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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 on the query. Please also send a copy to us so that we can share the information.

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Web Page Update: No changes at this time.

Correspondence

We received many letters and e-mails regarding our recent move to Tennessee; far too many to include in the newsletter. We appreciated all of the good thoughts you sent.



I recently heard from Lois Mason, 12 Flatbrookville Rd, Walpack, Columbia, NJ, 07832. Her e-mail address is Realoldhouse@wmconnect.com. Through a series of e-mails she has provided some interesting information about the David Bunnell (CB320229) house that she currently owns, and the surrounding countryside. I have provided a summary of her e-mails under a section titled The David Bunnell House. Though she lives in Walpack Township in Sussex County, she says "we don't have local mail service so we have to use the Columbia postal delivery." By the way, she is now checking on a reported Bunnell homestead in Pennsylvania, across the Delaware River from Walpack Township.



Sally Fahrenthold [mailto:sallyf@cox.net] wrote: *"You state that 'The [Nathaniel Bunnell] house currently is owned by the Elizabethtown Historical Foundation and houses the New Jersey State Headquarters of the Sons of the American Revolution.'*

When I visited in 1999, the house was occupied by a Community Development Agency for the betterment of the neighborhood -- and I was told that the Sons of the American Revolution was no longer using the house. I had also telephoned previously to the Historical Foundation and learned this as well.

I wonder whether the situation has changed? It would really be nice if the house could be maintained historically. "

I checked with the Sons of The American Revolution and the Elizabethtown Historical Foundation and learned that the Sons are no longer in the house and it isn't owned by the Elizabethtown Historical Foundation. A group called the Historical Society of Elizabeth, NJ Inc. now owns it. But I was able to learn little about the group during a phone call to their office. Thanks for catching that Sally.



Last year Beverly Sorenson, 1042 Whitfield Rd., Northbrook, IL 60062-3956, sent me an advertisement for books. One of the authors was Deb T. Bunnell. Her titles include: "My First French ABC Coloring Book," "My First Spanish ABC Picture Coloring Book," and "Spanish Search-A-Word Picture Puzzle." Neither Claude Bunnell nor William Austin recognized her name, so I e-mailed the publishers explaining our interest in being put in contact with Deb. I finally heard from John Grafton, one of the Editors, who assured me that he would forward my e-mail to Deb. Unfortunately, I have heard nothing more, so it appears that we won't be connecting her to the family tree.



In response to my e-mail requesting info on any Bunnell/Bonnell reunions in Indiana, Monty Peden sent the following.

From: Monty Peden [mailto:peden@hoosierlink.net]
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2004 3:05 PM
To: Charlie@bunnellfamily.com; Norma Sullivan ; Elizabeth M. Marks
Cc: Charles R. Bunnell Sr.
Subject: Re: Bunnell Reunions?

Charlie, Charles, and all;

I'm sorry to say I don't know of any Bunnell / Bonnell reunions in Indiana. Our MAYS Reunion is being held this Sunday, however, July 18th, in Saratoga, Indiana, in the Lions Club Building at 12 noon. The only reason I mention this, is because we are all descendants of Thomas Jefferson MAYS and his wife, Hannah BONNELL (daughter of William BONNELL, granddau. of Aaron BONNELL, etc.) We really don't have anyone named BONNELL there, because their children were all named MAYS of course. But, they all have BONNELL blood in them, from great-great-grandmother Hannah Bonnell Mays. (As a genealogist, I am the unofficial historian of the family, and keeper of the records.) Thanks again for all you do to further the genealogical work on the BONNELL lines.

Sincerely yours in genealogy,

Monty Peden

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Lyda and Charlie Cloud ([grayebc@sstelco.com](mailto:grayebc@sstelco.com)) sent the following obit. They later followed it up with a full announcement which is in the obituaries section. What she mentions here about names being changed provides another example of the challenges we all face when tracking our ancestors.

**From:** CHARLES D. CLOUD [mailto:grayebc@sstelco.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 14, 2004 12:30 PM  
**To:** charlie bunnell  
**Subject:** death

Tulsa World Newspaper dated July 14, 2004  
Coffeyville, Kansas - Myrtle Robertson Bunnell 104 died Monday, Services pending Penwell-Gabel.

What is strange my mothers maiden name is Roberson; married Bunnell. Roberson was Robertson in Scotland and when they came to Arkansas old Dr. Robinson down there changed everyone's spelling of that name. When he delivered a baby for Roberson he spelled the kids name Robinson like his, when he did a death he spelled it Robinson like his.

lyda and charlie

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Donna Doscher (BunnyMae@bunnellfamily.com) wrote that she had been led to believe a Bunnell was among the early settlers in Jamestown, VA. A Park Ranger had given her a copy of one page of a book that purported to list all of the first settlers. After checking into it, I found that the book was "*The Original Lists of Persons of Quality; Emigrants, Religious, ... 1600-1700 who went from great Britain to the American Plantation, 1600 - 1700, with their ages, ...*" and other information. Many of you may have already seen this book. I ordered it; it's available in paperback for \$42 + \$4 shipping from Willow Bend Books, 65 East Main St, Westminster, MD 21157-5026. You can also reach them on-line at www.willowbendbooks.com. The Bunnell reference is for burials in the Parish of St. Michaels, Barbados on page 428. On Aug. 5, 1678 William Bunnell was laid to rest there. There has always been some

conjecture regarding the possibility of that being the William who first came to America. But nothing has been found to substantiate that claim. There is also a Mrs. Burnell of the same parish, on page 452, who has 6 acres and 2 "Negroes."

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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Bonnell	Carole	Carolebonnell@aol.com			BunnyMae@bunnellfamily.com
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Bonnell	Linda	labjkb@aol.com	Flavel	Joan	obj@harborside.com
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Cole	Elaine	evbcole@aol.com	Wilkins	Judith	JudithWilkins@comcast.net

Direct Lines

Direct Line submitted by Chester Bunnell (chet-eunice@bunnellfamily.com) and validated against Claude Bunnell's database.

William Bunnell ~ Ann Wilmot

Benjamin Bunnell ~ Rebecca Mallory

Benjamin Bunnell ~ Hannah Plumb

Solomon Bunnell ~ Mary Holdern

Isaac Bunnell ~ Eleanor Barkalow

John Bunnell ~ Hannah Jayne

Henry Bunnell ~ Eliza Livermore

Charles Bunnell ~ Nancy Everett

Edward Bunnell ~ Nina Doney

Sydney Bunnell ~ Doris Conaty

Chester Bunnell ~ Ann Fessenden

Michael Bunnell ~ Penny Wheat

Thomas Bunnell

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Direct Line submitted by Geoff Brown ([betweentheakes@comcast.net](mailto:betweentheakes@comcast.net)) , and validated against Claude Bunnell's database.

Daniel Bonnell ~ Sarah Hotchkin

May Bonnell ~ Eugene Cross

Helen Cross ~ Edmond Brown

Geoff Brown ~ Judith Sherman

## Life Changes

Obituaries, Deaths, Marriages, Births

### Obituaries:

Provided by Max Sullivan ([maxrsullivan@remconline.net](mailto:maxrsullivan@remconline.net)) from The Peru Tribune, Peru, IN, Website.

### Ronald E. 'Bunny' Bunnell, 79

Ronald E. 'Bunny' **Bunnell**, 79, Peru, passed away on Friday, July 9, 2004 at 9 p.m. at the Heart Center of Indiana, Indianapolis.

He was retired after 43 years at the N & W as a railroad conductor.

Bunnell was born on Aug. 30, 1924 in Peru to Charles E. **Bunnell** and Emma K. (**Kemp**) **Bunnell**.

He married Luretta 'Jean' **Hile** on Sept. 1, 1946.

Bunnell was a lifetime and active member of the Main Street United Methodist Church, was an avid sportsman, particularly fishing, was a loving father and grandfather, and enjoyed entertaining patients at nursing homes.



**Ronald E. 'Bunny' Bunnell**

He served in the United States Army during World War II in the South Pacific and Philippines.

Bunnell is survived by son, Gary Lee **Bunnell**, Mexico; two daughters, Ronna Jean **Beck**, and

husband Rick, Peru, and Julie Ann **Bowyer**, Peru; seven grandchildren, Adam **Bunnell**, Bloomington, Jeremy **Bunnell**, Paragon, Jeffrey **Marburger**, Mexico, Jason **Marburger**, Tyler Lee **Bowyer**, and Mandy Jean **Bowyer**, each of Peru, and Jessica **Shannon**, Logansport; one brother, Charles E. **Bunnell**, Peru; and one sister, Eunice **Gilbert**, Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and wife.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Main Street United Methodist Church with Pastor Steven **Ailes** officiating.

There will be a military committal service provided by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Visitation will be on Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru from 3 to 7 p.m.

Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Main Street United Methodist Church building fund.

[Ed. Note: Ronald Bunnell is CB034980 and should be added to Claude's data base by the time you receive this.]

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Lyda and Charlie Cloud, (grayebc@sstelco.com) sent us the following

Obit. from Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home Coffeyville, Kansas

Myrtle Robertson **Bunnell**

Age 104 died Monday, July 12, 2004, at Coffeyville Regional Medical Center. The daughter of Charles Wesley and Clara (**Dillon**) **Robertson**, she was born Sept. 16, 1899, Highland, Kansas. She graduated from Dodge City High School and taught for a number of years in Ford and Gray Counties as well as in the Dodge City School System.

She married Harley **Oakes** on May 8, 1920 in Meade, Kansas. He died August 24, 1940. On July 30, 1948, she married John E. **Bunnell**. He preceded her in death October 9, 1976. She moved to Coffeyville in 1996.

Mrs **Bunnell** was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Dodge City, Kansas; a member of the United Methodist Women; a Past Matron of and a 50 year member of the Order of Eastern Star; a member of the Social Order of Beauceant; and a member of the Kansas Teacher's Association.

She is survived by a daughter, Sharon **Tongier**, of Coffeyville, Kansas; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and two sisters.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date in Dodge City under the direction of Swaim Funeral Home. Local arrangements were handled by Penwell-Gabel Ford-Wulf-Bruns Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice and may be left at the funeral home.

[Ed. Note: Claude provided additional information: *It appears the reference is to 006340 John Ethan Bunnell. I did not have a previous record of his marriage to Myrtle. I will put it in the next update.*
 Claude Lineage is: William, James, Daniel [Bonnell]]

Marriages

Provided by Patricia Clarke (knobbyce@auracom.com) of Canada, through Carole Bonnell. The church is in New Brunswick, Canada.

Greenwich & Westfield Anglican Church Records - Marriages A to K Listed by Grooms

CAUTION: Not proof read after transcribing - use as index

Not all entries had the same data. The following is the titles used in my database. (There may be some variation, but you can usually tell by the data within each division) - -

surname / given name / residence / date of marriage / registry number / m. preformed by
 Surname of bride / given name / residence / where married / other comments including witnesses

Belyea / Edward S. / Brown's Flats / Bachelor / 1934 Jun 28 / # 422 / ...
Bonnell / Minnie Winnifred / Public Landing / widow / m. at at home, Public Landing
Bonnell / Odbur Stanley / Public Landing / 1919 Feb 18 / # 389 / ...
 Parker / Minnie Winifred / Public Landing / m. at Public Landing
Bonnell / Rufus Allen / Public Landing / 1917 Dec 20 / # 388 / ...
 Belyea / Jennis C. / Brown's Flats / m. at Westfield
Bunnell / Isaac / Greenwich / 1831 Dec 28 / # 97 / ...
 Kimble / Lavinia / Westfield / m. at Westfield
Bunnell / Joseph / Westfield / 1823 May 31 / # 17 / ...
 Wood / Sophia / Westfield / m. at Westfield
Bunnell / Simeon / Westfield / Bachelor / 1841 Nov 03 / # 176 / ...
 Stevens / Mary Jane / Westfield / Spinster / m. at Westfield
Bunnell / William / Westfield / 1874 Jan 18 / # 271 / ...
 Bunnell / Sarah Elizabeth / Greenwich / ...
Bunnell / William Solomon / Greenwich / 1878 Jul 20 / # 283 / ...
 Pitt / Helen Permelia / Westfield / ...
 Bustead / Richard / Broklyn, NY / 1892 Dec 25 / # 324 / ...
Bunnell / May Louise / Westfield / wit: Fred Bunnell / Catherine Bunnell
 French / Robert / Kingston / 1831 Jul 23 / # 95 / ...
Bonnell / Mary Jane / Westfield / m. at Westfield

This was sent in by Marjorie Gibbs [margibbs@nycap.rr.com].

Bunnell - Gehr - - At the home of Stewart Wilson, Linesville, Feb. 16, 1893, by Rev. J. D. Clemmons, Mr. Daniel Bunnell and Miss Alta S. Gehr, both of Linesville.

Hudson-Bunnell - At Linesville, July 24th, by Augustus M. Fenner, Esq., Chas. A. Hudson, of Jamestown, PA, and Mrs. Susan A. Bunnell of Linesville. (no year given)

Both from <ftp://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/pa/drawford/newspapers> -- Newspapers:

Linesville Herald Clippings, 1878-1956, part 1, Crawford Co. PA, contributed for use in USGenWeb Archives by Kathy Brubaker and David M. Ward, cbrbkr@toolcint.net and dmwai@provide.net 4/17/04

Clippings from scrapbooks held by the Linesville Historical Society, Crawford Co., PA

Ed. Note: Daniel is CB331580. (Samuel⁷, Samuel⁶, Abraham⁵ [Bonnell], James⁴, Nathaniel³, Nathaniel², William¹) I was unable to locate Susan in Claude's database.

Births

I am especially please with this announcement for a couple of reasons: First, we just don't seem to have many birth announcements; second, this birth is the only male continuation of the lineage from Henry Jayne Bunnell (CB320215), the same one that I descend from. Chester Bunnell, my cousin, announces the birth of his grandson Tommy.



"At 5:25 a.m. June 29, 2004, my son, Michael, and his wife, Penny, had a 8 pounds and 4 ounce baby boy, Thomas Michael Bunnell. Thomas was 19.5 inches long and is doing fine." Thomas was born at the St. John's Mercy Medical Center, Saint Louis, MO. The father, Michael Fessenden Bunnell, is the son of Chester and Ann (Fessenden) Bunnell, both of whom have remarried. The mother, Penny (Wheat) Bunnell, is the daughter of William and Susan (Charrette) Wheat. Thomas' lineage is provided in the Lineage section of the Newsletter.

Queries

This query we are submitting. Pat and I, and our cousin Cecil Bunnell, have done a lot of research in Tioga County, NY. But one unsolved mystery we found on a current county road map. Bunnell Road is north of Waverly, NY in Barton Township and runs . While the 3 of us like to consider ourselves as quite knowledgeable of Bunnells and Tioga County, thus we hve been unable to find out who it was named after. Any one out there have any info, or ideas?



Submissions

Joanne Rexford, 315 12th Ave.Vero Beach, FL 32962 provided some photographs of and information on her great grandfather, Ira H. Bunnell (CB332082) and family. All bold faced information was added by me from Claude's database.

Ira (Charles⁷, Reuben⁶, Benjamin⁵, Benjamin⁴, Benjamin³, Benjamin², William¹) was born in 1820 according to the 1880 census, in Summitt Co., OH and died in 1913 in OH.. He was the son of Charles A. and Almyra (Green) Bunnell.



Ira H. Bunnell



Elizabeth Hively Bunnell

From Down's History of Chatauqua County, NY, "Ira was a harness manufacturer and held the office of justice of the peace in his community." Ira married (1) 17 Nov 1842, Mary Ross, b. 1825, OH; d. 1866, OH. Issue:

Charles H., 1844-?
 Chester D., 1846-**1891**
 George Y., 1849-**1912**
 Frank A., May 1852-**1917**
 Mary A., 1852-?
 Ada G., 1858-?
 William N., 1859-**1907**

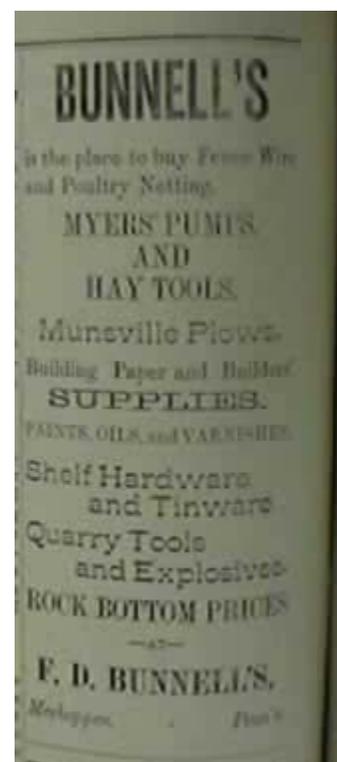
Ira married (2) 1 May 1869, Elizabeth A.Hively, b. Oct 1841, OH; d. **1913, Mayville, NY**. Issue:

Emma A., 1870-1912; m. Byron Barton
 Charles I., 1872-1927; m. Mamie A.
 Eben/**Ebenezer** N., 1875-1960; m. (1)1902, Cleveland OH, Frank Mears/**Meara**, Issue:
 Elizabeth (Beth), 1909-1950; m. Clark Nevens, 1903-1950 [Ed. Note: see last issue obituaries, pg. 28]
 Ruth Hively, 1913-p'haps died as teenager.
 m. (2) 1928, VivianT. Todhunter, 16 May 1902

Carol Brotzman (brotzman@dfnow.com) sent three clippings from the 1894 Braintrim, PA Messenger newspapers. She says that the ad is scattered through out the whole book of newspapers. They're all pretty much the same, so I'll include just one, over to the right →.

Carol provided another clipping dated 27 Aug 1936. I assume it is also from a local newspaper. The article is titled "Place Reunion). The list of attendees include: Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bunnell, of Binghamton, NY.

Dennis McClure (mcclured@charter.net) sent some follow-up information on the Temperance (Bunnell) Tracey (CB330234) story that was discussed



in Vol. 17, No. 3, pg.39 and Vol. 17, no. 4, pg 52. Dennis said, "I found the following information on the Iowa GenWeb page (from the Osceola Centennial 1891 - 1991 book by Barbara Block, Maurice Wise, Lawrence Dirks & LaVonne Dirks) Now to find the grave."

"Old Settlers Stories"

Romeo & Edna Tracy

Romeo J. Tracy was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota, in 1862. His parents were James and Temperance [Bunnell] Tracy who had migrated west from Owego, New York. Romeo had one brother, Charles.

A few months later Mrs. Tracy became ill and the family decided to go back to New York, so they could be closer to relatives. Mrs. Tracy passed away en-route and burial was in a small cemetery on the outskirts of Chicago.

James continued the journey to New York with Romeo and Charles. Relatives were contacted and they looked after the boys while James looked for work. James met a young lady and was married so the boys had a step-mother and as time passed brothers and sisters.

A few years later Charles left home and came to Iowa, to uncles who ran Bunnell Brothers Livery in Sutherland.

[Ed. Note. There is additional information on Romeo Tracy's life, marriage and descendents. If you want the full text, just let me know]

Carol Brotzman sent the following clippings from "The Kelloggs in the Old World and in the New World," 1903 by Timothy Hopkins.

1574. JONATHAN,⁷ son of Martin⁶ (524), b. in Colchester, Conn., 4 May, 1757; m. his cousin, Elizabeth (Betsey) Smith (1547), b. 1 Apr., 1758, dau. of William Smith and Margery Kellogg (523), of Wyoming Valley, Pa.

She d. in Auburn Four Corners, Pa., 24 Feb., 1838.

He res. in Auburn Township; was a Methodist Episcopalian and a Whig.

Children.

+4312 MARY (POLLY),⁸ b. in Washington, Pa., 18 Feb., 1794; m. John Biley.

+4313 WILLIAM,⁸ b. in Luzerne Co., Pa., 7 Mar., 1795; m. Sarah Vosburg.

+4314 TREDWAY,⁸ b. in Luzerne Co., Pa., 4 Sept., 1801; m. Nancy Floyd.

+4315 SARAH (SALLY),⁸ b. in Newport, Pa., 4 Sept., 1805; m. Gersham Bunnell.

4315. SARAH (SALLY),⁸ dau. of Jonathan⁷ (1574), b. in Newport, Pa., 4 Sept., 1805; m. in Washington, Pa., 1 Jan., 1823, Gersham Bunnell, b. in Pike Co., Pa., 15 Dec., 1803, son of Benjamin Bunnell, of Pike Co., Pa., b. 10 Nov., 1742, and Catherine Barry, b. 24 Nov., 1759.

He d. in Auburn, Pa., 8 June, 1856; she d. in Elk Lake, Pa., 19 Dec., 1881.

He was a farmer from 1817 to '38 in Wyoming Co., Pa., and from 1832 to '55 in Susquehanna Co., Pa.; was a member of the M. E. Church from about 1830; was a Whig.

Children.

9776 Jonathan Bunnell,⁸ b. in Washington, 19 Apr., 1828; m. 6 Oct., 1851, Charlotte Fargo, b. in Susquehanna Co., 9 Aug., 1828; is a farmer in Auburn Four Corners, Pa., on the homestead.

9777 Nancy Bunnell,⁸ b. in Washington, 7 Sept., 1828; m. 4 Sept., 1850, Frederick Fargo, b. 12 Nov., 1824; he enlisted 4 Aug., 1862, in the One Hundred and Forty-first Reg. of Pennsylvania Volunteers and served during the war; he was a miller in Elk Lake; she d. 20 Apr., 1884.

[Ed. Comments. The first Jonathan mentioned, no. 1574, is a Kellogg. Gershom Bunnell (Benjamin⁵, Solomon⁴, Benjamin³, Benjamin², William¹) is CB310262.

Clem and Alyne Bonnell [cabonnell@att.net], sent the descendents of George Newkirk Bonnell (CB360324) (George H.¹⁰, Alfred⁹, David⁸, Stephen⁷, Ithamer⁶, David⁵, David⁴, Joseph³, Nathaniel², William¹)

- George Newkirk Bonnell b. Sept. 19, 1926 Jersey City, Hudson County, N.J.
 d. April 1, 2004 Watchung, Somerset County, N.J.
 i. Saint Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia, Middlesex County, N.J.
 m. Sept. 10, 1949 at St. Ann's Church, Garwood, Union County, N.J. Mary Elizabeth Tabor (not Taylor as I reported previously) b. Dec. 19, 1928 Elizabeth, Union County, N.J.
1. Glenn George Bonnell b. Sept 26, 1956 Plainfield, Union Co., N.J.
 d. Sept 23, 1968 Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., N.J.
 i. Saint Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia, Middlesex Co., N.J.
 2. Leesa Anne Bonnell b. Feb. 26, 1959 Plainfield, Union Co., N.J.
 m. Dec. 3, 1983 at St. Ann's Church Raritan Boro, Somerset Co., N.J. Keith Stephen Csolak b. Sept. 4, 1954 Trenton, Mercer Co., N.J.
 a. Stephen George Csolak b. July 2, 1985 Hunterdon Medical Center, Raritan Twsp., Hunterdon Co., N.J.
 b. Kurt Thomas Csolak b. April 24, 1990 Hunterdon Medical Center, Rar. Twsp., Hunt. Co., N.J.
 c. Kevin Keith Csolak b. October 18, 1995 Hunt. Med. Ctr., Rar. Twsp., Hunt. Co., N.J.
 3. Jeffrey Glenn Bonnell b. March 3, 1960 Plainfield, Union Co., N.J.
 m. Sept. 10, 1990 (correction) New Brunswick, Somerset Co., N.J. Linda Ann Ciemnicki b. July 11, 1961 Plainfield, Union Co., N.J.-divorced abt 1992-no children
 m. June 19, 1999 at Vanderhoven Chapel, Clark, Union Co., N.J. Susan Marie Roselli b. Oct. 19, 1962 Plainfield, Union Co. N.J.
 a. Michael Taylor Bonnell b. April 26, 2000 Summit, Union Co., N.J.
 b. Jeremy Pearson Bonnell b. Sept. 29, 2002 Summit, Union Co., N.J.
 4. Corey Kenneth Bonnell b. January 18, 1965 Plainfield, N.J.
 m. October 24, 1992 at U.S. Navy Chapel, Newport, Newport Co., R.I. Christine Ann Flattery b. Nov. 18, 1968 Providence, Providence Co., R.I.
 a. Alexandra Vaughn Bonnell b. Feb. 9, 1997 Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, La.
 b. Madison Rose Bonnell b. July 3, 1998 Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, La.

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Harry Bounnell, [rosebriar@earthlink.net](mailto:rosebriar@earthlink.net), set me a family crest. Neither he nor I can attest to the accuracy of it. Harry's wife's aunt "researched some heraldry and painted a coat of arms for 'Bunel.'" I'm including it for any of our folks who are interested and have the time to research in their local library.

I'm confident the name and coat of arms are French in origin. In the late 1500s-early 1600s there was a French painter, Joseph Bunel. There was also a French priest, Jacques Bunel, who is noted for saving/hiding those being persecuted by the Nazi's during WW II. And there is currently a French actress, Marie Bunel.

For those who are looking at a black and white picture, the shield is a deep blue trimmed in a grayish yellow. There are



three keys in the center of the shield and another key being held by a hand coming out of the top of the helmet.

## Biography

### DANIEL REYNOLDS BONNELL (CB004840)

Geoff Brown ([geoff@betweenthelakes.com](mailto:geoff@betweenthelakes.com) and [www.betweenthelakes.com](http://www.betweenthelakes.com)) has provided some information and some photos of his great grandfather D.R. Bonnell (as he was known) plus photos of some of DR's children.

Pictured on this page and the following one are D.R. and four of his children by his second wife, Sarah Ann Hotchkin.

There has been a Bonnell family in the Liberty/Neversink/Fallsburgh area of Sullivan County, NY since before my great grandfather (can prove this much), Daniel Reynolds Bonnell was born in the Town of Fallsburgh on 30 Nov 1823. He married (1) Sophia Hardenburgh and (2) Sarah Ann Hotchkin. I'm a descendent of the second wife. Mary Bonnell was the daughter of D.R. and Sarah Ann Hotchkin and my grandmother. She married Eugene Cross. Their daughter (my mother) married Edmond Brooke Brown of Washington, IN. He was the son of William Louis Brown and Flora Genevieve Seay.



Daniel Reynolds Bonnell  
Location & Date Unknown



Grover C., Jay, May, D.R. Jr  
Bonnell; children of D.R.'s second  
wife; Liberty, NY after 1950

Unfortunately, DR was VERY guarded about his antecedents, and we can only surmise that he was the son of William Bonnell, born 1790, a miller in Liberty. I recently checked Claude Bunnell's database and found what I think my mother left with William Austin back when she was alive and I left it with Claude back in the 1980s. Still a mystery! I have to admit that I gave up on DR's ancestry almost 20 years ago -- and perhaps someone has placed him in the interim. I can hope so, I guess.

He's an interesting story. Supposedly he attended school for one day, decided he did not like it, and did not return. Yet his first wife, Sophia, was a Hardenburgh, and according to an obit, her inherited wealth from the Hardenburgh Patent gave DR his start in life. One gets the sense of a prim and proper family, but a photo of her brother, Reuben



Jay Bonnell  
Location & Date Unknown

Hardenburgh, looks like something out of "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" -- definitely a not a respectable looking guy.

For DRs part, he was a very successful land and livestock trader, and evidently sold a large number of horses and mules to the Union Army during the Civil War (which isn't a strong vote of confidence in his business ethics, according to what I have read about military procurement at that time). He died by his own hand. According to my late grandmother, he was despondent about failing eyesight and that a long-time friend of his had defaulted on a note DR had co-signed for him, leaving DR responsible, and one morning cut his own throat while shaving. The story was that my grandmother was in the next room at the time.

Ancestry-wise, I have a photo of my grandmother and her three full brothers when all were in



May Bonnell Cross  
Neversink, NY, c. 1900-1910

their 80s. Their features are striking: they look like American Indians! I mentioned that he was always very guarded about his beginnings. Thus it is tempting to consider the possibility that he was the result of a liaison with an Indian -- and whose name Bonnell was is anybody's guess at this point! One thing my mother told me is that he was said to be very proud of his name: Daniel Reynolds Bonnell -- and said that they were all family names.

An interesting item that supports some kind of out-of-wedlock birth is that he was perfectly happy to marry his second wife (my GGrandmother, Sarah Ann Hotchkin) and take in HER out of wedlock "first daughter", raising her as his own, very much as an older sister to my grandmother, when most of her own family would have nothing at all to do with her.

Anyhow, my feeling is that if anyone "claims" DR after all these years it will be a small miracle!

[Ed. Note: From Claude's website, I find that D.R. Bunnell fathered 18 children; nine by his first wife Sophia and nine by his second wife Sarah. If anyone has any leads as to the ancestry of D.R., please contact me and/or Geoff.)

## Research Findings

**James Israel Bunnell:** In the Feb 2004 issue I reported that Carol Brotzman had asked for verification that James I. and James Israel Bunnell were the same person. Working with Claude and census data we concluded that they were in all probability the same person, that he appears to have been married at least 3 times and that he was not the son of Edward & Rosanna (Kelley) Bunnell (CB3200651).

The following month I received the below e-mail from William Austin confirming that they were both the same person, further elaborating on James' marriages and establishing that James was in fact the son of Edward and Rosanna. Claude has re-linked James to them and his number is again CB330649.

I just received the Newsletter and want to respond to Carol Brotzman's query about James Israel Bunnell. Yes, all three of these men are the same person, who was married four times and had children by his first two wives. You will find him on the CD I sent you in Filename: Rufusbun under numbers 1-1-9-2-4-7-1-2 CB330649. He was not born in Wisconsin, but in Smithville Flats, Chenango co, NY, son of Edward 320651. He was married first to Alice L. Potter by Rev. P. R. Tower, then the minister of the Skinners Eddy M. E. Church. But the wedding did not take place there. Mr. Tower's entry in the church records is as follows: "Oct. 4, 1873, James I. Bunnell of East Spring Hill and Alice L. Potter of Auburn, at West Auburn, Susq. Co., Pa., by P. R. Tower. Wit: Jas. Gardner & wife, Riley Potter & wife & C." C., I believe, stands for

company, the invited guests. (The Skinners Eddy church is where Pat and I were married. I copied all their old records many years ago.)

The CD says that his second wife was Harriet L. Squares, but recent info sent by Clem Bunnell indicates that Harriet Squier Clough married second James Bunnell. Harriet was born in 1845 and died in 1915. Children by James Bunnell were: Charles Bunnell born 4/10/1884. Charles Bunnell married Lydia Cokeley. The name Squier is often written Squires and Squares. My gggrandmother spelled her maiden name Squires. Bill

## Claude's Comments

"I have been busy entering the 1930 census information into the database. My son Donald has been collecting the information and has finished all states through Michigan. I have entered all states through Kansas. It is a big job and will take the rest of this year and maybe beyond. One benefit of the 1930 census information is I have been able to combine a number of duplicate records and find the parentage of several unattached records."

## A David Bunnell House

Last issue we provided some info on the Nathaniel Bonnell House. This issue we have some info on the David Bunnell [CB320229] house, thanks to Lois Mason of Walpack. Her address is in the Correspondence section. If anyone is interested in seeing the house, she says that "I don't mind company. I would encourage it and would love to show the home." Some of the info is from Snell, which most of our readers are familiar with, but more of the information is a result of her research. By the way, she is not connected to the Bunnell/Bonnell line. She loves history and the house. What follows is a compilation of Lois' e-mails; my comments are enclosed in brackets [ ].

What a pleasure to find the Bunnell family site!! I currently live in Walpack Township (established in the 1700's ... there are only 30 of us living out here). I live in a home that was built in the 1840s by David Bunnell. The homestead comprised hundreds and hundreds of acres. My home, itself, has NOT CHANGED.

When I moved into this house, not much was known. I spent many hours at the library until I finally found what I was looking for! One son that was born and raised here, Thomas, went on to become the chief editor, writer and owner of our local paper, the New Jersey Herald.

David,[Henry<sup>6</sup>, Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>] was born March 1, 1806, and married on September 16, 1828, to Catherine, daughter of William Smith of Walpack. According to Snell's, in 1880 he still occupied the old homestead in Walpack where his father settled (this is my home).

*[Ed. Note: I would suggest that the "homestead" refers to the land, rather than the house. If, as Lois says, the house was built in the 1840s, that would have been after Henry, the father, died (1828). The alternative is that the house was originally Henry's and built long before 1840 - around 1810 or so. Charlie]*

When I first moved into this house (it was NOT lived in for 30 years) I explored everything. Under the attic floorboards, I uncovered an old 3 quart stoneware jug with the original cork cap; it was soooooo well hidden and filthy, filthy dirty. After taking it outdoors and uncapping the Jug.....it was definitely moonshine. Whewww, to this day it still smelled of moonshine. That Jug has been cleaned and cleaned, but it still "bleeds Moonshine" so it remains outside on my porch.

There is a "local historian," Mr. Demarest, who says that through old-timers and old accounting receipts he "heard word-of-mouth, that Isaac Bunnell was a "Bootlegger".

*[Ed. Note: If Isaac Bunnell was a moon shiner, I'm not convinced it would have been in that house. Isaac, brother of David, was born about 1810 and no doubt grew up on the homestead, but moved to Warren Co, NJ by 1840. So if the house was built in the 1840s he would have already been gone. Again, the alternative is ... Lois is now trying to establish if Isaac Bunnell, brother of David, would have lived there.]*

Also, Issac Bunnell donated the land on which the Church stands in historic village called "Millbrook Village," only a few miles from my home.

*[Ed. Note; Lois is checking on the year that donation occurred. According to the Millbrook Village website, a Methodist church was built in 1840. That is likely the one. "A Methodist congregation organized and in 1840 built a small church with a school in the basement." We know that there was an Isaac Bunnell (or Bonnel) living in Montague, from the 1830 and 1840 census, but the age doesn't match what we think we know. Snell's says Isaac was born after the father Henry moved to NJ, which was in 1809. So that Isaac would have been 21 or younger during the 1830 census (the Montague Isaac is between 30 and 40). Same mismatch for the 1840 census. On the other hand, I cannot account for Isaac, son of Henry, in the 1830 census.]*

From where this property stands, directly across the "Road" is more of the Bunnell Family Estate where they operated the blacksmithing operation and Mill. All those outer buildings have now collapsed, but you can definitely appreciate the operation. All the property involved probably comprises 1,000 acres or more. Hard to explain but across Flatbrookville Road the property was once owned by the Emonns [Emans in Snells]. [Daniel Emans, was a bachelor and died without issue.] Bunnell obtained this property. It was a massive Bunnell estate.

*[Ed. Note: Tracking the land purchases reflected in Snell's confirms that Henry and then son David owned a considerable tract of land. In 1809, upon immigrating to Sussex Co from Monroe Co., PA, Henry purchased a farm (pg. 226) that was originally part of the John Emans land (pg 324). In 1812 Henry purchased additional land (Originally part of the John Crooks 479 acre plat) from Peter Schoonover (pg. 317). Then about 1849, David purchased "what remained of the Emans Homestead" (pg. 318). Charlie]*

There is a massive gravesite owned by the Rosenkrans family. The Grandson still resides in the house. One day I got into the Gravesite and there I found David & Catherine Bunnell's massive Gravesite structure. It's a gorgeous, massive peaked tower.

Only 2 days ago, a Patty McGuire came to visit. She was born and raised here. Her grandfather. - the family - .were residents of this house after the Bunnells.....late 1800's.....I WAS thrilled to death. Some changes have taken place in the house [though] even while living in the house in the 1960's, they continued to have the same heating system: Only the potbellied stoves (all original to the 1800's), woodstoves and fireplace; Plumbing was installed in 1920's, but nothing else. Then change of ownership in the 1980's, who installed oil heat. Patty's parents continued to use the old heating stove to cook.... ughhhh. I finally changed it to Propane 5 years ago.

It was so wonderful to get other pieces of history too. Her parents farmed the property...the vegetables were for the family and stored in the original Spring House (which still stands on the property.....I'll send you a photo of it).

I asked Patty about the "Ghosts in this house." She was so closed mouthed and wouldn't even look at me in the eyes. We have some ghosts, and don't know where they can originate from. My

daughter, Millicent and I are very comfortable with HER. There is a "child's voice singing, many times downstairs." We don't even get out of bed anymore. She is a young voice, very calming. I can't trace the death of a child in this household yet, but I think Patty holds the secret. And I truly think that the STAIRCASE is the KEY; something happened on the stairs. Patty only said "We all knew the house was Haunted." Yes, there is a something here, but we love this child. She is mischievous; slamming windows in the same place we hear her voice, for no apparent reason.

*[Ed. Comment: I provided Lois with the above comments and a short analysis based on information I had available, some of which came from Claude's website. She is going to do some more research and keep us informed. Some of the other comments she is considering are:*

*I don't know if there's anyway to check on it, but is it possible to actually find a date when the house was built? Remember that Henry bought his first piece of land there in 1809 so he could have built a house then, or because Snell's say's he bought a "farm," perhaps a house was already standing.*

*Did David build his own house upon marrying in 1828, or did he and his bride move into the old house (his father Henry was already dead 2 years) and remain there until his death? The 1830 census reflects David being head of his own household and his mother also being head of her own household, so it appears that David had his own house. By the way, on the 1830 census the name is spelled: "Bonnell."*

*Have you tried going to the County records and tracking the ownership of your house and of Henry's properties? You'll need plenty of patience to work through the trail of deeds, but it could prove worthwhile.*

## Publications

Joan England Murray published Bunnell and Allied Families and has been a subscriber to the newsletter for some time. She has provided some updates to her book. She also was kind enough to provide me with information to update one of my web pages regarding the Tioga County, NY Bunnells. I still have to do that. By the way, if anyone finds a copy of Joan's book that is available for purchase, please let me know.

### ERRATA and/or ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

In the last ten years since publication, the following corrections/or additions have come to my knowledge:

1. Benjamin Wilmot and wife, Ann and family arrived in Boston, MA on the ship **Hector** on 26 June 1637 - source: *Charles Smith and Rachel Amy Bryant, Their Ancestors and Descendants*, Tenny Smith, Vermont Printing Co., 1938.
2. See ***The American Genealogist, Vol. 75, #4, The English Origins of Sergeant Francis Nichols of Stratford, Connecticut,*** Neil D. Thompson.
3. See ***The American Genealogist, Vol. 68, #2, Francis Nichols of Stratford Connecticut*** ....., Barbara J. Nichols.

4. See *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol. 154, April 2000*, "Richard Mills, Seventeenth Century Schoolmaster in Connecticut and New York, Helen Schatvet Ullman.
5. See *New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol. 72*, for additional information on Byrch family.
6. Page 29, Rebecca, born 18 March not 11 March.
7. Page 32, Abigail, born 13 February 1593, not 28 February 1596.
8. Page 33, William, died 4 June, not 5 June.
9. Page 35, change Benjamin Bunnell's death date in two places: correct date is 20 August 1749, not 29 August 1649.
10. Page 42, last line Haddington should read Hanningfield.
11. Page 43, Elizabeth married 9 January 1581, not 7 January 1581.
12. Page, 53, Richard died 1552. Remove information between \*'s - information in question.
13. Page 54, Richard, son of Henry, died 1636, not 1632.
14. Page 55, Richard, son of Sylvester, died 1661, not 1665.
15. Page 59, John, son of John, died 15 January 1657, Branford, Ct. Remove married Ruth Moore.
16. Page 84, Jannetje baptized 1664, not 1663. Claes, baptized November not October.
17. Page 88, John Bunnell's marriage 1797, not 1779.
18. Page 118, Fifth paragraph, end of second line, northward not southward.
19. Page 123, Eliza died 1807, not 1810.
20. Page 131, (second) Anna, born 1717, not 2727.
21. Page 132, Timothy Jayne's death 1790, not 1780.
22. Page 151, remove Mary Helme as George's wife.
23. Page 165, Maddalen's baptismal date, 3 October not 27 June.
24. Page 168, Garret Brodhead, not Grodhead.
25. Page 175, Rachel, baptized 20 June, not January.

26. Page 177, Evert Roosa, born 27 October, not 26 October.
27. Page 193, Hannah Jayne Freeland, died 31 December 1915, Missouri. Cemetery and burial correct.
28. Page 222, last line on page, 1869, not 1969.
29. Page 301, Frances Mary's marriage date 4 April, not 14 April.
30. Page 310, third paragraph, end of third line - Bainum, not Barnum.
31. Page 181, second paragraph - eighteen "not thirty five."
32. Page 181, fourth paragraph, remove William B. as brother of Isaac.

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Additional information on Kermer family tying them into Swarthout and Schoonhoven families. If interested, contact author.

## Post Script

We have never mentioned it, but we will gladly advertise any Bunnell/Bonnell/Bounnell/ Burnell/etc reunion in the newsletter. (Family reunions just don't seem to take place like they used to 50 or 60 years ago.) Just let us know ahead of time so we can get the word out. For any taking place during summer months, you'll probably need to let us know by the middle of May so we can get it in that quarter's issue which usually goes to press the last day in May.



Carol Brotzman is a steady provider of information to the newsletter. One item she provided recently was a photo of an invitation to the 1927 Meshoppen (PA) High School Graduation containing the calling card for George M. Bunnell. It was for sale on e-bay. I didn't follow up to find out how much it sold for. The question that came to my mind was, "If I bought it, what would I do with it later on." George is at best a very, very distant cousin, so it has no sentimental value to me. But I do hate to see any Bonnell/Bunnell/etc memorabilia just disappear. I'm willing to collect any I find (next time I'll bid on this invitation), but I'm looking for ideas on what we can do with it after we've filled our shelves and it's time for us to find a home for it all.

