

Edward & Latetia (Pate) Gregory Family Bible

Copied by Jerry Long on 24 October 1991 from bible in the possession of Samuel Markham Gregory (1918-1997), of Morganfield, KY. Mr. Gregory, the son of Edward Caldwell Gregory (1894-1919) & Willie Edna Markham (1895-1993), was born at Lewisport, Hancock County, KY. He was the grandson of John Samuel Gregory (1871-1961) & Jessie Murray Brown (1874-1956) and William Edward Markham & Clorie Quirey. His great-grandparents were Edward T. Gregory (1841-1905) & Latetia/Letitia Taylor Pate (1847-1923) and Dr. Charles Walker Brown (1846-1888) & Louisa J. Pell (1853-1917). His 2nd great-grandparents were John A. Gregory (c1817-1888) & Elizabeth Holder and Samuel C. Pate (1795-1849) & Arritta Thrasher (1806-1882). His 3rd great-grandparents were John Gregory, Jr. (c1777-1862) & Nancy Dobson, who were married in Campbell County, VA in 1806 and moved to Breckinridge County, KY during the 1820's.

A biography of Edward Gregory (1841-1905) was published in the book, Kentucky: A History of the State by Battle, Perrin & Kniffin (1885, p748). He was born at Cloverport, KY and in 1869 moved to Lewisport, Hancock County, KY, where he, his wife, and six of their seven children were buried in the Lewisport Cemetery. He served as a lieutenant in the Confederate cavalry during the Civil War. Pictures of Ed & Letitia Gregory were published in the Hawesville, KY newspaper, Hancock Clarion, on 20 March 1886 ("So It's Been Told", by Jack Foster). Also see History of the Orphan Brigade, 1861-1864 by Ed Porter Thompson (1898, p838) and "An Excellent Man: Mr. Edward Gregory Dies Sunday at Lewisport" in the Owensboro, KY newspaper, Owensboro Messenger, 18 July 1905 (p4).

Title page of bible: Holy Bible Containing The Old and New Testaments, published Philadelphia by John E. Potter & Co., no copyright date given.

Births

Edward Gregory was born March 31st A.D. 1841.
Latetia T. Gregory was born April 23rd A.D. 1847.
Myrtle Una Gregory born Sept. 8th A.D. 1869.
John Samuel Gregory was born Sept. 16th A.D. 1871.
James Henry Gregory born March 20th A.D. 1874.
Eli Edward Gregory was born on the 2d day of June A.D. 1876.
Letitia Aritta Gregory was born February 11th A.D. 1882.
Cleburne Earl Gregory was born the 26th day of Oct. 1883.
Baby boy born July 13th 1888.

Marriages

Edward Gregory and Latetia T. Pate was married Oct. 7th A.D. 1868.
Myrtle Una Gregory was married to R. G. Higdon April 18, 1893.

John Samuel Gregory was married to Jessie Brown Oct. 31, 1893.
James Henry Gregory was married to Nellie Pell January 2nd 1892.
Cleburn E. Gregory and Sarah Collis were married December 1907.
Eli Edward Gregory and Alice Crampton were married June 15th, 1921.

Deaths

Letitia Aritta Gregory died June 15 A.D. 1882, age 4 months and 4 days.
Baby boy died July 25th 1888 age 12 days.
Edward Gregory departed this life July 16th 1905.
Latetia Taylor Pate Gregory departed this life August 26th 1923.
Edward Caldwell Gregory son of J. S. Gregory departed this life on February 28th 1919.
Louisa daughter of J. S. Gregory departed this life in November 1905.
James Henry Gregory died July 28th 1950, 76 years of age.

Memoranda

Children of J. S. & Jessie Gregory are Edward Caldwell Gregory born December 3rd 1894
And Louisa Gregory born March 10th, 1903.
Samuel Markham Gregory son of Edward C. and Edna M. Gregory born January 10,
1918.
Children of J. H. and Nelly Gregory are:
Myrtle Una Gregory born May 17th 1893.
Pell Earl Gregory born June 7th 1895.
John Wesley Gregory born Dec. 3rd 1897.
Mary Letta Gregory born May 1st 1899.
Nellie Grace Gregory born February 16, 1903.
Georgia Belle Gregory born August 1st 1904.
Henry Edward Gregory born July 19th 1906.
Ella May Gregory born June 10th 1908.
Samuel Eli Gregory born March 24th 1910.
Robert Hays Gregory born November 1st 1915.
Earl Gregory Jr. born Sept. 1919.
Children of Cleburne E. and Sarah C. Gregory are:
Mary Collis Gregory born December 5th 1908.
Cleburne E. Gregory Jr. born July 14th 1910.
Sarah Adelaide Gregory born August 28th 1921.

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Research Association (Utica, KY: McDowell Publications, 2003), 161-163. Forgotten
Pathways, Vol. 20, No. 1 (Hawesville, KY: Genealogical Society of Hancock County,
Summer 2003), 4-5.

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Kentucky: A History of the State, J. H. Battle, W. H. Perrin & G. C. Kniffin, 1885, Hancock County section:

EDWARD GREGORY, Hancock County, was born in Cloverport, Breckinridge County, March 31, 1841, to John A. and Elizabeth (Holder) Gregory. The father was born in Rockcastle County, Va., about 1818. His parents, John and Nancy (Dobson) Gregory, were of Scotch-Irish descent. The grandfather came to Kentucky when the father of subject was but a small boy, settled in Breckinridge County, and there died in the eighty-fifth year of his age. In that county, the father grew to manhood, and is still living at Cloverport. The mother was a native of Breckinridge County and died about 1845. Subject was the second of a family of four children, of whom two are now living, William H., at Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, and Edward. The latter received his schooling at Cloverport. He began life for himself as a dry goods clerk in his native town. He handled tobacco for R. R. Pierce for two years. In October, 1861, he enlisted at Bowling Green in Company G, of the Ninth Kentucky Infantry, Col. Thomas Hunt, Confederate States army, and served until Johnston's surrender. Among the battles in which he participated were Shiloh, Vicksburg, Baton Rouge, Murfreesboro, Jackson (Miss.), Dalton (Ga.) campaign, battle of Atlanta, etc. He reached the rank of second lieutenant. After his return he began putting up tobacco at Mason's Landing on Green River; one year later he returned to Cloverport and followed the same business for R. R. Pierce for two years. In January, 1869, he moved to Lewisport, where he put up tobacco for one year for George W. McAdams. He then commenced business for himself, and has since devoted his attention to prizing tobacco. He now handles about 250,000 pounds per year. Mr. Gregory was married October 7, 1868, to Miss Letitia Pate, a daughter of Samuel and Aritta (Thrasher) Pate, natives of Virginia and Maryland, respectively. Mrs. Gregory was born in Hancock County, April 23, 1847, and is the mother of six children, five of whom are living: Myrtle U., John S., James H., Eli E and Cleburne E. Mrs. Gregory is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South; he is a member of Lewisport Lodge, No. 303, A.F. & A. M. and McIntire Lodge, K. of H.

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History of the Orphan Brigade, Ed Porter Thompson, Louisville, KY, Lewis N. Thompson, 1898, p838:

Ed Gregory, Cloverport, was appointed first sergeant, 1862, and was elected second lieutenant, Dec. 8, 1863. Fought at Shiloh, Vicksburg, Baton Rouge, Hartsville, Stone River, Jackson, Chickamauga, Mission Ridge, Rocky Face Gap, and Resaca; from Resaca to Atlanta; at Peachtree, Intrenchment, and Utoy Creeks, at Jonesboro', and in the mounted engagements.

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Owensboro Messenger,
Owensboro, KY, Tuesday
18 July 1905 p4:

AN EXCELLENT MAN

Mr. Edward Gregory Dies Sunday at Lewisport.

HAD BEEN IN ILL HEALTH FOR MANY MONTHS.

A BRILLIANT WAR RECORD

Funeral Took Place On Monday Afternoon—Attended By Confederates From This City.

The funeral of Mr. Edward Gregory, who died at his home in Lewisport on Sunday morning, took place at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the Methodist church at Lewisport. A large number of friends of the deceased and his family attended the funeral from this city.

Mr. Gregory's death was the result of Bright's disease. He had been in a bad state of health for many months. All was done that medical science could do to give him relief, but to no avail. His death had been expected for several days.

Mr. Gregory was a well known and highly respected citizen of Hancock county. He was sixty-four years of age. He was born at Cloverport, Ky., March 31, 1841. At the age of nineteen years he cast his lot with the cause of the Confederacy. He served from October, 1861, to April, 1865. He was a member of Company G, Ninth Kentucky infantry, Hunt's command of the famous Orphan brigade. He rose step by step from a private soldier to first lieutenant and was acting captain of his company during the last months of the war. He was with Johnson's army when it surrendered to Sherman in 1865. He threw his sword into the river rather than surrender it to the Union forces.

After the war was over Mr. Gregory settled in Hancock county, where he was engaged in the tobacco business at Lewisport. He was married to Miss Letitia T. Pate, a popular and prominent young woman of that county.

During the last administration of Cleveland, Mr. Gregory, with his family, moved to this city. Here he was in the revenue service. He resided here until two years ago when he returned to Lewisport.

He was a member of the Methodist church, the Masons and the Rice E. Graves camp of Confederate veterans. He is survived by a widow and five children. The children are Mrs. R. G. Higdon, of Frankfort; J. S., J. H. and C. E. Gregory, of Lewisport, and Eli E. Gregory, of Central City.

City.

Mr. Gregory was a man of exalted character and was an excellent citizen.

The Rice E. Graves camp of United Confederate Veterans met yesterday morning and adopted suitable resolutions upon the death of Comrade Gregory.

Those who attended and took part in the services at Lewisport were: Messrs. James H. Bozarth, W. N. Bumpus, Wallace Herr, Charles Lee, J. D. Morton, J. Y. Small and Dr. C. H. Todd. Yewell Haskins blew taps over the grave of the deceased veteran.

The resolutions, offered and passed by Capt. Ellis, follow:

Resolutions Adopted.

Comrade Ed Gregory's death, which occurred Sunday morning at his home in Hancock county, removes from the rolls of this camp the name of one of its most respected and highly honored members. Possibly no soldier who belonged to the historic Orphan brigade rendered more loyal services or was more devoted to the cause of the South than Comrade Gregory. In September, 1861, he enlisted in Company G, Ninth Kentucky infantry, with which company he served to the close of the war.

At the organization of his company he was elected first sergeant. By the faithful discharge of his duties and his soldierly bearing he so won the confidence and admiration of his comrades that they elected him second lieutenant of his company, which office he held until the armies of the South surrendered.

To recount the battles in which he participated would be to practically enumerate all the engagements in which the army of Tennessee was engaged during the war. Among the great battles in which Comrade Gregory participated were Shiloh, Vicksburg, Baton Rouge, Hartsville, Stone River, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Rocky Face Gap and Resaca.

In the "one hundred days" campaign from Dalton to Atlanta, Comrade Gregory was always with his command, leading his company in every forward movement and with it covering every retreat.

No officer of his rank commanded more of the respect and confidence of his superiors than Lieutenant Gregory, and he was the idol of the men he immediately commanded.

In some of the bloodiest battles of the war Comrade Gregory commanded his company and did so with a skill and bravery that showed he possessed in a high degree the elements that go to make a capable military officer.

After the close of the war Comrade Gregory returned to his home and took up the duties of a private citizen and from 1865 to the day of his death, in all the walks of private life, he proved himself a useful citizen. The record he left behind him is a legacy of more value to his children than much silver and gold.

Owensboro Messenger
Owensboro, KY, Tuesday
28 August 1923 p3

Mrs. L. T. Gregory.
Lewisport, Ky., Aug. 27.—Mrs. L. T. Gregory, aged 76, died suddenly at 7 o'clock Sunday evening, her death being due to complications. She had been in ill health for a year or more but not seriously ill. Shortly eating supper Sunday evening she was feeling ill and in 15 minutes expired. She was one of Lewisport's most prominent women.

Mrs. Gregory was born August 23, 1847. She was a member of the M. E. church and Eastern Star lodge. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. R. G. Higdon, of Frankfort, and four sons, Cleburne, of Atlanta, Eli of Brooklyn, and Sam and Henry, of Lewisport. Mr. and Mrs. Higdon, and Eli Gregory will arrive from Brooklyn Tuesday night.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the M. E. church, Rev. C. R. Crowe, pastor, having charge of the services. Interment will be in the Lewisport cemetery.



“So It’s Been Told: Footnotes to Hancock
County History”, by Jack Foster
Hancock Clarion, Hawesville, KY, 20 March 1986



Ed Gregory was recruited for Confederate cavalry service as a young tobacco buyer in Cloverport. He wound up a lieutenant in the “Orphan Brigade”. He is the grandfather of Lewisport’s Eli Gregory.



Confederate Lieutenant Ed Gregory’s bride after he returned from the Civil War, Letitia Taylor Pate, youngest daughter of Squire Samuel Pate.

Addition notes on the children of Edward Gregory & Latetia Taylor Pate by Jerry Long:

1. Myrtle Una Gregory in Hancock County, KY married Robert Gore Higdon (27 September 1865 – 20 July 1938). She died 5 January 1964 Owensboro, Daviess County, KY; buried Lewisport Cemetery, Hancock County, KY. They had no children.
2. John Samuel Gregory in Hancock County, KY married Jessie Murray Brown (4 May 1874 – 29 May 1956). He died 12 February 1961 Owensboro, Daviess County, KY; buried Lewisport Cemetery, Hancock County, KY. They had two children – Edward Caldwell Gregory (3 December 1894 – 28 February 1919) and Letitia Louisa Gregory (10 March 1903 – 30 November 1905). Edward Caldwell Gregory married Willie Edna Markham, and they had – a stillborn male and Samuel Markham Gregory.
3. James Henry Gregory in Hancock County, KY married Nellie Hayes Pell (15/18 April 1877 – 21 October 1967). He died at Lewisport, Hancock County, KY, where he was buried in the Lewisport Cemetery. They were the parents of 10 children – Myrtle Una Gregory House (17 May 1893 – 20 December 1963), Pell Earl Gregory (7 June 1895 – 23 November 1971), John Wesley Gregory (4 December 1897 – 13 March 1974, Mary Latetia Gregory Scamihorn Duncan (1 May 1899 – 14 July 1971), Nellie Grace Gregory Davis (16 February 1903 – 2 August 1971), Georgia Bell McQuarrie (1 August 1904 – 25 December 1929), James Henry Gregory (19 July 1906 – 28 August 1928), Ella Mae Gregory Ray (10 June 1908 – 6 August 1981), Eli Samuel Gregory (24 March 1910 – 21 May 1996) and Robert Hayes Gregory (1 November 1915 – 25 December 2006).
4. Eli Edward Gregory married Ella Mae Bassett (3 May 1880 -), 1 January 1906 Central City, Muhlenberg County, KY (divorced), Alice Crampton (c1886 – 4 August 1941), 15 June 1921, and Beulah Henderson (15 February 1888 – 31 August 1968), St. Petersburg, FL. He died 10 July 1953 Lewisport, Hancock County, KY, where he was buried in the Lewisport Cemetery. He had no children.
5. Letitia Aritta Gregory (11 February 1882 – 15 June 1882) buried Lewisport Cemetery, Hancock County, KY.
6. Cleburne Earl Gregory married Sarah Adelaide Collis (28 August 1884 – 5 June 1981), 18 December 1907 Lexington, Fayette County, KY. He died 18 February 1963 Decatur, DeKalb County, GA; buried Decatur Cemetery, Decatur, GA. They had three children – Mary Collis Gregory Jewett (5 December 1908 -16 January 1976), Cleburne Earl Gregory (14 July 1910 – 12 January 1982) and Sarah Adelaide Gregory Norton (28 August 1921 – 13 November 2017).
7. Infant son (13 July 1888 – 25 July 1888) buried Lewisport Cemetery, Hancock County, KY.