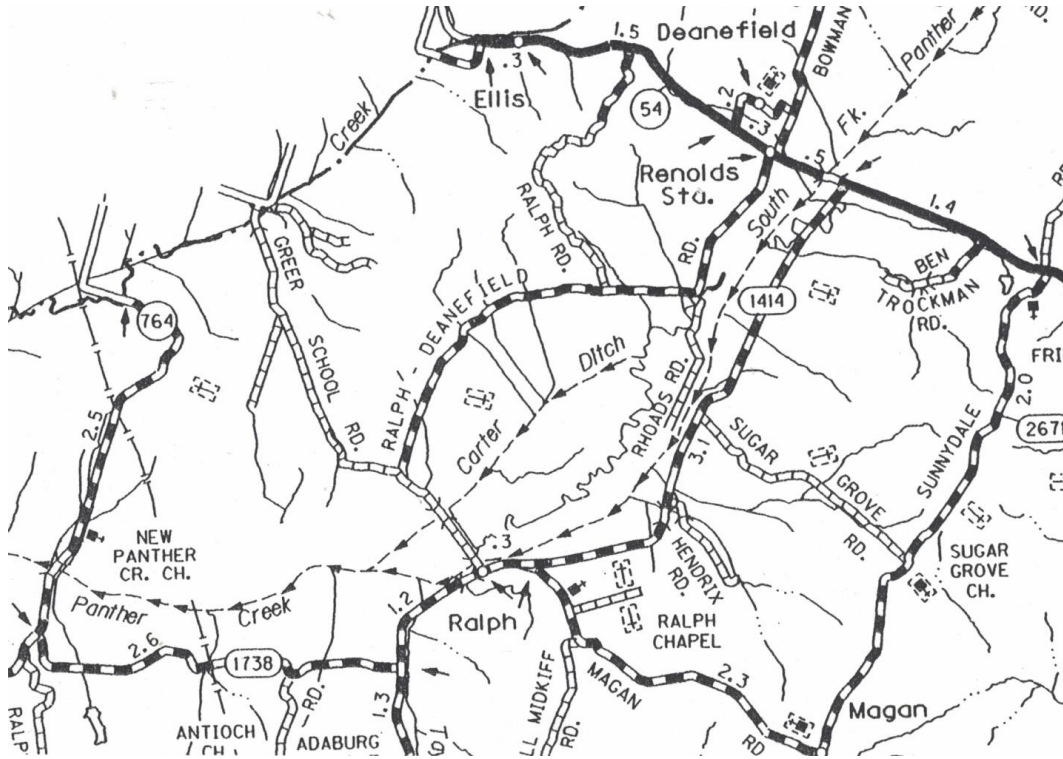


Ralph Cemetery

Ohio County, KY

On Highway 1414 turn south onto the Magan Road. Turn left at first lane on left; cemetery is at top of hill. Jerry Long copied the cemetery on 11 June 1988. Started copying at the west end of the cemetery and copied row by row from north to south.



Row 1:

Miller, Phebe A. (w/o Newton)	10 Oct 1827	19 Feb 1908
Miller, Marion B. (s/o I. N. & P. A.)	31 Mar 1864	22 Jul 1890
McKendley, Sudie (d/o R. P. & A. J.)	29 Apr 1889	30 Apr 1889
Ralph, Belinda A. (d/o John R. & L.)	5 Feb 1847	16 Oct 1848
McKendley, John (aged 31 yrs)		3 Sep 1857
Raymond, Joseph H.	14 Mar 1822	28 Dec 1902
Elizabeth (his wife)	29 Jun 1820	12 Oct 1890
Rayman, G. W.	1886	22 Oct 1903

Row 2:

Greer, S. Y.	1849	1924
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Greer, R. D. (s/o Samuel & F. D.)	23 Nov1880	14 Mar1901
Greer, John B.	5 Oct 1860	6 Apr 1895
Greer, Sallie M.	29 May1866	1 Dec 1951
Muffett, Ily (d/o B. D. & L. E.)	4 Mar 1891	12 Jul 1894
Greer, Emless	9 Aug 1872	24 Apr 1891
Greer, Albert (s/o S. & F. D.)	27 Dec 1887	14 Feb 1891
Greer, Elizabeth (w/o Coldmand D.)	20 Apr 1830	21 Jun 1890
Greer, Minta (d/o J. B. & S. M.) [last digit of death date broken, from earlier listing died 1883]	23 Jun 1883	19 Jul 188?
Greer, Coleman R. (slo S. Y. & H. E.)	29 Jan 1882	27 Jul 1883
Greer, Coleman D. (aged 54 yrs & 23 days)		9 Oct 1877
Greer, Amanda E. (w/o Sylvester)	4 Feb 1855	29 Jan 1876
Ralph, Lawrence	12 Feb 1869	29 Oct 1922
Maud (married 26 Aug 1896)	20 Feb 1881	
Allen	29 Nov1897	

Row 3:

Westerfield, Casander C. (w/o R. D.)	23 Mar1833	19 Jan 1889
Hoover, Penolia Almore (d/o J. M. & Ida B.)	24 Jan 1881	12 Nov1881
Ralph, Abyara E. (w/o J. T.)	18 Jul 1861	3 Nov 1895
Ralph, Alberta (d/o J. T. & A. E.)	7 Aug 1894	10 Dec 1894
Ralph, Lucinda (w/o John R.)	29 Nov1817	29 Nov1854
Ralph, Artemisa C. (w/o J. T.)	4 May 1851	Apr 1884
Ralph, J. T.	4 Oct 1851	9 Feb 1924
Ralph, Gemima E. (w/o L. A.)	12 Sep 1850	29 Apr 1903

Row 4:

Westerfield, Catharine Ann (w/o David; married 3 Feb 1852)	9 Feb 1820	14 Aug1878
Greer, Timer (slo B. T. & A. E.)	1 Sep 1871	14 Oct 1872
Ralph, Amanda E. (d/o John & Elizabeth) [oldest monument found in cemetery]	22 Jul 1836	7 Oct 1837
Ralph, Beatrice (c/o Lee A. & E. G.). Ariaminta (c/o Lee A. & E. G.)	30 Apr 1876 25 Sep 1880	13 Nov1876 17 Apr 1881
Ralph, Elizabeth Q. (d/o L. A. & G. E.)	15 Nov1886	17 Jun 1895
Ralph, Beriah (s/o L. A. & G. E.)	30 Apr 1876	24 Jul 1896
Ralph, Martha A. (d/o L. A. & G. E.)	22 Jan 1871	17 Sep 1896

Row 5:

Ralph, Ara M. B.	17 Aug1837	29 Apr 1909
Ralph, John L.	8 Oct 1824	21 Mar1901
Ralph, Matilda A. (w/o John L.)	9 Oct 1827	26 Sep 1855

Ralph, John	15 May 1787	3 Aug 1856
Ralph, Elizabeth (w/o John)	24 Nov 1796	23 Apr 1870
Moseley, Charlotte J. (d/o D. P. & M. V.)	26 Feb 1869	2 Jan 1873

Row 6:

Westerfield, Lonnie G. (s/o J. C. & F. A.)	9 Jul 1881	13 Jan 1882
Westerfield, Fannie A. (w/o J. C.)	25 Oct 1858	13 Sep 1882
Ralph, Fannie A. (w/o Wm. J.)	19 Nov 1825	30 Jun 1889
Ralph, Wm. (Co F 26 th KY Inf)		no dates
Kirk, Manerva E. (w/o Hiram R.; aged 20 y, 2 m, 21 d)		7 Apr 1874
Ralph, Mary B. (d/o W. J. & F. A.)	20 Oct 1859	20 Sep 1861
Ralph, Benjamin B. (s/o W. J. & F. A.)	25 Jan 1862	15 Apr 1867
Westerfield, Oliver P. (s/o Isaac & Zerelda)	5 Apr 1854	6 Jan 1866

Row 7:

Westerfield, William	21 Feb 1841	29 Mar 1886
Baize, Elizabeth (w/o W. J.)	20 Apr 1861	10 Sep 1884

Row 8:

Taylor, infant d/o Ollie & Gola		no dates
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Row 9:

Taylor, Nancy E. (Mother)	18 Mar 1866	9 Apr 1940
Taylor, S. D.	21 Dec 1864	20 Feb 1915
Taylor, Daisy (d/o S. D. & N.E.)	born & died	20 Feb 1903
Taylor, Pansy (d/o S. D. & N. E.)	20 Feb 1906	5 Jun 1907
Taylor, Ervin (s/o S. D. & N. E.)	23 Feb 1909	16 Mar 1909
Zwicker, Goldie J.	30 Jan 1894	14 Sep 1916
Taylor, Douglas (s/o S. D. & N. E. Co A 120th Inf., he died for his country)	7 Apr 1890	5 Oct 1918
Ralph, James M.	26 Nov 1837	12 Apr 1916
Ralph, Sallie M. (w/o J. M.)	4 Oct 1848	24 Jan 1915
Ralph, Addie May (d/o J. M. & S. M.)	14 Oct 1878	8 Aug 1905
Ralph, Naraissie J. (d/o J. M. & S. M.; aged 17 y, 1 m, 18 d)	4 Aug 1868	22 Sep 1885

Row 10:

Ralph, William Hobert	18 Sep 1897	10 Jun 1980
Poynter, Ruby [on same monument with William Hobert Ralph]	30 Nov 1916	10 Jun 1980
Flener, Betty Ralph (grandmother)	1904	1971

Ralph, W. D.	1857	1941
L. M. (w/o W. D.)	1867	1952
Ralph, Marion E. (s/o W. D. & L. M.)	8 Jul 1883	27 Dec 1901
Ralph, Martha L. (d/o W. D. & L. M.)	23 Jan 1900	31 Mar 1901
Ralph, William Lee	17 Mar 1917	17 Mar 1917
Henry Lee, Jr.	5 Mar 1915	5 Mar 1915
Nelson, Ruth (d/o Seth & Mary E.)	27 Nov 1894	25 Dec 1894
Nelson, Irena B. N. (d/o J. P. & G. A.)	9 Apr 1884	26 Sep 1885
Nelson, George Anner (w/o J. P.)	1 Sep 1843	7 Dec 1893
Nelson, James P.	27 Oct 1841	7 Dec 1910
Greer, Alverda (w/o C. H.)	19 May 1875	1 Jul 1892

Row 11:

Ralph, Andrew J. (Father)	15 Feb 1836	27 May 1907
Mary C. (his wife; Mother)	1 Jun 1844	12 Mar 1923
Ralph, Ara (d/o J. B.)	1886	1900
Ralph, Mary (w/o J. B.)	1859	1937
Ralph, John B. (husband of M. E.)	29 Apr 1861	17 Apr 1893
Westerfield, Barbara M. (w/o Jas. A.)	29 Jan 1854	24 Feb 1893
Westerfield, Coria May (d/o J. A. & B. M.)	10 Sep 1883	19 Jul 1891
Westerfield, Lonie B. (s/o J. A. & B. M.)	2 Dec 1887	15 Aug 1889

Row 12:

Ralph, Arvin A. (Father)	10 Feb 1902	
Inez (Mother)	20 Sep 1899	6 Oct 1981
Clifford D. (Son)	1 Jul 1921	
Ralph, Henry L.	20 Jul 1889	16 Dec 1941
Sallie Mary	25 Mar 1885	21 Jan 1957
Ralph, Ava (d/o H. L. & S. M.)	5 Nov 1907	19 Aug 1924
Roach, Matilda A.	7 Oct 1857	30 Aug 1901
Roach, George H.	9 Oct 1855	5 Aug 1896
Bean, Gladys		15 Apr 1917
Bean, Monroe	23 Nov 1878	23 Nov 1944
Iva A.	25 Jun 1885	11 Mar 1941

Row 13:

Ralph, [3 small markers with "Ralph" next to James A. & Allie E. Ralph]		no dates
Ralph, James A. (Father)	29 Sep 1892	30 Oct 1979
Allie E. (Mother; married 26 Apr 1912)	3 Nov 1895	11 Dec 1978

Row 14:

Ralph, James Ernest (s/o Ernest & Helen)	born & died	14 Jul 1936
McKinley, Riley P.	1 Jan 1855	12 May 1942
Josie	8 Mar 1864	11 Jun 1936
Meadows, Rachel		22 Nov 1933

Row 15:

Miller, Bonnie Conley	5 Dec 1915	23 Oct 1981
Ruby Wade (married 8 Jan 1949)	7 Aug 1917	
Soper, Augusta Wade	10 May 1922	6 Jan 1967
Wade, Eva Christine (Mother)	21 Jul 1899	21 Jul 1959
Wade, Alfred Ernest (Father)	8 Apr 1896	10 Mar 1981
Wade, William	8 Mar 1857	15 Jun 1936
Saly Ann	10 Mar 1867	8 Feb 1938
Wade, Shirley Ann	11 Dec 1938	23 Nov 1970
Ralph, Everett	1906	1977
Hazel R. (w/o Everett)	1910	1958
Ralph, R. P.	8 Nov 1873	16 Dec 1949
Malissa (his wife)	12 Sep 1880	24 Dec 1936

Row 16:

Greer, Glover H.	19 Sep 1921	29 Oct 1987
Cora Dean	23 Aug 1923	
Greer, Bertha	20 Dec 1885	11 Dec 1965
Greer, C. H.	17 Mar 1865	25 Jan 1954

Row 17:

Russell, Frank T.	1890	1969
Lizzie M.	1892	1972

Row 18:

Farmer, Harold David	25 Dec 1962	9 Jan 1963
Farmer, Anis D.	18 Apr 1914	
Lucille	31 Jul 1915	10 Feb 1985

Row 19:

Ralph, Charles Junior	23 Jul 1926	23 Apr 1927
Ralph, Martha Sue	20 Jul 1934	25 Jul 1940

Row 20:

Ralph, Henry W.	29 Oct 1870	23 Jun 1944
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Ethel (w/o H. W.)	14 Aug 1887	18 Aug 1972
Ralph, Delilah A. (w/o H. W.)	5 Jun 1870	15 Nov 1899
Ralph, Estella (w/o H. W.)	17 Jun 1875	31 Aug 1906

Row 21:

Ralph, Roy (s/o T. L. & A. F.)	28 Jan 1908	11 Mar 1908
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Note on the Ralph Family by Jerry Long:

Brothers, John L. Ralph (1787-1856) and William Ralph (1776-1862) came to Ohio County, KY Henry County, KY and settled near each other in the Magan area of Ohio County. They were sons of Thomas & Nancy Ralph of Virginia.

John L. Ralph was born 15 May 1787 Franklin County, Virginia. He is listed in the tax lists of Henry County, KY during the years of 1812-1825. He first appears in the Ohio County tax lists in 1827. He is listed in the 1820 census of Henry County, KY, 1830, 1840 & 1850 censuses of Ohio County, KY. He married Elizabeth McLaine (24 November 1796 – 23 April 1870), 7 November 1817 Henry County, KY. Elizabeth, wife of John Ralph, is named as a daughter of John McLane, in his will that was probated in Henry County, KY in June 1813. John L. Ralph according to death record in the 1852-1861 Ohio County Vital Statistics died of flux and dysentery in August 1857, however his gravestone in the (John) Ralph Cemetery shows his death as 3 August 1856. His death record reports that he was born in Franklin County, VA to Thomas & Nancy Ralph.



John L. & Elizabeth (McLaine) Ralph were the parents of six children:

1. William Thomas 'Long Will', born 8 October 1818 Henry County, KY; married Charlotte Powers (16 March 1815 – 6 July 1898), 4 March 1841 Ohio County, KY; he died 20 April 1888; buried in the Ralph-Mosley Cemetery, at the Knob, Ohio County, KY. Their children: Nancy Jane (married Elijah P. Moseley), John William (married Susan J. Brand), Charles Daniel (married Mildred Ann Hoover), Martha Vitula (married Dillis P. Moseley), Amanda E. (married William L. Ford)
2. Catherine Ann, born 9 February 1820 Henry County, KY; married William Sutton, 26 October 1835 Ohio County, KY and David Westerfield, 3 February 1852 Ohio County, KY; she died 14 August 1878 Ohio County, KY; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Her children by William Sutton were: Martha J. (married David Lake), John T. (married Amanda Westerfield), James C. (married Sallie C. Miller), Amnada C. and Mary E.
3. Nancy Jane, born 1820-1825 Henry County, KY; married David Daniel Burks, 23 May 1839 Ohio County, KY; she died 1840-1845. They had a daughter, Elizabeth (married John Peyton Midkiff). Daniel D. Burks married 2nd Laura Westerfield, 14 January 1846 Ohio County, KY.
4. John Lawrence, born 8 October 1824 Henry County, KY; married sisters, Matilda Ann Midkiff (9 October 1827 – 26 September 1855), 10 July 1845 Ohio County, KY and Araminta Barbara Midkiff (17 August 1837 – 29 April 1909), 12 February 1856 Ohio County, KY; he died 21 March 1901 Ohio County, KY; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. His children were: Mary Catherine (married Thomas Davis Royal), Lee Allen (married Gemima Elizabeth Magan & Manerva E. Roach McPherson), James Taylor (married Artemissa Clarinda Moseley, Alzera Estell Moseley & Lillian D. Chapman), Thomas Peyton (married Sarah Frances Patton & Gertrude Mabel Smith), Matilda Ann (married George H. Roach), John B. (married Mary Elizabeth Medcalf), Jefferson Davis (married Laura Anne Nelson) and Henry Wise (married Delilah Artimis Patton, Estella Ralph & Laura Ethel Ridenhower).
5. Amanda E., born 22 July 1836 Ohio County, KY; and died 7 October 1837 Ohio County, KY; her gravestone was the oldest monument found in the (John) Ralph Cemetery.
6. James Marion (?Madison), born 26 November 1837 Ohio County, KY; married Sallie Mary Moseley (4 October 1848 – 24 January 1915), 20 August 1863 Ohio County, KY; he died 12 April 1916 Ohio County, KY; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Their children were: John Columbus (married Minnie E. Rhodes), Mary Lee (married Samuel J. Greer), Narcissus J., Minta Barbara (married James Louis Patton), Reatus Polk (married Melissa Taylor) and Addie May

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

JOHN L. RALPH is a descendant of Thomas Ralph, who came from England and settled in Virginia, where he died. His son, John L., Sr., was bound out to a farmer, served his time, and when of age came to Henry County, Ky., and there married, and in 1827 came to Ohio County, and located in what is known as the Ralph Settlement; here he died in 1857; his widow

in 1870. They were Methodists and the parents of six children — three living. John L., subject, was born October 8, 1824, in Henry County, Ky., reared on a farm, and July 10, 1845, married Matilda A. Midkiff, of Ohio County. She passed away September 26, 1855, leaving four children. February 12, 1856, he married Aera M. B. Midkiff, a sister of his first wife. To them were born four children. Mr. Ralph is one of the most successful farmers in his neighborhood, having over 900 acres of productive land with many valuable improvements, residences, orchards, hedges, etc., etc., wholly the result of indefatigable industry and careful management, and frugality of himself and wife. They have given, aside from what they now own, 400 acres to four children. They are members of the Methodist Church.

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Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY
Wednesday, 27 March 1901 p3:

Died at his residence near Magan last Thursday morning, of old age and a complication of troubles, Mr. John L. Ralph. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. G. J. Bean and R. D. Bennett at the residence, Friday afternoon, after which his remains were laid to rest in the family burying grounds in the presence of friends and relatives. "Uncle John," as he was commonly known, was one of Ohio county's best citizens, and THE HERALD extends condolence to the bereaved family.

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY
Wednesday, 3 April 1901 p3:

An Old Man Gone.
Bro. John B. Ralph came into this world nearly 77 years ago and died in peace at his home in Ohio county, Ky., March 21, 1901. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when a young man. He lived an acceptable member until death. Bro. Ralph was a good citizen and an obliging neighbor, a devoted husband, a loving father and an humble christian. He was twice married and was the father of six sons and two daughters. One of his sons preceded him to the better world. Brother Ralph has served his generation and fallen on sleep. Brother Bean and the writer held appropriate religious services over his remains, after which his body was buried on his home farm. We hope to meet him in heaven.
R. D. BENNETT.

William Ralph, son of Thomas & Nancy, was born 6 March 1779 Virginia; he married Nancy Sharp, (5 December 1791 KY – 10 October 1878), 9 February 1815 Henry County, KY; Nancy was the daughter of John Sharp. William appears in the Shelby County, KY 1813 tax list and 1820 census and in the Henry County, KY, tax lists of 1819 and 1823-1828. He first appears in the Ohio County, KY tax lists in 1829. He is listed in the 1830, 1840, 1850 & 1860 censuses of Ohio County. William died 31 March 1862. He and his wife were buried on their farm just off of the Sunnysdale Road about one mile south of Magan and just before reaching the Beech Valley Road; after crossing a creek the cemetery is on the west side of the road on the hill behind the house trailer of Gary Johnson. The farm of William was later known as the Harry Midkiff farm.



Gravestones of William Ralph (1776-1862) & his wife, Nancy (1791-1878)

William & Nancy (Sharp) Ralph were the parents of:

1. John Riley, born c1822 KY; married Lucinda Kelley (29 November 1817 – 29 November 1854), 22 October 1845 Ohio County, KY and Sally Ann Nave, 23 June 1855 Ohio

- County, KY; he died 3 July 1896; buried Bell's Run Baptist Church Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: George W. (married Sarah L. Wilkerson), Belinda A., Thomas J. (married Margaret C. Wilkerson), James L. (married Elizabeth Ann Cooper), Nancy Ann (married Leonard Cooper & James Lacklin Hays) and William Harrison (married Clarinda D. Ward & Keziah Ann Bellamy).
2. William J., born 20 April 1825 Henry County, KY; married Frances Ann Greer (19 February 1825 – 30 June 1889), 28 June 1848 Ohio County, KY; in 1880 he was living Ohio County, KY; he and his wife were buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: Samuel G. (married Martha S. Wade), Steven Edward (married Mary Elizabeth Powers), Arrena A. (married Henry Clinton 'Harry' Midkiff), Minerva Elizabeth (married Hiram R. Kirk), Nancy Elizabeth, William H., Mary B., Benjamin B. and Coleman D. (married Mary Ann Westerfield).
 3. Phoebe Ann, born 10 October 1827 Henry County, KY; married John McKinley (c1825 – 3 September 1857), 29 December 1845 Ohio County, KY and Isaac Newton Miller (c1816 – after 1882), 7 February 1861 Daviess County, KY; she died 19 February 1908; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Her children by John McKinley were: Nancy Cassander (married George Robinson Midkiff), William Coleman (married Maria C. McCarthy (Nancy Lacy Hendrix), Joseph Jackson (married Sarah Emily Westerfield & Julia Ann Young), Mary E. (married John B. Gross), Riley Pendleton (married Alice Josephine Ward & Josephine Whalen) and Judia Ann (married Reuben Gross & Matthias Baize). Phoebe & Isaac Newton Miller were the parents of: Marion B., John Ludwell (married Eliza A. Edge & Mortina Greer) and James Harriet (married William Thomas Greer).
 4. Nancy Elizabeth, born 20 April 1830 Ohio County, KY; married Coleman Dosier Greer (16 September 1823 – 9 October 1877), 14 July 1847 Ohio County, KY; she died 21 June 1890; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: Sylvester J. (married Amanda E. Powers & Hattie E. Maddox), Edell (married Joshua Magan), Samuel (married Safronia D. Ward), Fannie Ann (married John Coleman Westerfield), John B. (married Sallie Mary Ward), Bluford Andrew (married Sarah D. Givens), Coleman Henry (married Alverda Powers, Nellie B. Westerfield & Bertha Bee Taylor Brown), Laura Ellen (married Benjamin D. Muffett), Mary Elizabeth (married Junius Foote Litsey), Emless and Sanford Marion (married Alverda Midkiff).
 5. Cassandra Caroline, born 23 March 1833 Ohio County, KY; married Robert Daniel Westerfield (10 November 1837 – 14 March 1920), 12 November 1856 Ohio County, KY; she died 19 January 1889; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: Nancy Elizabeth (married married John William Clark), Perry Franklin (married Sarah Belle Royal), Sarah Serelda (married George W. Luellen), Isaac Andrew (married Viola Isabella Brandon, Ettie Lee Wallace & Mary Susan Elkins), William Dempsey (married Virginia Palvina Pointer) and Robert Marion Westerfield (married Gabriella Minter).
 6. Andrew Jackson, born 15 February 1836 Ohio County, KY; married Mary Catherine Westerfield (1 June 1844 – 12 March 1923), 20 April 1857 Ohio County, KY; he died 27 May 1907 Daviess County, KY; buried (John) Ralph Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: William David Ralph (married Lillie Mae Burdette), Marion Franklin (married Mary Samuel McCarty), Janie (married Joseph Allen Ward), John Robert (married Madora Edna Vanover), Sally Ann (married William Mansfield Wade), Lourena Minerva

(married Daniel Gregory Ward), Anna Viola (married George M. Martin), Nannie Catherine (married John Felix Boarman), Irene Gertrude (married Frederick William Nischan), Rose Catherine (married John Charles Pfister & Simon Peter Main), Henry Coleman (married Lula Ward), Silas Bedford (married Rachel Elizabeth Clark), George Alfred (married Josephine Rose McClure) and Dester (married Lilly Ester Millay).

7. Charles Marion, born 10 February 1841 Ohio County, KY; married Susan Ann (Kirk) Moseley (7 January 1844 – 28 June 1902), 2 February 1865 Ohio County, KY; he died 22 March 1907; buried Fordsville Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Children: James N., John W., Lucinda Ann (married John William Baughn), Samuel R., George Alonzo (married Margaret Johnson & Harriet Jemima Midkiff), Mary E., Mittie E. and Matty F.

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Shouts & Hosannas: A History of Methodism in Ohio County, Kentucky, by members of churches in the County, Eloise Ragland Howell (1994, p176):

Ralph Chapel

A deed for the land for Ralph Chapel church was made on September 28, 1887 and recorded in the County Clerk's office on September 29, 1887. The deed reads as follows:

THIS DEED, between John W. Ralph and Susan J. Ralph his wife of the first part, and Wm T. Ralph, John L. Ralph, and Thomas P. Ralph (Trustees for the M. E. Church South) Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part, in consideration of \$1.00 One Dollar in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, grant and convey to the party of the second part, and their successors in office forever the following described property, viz;

One Lot and parcel of land in Ohio County Kentucky, on Panther Creek, and the Owensboro and Hines Mill Road. Bounded as follows; Beginning at a white oak and beech, on Panther Creek, about 100 yards above the bridge J. W. Ralph's and J. A. Farmer's corner. Thence with his line N. 40 W. 30 poles to a stone. Thence 5. W. to a stone on the side of the Owensboro and Hines Mill Road. Thence with road to the bridge, over the creek. Thence up the creek to the beginning containing 2 acres more or less. In trust that said premises shall be used, kept maintained and disposed of, as a place of divine worship, for the use of the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church South; subject to the discipline, usage, and ministerial appointments of- said church, as from time to time authorized and declared by the General Conference of said church and the annual conference within whose bounds the said premises are situated.

To have and to hold the same, with all the appurtenances thereon, to the second party, and their successors in office forever, with covenant of "General Warranty."

In Testimony whereof, witness our signatures, this 28th day of September 1887.

John W. Ralph
Susan J. Ralph

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Hartford Republican, Hartford, KY
Friday, 28 June 1901 p3:

The New Precinct, Ralph.

Orders Ohio County Court, regular term, 5th day March, 1901:

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, and notice having been given the Court, that there was polled in the Magan voting precinct more than 250 votes at the last general election, it is therefore ordered and adjudged by the Court in accordance with section 1443 of the Kentucky statutes that said precinct be divided as follows, to wit.:

Beginning at Thos. Hickey's in the Hartford and Hawesville road, thence to Alias Farmer's road; thence with the new cut road to James Cap's; thence up the Cap branch to Jas. Moseley's farm; thence to the big road on top of Red Hill near Jack Wright's; thence with Magan and Renold Station road to a new store at Buckbee's; thence with the new cut from Ruth Edge's to Clark school house to the lands of Harve Evans and Mile Hines; thence with their line to Smith's creek; said precinct and all North of said line, to be known as Ralph's precinct and the voting place to be at Ralph's store.

J. P. MILLER, Judge.

Doubtless a study of the outline of this shoe-string precinct, will convince those acquainted with the lay of the country that it was so laid-off as to save the scalp of one of the present 'Squires. Some of the voters in the Ralph precinct live in thirty feet of the Magan voting place. Quite an inconvenience to the citizen, which will doubtless be rebuked at the polls in November.

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See also books: A History of the Genealogy of the Ralph Family from England to America to their settlement in Kentucky and up to the present time, 1734-1982), by Antha Belle (Shown) Ralph (Hartford, KY, 1982) and The Ralph Family of Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee and the Smith Family of Iowa, by Charles L. Ralph (Fort Collins, CO, 1996).