

The McConachy Clan

Jacob McConathy

We now take up the line of Betsy McCarty, sister of Thomas, Cornelius and Nancy. Betsy was born Apr. 20, 1771, died Mch. 1, 1807, in Fayette Co., Ky. She married on March 19, 1789, to Capt.

Jacob McConathy, born Nov. 4, 1766, in Wilmington, Delaware, died March. 29, 1827, in Fayette Co., Ky. Tradition states that Jacob McConathy was the son of a first marriage between his father and Anne Springer, that he did not get along well with his father's second wife and went from Delaware to Va., where he changed his name from McConaughy to McConathy. His captain's commission is signed by Patrick Henry for some Va. militia service. He moved to Fayette Co., Ky., in 1797, and is said to have owned part of the first steam mill operated west of the Alleghanies, at or near Lexington, Ky.

Capt. **Jacob McConathy** and wife, **Betsy McCarty**, had five children as follows.

1/ **James**, born Sept. 1, 1792, died about 1865, who first married on May 21, 1816 to **Eliza Craig**, died June 19, 1836;

All his children but the last one was by first wife; they were

Alfred, born May 23, 1817 - died Nov. 24, 1887;

John, born Jan. 30, 1819, died Apr. 9, 1890;

Betsy, born Jan. 6, 1821, died June 24, 1824;

Jane, born May 14, 1823, died Sept. 20, 1875, married **William. Wilson**. No issue;

Ann, born Aug. 23, 1825, married Feb. 28, 1849 to **Alfred C. Wilson**;

James, born Jan. 9, 1828;

Henry, born May 25, 1830;

Eliza E, born Sept. 28, 1832;

Alice, born Oct. 15, 1834;

His second married was in October 12, 1837, to **Eliza Peniston**, born Jan. 28, 1811, died July 29, 1840.

Sarah McConathy (*by 2nd wife*), born Aug. 24, 1838.

2. **Elisha McConathy** son of Jacob and Betsy was born Dec. 17, 1795 and was murdered on the Mississippi River near Fort Adams, July 1817.

3. **Sallie McConathy**, daughter of Jacob and Betsy, born April 17, 1799? died Oct. 6, 1861, in Chicot Co., Ark.

She married 1st **Robert McConnell** and had:

James E., born March. 9, 1817, died 1819;

Jacob, born Sept. 18, 1818, killed in confed. Army at Chickamauga, Sept. 1863;

Robert P., born June 17, 1821, died Sept. 27, 1850;

Elizabeth, born March. 4, 1824, died Feb. 7, 1865, married **Joshua Craig**, and

Herbert McConnell, born Nov. 2, 1826, died March. 20, 1900;

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3. **Sallie** remarried 2nd Christian Martin on Dec. 16, 1838, and had:

Charles, born Sept. 8, 1839, died Dec. 2, 1895, single

Mary Ann Martin born May 26, 1843.

4. **Asa McConathy**, son of Jacob and Betsy, was born Aug. 9, 1801, died Nov. 16, 1872.

He married on July 22, 1824, to **Rebecca Berry** born 1805, died March. 19, 1872, and had eleven children, as follows:

George Berry, born Oct. 27, 1825, died 1983;

Jacob, born July 21, 1827, died 1892;

Nancy Berry Pettit, born Jan. 29, 1829, died 1831;

Newton Berry, born May 26, 1831, died June 1895;

Elizabeth, born March. 29, 1834, married 1854 to **John A. Gibson**;

Asa, born Sept. 7, 1836, married **Alice Alford**;

Eliza Rebecca, born March. 4, 1839, died Apr. 2, 1912, married **Dr. William. Wilson**;

James, born Jan. 23, 1841, married **Mary Mitchell**;

Mary B., born Apr. 15, 1843, died 1889;

Martha Edwards born March. 4, 1845, married **Thomas Hare**;

Belle Truesdale McConathy, born Feb. 9, 1847, married **Robert Wilson Davis**.

5. **Anne Springer McConathy**, daughter of Jacob and Betsy, was born May 19, 1804, died Nov. 12, 1878.

She first married 1st **William Garrett** on May 9, 1822, and had:

William. Garrett, Jr., born June 18, 1823, died Feb. 13, 1895, married **Martha Rorer**;

Elizabeth, born Feb. 28, 1825, died Dec. 9, 1860, married **James Wright**;

Mary, born 1826, md ----- Taylor; and

James Garrett.

Anne Springer McConathy second married was to **John Bridges** and had

Sarah Bridges.

Martin Bridges.

Capt. Jacob McConathy married a second time, Jan. 11, 1809, to **Eunice Holleyman**, born Dec. 29, 1778, died June 9, 1833, and had

Herbert, born Oct. 28, 1809;

Milton, born Feb. 22, 1811;

Perry born Aug. 17, 1813;

Elizabeth McConathy, born Dec. 5, 1816, married ----- Taylor, said to be a brother of Pres.