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Administrivia

Submitting items for the newsletter: To help us keep track of the material, please include your name, address and date on each piece of paper you submit, including photos. For newspaper articles, including obituaries, please include the name of the paper it came from to include the date, city, state and page number. If you have the capability to send in your item electronically, as an attachment to your e-mail, that's great. But we'll accept it in any format, **so send it in!**

Queries: Queries are **FREE** and will be published when received and if room permits. Please try to keep them brief. As a first response we will use Claude Bunnell's database and check with William

Austin for information. We also want readers to add to the answers we provide. Please feel free to send your reply to the address at the end of the query. Please also send a copy to us so that we can share the information.

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Web Page Update: All of Volume IV and Vol. III, No. 2 are available on the members' web page. Since Nov 30, 2003, our web site has been viewed 1258 times by 534 different people.

Correspondence

We, meaning our Newsletter subscribers, received a very beautiful Thank You card from Carol and Dale Brotzman. This is the way they expressed their gratitude for all who have helped contribute towards the loss of their home: "Charlie and the whole Bunnell Newsletter Folks, You're Terrific! This is for all those wonderful Bunnell Family members who have been so gracious to us."

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Kay Cutshall ([atgoose@suite224.net](mailto:atgoose@suite224.net)) e-mailed us and asked us to remind everyone that when they change e-mail addresses, they need to re-subscribe to any mailing lists they may have belonged to such as the RootsWeb list. She is sensitive to that overlooked step as she administers the Rootsweb mail lists for Bonnell and Bunnell and the message board for Bonnell.

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Julia Dale wrote in January providing us an obituary (see that section), her dues for a year, a bit of information, and a request. She asked if we might publish a listing of Bunnells/Bonnells that served in the Revolutionary War. Bill Austin did that first in Vol. III, No. 4 and then added to the list in Vol. X, No. 4, his last issue. We are working to make those issues available on-line. Julia said that the home of her grandfather, Albert Bonnell, and his parents, James and Rachel (Buffington) Bonnell, no longer exists; not just the house, but the village of Dover, Iowa.

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On our "Sites & Links" page of the Bunnell~Bonnell website, we have a link to the resume of Stephane Bonnell in France. Stephane found it and sent the following e-mail.

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From: Stephane Bonnell [mailto:steph@e-bonnell.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 20, 2004 2:43 AM
To: charlie@bunnellfamily.com
Subject: I am Stephane Bonnell
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Hi,

I am the Stephane Bonnell you are talking in 'sites and links' page. I was very surprised and amused to see my name on your site. I just wanted to tell you I am a man, in your site I appear like a woman. Another site you can add to your list is the family tree my father is making for the "Bonnell" in France: <http://gw.geneanet.org/paulbonnell>

Regards

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Stephane BONNELL  
steph@e-bonnell.net

Computers are useless. They can only give you answers - Pablo Picasso

# New Subscribers

|                   |               |                |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Deborah Donaldson | Donna Doscher | Joanne Rexford |
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## E-Mail Addresses

This is the most current listing. Names in **bold** indicate a new e-mail address since the last issue.

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## Direct Lines

Direct Lines are provided by subscribers. I would recommend that you not treat them as primary source material, but the submitter may be able to provide you with his/her primary sources. William Austin will review Lines submitted to him. Send them directly to him with a request that he review them and forward them to me with any corrections. Addresses are on page 1.

Direct line submitted by Deborah (Bonnell) Donaldson (CB371206), 103 Plum St., Columbus Grove, OH 45830-1243 and validated against Claude Bunnell's database. Information provided by Deborah is in standard print; data added from Claude's database is in bold.

**William Bunnell ~ Ann Wilmot**

**Nathaniel Bonnell ~ Susanna Whitehead**

**Joseph Bonnell ~ Martha Frazee**

**David Bonnell ~ Hannah Thompson**

**David Bonnell ~ Temperance Wade**

**Elias Bonnell ~ Mary Wilkinson**

**Aaron Bonnell ~ Phebe Meeker**

**Stephen Bonnell ~ Elizabeth Bruen**

**Charles Bonnell ~ Clara Archer**

Leonard Bonnell ~ Vada Stover

James Bonnell ~ Helen Smith

Deborah Bonnell ~ Tedd Donaldson

Direct Line submitted by Julia A. Dale, 721 Hillside St., La Cygne, KS 66040-6033 and validated against Claude Bunnell's database. Information provided by Julia is in standard print; data added from Claude's database is in bold. Julia's mother, Rachel I. Bonnell, is no. 340638 in Claude's database.

**William Bunnell ~ Ann Wilmot**

**Nathaniel Bonnell ~ Susanna Whitehead**

**Nathaniel Bonnell ~ Mary Searing**

**Nathaniel Bonnell ~ Joanna Miller**

**John Sr Bonnell ~ Sarah Carter**

**Sylvanus Bonnell ~ Nancy Bonnell**

James H. Bonnell ~ Rachel A. Buffington

Albert Bonnell ~ Ida A. Bargar

Rachel I. Bonnell ~ Theodore R. Adams

Julia Adams ~ James Dale

## Life Changes

### Obituaries, Deaths, Marriages, Births

#### Obituaries:

One of our members passed away in January. The following was sent to us by Norman Crawford, nephew of Ellsworth Bunnell, and his wife Judy Crawford.

From the Colebrook NH news and Sentinel:

#### **Ellsworth Harry Bunnell**

Mr. Ellsworth Harry **Bunnell**, 86, of Colebrook, NH, and St. Petersburg, FL, passed away Sunday, January 18, 2004 at St. Anthony's Hospital in St. Petersburg.

Mr. **Bunnell** was born August 15, 1917, in East Colebrook, NH, son of the late Harry and Ethel (**Buffington**) **Bunnell**.

Mr. **Bunnell** was raised in Columbia, NH. He was a self-taught man, professional florist, professional pianist from the age of 15, world traveler, author, noted local historian, and lecturer.

His ancestral roots can be traced back to two well-known families: one great-great grandmother was a cousin to the famous L.L. **Bean** and a great-great-great grandmother was a niece to Ethan **Allen**. He was the owner of the Blossom Shop prior to his retirement. He was a musician at THE BALSAMS Grand Resort Hotel, having celebrated his 49th anniversary at THE BALSAMS in the summer of 2003. He was an organist for the Monadnock Congregational Church for 40 years. His trio, "The El Bunnell Trio" was a highlight on weekends of the Colebrook House for many years. He was co-chairman of the Colebrook Bicentennial celebration in 1970, having written a book for the bicentennial called Even Unto This Valley. He also published in 1999 Our Family History, tracing his family back to 1066. He assisted with the histories of Colebrook, Columbia and West Stewartstown to name a few. He was also published in New Hampshire Profiles, Northern New Hampshire Magazine and Yankee Magazine. His memberships included Colebrook Historical Society and the North Country Chamber of commerce.

Mr. **Bunnell** is survived by two nephews, Norman **Crawford** of Waterford, CT, and Harry **Crawford** of Louisville, KY; two nieces Linda **Crawford** of Colebrook, NH, and Ruskin, FL, and Evelyn **Greco** of Hurricane, UT; three half-nephews, Jim **Unfonak**, Gerry **Grant** and Don **Grant**, all of New Hampshire; two half-nieces, Mona **Stewart** of Colebrook, NH and Jeanne **Berry** of Canaan, VT; his cousin, Earl **Bunnell** of Canaan, VT, and numerous cousins in Maine; eleven grandnieces and nephews; and fifteen great-grandnieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Geraldine **Crawford** of Groveton, NH, a half-sister, Aurilla **Unfonak** of Colebrook, NH, and a nephew, Sherwood **Crawford**.

A celebration of his life for his family and friends will be held in the spring with burial in the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsfuneralhome.net](http://www.jenkinsfuneralhome.net) or to Norman **Crawford**, 22 Quarry Road, Waterford, CT 06385.

### Expressions of Sympathy

Expressions of Sympathy in Mr. **Bunnell's** memory may be made to the E.H. **Bunnell** Scholarship Fund, c/o Colebrook Academy, Colebrook, NH

[Ed. Note: Ellsworth Bunnell is CB381186



From the Finger Lakes Times, Geneva, N.Y. Sunday, March 14, 2004:

### Jesse J. Bonnell

Lyons - Jessie J. **Bonnell**, 89, died Saturday (March 13, 2004) at Newark-Wayne Community Hospital.

Friends and family are invited to attend calling hours from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday (March 15) at the Weeks-Keysor Funeral Home, 5 Phelps St. in Lyons. A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday (March 16) at the funeral home. Inurnment will be in Rose Cemetery.

For those wishing, please make contributions to the Lyons Fire Department.

Jesse was born Nov. 13, 1914, in Burlington, Vt., the son of Jesse and Pearl M. **Bunker Bonnell**. He retired from Garlock in Palmyra, was a member of the Lyons American War Dads, and was a member of the Lyons Fire Department for 49 years.

He is survived by his eight children, Vivian **Jones** of Florida; Jesse M. (Roberta) **Bonnell** of Florida, Robert (Lynn) **Bonnell** of Waterloo, Ron (Darlene) **Bonnell**, Jack (Mary) **Bonnell** and Shirley **Bonnell**, all of Lyons; and Alan **Bonnell** and Penny **Bonnell**, both of Hannibal; 22 grandchildren; 28 great-children; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters, Edwin, George, Floyd, Dorothy and Marian.

[Ed. Note: Jesse James Bonnell is CB360559 in Claude's database.]

The following was sent to us by Julia (Adams) Dale of La Cygne, KS. She said that a Bonnell cousin of hers had sent it to her. The specific Lincoln, NE newspaper and the date of publication are not known, but it would have been about the 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> of December, 2003.

### **Elizabeth Elva Bonnell Petersen**

Lincoln

Elizabeth Elva **Bonnell Petersen**, 90, Lincoln, died Wednesday (12/10/03) after a prolonged illness. Born, Memphis, Tenn. (5/31/13) to Shannon **Bonnell** and Jennie Mae **Lloyd**.

The family moved to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, where her brother was born, 1916. Graduated from high school as the Great Depression began. Graduated from Northern Michigan State Teachers college with a degree in English, 1935. Became a schoolteacher. During summer breaks she continued her graduate education, studying at University of Chicago and later at University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. It was there, during the summer term of 1939, that she met her future husband, George **Petersen**, on a blind date. Married, Van Orin, Ill. (9/9/40). They moved to Knoxville, Tenn., 1940, where George worked at the University of Tennessee. In 1947, the family moved to the house on Prospect Street in Lincoln, which was her home for 55 years.

Elizabeth's life was full of faith, family, friends and art. The faith community that Elizabeth and George joined when they moved to Lincoln was First Presbyterian Church. "First Pres" was Elizabeth's spiritual base until her death. Her friends and acquaintances there were always a central part of her life and a profound source of comfort in the years after George's death. Another source of friendship Elizabeth cherished was that of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln community. She was a long time member of the Ceres club and maintained friendships with the families of the many university personnel that George worked with during his career.

Above all, art was a constant in her life. She taught art, first at Southeast High School, starting in 1957, and then at Pound Junior High school from the time it opened until her retirement in 1971. In 1970 she received the Lincoln Public School District's Teacher of the Year Award. Until her final illness limited her activities, she continued to share her skill and experience by teaching the children at "First Pres." She was a long-term member of the Lincoln Artists' Guild, and she had several shows of her work over the years.

All those who knew Elizabeth during her long life agree that she was one of a kind, generous and strong-minded, independent and lucid until the very end. She will be deeply missed by those who love her.

Elizabeth's family expresses their heartfelt gratitude to her very special friends from First Presbyterian Church who visited and comforted her to the end and to the wonderful staffs of Clark Jeary Retirement Center and Saint Elizabeth's Hospice who provided outstanding health care and comfort.

She was preceded in death by her husband of more than 40 years, George Milo **Peterson**, 1982.

Survivors: children, Mary Ellen (Scott **Knox**), Rockford, Ill., Sarah (Joel **Mandel**), Davis Calif., William (Sandra **Hayes**), Council Bluffs, Iowa, James (Jean **Walsh**), Middleton, Wis.; grand children (Robert **Knox**, Erin **Knox**, Ilah **Jarvis**, Bianca **Jarvis**, Sara **Moore**, Kristin **Vierra** and James **Petersen**); and six great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother William Shannon **Bonnell**, Chapel Hill, N.C.; his four children (Judy, Mary Elizabeth, Ruth and Ralph); and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews from the eight siblings of her husband.

Celebration of life: 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec 20, 2003, First Presbyterian Church, 840 S. 17<sup>th</sup> St. No visitation, cremation. Aspen Mortuary, 4800 Cleveland Ave. Condolences may be e-mailed to [aspenaftercare@inebraska.com](mailto:aspenaftercare@inebraska.com).

Ed. Note: Elizabeth Bonnell Petersen is CB352341 in Claude's database.

The following was provided by Clement Bunnell, 7 Deer Path, Milford, NJ 08848-1928. It is from the Hunterdon County [NJ] Democrat newspaper, April 8, 2004.

### **George N. Bonnell**

BRANCHBURG - George N. **Bonnell** died April 1, 2004 at the Watchung Ridge Assisted Living [also known as Presbyterian Home of N.J.] in Watchung [Somerset Co.]. He was 77.

He was the father of Leesa **Csolak** of Raritan Township.

Born in Jersey City, he was raised in Rahway and lived in Branchburg for 38 years. He received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Newark College of Engineering in 1958.

He was a professional engineer for several companies, specializing in Web processing equipment design, for which he held several U.S. patents. He retired in 1988 from Johnson & Johnson in New Brunswick.

Mr. Bonnell was an avid aviator and aircraft model builder. He was a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association and built a single-seat acrobatic airplane called an RV-3 at his home over a 5-year period. He was a commercial pilot with an instrument rating.

He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II.

Along with his daughter, he is survived by his wife, Mary **Tabor Bonnell**; 2 sons, Jeffrey of Scotch Plains and Corey of Virginia; and 7 grandchildren.

Services were held on Monday at the Higgins Funeral Home in Watchung. Interment followed at the Saint Gertrude's Cemetery in Colonia [Middlesex Co.].

Donations can be made to the American Cancer Society, 600 First Ave., Raritan 08869-1346.

Ed. Note: George N. Bonnell is CB360324.

This obit was provided by Jerry Hatch, 657 W. Melrose Ave. Chicago, IL 60657-3415. It is from the Chicago Tribune, April 13, 2004.

### **BONNELL JR., WILBURN OTTO**

Wilburn Otto **Bonnell** Jr., a resident of Homewood for over 30 years, died of cancer on April 9, 2004 in Sarasota, Florida. Born in Springfield, Missouri March 10, 1918. Beloved husband of the late Vida Rosa; and father to Mary Ruth **DiCarlo** and Wilburn **Bonnell** III. He was known in the area for many years as the founder of the Bonnell Insurance Agency. He served in WWII as a member of the Navy Band in the South Pacific. He was an active member in the Jaycees and also the choir director for many years at the Presbyterian church of Homewood. When he retired to Sarasota in the mid 80s he also served on the board of the Sarasota Opera. He is survived by his loving companion of 20 years, Elvia **Kuracar**; his children, Wilburn and Mary; and seven grandchildren. Memorial services are Wednesday, April 14, at 11 a.m. at the Ryan Funeral Home, 18022 Dixie Highway in Homewood. The family will receive friends and family members from 9 a.m. at the home. Please omit flowers. Memorials to the American Cancer Society appreciated. Call Ryan Funeral Home for further information. 708-798-0331

Ed. Note; Wilburn Bonnell Jr. is CB361063.

Joanne Rexford, 315 - 12 Ave, Vero Beach, FL 32962, sent the following two obituaries.

The Hammond [IN] Times, February 27, 1950:

CC **Nevins** 47, of Springfield, Mo., who was married to the former Beth **Bunnell** of 118 Indianapolis Blvd., died at this Missouri home early today, friends learned today. Mrs. **Nevins'** father, E.N. **Bunnell**, former Hammond automobile dealer, planned to attend the funeral.

The Hammond Times, March 2, 1950

Mrs. Clark **Nevins**. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow in Springfield Mo, for Mrs. Clark **Nevins**, 41, the former Beth Bunnell of Hammond who died Wednesday. Mrs. **Nevins** died suddenly after returning to her home at 1416 S. Freemont, Springfield, from the funeral of her husband, who succumbed Monday of a heart attack. Her husband was president of the Springfield Lions club and was in the sign business there. Mrs. **Nevins** will be buried beside her husband in a Springfield cemetery tomorrow. She is survived by her father, E.N. **Bunnell**, 1318 Indianapolis, former Hammond automobile dealer.

Ed. Note: Beth Bunnell is CB352486; Eben or Ebenezer Bunnell is CB342599.

## Queries

Alicia Batko, P.O. Box 1341 Montague, NJ 07827 ([histb@nac.net](mailto:histb@nac.net)), is the Montague [Sussex County, NJ] Township Historian and I've seen her name often on the Jacob Everit genealogy mailing list. She sends a couple of queries or requests for sharing of information.

"As township historian, I am very interested in any information that may assist our historical with learning more about the person and descendants of Capt. James Bonnell [Rev. War]. He served in the Minisink area.

We are aware that he kept a journal, part of which was later taken by persons connected with Washington. DC - to help verify service of those who served under him.

Memos found indicate that the remainder may have been donated to the Society of Cincinnati. Any information would be most welcomed."

Ed. Note: This appears to be CB002976, Capt James Bonnell from Hanover Twp, Morris Co., NJ. He was b. in 1754, m. Elizabeth Shimer in 1779, and d. 4 Oct. 1814. Alicia is specifically interested in locating the journal/field book. I sent her instructions for finding James in Claude's database and she has reviewed that information.

"I am also interested in any specifics about Isaac Bonnell was born April 8, 1790 near Dingman's Ferry, Pike County, Pa. He married Roxanna Brink from Honesdale, Pa. on February 10, 1812. Isaac Bonnell of Montague, served in both the Assembly (1844) and the State Senate (1853-1855)."

Ed. Note: For Isaac, I sent her instructions on finding him in Claude's database. He is CB002975. If you have additional info on Isaac, please contact Alicia

Zebulon Montgomery Pike, for whom Pike's Peak was named, was born January 5, 1779 in Trenton, NJ. He was killed April 27, 1813 at the battle of York (Canada), while commanding the American troops there during the War of 1812. Just over 2 months later, Zebulon Montgomery Pike Bunnell was born (July 6, 1813) in Dyberry Twp., Wayne Co., PA, son of David and Parthenia (Kellam) Bunnell. What was the connection that resulted in David and Parthenia naming their son after the general?



## Submissions

The following newspaper clippings are from Carol Brotzman, R.R. 1, Box 1206, Laceyville, PA 18623; the newspaper is probably the Braintrim [PA] Messenger from about September 1909.

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| <p><b>BUNNELL FAMILY HISTORY</b><br/>----</p> <p>The following is the report of the historian, Mrs.M.H. Rice which was read at the family reunion at Pebble Beach Park on Saturday, August 28:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MARRIAGES IN THE BUNNELL FAMILY</b></p> <p>Charles VanScoten, Esq., of Montrose, to Mary Kenyon of Shippensburg, Pa., July 1907.</p> <p>Charles A. Jayne of West Auburn, to Mrs. Verna W. Ruger of Skinners Eddy, September 15, 1908.</p> <p>John L. Bunnell of Meshoppen to Katherine Gilmartin of Tunkhannock, September 13, 1908.</p> <p>Lida Rifenburg of Ransom, to Edward Kircher of Newton, September 24, 1908.</p> <p>Robert Jayne of Russell Hill, to Frances L. Williams of North Eaton, October 15, 1908.</p> <p>Theodore Bunnell of Vosburg, to Jessie Maynard of Mehoopany, October 28, 1908.</p> <p>Frank H. Bunnell of Vosburg, to Mabel Leipham of Russell Hill, December 23, 1908.</p> <p>Alpheus B. Crawford of Silvara, to Miss Maria A. Benscoter of Beech Grove, February 24, 1909.</p> <p>Levi LaFrance, Jr., of Meshoppen, to Grace Love of South Auburn, April 14, 1909.</p> <p>Henry C. Bunnell of Carbondale, to Margaret Hazel Dimock of Carbondale, June 8, 1909.</p> <p>Grace Shumway of Spring Hill, to Martin Blocher of the same place, June 26, 1909.</p> <p>John M. Bunnell of Dimock, to Ada B. Senior of Gibson, August 4, 1909.</p> | <p>John Dymond of Kingston, to Mabel Symonson of Parkvale, July 14, 1909.</p> <p>Wm. B. Davis of Skinners Eddy, to Marion E. Young of Stark Co., O., December 10, 1908.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BIRTHS IN BUNNELL FAMILY</b></p> <p>July 25, 1908, a son to Frank and Martha Bunnell Barber of Dallas. Name - Reed Barber</p> <p>August 10, 1908, a son to George M. 2<sup>nd</sup> and Helen Bunnell of Pottsville. Name - George</p> <p>September 28, 1908, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Willey of Binghamton, N.Y. Name - Horace Raymond Willey</p> <p>September 29, 1908, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Beach of Binghamton, N.Y. Name - Virginia Dickenson Beach</p> <p>October 25, 1908, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. D. Filkins of Shannon Hill.</p> <p>November 25, 1908, a son to Ernest and Vieve Bunnell Love of Bunnell Hill. Name - John Albert.</p> <p>December 22, 1908, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rowe of Brick Chapel. Name - Eveline Eleanor.</p> <p>November 23, 1908, a son to John Jay and Martha H. Swetland of Mehoopany. Name - Orall Jay Swetland.</p> <p>December 28, 1908, a son to Louis E. and Eva Bunnell Lathrop of Scottsville. Name - Edward Bunnell.</p> <p>February 8, 1909, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kintner of Meshoppen.</p> <p>March 13, 1909, a daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Washburn (nee Louise Bunnell) of Susquehauna.</p> | <p>April 20, 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Bunnell of Valdez, Alaska.</p> <p>May 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln B. Rice of New Hope, Bucks county. Name - Clara Pearl.</p> <p>July 6, 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Tolley of Binghamton, N.Y. Name - Marjorie.</p> <p>July 31, 1909, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Mulford J Gay of Heart Lake.</p> <p>August 8, 1909, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Treible of Vosburg. Name - Edward Bannatyne Treible.</p> <p>May 20, 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ellis of Meshoppen.</p> <p>January 1909, a daughter to John L. Bunnell and wife of Meshoppen. Name - Rose Mary.</p> <p>October 1908, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heath of Towanda. Name - Mary Heath.</p> <p>July 1909, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert G. Sumner of Stevensville.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DEATHS IN BUNNELL FAMILY, 1908-09</b></p> <p>Grace, daughter of Susie Corwin, aged 7 years of ptomaine poisoning, at Meshoppen, September 12, 1908.</p> <p>Isaac O. Smith of Vosburg, September 19, 1908, aged 91 years.</p> <p>J. Jackson Manning of South Auburn, October 2, 1908, aged 79 years.</p> <p>Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Bunnell of Meshoppen, October 10, 1908, of diphtheria, aged 10 years.</p> <p>Nellie Mahanna Michael, wife of Eddie Michael of Prospect Hill, October 25, 1908, aged 25 years.</p> <p>Frank O. Dunlap, November 28, 1908, at Carney, aged 29 years.</p> |
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## DEATHS (CONTINUED)

William Jayne of Carney, December 10, 1908, aged nearly 85 years.

Helen, wife of Allen Hoover of Homets Ferry, December 7, 1908, aged 67 years.

John Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Bunnell of Laceyville, December 17, 1908, aged 7 months.

Mrs. Isaac O. Smith of Vosburg, February 20, 1909

Wm. Henry Rice of Solsbury, Bucks county, February 22, 1900 [sic], aged 80 years and 5 months.

Mrs. Barton R. Bunnell of Meshoppen, May 30, 1909, aged 69 years.

D. Shepherd Roberts of Meshoppen, July 7, 1909, aged 57 years.

Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Dougherty of Shannon Hill, July 24, 1909, aged 8 years and six months.

Anna C. Bunnell Hull of Walpack, N.J., April 1908.

The following photograph and data were also provided by Carol Brotzman. She's also interested in any other information about Alice and Lewis that may be available.



Lewis M. James and Alice (Bunnell) James

ALICE<sup>1</sup> BUNNELL (*JONATHAN<sup>A</sup>, GERSHOM<sup>B</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>C</sup>, SOLOMON<sup>D</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>E</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>F</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>G</sup>*) was born November 28, 1854 in Auburn, Susquehanna Co., PA, and died January 16, 1945. She married LEWIS MULFORD JAMES July 1, 1879. He was born Abt. 1850. Alice Bunnell is # 331147 in Claude's database.

Jacque (Bunnell) White (CB034402), 21607 Rambling Rd., Grass Valley, CA 95945, sent a newspaper article on L. A. and Grace Burnell. The subject of the article, Luchen A. Burnell (CB013619), was her uncle and started life as a "Bunnell." Jacque says she doesn't know why that part of the family changed their name to Burnell. The article is from the Franklin Co. [AL] Times-Daily and is dated Jan. 27, 1993. The towns of Spruce Pine and Phil Campbell are in northwestern Alabama. I have copied only the portions of the article relating to the family, omitting those portions dealing with the local history.

## Burnells remember time gone by

By Susanne Howard

SPRUCE PINE -- A senior citizen's mind could be considered a great warehouse of historical information.

L.A. and Grace Burnell hold in their Minds and hearts the treasures of a time gone by - a time when Phil Campbell was not a town, but the supervisor of a railroad and when babies were delivered by a midwife, if word got to her in time.

L.A. Burnell was born in 1906. He was delivered by "Granny Smith," whom Burnell said delivered almost all the children born in Phil Campbell at that time.

Burnell said his father and uncles would always jump on their mule to go and get the midwife when it was time for a child to be born.

"People would say they always knew when a baby was about to be born because they would see Daddy go by on his mule," Burnell said.

The Burnells were farmers, raising corn and cotton. "We'd pick it and haul it by wagon into Phil Campbell," Bunnell said. "The town sat near the train depot then. There were four stores owned then."

### Started young with railroad

Burnell said he joined the U.S. navy when he was young. Too young, he says, and his father worked to have him released.

He then went to work for the railroad and said he has often heard the story of how Phil Campbell got its name.

"The men that worked on the railroad would meet at the depot beside the railroad before work and after," he said. "When the town decided to incorporate, they needed a name. The first superintendent of the railroad was a man named Phil Campbell. They decided to name the town after him."

Grace Burnell also has many fond memories of growing up near Phil Campbell in the late 1900s. Five years younger than her husband, she said she remembers meeting him for the first time in town, the cotton gin, taking a bucket into town to buy lard and years of waiting for him to come home from his job with the railroad.

"Those were hard times back then," she said. "He worked for \$2 a day at first, and then later \$4 a day. We rented a home in Phil Campbell and then later moved to Spruce Pine."

At that time, the Burnells said they had no lights or telephone. But modern conveniences soon began to work their way into the rural areas.

### Wife remembers good times

"I've seen him come in with icicles hanging off of his pants," Grace Burnell said. "It wasn't all hard work though. We had good times raising our boys."

The Burnells have two sons - Bob, now a chemical engineer, and Bill, a bank vice president.

The Burnells have been married 60 years. "When you stay married to someone for that long, then you've really done a job," Grace Burnell said, laughing.

They are members of First Baptist Church of Phil Campbell.



L.A. and Grace Burnell of Spruce Pine remember about baby days with the railroad and Phil Campbell as it was then.

Loretta Brasche, 726 Lawrence Ave. Galesburg, IL 61401-2457, provided copies of the "Pedrick Papers which cover early Ripon, Rosendale and Green Lake (Wisconsin) residents." These are from the Fond du Lac, Wisconsin Library and are not available for inter-library loan. Some of the references cited are unclear; however the "Butterfield (1880)" reference is the 1880 History of Fond du Lac Co, WI.

Bunnell, W. H.

Butterfield (1880) p. 886:

Deceased; b in Erie Co., Penn, Jan 1, 1818; came west in 1856 and settled six miles north of Rosendale in this county, having purchased the farm the year before; lived there nine years and moved to Nekimi twp., Nov 15, 1865; lived there till the spring of 1867 when he came to Ripon twp where he resided until 1872; returned to Winnebago Co., where d July 22, 1873; a farmer; m Miss Margaret E. Goble in Erie Co., Penn. Mar 6, 1845; she was the dau of Timothy and Mary E. Goble of Rochester, N.Y; had eight children: James M, Austin, Duane W, George C, Henry W, Wiltsie I and William T (twins) and Eliza J, now deceased. Mrs. Bonnell is still living.

Necrol 1936 p 30, Mrs W. H. Bonnell d Oct 21, 1903 at her home here; nee Margaret Elizabeth Goble, b. Dec 31, 1823 at Rochester, N.Y. and moved with parents at age 10 to Erie Co., Penn., where she m March 6 1845; came to Wisc. Oct 1, 1856 and settled 5 miles northeast of Rosendale for 9 yrs, and then for 5 yrs in Nekimi twp, Winnebago Co. where her husband d July 22, 1873; she has lived in Ripon 33 yrs. They had 8 ch. Of whom one son d in 1858 and a dau d in 1897; six sons survive: James M. and Henry W. of Ripon; W. A. of Minnesota, Minn; George C. of Antigo; Wiltsie J. and Wilson W. of Grand Rapids, Wis; with 24 gr ch.; member M.E. Ch.

'57-84 p 95, Leslie Bonnell, oldest child of J. M. and Alice Bonnell, was killed at the St Paul depot while playing about the cars. He was 15 yrs of age.

From Ripon Commonwealth, Nov 8, 1929:

James B. Bonnell d Sept 30, 1929 at the home of his son Charles in Alabama; survived by 4 ch.: Alice, Menasha; Margaret, LaCrosse; Robert, Milwaukee; and Charles, whit whom he lived.

From Ripon College Alumni Catalog (1930):

Alice Iola Bonnell, grad 1916 BA; Teacher-Librarian; 541 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Menasha, Wis

Necrol 1943 p 117:

Mrs Alice Bonnell, 91, d at her home on Liberty St. Nov 29, 1943; she was b Aug 17, 1852, dau of Axiom & Rubie Ann Maudlin (see this list), m. James M. Bonnell Oct 22, 1872; survived by two sons: Charles of Fairhope, Florida, and Robert of Milwaukee; and two daughters: Miss Margaret and Miss Alice who reside here; int in Hillside cemetery, Rev Glenn A. Rowles officiating.

From data obtained for Cong'l Ch. Album, 1935:

Alice Maudlin Bonnel, dau of Axion & Ruby Maudlin, his wife, was b Aug 17, 1852 at Green Lake, Wis, her parents being natives of Indiana; educated in rural schools and in Ripon; m Oct 22, 1872 to James Monroe Bonnell, in the twp of Ripon by Rev A. H. Manwell; ch.: James Leslie, b. June 3, 1874, d Sept 5, 1899; Charles Elwood, b. Aug 30, 1875, now of Fairhope, Ala.; Alice Iola, b. Aug 20, 1881, now of Ripon; Robert Everett, b. Sept 18, 1883, now of Milwaukee; and Margaret Isabelle, b. Dec 14, 1885, now of La Crosse, Wis. -- all b in Ripon

Necrol 1951 p 81:

Mrs. Charles E. Bonnell, of Fairhope, Alabama, d there Sept 7, 1951; she was a former resident here, where she lived for 16 yrs prior to moving to Alabama; is survived by her husband, and 4 ch: Paul of Fairhope; Leslie and Edgar of New Orleans; and Majorie of Fairhope.

Vol 46 Ripon Hist Coll p 210:

Charles Bonnell, 82 visits Ripon visited Ripon the 1<sup>st</sup> week in June, 1958 for his 1<sup>st</sup> visit in 40 yrs. He was b on a farm just north of the city limits on Co Tr E. He reports that his bro Robert, a former typesetter on the Commonwealth is in a hospital at Elkhorn, badly injured from an auto accident in May, whom he visited recently. His wife is dead, leaving 4 ch: Mrs. Maudlin, (Mrs. Louis A Maudlin, of Fairhope, Ala, Leslie Bonnell of New Orleans, Paul and Edgar Bonnell of Fairhope, 10 gr. ch and 8 gr. gr. ch; also sisters of Charles: Misses Margaret and Alice Bonnell, who are now at their summer cottage at Green Lake, having come from their home at Lonsdale, near Hot Springs, Ark.

## Cemeteries

In the last issue we printed the burials in Kentucky, West Virginia, Indiana, and some from PA. This issue we have some more from PA and a few from Wisconsin provided by Loretta Brasche, some from a Bonnell Cemetery (on a private farm near Weston, Missouri) provided by Anne Barrett, while Marjorie Gibbs provided other Missouri burial information.

- Sources:
- 1 = Claude Bunnell's Database
  - 2 = Provided by Marjorie Gibbs
  - 3 = Kentucky Cemetery Records, Volume I, compiled, edited & indexed by the Kentucky Records Research Committee, Kentucky Soc. D. A. R., 1960
  - 4 = Cemeteries in Hardin County, Kentucky, Volume V, Compiled by Mrs. Ernest L Dykes and Mrs. Dewey B. Pate
  - 5 = The Kentucky Cemetery Records Project, Hart Co., KY, Editor and Compiler, Gradie R. Rowntree, Dec. 31, 1990
  - 6= "Northwest Missouri Genealogical Journal", Vol. 9, No. 2, 1989, p. 11: King City Cemetery [Gentry Co.]
  - 7 = Provided by Floyd Baldwin
  - 8 = Provided by Elizabeth Marks
  - 9 = Provided by Loretta Brasch
  - 10 = Provided by William Austin
  - 11 = Provided by Anne McDade Barrett

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|          | First  | Middle | Last    | Year       | MMDD | State | City        | Cemetery    |         | First       | Middle | Surname   |                                                                                          |     |
| 004545   | George |        | Bonnell | 1892       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | Sarah       | A.     | Coover    | b. 1819                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004545S  | Sarah  | A.     | Bonnell | 1905       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | George      |        | Bonnell   | b. 1827                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004047   | Mary   | E.     | Bonnell | 1922       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         |             |        |           | b. 1869                                                                                  | 9   |
| 000401   | Rosa   | P.     | Bonnell | 1927       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         |             |        |           | b. 1863                                                                                  | 9   |
| 008773   | George | Leroy  | Bonnell | 1954       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         |             |        |           | b. 1883                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004273   | Jesse  | C.     | Bonnell | 1932       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | Pheba       | M.     | Blakeslee | b. 1858                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004273S  | Pheba  | M.     | Bonnell | 1941       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | Jesse       | C.     | Bonnell   | b. 1875                                                                                  | 9   |
| 011957   | J.     | Clair  | Bonnell | 1950       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         |             |        |           | b. 1896                                                                                  | 9   |
| 028924   | Leafy  | D.     | Bonnell | 1944       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         |             |        |           | b. 1899                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004546   | Leroy  | W.     | Bonnell | 1921       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | Celia       | J.     | Holder    | b. 1849                                                                                  | 9   |
| 004546S  | Celia  | J.     | Bonnell | 1894       |      | PA    | Waterford   | Waterford   |         | Leroy       | W.     | Bonnell   | b. 1853                                                                                  | 9   |
| 029212   | George |        | Bonnell | 1882       | 8/19 | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         |             |        |           | b. 10 May 1880;<br>son of<br>Josephine &<br>Elliott Bonnell;<br>aged 3 months,<br>9 days | 9   |

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|          | First     | Middle    | Last    | Year       | MMDD  | State | City        | Cemetery    |         | First       | Middle    | Surname                                                                    |                |     |
| 004506   | George    |           | Bonnell | 1882       | 1/29  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | Philindia   | Lee       | b. 3 Jan 1804; aged 77 yrs, 1 mo, 26 Ds.                                   | 9              |     |
| 004506S  | Philindia |           | Bonnell | 1853       | 9/24  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | George      | Bonnell   | aged 46 Yrs, 6 Ds.                                                         | 9              |     |
|          | Harrison  |           | Bonnell | 1864       | 4/26  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         |             |           |                                                                            | 9              |     |
| 000262   | John      |           | Bonnell | 1881       | 2/6   | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | Cynthia     | Wadsworth | aged 69 yrs. 9 mos.                                                        | 9              |     |
| 000262S  | Cynthia   |           | Bonnell | 1872       | 7/2   | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | John        | Bonnell   | aged 57 yrs.                                                               | 9              |     |
| 000263   | Lovisa    |           | Bonnell | 1886       | 1/2   | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         |             |           | Dau. Of John & Cynthia Bonnell; aged 48 years, 7 mos.                      | 9              |     |
| 0029215  | Mary      | Ann       | Bonnell | 1847       | 7/18  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         |             |           | aged 12 years                                                              | 9              |     |
| 004136   | Thomas    |           | Bonnell | 1871       | 10/6  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | Eve         | Coover    | aged 96 yrs.                                                               | 9              |     |
| 004136S  | Eve       |           | Bonnell | 1886       | 5/18  | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         | Thomas      | Bonnell   | aged 87 yrs                                                                | 9              |     |
| 0029214  | Jimmy     |           | Bonnell | 1868       |       | PA    | Harborcreek | Gospel Hill |         |             |           | "Our Jimmy"; son of [George] Washington & Isabell Bonnell; b. 18 July 1864 | 9              |     |
| 012641   | W.        | S.        | Bonnell | 1878       | 6/22  | WI    | Rosendale   | Pioneer     |         | Elizabeth   | Hogan     | aged 85 yrs.                                                               | 9              |     |
| 012641S  | Elizabeth |           | Bonnell | 1865       | 5/27  | WI    | Rosendale   | Pioneer     |         | W.          | S.        | Bonnell                                                                    | aged 73 yrs.   | 9   |
| 004547S  | Margaret  | Elizabeth | Bonnell | 1903       | 10/21 | WI    | Rosendale   | Pioneer     |         | William     | H.        | Bonnell                                                                    | b. 31 Dec 1823 | 9   |
| 004551   | Wilson    | S.        | Bonnell | 1864       | 5/22  | WI    | Rosendale   | Pioneer     |         |             |           | son of Wm & E.; aged 27 yrs, 7 mo.                                         | 9              |     |

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|          | First     | Middle | Last    | Year       | MMDD | State | City      | Cemetery |         | First       | Middle | Surname |                         |     |
| 028901   | James     | P.     | Bonnell | 1858       | 9/30 | WI    | Rosendale | Pioneer  |         |             |        |         | ae. 33 yrs, 7 mo, 16 ds | 9   |
| 028919   | Elizabeth | J.     | Bonnell | 1858       | 3/28 | WI    | Rosendale | Pioneer  |         |             |        |         | dau. Of Wm. H. & M.E.   | 9   |

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|          | First    | Middle | Last    | Year       | MM/DD | State |           |           |         | First       | Middle | Surname |                                                       |      |
| 340399   | John     | W      | Bunnell | 1935       |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         | b. 1858                                               | 2, 6 |
| 350242   | Charles  | H      | Bunnell | 1918       |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         | b. 1891                                               | 2, 6 |
| 350239S  | Dora     | I      | Bunnell |            |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         | b. 1889                                               | 2, 6 |
| 350239   | William  |        | Bunnell | 1928       |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         | b. 1884                                               | 2, 6 |
| 350243   | James    | C      | Bunnell | 1927       |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         | b. 1895                                               | 2, 6 |
| 350245   | Theodore |        | Bunnell |            |       | MO    | King City | King City |         |             |        |         |                                                       | 2, 6 |
| 001601   | Jonathan |        | Bonnel  | 1859       | 3/16  | MO    | Weston    | Bonnel    |         |             |        |         | Aged 98Ys & 4 Ms.                                     | 11   |
| 012786   | Sarah    |        | Bonnel  | 1872       | 10/28 | MO    | Weston    | Bonnel    |         |             |        |         | Aged 72 Ys.;<br>Dau of Jonathan Bonnel                | 11   |
| 012785   | Rebecca  | Ann    | Lawlis  | 1890       | 10/22 | MO    | Weston    | Bonnel    |         | William T.  |        | Lawlis  | Aged 72 Ys,<br>3 Mos, & 10 Ds; Dau of Jonathan Bonnel | 11   |

Ed. Note: The Bonnel Cemetery also contains other descendants of Jonathan Bonnel's daughter, Rebecca. If you wish that information contact me or Anne Barrett, 4657 Barcelona Way, Oceanside, CA 92056.

## Biography

### MARTHA BIDDLE PRICE BUNNELL

Charles Bunnell (CB361120), 3211 Treemont St., SW, Huntsville, AL 35801-3459, has provided a biography of his grt-grt-grandmother, Martha Bunnell (320292S).

“For a long time I have searched for the death date and burial site of my Great Great Grandmother, Martha Bunnell. I recently obtained her death date from a researcher in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Martha Biddle was born in 1798 in Fleming County, KY. She married William Price in Mason County, KY in 1819. They had a daughter, Permelia Price in 1820. They had other children, but names, gender and ages are not known. It is not known how Martha and William separated. Martha Biddle Price married Ephraim Bunnell in Warren County, OH on March 15, 1827. Ephraim Bunnell was born Dec 22, 1803 in Mason County, KY. Ephraim's Bunnell line goes back to William Bunnell, the Immigrant, as follows: Ephraim, David, Stephen, James, Nathaniel, Nathaniel, William.

Ephraim and Martha Bunnell moved to Montgomery County, Indiana, in 1828 with their son Alfred and children of Martha's first marriage to William Price. They lived in and around Waynetown, IN. Their children were Alfred, born Jan 18, 1827 in Warren County, OH, Elizabeth, Harriett, Martha Ellen, Ephy (died at age 20), and Vezy. Elizabeth through Vezy were born in Montgomery County, IN.

Ephraim died in Montgomery County on March 9, 1868, and is buried in the Waynetown Pioneer Cemetery on the east edge of Waynetown. Martha Bunnell was in the 1880 census on Montgomery County, IN living with her daughter, Harriet Bunnell Switzer and her husband, William Switzer. Martha's death was reported in the Crawfordsville Daily Evening Argue, dated Saturday, January 6, 1883:

‘Found Dead

(Waynetown Press)

Mrs. Patty Bunnell, mother of our fellow townsman, Vezy Bunnell, who lived with Wm. Switzer, near Wesley was found dead in bed Thursday morning. She had been ill for several days and they gave her medicine during the night. In the morning at the time she should take another dose, they thought she was sleeping so nicely that they would not wake her. At breakfast time one of the family went to call her, and was horrified to find her cold in Death's icy grasp.’

My ancestor is Alfred Bunnell who married Catherine Jane Edwards on Oct 4, 1849, in Waynetown, IN. They had six children as follows: William, Mary Jane, Martha E., Nancy Ann, Albert, and Charles Jerome. Charles Jerome was my Grandfather. He was born Feb 5, 1866, in Waynetown, Indiana.”

## Research Findings

The following article was written by Jim Burnell (CB030105), 17208 Rimrock Dr., Golden, CO 80401-2530.

### “Why There’s a Burnell in Your Group

If any of you have noticed the presence of a Burnell on the mailing list, you may have scratched your head and wondered why. The Bonnell-Bunnell association is well established; meanwhile, Burnell (or Burnell-Brunel) is a well established family name in its own right. There are numerous Burnells in England and Ireland with a name that came with William the Conqueror from Normandy. I know a lot about the name because it's my family name and I researched it for years, thinking my family had immigrated from Ireland.



My introduction to the internet genealogy, however, changed the whole story. I had catalogued virtually every Burnell in the U.S. Census, working backward in search of Henry Burnell (born 1849), my great grandfather.

Through brute force, I had finally broken through the stone wall. By searching census records carefully line-by-line, county by county, year by year, I realized that the Burnells for which I searched transformed back through time into a Bonnell family. I e-mailed messages with DeDe Burnell who informed me that her father-in-law had actually changed their family name from Bonnell to Burnell, so she was searching with the same situation. She got me in contact with Claude Bunnell and subsequently, Bill Austin, and the story began to form. Not an explanation, though.

In 1839 James Bonnell [CB001789] married Susannah Winn in Juniata county, PA. They appear in Centre county PA in the 1840 census records. By 1850 they had migrated north to Clinton County and enumerated seven children - Thomas Wayne, Mary A., Wilson P., William, Susan, James and my ancestry, Henry. In 1860, Wilson and James are listed in the James/Susannah household; next door (the next household) was Wayne, his wife Susan, and two older children, Henry and Andrew.

It's after 1860 that the mystery occurs. James enlisted in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry in 1861 as James Bonnell. His son Wilson P. had enlisted several months earlier and appeared as Wilson P. Burnell. In 1864, eldest son Wayne enlisted in the 51<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry as Wayne Bonnell and his younger brother William in the 207<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry as William Burnell. So four family members served in the Union Army - two as Bonnells and two as Burnells.

Shortly after the war, father James died and was buried as James Bonnell. That was essentially the last mention of the Bonnell name in the family. About the same time, Wilson P. married as Wilson P. Burnell. In the 1870 census, Susannah is listed with my great grandfather as "Brunell." From that point on, the family can be traced in Clinton County as Burnell. My own great-grandfather wandered away and died in Mifflin County in January, 1904, as Henry Burnell.

The explanation of census-taker's error just doesn't seem to fit. Susannah was illiterate, based on her Civil War Widow's Pension Application. Even still, although her entire family was calling themselves "Burnell," Susannah's pension application listed her deceased husband as "James Bonnell," apparently recognizing the distinctly different name.

I haven't yet been able to identify the parents or origin of James Bonnell. There were Bonnells in both Huntingdon and Bedford Counties in the 1820-1830 time frame. Both those families were in the geographical area of Susannah Winn's family in Juniata County and there was significant interaction among those Appalachian counties at that time. I suspect James belonged to one of those families. I'm confident that I'll someday find out James' family. Why the name evolved to Burnell is something I'll probably never know."

## Claude's Comments

For any new members, Claude Bunnell (CB360036) built and maintains a Bunnell/Bonnell/Burnell database containing about 33,000 names, which he shares freely at <http://bunnellbonnellburnellfamily.com/>. Claude's addresses are always in the box on page 1. You can learn more about Claude at: <http://www.udel.edu/PR/Messenger/02/3/bunnel.html>. Claude writes:

"I had a researcher in Indiana collect all newspaper listings in Montgomery County of Bunnell, Bonnell & Burnell surnames. There were 170 articles collected and I have added all of them to the database. I may have the rest of the Indiana counties collected. Apropro of this, I would appreciate receiving pcs of newspaper listings of births, deaths and marriages to add to the db. I would need the name & location of the newspaper & the date. Send to my NJ address May to Oct...

I am working on collecting the 1930 census records and have completed adding all through California to the database. I am doing the states in alphabetical order and expect it will take another year or more to complete the states. I have found numerous family connections in the California listings.”

## The Bonnell House

I have been asked by some of the members to provide some information on the Nathaniel Bonnell/Bunnell house in Elizabeth, NJ. Charles Bunnell, 3211 Treemont St., SW, Huntsville, AL 35801-3459, Julia Dale, 721 Hillside St. La Cygne, KS 66040-6033, and Jerry Hatch, 657 W. Melrose Ave., Chicago, IL 60657-3415 all provided photos and/or material from and about the Bonnell/Bunnell house. Additionally, William Austin had an article about the house in Vol. I, No. 3, dated 1 July 1987, Page 7, which is available on line.

One of the first things that most people noticed in the past was that there was disagreement on the property itself over the correct spelling of the name: Bonnell - Bunnell.



The photos at the left and right, provided by Julia, are from a 1961 visit by her Aunt Fern Bonnell of Missoula, MT. Then it was the “Nathaniel Bonnell House.”



The two signs below, provided by Julia, were taken shortly after a 1982 restoration and it was still unclear how the name was supposed to be spelled.



Jerry Hatch sent a copy of the brochure that was handed out in 1985 that was titled: “The Bonnell House.” But his notes describe the two signs; one referring to it as the ‘Bonnell House’ and one referring to it as the “Nathaniel Bunnell House.”

The front of the house appears to have been altered over the years, or some photos are of the front while others are of the back. Currently there are no dormers and only a small porch on the front, while older photos show two dormers and a wide porch. Anyone know the answer to that?



Charles visited it in 2000 and says that there were still two signs. The sign in front refers to it as the “Nathaniel Bunnell House” and the handout calls it the Nathaniel Bunnell Homestead.



The house currently is owned by the Elizabethtown Historical Foundation and houses the New Jersey State Headquarters of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The Nathaniel Bunnell or Bonnell who built the house was the first child of William and Anne (Wilmot) Bunnell. He was born about 1630 or 1640, probably at the Massachusetts Bay Colony. His brother Benjamin would have been born in the same time period. In 1651, the New Haven Court records show that William’s son and daughter had been apprenticed out in his absence. A Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 1653 Court was considering what to do about sickly Anne(Wilmot) Bunnell and states, “... there is two children to be put out ...” In both cases, the wording implies that if there were a second son, he had either reached majority or was too young to be considered for apprenticing. Also, a 1652 Court record reports “youths” who were in trouble and listed among them is Benjamin. From that I am inclined to believe that Nathaniel was the first born, probably early in the 1630s and Benjamin would have been born in the 1640s. Because of the marriage date of Nathaniel (1665) and Benjamin (before 1667), neither one was born after 1651.

Nathaniel was a member of “The Associates,” a group of 80 (some sources say 65) men from New Haven, CT and Long Island who founded Elizabeth, NJ. The deed transferring the land from the Indians to the Associates was signed Oct. 28, 1664. On January 3, 1665, in New Haven, Nathaniel married Susannah Whitehead, daughter of Isaac Whitehead and appears to have immediately relocated to NJ. As one of the associates, he was provided a “house-lot of six acres, 15 by 4 chains,” one side of which was bounded by the property of Isaac Whitehead; presumably his father-in-law. (Other later property exchanges between the two reinforce that likelihood.) I can only find two mentions of Isaac Whitehead in New Haven: The first is in ‘Genealogies of Connecticut Families,’ Vol. III, Page 545 which simply states he was in New Haven in 1643; The second is in “Families of Ancient New Haven,” Vol. II, page 359, which merely states that Susanna is the daughter of Isaac Whitehead. It seems likely that the Isaac Whitehead in New Haven and the one in NJ is the same one, who, like Nathaniel, moved from New Haven to NJ.

The house was built sometime between the sale of the land in 1640 and 1684. According to a 1985 pamphlet that was handed out at the house, Nathaniel was a member of the “first recorded jury in the colony which occurred I May, 1671. It therefore seems very likely that this house was built sometime before then ...”

The article goes on to say, “An interesting item referring to the door construction of this Bonnell house was discovered after the booklet had gone to press. The panels are arranged in the form of a cross, a custom adopted by the Huguenots for identification and a guide for fellow members.”

Nathaniel died after 1696 and the house remained in the family until sometime after the Revolutionary War when it was sold to the Price family. None of the sources provided information to be able to determine which family members resided in the house until its sale, but it would have likely been Nathaniel’s great-grandchildren who sold it.

The morphing of the name from Bunnell to Bonnell is also not explained in any of the publications, but it does not appear that he changed it immediately upon departing New Haven. Rather it was a gradual change resulting in most of his descendents spelling it with an o.

## New Publications

Geoffrey Brown [betweenthelakes@comcast.net] sent e-mails advising that the 2nd and 3rd CD-ROMs in the Litchfield County, CT series are available. The first one is a "CD-ROM re-publishing John Boyd's monumental 'Annals of Winchester, Conn.' (1873).

One particularly important addition we have made to "Annals" is the first-ever index of places mentioned in that book. While Boyd's indexes of people are very good for the time, the lack of an index of locations has hampered people seeking to track migrations into and out of the Winsted/Winchester area. We think that our new index will help. The new index is on our website for review; please do take a look at it! There are two Bunnells in the Winchester book – each gets a paragraph:

--Eliab Bunnell, whose businesses in Winsted and their locations are described, until he removed to Vernon, NY, along with a lot of other people from Winchester/Winsted.

--Captain William Bunnell, blacksmith at Winchester Center until his death."

The third CD "is based on our republication of 'Two Centuries of New Milford, Connecticut --1707-1907' and the 1937 New Milford High School yearbook, supplemented by applicable portions of 'The Connecticut Guide.' Also included are a selection of old postcards and other pictures and old topographic maps of the area. We have completely re-indexed "Two Centuries" and indexed the 1937 yearbook – these indexes are on the CD-ROM as well."

For more information, please check their website, <http://www.betweenthelakes.com/winchester.htm> .

## Post Script

Pat and I were visited by Bill Tidball from British Columbia. He was visiting his son and family in DC and dropped down for a visit. It was great meeting our 6<sup>th</sup> cousin. Bill and I share Isaac and Eleanor/Lanah (Barkalow) Bunnell as our 4<sup>th</sup> great grandparents. This was the first time that we had met and we shared stories of our lives. Bill said that next year he'd visit us in Tennessee. In the photo, Bill is on the left. If you are going to be in our area, wherever that may be at the time, there's an open invitation to visit. We really enjoyed meeting Bill and would love to meet every one of our cousins.



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Anne McDade Barrett, 4657 Barcelona Way, Oceanside, CA 92056, sent the photos below of a cemetery she and, I assume, family members found back in 2000. It sits on a farmer's property near Weston, MO and is called the Bonnel Cemetery. The photo on the left shows what it looked like when they first found it and the one on the right shows it when they finished work on it, "with plenty of help from the farmer." They cleaned it up and reset the tombstones that had fallen over, preserving it for future genealogists. She says that if anyone wants to visit it, the farmer who owns it "will happily show it when his time permits." Just drop Anne a note for instructions on finding it and the name of the farmer. Well done Anne and family, and thanks from current and future genealogists.

