

GREENWOOD

Does this family have anything to do with the naming of Greenwood, Indiana? Probably not. Greenwood was originally called Smockton, after Jacob Smock, an early settler, but later was called Greenfield. In 1832, the name was changed to Greenwood to eliminate confusion with the Greenfield, Indiana in Hancock County. [Source: greenwoodinfo.com]

Caleb and Rachel Greenwood

7g-grandparents

Caleb Greenwood and his future wife, a woman named Rachel, were both born about 1730, probably in the area of Loudon, Virginia. They were married about 1755 and had at least two children:

- Nancy Greenwood, born in 1753
- Henry Bailey Greenwood, born in 1756

Nothing further is known of this couple.

Sources and Related Information

- John Barnes website

Henry Bailey Greenwood and Nancy Jarvis

6g-grandparents

Henry Bailey Greenwood was born August 16, 1756 in Bedford County, Virginia.

Nancy Jarvis was born in 1753 in Virginia. Her parents were John and Elizabeth (Field) Jarvis.

Henry and Nancy were married April 29, 1779 in Bedford County, Virginia. They had at least three children, a son named Henry B. Greenwood, born about 1780, a son named Joel Greenwood and a daughter whose name is unknown.

Sometime after the birth of their son Henry, Henry and Nancy Greenwood moved to Texas, although they may have been in Indiana in the interim. The elder Henry died in Grimes County, Texas on April 4, 1835. In 1836, Nancy traveled to her daughter's home in Indiana to help nurse sick members of the family. Nancy became sick herself and died within days. She was buried in Indiana.

Sources and Related Information

- "Lone Star Genealogy" website
- earlytexasfamilies.com
- John Barnes website



Grimes County, Texas

Henry B. Greenwood and Elizabeth Pruitt

5g-grandparents

Henry B. Greenwood was born about 1780 in Botetourt, Virginia.

Elizabeth Pruitt, the daughter of Obediah Pruitt, was born about 1800 in Virginia.

Henry and Elizabeth were married October 06, 1817 in Botetourt. Only one of their children is known: Lemuel Greenwood, born in 1827.

The family moved to Indiana where Henry died in Morgan County in 1845. Elizabeth died after 1860.

Sources and Related Information

- Linda Arrington internet posting

Lemuel Greenwood and Nancy Dunn

4g-grandparents

Lemuel Greenwood was born in 1827 in Virginia. He moved with his family to Morgan County, Indiana.

Nancy Dunn was born August 12, 1826 in Indiana. Her parents were William and Christena (Tresslar) Dunn.

Lemuel and Nancy were married June 27, 1854 in Morgan County. They had at least one child, a son named William Henry Grenwood, born in 1859.

Nancy Greenwood died March 20, 1920. Nothing is known of Lemuel's death.

Sources and Related Information

- Linda Arrington internet posting

William Henry Greenwood and Catherine Knox

3g-grandparents

William Henry Greenwood was born February 07, 1859 in Morgan County, Indiana. Catherine Know was July 30, 1861, just months after the start of the Civil War. William and Catherine were married February 18, 1880 and had four known children:

- Charles Allen Greenwood, born in 1880
- Daisy Rose Greenwood, born in 1883
- Ross O. Greenwood, born in 1885
- Rollah Greenwood, born in 1888

Nothing further is known of this couple.

Sources and Related Information

- Linda Arrington internet posting

Rollah Greenwood and Mae Williams

2-g grandparents

Rollah Greenwood was born April 16, 1888, probably in Morgan County, Indiana. Granddaughter Alice (St. John) Birt remembers her mother saying that her father's name was William or Bill. There is reasonable evidence supporting the name Rollah so it's possible that William may have been a middle name or that there was some mix-up in communication and the reference was actually to Rollah's father William.

Mae Williams was born April 24, 1884 in Green Township, Morgan County, Indiana, the second child of Thomas and Sarah (Guthridge) Williams.

The couple had seven children:

- Elizabeth Greenwood
- Byron Greenwood
- Melvin Greenwood, born in 1912
- Rebecca Greenwood
- Margarete Greenwood
- Ruth Williams Greenwood, born in 1921
- Rollah Greenwood, Jr.

Rollah Greenwood deserted his family when many of the children were still quite young and nothing further is known of him.

Mae Williams died in 1938 near Waverly, Indiana and is buried in Centennial Cemetery, Morgan County, Indiana.

Sources and Related Information

- Robert Cochran website "Descendants of James Guttridge"
- Linda Arrington internet posting
- Alice Marie (St. John) Birt

The GREENWOOD line ends with Elizabeth Greenwood, who married Lester ST. JOHN.

A DECADE IN BRIEF

The 1910's

William H. Taft and Woodrow Wilson serve as U.S. President ▫ World War I begins and ends ▫ Roald Amundsen reaches the South Pole ▫ Jeannette Rankin becomes the first woman member of the U.S. House of Representatives ▫ An influenza epidemic kills an estimated 20 million people worldwide ▫ The Boy Scouts of America is founded ▫ The 18th amendment to the U.S. constitution (prohibition) is ratified