



# CHENOWETH FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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## A CENTURY OF QUILTS

*As told by 101 year old Maude Chenoweth Leaman*

### Christmas on the Farm

The day dawned cool and crisp. Eight-year-old Maude Chenoweth could hardly wait to help Papa cut down a Christmas tree. She had already been making paper ring garlands and popcorn chains to trim it. It was Christmas Eve and excitement was everywhere.

“Come on Papa, let’s get the horse and wagon and go out into the field to cut our Christmas tree,” Maude prodded as she jumped up and down in excitement.

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Papa quickly harnessed the horse. Maude and her older brother, Earl, jumped in the wagon just as snowflakes started falling. “This is going to be the best Christmas ever,” Earl exclaimed as they cut down and loaded the biggest cedar tree they could find.

Little Maude was Mama’s extra right hand – helping in the vegetable garden, feeding pigs, milking cows, churning butter, making bread, and sewing. After they set the tree up outside the front door and decorated it, Maude hurriedly started mixing and kneading the dough for the 12 loaves of bread she helped Mama make each week. After all the chores and cleaning up after dinner, she stayed up late cutting paper dolls out of a catalog, backing them with cardboard, and dressing them in scraps of calico from the dresses and quilts she and Mama had made.

“I’m making dolls for all the mothers and girls, and hemming feedsack handkerchiefs for all the men and boys.” Maude explained as her mother started to send her to bed. “Please let me stay up until I’m finished. I want to surprise all my aunts and uncles and cousins with a gift when they come tomorrow.” Exhausted as she finished the last gift, Maude fell into a sound sleep.

The next morning, Maude raced from her bed to discover what Santa had left in her stocking. She tore open the wrappings and found a beautiful doll – her first real doll. She hugged her Mama and Papa with tears running down her cheek and exclaimed, “She’s beautiful!”

Papa carefully hung the exquisite doll out of harm’s way on the wall behind the potbellied stove. Maude dutifully helped Mama with the morning chores.

As Earl had predicted, the Christmas of 1912 was the best one ever. When the rest of the family arrived, a filling Christmas dinner was served. Everyone loved their handmade paper dolls and hankies. The group of cousins built snowmen and the adults inspected the almost completed two-story addition onto the little two-room house. Then they all gathered inside to hear the Bible story of Jesus in the manger. They sang carols while Mama played the old pump organ. What a celebration to remember!

Two days later, Maude began to sew clothes and a tiny quilt for her prized doll. In horror, she discovered the face was running down and all deformed. To everyone's surprise, the doll was made of wax and had gotten a little too close to the potbellied stove.

Maude cried herself to sleep that night as Mama rocked her. Little Maude never forgot what Mama told her that night, "When life gives you scraps, make a quilt." Maude was learning early in life to look for the good in every circumstance.

## **Marriage Frontier Style**

Eighteen-year old Maude nervously stood, dressed in her Grandmother Chenoweth's white lace and pearl wedding gown. Mama piled her long hair on top of her head to in the veil in place. Maude suddenly burst into tears, "Mama, I'm scared to death. Were you this jittery on your wedding day?"

Mama assured Maude that her jitters were normal. "You will be fine when you see Clarence, you'll see!"

Neighbors and family had gathered from nearby farms. They brought quilts and other gifts to help the new couple set up housekeeping. The traveling minister performed the ceremony in the beautiful flowering garden of their two-story clapboard farmhouse. After a buffet lunch, cake and punch, the guests bid the newly married couple farewell as they took off in her father's Model A Ford with tin cans clanging.

The young couple stayed busy. Clarence worked a variety of jobs; Maude continued to help her Mama and Papa with the chores and responsibilities of raising her nine younger siblings as much as she could. Clarence and Maude began a family of their own with the birth of a son.

When the Great Depression hit and Clarence lost his job, Maude encouraged him to set up his own electrician's shop. Maude worked 12 hour days beside her husband as bookkeeper, receptionist, store manager, and mother to three rambunctious boys.

Every night after tucking their boys into bed, she pulled out her needle and thread and her sewing machine. She made their clothing and new quilt tops to cover their old tattered and well-worn quilts to keep them warm. She milked a cow every morning before work, and paid her neighbor with milk to quilt her tops. Life without daughters and working full-time at the shop meant that Maude had to raise a garden and do all the domestic chores without help and with little money to waste on store-bought items.

Whenever she started feeling sorry for herself, Maude would pick up her piecing and quilting to chase away the gloomies. She gave herself a good talking-to, suggesting she change her attitude. It was during these lean years, that Maude was forced to trust in the Lord to supply all their needs and renew her strength.

Economic times were hard. Clarence moved his little family to Oklahoma City in search of a better life. Maude took in washing and ironing, babysitting and sewing for a dollar a day, and found a job as an alterations seamstress to pay the mortgage on a little house in 1943.

Over the years, Maude and Clarence provided a home for many members of their extended family. Their generosity took many forms. Maude never forgot working all day, coming home to fix dinner and cleaning up for eight people, then quilting until 2 a.m. They always had a quilting frame set up in the living room for Mama to quilt on during the day. The only problem was that Mama could only quilt in one direction, so Maude had to stay up late to quilt from the opposite direction so Mama could continue quilting the next day.

Maude's hands were never idle, but always helping someone, quilting, crocheting or sewing doll clothes. She was convinced her heavenly Father was in control and never doubted His everlasting love. But it was her quilting that calmed her down and enabled her to change her focus from self-pity to praising God again.

## **God Sustains Maude through Tragedy and Loss**

During the 1960s, Maude suffered a series of major losses. Her widowed mother was the first. A few years later, she said good-bye to her beloved Clarence. That same year, Maude was devastated when she received news that her oldest son, Gordon, had been killed in a plane crash.

The pain she experienced seemed unbearable. “Though my family and church were tremendously comforting and supportive, it was only the healing balm of God’s love that sustained me as I repeatedly gave Him my grief. There was a hole in my heart the size of the Grand Canyon. The Lord eventually gave me a pinhole of light in my dark valley. He led me through the sorrow and restored my strength and joy. I never blamed God for my heartaches. I know God is good. It is Satan who comes to kill and destroy.”

“When I occasionally feel down, I ask Jesus to show me some way to extend His light to others by sharing His loving kindness to those even needier than I am. During those dark times, I’ve turned to piecing and quilting and dressing my dolls for consolation. It’s helpful to get my mind off myself and create beauty to share with others.”

“I’ve also lost five brothers and sisters, but God has always been faithful to comfort and heal my broken heart and bind up all the wounds as He rocks me, wrapped in His quilt of love.”

## **Maud the Torch Bearer at Age 98**

On a hot, sunny day in 2002, Maude walked down to the end of the block to watch the cross-country Summer<sup>(1)</sup> Olympic Torchbearers hand off their torches to the next partners in the historic relay. Children jumped up and down with excitement as they screamed out, “They’re coming, they’re coming.”

They stopped right in front of Maude for the historic picture-taking ceremony. The young torchbearer shocked everyone by handing the lit torch to Maude instead of his partner. After asking her age, the runner gave Maude a big sweaty bear hug and an Olympic flag to add to her collection of firsts.

Maude has always been a torchbearer, reflecting the light of Jesus’ love and giving sacrificially of herself through service and quilts. Since 1922, she’s made over 100 quilts and given almost every one away to appreciative family, friends and neighbors. She’s gifted 200 patchwork pillows and bags to mastectomy patients. Each stitch of each beautiful quilt is a labor of love and creativity – a legacy of a woman of great faith who has poured out her life as a drink offering to God in service to others.

Since Maude retired from her full-time job as seamstress at a department store at the age of 74 in 1978, she’s kicking up her heels and enjoying the time of her life. She joined a doll club and made a Friendship quilt signed by each member that was featured in a doll book. Her drawers overflow with blue ribbons for her dolls and quilts; and her scrapbooks bulge with pictures and stories of all the quilts she’s created.

One of her favorites is the Butterfly quilt fashioned from blocks she embroidered and painted with crayons in the 1930’s, which she finished after retiring. Then there’s the blue and white Burgoyne Surrounded quilt Maude made from scraps from Kerr’s department store uniforms. She won a blue ribbon for her Drunkard’s Path quilt.

People were always giving Maud quilt blocks to finish. One time the St. Luke’s Church choir director found some State Flower blocks in his mom’s estate. There were three state blocks missing, so he searched the Internet and presented Maude with the missing state blocks for Christmas. Since he was retiring, she finished the quilt and gave it to him as a going-away present.

“My current passion is making my Fun quilts or I Spy quilts which I laid awake one night fashioning in my mind,” Maude enthusiastically explained. “I love to personalize them. I’ve made one with different sports cars in each block for my grandson, and toys and teddy bears for baby quilts, and roses for the women. I surprised my granddaughter with a quilt at her wedding shower. She and her mom both burst into tears of joy. That’s what makes it all worth the time and effort,” Maude added, a little bleary-eyed herself.

## **Maude’s Centennial Celebration**

It’s February 5, 2004, a day after Maude’s 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash.

I’m exhausted. There must have been well over 100 people here, Maude mused. I’m worn out from all the festivities and the crowds. I need something to calm me down.

Maude did what she always does when she needs to relax. She took out the bright, cheery pictorial blocks she had cut for her Fun quilt and began piecing them together.

As she fed the fabric through the sewing machine, her mind went back to the Christmas in 1910 when Papa surprised Mama with a shiny new-fangled treadle sewing machine. He had built up credit for months at the general store in town by bringing in eggs, corn, cream and a butchered cow. "Now Cora and Maude can stitch our clothes, bedding and mattresses much faster than by hand." Her father had explained.

Maude was the oldest girl and Mama's extra right hand, always by her side helping with everything. After her younger sister was born, Mama's doctor prohibited her from using that treadle sewing machine because of the phlebitis in her legs. This presented a big problem since Maude was too small at six years old to even reach the pedal to take over the sewing. Papa came up with the perfect solution. Mama could instruct and supervise. Maude could stand on her tiptoes and guide the material through the machine. And Earl, her older brother, could squat down and work the treadle with his hands. Talk about family togetherness!

United they conquered the chore, and bonded in the process.

Sewing and quilts had played a major role in Maude's family even before she was born. Maude's great grandmother, Mary McElwain Chenoweth, appliqued a red and green Eagle quilt top in 1860 for her son who fought in the Civil War. It was a family heirloom which traveled in a covered wagon in 1889 to Hinton, Oklahoma. Maude's mother and her two sisters-in-law quilted the top in 1900 and inscribed in the quilting "Presented to Benjamin Franklin Chenoweth by his mother 1860."

Quilts seem to have always formed the backdrop for her fulfilling Oklahoma life. Maude never forgot that icy cold water as the Methodist minister from Hinton baptized her in the stream in the canyon when she was 12. Mama dried her off and bundled her up in a warm quilt until she quit shivering. Afterwards, the little church family celebrated with a picnic spread out on quilts as the children frolicked and played in the lush meadow.

For years, Maude's mother entered quilts in the Oklahoma State Fair. Maude, too, had many blue ribbons to her credit. It would be impossible to count the number of quilts Maude had made for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren over the years. Even nieces and nephews were blessed. When Maude's sister-in-law, Mildred Chenoweth, set out to create a Grandmother's Fan legacy quilt for her own granddaughter, Kristin Chenoweth <sup>(2)</sup>, Maude contributed the perfect pink ruffle for the border of the project.

Now, as Maude guided her new blocks through her sewing machine, she felt calm and recharged. That first treadle sewing machine was only the beginning of a lifetime of stitching in love for her family.

"What is your secret for a successful life," Maude was recently asked.

"Life has given me lots of pieces of sorrow and hard work, but I always was determined to keep on smiling through the tears, and loving and helping as Jesus did," Maude replied. "Like my Mama always said, "When life gives you scraps, make quilts!"

That's a pretty good recipe for success.

**Age 101 - ELSIE MAUDE<sup>7</sup> LEAMAN nee CHENOWETH** (*GEORGE EDGAR<sup>6</sup>, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN<sup>5</sup>, LUKE<sup>4</sup>, ARTHUR<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 04, 1904 in east of Hinton, Caddo Co., OK, and died April 06, 2005. She married CLARENCE EUGENE LEAMAN June 11, 1922 in Caddo Co., OK. He was born October 17, 1900 in Oklahoma, and died August 12, 1965 in Oklahoma.

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(1) It should be noted that in the Summer of 2002 the Olympic Torch Relay was in preparation for the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, UT

(2) Kristin Chenoweth is a film, TV, Broadway actress and Tony Award winner.

(The above article was found on the internet, an excerpt from the book "Heavenly Patchwork: Quilt Stories Stitched With Love". Permission to reproduce this article was need from the author, Elsie Maude Chenoweth Leaman, who had already passed away. Permission was obtained from the publishers of the referenced book.)

# Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa

(Reprinted from the Saturday Evening Post) From the New York Sun, September 21, 1897

Her whole name was Mrs Laura Virginia O'Hanlon Douglas. She earned a master's degree from Columbia University and a doctorate from Fordham, and she had a long and distinguished career as a teacher and administrator in the New York City school system, but to millions of people she will always be the little girl who wrote a letter asking about Santa Claus.

"I was only a child, and my parents did everything for me that any parents could do," Mrs Douglas told an audience of college students some 40 years later. "Quite naturally I believed in Santa Claus, for he never disappointed me. But like you, I turned to those of my own generation, and so when less fortunate little boys and girls said there wasn't any Santa Claus, I was filled with doubts. I asked my father, and he was a little evasive on the subject.

"It was a habit in our family that whenever any doubts came up as to how to pronounce a word, or some question of historical fact was in doubt, we wrote to the 'Question and Answer' column in the *New York Sun*. Father would always say, 'If you see it in the *Sun*, it's so.' And that settled the matter.

"Well, I'm just going to write to the *Sun* and find out the real truth,' I said to my father."

The editorial was written by Francis Pharcellus Church, a Civil War correspondent for the *New York Times* before he joined the *Sun* as a writer specializing in theological and controversial subjects.

Mr Church died in 1906. The *New York Sun* died in 1950. Mrs. Douglas died May 13, 1971, at the age of 81.

But little Virginia, her letter, and the answer she received will live forever in America's heart.

Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in the *Sun* it's so." Please tell me the truth: is there a Santa Claus? --*Virginia O'Hanlon*

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see.

No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood. --*Francis P. Church*

# COMMENTS FROM THE CLAN

*(The following e-mails have been received from members of the family with regards to the newsletter. Comments, articles, questions and other items for this newsletter are always appreciated.-editor)*

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Thank you so much for your recent newsletter. I am always amazed at the work and time you put into this effort. Which is why I feel a little guilty for e-mailing this request.

In the most recent newsletter you mention the importance of listing genealogy records correctly, as future interested parties will use this information. Unfortunately my father did not give you the correct data for our family line and I am anxious to have the proper information listed. I'm certain he did not give this information to be deceitful, but rather to avoid hurting the feelings of his second wife. It is simply my goal to correct the information that he provided.

I am proud to be a part of this Chenoweth line and again, thank you for keeping this amazing record. I have spoken with a distant cousin from the Cruea line who is quite envious of your web site and family involvement. :)

9 Sep 2007  
Kristi Tumlison

*You had given me the information and it is in my file, I just have not had time to update the site, there is so much to do. I haven't ever been in contact with your father. The original information we had was from a WFT tree submittal (WFT Vol 90 #884) and I do not know who did the work... Glad you enjoyed the site. It is one of the better family genealogy sites. I don't think anyone has the Census pages we have, but then I don't spend much time looking, way too busy.....- Jon Egge*

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After reading your excellent September newsletter, I went to the Ancestry.com web site "Florida Marriage Collection, 1822-1874 and 1927-2001" and found the spouse names for the Florida marriages listed in your "DO YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE?" section. I do not know any of the people but thought it might help if you knew the names of the spouses.

9 Sep 2007  
O'Reba Weeks Klepser

*Hi, how are you. I think it always helps to have the other name in a marriage. Dot has done some of these. The lists are from our editor, Pete. He has sort of kept track of the unknown marriages. Too many lists to handle. I have always been surprised at the number of marriages we can't place considering how much we know about the name. - Jon Egge*

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Hi Jon – Where do we get copies of the Harris book? (I assume that is the book we have always called "the brown book." Also, I learned from a Chenoweth in Saline MI about a group of Chenoweths who tried to reclaim Baltimore after a war. Are you aware of any such piece of history?

9 Sep 2007  
Jean Chenoweth

*The brown book was the original Cora Hiatt book of 1925. When it was reprinted it was green. The Harris book was done in 1994 and is a big blue book. 5 of us chipped in to have it reprinted. Bill Chinworth does the legwork. This is from the posting on the site main page.*

*Bill Chinworth, with the permission of Richard Harris, has had a reprint done of 500 copies of the Harris Book, "The Chenoweth Family in America". This book is rich in detail and texture with a fine index and a comprehensive look at the male lines of the family. The price is \$40 including shipping. The reprint includes the Harris Addendum. You can reserve order the book on a form at Bill's Chenoweth Website Store or order immediately by mailing your check and address directly to William C. Chinworth, 2322 East Hawthorne St, Tucson, AZ 85719-4942. Make the check payable to Chenoweth Family Book. - Jon Egge*

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How very interesting. You have done much work since the beginning. Also, you have the skepticism which I appreciate about some of the work. My grand father, Wilbur Chenoweth, dies when my father was 7 years old and so, we never knew much about him. My father was born in New Virginia, Iowa. His mother remarried and was divorced so that we never knew much about that relationship. I find your work interesting and will save it.

9 Sep 2007  
Jean Barbara Chenoweth Tuohino



*Glad you find the newsletters of interest. I will always remember the wonderful information on the families of Dr Richard Foster Chenoweth that you helped me with and the wonderful story of the Road to Kennesaw Mountain. – Jon Egge*

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I have just finished perusing the Sep issue and I want to commend you on a very full issue. I am amazed that you have the resources and have exerted the energy to fill so much data into one issue. We have trouble just getting contributions from our members to put together 4-8 pages on a quarterly basis. We also envy you with all the lists you have. I do think we'd be totally frustrated with so many unknowns. We try to connect everyone, too, but not in such volume.

I look fwd to have more time to dig more deeply into your letter. As for July in Ft. Wayne, while I look fwd to a trip to the Allen Co. Public Library, I may be too busy getting ready for our biennial reunion in Salt Lake City, UT, scheduled for August.

8 Sep 2007  
William B. McAfee, President  
Dragoo Family Association

*Thanks for your kind words. We too have trouble finding contributors, so I write articles as often as I can (when I think of something interesting that just happened) and Pete finds great filler. It does all take time. I think though we have several contributor articles lined up for the near future.*

*Your mother is the only Dragoo in my file. I can imagine how that name is butchered in the Census. I always seem to have trouble looking the Census for "Mc's"...*

*The newsletters have kept a lot of the cousins interested. We are fortunate in the genealogy work that has gone before us and the extensive Census work (done mostly by Peter). I have yet to have anyone comment on our Census pages, but they are truly unique. – Jon Egge*

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Dear Chinworth cousins,

About four times each year, Jon Egge (the founder and webmaster of the Chenoweth family website) publishes a newsletter edited (and copyrighted) by distant cousin, Peter Chenoweth. The whole newsletter (Vol 6, No. 3) is at the family web site, at <http://www.chenowethsite.com/newsletter/nlvol6-3.htm>. But I'm writing to share an essay in the current newsletter written by Mr Egge that deals with the family progenitor's various grandsons named Arthur – 4 of them, including the Arthur of our "line" of the larger Chenoweth family. (I'm sure some of you get Jon's e-mails, so forgive me if this e-mail restates what you've already noticed first hand.)

I share with many sincere thanks and appreciation for Jon's and Peter's efforts, and I hope you will go to the website to check out the amazing results of their work, if you haven't already taken that opportunity.

9 Sep 2007  
Ford E. Chinworth

*Glad to see you spreading the word. I do think it interesting to contrast the different family members in the early generations with the same name with each other. I have always felt it helps to know who they are. There were so many similar names, you need a score card to keep track of them. I am presently reading a book titled "That Dark and Bloody River", by Allan W. Eckert. It was recommended to me by Ronald Earl Chenoweth. It is the story of the Ohio River in the late 1700s. Gives you a real sense of the times. What I didn't realize is how much all this is connected. The Randolph Co., WV Chenoweths sit upon the head waters of the system: The Tygert River flowing into the Monongahela River, meeting the Allegheny in Pittsburgh and becoming the Ohio. Three River's Stadium is on the road west. After the sale of his father's land in 1773, Richard Chenoweth with the Seatons moved west to the Monongalia area. It was from here that in 1778 they took the trip down the Ohio to the falls. It was a very dangerous place and far forward. I put a crude 1790 map up on the Census site of where the family was.*

<http://www.chenowethsite.com/chcensus.htm#1790>

*Your Arthur, some 25 years later settled right in the narrow neck area to the east of the Ohio River. By then things had sorted themselves out. The Carters were on the western edge in Washington Co. The Ten Mile Creek Baptist Church they talk about – well the Ten Mile Creek flows into the Monongahela. So much of the early life of the Chenoweth was connected to the Rivers, which was the "interstate" of its day.. – Jon Egge*

# IN MEMORIAM HONOR ROLL

**age 90 - KENNETH GILBERT DULLEY**, son of GEORGE DULEY and VERDY WELLES, was born February 13, 1916 in near Morgantown, Monongalia Co., WV, and died December 01, 2006. He married 1940 GERTRUDE JANE<sup>9</sup> SMITH (*ADAM REIP<sup>8</sup>, ELIZABETH JANE<sup>7</sup> REIP, EDITH AMANDA<sup>6</sup> CHENOWETH, ROBERT T.<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). She was born October 23, 1919 in Sleeth, Calhoun Co., WV, and died October 08, 1998 in Anaheim, Orange Co., CA.

**age 66 - RAYMOND J.<sup>10</sup> CHENOWETH** adopted by (*PORTER BROWN<sup>9</sup>, JOHN TULLEY 'TULLA'<sup>8</sup>, WILLIAM WORTH<sup>7</sup>, ROBERT JAMES<sup>6</sup>, ROBERT T.<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 12, 1941 in Clarksburg, Harrison Co., WV, and died October 13, 2007. He married JOYCE A. GROSSI.

**age 85 - SALLIE VIRGINIA<sup>9</sup> HANNAH** *nee* CHENOWETH (*STERLING WARD<sup>8</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>7</sup>, HICKMAN<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM PUGH<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 20, 1922 in Randolph Co., WV, and died August 21, 2007 in Hickory, Catawba Co., NC. She married PORTER ANDREW HANNAH July 31, 1948 in Elkins, Randolph Co., WV, son of BRISON HANNAH and ANNA BONNER. He was born May 02, 1918, and died April 11, 1984.

**age 81 - EUNICE ELDESSA CHENOWETH** *nee* JACKSON, daughter of WILLIAM JACKSON and CHRISTINE PETERSON, was born December 02, 1925 in Burlington, Big Horn Co., WY, and died November 03, 2007 in Worland, Washakie Co., WY. She married November 29, 1945 in Wyoming LOREN EUGENE<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH (*ROLLAND GEORGE<sup>8</sup>, JOHN DOTHERDY<sup>7</sup>, ISAAC NEWTON<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM PUGH<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). He was born January 03, 1924 in Worland, Washakie Co., WY, and died November 17, 1988 in Worland, Washakie Co., WY.

**age 40 - MICHELLE A.<sup>10</sup> HOLLADAY** adopted daughter of (*LEO DEAN<sup>9</sup>, JESSE E.<sup>8</sup>, JOHN DOTHERDY<sup>7</sup>, ISAAC NEWTON<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM PUGH<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 23, 1967 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT, and died November 06, 2007. She married DENNIS HOLLADAY.

**age 83 - MILDRED FRANCES 'JACKIE' CHENOWETH** *nee* SULLIVAN, was born July 23, 1924 in Woodbridge, Prince William Co., VA, and died September 15, 2007 in West Virginia. She married 1948 in Baltimore City, MD JOHN DAVID<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH (*PERRY WEESE<sup>7</sup>, JOHN SKIDMORE 'JS'<sup>6</sup>, JEHU<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). He was born September 07, 1908 in Randolph Co., WV, and died October 11, 1984 and is buried Little Arlington cemetery, Elkins, Randolph Co., WV.

**age 77 - LEONARD LEO SWECKER**, son of NORM SWECKER and PEARL WARE, was born February 18, 1930 in Elkwater, Randolph Co., WV, and died September 29, 2007 in Newport, Carteret Co., NC. He married IDA RUTH<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH (*JOHN DAVID<sup>8</sup>, PERRY WEESE<sup>7</sup>, JOHN SKIDMORE 'JS'<sup>6</sup>, JEHU<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 87 - ANNA BERNICE<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH** (*FRED<sup>7</sup>, JOHN SKIDMORE 'JS'<sup>6</sup>, JEHU<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born November 22, 1919 in Randolph Co., WV, and died September 07, 2007 in Morgantown, Monongalia Co., WV.

**age 82 - MARY AVONNE CHENOWETH** *nee* SANDERS was born March 10, 1925 in North Dakota, and died November 06, 2007 in Lane Co., OR. She married April 15, 1946 EDWIN JOHN<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH (*RAY CLARENCE<sup>8</sup>, EDWIN DUNCAN 'EDWARD'<sup>7</sup>, EDWIN DUNCAN<sup>6</sup>, GABRIEL<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born October 04, 1922 in Oregon, and died December 05, 1997 in Arizona.

**age 95 - ALLAN BROOKS BELL** was born October 11, 1911 in Shelton, Mason Co., WA, and died August 29, 2007 in Bellevue, King Co., WA. He married January 10, 1940 RETTA CHENOWETH<sup>9</sup> ARMSTRONG (*ETHEL MELVINA<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH, STONEWALL JACKSON 'SAMUEL'<sup>7</sup>, JOHN W.<sup>6</sup>, SAMUEL<sup>5</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). She was born November 17, 1914 in Oregon, and died February 1984 in King Co., WA.

**age 83 - ESTHER MAY<sup>9</sup> STEPHENSON** *nee* LANDERS (*ERMA M.<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH, ELWOOD ASHTON<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM THOMAS<sup>6</sup>, CASPER<sup>5</sup>, WILLIAM S.<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 19, 1924 in Wallowa, Wallowa Co., OR, and died November 11, 2007 in Enterprise, Wallowa Co., OR. She married (1) DAN OLIVER 1941. She married (2) LEO NICHOLAS 1945. She married (3) RAYMOND MOATS 1953. She married (4) SAMUEL STEPHENSON Private. He was born January 21, 1927, and died August 02, 2006 in Enterprise, Wallowa Co., OR.

**age 82 - MILDRED JEAN<sup>9</sup> CLARK** *nee* CHENOWETH (*WILLIAM DAIL<sup>8</sup>, HUGH NELSON<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM HUGH<sup>6</sup>, JAMES H. 'LEWIS'<sup>5</sup>, WILLIAM S.<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born October 05, 1924 in Lima, Allen Co., OH, and died December 17, 2006 in Ft. Lauderdale, Broward Co., FL. She married ROBERT CLARK

**age 90 - GLEN IVAN<sup>8</sup> WESTLAKE** (*RHODA PEARL<sup>7</sup> CHENOWETH, EDWARD WOODWARD<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 07, 1917 in Table Grove, Fulton Co., IL, and died June 28, 2007 in Macomb, McDonough Co., IL. He married GENIVIVE WORTHINGTON

**age 74 - ORVAL KAY<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH** (*OWEN KAY<sup>8</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>7</sup>, JOHN C.<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM E.<sup>5</sup>, ELIAS<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 23, 1933 in Fresno Co., CA, and died September 16, 2007 in Redding, Shasta Co., CA. He married ELIZABETH LOU 'LIBBY' DICKSON. She was born February 16, 1935 in California, and died April 13, 1997 in Sutter Co., CA.

**age 95 - HELEN CHENOWETH** *nee* KINDWELL, daughter of KARL KONRAD KINDWALL, was born May 24, 1912 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL, and died August 21, 2007. She married December 19, 1941 ARTHUR WILLIAM<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH (*WILLIAM JAMES<sup>8</sup>, CASSIDY 'CASS'<sup>7</sup>*,



*WILLIAM JAMES<sup>6</sup>, JOHN SMITH<sup>5</sup>, JAMES S.<sup>4</sup>, RICHARD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). He was born October 19, 1907 in Decatur, Macon Co., IL, and died November 02, 1972 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL.

**age 82 - MARTHA H. CHENOWETH** *nee WARE*, daughter of CLARE WARE and CORDELIA BECKELHIMER, was born January 03, 1925 in Indianapolis, Marion Co., IN, and died October 10, 2007 in Martinsville, Morgan Co., IN. She married ROY WILLIAM<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH (*ROY LEE 'SAM'<sup>7</sup>, JOHN H.<sup>6</sup>, EPHRAIM B.<sup>5</sup>, ABSOLUM<sup>4</sup>, ABSOLUM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 93 - KARL MARX<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH** (*JAMES EPHRAIM<sup>7</sup>, CLINTON LAFAYETTE<sup>6</sup>, EPHRAIM B.<sup>5</sup>, ABSOLUM<sup>4</sup>, ABSOLUM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born October 12, 1913 in Shelbyville, Shelby Co., IN, and died September 10, 2007 in Indianapolis, Marion Co., IN. He married MARY ROSALIND BARROWS 1941, daughter of FREDERIC BARROWS and RUTH HULL. She was born August 30, 1917 in Connersville, Fayette Co., IN, and died October 02, 2003 in Berlin, Washington Co., VT. [Karl is the father of Michael Frederic Chenoweth who has become a reunion regular since the 2006 Reunion in Beaverton. Karl's brother, Eugene Victor, was a wonderful website contributor before his death in 2004]

**age 77 - JACK CLEVELAND<sup>9</sup> CHINOUTH** (*ORVILLE CLEVELAND<sup>8</sup>, JOHN RICHARD D.<sup>7</sup>, JAMES MATISON 'MATT'<sup>6</sup>, RICHARD<sup>5</sup>, NICHOLAS<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, RICHARD<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 25, 1930 in Washington Co., TN, and died August 11, 2007. He married SHIRLEY ANN WRIGHT, daughter of A. WRIGHT and ELIZA HARRIS. She was born March 16, 1935 in Clinchco, Dickenson Co., VA, and died March 12, 2004 in Johnson City, Washington Co., TN.

**age 80 - RUBY MAXINE GODFREY** *nee LANE*, daughter of RUFUS LANE and LAURA HORNER, was born January 12, 1926 in San Angelo, Tom Green Co., TX, and died July 18, 2006 in Tom Green Co., TX. She was the first wife of CLIVE HALE<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH, JR. (*CLIVE HALE<sup>7</sup>, JOHN ADDISON 'GUS'<sup>6</sup>, JOHN AUGUSTUS<sup>5</sup>, NICHOLAS<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, RICHARD<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). He was born March 04, 1922 in Lordsburg, Hidalgo Co., NM, and died October 1970.

**age 87 - WILLARD DEAN<sup>8</sup> SHRONTZ** (*RUSSELL LOWELL<sup>7</sup>, THOMAS MCKEE<sup>6</sup>, REBECCA<sup>5</sup> CARTER, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, JAMES<sup>3</sup>, HANNAH<sup>2</sup> CHENOWETH, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born October 26, 1919 in Marianna, Washington Co., PA, and died September 25, 2007 in Washington Co., PA. He married SARA ARLETA MONINGER May 12, 1940 in Lone Pine, Washington Co., PA, daughter of CHARLES MONINGER and ETHEL BRISTOR.

**age 62 - RICHARD HUGH RYAN**, son of JEREMIAH RYAN and MARJORIE BEGLEY, was born June 01, 1945 in "Ovid", IN, and died September 01, 2007 in Pauls Valley, Garvin Co., OK. He married July 1970 in Nashville, Davidson Co., TN JUDITH MARIE<sup>10</sup> CHENOWETH (*RALPH<sup>9</sup>, LOWELL WESLEY<sup>8</sup>, WASHINGTON ELLSWORTH<sup>7</sup>, CHARLES WESLEY<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM THOMAS<sup>5</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>4</sup>, ARTHUR<sup>3</sup>, ARTHUR<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 71 - FAIRYBELLE ESTHER<sup>9</sup> JACKSON** (*LLOYD JESSE<sup>8</sup>, CLARA B.<sup>7</sup> SIGSWORTH, HANNAH<sup>6</sup> TAYLOR, JOHN<sup>5</sup>, SARAH 'SALLY'<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, ARTHUR<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 25, 1936 in Oberlin, Lorain Co., OH, and died August 23, 2007 in Columbus, Franklin Co., OH. [I had just mentioned Fairybelle in the September newsletter in my article called Sarah's Taylors. She had contacted me in 2000 and was one of just two contacts I had found in Sarah's line. I am sorry that she didn't live to read it.]

**age 88 - LAURAMAY 'JEANNE'<sup>7</sup> KEARING** *nee BETTINGER* (*FLORENCE B.<sup>6</sup> CHENOWETH, ARTHUR A. K.<sup>5</sup>, ABSOLOM<sup>4</sup>, RICHARD<sup>3</sup>, ARTHUR<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born April 12, 1918 in Los Angeles Co., CA, and died September 12, 2006. She married (1) ROBERT F. McKENNA. She married (2) JACK D. KEARING

**age 81 - EDITH LEON<sup>8</sup> FOSTER** *nee SUTTON* (*OLIVER KINSEY<sup>7</sup>, LEONARD HUBBLE<sup>6</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>5</sup>, DAVID<sup>4</sup>, MARY<sup>3</sup> CHENOWETH, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 31, 1926 in Toppenish, Yakima Co., WA, and died September 06, 2007. She married (1) ODELL CURTIS YATES July 17, 1944 in Goldendale, Klickitat Co., WA, son of JESSE YATES and ANNA MOSS. He was born July 13, 1917 in Whitsbough, Leflore Co., OK, and died July 17, 1967 in Yakima, Yakima Co., WA. She married (2) WINSTON PRAIRE PARKER August 05, 1977 in Toppenish, Yakima Co., WA. He was born January 29, 1913, and died August 23, 1988 in Toppenish, Yakima Co., WA. She married (3) EARL WALTER FOSTER May 05, 1989 in Toppenish, Yakima Co., WA. He was born December 16, 1918 in Adams Co., IA, and died March 02, 1991 in Yakima, Yakima Co., WA. [Edith signed in as a web cousin in 2005 providing some very helpful information]

**age 49 - TERESA ANN SCHULZ**, daughter of LESLIE SCHULZ and MARIE MacINTOSH, was born December 21, 1957 in Beloit, Rock Co., WI, and died September 23, 2007 in Oxford, Marquette Co., IL. She married June 09, 1984 in Rock Co., WI GERALD LEE<sup>10</sup> CHENOWETH (*MARION LEE<sup>9</sup>, RUSSELL EMERSON<sup>8</sup>, JOHN HENRY<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM C.<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 79 - LAURON DEAN<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH, JR.** (*LAURON DEAN<sup>8</sup>, ERSOM FRENCH<sup>7</sup>, ELLJAH<sup>6</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born Abt. May 1928 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL, and died September 07, 2007. [Lauron was married and has two children, though we don't know his wife's name]

**age 82 - ROBERT ALLEN YODER** was born August 19, 1924, and died May 22, 2007 in Ohio. He married ALTHEA<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH (*WILBERT NORMAN<sup>7</sup>, FORREST NORMAN<sup>6</sup>, JOHN WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 81 - MERVYN LESLIE SHUTER**, son of LESLIE SHUTER and ALMA TRENNEPOHL, was born February 17, 1926 in Aurora, Dearborn Co., IN, and died August 24, 2007 in Indianapolis, Marion Co., IN. He married April 08, 1950 in Madison Co., IN MARILYN ANN<sup>9</sup> JONES (*OPAL CLEO<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH, CHARLES EDWIN 'ED'<sup>7</sup>, THOMAS HENRY<sup>6</sup>, GEORGE HENRY<sup>5</sup>, JOHN<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*)

**age 83 - ROBERT RICHARD<sup>9</sup> ANDERSON** *nee CHENOWETH* (*RAY RICHARD<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH, RICHARD PRATER<sup>7</sup>, V. TIMOTHY<sup>6</sup>, JOSEPH FOSTER<sup>5</sup>, JOHN C.<sup>4</sup>, THOMAS<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 12, 1924 in Caldwell, Canyon Co., ID, and died November 17, 2007 in Fort Collins, Larimer Co., CO. He married (1) RUBY RAE FISHER May 03, 1947. She died March 1974. He married (2) THEDA GARLAND. [Robert was adopted by his step father]

**age 78 - MARTIN NEAL KINCAID** was born January 09, 1928, and died December 08, 2006 in Portland, Multnomah Co., OR. He married May 12, 1951 LLILIAN VIOLET<sup>9</sup> GERULF (*ALICE<sup>8</sup> STILES, ANNA AMELIA<sup>7</sup> FLOOD, MARTHA S.<sup>6</sup> CHENOWETH, JOSEPH FOSTER<sup>5</sup>, JOHN C.<sup>4</sup>, THOMAS<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). She was born August 25, 1925, and died December 26, 1996 in Portland, Multnomah Co., OR.

**age 64 - JESSE J.<sup>9</sup> SCOWDEN** (*JAMES EARL<sup>8</sup>, JAMES EVERETT<sup>7</sup>, SAMUEL PARKER<sup>6</sup>, DORCAS<sup>5</sup> CHENOWETH, ARTHUR<sup>4</sup>, RICHARD<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born July 23, 1942 in Tippecanoe Co., IN, and died February 04, 2007 in Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co., IN. He married CHRISTINA L. DARLING February 08, 1960.

**age 74 - HARRYETTE JANE<sup>8</sup> OGDEN** *nee* **CHENOWETH** (*HARRY ARTHUR<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM STEENBERGER<sup>6</sup>, PETER H.S.B.<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS T.<sup>4</sup>, RICHARD<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born June 25, 1933 in Olympia, Thurston Co., WA, and died September 08, 2007 in Washington. She married RAYMOND H. OGDEN.

**age 81 - INA LEE McGHEE** *nee* **ANDERSON** was born July 13, 1926 in Drakes, Perry Co., OH, and died August 27, 2007 in Columbus, Franklin Co., OH. She married DONALD<sup>8</sup> McGHEE (*DOROTHEA W.<sup>7</sup> CHENOWETH, WALLACE GRAHAM<sup>6</sup>, JOHN WESLEY<sup>5</sup>, ELIJAH<sup>4</sup>, ELIJAH<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*).

**age 81 - ROBERT MAX<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH** (*ROBERT LOUIS<sup>7</sup>, NOAH LINCOLN<sup>6</sup>, ABRAHAM J.<sup>5</sup>, JACOB<sup>4</sup>, ABRAHAM<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 18, 1926 in Woodward Co., OK, and died October 20, 2007 in Woodward Co., OK. He married JUNETTE DORIS BRADLEY August 14, 1949 in McPherson, McPherson Co., KS, daughter of LUTHER BRADLEY and JENNIE HAILINGS.

**age 89 - WINIFRED<sup>8</sup> CONNOR** *nee* **CHENOWETH** (*GEORGE HARLAN<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM CORNELIUS<sup>6</sup>, GIDEON<sup>5</sup>, JACOB<sup>4</sup>, ABRAHAM<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 26, 1928 in Paris, Edgar Co., IL, and died August 25, 2007 in Hilton Head Island, Beaufort Co., SC. She married JACK EDWARD CONNOR September 02, 1950.

**age 88 - CARROLL 'BEN' BAILEY** was born December 11, 1928 in Wayne City, Wayne Co., IL, and died October 22, 2007 in Decatur, Macon Co., IL. He married MARY ANN<sup>8</sup> CHENOWETH (*GEORGE HARLAN<sup>7</sup>, WILLIAM CORNELIUS<sup>6</sup>, GIDEON<sup>5</sup>, JACOB<sup>4</sup>, ABRAHAM<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*). She was born May 30, 1930, and died June 27, 1995.

## Unknown Lines

**age 97 - ROSAMOND MORTIMER** was born March 26, 1910, and died November 08, 2007 in Bloomfield, Hartford Co., CT. She married ROBERT F.<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH (*RICHARD ARCHIBALD<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM H.<sup>2</sup>, RICHARD C.<sup>1</sup>*). He born November 08, 1903 in Maryland, and died April 25, 1990.

## Other lines

**age 82 - VIRGINIA MARY<sup>3</sup> CHENOWETH** (*EDWIN JOHN RICHARD CHARLES<sup>2</sup>, JOHN CHARLES<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 08, 1925 in Minnesota, and died April 09, 2007.

**age 75 - EDWARD MURRAY<sup>9</sup> CHENOWETH** (*EDWARD KNEREM<sup>8</sup>, EDWARD FURZE<sup>7</sup>, FRANCIS "FRANK"<sup>6</sup>, THOMAS<sup>5</sup>, RICHARD<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 10, 1932 in Ohio, and died May 28, 2007. He married ISUZU S. ?.

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## Can You Answer These

1. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?
2. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?
3. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter "A"?
4. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common?
5. What is the only food that doesn't spoil?
6. Which day are there more collect calls than any other day of the year?

Answers later in this newsletter

# GRANDSONS OF JOHN<sup>1</sup>

(14<sup>th</sup> Installment of a series)

By Jon Egge

## Elusive Josephs

In the third generation, there were two sons named Joseph. We know little of either. In Baltimore, the youngest son of Richard was Joseph. He was named executor of Richard's will, a duty usually assigned to the youngest son, so we know that by 1781, Joseph was of age and alive. Yet he is never seen. A sale of Richard's lands in the mid 1780's is signed off by Richard, Jr. not Joseph. The division of property as described in Richard's will never appears to have happened. Cora Hiatt tells us that Joseph had 3 children, but none of these 3 supposed sons ever is found. Joseph, the son of Richard, like others among his siblings, remains an enigma.

The second Joseph was the oldest son of William in Virginia. His life was short. Joseph married Sarah 'Sina' Hayes, the daughter of a John Hayes a nearby neighbor of his father. Two children are known of this marriage, Eleanor and Joseph, Jr. They are known by orphan court proceedings as Joseph died a young man, maybe 40 years old, on September 22, 1785 in Berkeley County and left Sina with two small children. In the court proceedings Eleanor was referred to as "Newly". Sina remarried to Dr. Evan Bane and took her children west to Warren Co., OH. Joseph, Jr. married there to Nancy Ann James; and, as found by Greg Wulker, Eleanor married James Mason. We have not been able to trace Eleanor's line to modern day, only tracing down 4 or 5 generations and reaching the 20<sup>th</sup> century, but no further. The Chenoweth name in Joseph's line died out. His grandson Joseph died on June 22, 1889. This Joseph's son Frank is not known to have married and is not found after the 1880 Census at age 13. Evan B. a son of Joseph, Jr. died on September 20, 1900, having had one daughter. To our knowledge this was the last of the male name. On distaff side, there the only line somewhat developed is that of Sarah Ann, the daughter of Joseph, Jr. She married Thomas Milton Goode. In ten years I have only had 3 descendants of Joseph contact me, all are from Sarah Ann. Curiously, most of my information today came from William Stubbs, the 8<sup>th</sup> cousin to sign on, way back in Feb of 1996. Bill's wife Marilyn was a great great granddaughter of Sarah Ann, and the Stubbs still live in Warren Co., OH where Sina brought her children over 200 years ago. This began a larger migration that would follow by her brother-in-law, William, Jr., and the father-in-law of 3 of William's sons, William S. Chenoweth of Frederick Co., VA.

In the 1850 Census there were 5 families from Joseph of William numbering 15 people, all in Ohio.

Children of JOSEPH CHENOWETH and SARAH HAYES are:

2. i. ELEANOR NELLIE 'NEWLY'<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH, b. January 19, 1781, Berkeley Co., VA; d. 1809.
3. ii. JOSEPH CHENOWETH, JR., b. July 05, 1785, Berkeley Co., VA (now WV); d. August 28, 1827, Warren Co., OH.

### *Generation No. 2*

ELEANOR NELLIE 'NEWLY'<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH (*JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 19, 1781 in Berkeley Co., VA, and died 1809. She married JAMES MASON in Waynesville, Warren Co., OH. He was born Bet. 1776 - 1781 in Virginia, and died Abt. 1804.

Child of ELEANOR CHENOWETH and JAMES MASON is:

- i. JOSEPH<sup>5</sup> MASON, b. October 21, 1800, Columbiana, Hamilton Co., OH; d. January 30, 1871, Greene Co., OH; m. MARY BELL; b. August 25, 1808, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH, JR. (*JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born July 05, 1785 in Berkeley Co., VA (now WV), and died August 28, 1827 in Warren Co., OH. He married NANCY ANN JAMES May 06, 1806 in Wayne twp., Warren Co., OH, daughter of WILLIAM JAMES and JANE WILLIAMS. She was born April 02, 1784 in Virginia, and died August 25, 1857 in Warren Co., OH.

Children of JOSEPH CHENOWETH and NANCY JAMES are:

- i. JOSHUA<sup>5</sup> CHENOWETH, b. August 16, 1808, Warren Co., OH; d. January 08, 1837; m. LUCINDA BINGAMON, October 25, 1830, Warren Co., OH; b. August 18, 1806, Ohio; d. September 07, 1894.
- ii. JANE CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1816, Warren Co., OH; d. July 21, 1886, Ohio; m. JOSEPH LYLE, April 23, 1850, Warren Co., OH; b. 1812, Ohio; d. Unknown.
- iii. SARAH ANN CHENOWETH, b. September 03, 1818, Wayne twp., Warren Co., OH; d. December 07, 1878, Carrol Co., MO; m. THOMAS MILTON GOODE, October 12, 1841, Warren Co., OH; b. December 24, 1812, Wayne twp., Warren Co., OH; d. March 02, 1885, Carrol Co., MO.
- iv. EVAN B. CHENOWETH, b. November 1820, Warren Co., OH; d. September 20, 1900, Warren Co., OH; m. (1) MARIAM WILSON, October 18, 1843, Warren Co., OH; b. August 01, 1824, Ohio; d. October 17, 1865, Ohio; m. (2) RUTH ANN HAINES, October 24, 1868, Greene Co., OH; b. September 22, 1835, Ohio; d. May 26, 1907, Ohio.
- v. DAVID E. CHENOWETH, b. December 20, 1822, Warren Co., OH; d. December 24, 1870, Ohio; m. ELIZABETH STILES, January 23, 1845, Greene Co., OH; b. Abt. 1827, Virginia; d. 1896.

# CHENOWETH: THE MEANING

Jon,

I've started a more serious look at my ancestry. Within the last year both my father and younger brother have died, making me the only one left of our immediate family group. My brother left two daughters so there's not just personal satisfaction as a purpose for my search. I've been quite surprised at how little is on the internet regarding the English Chenoweths, other than work done by the LDS Church and censuses from 1841 to 1901, when compared with the Americans. Maybe its something to do with the short history of the USA making people want to find deeper roots.

On the Chenoweth line I've only reached as far as the middle of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, so I'm going to spend a couple of weeks in Cornwall next year to trace further. I am very much interested in the meaning of the name Chenoweth as found at your website.

The web site has expanded enormously since I last looked. Your dedication to it shines through. Good work!

5 Nov 2007

Mark W. Chenoweth  
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Yes we have done a lot of work on the American side of this equation including DNA testing that has isolated the DNA of the American immigrant John. I have in the course of this become a relative expert on the American side of things. Americans get interested in genealogy as they begin to wonder how their people got here. You get a bit curious about someone who had the gumption to pick up and go half way around the world to a wilderness when the means of transport was a venture with hazard.... I have found it uniformly true of the European cousins I have found that they have little knowledge and little interest in their ancestors. Some of the European Censuses are excellent compared to American Censuses whose true value begins in 1850.

We have a very good grip on who's who in the American Chenoweths. I have never found anyone in Cornwall with a real interest in the Chenoweth genealogy there. Most of the American family would kill to find the link back to Cornwall. If you ever get interested in the DNA side, I know Pete would love to get a sample. His DNA from a separate immigration is only one marker off that of the immigrant John.

The page you reference, I haven't looked at for years. The best I have on the subject is on the background page, <http://www.chenowethsite.com/chenback.htm>.

## FROM THE WENSITE:

The name Chenoweth means, "new house". These Cornish words and a Cornish name, and Chenoweths, then and now, live in Cornwall, Great Britain\*. It is one of the oldest names found in Cornwall dating from about 1472 during the reign of Edward IV. Though writings about the American family of John Chenoweth, from earliest times, has often maintained that their family roots were Welsh, it is unlikely that John Chenoweth was Welsh in the modern usage of the word. Perhaps the tradition comes from a practice at the time of referring to Cornwall as "South Wales" or "West Wales". When stationed in England during World War II, J. Richard Buckey came across this aspect regarding the term Welsh:

According to a short history of Great Britain by James Munro which covers the period from about AD 450-613. It was at this period in history when the Anglo-Saxons (or old English) drove the Britons (or Celts) into Cornwall and Wales and the country between the Clyde and the Mersey, which had it's capital at Dumbarton and was known as "Strathclyde." This is the period of history when Cornwall was referred to as West Wales and was Celtic. King Arthur was also Celtic. The Early English spoke of the Welsh of Strathclyde; they spoke of the Britons (Celts) as Welsh, the Welsh of Wales and the Welsh of Cornwall. At this time in history Welsh meant foreign.

The name Chenoweth is not Welsh, it is Cornish; and the two should not be confused with present day Wales. The Cornish were of Celtic origin, a rugged independent people with their own language. Dr. A.L. Rowse of Cornwall wrote extensively on the Cornish people and migrations. In his book "*The Cornish in America*", published in 1967, he wrote: "The Cornish are a small people, but a quite distinctive one. They have inhabited from prehistoric times the little peninsula at the extreme southwest end of Britain, running from the frontier of the Tamar River out into the Atlantic with Land's End and the Scilly Isles beyond. It is a beautiful land, with a half a dozen different landscapes within its narrow boundaries, and two contrasting coasts..."

It is almost certain that John Chenoweth came from Cornwall. In A.L. Rowse continues in his book: “There are several thousand people called Chenoweth in the United States, many times more than in all Britain, let alone in Cornwall itself. The name is a pure Cornish name, meaning Newhouse, and could be nothing else. The Chenoweths are old stock, who came into Virginia early and fanned out from there.” Indeed DNA testing has confirmed that John Chenoweth is closely related to other Chenoweth families that are known to have originated in Cornwall.

Eugene Victor Chenoweth of Indiana has introduced me to the tenor of another of Dr. Rowse’s books, “*Cousin Jacks*”, published in 1969. In Chapter 4, Rowse describes a Cornish Quaker named Edward Billings who founded the first Quaker Colony in what is now West New Jersey, offering to give 100 free acres to each of 100 families of Quaker poor from his county. Billings described the New Jersey area as well-peopled, a free and well-settled country with many Friends and large meeting houses. Rowse wrote, “We know this offer was made to Quakers in Cornwall, for a record remains in the monthly records of Falmouth, 1682..... Only a few recognizably Cornish folk trickled into West New Jersey at that early date.....but by 1700, we find a Chenoweth family established in Burlington.” This reference by Rowse is surely our John Chenoweth and the 1704 record found in Burlington, New Jersey.

Cora Hiatt said the root name for Chenoweth was Trevelisek. This is correct. But then she said this dates back to Saxon times prior to the Norman Conquest in 1066. Re-stated in Harris, “Sometime between 890 and 1020, John Trevelisek, one of the aging patriarchs, split off portions of his holdings in favor of his sons. One such portion went into the hands of the youngest son, also named John. Soon after, the younger John built a new stone house on his property.” Harris repeats the mistake. Not to the name and events, but to the timing. TREVELISEK should not be confused with Doomsday Book listings, but dates from the reign of Edward IV (1461-1483). There was a noble line of Chenoweths. As far as can be determined, John Chenoweth is not of this noble family, but his name was Cornish.

Over time, with the variances of spellings based on phonetic interpretation, the name has taken many forms. Cora Hiatt claimed that there are over 200 different spellings of the name. Whereas I have observed some 30 to 40 different spellings, the more common of which are posted on the site’s front page. I am unsure as how one would get Cora’s larger number. I have never found this American family using the forms beginning with “Chy” which are found in England, other English colonies and later American immigrations in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. [It should be noted that since the writing of this page at the website, DNA sample results from a Chynoweth have been obtained and compared with that of our John Chenoweth. The sample is only 2 markers off from that of immigrant John.]

\*[I have been admonished by Don Whitman of Kansas City: “Stop placing the word ‘England’ immediately after the word Cornwall. Cornish people are not English people...! Cornish history is not English history. We must preserve the tiny bit that remains. We treat Cornwall as a tiny little Celtic country adjacent to England on the west – and refer to it always as, Cornwall, GB. We think that to aid the English in rewriting history to make Cornwall a quaint little county in the west of England is unacceptable. To see signs on Cornish sites of antiquity that read “English History” is criminal – particularly when the object was there 2000 years before the word English was invented.”].

Jim Thompson maintains a list of Cornish surnames at his website for those interested. A Cornwall webcam depicts views of Cornwall from a site also recommended by Jim Thompson. -- Jon Egge

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## Did You Know

In Shakespeare’s time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattresses tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase....”goodnight, sleep tight.”

It was accepted practice in Babylon, 4000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride’s father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey moon, which we know today as the honeymoon.

In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts...So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them mind your pints and quarts, and settle down. Thus we have the phrase “mind your P’s and Q’s”

Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. “Wet your whistle” is the phrase inspired by this practice.



# MOMENT WITH THE WEBMASTER



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## Unknown lines: William m: Christine Simmons - Iowa

One of the most puzzling unknown lines found in the Census outside of Baltimore is that of a William who married Christine Simmons. William and Christine are found as a newly wed couple living with the family of Daniel Ingersoll and his wife Elizabeth (ca 1829-OH) in Burlington, Des Moines Co., IA. Both Daniel and William were fisherman on the Mississippi River. The family is found in Harris on page U632. William is 19 born in Ohio and Christine 22 born in Pennsylvania. Subsequent Censuses will tell us they had a total of 7 children, six daughters and one son James. They are found again in the 1870 Census in this same Burlington location and William had become a steamboat captain. In Henry Co., IA in 1880 Christine is found widowed with six of her children, Sarah, the oldest is either married or has died young. The 1925 Iowa Census has allowed us to extend the lines of two of the daughters, but we have yet to bring this line down to a living descendant. What is makes this most puzzling is despite the commonality of the name William, there is simply no match with any known individual within the family or in any of the unknown lines that we track. That leaves us with two possibilities. Either William is from another immigration, or he was missed somehow in the 1850 Census. Either case presents a daunting puzzle to the researcher.

WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> CHENOWETH was born Abt. 1840 in Ohio, and died before 1880 in Iowa. He married CHRISTINA SIMMONS. She was born October 1835 in Pennsylvania.

Children of WILLIAM CHENOWETH and CHRISTINA SIMMONS are:

- i. SARAH<sup>2</sup> CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1858, Iowa.
- ii. JEANETTE CHENOWETH, b. December 1862, Burlington, Des Moines Co., IA; d. 1953; m. CHARLES HORACE EMERSON; b. July 04, 1859.
- iii. JAMES CHENOWETH, b. November 1864, Des Moines Co., IA; d. Bef. 1910; m. ROSA ?, Abt. 1885; b. December 1869, Iowa.
- iv. CORA CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1867, Iowa.
- v. ALPHEA CHENOWETH, b. January 1872, Iowa; m. HENRY C. HOKAMP; b. April 1862, Iowa.
- vi. ANNA CHENOWETH, b. January 1874, Iowa; m. FRANK N. CLINE; b. March 1861, Illinois.
- vii. RACHEL CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1879, Iowa.

## Arrilia and the Ramsburgs of Berkeley Co., WV

One of the first WFTs (Vol 27 # 2327 [WFT is World Family Tree, a CD series begun by Broderbund]), I found in the early years was submitted by Arrilia Kief whose husband, Calvin, was a son of Betty Lee Ramsburg a great, great granddaughter of Julia Ann Dickey Chenoweth and John George Ramsburg. Cora Hiatt had listed this name as Ramsberry and no continuation had been found until I found Arrilia's submittal. Julia had married first, William Kerney, who apparently died shortly afterwards and four years later on December 24, 1839, she married John in Martinsburg, Berkeley Co., VA (now WV). Julia's parents were Samuel Churchill Chenoweth, Jr. and Mary "Polly" Miller. Greg Wulker took me to the graveyard at the Tuscarora Presbyterian Church in Berkeley Co. where Samuel, Jr. and many of this family are buried, during our stay in Winchester just before the Elkins reunion. Samuel's father had located in Berkeley Co. shortly after the 1790 Census from Baltimore Co., MD, joining his brother John in what I call the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia immigration. Samuel's line would be the sole male Chenoweth line to continue on in this early family location into the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Even today, a number of the daughter lines of



Samuel still inhabit this area of West Virginia. I was of course delighted to have found Julia's family and a descendant that still lived in the area.

Samuel's line is very thin for a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Chenoweth. There are a mere 500 names in my file and 15 cousin contacts. Samuel married Patience Cromwell. His brother John had married Hannah, the sister of Patience. Both wives were children of William Cromwell and Constant Wilmott. Constant's sister, Hannah Wilmott, was the grandmother of my ancestor, James Francis Chenoweth. By Patience, Samuel had four sons. After her death in Maryland, Samuel had remarried to Elizabeth Murray, the widow of Stephen Cromwell and had three daughters. Today, the male lines extend from Samuel, Jr., the oldest of the four sons. Philemon Cromwell Chenoweth married and had 4 sons, but one, Bushrod, died young, one, Samuel, never married, another, John Harrison, went to Missouri and died in his 30s, just before the 1850 Census. Apparently his son, Newton, did not survive long. A good deal of what we know of Philemon's family comes from a letter that was written by the remaining son, Nimrod Hunter Chenoweth, when he lived in Butler Co., OH. This letter was included in Cora's book on page 125. Nimrod had 5 daughters and 3 sons, but none of the sons survived childhood. A cousin, Debbie Mitchell, a great granddaughter of Jennie, one of three of Nimrod's daughters we know married, contacted me in 2004. I would still like to learn more about what happened to Nimrod's daughters. I have two cousin contacts in my file from Philemon's daughter Aurelia "Emily" who married John T. Kerney. The Kerney's remained in the Berkeley Co. area.

John, another son of Samuel, married twice but never had children. His widow, Isabella Van Meter Chenoweth is found in Berkeley Co. Censuses in 1850, 1860 and 1870. A third son, Joseph, married Rachel Gorrell. He supposedly had a son James, who is never found. His daughter, Lavina, probably died young and his daughter Mary Patience Chenoweth married Thomas Cromwell Miller. This Miller line still needs to be developed. Samuel's three daughters by his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife all married but we have yet to find a single descendant of these marriages. Henrietta Maria married Robert Wilson and had one known daughter Charlotte Wilson. Julia Ann married Alexander Stevens and Charlotte married Dr. Jacob Baer.

Though Samuel Jr. had two sons and two daughters, the oldest son died young and the male line was left to be carried on by the son, James William Chenoweth who had 3 wives and sixteen children, six of them sons. George Samuel Chenoweth and his wife Mary Ann Plater who have attended each reunion descend from Samuel Miller Chenoweth, II, a grandson of James William. Samuel Miller left Virginia in the 1890s to marry in Pennsylvania and later move to Kentucky. In the 1930 Census, James Cromwell Chenoweth, a son of James William, was still living in Berkeley Co. As far as I know, Elliott M. Chenoweth, another son of James William, who had moved to Maryland, died in Berkeley, Co. in 1971 and was the last of the male Chenoweths of this line in the area. His sons lived in Maryland, ending a 230 year presence of the male name. For a long time I thought that Samuel's male line would end with George, but I have recently found David Richard Chenoweth, II, as a 10<sup>th</sup> generation male born in 200 Elliot's great grandson, to carry Samuel's line forward. Samuel Jr.'s oldest daughter, Lavina Hester, married George Couchman and they went to LaPort Co., IN via Ohio. Julia Ann Dickey Chenoweth, as stated, married second to John George Ramsburg the son of Johann Georg Ramsburg and Anna Elizabeth Dust.

JULIA ANN DICKEY<sup>5</sup> CHENOWETH (*SAMUEL CHURCHILL*<sup>4</sup>, *SAMUEL CHURCHILL*<sup>3</sup>, *ARTHUR*<sup>2</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>1</sup>) was born July 01, 1813 in Berkeley Co., VA (now WV), and died April 19, 1887. She married (1) WILLIAM KERNEY March 04, 1835 in Berkeley Co., VA (now WV). She married (2) JOHN GEORGE RAMSBURG December 24, 1839 in Martinsburg, Berkeley Co., VA (now WV), son of JOHANN RAMSBURG and ANNA DUST. He was born March 21, 1809 in Berkeley Co., VA (now WV).

Children of JULIA CHENOWETH and JOHN RAMSBURG are:

- i. MARY<sup>6</sup> RAMSBURG, b. Abt. 1843.
- ii. GEORGE SAMUEL RAMSBURG, b. 1844, Berkeley Co., VA (now WV); m. MARY MARGARET "MAGGIE" WRIGHT; b. Abt. 1849, Virginia.
- iii. JOHN L. C. RAMSBURG, b. July 03, 1846, Berkeley Co., VA (now WV); d. February 18, 1908, West Virginia; m. ELIZABETH BRIDGET "LIZZIE" CUNNINGHAM, May 06, 1873, Berkeley Co., WV; b. February 24, 1850, Virginia; d. February 13, 1905, West Virginia.

## Another married daughter for Richard Prather

In the June 2005 newsletter, I wrote of the marriage we had found of Mary Olive Chenoweth, a daughter of Richard Prather Chenoweth and Julia Skidmore. Richard indeed had a number of daughters that married. Emeline S. married William Martin Ashley, JoAnna married Robert T. Bryan, Martha married Joseph D. Gilchrist, Elizabeth married George Wayne Graves, and, as discussed, Mary Olive married Jacob M. Watson. In WFT 164, Peter found a Sarah Viola Chenoweth who married John Ham that he didn't recognize. As I looked into it I found that Sarah was the youngest daughter and her marriage had eluded us until now. In the 1880 Census she is found in Butler Co., KS, where Richard lived, newly married to John Ham, living close to his parents. The tree Peter found listed her 8 children but gave no dates. We found them in Oklahoma in the 1900 thru 1920 Censuses. John died just before the 1900 Census leaving Sarah a widow. In 1920 two of the sons were working in the Oklahoma oilfields.

SARAH VIOLA<sup>6</sup> CHENOWETH (*RICHARD PRATHER<sup>5</sup>, JOHN C.<sup>4</sup>, THOMAS<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 1861 in Illinois. She married JOHN P. HAM Abt. 1880, son of DURRIETTE HAM and REBECCA McROBERTS. He was born Abt. 1857 in Kentucky, and died Bef. June 1900 in Stillwater, Payne Co., OK.

Children of SARAH CHENOWETH and JOHN HAM are:

- i. HARRIE DAVIS<sup>7</sup> HAM, b. January 1882, Missouri; m. ELSIE BROWN; b. 1891, Missouri.
- ii. MAUDE ESTELLA HAM, b. March 1884, Kansas; m. WILLIAM HOWARD HUNTSBURG; b. Bet. 1869 - 1889.
- iii. FRANCIS BARTON HAM, b. April 1886, Kansas; m. ETHEL M. FITZPATRICK; b. Abt. 1890, Oklahoma.
- iv. IDA JANE HAM, b. February 1888, Kansas; m. GLOVER R. RADER; b. Abt. 1887, Kansas.
- v. JULIA ALFREDA HAM, b. May 1891, Oklahoma; m. LEE ISAAC BILYEU; b. Abt. 1891, Oklahoma.
- vi. WILLIAM ARTHUR HAM, b. April 1895, Oklahoma; m. BLANCHE LEIGH; b. Abt. 1896, Illinois.
- vii. VIOLA LEEORA HAM, b. June 1898, Oklahoma.
- viii. JESSIE LOIS HAM, b. April 1900, Payne Co., OK.

In the last 10 years I have only had two contacts with a Richard Prather cousin, Rhonda Warren of Puyallup, WA, a great granddaughter of Elizabeth Chenoweth Graves and just this December, Dawn Carr, who apparently descends from Emeline's only son. What a reunion it would be if descendants of all six of these daughter lines would get together. Richard had a number of sons, they all but one appear to have died young. Thomas married Rosa L. Washington in Johnson Co., KS but we have never tacked any of the family beyond their children:

THOMAS C.<sup>6</sup> CHENOWETH (*RICHARD PRATHER<sup>5</sup>, JOHN C.<sup>4</sup>, THOMAS<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born December 27, 1848 in Darke Co., OH. He married ROSA L. WASHINGTON in Johnson Co., KS, daughter of SAMUEL WASHINGTON and SARAH EVERHART. She was born October 1857 in Virginia, and died March 16, 1937 in Leon, Butler Co., KS.

Children of THOMAS CHENOWETH and ROSA WASHINGTON are:

- i. HARRY WASHINGTON<sup>7</sup> CHENOWETH, b. August 12, 1875, Butler Co., KS; m. MAGGIE H. "MARZEE" ?, Abt. 1907; b. 1877, Butler Co., KS.
- ii. CHARLES R. CHENOWETH, b. May 1877, Butler Co., KS.
- iii. EDITH B. CHENOWETH, b. February 1880, Butler Co., KS.

## The Shoemakers of Anne Chenoweth

In March of 2006 I was contacted by Alan Porter Blackburn, when he found his name at the website. At last I was in contact with a descendant of Anne Chenoweth, the youngest daughter of Arthur of Bartholomew Co., IN. This section of the database is 100% reconstruction. In Cora's book she misplaces Arthur's children under Arthur, Jr. She however did successfully describe Arthur's children, John and Rachel, albeit in the wrong place, but Absolom was wrong as was Arthur and nothing was known of the other daughters. Harris incorporated Cora's mistakes but added marriages and families for the daughters Margaret and Elizabeth. The lines of Arthur were corrected by Jonathan Paul and I was slowly able to resurrect the real lines of Absolom. We knew however that the daughters Mary (Polly) and Ann were alive when Arthur left his will in 1828 in Bartholomew Co. We still don't know what happened to Mary. There are some possibilities, the most likely is that she is the Mary who married George Finley in Jefferson Co., KY on 17 Sep 1797. Arthur was in Jefferson Co. at the time and his daughter Mary would have been 19. I was able however to tie in the marriage of Anne Chenoweth, found in the Harris research listings of unknown marriages to John Ritchie Shoemaker. This marriage occurred on November 20, 1828 in Bartholomew County about the time that Arthur died. The location is a dead give away as is John Shoemaker, as he was a friend of Arthur's and two of his daughters had married Rachel's children, William and Arthur Chenoweth. Ann was John's second marriage. Connie Einspahr, a descendant of John Shoemaker by his first marriage, told me that Ann had children and they were to be found with her in Clinton Co., IN. By that time John Shoemaker had died and Anna had remarried to a Smith as she was living with her 3 sons, Leonard, James and Newton. The 3 boys are also listed in the will of John Shoemaker proved 6 Dec 1848, as is Ann is wife.

Connie Einspahr apparently had been in contact with Alan Porter Blackburn as she gave me a straight descendant line to him, which I included. Pete and I added family information from the 1880 and 1900 Census for Leonard Shoemaker whose family we were able to find in Blue Earth Co., MN. But we had made little other progress. Now came Alan with work researched by his mother that added 6 full pages of descendants from Leonard Shoemaker. I had not had a daughter line expansion like this in sometime. Interesting Allan's immediate family now puts part of the Chenoweth family in Brazil.

ANNE<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH (*ARTHUR<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 18, 1793 in Jefferson Co., KY, and died Unknown. She married JOHN RITCHIE SHOEMAKER November 20, 1828 in Bartholomew Co., IN, son of LEONARD SHOEMAKER and EUNICE RITCHEY. He was born October 07, 1794 in Tennessee, and died Bef. December 06, 1848.

Children of ANNE CHENOWETH and JOHN SHOEMAKER are:

- i. LEONARD C.<sup>5</sup> SHOEMAKER, (see below)
- ii. JAMES G. SHOEMAKER, b. Abt. 1831, Indiana; d. 1854.
- iii. NEWTON H. SHOEMAKER, b. Abt. 1833, Indiana; m. REBECCA L. BEATY, September 13, 1854, Clinton Co., IN; b. Abt. 1833, Indiana.

LEONARD C.<sup>3</sup> SHOEMAKER (*ANNE CHENOWETH*<sup>4</sup>, *ARTHUR*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 05, 1829 in Indiana, and died Bef. 1900. He married MARIA L. IRWIN Bef. 1850. She was born February 1832 in Indiana.

Children of LEONARD SHOEMAKER and MARIA IRWIN are:

- i. JOHN<sup>4</sup> SHOEMAKER, b. August 25, 1852, Indiana; d. August 13, 1857, Indiana.
- ii. JAMES ROBERT SHOEMAKER, b. February 25, 1854, Indiana; d. January 05, 1857, Indiana.
- iii. ANN M. SHOEMAKER, b. Abt. 1858, Missouri; m. WILLIS H. WEBBER, 1875; b. Abt. 1854, New York.
- iv. VIRGINIA SHOEMAKER, b. May 03, 1860, Linn Co., MO; d. October 21, 1920; m. G.A. GARDNER, 1883;
- v. WILLIAM N. SHOEMAKER, b. January 20, 1862, Indiana; d. June 09, 1947; m. EDNA LUCINDA WOOD, Abt. 1885; b. November 30, 1858, Illinois; d. July 1948.
- vi. VALINDA JULINA "LINNY" SHOEMAKER, b. September 13, 1863, near Ft. Wayne, Allen Co., IN; m. NELS PETERSON; b. August 1854, SWEDEN.
- vii. INDA M. SHOEMAKER, b. Abt. 1865, Indiana; m. HENRY FOX, 1882; b. March 1859, Illinois.
- viii. AUSTIN C. SHOEMAKER, b. Abt. 1868, Indiana.
- ix. BENJAMIN F. SHOEMAKER, b. August 03, 1870, Minnesota; d. July 06, 1949; m. ALICE WRAY, June 23, 1897; b. January 09, 1877; d. February 07, 1959.

## Surnames, Surnames

In 1995, an examination of surnames at the US Census site led me to dive into the genealogy pudding. I was curious when I learned that my grandmother's surname, Laprath, did not register among the 90,000 most used surnames in the US. I then used a national phone disk and found only 24 telephone listings in the whole US. Now, over 10 years later I looked at the same site for the 2000 Census. At present (Nov 2007) there are 17,742 surnames in the file. The Census bureau lists that there were 150,436 surnames in the US with 100 or more people in 2000. Laprath is not on the list. The count in my file is that there are probably 88 Lapraths living in the US today. I am related to all of them. Half the 2000 population in the US are divided among 2,600 surnames. Apparently the balance of the country is much more diversified, spread among well over 150,000 names. This latter group includes the Chenoweths.

Smith, of course, tops the list, followed by Johnson, Williams, Brown, Jones, Miller and Davis. The 2000 Census pulled Brown ahead of Jones and Miller ahead of Davis. In my own family tree I have a Smith and a Brown. I have 2 Whites as well, a very frustrating name for me. White is 20th on the list. Nguyen, a common name in Viet-Nam, as well I remember from my 3 years in country, is now 57th on the list. I am sure before 1970 it would not have registered. I have one Nguyen in my file, and that is in an unknown line, not in the main file. Moreno, at 170th is the most populous in the Census that is not yet in my file.

There were 1,165 Egges in 2000, 21,025th on the list. 19 of these are part of my family. My wife's family, Sundvick does not register, nor does her mother's maiden name of Luukkala. There are 4 times as many Chenoweths in the US as there are Egges with a 4,699 listed people coming in at 6,638th on the list. In 1990 Chenoweth was in 6,272nd, and some of the downward slide I assume has to do with immigration. In the intervening 10 years between 1990 and 2000, 2 Hispanic names, Garcia and Rodriguez, broke into the top ten for the first time in our country's history. About 90% of the country uses the spelling "Chenoweth". When I looked for "Chenowith" I found only 266 listed. Other variant spellings would not break into the 100 name class. In 2003, when I posted the database, I had 10,260 Chenoweths of all spellings. If I said 2/3's of them were dead, we would have about 75% of the Chenoweths in the Census in my file. I think it might be a little higher than that. It is a bit of guesswork. The Chenoweth name was found by the bureau to be 95% white. Thanks in part to Daniel Fred, we know that some of the Hispanic Chenoweth (listed at 1.62%) comes from the lines of Sommerville who have returned from Sonoma to the US. Some of this ethnic diversity are current spouses drawn from a culture that is more and more diverse. Less than one percent is Black. For the spelling of Chenoweth, the instances I have come across this usage in the last 10 years trace to Liberian Chenoweths who have returned to the US. I wrote an article about this in the March 2006 newsletter.

Another early colonial name is Peabody. When I was working with my Lapraths, before I even started on the Chenoweths, I was contacted by a Peabody researcher who was interested in a Laprath-Peabody marriage. The Peabodys emanated out of New England and today there are 5,310 listings, slightly larger than the Chenoweth. Yet today, I still have no Peabody in my Chenoweth file, though these two Colonial families have both been in America for over 300 years. A Peabody has never

married a Chenoweth descendant. I am sure however that a Peabody descendant has married someone in the Chenoweth family by some other name.

Like the general population, once we extract the Chenoweth name, Smith is the most common name in my file, but Smith certainly is not a major branch, rather they are scattered every where. Looking at major ties, Carter is 46th on the Census listing with 362,548 people. There are more Hales in my file than Carters, but Hales comes in at 338th and 82,955 listings. Haile, the original spelling of the majority of Chenoweth associated Hales, comes in at 4,701, very close to the size of the Chenoweth name. Ashbrook is an early tie from John(2)'s daughter Mary. There were 1,984 Ashbrooks in the 2000 Census, roughing 40% of the size of the Chenoweth family. We have 530 Ashbrooks in the file, I don't know how many are living, but certainly over 10% of the Ashbrook population is Chenoweth. Seaton, the married name of Mary's sister Rachel, lists 8,963 in the population. Stalanker, the big West Virginia tie of the Randolph Co. Chenoweths comes in at 3,675 listings. So Chenoweth is a bigger family, but Stalneker is much more West Virginian. In the line of Ruth's Peteets there are only 226 listings. I had 97 listings in 2003, so a good chunk of today's Peteets are Ruth's progeny. In the Thomas line, there are the Downings of Mary. In the Census Downing comes in at 1,154th with 27,879 people. There are lots of different Downing trees. Casebier was one of my first big adds to the file from the 5th generation marriage of Elizabeth, the daughter of Jonathan. There are 459 in the US and 309 in my file. That means a whole lot of today's Casebiers are Chenoweth. There are 123 Reips in the US. Luverne's massive work on this family has put 106 names into my file. So again, a significant number of Reips in the US are Chenoweth. I find this an entertaining exercise. I think when you are doing genealogy, it helps to have an understanding of how large a population you are dealing with for any given surname.

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Every once in a while the frustration sets in. I received this email in October:

Sir,

I am so glad to have found your site. I have just received a family trunk from my mother who passed away a few years ago. Within the trunk there was an album of family photos, very old ones. Your website nearer the end has this end of the family tree. I have pictures of Abraham, Noah, Joel, Eliza, and Naomi Chenoweth. I also have a copy of Abraham's will with what was left to each child. William (who was deceased already), Jacob, John, Anne Moore married to James Moore, Gideon, Sarah, Abraham and Joel. Just thought it might be of interest. I am also researching apparently my husband's Gilstrap line intersects with the Chenoweth line but I like I said still researching that

So I patiently wrote a reply, addressing it to a Mrs Gilstrap, as she left no name in the email. The email bounced, so somehow she did not get her own email address right. I will probably never hear from her. Past instances like this have never resulted in a proper connection. Sigh.

## Eliza is not Elizabeth

The line of John(3), the oldest son of Thomas, is not as well developed as many of his siblings. In the 1810's, John and most all his children moved to Vigo Co., IN, one of the earliest settlements of the Chenoweth family in the Hoosier State. No mention in Hiatt is made of the family of John's son, Eli, who married Rhoda Rogers on June 18, 1812 while the family was still in Ross Co., OH. Though we don't know the parents of Rhoda, she is likely related to Lewis Rogers who married Eli's sister Sarah. Eli died in Vigo Co. on March 12, 1845. Rhoda, his widow is found living with her son John and his family in Vigo Co. along with her youngest daughter Rebecca, John's sister. Shirley Harris examined the estate papers of Eli in Vigo Co. and found that the heirs were his son John, Elizabeth Rogers, Indiana Stevenson (and her husband Archibald), Eliza Chenoweth and Rebecca Chenoweth. Somehow Elizabeth got merged with Eliza in my file. In 2004, Rose Inks contacted me about Roger research she was doing. It turns out that Mary Rogers, one of Sarah's daughters, was the great, great, grandmother of Rose. In her research she found that Mary's brother, William Rogers had married an Elizabeth Chenoweth. I looked at my database and did not find Elizabeth as I had somehow confused her with Eliza who married William Harris on January 23, 1848. William Rogers had died on March 10, 1845 shortly after his marriage to Elizabeth.

Now three years later, Rose contacted me again about Elizabeth. She had found that after William's death, Elizabeth had remarried to Joseph Van Cleave and in 1860 they were to be found in Iowa with a Rachel Chenoweth. I knew of this listing in Webster Co. Harris had in fact found it wondering what Rachel was doing living with the Van Cleave's. She would later marry Cornelius Johnson Van Cleave, of some unknown relationship to Joseph. Rachel was the daughter of John Chenoweth and Elizabeth Fulton. In the 1850 Census of Vigo Co. John is a widower with his 2 daughters, Elizabeth had apparently died of childbirth complications from a third infant, just before this Census and as stated above John and daughters were living with his mother Rhoda and sister Rebecca. Now re-reading Harris, always a good thing to do, I realized my error and that Elizabeth

was Eli's daughter so that Rachel was living with her remarried aunt in 1860. This made Elizabeth's first marriage to William Rogers a first cousin marriage. Moreover it added into the database, William Van Cleave, a 7 year old son who was living with his parents, Joseph and Elizabeth in 1860. A look at the 1870 Census in Dallas Co., IA finds Elizabeth, apparently widowed, living with her niece Rachel and her husband Cornelius Van Cleave. At present I don't know what happened to Elizabeth or her son. He is not found in 1870 and she is not found in 1880.

I owe Rose a big thank you for straightening this out.

ELI<sup>4</sup> CHENOWETH (*JOHN<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 20, 1788 in probably Kentucky, and died March 12, 1845 in Vigo Co., IN. He married RHODA ROGERS June 18, 1812 in Ross Co., OH. She was born 1791 in Ohio, and died Aft. 1850.

Children of ELI CHENOWETH and RHODA ROGERS are:

- i. JOHN<sup>5</sup> CHENOWETH, b. 1814, Ross Co., OH; d. May 1855, Vigo Co., IN; m. ELIZABETH FULTON, June 27, 1844, Vigo Co., IN; b. May 08, 1822, Indiana; d. February 27, 1850, Nevins twp., Vigo Co., IN.
- ii. ELIZABETH CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1818, Ohio; m. (1) WILLIAM ROGERS, July 01, 1844; b. March 23, 1817; d. March 10, 1845; m. (2) JOSEPH VAN CLEAVE, December 23, 1847, Vigo Co., IN; b. Abt. 1824, Kentucky.
- iii. INDIANA CHENOWETH, b. Abt. 1819, Indiana; d. Bef. 1860; m. ARCHIBALD STEPHENSON, August 19, 1841, Vigo Co., IN; b. Abt. 1816, Tennessee; d. Unknown.
- iv. ELIZA CHENOWETH, b. October 1829, Indiana; d. June 24, 1905, Ashland, Jackson Co., OR; m. WILLIAM HARRIS, January 23, 1848, Vigo Co., IN; b. July 24, 1825, Frankfurt, Frankfurt Co., KY; d. September 10, 1908, Ashland, Jackson Co., OR.
- v. REBECCA CHENOWETH, b. April 1834, Indiana; d. Unknown; m. JAMES SCHEE, September 14, 1854, Vigo Co., IN; b. July 1830, Delaware; d. Unknown.

ELIZABETH<sup>5</sup> CHENOWETH (*ELI<sup>4</sup>, JOHN<sup>3</sup>, THOMAS<sup>2</sup>, JOHN<sup>1</sup>*) was born Abt. 1818 in Ohio. She married (1) WILLIAM ROGERS July 01, 1844, son of LEWIS ROGERS and SARAH CHENOWETH. He was born March 23, 1817, and died March 10, 1845. She married (2) JOSEPH VAN CLEAVE December 23, 1847 in Vigo Co., IN. He was born Abt. 1824 in Kentucky.

Child of ELIZABETH CHENOWETH and JOSEPH VAN CLEAVE is:

- i. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> VAN CLEAVE, b. Abt. 1853, Indiana.

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1. Their birthplace
2. Obsession
3. One thousand
4. All were invented by women
5. Honey
6. Father's Day



# DO YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE?

*In past issues we asked you to take a look at information that we had gathered with regards to 450 Chenoweth marriages. In this issue we offer another 150 marriages that we have been unable to place. As always with this column any help in identifying these individuals would be greatly appreciated.*

Surname	Given	Bdate	mDate	Mstate	Spouse	spouse bdate
Chenoweth	John P.		13 Jul 1843	OH	Dines, Maria	
Chenoweth	John P.		27 Feb 1845	MO	Romine, Sarah	
Chenoweth	John P.		16 Apr 1843	OH	Shelty, Ruth	
Chenoweth	John P.		22 Mar 1856	MD	Snyder, Mary Ann	
Chenoweth	John P.		16 Apr 1843	OH	Stultz, Sarah	
Chenoweth	John R.	Abt 1967	12 Jul 1997	TX	Lider, Caroline T.	Abt 1968
Chenoweth	John V.	Mar 1832-KY			?, Mary Lee	Nov 1842-IA
Chenoworth	John W.		22 Mar 1884	OH	Brown, Ida May	Abt 1863
Chenowith	John W.		23 Oct 1851	OH	Gardner, Elizabeth	
Chenoweth	John W., Jr		29 Jan 1988	NV	Morgan, Helen E.	
Chenoweth	John William		31 Aug 2004	OR	Cablay, Jessica Magbual	
Chenoweth	Jolyn M.		10 May 1985	NV	Smith, Lloyd M., Jr	
Chenoweth	Joseph		1 May 1851	IL	Lane, Nancy	
Chenoweth	Joseph		29 Jun 1892	CO	Williams, Grace (Mrs)	
Chenoweth	Joseph D.	Abt 1974	14 Nov 1998	CT	Kostopoulos, Jennifer A.	Abt 1977
Chenoweth	Joseph D.		28 Nov 1976	CO	Tafoya, Deborah B.	
Chenowett	Joseph F.		12 Oct 1848	OH	Smith, Minerva	
Chenoweth	Joseph H.	Abt 1889	13 Mar 1921	KS	Gibson, Stella J.	Abt 1893
Chenoweth	Joseph L.	Abt 1907	30 Nov 1963	CA	Miller, Elizabeth M. Talley	Abt 1926
Chenoweth	Joyce Patricia	18 Sep 1933	17 Oct 1953		Carson, William David	25 Sep 1928-MI
Chenoweth	Juan R.	Abt 1972	7 Sep 2002	TX	Morado, Pauline	Abt 1973
Chenoweth	Judith Ann		15 Mar 1986	NV	Noel, Frank, Jr	
Chenoweth	Judith D.		19 Aug 2001	CO	Pankonin, James E.	
Chenoweth	Judith K.	Abt 1947	6 Aug 1983	CA	Yano, Anthony S.	Abt 1954
Chenoweth	Judith M.	Abt 1934	16 Aug 1961	CA	Pendleton, George G.	Abt 1909
Chenowith	Julia L.	Abt 1970	19 Mar 1999	TX	Sandoval, Kristian J.	Abt 1971
Chenoweth	Juliana Elaine	9 Sep 1969	Jan 1989	IN	Abel, Anthony	
Chenoweth	Julie A.		1 Apr 1998	CO	Peacock, Rex B.	
Chenoweth	Julie Anna		17 Jun 1989	NV	Clark, Dennis M.	
Chenowith	Julie K.		17 Mar 1981	CO	McKinley, John P.	
Chenoweth	Julie Lorraine		28 Jul 2001	FL	Post, Harry Allen	
Chenoweth	June		3 May 1959	NV	Zavala, Frank C.	
Chenoweth	June L.		23 Oct 1999	NV	Burcham, Wesley A.	
Chenoweth	Karen I.	Abt 1944	9 Aug 1975	CA	Vinje, Ronald A.	Abt 1943
Chenoweth	Karen Jeanne		Abt 1984	WA	Wells, Kevin Brian	
Chenoweth	Karen L.		8 Oct 1983	CO	Kelly, George, III	
Chenoweth	Karen L.		29 Aug 1981	CO	Martin, Alan B.	
Chenowith	Karla J.	Abt 1972	28 Aug 1993	TX	Jackson, Thomas J.	Abt 1971
Chenoweth	Kasandra		1 Nov 1859		Heironymus, Henry W.	
Chenoweth	Katherine M.	Abt 1942	7 Nov 1965	CA	Bullock, Marvin L.	Abt 1935
Chenoweth	Katherine M.	Abt 1942	20 Jul 1973	CA	Stanley, David A.	Abt 1948
Chenoweth	Katherine M.	Abt 1950	13 Jul 1973	CA	Muggins, Orville O.	Abt 1945
Chenoweth	Katherine M.		21 Jul 1978	CO	Samad, Mohammed F.	
Chenoweth	Kathleen A.	Abt 1948	23 Nov 1979	CA	McCaffry, Michael J.	Abt 1944
Chenoweth	Kathleen Nancy	(Reina)	21 Feb 1987	FL	Lenk, William Ernest	
Chenoweth	Kay	Abt 1920	18 Sep 1971	CA	Bradley, Lorne D.	Abt 1917
Chenoweth	Kay		21 Oct 1968	NV	White, Victor R.	
Chenoweth	Keith E.	Abt 1947	20 Dec 1969	CA	Safford, Penni N.	Abt 1947



Chenoweth	Kenneth David	B: IL	2 May 1981	FL	Faurholt, Diana Doris	B: OK
Chenoweth	Kimberly Dawn		6 Mar 2003	NV	Peters, Frank John, Jr	
Chenoweth	Kimberly K.		27 Sep 1986	CO	Ramsey, Rex A.	
Chenoweth	Kyle		Oct 1901	OH	Jackson, J.E.	
Chenoweth	Lana G.	Abt 1946	23 Dec 1978	TX	Lyons, Kenneth W.	Abt 1946
Chenoweth	Larry Allen		30 Jun 1972	FL	Weninger, Virginia Diania	
Chenoweth	Leah Joy	C 1975	18 Jan 1998	CO	Santarone, Joel F.	
Chenoweth	Lee	Abt 1940	16 Jun 1973	KY	Roberts, Sharon K.	Abt 1947
Chenoweth	Leo D.		29 Jun 1999	NV	Glover, Cleo L.	
Chenoweth	Leslee A.	Abt 1947	15 Mar 1962	CA	Harvey, Robert A.	Abt 1945
Chenowith	Leslie		12 Jul 1950	NV	Kennedy, Dorothy	
Chenowith	Leslie		10 Jul 1957	NV	Stevens, Mary Ellen	
Chenoweth	Lillian		15 Sep 1927	WV	Durrett, Charles Clarence	29 Feb 1868
Chenoweth	Lillian M.	Abt 1912	30 Jun 1956	CA	Gront, Richard W.	Abt 1912
Chenoweth	Lily		Abt 1890		Conduit, James H.	Abt 1850
Chenoweth	Linda	3 Apr 1954	1 Jan 1996	FL	Mittendorf, Felix	17 Nov 1955
Chenoweth	Linda J.		30 Oct 1973	NV	Wyllie, Brian M.	
Chenoweth	Linda L.		1 Sep 2001	NV	Buckham, Douglas F.	
Chenoweth	Linda L.	Abt 1950	6 Jul 1974	CA	Masters, John A.	Abt 1947
Chenoweth	Linda L.	Abt 1952	16 Jan 1971	CA	Rice, James R.	Abt 1952
Chenoweth	Linda Lee		15 Apr 196	NV	Lund, Douglas A.	
Chenoweth	Linda Lee		10 Oct 1970	NV	Newman, Michael Carlton	
Chenoweth	Linda Marie	Abt 1957	28 May 1985	WI	Beckington, Michael Charles	Abt 1953
Chenoweth	Linda Rae		31 Mar 1994	NV	Richmond, Randall Craig	
Chenoweth	Linda S.	Abt 1949	24 May 1975	CA	Stevick, Richard S.	Abt 1947
Chenoweth	Lindy F.	Abt 1940	19 Apr 1957	CA	Ingram, Frank	Abt 1938
Chenoweth	Lisa Michelle		25 Feb 1987	NV	Rains, William Andrew	
Chenoweth	Lizzie Mae		Abt 1995	WA	Wright, Rodger James	
Chenoweth	Lois M.	Abt 1935	25 Oct 1984	TX	McCormick, Wilburn E.	Abt 1929
Chenowith	Lois M.	Abt 1923	25 Sep 1964	CA	Ziegler, Norman R.	Abt 1913
Chenoweth	Lola F.		1 Nov 1976	MO	Swartz, Bob L.	
Chenoweth	Lora L.	Abt 1946	13 Dec 1964	CA	Kral, Gary A.	Abt 1945
Chenoweth	Louisa		26 Oct 1850	WI	Not listed	
Chenowith	Louiza		4 Jan 1855	OH	Harper, Benjamin	
Chenoweth	Lucille	Abt 1880	18 Feb 1902	IA	Coulter, L.D.	Abt 1873
Chenoweth	Lucille A.	Abt 1901	20 Dec 1962	CA	Divnick, Lorence	Abt 1890
Chennyworth	Lucy		25 Mar 1888	MO	Taylor, Julius	
Chenoweth	Lucy A.	Abt 1899	18 Nov 1960	CA	Taylor, Earl L.	Abt 1898
Chenoweth	Lydan C.				Bryan, Minnie	Abt 1880-OH
Chenoweth	Lynda A.	Abt 1954	20 May 1978	CA	Maybury, Thomas G.	Abt 1953
Chenoweth	Lynda S.	Abt 1954	26 Oct 1973	CA	Jorgensen, Arthur C.	Abt 1954
Chenoweth	Mabel Mary		9 May 1943	NV	Childs, Earl	
Chenoweth	Mahala		14 Aug 1828	IN	Armstrong, William	
Chenoweth	Marcus Lindsey	Abt 1832-KY	27 Oct 1852	KY	Parrot, Mary J.	22 Jan 1856
Chenoweth	Marelda O.		25 Jan 1872	IL	Musick, Halstead A.	
Chenoweth	Margaret		2 Sep 1821	IN	Baldwin, David H.	
Chenoweth	Margaret		24 Jan 1855	IL	Church, George	
Chenoweth	Margaret		3 Jun 1875	IN	Freeman, William	
Chenoweth	Margaret		27 Apr 1850	IA	Sears, Charles	
Chenoweth	Margaret		30 Mar 1856	OH	Tilson, T.C.	
Chenowith	Margaret (Mary?)		1 Sep 1853	IL	Dougherty, John H.	
Chenoweth	Margaret A.	Abt 1929	21 Jun 1963	CA	Holderness, Philo B.	Abt 1908
Chenowith	Margaret A.	Abt 1950	21 Jun 1969	CA	Nuber, Helmut P.	Abt 1949
Chenoweth	Margaret E.		Feb 1939	AL	Not listed	
Chenoweth	Margaret M.	Abt 1931	1 Mar 1952	CA	Eusted, Vernon E.	Abt 1927
Chenoweth	Margaret W.	Abt 1915	18 Feb 1967	CA	Hoffman, Herbert A.	Abt 1904

Chenoweth	Margo M.	Abt 1949	6 Oct 1974	CA	Brown, Thomas R.	Abt 1947
Chenoweth	Mari T.		16 Sep 1994	NV	Chen, David	
Chenoweth	Mari Tamura		25 Jan 1980	FL	Wesa, Wayne Arthur	
Chenoweth	Mari Tamura		29 Jul 1977	FL	Pfeffer, Zachary	
Chenoweth	Maria			OH	Meck, Abraham K.	
Chenoweth	Maria C.	Abt 1981	17 Aug 2002	TX	Thompson, Joshua D.	Abt 1981
Chenoweth	Marian F.	Abt 1936	10 Apr 1969	CA	Maunch, Alvin E.	Abt 1934
Chenoweth	Marian Lucille		2 Aug 1956	NV	Montgomery, James L.	
Chenoweth	Marie F.	Abt 1930	27 Nov 1971	CA	Tickner, Beverly R.	Abt 1915
Chenoweth	Marilyn Edna		3 Jan 1981	NV	Murphy, Danny Lucian	
Chenoweth	Marion Pierce	2 Aug 1925			?, Marie P.	
Chenoweth	Mark S.	Abt 1954	15 Oct 1976	TX	Bode, Rhonda G.	Abt 1957
Chenoweth	Martha		25 Jul 1839	IL	George, Reuben F.	
Chenoweth	Martha			MD	Harn, William	
Chenoweth	Martha J.		5 Jun 1885	MO	Howe, James	
Chenoweth	Mary		10 Dec 1865	MO	Doyle, Elisha	
Chenoweth	Mary		31 May 1836	OH	Ensminger, John	
Chenoweth	Mary		17 Sep 1797	KY	Finley, George	D: bef 1850-KY
Chineth	Mary		11 Feb 1795	MD	Harriott, Ephraim	
Chenoweth	Mary		17 May 1893	OH	Price, Sterling W.	
Chenoweth	Mary		12 Dec 1844	IN	Pritchett, Andrew	
Chenoweth	Mary		9 May 1822	IN	Sherwin, James	
Chenoweth	Mary		14 Sep 1854	IL	Smith, Greenberry	
Chenoweth	Mary		19 Mar 1876	TN	Worsham, John	
Chenoweth	Mary A.		16 Jul 1983	CO	Costello, Steven F.	
Chenoweth	Mary Ann		15 May 2003	CO	Benson, Joseph Raymond	
Chenowith	Mary Ann		31 Dec 1828	OH	McCutchens, John	
Chenoweth	Mary Ann		14 May 1854	OH	Millizer, Reuben	
Chenoweth	Mary Ann		3 Oct 2003	CO	Tatum, Robert Michael	
Chinowth	Mary B.	Abt 1949	14 Jun 1975	CA	Ridgway, Robert J.	Abt 1938
Chenoweth	Mary E.	Abt 1857-WV	10 Oct 1878	WV	Burch, Edward	Abt 1854-WV
Chenoweth	Mary E.		4 Mar 1852	IL	Caywood, Joseph	
Chenoweth	Mary E.		26 Aug 1900	MO	Logsdon, J.T.	
Chenoweth	Mary E.		9 Jul 1857	IN	White, James S.	
Chenoweth	Mary Elizabeth		30 Dec 1990	NV	Callaway, David Byron	