Carmack, Cornelia, 1880-1967

Carmack, Samuel Prestone, 1861-1954

Carmack, Charles R., 1889-1967

Washington Co., Va. Cemeteries Continued-

Walnut Grove Cemetery-

- Carmack, Cornelius, 27 Aug. 1800- 17 Jun. 1877 "Father"
- Carmack, Martha, 17 Dec. 1805- 2 July 1887 "Mother"
- Carmack, Isaac, d. 9 Apr. 1887, age 74 years
- Carmack, Jane H., d. 26 June 1894, age 74 years
- Carmack, Lavinia J., d. 3 March 1888
- Carmack, John W., d. 7 Feb. 1902
- Carmack, Fannie M., d. 9 May 1903
- Carmack, Alexander, 1825-1904
- Carmack, Maggie E., 1840-1905
- Carmack, Edward A., 1877-1902
- Carmack, Rose L., 1884-1906



Hat's off to Jessie Murphy, Jessie was the Nurse of the Year 1987, at the Sparta Health Care Center, Sparta, Tennessee. Pictured above.

\*\*\*\*\*40th. Wedding Aniversary\*\*\*\*\*

Best wishes to Harry & Sue Thompson, Irving, Texas on their celebration of their 40th. wedding anniversary on March 24, 1988.

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Dear Carmack Cousins,

As we enter into the Spring & Summer of 1988, let's all remember all of our Cousins that won't be able to attend reunions as some of us will. My mother continues to be just about the same, Josephine Carmack is still able to work on her wonderful books of Carmack Genealogy, without Josephine we all would still be searching for our roots.

If anyone knows of any reunions that we should let other's know about, please send them to me and I will put them in the June issue of Carmack Cousins.

Earlene Carmack in Ca. and Gwin Copland in Texas are busy trying to find and solve the missing links of the Carmack family.

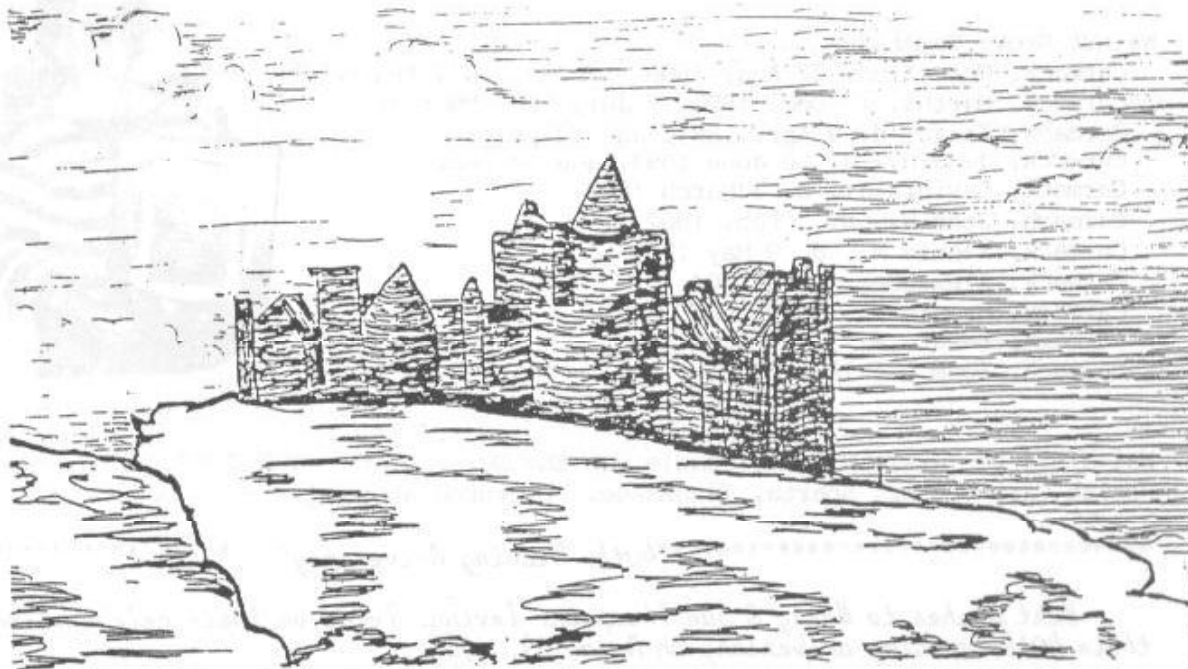
If anyone has any genealogy they would like to share or old pictures of their family please feel free to send them. I think we can all thank Dorothy Hildreth, Wy. on sharing her family with us, especially her mother's material.

Looking forward to hearing from and seeing all this summer at our family reunions.

Best wishes,

Agnes Jones

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*Cornac Chapel, Ireland*

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