

Robertson – Landrum Genealogy

Transcribed by Jerry Long, Owensboro, KY from newspaper Hartford Herald, Hartford, Ky., 21 July 1897, p.1:

“In a recent issue some one asked if Kate Landrum, of Virginia, married Le Roy Robertson. I think they came from Culpeper county. I will give what information I possess. Kate Landrum’s first husband was Le Roy Robertson. Can not give all the names of the children by this marriage. Those I know are as follows: William P., Charles Frederic, Francis Rogers, Harriet, Emma, Margaret and one other daughter, who married Summers Dean, of Breckinridge county, forgot her name. William P. Robertson married Sallie Moorman, of Breckinridge county, had a large family of boys and girls. Can’t give all their names. His son, Charles, married Lizzie Green, of Louisville, half sister of ex-Assistant Auditor Charles Green. Charles F., second son of Kate L. & L. R. Robertson married Araminta Nichols, of Muhlenberg county. Had a large family, most of whom are still in that county. One son, Randolph Robertson, is a physician living in Texas. Francis Rodgers – better known as Frank – father of the writer of this sketch – was married twice. His first wife was the widow of James Wickliffe. His only child by her was Albert Robertson, now of Sibley, Jackson county, Mo. This Mrs. Wickliffe, who afterwards married my father, was a Miss Nichols, sister of Charles F. Robertson’s wife. Frank Robertson’s second wife was Cornelia Peyton, daughter of Val Peyton, and niece of Dr. Sam O. Peyton, of Hartford, Ky. They had a large family of children. A son, Le Roy Robertson, lives in Decatur, Ala. One daughter lives in this city, the rest that are living are in Ohio county, Ky. All of Kate Landrum’s children by her first husband are dead. Harriet Robertson married a Mr. Phipps, of Hartford. Their children are still living there. Emma Robertson married Mr. O’Connor. Don’t know where the children are. Margaret R. married Marion Humphrey, of Evansville, Ind. He had Marion, Jr. and Horace; don’t know names of others. One of Charles F. Robertson’s daughters-in-law, the widow of James Robertson, who was a Miss Eliza South, of Frankfort, Ky., is living in Louisville with her children. Kate Landrum-Robertson’s second husband was a Mr. Payne. They had several children; can’t give all their names. One daughter married Mr. Cox, of Brandenburg. One son married a Miss Smith, now living at Fordsville, Ky. My father and mother could trace their ancestry back to the immigrant. My father said his father was a descendant of the Randolphs, of Roanoke. This was a family name. William P. Robertson’s family are living mostly in Breckinridge county. All three of his daughters married Moormans. His son, Bob Robertson, married Emma Bishop, of Elizabethtown. Charles F. Robertson’s three daughters died. Kate Landrum had several brothers and sisters. They were Thomas, Isham, Frank and James Landrum. One sister, Henrietta, married Brooksie Austin, of McLean county. One of her daughters is the wife of Bishop J. S. Coleman, of Hartford, KY., the other is a widow, Mrs. Mary Skillern, of Calhoun, Ky. Thomas Landrum’s first wife was Elizabeth Fields, of Owensboro, Ky., his second wife was Julia Barbee, of Bardstown; their children are living in McLean county. One daughter by the first wife is living in Florida. Don’t know who Frank, Isham and James

Landrum married. One of Frank Landrum's daughters married a Mr. Griffiths, of Owensboro. One of his grandsons is Frank L. Felix, of THE HARTFORD HERALD. Of James Landrum's daughters one married a McCullough, another a Grundy, another a Jackson. One of Frank Landrum's daughters married a Hart, another a Davidson. Would like to get more information about the family. The descendants of Kate Landrum-Robertson-Payne and Le Roy Robertson are scattered all over the South; many of them in Kentucky. The daughter who married Summers Dean has children and grandchildren in Owensboro, Ky. One of her grandsons, J. Allan Dean, was recently married to Miss Miller, of that city. They were prominent citizens of Breckinridge county. I don't know the dates of any marriages. My father died October 17th, 1887. William P. and Charles F. both died before he did. Kate-Landrum-Robertson-Payne died in the fall of 1881 at an advanced age. The last account I had, William P. Robertson's widow, Sallie Moorman Robertson, was living. Araminta Nichols Robertson, wife of Charles F. R., died a short time before he did.

F. R. M.

I saw in the Courier-Journal, of Sunday, July 11th, a notice asking for information in regard to the Robertson-Landrum families.

I will give as correctly as I know in regard to their families. James Landrum married Pinea Watkins, and was from Culpepper county, Va. He moved to Kentucky and purchased a large tract of land near the Falls of Rough. There were ten children, four sons and six daughters. The sons were Isham, Frank, James and Thomas. The daughters were Kate, Nancy, Sally, Henrietta, Pricillia and Emily. Isham Landrum married Miss Moore, Frank married Miss Jane Mason, James married Miss Caroline Blacklock, Thomas married Miss Elizabeth Field, of Ohio county, his second wife was Miss Julia Barbee, of Taylor county.

Kate Landrum, or as we loved to call her, Aunt Kitty, married Le Roy Robertson, Nancy married Ned Blacklock, Sally married Cisney Jackson, Henrietta married William O. Austin, Priscilla married Dr. Dennis. Emily married William O'Connor. Kate Landrum married Le Roy Robertson in Virginia, and in moving to Kentucky in company with her father's family, she and her husband located at Georgetown and lived there sometime, the writer does not know how long, but subsequently moved on a farm near her father's. Their children were W. P., Charles Frederick, Francis Podges, Harriet and Amanda. Kate Landrum-Robertson was left a widow. She married John Paine. There were four children, two sons and two daughters. One son, John Paine, is living near Fordsville; Thomas went West and was never heard from, Emily married Mr. R. Cox, of Breckinridge county. They were living at Vine Grove when they died. They have children there, some are living in Illinois. Margaret married Marion Humphrey; she died at Calhoon, McLean county, he died in Evansville. They left two children. One of Isham Landrum's daughters married Captain Piatt, and were living in St. Louis when last heard from. One of Frank Landrum's daughters married Henry Griffith, of Calhoon, McLean county; one married Thomas Felix of Ohio county, and her son is Frank L. Felix, publisher and proprietor of THE HARTFORD HERALD. Two married Davisons, two Harls, one Cummins and an only son, S. T. Landrum, who married a Robertson. James Landrum, Jr. had two sons. Henry died during the war, and was buried in Mississippi. He was an officer on a steamboat. Thomas died in Arkansas. Of the five daughters of James Landrum, Jr., one married Louis Moore, one Gus Moore, one Dr. Rose, one Clark,

one Birk. Thomas Landrum had four children by his first wife, five by the last. Judge Ben Landrum, of Calhoon, is his son. Nancy Landrum-Blacklock died young, leaving two sons, Madison, who is still living in Ohio county. Edmond died in South Carrollton two years ago. Sallie Landrum-Jackson had six daughters and one son. One married Tichenor, one Robinson, one McCullough, one Grundy, one Riggs, one Jones. Henrietta Landrum-Austin had four children, one son and three daughters. Her two oldest daughters, Josephine and Emarilla married brothers, Benjamin and Joshua Fields, of Ohio county. Mary M. married James Skillern, of Morgantown, but now of Calhoon. Her son, H. M. Austin, died two years ago. Josephine is now the wife of Dr. J. S. Coleman, D.D.

Priscilla Landrum-Dennis had six children by her first husband, four sons and two daughters. Her son, Ridley, died in Hartford. Elisha and James died in Poplar Bluff, Mo. John J., the youngest son, is living in Mississippi. The two daughters are Mrs. Czarina McKee, who lives near Frankfort, Ky.

Mrs. Emma Johnson lives in Livermore, Ky. Mrs. Priscilla Dennis' second husband was Mr. Vantress. She had one son. Mrs. Emily O'Connor's daughter married Dr. Thomas Davis.

There are some mistakes in the Courier Journal's article. J. Allen Dean married the daughter of Dr. J. Hale, of Owensboro.

J. C.

Preceding was followed by letter written 60 years ago from Reuben Landrum of Clark County, KY to his nephew, Thomas Landrum of Daviess County (later McLean County). Letter was dated 31 July 1837. In the letter the writer states that he is one of nine children, three now living, the others being Samuel & Elizabeth. His oldest brother, James (father of Thomas), the oldest child of his parents recently died; he had been informed of the death by a recent letter from his nephew Thomas Landrum. Reuben states that his great-grandfather, James Landrum, came from Scotland, and was born in the year 1703 and died 1788. His grandfather, Francis Landrum, was born in 1739 and died 1807 and was a Methodist minister for 31 years. His late brother, Francis Landrum, Jr., also served as a Methodist minister for 22 years.

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, 4 August 1897, p.3:

Letter from Mr. C. S. Robertson, Glendeane, Ky., July 31, 1897.
To Editor Herald, Hartford, Ky.

Mr. Editor: I see the question asked in your paper if Kate Landrum married Le Roy Robertson. I answer no. Kate Landrum was my grandmother and lived the last years of her life here with my father, W. J. Robertson.

Her first husband was Rodger Robertson and they were married in Culpeper county, Virginia. My father was born August 22d, 1813, and his parents emigrated from Virginia when my father was six-weeks-old.

Kate Landrum had five children by her first husband. They were William J., Charles F., Francis Rodgers, Amanda and Emma.

My grandfather, Rodger Robertson, had one brother and two sisters. I do not know the names of the sisters but grandmother said they both died while young and that Le Roy was never heard of after the battle of New Orleans in the war of 1812.

Since grandma's death, we found an obituary of Mrs. Susan Robertson, of Mississippi, the wife of Royal Robertson, of Culpeper county, Virginia.

We wrote to try and find out something about the family but never heard anything from them.

Yours respectfully, C. S. Robertson

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