

# Gillespie – Robinson Connections

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Three daughters of my fifth great-grandparents, James Robinson & his wife, Elizabeth Fulton, married Gillespies. Mary / ‘Polly’ married James Gillaspy, 25 January 1785 Botetourt County, VA, Margaret / ‘Peggy’ married John Gillespie, 8 May 1806 Shelby County, KY and Araminta / ‘Minty’ married William Gillespie, 24 January 1809 Shelby County, KY. James Robinson died in 1805. His will was recorded in Shelby County, KY in August 1805.

Abstract of Shelby County, KY Will Book 2 (1804-1811), pp33-35: James ROBINSON, written on 23 May 1805. Wife: Elizabeth. Sons: George & John. Daughters: Sarah Sawyer, Mary Gillespy, Jean Carson, Elizabeth Metcalf, Rebecca Carson, Peggy Robinson, Nancy Allen, Minty Robinson, and Charlotte Robinson. Grandson: Joseph Metcalf. Granddaughter: Elizabeth Fulton Gillsepy. Executors: Wife, John Sawyer & Stephen Allen. Also refers to Benjamin Metcalf, John Sawyers and Stephen Allen but does not state relationship [they were son-in-laws]. Probated in August 1805.

The Rebecca Carson named in James Robinson’s will was the wife of Lindsey Carson, who were the parents of the legendary Western frontiersman Kit Carson (1809-1868), who helped explore and open for settlement the western states. In the article, “About Kit Carson: Some of the People Related to the Famous Scout and Hunter”, published in the newspaper, Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY (25 June 1890, p3) it was noted that two other sisters of Rebecca Robinson Carson “married men named Gillespie, one of them the father of George Gillespie, formerly a member of Congress from Iowa.” The latter is George Gillaspy (1814-1875), who was the son of James Fulton Gillaspy and grandson of James Gillaspy & Mary Robinson.

The Gillespie surname has a multitude of spelling variations including: Gillispie, Gillaspy, Gillespy, Gillispey, Gillespey, Gallespie, Glasby, etc. In a biography of Lewis H. Gillaspy, born in 1806 in Shelby County, KY, in the book, History of Monroe and Shelby Counties, Missouri (St. Louis, National Historical Company, 1884, p1137) it was written that “His parents, Alexander & Sarah (Griffith) Gillaspy were from Virginia. Originally, however, the Gillaspy family was from Pennsylvania, where it had been settled from the founding almost of that colony.” Frances M. Smith in an article, “About Our Ancestors: Gillespie Family” wrote: “Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, was the first home of the Gillespie’s. From there a branch of the family went to Virginia and other colonial homes were in North Carolina. It is interesting to note that one Robinson family previous to moving to Augusta County, VA had resided in Lancaster County, PA. Lancaster County was also the birthplace of Robert Fulton (1765-1815), the inventor of the steamboat.



## Family of James Gillaspy & Mary Robinson

James Gillaspy was born c1759 Augusta County, VA. His family lived in the part of Augusta County that became Botetourt County, VA in 1769 and Allegheny County, VA in 1822. James was the son of Robert Gillaspy, who was born c1730 and died 1797-1798 Botetourt County, VA.

Buchanan and Gillespie of Southwest Virginia, by David B. Trimble (Austin, TX, 1992, p325):

“Robert Gillespie was probably born about 1730 in Northern Ireland and lived in Augusta (now Allegheny) County, Virginia, as early as 1754, when he served as a sergeant in Dickenson's Rangers, he later received 50 acres for his services. He lived on the lower end of Cowpasture River and in 1766 worked on the road from Ft. Defiance to Handley's Mill. On June 19, 1766, he had 40 acres surveyed on the north side of James River; he received a grant to the land on September 10, 1767. In 1768 he lived in the bend of Jackson's River and was exempted from working on the Cowpasture road. On October 17, 1769, he had 300 acres surveyed, but no grant was made; on May 12, 1770, he received a grant of 54 acres on the northeast side of Jackson's River (the present site of Clifton Forge), for which he received a grant on June 20, 1772; on the same date he received a grant of 42 acres on two small branches of James River. He operated a powder mill on his land and was probably a gunsmith; in 1785 he paid taxes on 218 acres. He made his will on May 23, 1797, leaving his property to his children, and the estate was probated in April, 1798.”

Robert Gillaspy's will names eight children. They were –

1. William (1755-1833), married Sarah Carpenter, 1780 & Mrs. Catherine Caine, c1805
2. James (c1758-c1800), married Mary Robinson, 1785
3. Isabella (1762-1833), married James Gillespie, 1779
4. Robert (c1768-after 1850), married Mary Galloway, 1791
5. Mary (c1770-after 1816), married George Shawver, 1789
6. John (c1772-before 1850), married Comfort Griffith, 1798
7. Alexander (1774-1853), married Sarah Griffith, 1805
8. Jean /Jane (c1777-1834), married William Edde, 1797

James Gillaspy & Mary (Polly) Robinson were married 25 January 1785 Botetourt County, VA. They were married by a Presbyterian Minister named Edward Crawford.

<b>REGISTER OF MARRIAGES</b>		
<i>Botetourt County</i> , VIRGINIA		VIRGINIA
COMPILED BY VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY		
	NAME OF WIFE	MINISTER
25 "	1785 James Gillespy	Mary Robertson
21 February	1785 William Knight	Rachel Sawyers
3 March	1785 William Hobson	Sisely Duckwyler
2 ..	1785 Francis Allen	Rebecca Mills
11 April	1785 Christopher Miliron	Abigail Hall

I hereby certify that William Whitehead & Margaret Hutchison were joined by me in marriage Jan<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1785. Jos Taylor & Rebecca All. Donora Jan<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1785. Jas. Gallepy & Mary Robertson Jan<sup>y</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1785. Wm. Knight & Rachel Sawyer Feb<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1785. Wm. Hanson & Betsy Dickwiler March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1785. Francis Allen & Rebecca Mills March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1785. Christopher Milione & Abigail Wall April 11<sup>th</sup> 1785. Wm. Walker & Mary Walker May 10<sup>th</sup> 1785. Walter Smiley & Anne Smiley May 27<sup>th</sup> 1785. Witnesses whereof the above is true Robertson June 14<sup>th</sup> 1785. Edward Sanford.

James Gillaspay appears on the Shelby County, KY tax list of 1797. James is in the tax list for Shelby County, KY dated August 7, 1800. But he is not listed in the tax lists there after that. His wife Mary Robinson Gillaspay appears in the 1801 and 1802 Shelby County, KY tax lists. From 1803 to 1805 there are no variations of the Gillaspay name in the Shelby County tax lists. In the Shelby County, KY order book of October 1806 the court granted Mary Robinson Gillaspay the right to administer the estate of her husband, with John James and John Gillaspay as her security. The order stated that James died about some 6 years ago, which would be the last half of the year, 1800. This fits in with the fact that James is in the 1800 tax list, but not in the 1801. An inventory of the estate of James Gillaspay, deceased, was made by Samuel Vancleave, Stephen Allen, William Allen & Robert Carson and approved by Polly Gillaspay on 24 October 1806 and a sale of the estate on 17 January 1807 was recorded 8 July 1807 (Shelby County, KY Will Book 2, pp157-162). Mary Galaspay is listed in the 1814 tax list of Henry County, KY. Mary some report married James Connell, in Henry County, KY on 15 March 1820. By 1830 at least 6 of the 7 children of James and Mary Robinson Gillaspay were living in Johnson County, IN - William, James F., Robert & George Gillaspay, Jane Allen & Mary Connell.

James Gillaspay & Mary Robinson were the parents of:

1. ? Rev. John Gillaspay was born 1780-1785 VA. He married Margaret Robinson, 8 May 1806 Shelby County, KY. See page 15.
2. William Gillaspay was born 20 July 1786 VA. He married Leah Connell, 10 March 1808 Shelby County, KY. Leah, daughter of George Connell, was born 1789 SC and died after 1860. William Gillaspay is listed in the 1810 census of Shelby County, KY, 1820 census of Henry County, KY, 1830 & 1840 censuses of Johnson County, IN, 1850 & 1860 censuses of Brown County, IN. William, son of James & Mary, on numerous family trees is totally confused with the family of a William Abner Gillaspay (c1790-1860), who resided in Pendleton County, KY. Children of William & Leah (Connell) Gillaspay were –
  - a. James Tillett (1809-after 1870), married Margaret Gillespie, 1831
  - b. Giles (1811- )
  - c. Betsy (1812- )
  - d. George T. (1813-1869), married Sarah Ann Staples, 1837
  - e. Polly (1816-after 1864), married William Duncan, 1836

- f. Julia Ann (1822-after 1850), married Thomas S. Cardwell, 1844
  - g. William Edde (1825-1900), married Elizabeth A. White, 1851
  - h. Leah Frances (1827-1863), married Rev. William Taggart, 1852
  - i. Andrew Jackson (1829-after 1863), married Rachel (Owens) McDonald, 1863, divorced
  - j. Martha (1832-after 1860), married Squire W. Calvin, 1854
3. James Fulton Gillaspay was born c1788 VA. He married Nancy T. Calloway, 21 November 1811 Henry County, KY and Susan Spencer (c1800-1855), 2 September 1817 Shelby County, KY. Susan is reported as the daughter of Jephtha Spencer & Leah Johnston, who were married in Lincoln County, KY on 20 June 1798. James F. Gillaspay is listed in the 1820 census of Henry County, KY, 1830 & 1840 censuses of Johnson County, IN. He died in 1846 Johnson County, IN. He was county commissioner in Johnson County at the time of his death. Children by Nancy Calloway –
- a. James (c1812- )
  - b. George (1814-1875), married Eleanor T. Lang, 1847, served in Iowa senate
  - c. John (c1816- , married Phebe)  
Children by Susan Spencer –
  - d. Mary (c1818-1851), married Jaspar Koons, 1836
  - e. Leah (c1819- ), married Daniel Dyer, 1839
  - f. Matilda (1822-1873), married Alford Koons, 1839
  - g. William (1824-1853), married Mary Teeters, 1844
  - h. Jane (1826- ), married James Pankhurst, 1846
  - i. Robert (1827-1889), married Nancy Jane Smizer, 1851
  - j. Lucy (1828-1879), married Warren Coleman, 1848
  - k. Thomas P. C. (1830-1893), married Mary Teeters, 1854
  - l. Joseph (1832-after 1860), married Rachel Thompson, 1851
  - m. Amos (1834-1885), married Elizabeth Burget, 1860
  - n. Mildred A. (1836-1888), married Richard Harris Park, 1855
  - o. Sally Ann (1839-1877), married John A. Tyler, 1856
  - p. Milton (1846-1873), married Rebecca Anne Burget, 1871
4. Jane Gillaspay was born 4 April 1791 VA. In the 1850 census she is reported to be 59 years old and born in Virginia. She married Joseph Allen, 3 February 1814 KY. Joseph Allen, 13 June 1789 VA, is listed in the 1820 census of Shelby County, KY, 1830 census of Johnson County, IN. Mrs. Jane Allen is listed as a household head in the 1840 census of Johnson County, IN, 8 others persons were in her home. Jane married 2<sup>nd</sup> Gavin Mitchell, 13 October 1840 Johnson County, IN. Gavin Mitchell was born 1786 PA; he was a veteran of the War of 1812. He married 1<sup>st</sup> Rebecca Collier, 31 March 1812 Highland County, OH. Gavin is listed in the 1830, 1840 & 1850 censuses of Johnson County, IN and 1860 census of Morgan County, IN. He died in 1866 and was buried in the Normanda Cemetery, Tipton County, IN. Jane died 1850-1860. Her husband, Gavin Mitchell, in the 1860 census is listed in the home of Jane Gillaspay's niece, Nancy (Gillaspay) Davee. Jane and her first husband, Joseph Allen, in family trees are reported to have children –
- a. Wilson (1816-1866), married Eliza Ann Waggoner, 1840

- b. Elizabeth (1816-1862), married Jeremiah M. Woodruff, 1833
  - c. Harriet (1818-1874), married John Vandivier, 1835
  - d. Ann (1819-1864), married Thomas Zook, 1836
  - e. Melinda (1821-1889), married James Shipp Waggoner, 1840
  - f. Stephen (1823-1888), married Zoraida Ann Shank, 1846 & Margaret A. Badger, 1866)
  - g. Mary Jane (1826-1907), married Jeremiah Dunham, 1846
  - h. Sarah Ann (1827- ), married Thomas M. Rivers, 1840
  - i. Martha (1832-1895), married Joseph Taggert, 1851
5. Robert Gillaspay was born 14 February 1793 VA. He married Nancy Agnes Montgomery, 12 October 1812 Clark County, IN. The daughter of William Montgomery & Mary Johnson, Nancy was born 7 February 1795 PA and died 30 January 1849. Robert is listed in the 1820 Jackson County, IN, 1830 census of Johnson County, IN and 1840 census of Jackson County, IN. He died 24 January 1849 Jackson County, IN, where he and his wife were buried in the Grassy Cemetery. Children –
- a. William (1813-1878), married Rachel Tobias, 1834, he was a Baptist minister
  - b. Elizabeth (1815-1872), married John E. Tobias, 1839
  - c. Sarah (1825-1877), married James Hudson, 1847
  - d. James (1827-1909, married Elizabeth Gorrell, 1849 & Mrs. Rachel Ann (King) Bedel, 1883
  - e. Robert (1828-1878), married Rachel Hall, 1848
  - f. Mary Nancy (1835-1907), married James Hughes Hall, 1856
  - g. Thomas J. (c1839-1862, married Irene Baker, 1860, he died Gallatin, TN while serving in the Union Army during the Civil War
6. Elizabeth Fulton Gillaspay was born 22 May 1795 VA. She was named in her grandfather, James Robinson's will in 1805. She married William McWilliams, 10 May 1810 Shelby County, KY. Elizabeth Gillaspay McWilliams died 1814-1816 in Kentucky. William McWilliams was born 8 October 1788 Greenbrier County, VA; he was the son of Hugh McWilliams & Elizabeth Dinwiddie. His mother, Elizabeth McWilliams, is listed in the 1810 census of Shelby County, KY following the households of William & Polly Gillaspay. William married 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlotte Smith (1791-1823), 15 January 1817 Henry County, KY. He is listed in the 1820 & 1830 censuses of Henry County, KY. In 1820 in his home are listed an adult female and three children under the age of ten (2 boys & 1 girl). In the 1830 census he is listed by himself. William McWilliams and his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Charlotte Smith had a son – Andrew Shannon McWilliams (1823-1900, married Jane Melcena Strobe, 1852 & Susan Withers, 1866). Elizabeth & William McWilliams were the parents of –
- a. Nancy S. (1812-1900), married James Madison Dean, 1832, an obituary reported “she came to Missouri with her grandmother, Mrs. McWilliams in 1824, and settled in Marion County”
  - b. James Fulton McWilliams (1814-1854, married Mary)
7. George Gillaspay was born 25 January 1797. He married Catherine Smith (died c1840), 17 June 1818 Henry County, KY and Mrs. Isabella (Adams) Teeters (c1797-1878), 8 April

1841 Morgan County, IN. He is listed in the 1820 census of Henry County, KY, 1830, 1840, 1850 & 1860 & 1870 censuses of Morgan County, IN. He died 20 August 1871 Martinsville, Morgan County, IN, where he is buried in the Centennial Cemetery. An obituary in the Morgan County Republican newspaper (Martinsville, IN, 24 August 1871) reported that “he was born in Virginia and his widowed mother took him to Kentucky when he was two years old; he married Catherine Smith, who died 31 years ago, leaving him with 4 sons and 3 daughters.” Children –

- a. James Harvey (1821-1901), married Rebecca Ann Teeters, 1842
  - b. Robert S. (1825-1854), married Sarah Teeters, 1847
  - c. Silas Andrew (1826-after 1873), married May Hannah Speaks, 1847
  - d. Eliza J. (1827-1895), married Ephraim Haase, 1846
  - e. Nancy (1831-1875), married John Davee, 1848
  - f. Miles (1833-1900), married Ann St.John, 1857
  - g. Mary Ann (1835- )
  - h. George (1837-1908, married Nancy E. Avery, 1865
8. Mary Gillaspy was born c1799 Shelby County, KY. She married George Tillett Connell, 2 May 1816 Henry County, KY. George Connell, born c1791 SC, is listed in the 1820 census of Henry County, KY, 1830 census of Johnson County, IN, 1840, 1850 & 1860 censuses of Arkansas County, AR. Mary Gillaspy Connell died 1850-1860 Arkansas. Children may have included –
- a. George Tillett (c1818-after 1874), married Mary Young, c1860
  - b. James T. (c1821- ), married Sarah Young, 1842
  - c. Mary Jane (c1826-after 1870), married \_ Lynch, c1846 & Thomas J. Armstrong, c1854
  - d. Julia Ann (c1828-after 1860), married Jones Young, 1847
  - e. Manerva (c1834-after 1880), married Eli Stillwell, 1849
  - f. John T. (c1838-after 1850)
  - g. Alvira (c1843-after 1860)
  - h. Melvina (c1844-after 1860)
  - i. William Andrew (c1848-after 1860)

For additional data on the descendants of James Gillaspy & Mary Robinson see book, Buchanan and Gillespie of Southwest Virginia, by David B. Trimble (Austin, TX, 1992) and website, “Genealogy Report: Descendants of Robert C. Gillaspy/Gillespie”, by Ginger Koch Hicks, Internet (genealogy.com).



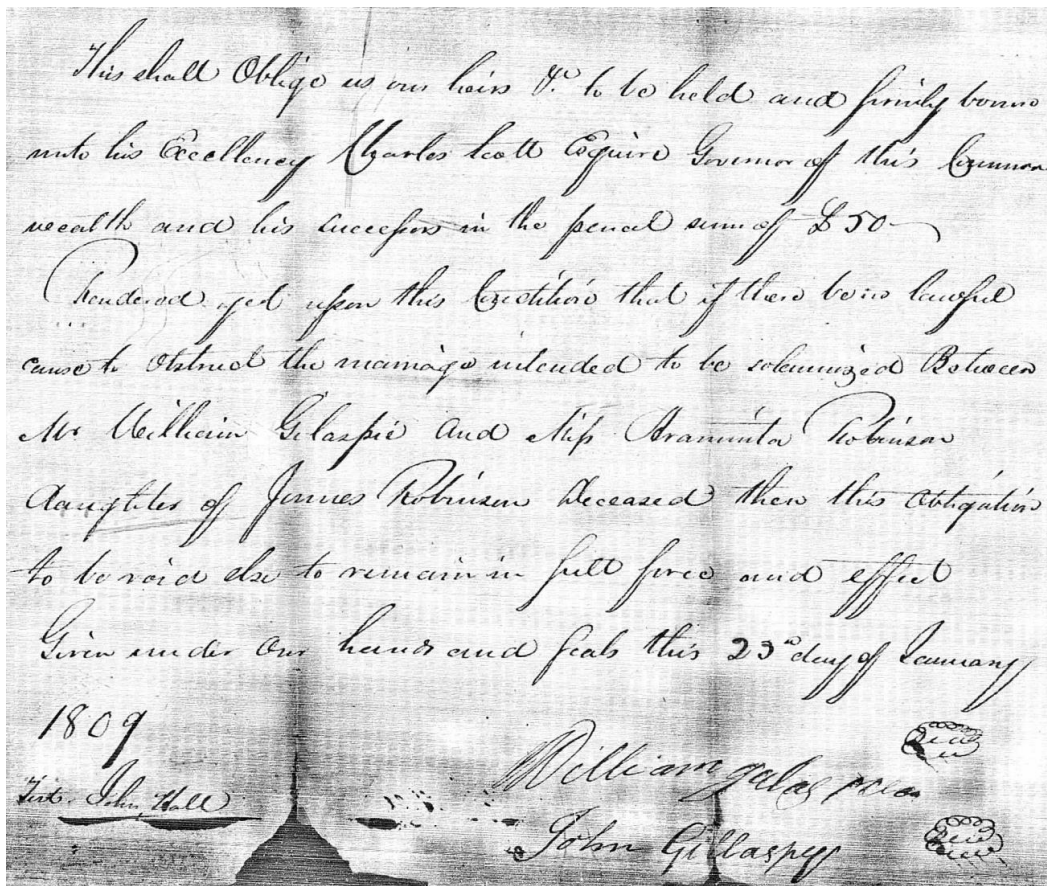
### **Family of William Gillespie & Araminta Robinson**

Robert Gillaspy (c1730-c1798) had a brother, William Gillespie. On a road order recorded in Botetourt County in the 1770's a Robert and William Gillespie appear along with one James Robinson. William Gillespie and Mary Clendenning had a son, James Gillespie, who was

born c1751 VA and married his cousin, Isabella Gillaspy, 29 July 1779 Botetourt County, VA. Isabella, daughter of Robert Gillaspy, was born c1762 VA and died in c1834. James Gillespie's will was written on 26 February 1833 and was recorded in Smyth County, VA. on 18 September 1834. His will named ten children –

1. Jane
2. William (c1783-1853), married Araminta Robinson, 1809
3. Robert (c1786-1858), married Nancy Bates & Martha Ann Baber
4. Mary
5. Mathew (c1792-1852), married Lucinda
6. Thomas Russell (c1795-1853), married Nancy Jane Kincanon, 1840 & Mary Shannon Thompson, 1851
7. Elijah (c1798- ), married Mary Nancy, c1830
8. James S. (c1801-after 1870), married Cynthia Ferguson, c1827
9. Sarah
10. Isabella (c1806-1855, married Charles Allen Anderson

William Gillespie son of James & Isabel (Gillaspy) Gillespie was born 1783-1785 Southwest Virginia. William was the grandson of brothers, Robert (father of Isabel) and William Gillaspy (father of James). In Shelby County, KY on 24 January 1809 William married Araminta Robinson, the daughter of James & Elizabeth (Fulton) Robinson, she was born c1788 Virginia. On their marriage bond it was recorded that Araminta was the daughter of James Robinson, deceased.



This shall Oblige us our heirs &c. to hold and firmly bound  
unto his Excellency Charles Scott Esquire Governor of this Common  
wealth and his Successors in the penal sum of \$50  
Conditioned upon this Condition that if there be any  
cause to obstruct the marriage intended to be solemnized between  
Mr. William Gillespie and Miss Araminta Robinson  
daughters of James Robinson deceased then this obligation  
to be void else to remain in full force and effect  
Given under our hands and seals this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January  
1809  
John Gillaspy  
William Gillespie  
John Gillaspy

William Gillespie is listed in the 1810 & 1820 censuses of Shelby County, KY and 1830, 1840 & 1850 censuses of Ohio County, KY. William is last listed in the Shelby County tax lists in 1821 and is first shown in the Ohio County tax lists in 1822. A record of his death was entered in the 1852-1861 vital statistics kept by the state of Kentucky – William Gillaspys, age 70, died Ohio County on 31 July 1853 of old age, he was a farmer, born Virginia, parents James & Isabel Gillaspys. George Warren Taylor (1841-1914), of the Bell's Run neighborhood in Ohio County, KY, kept a journal in which he recorded the dates of many area deaths. He noted that William Gillaspie died on 30 July 1853. Araminta, was recorded in the 1860 federal census mortality schedule – Eramitta Gillespy died September 1859 Ohio County, KY, Adam's Fork District, age 68, born Virginia.

Children of William Gillespie & Araminta Robinson were:

1. Margaret Gillespie was born 1811 Shelby County, KY. In William & Araminta's household in the 1820 census there are four female children, born 1810-1820, they would be Margaret, Nancy, Lucy & Julia. Margaret married James Tillett Gillespie, 29 December 1831 Ohio County, KY; William Gillespie paid the marriage bond. Margaret & James were second cousins, their grandfathers, Robert & William being brothers. James T. Gillaspys was born 25 January 1809 Shelby County, KY. He was the child of William Gillaspys, who married Leah Connell in Shelby County, KY in 1808 and who settled in Brown County, IN. James T. is in the 1840 census and 1833-1843 tax lists of Ohio County, KY. An obituary of their son, George H. Gillaspys states he was born in Ohio County, KY in 1836. About 1844 James T. moved his family to Indiana. He is in the 1850 census of Brown County, IN, 1860 census of Putnam County, MO and 1870 census of Cedar County, MO. Margaret & James T. were both living in 1870. Children listed in their home in the 1850 & 1860 censuses were –
  - a. Mary Ann (1832- 1854), married Joseph Fraker, 1852
  - b. John William (c1834-1901), married Minerva (Duncan) Fraker, 1866
  - c. George Hampton (1836-1914), married Sarah Amanda Kirby, c1864
  - d. Stephen Thomas (c1840-after 1880), married Eleanor Godsey, 1858
  - e. Henry (c1843-after 1860)
  - f. Nancy Jane (c1845-1921), married Joseph Palmer Hegwood, 1873
  - g. Willis (c1849-after 1860)
  - h. Frances Margaret (c1854-after 1870)
2. ? male born 1810-1817 KY; in the 1820 census there is a male aged under 10 in the household of William & Araminta Gillespie. There is a George T. Gillaspys, born 1800-1810, in the 1840 Ohio County, KY census. He appears to be the son of William Gillaspys (born 1786, son of James Gillaspys & Mary Robinson) & Leah Connell). George T. was born 3 March 1813 Shelby County, KY married Sarah Ann Staples, 29 July 1837 Oldham County, KY, died 16 March 1869 Brown County, IN; George T. is listed in the 1839-1842 tax lists of Ohio County, KY, 1850 census of Trimble County, KY and 1860 census of Brown County, IN. In the 1850 census in his household were – George (38 KY), Sarah E. (28 KY), William (13 KY), John (11 KY), Sarah E. (9 KY), Leah K. (7 KY), Joann (5 KY) and George W. (2 KY), 1860 census listed in his household were – G. T. (42 KY), Sarah (40 KY), Sarah (19 KY), John (21 KY), Leah C. (17 KY), Jemiah (13 KY), George (11 KY), Andrew J. (10 KY), Charles (7 IN) and Mary F. (8 IN).



3. Nancy A. Gillespie, born c1815 KY. She married Richard Ray Royal, 2 March 1837 Ohio County, KY. Richard, son of William Royal & Elizabeth Clifton, was born c1816 KY and died after 1885. Richard Royal is listed in the 1850 census of Perry County, IN, 1860 census of Spencer County, IN, 1870 census of Crawford County, IN and 1880 census of Perry County, IN. Nancy Gillespie Royal died 1850-1851. Richard Royal married 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Jane Miller, 30 October 1851 Crawford County, IN.
  - Children of Richard R. Royal & Nancy A. Gillespie included –
    - a. Julia E. (1838-1868), married Ira Burk Scott, 1853
    - b. Mary Frances (1840-1878), married Andrew Joseph Creek, 1862
    - c. Matilda A. (1842-1899), married Andrew J. Oglesby, 1861
    - d. Lucinda (c1843-after 1880), married Ephraim H. Hix, 1870
    - e. James H. (c1845-after 1867), married Margaret Simpson, 1867
    - f. America E. (1848-1919), married Calethiel Creek, 1871
  - Children of Richard R. Royal & Elizabeth Jane Miller –
    - g. Drucilla J. (1853-1926), married Benjamin L. East, 1878
    - h. Lucina C. (1855-1911), single
    - i. Howard Malcomb (1856-1932), married Mary H. Batson, 1880
    - j. Richard E. (1859-1943), married Mary A. Mills, 1885
    - k. Amos R. (c1862-after 1880)
    - l. Eli P. (1863-1917), married Margaret Bell Whitmer, 1885
  
4. Lucy Gillespie was born 1815-1820 Shelby County, KY. She married Benjamin McKinley, 3 May 1840 Ohio County, KY. A consent slip signed by her father, William Gillespie, was filed with their marriage. Benjamin was born c1805. Lucy Gillespie McKinley died 1840-1842 Ohio County, KY. Her husband married 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlotte Bozarth, 20 April 1842 Ohio County, KY. Benjamin McKinley died 1850-1855. Benjamin's widow, Charlotte, daughter of John Bozarth & Charlotte Rose, was born 24 December 1819, died c1857, and married Moses Spencer, 3 May 1855 Ohio County, KY. Lucy was survived by one child –
  - a. Mary F. McKinley (1841-1900), married John Way Kirk, 1862
 Benjamin McKinley & Charlotte Bozarth were parents of –
  - b. Joseph Isaac (1844-1918, married Cynthia Mary Sharp, 1864 & Susan E. Chapman, 1891
  - c. Alexander (c1845-after 1860)
  - d. Margaret E. (c1846-after 1850)
  - e. Rachael C. (c1848-after 1880), married William H. Rummage, 1868, & Samuel D. Burns, 1878
  
5. Julia F. Gillespie was born c1816 Shelby County, KY. She married John S. Kelly, 6 January 1841 Ohio County, KY. The Ohio County, KY Circuit Court suit of William Gillaspay, administrator of John S. Kelly, deceased, versus John S. Kelly's heirs (case #761, filed 3 August 1842) reported that John S. Kelly died in 1841, leaving a widow, Julia, and no children. Julia (Gillespie) Kelly married Jonathan Bozarth, 10 February 1846 Ohio County, KY. Jonathan, son of John Bozarth & Charlotte Rose, was born 24 April 1815 KY. Julia Gillespie Bozarth died 1870-1878. Jonathan Bozarth, also married Sallie Jones (1820-1845), 24 April 1838 Daviess County, KY and Martha J. Comer (1828-1905), 16 April 1878 Ohio County, KY. Jonathan Bozarth died 18 December 1882

Ohio County, KY; he was buried in the Richardson Jones Cemetery near Habit in Daviess County, KY. Jonathan Bozarth & Sallie Jones had four children – Commodore Roy (1839-c1839), James Hargus (1841-1914, married Lucinda Frances Jones), Malissa (1843-1919, married Pleasant John Martin) and John J. (died young). Julia F. Gillespie by her two marriages had no known children.

6. Stephen Allen Gillaspie was born 3 August 1822 Ohio County, KY. A record of his 1854 marriage recorded in the 1852-1861 Kentucky Vital Statistics records that he was born in Ohio County, where his father appears in the 1822 tax list. He was named in honor of his uncle, Stephen Allen, who married Nancy Robinson. Stephen A. Gillaspie is listed in the 1850, 1860, 1870 & 1880 censuses of Ohio County, KY. He married Ann Crow, 29 October 1846 Ohio County, KY. Ann, daughter of John Crow & Pricy Boswell, was born 8 October 1826 KY and died 7 January 1852; she was buried Midkiff (Cap) Cemetery, Beech Valley, Ohio County, KY. Stephen married 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Ann Medcalf, 29 June 1854 Ohio County, KY. Mary, daughter of Charles Medcalf & Sarah Carrico, was born 25 January 1836 Hardin County, KY and died 19 June 1914 Ohio County, KY. Mary was buried John Haynes Cemetery, Reynolds Station, Ohio County, KY. The 1900 census recorded that no children had been born to Mary A. Gillespie. Stephen A. Gillaspie was a farmer and physician and began his medical practice in 1859 (Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, 26 March 1890 p4). At the time of his death he owned 307 acres near Hines Mill in Ohio County. He died of consumption on 5 March 1900 near Reynolds Station, Ohio County, KY and was buried at the Midkiff (Ca)p Cemetery, Beech Valley, Ohio County, KY. He left no children.



Stephen A. Gillaspie (1822-1900)  
Midkiff (Cap) Cemetery, Beech Valley, Ohio County, KY

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 7 March 1900 p3:

Dr. S. A. Gillespie, of Reynolds, died Monday, of old age and a complication of troubles. He was a well known and well liked citizen of the county and will be greatly missed.

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 28 March 1900 p4:

**Dr. S. A. Gillespie**

Died, March 4th, 1900, at his home near Reynolds Station, of consumption of the lungs. He was born and raised in this county and had been a member of Zion church for seventeen years. He was a Baptist of the first degree and he always stood up for the doctrine. He was also a Mason and he always said that the Masonic Lodge was the next thing to the church. He was a Demo-

crat and stood up to his principles. He never was known to cast any kind but a Democratic vote. He was kind to the poor and always ready to lend a helping hand. So dear friends and kinfolks and neighbors, weep not, for uncle Stern is at rest. He can see his way now, but when on earth he had to be led around by some friend. X. Y. Z.

A settlement of the estate of Dr. Stephen A. Gillaspie was filed in Ohio County on 20 March 1903 by his administrator, John H. Loyd. Monies from the estate were paid to the following relatives: Mary A. Gillespie, Mary F. (McKinley) Kirk, John W. Kirk, William Caleb Gillespie, Vernon Gillespie, Vig Gillespie, Baxter White, Sylvester White, Mary (White) Miller, Florence (White) Stinnett, Lon White, John W. Lanham, Nora A. (Lanham) Loyd, Eunice Baize and J. D. Farmer & wife.

7. John Robert Gillespie was born c1824 Ohio County, KY. He is listed in the 1850 census of Ohio County, KY, 1860 & 1870 censuses of Daviess County, KY. In these three census reports his occupation was given as farmer, merchant and physician. Several items preceded his name with the title of "Dr." In 1860 & 1870 he was living in the town of Whitesville. He married Sarah Ann (Royal) White, 12 October 1844 Ohio County, KY. Sarah, daughter of William Royal & Elizabeth Clifton, was born c1824 KY. She married first William E. White, 7 August 1842 Ohio County, KY. Sarah Ann Royal Gillespie died after 1870. John Robert Gillespie appears to have died during 1870-1880; he was not found in the 1880 census and in that census two of his youngest sons, Benjamin & Vernon were living with their uncle, Dr. Stephen A. Gillaspie. John R. was also a Baptist minister and was associated with several churches. On 16 March 1850 the Zion Baptist Church in Ohio County, KY was organized and elder John R. Gillaspie was elected from the church membership to serve as pastor. He was later connected with the Whitesville Baptist Church in Daviess County, KY. His former dwelling in Whitesville was later converted into a hotel that in 1883 was being run by Joseph G. McCarty. He served as one of the trustees of the Whitesville Academy. Their children were –
  - a. Stephen Ray (c1845-1883), married Nancy Jane Wells, 1867
  - b. Mary E. (1848-1871), married Aray Newton Wells, 1867
  - c. Frances E. (c1852-1879), married Stephen Hall Harrel, 1873
  - d. John T. Nathaniel (1853-1886), married Elizabeth Scott, 1873 & Nellie Pottinger, 1877
  - e. Nancy J. N. (1855-1856)

- f. William Caleb (1857-1933), married Mary E. Winnans, 1893
- g. Minnie M. (1861-1895), married James Nicholas Berry, 1879
- h. Benjamin J. (c1862-1887, killed by a falling tree limb)
- i. Clarence Vernon (1869-1934, married Elizabeth Mitchell, 1886 & Martha J. Williams, 1897

A History of the Daviess – McLean Baptist Association in Kentucky, Rev. Wendell H. Rone (Owensboro, KY, 1943), p266:

J. R. GILLASPIE

We have very little information concerning J. R. Gillaspie. He was present at the constitution of Whitesville Church in August, 1854, serving on the presbytery. His membership was with this Church in the years 1861-1864. From here we lose track of him. Other records seem to show that his ministry was mostly in Goshen Association and others east of that body.

- 8. Elizabeth F. Gillespie was born 25 July 1827 Ohio County, KY. She is in her parents' home in the 1850 census of Ohio County, KY. She married John S. White, 30 December 1850 Ohio County, KY. John S., son of Brockman White & Sarah Combs Sullinger, who were married in Scott County, KY in 1809. John S. White was born 1824 KY. He is listed in the 1850, 1860, 1870 & 1880 censuses of Ohio County, KY. He married first Martha Sutton, 23 October 1842 Ohio County, KY. Martha, daughter of James & Mary Sutton, was born 1820-1825 KY and died 1844-1850. John S. & Martha (Sutton) White had a daughter, Sarah A. (c1843-after 1870). Elizabeth Gillespie White died 15 May 1885 Ohio County, KY and was buried at the Gillespie – Royal Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. John S. White died in Daviess County, KY on 18 August 1898. The following item appeared in the Owensboro Messenger (Owensboro, KY, Saturday, 20 August 1898, p5) – “Mr. J. S. White died Thursday night at his home on the Leitchfield road of consumption. He remains will be taken to Fordsville this morning for burial.” He probably was buried with his wife in the Gillespie – Royal Cemetery in Ohio County, KY near Fordsville in Ohio County, KY; no monument for him was found. The Gillespie – Royal Cemetery is about three miles west of Fordsville. At the Friendship Church of Christ sign on south side of Highway 54 turn north onto the Reynolds Station Road. About .4 of a mile stop at lane on the west side of road and follow path about 1500 feet. The cemetery began as the Royal family cemetery. William Royal (1776-1865) & his wife, Elizabeth Clifton, lived on the farm and were reported to be buried here. Later the farm was owned by Dr. Stephen A. Gillaspie. On the death certificates of William Royal, Jr. (1811-1911) and five Finley family members it was recorded that they were buried at the Gillespie burial ground. An 1884 obituary of Rebecca Lanham, who has a monument in the cemetery, states that she was buried in cemetery on the farm of Dr. Stephen A. Gillespie (1822-1900). An 1886 map of Ohio County, KY shows Dr. Gillespie as living near the location of the cemetery. Two of Stephen's sisters, Elizabeth F. White (1827-1885) and Sarah Jane Lanham (1830-1880) have gravestones in the cemetery. Stephen, Elizabeth & Sarah Jane's parents, William Gillespie (c1784-1853) & Araminta Robinson (c1788-1859), were also probably buried in the cemetery. Elizabeth F. Gillespie and John S. White were parents of –
  - a. Baxter (1852-1919), married Sarah Belle Keown, 1881 & Mrs. Nancy E. (Cravens) White, 1900

- b. Sylvester (1853-1912), married Sarah Josephine Royal, 1880
- c. Mary Etta (1856-1939), married Frank B. Miller, 1880
- d. William J. (1859-died 1880-1885)
- e. Narcissa Florence (1861-1902), married Rufus Ansel Stinnett, 1882
- f. Frances Zelman (1866-1949), married James Hillary Day, 1893
- g. Portis Alonzo ('Lon', 1873-1928), married Elizabeth Eliza Kelley, 1896-1897

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY,  
 Wednesday, 27 May 1885, p3, Died:  
**WHITE.—At the residence of her husband, near Lyonia, Friday, May 15, 1885, of flux, Mrs. Betsy White, wife of John White. She leaves a husband and six children. Her remains were interred on Sunday at the Royal graveyard.**

Owensboro Messenger, Owensboro, KY  
 Saturday, 20 August 1898, p5:

**THE DEATH RECORD.**  
 Mr. J. S. White died Thursday night at his home on the Leitchfield road of consumption. The remains will be taken to - crdsville this morning for burial.



Elizabeth F. (Gillespie) White (1827-1885)  
 Gillespie-Royal Cemetery, Ohio County, KY

- 9. Sarah Jane Gillespie was born 16 December 1830 Ohio County, KY. She is in her parents' home in the 1850 census of Ohio County, KY. She married Samuel C. Lanham, 30 December 1853 Ohio County, KY. Samuel C. Lanham was born c1833. He is reported to have been born in Ohio County, KY on the marriage licenses of his children, Isaac N. (1873), Frances J. (1873), James M. (1888) and Nora (1890). Samuel C. Lanham is listed in the 1850 census of Daviess County, KY, 1860, 1870 & 1880 censuses of Ohio County, KY. In the 1850 census of Daviess County, KY there are two Samuel Lanhams, one age 18 and the other 17. He is not the Samuel, that is reported as 18 – who was born 15 February 1832 Daviess County, KY & died 15 January 1906 Daviess County, KY; this is



the son of John Wesley Lanham & Leticia Jackson. The second Samuel Lanham, age 17, is listed in the home of Samuel Barker (household #494). This is the Samuel, who married Sarah Jane Gillespie. This Samuel Lanham is listed near his father & stepmother's household #491 - Elias Lanham (64) & Rachel (nee Fulkerson). His father, Elias Lanham, is listed in the 1810, 1820 & 1840 censuses of Ohio County, KY; in the last two he is the only Lanham listed. Elias Lanham married Anna White, 22 April 1805 Ohio County, KY. Sarah Jane Gillespie Lanham died 5 February 1880 Ohio County, KY; she has a monument in the Gillespie – Royal Cemetery, Ohio County, KY. Samuel C. Lanham in the 1880 census is reported to be widowed. In Ohio County in June 1882 he was convicted of incest and was sentenced to the penitentiary in Frankfort for a term of six years. He had allegedly had a child by his 14-year-old daughter, Nora (Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, 5 April 1882 p3, 26 April 1882 p3, 7 June 1882 p3, 9 June 1882 p4, 14 June 1882 p3, Messenger & Examiner, Owensboro, KY, 14 June 1882 p3). Sarah Jane & Samuel's children were –

- a. John Wesley (1855-1927), married Elizabeth Bellamy, 1874, Mrs. Delia (Murphy) Dunn, 1891 & Mrs. Sallie B. (Bates) Bland, 1916
- b. Isaac Napoleon ('Pole', 1856-1924), married Sarah Adaline Wallace, 1873
- c. Frances Josephine (1858-1884), married Charles Joseph Wallace, 1873
- d. James M. (1861-1925), married Mary Elizabeth Huff, 1888
- e. Joseph Ray (1862-1937), single
- f. Lee Allen (c1865-died during 1880-1924)
- g. Nora A. (1866-1905), married Tarlton L. Lloyd, 1890
- h. Mary Emaline (1872-1934), married Noah Webster Baize, 1897



Sarah Jane (Gillespie) Lanham (1830-1880)  
Gillespie-Royal Cemetery, Ohio County, KY

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY  
Wednesday, 18 February 1880 p2:

Semi-Weekly Messenger, Owensboro, KY  
Friday, 9 June 1882, p4:

**Died.**

Near Zion Church, Ohio county, Kentucky, February the 5th, 1880, of consumption, Sarah Jane, wife of Samuel C. Lanham, aged 49 years 1 month and 20 days. She was born near Hines' Mill, Ohio county, December 16th, 1830. Her maiden name was Gillaspie, and she was a sister of Stephen A. Gillaspie and Mrs. Elizabeth White, the last members of this branch of the Gillaspie family. At the age of 18 years she professed religion, and at the time of her death her church membership was at Zion near her home. Sister Lanham was a kind and good woman, respected and beloved by all who knew her. She was not only a good Christian and neighbor, but she was a faithful wife, a kind mother, and her life was an example of Christian meekness. She leaves a husband and 8 children, 5 sons and 3 daughters, besides many friends and relatives to mourn her loss. On the evening of the 6th her remains were interred in the graveyard at her brother's, Stephen A. Gillaspie. The funeral sermon will be preached by the Rev. Charles B. Phillips, at Zion Church, the 4th Sunday in May, 1880. FORBES.

—Sam Lanham was convicted of incest at the last term of the Ohio circuit court just closed, and sentenced to the penitentiary for six years. He seduced his fourteen-year-old daughter, and his infamy was exposed by her giving birth to a child. The girl testified that he came to her room late one night, and intimidated her by threats of chastisement if she did not yield to his desires, and, being helpless and alone, she was forced to submit. It is thought that Lanham's three grown sons, who live in the county, would have killed him had they known of the deed in time. The girl is described as being very beautiful.



## Family of Rev. John Gillaspie & Margaret / Peggy Robinson

John Gillaspie was born 1780-1785 in Virginia. His name appears under numerous spellings the most common being Gillaspie. On 8 May 1806 in Shelby County, KY he married Margaret ('Peggy') Robinson. Margaret, the daughter of James Robinson & Elizabeth Fulton, was born 1790-1794 and died after 1820 and before 1830.

Shelby County, KY Loose Marriage Records:

May 8th 1806  
joined in marriage  
John Gillaspie  
and Peggy Robinson  
Daniel Woodfill

This shall Obedience in our Affairs P. to be  
 held firmly bound into his Excellency  
 Strickland's Group Esq. Governor P. in the  
 sum of £50 thousand yet upon this  
 Condition that if there shall be a  
 lawful cause to obstruct the  
 Marriage of John Gillaspie & Miss  
 Peggy Robinson Good under our  
 hands & seals May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1806

Test.  
 P. Wharston

John Gillaspie (S)  
 John F. Robinson (S)

Shelby County, KY Marriage Book 1, p14:

May 8<sup>th</sup> 1806 Joined in Marriage J<sup>n</sup> Gillaspie & Peggy Robinson  
 David Woodfill  
 Shelby Sch  
 The above Certificate was returned & admitted to record

Rev. John Gillaspie is also listed in the following records:

- 1806-1823 tax lists of Shelby County, KY; during 1807-1815 he was taxed on 50 acres on Bullskin Creek in Shelby County
- 1810 census of Shelby County, KY; in his household – 1 male under 10, 1 female under 10, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 26-45
- 1820 census of Shelby County, KY; in his household – 3 females under 10, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 26-45
- 1825-1828 tax lists of Henry County, KY; during these four years he was taxed on 50 acres in Henry County, KY and 100 acres on Rough Creek in Ohio County, KY [found no deeds in Ohio County for his land holdings there; at this time he had many Gillespie, Carson, Fuqua, & Midkiff relatives living in Ohio County, KY]
- 1829 & 1831 Gallatin County, KY tax lists; in 1829 assessed taxes on 200 acres on Rough Creek in Ohio County, KY
- 1830 census of Gallatin County, KY; in his household – 1 male 5-10, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 10-15, 1 female 15-20, 1 male 40-50.



- 25 June 1838 at court in Trimble County, KY John Gillaspie came into court and submitted his list of taxable property for the year of 1838 – 50 acres of land & one horse (Trimble County, KY Order Book 1, p109) [note – Trimble County, KY was created in 1837 out of parts of Henry, Oldham & Gallatin Counties, KY]
- 1840 census of Trimble County, KY; in his household – 1 male 5-10, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 15-20, 1 female 20-30, 1 male 50-60
- 1850 census of Oldham County, KY – John Gillispie, age 60, born Virginia, Baptist minister, resident in home of Peter F. (44) & Elizabeth D. (41) Gates

The above records interpreted jointly suggest that John Gillaspie, who married Margaret Robinson, was born during 1780-1784. John Gillaspie's parents are not documented in other family files. Some researchers speculate that he was the son of James Gillaspie & Mary Robinson, who were married in 1785. Mary was the sister of John's wife, Margaret Robinson. When Mary Robinson Gillaspie in October 1806 in Shelby County, KY was granted the right to administer the estate of her late husband, James Gillaspie, the securities on her bond were John James and John Gillaspie. The latter is probably the John, who married Margaret Robinson in 1806 and who was a minister. A biography of Rev. John Gillaspie states he came as a child to Shelby County, KY with his parents. This statement strongly suggests that he was the son of the James Gillaspie, who married Mary Robinson in 1785 and died in Shelby County, KY c1800. James is the only Gillaspie old enough to be Rev. Gillaspie's father that is found in the early records of Shelby County. It is not clear if Mary Robinson was James Gillaspie's only wife; it is possible he had a previous marriage. In the 1830 census of Gallatin County, KY no adult female was listed in the home of John Gillaspie. This suggests his wife, Margaret Robinson, probably had died prior to 1830.

John Gillaspie was a Baptist minister and the following biography was published in the book, History of Kentucky Baptists From 1769 to 1885, Volume 2, by J. H. Spencer (Cincinnati, 1886) p181, Long Run Association:

John Gillespie was a native of Virginia, but emigrated to Shelby county, Kentucky, with his parents, in his childhood. He united with the church at Dover, in that county, and after having been proved, as to his fitness for the work of the ministry, was ordained, at Dover, in 1821. About the same time, he moved to Trimble county, where he took charge of Providence church, to which he ministered many years. He was also pastor at Corn Creek, for a time, and served the Covington church, which he aided in gathering, in 1845, a few years. He was a man of moderate preaching talent, and maintained a fair christian character. But it is said he was inclined to be indolent and improvident, which detracted from his usefulness. He died at his home in Trimble county, about 1856.

This biography ties Rev. John Gillaspie to Shelby County, KY, where he was ordained to the ministry at Dover in 1821. At this time he appears in the annual tax records of Shelby County. Rev. Gillaspie successively resided in the Kentucky counties of Shelby, Henry, Gallatin, Trimble and Oldham. He died after 1850.

Another John Gillespie appears in the records of Ohio County, KY and Daviess County, KY. His parents are unidentified. Many have mistakenly reported that he married Margaret

Robinson in Shelby County, KY in 1806. Census records indicates he was born during 1794-1800. He is about a decade younger than the Rev. John Gillasp, who married Margaret Robinson in 1806. This John married c1816-1818. His wife's name was Mary (Polly). He is last found in 1835. He appears in the following records:

- 1819-1829 and 1835 tax lists of Ohio County, KY
- 1820 census of Ohio County, KY; in his household – 1 male under 10, 1 female under 10, 1 male 16-26, 1 female 16-26
- 5 July 1822 John Gillasp, of Ohio County, KY purchased 100 acres on Panther Creek in Ohio County, KY from William F. Carter (Ohio County Deed Book E, p324)
- 3 April 1826 John Gillasp & wife, Polly sold 100 acres in Ohio County, KY to Higginson Belt (Ohio County, KY Deed Book E, p614)
- 1829-1833 tax lists of Daviess County, KY
- 1830 census of Daviess County, KY; in his household – 2 males under 5, 1 female under 5, 1 male 5-10, 2 females 5-10, 1 female 10-15, 1 male 30-40, 1 female 30-40
- 14 August 1830 John Gillasp & wife, Mary, of Daviess County, KY, sold land in Ohio County to John Midkiff (Ohio County, KY Deed Book F, p229)
- 13 July 1835 John Gillasp & wife, Polly, sold 9 ½ acres in Ohio County, KY to Thomas L. Taylor (Ohio County, KY Deed Book G, p120)

In census records several children are listed in the home of Rev. John Gillasp. Only one child of Rev. John Gillasp and Margaret Robinson could be identified. Their daughter, Malinda Ortis / Odus Gillasp, married Joseph Tague in Gallatin County, KY on 22 January 1835. Malinda was born 19 October 1817 Shelby County, KY and died 7 October 1840 Henry County, Iowa, where her family was listed in the 1840 census. She was buried in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Henry County, Iowa.

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE** *Joseph Tague*  
*Willetto Tague* are held and firmly bound  
 unto the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in the just and full sum of FIFTY POUNDS, to the payment of  
 which well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves, our, and each of our heirs,  
 &c. jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed and dated this *22<sup>o</sup>* day of  
*January* A. D. eighteen hundred and thirty *five*  
**THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH,** That whereas, a Marriage Contract  
 is shortly intended to be solemnized between the above bound *Joseph Tague*  
 and *Malinda Ortis Gillasp* of Gallatin county. Now, should there be no lawful  
 cause to obstruct said marriage, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force.  
 Att. *Richd D Buller*  
*Joseph Tague*  
*Willetto Tague*  
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Malinda O. (Gillaspy) Tague (1817-1840)  
Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Henry County, Iowa

Malinda O. Gillaspys husband, Joseph Tague and his other two wives are also buried in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Henry County, IA. Joseph Tague was born 11 December 1815 KY and died 21 August 1884. He was the son of Robert Tague & Sarah Caplinger. Joseph Tague married second Lucinda Kees, 8 July 1841 Henry County, IA; she died 26 October 1843 at the age of 27 years & 11 months. Joseph Tague married third Eliza Gott, 4 November 1844 Lee County, IA; she was born 1 November 1816 & died 28 August 1898. Malinda O. Gillaspys & Joseph Tague were the parents of four children – George Washington (1836-1916, married Catharine L. Maines, 1858), John Robert (1837-1916, married Matilda Dorritty Lambert, 1858), William Henry (1838-1905, married Johanna Creech, 1859) and Nancy Jane (1840-1925, married William Marion Weter, 1858).

Portrait and Biographical Album, Henry County, Iowa (Acme Publishing Company, Chicago, 18880 pp 346-347:

JOSEPH A. TAGUE, a prominent farmer residing on section 7, Scott Township, Henry Co., Iowa, was born in Baltimore Township, Sept. 12, 1842. His parents were Joseph and Lucinda (Kees) Tague, the former a native of Kentucky, of German and Scotch ancestry, and the latter born in Pennsylvania, though of Welsh and Dutch parentage. Joseph Tague, Sr., emigrated to this county in 1837, settling in Baltimore Township, where he and his wife died, the mother when our subject was but a child. His father died in August, 1884, at the advanced age of seventy years. He was a life-long farmer, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and had served his country during the War of 1812, and was a Democrat in politics. He had been thrice married, his first wife being Malinda Glassby. Four children were born of this marriage, all of whom are living: George, a farmer residing in Des Moines County, Iowa; John, proprietor of a hotel in Fremont County; William, a resident of Mills County, Iowa, was a soldier in the 16th Iowa Volunteer Infantry; and Nancy Jane, wife of William Weter, of Missouri. Joseph is the only living child of the second marriage.

Mr. Tague, after the death of his second wife, was united in marriage with Eliza Gott, and by their union four children were born: Martha and Otis, who died in childhood; Lorenzo Dow and Francis M., residents of Baltimore Township. At the time

of his death Mr. Tague owned a farm of 230 acres of land, on which his widow still resides.

Our subject was born and reared upon a farm, and his whole life has been spent as a tiller of the soil. He was one of the brave boys in blue, being a member of Company A, 4th Iowa Cavalry. He enlisted Dec. 3, 1863, and was discharged at the close of the war, March 20, 1865. He participated in the battles of Ripley and Memphis, Tenn., and in numerous other skirmishes. After his discharge he returned to this county, remaining two years engaged as farm hand, and then went to Mills County. There he rented a farm for one year and then purchased forty acres of land, upon which he resided for three years. Selling his farm in Mills County he bought eighty acres in Fremont County, but later removed to Baltimore Township, where he rented a farm for two years. He then bought eighty acres of land on section 7, of Scott Township, his present home. This farm was partially improved, yet he has made many more improvements. He has a nice home which was erected at a cost of \$1,200, and good out-buildings for the use of his stock and grain. Everything about the place denotes thrift and enterprise, showing that Mr. Tague well understands the business of farming.

On the 11th of December, 1866, Joseph Tague brought to his home his young bride, Deborah Kerr. She is one of Henry County's daughters, and was born in Baltimore Township. Her parents were Bernard and Sarah (Dillingham) Kerr, her father a native of England and her mother born in New York. They were among the early settlers of Henry County. Mr. Kerr was drowned in Skunk River, June 1, 1851, when forty-five years and eleven months old. His wife survived him several years, dying at the age of sixty-three years, in 1862. Mrs. Tague was a member of the Society of Friends. There are four of her father's family yet living: Mary, widow of Joseph Bancroft; William R., a resident farmer of Grant County, Wis.; Edward, residing in Baltimore Township, engaged in farming, and the honored wife of our subject.

Mr. and Mrs. Tague have no children of their own, but have an adopted son, Festus, upon whom they bestow all the love and care that would have been given to their own children. Mr. and Mrs. Tague are devoted members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Winfield. He is liberal in his views, voting for the man whom he thinks would best fill the office. Having lived in this county all their lives, Mr. and Mrs. Tague are universally known, and of such citizens Henry County is justly proud.



## Gillespie Family Notes

2506 Hartford Road  
Austin, Texas 75703  
October 12, 1991

Dear Mr. Long,

I just saw your 1983 query concernin the Robinson and Gillespie family and may be able to help. Although I do not know your line of descent. I am not descended from James Robinson. But his daughter Araminta married William Gillespie, who was my great-grandmother's uncle.

I am Interested in the descants of William Gillespie, who died in Ohio Ohio Co., KY., 7-31-8553. I think their children were George T., Margaret, a daughter, Nancy A., a daughter, Lucy, Stephen Allen, John R. Elizabeth, Sarah and a daughter. Although I have no proof.

William Gillespie was the son of James Gillespie, who died in Smyth Co., Va., in 1834, and his wife Isabella Gillespie, who died in 1833. Isabella had a brother James Gillespie who married in 1785 in what is now Allegheny Co., Va. Mary Robinson, daughter of James Robinson, although evidently no the James Robinson who sired Araminta.

I do not know the identity of the two Gillespies who married Araminta's sisters Mary and Margaret, although surely they were related somehow.

If you are Gillespie descendant perhaps this will be of some help. If you have information on Araminta's descendants I would appreciate having a copy.

Sincerely,  
David B. Trimble

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14 July 1992

David B. Trimble  
2506 Hartford Road  
Austin, TX 78703

Dear Mr. Trimble:

I received your letter dated 12 October 1991. I waited hoping to find the time to do some additional research before answering your letter. Time has slipped by. I am sorry I have delayed so long.

James Robinson, who left a will in Shelby County, KY in 1805, is my 5th great-grandfather. His daughter, Elizabeth, about 1796 married Benjamin Midkiff, and I am one of their descendants. About 1815 the Midkiffs left Shelby County, KY and moved to Ohio County, KY. Several of Elizabeth's sisters, including Arminta Gillespie, Jane Carson and Charlotte Fuqua, also moved to Ohio County, KY. Three of Elizabeth's sisters married Gillespies. I am not a Gillespie descendant, but I am very interested in learning more about the Gillespie family, in hopes of discovering more about my Robinson ancestors and Gillespie cousins. The Gillespie and Robinson families appear to have been interrelated over several generations.

James Robinson during 1791-1796 was residing in Madison County, KY. During this period two Gillespies were listed in the Madison County tax lists - Nancy and William. By 1797 James Robinson and son-in-laws, Benjamin Midkiff & Robert Carson, had moved to Shelby County, KY. James Robinson prior to migrating into Kentucky had lived in the western part of Virginia. In 1800 he still owned 200 acres on Elk River in Kanawha County, VA (now West VA; had purchased from Philip Cooper; see Shelby County, KY deed book D, p262). In a Carson family history it is alleged that James' daughter, Rebecca Robinson Carson, born in 1778 was born in Greenbrier County, VA (now in West VA, adjoins Allegheny County, VA). I suspect that James Robinson was a member of the large clan of Robinsons residing in Botetourt County, VA

and previous to its formation in Augusta County, VA. On a road order recorded in Botetourt County in the 1770's a Robert and William Gillespie appear along with one James Robinson.

Would you please help me with the early history of the Gillespie family? What do you know about the family of James & Isabelle Gillespie? In your letter you mentioned that Isabelle's brother, James Gillespie, married a Mary Robinson (d/o James) in Allegheny County, VA in 1785. I am very interested in this couple. Do you have any info about them? My ancestor, James Robinson, according to his will, had a daughter, Mary (Polly) Gillespie. Can the two Mary's be the same person? I have no proof of the name of the husband of my James' daughter, Mary Gillespie, but I have speculated that it may be - James Gillespie. In 1806 an inventory of a James Gillespie, deceased, was recorded in Shelby County, KY will book B. The appraisers of this James Gillespie's estate were Robert Carson, William Allen and Samuel Vancleave, all three of these families were interconnected with James Robinson, Robert Carson was his son-in-law. In the 1810 census of Shelby County there is listed a Polly Galaspy, I have thought she may be Mary Robinson Gillespie, widow of James Gillespie. Have you any data on any of the other early Gillespies of Shelby County, KY. I wonder if the following were not brothers: John Gillespie (m. Peggy Robinson, d/o James, 1806 Shelby Co. KY, ?p.230-#19 in the 1810 Shelby Co. KY census & p.155-#18 in 1820 Shelby Co. KY census), William Gillespie (m. Leah Connell, 1808, Shelby Co. KY, p.230-#14 in 1810 Shelby Co. KY census), and Alexander Gillespie (p.230-#18 in 1810 Shelby Co. KY census).

Mary Robinson Gillespie, d/o my James Robinson,, had a daughter named Elizabeth Fulton Gillespie, who was named in her grandfather Robinson's will in 1805. (an Elizabeth F. Gillespie married William McWilliams in Shelby Co. KY on 10 May 1810). The Fulton name I find very interesting. William Gillespie & Arminta Robinson (d/o James) also had a daughter named Elizabeth F. (born 1827). James Robinson's wife was named Elizabeth, I wonder if her maiden name was "Fulton". Have you run across any connections between the Fulton & Gillespie families? I have a note that Robert Fulton (b. 1765 Lancaster Co., PA), the famous inventor of the steamboat, stepfather was (?James G.) Gillespie. My source for this is highly questionable, I have not yet been able to investigate it further. It is also interesting to note that one Robinson family previous to moving to Augusta Co., VA had resided in Lancaster Co., PA. Margaret (Peggy) Robinson, d/o James, married John Gillespie, in Shelby Co., KY in 1806. I have no further data on their family. I believe this is the sane John who appears in the 1810 and 1820 censuses of Shelby Co., KY. Another mystery is the John Gillespie who is enumerated in the 1820 census of Ohio County, KY and in the 1820 census of Daviess County, KY. Deeds recorded in Ohio County in 1822 & 1835 indicate that his wife was named "Mary". This family apparently left this area about 1835, I have nothing more on their family or who they were related to.

I am sending a family group chart for the family of William Gillespie & Arminta Robinson. I am sure of seven of their children: Nancy A., Lucy, Julia F., Stephen A. (you list his full name as Stephen Allen, what is your source for his middle name; he was a doctor, I wonder if the AMA would have any data on him?), John R., Elizabeth F. and Sarah Jane. George T. Gillespie in the 1840 Ohio Co., KY census may also be a son. In Ohio County, KY in 1831 a James T. Gillespie married Margaret Gillespie, one or the other was probably a child of William, who was bondsman for the marriage. I wonder where George T. (last appears in the Ohio Co.,



KY tax lists in 1842) and James T. Gillespie (last appears in the Ohio Co., KY tax lists in 1843) moved to?

I plan to spend some time this summer researching the Gillespie, Robinson & Fulton families. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for writing. Bye for now.

Yours truly,  
Jerry Long  
1701 Alexander Ave.  
Owensboro, KY 42303



#### Gillespie family GenForum Web Site

Gillespie, James 1759-1800. Posted by: Don Primrose ( [chris27@flash.net](mailto:chris27@flash.net) ) Date: July 25, 1998. I am looking for James Gillespie b. 1759 in Augusta VA. d. 1800 in Shelby Co., KY. m. Mary Robertson on 25Jan1785 in Botetourt Co., VA.

Re: Gillespie, James 1759-1800. Posted by: Joan ( [jogill@home.com](mailto:jogill@home.com) ) Date: August 26, 1998. In Reply to: Gillespie, James 1759-1800 by Don Primrose. What are your sources for birth, death, marriage of this James Gillespie? Do you have parents or children? I may have info.

Re: Gillespie, James 1759-1800 Posted by: Barb Swisher McCarty. Date: December 14, 1998. In Reply to: Re: Gillespie, James 1759-1800 by Joan. Hi Don, I hope you have received info from someone before now, but here goes, James Gillespie born in Augusta Co., ca 1759, married Mary ROBINSON, [NOT ROBERTSON}MARRIED ON 1/25/1785. They had 7 children. I have names, dates and spouses, but that is all, but I would like more! James was the first child of Robert [Roben} Gillespie, who came from Scotland. His spouse is unknown to us. James had seven siblings. E-mail me [Bjswisher@aol.com](mailto:Bjswisher@aol.com) Barb McCarty in WV

William Gillespie. Posted by: Kimberly Parrish. Date: June 29, 1998. I am looking for Gillespies related to the following. James Gillespie b 1752 m Isabella Gillespie b 1762. James's parents are William Gillespie of Cowpasture River Bath Co. VA. and Mary? Isabella Gillespie's parents were Robert Gillespie of Botetourt & Alleghany Co. Va. spouse unknown.

Re: William Gillespie Posted by: Randy SMITH. Date: November 15, 1998. In Reply to: William Gillespie by Kimberly Parrish. Wm, James and GILLESPIES around Cowpasture River in Augusta are documented in a book I had found in LDS FHC, Salt Lake - called BUCHANNANs and GILLESPIEs of Southwest Virginia by Trimble. I only printed a few pages and have not been able to connect my own Wm GILLESPIE, but the book relates back to Wm GILLESPIE circa 1720 in Northern Ireland. Good luck.

Gillaspy/Gillespie, Robert Posted by: Ginger Hicks Date: June 20, 1998. Am searching for descendants of Robert Gillaspys/Gillespie b.abt. 1729 d. May 1797 in Botetourt Co., Va. Have no verified name for wife. Possible Mary Russell. Children:

1. William who married Sarah Carpenter and Catherine ??
2. James who married Mary Robinson
3. Isabella who married James Gillespie
4. Robert Jr. who married Mary Galloway
5. Mary who married Robert Shaver
6. John Sr. who married Comfort Griffith
7. Alexander who married Sarah Griffin/Griffith
8. Jean who married William Edde

My line was John Sr. & Comfort Griffith. They settled and raised a family in Braxton Co., W.V. Any connection to this line welcome!! Please contact me [btjim@aol.com](mailto:btjim@aol.com)

Re: Gillaspys/Gillespie, Robert-son Alexander Posted by: Larry Culver Date: April 08, 1999. In Reply to: Re: Gillaspys/Gillespie, Robert-son Alexander by Bob Martin. Hello Bob: My data has ALEXANDER GILLESPIE b.1774 in Botetourt Co., Va., d.1853 in Shelby Co., Mo. mar. SARAH GRIFFEN/GRIFFITH Apr.4, 1805 in Bath Co., Va. dau. of WILLIAM GRIFFITH, ch. LEWIS b.1806, LOUISA b.1810, JAMES b.1812 & ROBERT b.1814

Looking for information on Gillespies that would have been in the Lancaster Co., Pa., area in the 1730s & 1740s. I'm especially interested in those who would have belonged to the W. Nottingham Presbyterian Church. I'm trying to find a connection between the Gillespies of Lancaster Co. and those who settled in Botetourt & Augusta counties, Va., in the 1740s, particularly those who settled on the Cowpasture River near present-day Clifton Forge, Va..

Posted by: Donald Barry Primrose ( [chris27@flash.net](mailto:chris27@flash.net) ) Date: February 09, 1999. Robert GILLESPIE b.1730 Northern Ireland. Searching for Robert Gillespie b. 1730 in Northern Ireland d. 23May1797 in Botetourt Co., VA. m. ? RUSSELL children William, James, Isabella, Robert, Mary, John, Alexander & Jean. Any info helpful.

Posted by: Jo Ann West ( [jrwest4065@aol.com](mailto:jrwest4065@aol.com) ) Date: December 03, 1998. In Reply to: Re: Robert Gillespie 1715-30, Ireland by Ginger Hicks. I am researching Robert Gillespie 1715-1798 VA married Miss Russell. I received info that he served in Dickinson's Rangers in 1754 during the French and Indian Wars. Had 8 children ... James m. Mary Robertson lived in KY is my line. Will be happy to send any info I have to you if this is your line.

Posted by: Jo Ann West. Date: December 02, 1998. In Reply to: Re: Robert Gillespie 1715-30, Ireland by David J. Gillespie. I am also researching Robert Gillespie believe I may be of his line. I go from Robert to son James then to a George of Morgan Co. IN. George came from Henry Co. Ky. My GGgrandfather was Silas Gillaspys of IN, OK and I have no documents yet to proof that he is George son. But do have info on Robert, James, George.





**e-mail from Sharon Mills ( [mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net) ) to Jerry Long, 10 January 2006:**

Jerry, Here is a bit of good genealogy luck for you. If you remember, you suggested that a Mills researcher contact me. In talking with her the surname Gillaspy came up. I checked it in my FTW and found a (FNU) Gillaspy married to a sister of Jane Robinson. The family researching Mills had divided up family names to research, and I heard from a daughter working on Gillaspy. If I get anything more, I will let you know. Sharon Mills

From : zilla2@ameritech.net Mon Jan 9, 2006

>Dear Mrs. Mills,

Thank You for your reply to my email. I apologize about the Miss communication communication of your maiden name. I see now where your Gillaspy line fits in, and YES, we have a connection. James Gillaspy married Mary Robinson on January 25th, 1785 in Botetourt County, Virginia. They were married by a Presbyterian Minister named Edward Crawford. They had seven known children, 5 boys and two girls.

Mary Robinson's Mother was Elizabeth Fulton Robinson, with Fulton being her maiden name. Elizabeth F. was the first born daughter of James and Mary Robinson Gillaspy. She was named after her maternal grandmother, hence her full name being Elizabeth Fulton Gillaspy. She was born in Botetourt County, Virginia 1788 The only other information I have on Elizabeth is that she married William McWilliams on May 10, 1810, in Henry County, Kentucky. The other 6 children of James and Mary Robinson Gillaspy are:

1. William Gillaspy b. July 20 1786
2. James Fulton Gillaspy b. c.1790
3. Robert Gillaspy b. Feb. 14, 1793
4. Jane Gillaspy b. c.1795
5. George Gillaspy b. January 25, 1797
6. Mary Gillaspy b. 1799 probably born Shelby Co. Ky.

James inherited 20 pounds from his father's estate in 1798. He appears on the Shelby County Kentucky tax list of 1797, which leaves me to believe he and his family already lived in Kentucky when his father Robert died. We also find James in the tax list for Shelby Co. Ky. dated August 7, 1800. But he is not listed anywhere after that. His wife Mary Robinson Gillaspy appears in the 1801 and 1802 Shelby County, Ky. tax list. From 1803 to 1805 there are no Gillaspy or variations. In the Shelby Co. Ky order book of October 1806, The court grants Mary Robinson Gillaspy to administer her deceased husband's estate, with John James, and John Gillaspie, as her security. The order states that James died about some 6 years ago, which would be the last half of the year, 1800. This fits in with the fact we find James in 1800, but not 1801. Mary and the children inventory and sell James property, and move back to Virginia. Perhaps she and the children were in Virginia between 1803 and 1805, and they came back in 1806 to settle the estate. Before 1810 Mary and the children return to Kentucky, in Henry County with other members of their family. Mary remarried a man named James Connell, in Henry County, Ky. Her son George Gillaspy marries Catherine Smith, on June 17, 1818 in Henry Co. Ky. (Although I have not been able to locate a death record for Mary, other sources show she died about 1823 in Henry Co. Ky) This matches up with the fact that in 1823 James and Mary Robinson Gillaspy's sons move to Johnson County, Indiana. This includes William, Robert, George, and James F. Gillaspy.

Sources: Buchanan and Gillespie of Southwest Virginia By: David Trimble 1992 Austin Texas page 327-328 MCHAGA Vol.8 No. 1 Winter 2002 page 7. Personal Gillaspy Family genealogy from Richard Gillaspy CA 90807. Early Kentucky Marriages 1560 - 1900 Yates Publishing Co.

I hope this information proves helpful to you. It is the majority of what I have on your Elizabeth. Thank You again for contacting me, and congrats to you on being president! Mrs Jamie Kuss

**e-mail to Sharon Mills ( [mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net) ) from Jerry Long, 13 January 2006:**

Sharon:

Today I put in the mail the pages from our Richardson family vertical file. I hope there is something there that helps. You have never mentioned the particular Richardson family members you were searching for so I did not look for anything more specific.

Thanks for the Gillespie e-mail. I have long thought that our ancestor, James Robinson's wife, Elizabeth, might be a Fulton. However, other than his will that named a granddaughter of that name I had never seen any other proof. It appears that Mrs. Kuss may indeed have that proof. She quotes as one of her sources a book by David Trimble. For many years I have known of his book and have been keeping an eye out for it in every library I visit. But I have never been able to see it. If you happen to run across it I would be more than happy to pay you for copying and mailing any pages on our Gillaspy & Robinson connections.

Best wishes,  
Jerry Long

**e-mail from Sharon Mills ( [mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net) ) to Jerry Long, 14 January 2006:**

Hi Jerry,

I'm looking for a family for Catherine Richardson b 1805 m 1827 to Harvey Mills in Ohio Co KY. Some references say Richards instead of Richardson, but I got the marriage license and (I think without looking) the bond. They both clearly said Richardson. It may be challenging to put her in a family, although there were more than 30 in Ohio and the parent county, Hardin, in 1800.

I tried to find the Trimble book on Abebooks but no luck. I think Jamie would send a copy of the pages she uses as her reference. I'll ask. Have you looked at Fort Wayne?

In cleaning out some files, I found a pile of loose ends that had a group intended for you. It may be a while before I actually work on that pile of to-dos, but when I find it I will send.

Best wishes to you too,  
Sharon

-----Original Message----- From: Sharon and Joe Mills [mailto:[mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net)]Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2006

To: Jamie Kuss Cc: Jerry Long  
Hi Jamie,

I am cc'ing this reply to Jerry Long, who can send his address and see what you have to say about the Trimbles. Thanks for the copies, I greatly appreciate them and will send you anything you need that I might have. I will check the Gillespie file at the local library to see if it gives the name of a researcher from here. We should have something in the vertical files, and I will also look for Trimble and Gillespie.

We also have many rolls of microfilm that were part of an LDS project. The names of families are NOT mentioned on the index, so it will be some time before I have this. One of our members has volunteered to add all relevant surnames to an index we are creating that gives more information than the library has available. My address is Sharon Mills, 390 E Washington St, Martinsville IN 46151.

Thanks very much for sharing.

Sharon

1/14/2006, Jamie Kuss wrote:

>Dear Sharon,

I actually received copies of the Gillespie Buchanan book from another researcher in my family, who lives in California. So I do not have the entire book. However, I do have some relevant pages, as well as a copy of the book cover. ( I too am trying to document and source everything for possible DAR membership) YES, I will send copies of what I have, no need to pay for anything. If you like, I can make two copies and send you each one. Just let me know where you would like them sent to. I will try to get them in the mail for you this week.

It does surprise me to hear that your friend Jerry could not find a copy. I did not realize it must be so hard to come across. Perhaps I can contact my family member to see if he has a copy of the entire book. No promises on whether I can get a hold of him, but I will see what I can do. His research on the Gillaspys family started with his father, back in the late 40's. I could be wrong, but all of the information he sent me leads me to believe the father, and Mr. Trimble may have communicated with each other, or were working on the same line at the same time. Some of my info states an unknown researcher from Martinsville who compiled info on my George Gillaspys, for Dr. David Trimble. The book is by David B. Trimble. I can only assume this is his son, who finished his work.

Feel free to email with addresses! Jamie

>Sharon and Joe Mills <[mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net)> wrote:

>Hello Jamie,

I shared your last email with Jerry Robinson, who shared that he had long been looking for the David Trimble book you referenced on the Buchanan and Gillespie Families of SW VA. He has not been able to find it, and he's a librarian in a gen department! Would you be willing to copy the cover page and relevant pages and send to me, if you have them? I'll happily pay. Jerry has been great about sharing, and I am sure he will continue to share anything he learns. Jerry had suspected that Elizabeth's maiden name was Fulton but couldn't find any proof. Hence our interest in the book.

If there is something you want, but didn't get, from Morgan County, just let me know. Talking with you and your mom has been a fun thing: I never expected to learn anything about one of my families, I thought it was all about Mills!

Sharon

Jamie, Your idea of father/son may be correct. Here are David Trimble's books at the Allen County (Ft Wayne) Public Library. There is about 20 years' difference in the publishing of these books and the Buchanan and Gillespie books. Sharon

"Trimble, David B.," search found 4 titles.

#1 Print List 929.2 T73501TRI 1974 Southwest Virginia families

#2 Print List 929.2 T73501TRB 1974 Hiestand family of Page County, Virginia

#3 Print List 929.2 T73501TR 1974 American origins

#4 Print List 929.2 T73501T 1974 American beginnings

**e-mail from Jamie Kuss ( [zilla2@ameritech.net](mailto:zilla2@ameritech.net) ) to Kentucky Room, Daviess County Public Library, Owensboro, KY, 19 January 2006:**

To Whom It May Concern: My name is Jamie Kuss. I am trying to verify that Mr. Jerry Long is associated with your library. I have copies from the book "Gillespie and Buchanan" for him. I

can send them as soon as I can verify he will receive them at the library. Thank You. Mrs Jamie Kuss

**e-mail from Jerry Long to Jamie Kuss ( [zilla2@ameritech.net](mailto:zilla2@ameritech.net) ), 20 January 2006:**

Ms. Kuss: I was not working in the library yesterday when your e-mail came in. My fellow worker replied and sent our mailing address. I will get the pages if you send them to the address she listed. Many thanks for the offer of sending the copies. I have looked several places over the years for David Trimble's book and never found it. I will be very interested in seeing the material. I have suspicion that Elizabeth, wife of James Robinson, was a Fulton and would like to see what evidence there is to support it. Best wishes, Jerry Long, Kentucky Room

**e-mail from Sharon Mills ( [mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net) ) to Jerry Long, 30 January 2006:**

1. Jerry, Forwarded per Jamie's suggestion. Sharon Mills

>X-From\_: zilla2@ameritech.net Fri Jan 27 2006

>X-Original-To: [mills@reliable-net.net](mailto:mills@reliable-net.net)

>Dear Sharon,

Good news! My family member in California sent me a reply regarding the book "Buchanan and Gillespie". Apparently, he has a copy of the entire book, its second publication. He obtained it from Mr. David B. Trimble @ 2506 Hartford Road, Austin Texas 78703. My family member is Richard Gillaspay, and he stated he himself is the one who contacted the above David Trimble to purchase the book. Mr. Gillaspay said he may contact you directly. Somewhere in his records is the name of the genealogist who compiled Mr. Trimble's work in Martinsville. I will check my records again to see what I can find, it may be in some other records he has sent me.

As for copies, both are in the mail! One to you at the address you gave me, and one to Mr. Long at the Library address you sent me this AM. Both should arrive within a few days. Perhaps I will write Mr. Trimble in Texas as well, and see about getting a complete copy of the book for my records. Mr. Long can contact him too. I am still unsure about the Dr. Trimble/ Mr. David B. Trimble thing, but will be sure to ask. Feel free to send a copy of this email to Mr. Long if you like. Jamie

2. Hi Jamie, Sometimes the best research time is early morning when it's quiet. I don't have a thing on Mary Robinson Gillaspay but will forward to Jerry. Since James Gillaspay died in KY, she might be buried beside him. If she outlived Mr Connell, she might be buried beside him. If he had been married previously, she might be buried on one side of him with the with his first wife on the other. Another possibility is to look at cemeteries where her children are buried. If she lived to be older, she may have been living in one of her children's households. The boys came to Johnson Co IN, I remember you said. Perhaps she stayed in KY with a daughter. The most likely reason for the Robinsons to come to KY would be inexpensive land for their growing families. They weren't a likely group to be forced off their land like some pacifists in VA. As far as I know, Jerry has not been able to pin down military service. I know I haven't, though there are some suggestions that Robinsons may have been involved in a war or military service. There are references to Captain Robinson in the Draper papers but no proofs as yet.

I only have family history on Jane Robinson, because her oldest living son, Thomas McMullen came to Indiana with the VanCleave's. As far as I know, none of his relatives came along, thus breaking my information chain. I also know little about the DAR process, but I know they have workshops and local help for potential members. At this point I think that is your best bet. Wish I could help you more.

I'm cc-ing to Jerry Long, in case he has suggestions. Your packet came today, by the way, and I will look it over later tonight. Thanks very much. I still recall I need to send you a McMullen history that mentions Jane. You are on my to-do list! Joe has surgery this week, and I'm sure I will be delayed. If you can come to Martinsville, we will plan some research and lunch at the Old Jail (open every week day but Monday.)

Sharon

At 10:47 AM 1/30/2006, you wrote:

>Dear Sharon,

>Good morning! Hope you are having a great day so far. I woke up early, and have been researching Kentucky records on line. Thought I would ask if you or Jerry have any info on Mary Robinson Gillaspie who married James Gillaspie that died 1800 Kentucky. It seems I can not figure out where she is buried. I think in Kentucky, but I have no source record. I know she remarried a man named James Connell in Kentucky. Mary's father was probably James Robinson. I do not have a lot of info on Mary or her family, other than the Gillaspie's, and James has been tough to track. I am thinking if I could add a little info on the Robinson side, I may be able to figure out what happened to James. Maybe even why they left Virginia to move to Kentucky. (Perhaps land grants, or preemption rights from service?) James was born in 1759 Virginia and married Mary in 1785. James would have been 17 at the start of the revolution in 1776. I have a hard time convincing myself that he would not have been a soldier somewhere. Especially since his older brother is in the DAR book, and I can prove James's father, Robert, was at the Battle of Point Pleasant in Oct. of 1774. Any info or help would be greatly appreciated. I am trying to fill in the missing gaps, for my DAR application. Again, thank you for your emails.

Hopefully soon, I will have the opportunity to visit Martinsville, and I can thank you in person!  
Jamie Kuss

Letter from Jamie Kuss, 366 E. Cecil St., Springfield, OH 45503, 30 January 2006:  
Sent copies of 14 pages from book, "Buchanan and Gillespie of Southwest Virginia", by David Trimble (Austin, TX, 1992).

**e-mail from Jerry Long to Jamie Kuss ( [zilla2@ameritech.net](mailto:zilla2@ameritech.net) ), 13 February 2006 (copy also sent to Sharon Mills, [mills@rnetinc.net](mailto:mills@rnetinc.net) ):**

Jamie,

Thanks for the copies from David Trimble's book that you sent. Sorry, I have not written and acknowledged receiving them before now. It has taken me a while to find the time to study the pages. After looking over them I thought I would run a few questions by you.

In October 1806 in Shelby Co., KY when Mary Robinson Gillaspie was appointed to administer the estate of her late husband one of sureties was John Gillespie. I suspect that this is the same, John Gillespie, who married Peggy / Margaret Robinson in Shelby Co., KY on 8 May 1806 (a younger sister of Mary Robinson Gillaspie). Was this John a son of Isabella Gillespie & her cousin, James Gillespie? If so he would be a brother, of William Gillespie, who married another Robinson sister, Arminta, in Shelby Co., KY on 24 Jan 1809 and a nephew of James & Mary (Robinson) Gillaspie. In the Trimble book was there any additional info on p245 about the families of William & John Gillespie who married Mary Robinson's sisters.

Is there any documents that list the heirs of James & Mary (Robinson) Gillaspie? What documentation that proves that Mary's mother was Elizabeth Fulton? In response to an earlier question I do not know anything about the burial place of Mary Robinson Gillaspie.

Thank you again for the copies,  
Jerry Long