

Descendants of James Hibbits

Generation No. 1

1. JAMES¹ HIBBITTS was born 1760 in Lancaster, Lancaster Co.,PA, and died May 05, 1821 in Huntsville,Smith Co.,TN. He married (1) AGNESS JOHNSON December 01, 1790 in NC. He married (2) NANCY CRAWFORD January 07, 1793 in Cabarrus Co.,NC, daughter of DAVID CRAWFORD and MARY YOUNG.

Notes for JAMES HIBBITTS:

Welsh name - Hybits. David chose Hibbits and Robt. H. chose Hibbets and John J. chose Hibbett.

When North Carolina opened up lands for it's Revolutionary soldiers, a great flock of Patriots from North Carolina and Est Tennessee poured into practically all of what is now Smith, Sumner and adjoining counties in Tennessee. James Hibbets(1760-1821) moved his family to TN before his 3rd child was born, around 1796. They had 4 sons and 3 daughters; the 4 sons spelled their last name 3 different ways. James died in 1821 without a will; the court records show his estate was divided. James and Nancy are both buried on their farm. Three of the sons remained close to Smith County.

Another date of marriage from Wayne Hibbets--
James Hibbets/Nancy Crawford 28 Dec 1792

Served in Revolutionary War. Born in 1760 and died in 1821. He lived in Smith County. He is buried on Carter Branch of Goose Creek near the house he built.

Magistrate of the new Smith County. Was sworn into office Dec 16 1799

He served as one of the Guards for the line in 1782; discharged 12 March 1784

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I have replied to another posting on this site,"james Hibbits, b. in Maryland," which contained most of the information that matched what I have, but wanted to respond directly to you because we clearly have a common ancestor in James Hibbett(b.1760). A great deal of information is in my possession about James Hibbett after he moved to Sumner, Co.TN. I have a copy of a letter of dismissal for James and his wife Nancy Crawford from the Poplar Tent Presbyterian Church in Iredell Co.,NC given just before their departure for TN. The original was in the possession of a Judge DeWitt, a fairly well known Tennessee amateur historian, and I made great effort years ago to track it down without success. I have extensive court records from Sumner Co.,TN of meetings attended by James Hibbett as a magistrate and later judge of the court. One of the most interesting documents is a deposition signed by James Hibbett and also by Davy Crockett. I have seen the original site of James Hibbett's home near Hartsville, TN on Carter's Branch of Goose Creek. A house on the land probably still surrounds the original log structure. I have photographs and a detailed topographical map showing the location, which is quite far off the beaten track.

Children of JAMES HIBBITTS and NANCY CRAWFORD are:

- i. MARY YOUNG² HIBBITTS, b. February 14, 1794, Smith Co.,TN; d. October 24, 1842; m. EDWIN FEATHERSTON.
2. ii. DAVID CRAWFORD HIBBITTS, b. June 25, 1795, Smith Co.,TN; d. March 16, 1874, Smith Co.,TN.
3. iii. ROBERT HENRY HIBBETTS, b. April 16, 1797, Rutherford Co.,TN; d. March 22, 1852, Oakhurst, San Jacinto Co.,TX.
4. iv. ELIZABETH LOCKE HIBBITTS, b. January 11, 1799, Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN; d. 1877, Davidson Co.,TN.
- v. LOUISA LOCKE HIBBITTS, b. 1806, Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN; m. JAMES MORRIS SHARP.

Notes for JAMES MORRIS SHARP:

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- vi. JOSEPH FRANKLIN HIBBITTS, b. July 14, 1804, Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN; m. MARTHA LOUISE CANNON, April 1833.
- 5. vii. JOHN JOHNSTON HIBBITTS, b. May 30, 1806, Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN; d. December 16, 1893.

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2. DAVID CRAWFORD² HIBBITTS (*JAMES*¹) was born June 25, 1795 in Smith Co.,TN, and died March 16, 1874 in Smith Co.,TN. He married REBECCA RUCKS 1819 in Smith Co.,TN, daughter of JOSIAH RUCKS and ELIZABETH.

Notes for DAVID CRAWFORD HIBBITTS:

Child of DAVID HIBBITTS and REBECCA RUCKS is:

- 6. i. JAMES RUCKS³ HIBBITTS, b. October 25, 1825, Smith Co.,TN; d. September 24, 1904.

3. ROBERT HENRY² HIBBETTS (*JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born April 16, 1797 in Rutherford Co.,TN, and died March 22, 1852 in Oakhurst, San Jacinto Co.,TX. He married MARGARET CAROLINE SHARP November 29, 1821 in Rutherford Co.,TN, daughter of JAMES SHARP and RACHEL CANNON.

Notes for ROBERT HENRY HIBBETTS:

The Hibbetts family followed the frontier working the land, from Cecil Co.,MD before 1790 to Iredell Co.,NC to Sumner Co.,TN to Madison Co.,TN to San Augustine Co.,TX to Polk Co.,TX to Walker Co.,TX and on to Madison Co.,TX in 1866. There have been Hibbetts in Madison Co. since that time.

They moved to Cottongrove in Madison Co.,TN by 1830 where they started their family. In January 1836, Robert H. Hibbetts was in Robertson's Colony, TX and voted in the town of Tenoxtitlan for George C. Childress and Sterling C. Robertson to be delegates to the convention at Washington-on-the-Brazos.

The R.H. Hibbetts family settled in San Augustine and participated in the organization of the first Presbyterian Church in TX on June 2, 1838. They moved to Oakhurst(then Polk County) by 1840, where Robert and 4 of their 10 children died around 1850 during a typhoid epidemic. Their oldest daughter, Louisa Hibbetts, was married to William A. Bass and had 2 children before she died; the other three who died much younger.

The early immigrants to Texas were promised a League and a Labor of land(4605 acres). The Hibbetts' land was on Mesquite Creek in Dallas County; but it was lost in a land dispute in 1853. Margaret, with her 4 children at home, along with James Martin and his family, moved to Walker County in 1857, near Raven Hill where Sam Houston retired. They sold that land in 1856 and moved to Madison Co. Joseph DeWitt and John Robert served in the Civil war, as did Louisa's son, Robert Bass.

Children of ROBERT HIBBETTS and MARGARET SHARP are:

- 7. i. LOUISA JEMIMA³ HIBBETTS, b. September 19, 1822, Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN; d. Abt. 1850.
- 8. ii. MARY CAROLINE HIBBETTS, b. October 12, 1824, Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN.
- 9. iii. JAMES MARTIN HIBBETTS, b. January 01, 1828, Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN; d. 1867, North Zulch, Madison Co.,TX.
- iv. JOSEPH DEWITT HIBBETTS, b. July 15, 1830, Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN; m. MARY CAROLINE DUPUY, September 10, 1867, Madison Co.,TX.
- v. LUCIOUS SYDENHAM HIBBETTS, b. March 29, 1833, Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN.
- vi. ISABELLA HELEN HIBBETTS, b. November 04, 1837, Polk Co.,TX.
- vii. MARGARET ANN HIBBETTS, b. September 23, 1840, Polk Co.,TX.
- viii. NANCY ELIZABETH HIBBETTS, b. September 23, 1845, Polk Co.,TX; m. ISAAC MARSHALL JOHNSTON, October 23, 1870, Madisonville, TX.
- 10. ix. JOHN ROBERT HIBBETTS, b. October 19, 1847, Polk Co.,TX; d. 1873, North Zulch, Madison Co.,TX.
- 11. x. WILLIAM HENRY HIBBETTS, b. November 23, 1849, Polk Co.,TX.

4. ELIZABETH LOCKE² HIBBITTS (*JAMES*¹) was born January 11, 1799 in Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN, and

died 1877 in Davidson Co.,TN. She married MARCUS LAFAYETTE SHARP.

Child of ELIZABETH HIBBITTS and MARCUS SHARP is:

- i. ALFRED H.³ SHARP.

5. JOHN JOHNSTON² HIBBITTS (*JAMES*¹) was born May 30, 1806 in Hartsville, Smith Co.,TN, and died December 16, 1893. He married NANCY CAROLINE PARKER 1829.

Children of JOHN HIBBITTS and NANCY PARKER are:

- i. SUSAN A.³ HIBBITTS, b. April 15, 1830, Sumner Co.,TN.
- ii. JAMES LAFAYETTE HIBBITTS, b. February 19, 1832, Sumner Co.,TN.
- iii. JOHN B. HIBBITTS, b. April 23, 1834, Sumner Co.,TN.
- iv. MARY ELEANOR HIBBITTS, b. February 12, 1836, Sumner Co.,TN.
- v. MARY ELIZABETH HIBBITTS, b. December 23, 1839, Sumner Co.,TN.
- vi. VALENA HIBBITTS, b. November 06, 1842, Sumner Co.,TN.
- vii. ANDREW JACKSON HIBBITTS, b. July 16, 1845, Sumner Co.,TN.
12. viii. ROBERT MELTON HIBBITTS, b. 1847, Sumner Co.,TN.
- ix. CHARLIE THOMAS HIBBITTS, b. November 06, 1851, Sumner Co.,TN.

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6. JAMES RUCKS³ HIBBITTS (*DAVID CRAWFORD*², *JAMES*¹) was born October 25, 1825 in Smith Co.,TN, and died September 24, 1904. He married (1) RUTH BURFORD MCALISTER July 17, 1850 in Smith Co.,TN. He married (2) KESIAH 1880.

Notes for JAMES RUCKS HIBBITTS:

James enlisted as a private for 12 months in Capt. H.L.W. McClung's Co. August 1, 1861 at Nashville. In The War of Rebellion printed by the War Department, Dr. J.B. Cowan, General Nathan Bedford Forrest's surgeon certifies the casualty status of Capt. J.R. Hibbitt, 4th Brigade, 15th Tennessee, as a result of the affair at Indian Bayou, MS.

On November 8, 1865, Ruth B. Hibbitt died from pneumonia in Rome. She is buried in the Rucks family cemetery just west of Rome 1/2 mile off a country lane.

Children of JAMES HIBBITTS and RUTH MCALISTER are:

- i. JAMES GARLAND⁴ HIBBITTS, b. May 05, 1851; d. July 10, 1856.
- ii. WALTER SCOTT HIBBITTS, b. January 31, 1853; d. March 04, 1929.
- iii. EMMA ORGAN HIBBITTS, b. December 17, 1855.
- iv. ELIZABETH MCALISTER HIBBITTS, b. May 31, 1861, Smith Co.,TN; d. April 14, 1918; m. ROBERT MCOWAN MONTGOMERY, June 13, 1874, Macon Co.,TN.

Notes for ROBERT MCOWAN MONTGOMERY:

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7. LOUISA JEMIMA³ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born September 19, 1822 in Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN, and died Abt. 1850. She married WILLIAM A. BASS July 13, 1837.

Children of LOUISA HIBBETTS and WILLIAM BASS are:

- i. ROBERT WILLIAM⁴ BASS, b. January 29, 1843.
- ii. SARAH ELLEN BASS, b. March 09, 1845.

8. MARY CAROLINE³ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born October 12, 1824 in Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN. She married WILLIAM TAYLOR WRIGHT January 17, 1850.

Notes for WILLIAM TAYLOR WRIGHT:

The William Taylor Wrights lived in Madison Co, where he was pastor of a church.

Children of MARY HIBBETTS and WILLIAM WRIGHT are:

- i. MARGARET ELIZABETH⁴ WRIGHT, b. November 16, 1850.
- ii. ROBERT ASA WRIGHT, b. September 08, 1853.
- iii. WILLIAM TAYLOR WRIGHT, b. October 17, 1855.
- iv. J. VIRGIL WRIGHT, b. September 18, 1857.

9. JAMES MARTIN³ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born January 01, 1828 in Cottongrove, Madison Co.,TN, and died 1867 in North Zulch, Madison Co.,TX. He married LUCINDA MARGARET CALDWELL January 15, 1852 in Huntsville, Waller Co.,TX.

Notes for LUCINDA MARGARET CALDWELL:

After James Martin's death, they moved to Robertson County, then on to McLennan County.

Children of JAMES HIBBETTS and LUCINDA CALDWELL are:

- i. WILLIAM ROBERT⁴ HIBBETTS, b. March 25, 1853, Robertson Co.,TX; d. January 08, 1892; m. EMMA ELIZABETH WEISINGER.
- ii. LOUISA PARKS HIBBETTS, b. January 27, 1855; m. ELIAS HART.
- iii. MARY ELIZABETH HIBBETTS, b. May 10, 1856; d. November 04, 1864.
- iv. HELEN ANN HIBBETTS, b. September 16, 1857, Huntsville, Waller Co.,TX; d. December 29, 1945, Cross Plains, Callahan Co.,TX; m. DAVID CULLEN BARCLAY, November 14, 1873.

Notes for HELEN ANN HIBBETTS:

Buried in Abilene.

- v. SARAH ALLIDA HIBBETTS, b. December 27, 1858, Huntsville, Waller Co.,TX.
- vi. JOHN IRA HIBBETTS, b. May 04, 1861, TX; d. July 10, 1865.
- vii. MATTIE MARTHA HIBBETTS, b. February 27, 1863, TX; d. September 01, 1865.
- viii. JAMES DEWITT HIBBETTS, b. October 27, 1865, TX; d. September 1943; m. HATTIE CALDWELL, 1901.
- ix. JOSEPH MARSHALL HIBBETTS, b. December 29, 1867.

10. JOHN ROBERT³ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born October 19, 1847 in Polk Co.,TX, and died 1873 in North Zulch, Madison Co.,TX. He married MARY ELIZABETH FORD January 27, 1870, daughter of BEN FORD.

Notes for MARY ELIZABETH FORD:

After, John Robert's death, Mary, married Dr. Timothy Wayne Burr; they raised a large family, including John Robert's two sons whose inheritance was used to buy 100 acres of land from the McCorquodale family in 1886.

Children of JOHN HIBBETTS and MARY FORD are:

13. i. BENJAMIN MARTIN⁴ HIBBETTS, b. 1871; d. April 19, 1923.
14. ii. ROBERT VIRGIL HIBBETTS, b. 1873, TX; d. 1950.

11. WILLIAM HENRY³ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born November 23, 1849 in Polk Co.,TX. He married MARY ANN HOLLIS January 21, 1869, daughter of DAVID HOLLIS and DELINA WALKER.

Notes for WILLIAM HENRY HIBBETTS:

Places of residence: Hollis Community, TX, Robertson Co.,TX, by 1885 - Madison Co.,TX

They lived near her parents in the Hollis Community for a short time but moved to Robertson Co. His mother was living with them when she died in 1872. They returned to Madison Co. by 1885; they had 7 children. William Henry lived to be over 101 yrs. old and was also buried at Rock Prairie Cemetery.

Children of WILLIAM HIBBETTS and MARY HOLLIS are:

- i. ADDIE L.⁴ HIBBETTS, b. 1872.
- ii. ANNIE HIBBETTS, b. 1886.

12. ROBERT MELTON³ HIBBITTS (*JOHN JOHNSTON*², *JAMES*¹) was born 1847 in Sumner Co.,TN.

Child of ROBERT MELTON HIBBITTS is:

15. i. MACK⁴ HIBBITTS, b. 1903.

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13. BENJAMIN MARTIN⁴ HIBBETTS (*JOHN ROBERT*³, *ROBERT HENRY*², *JAMES*¹ *HIBBITTS*) was born 1871,

and died April 19, 1923. He married SALLY PEARL SANDS.

Notes for BENJAMIN MARTIN HIBBETTS:

Had 6 children

Children of BENJAMIN HIBBETTS and SALLY SANDS are:

- i. ANNIE MAY⁵ HIBBETTS, b. 1904.
- ii. RUBY ESTELL HIBBETTS, b. 1908.
- iii. JOHN THOMAS HIBBETTS.
- iv. BENJAMIN ROBERT HIBBETTS.
- v. HENRY EVERETT HIBBETTS.

14. ROBERT VIRGIL⁴ HIBBETTS (*JOHN ROBERT³, ROBERT HENRY², JAMES¹ HIBBITTS*) was born 1873 in TX, and died 1950. He married AMERICA ISABELLE HOPPER.

Notes for ROBERT VIRGIL HIBBETTS:

Had 9 children

Children of ROBERT HIBBETTS and AMERICA HOPPER are:

- i. ROBERT LESLIE⁵ HIBBETTS, b. 1899.
- ii. MARION CARLTON HIBBETTS, b. 1902.
- iii. CARLIE VERA HIBBETTS, b. 1904.
- iv. JAMES VIRGIL HIBBETTS, b. 1906.
16. v. TRAVIS FRANKLIN HIBBETTS, b. 1908; d. 1967.
- vi. JESSE LEE HIBBETTS.
- vii. MARY RUTH HIBBETTS.
- viii. LOIS PEARL HIBBETTS.
- ix. RAYMOND VICTOR HIBBETTS.

15. MACK⁴ HIBBITTS (*ROBERT MELTON³, JOHN JOHNSTON², JAMES¹*) was born 1903.

Child of MACK HIBBITTS is:

17. i. ROBERT MACK⁵ HIBBITTS, b. 1921.

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16. TRAVIS FRANKLIN⁵ HIBBETTS (*ROBERT VIRGIL⁴, JOHN ROBERT³, ROBERT HENRY², JAMES¹ HIBBITTS*) was born 1908, and died 1967. He married MARIE ELIZABETH BOENIGK 1932, daughter of C.P. BOENIGK.

Notes for TRAVIS FRANKLIN HIBBETTS:

Travis and his future wife, Mary Elizabeth Boenigk (1907-1990) went to Edge, Brazos County, where they along with Carlton and Effie Hibbetts, taught during the 1931-32 school year. The following year, Marie returned home to Humble to teach, while Travis taught at Hollis. They married in October of that year, but completed their teaching commitments.

Marie's father, C.P. Boenigk, was an oil field driller and moved to Refugio Co. in 1933. Travis and Marie moved there also, but Travis had only temp work. In 1934, they lived in North Zulch and helped his father with a cotton crop. By 1935, Travis got a permanent job in Refugio oil field, where he worked for 10 yrs. By 1938, they were able to buy a farm back in North Zulch. In 1945, Travis and his family moved back to North Zulch. Travis had a herd of beef cattle, and in 1947 went into the dairy business; then, after getting electricity in 1948, began a Grade A dairy. Travis was active in supporting the 4-H Club and the Soil Conservation Services and the family was active in the Methodist Church in Normangee. Travis was a Mason. In 1953, Marie returned to Sam Houston, earning her degree and teaching certificate in 1955. She taught in the North Zulch and Iola schools. Marie and Travis both belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star. (Taken from Madison Co., TX. History Book)

Children of TRAVIS HIBBETTS and MARIE BOENIGK are:

- i. CARL "CORKY" ROBERT⁶ HIBBETTS, m. JANE.

Notes for CARL "CORKY" ROBERT HIBBETTS:

After finishing his degree in agriculture at Texas A&M, Corky was a clergyman for 10 years before

starting a 25 yr. career in computers. After living in several states, Corky and his wife, Jane returned to North Zulch from Houston in 1993 to re-enter the cattle business. Their 3 children are grown.(Taken from the Madison Co. Tx History book)

ii. BARBARA LEE HIBBETTS, m. HENRY WILSON.

Notes for BARBARA LEE HIBBETTS:

Barbara followed her mother's career choice and became a teacher after getting her degree from Sam Houston. She taught in the Normangee and North Zulch schools before joining the school system for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. She also retired and is now spending her time raising cattle and emus. The older of her 2 daughters bought the old family home, which was enlarged in 1954. Barbara's home has been next door since the late 1950's. She has 1 grandson. (taken from the Madison Co.,TX history book)

iii. TRAVIS FRANKLIN HIBBETTS,JR. "TIFF", m. KAY.

Notes for TRAVIS FRANKLIN HIBBETTS,JR. "TIFF":

Raised their 4 children in League City, TX while he worked in chemical plants in Texas City. After 18 yrs., they moved their family back to North Zulch where their children finished school. They were all active in 4-H, FFA, school and the Baptist Church. They now had 8 grandchildren and Tiff works for a gas processing plant less than a mile from their home. (Taken from A History of Madison Co.,TX)

17. ROBERT MACK⁵ HIBBITTS (*MACK*⁴, *ROBERT MELTON*³, *JOHN JOHNSTON*², *JAMES*¹) was born 1921.

Child of ROBERT MACK HIBBITTS is:

i. MATT⁶ HIBBITTS.