Wayne County Pioneers # 50

James Morgan (1755- 1822)

James Morgan, a native of Virginia and of Welsh ancestry, settled in Franklin Township early in the spring of 1808. He came to Ohio and squatted on the Mohican in 1806 but removed to Franklin Township purchasing the lands composing of the farm of Thomas Doty. Thomas Doty's land was southeast and northeast quarters of section 8 in Franklin Township, Wayne County. His wife was an English lady named Cox. They had a family of ten children: Jesse, Isaac, John, James, Joseph, William, Jonathan, Sarah, Rebecca and Hannah. He died in 1822 and was buried in the graveyard on Jacob Bucher farm.

His daughter Rebecca Morgan married Thomas Butler being the first marriage in the county. James Morgan purchased on 23 August 1809 southeast quarter of section 20 and on 10 March 1810 the southwest quarter of section 21. On 7 February 1814 he purchased the southwest quarter of section 20 and on 13 April 1816 he purchased the east ½ of the northeast quarter of section 20. He was listed in the 1826 Tax list of Franklin Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

James Morgan was entered in the Wayne County Pioneers in 1995.

James Morgan (1755-1822) married Miss Cox Rebecca Morgan (1789-1849) married Thomas Butler Jane Butler (1814-?) married Thomas Frake Seloma Frake (1849-1931) married Matthew Berry Ernest Berry (1875-1954) married Lillian Robinson Leslie Berry (1903-1961) married Laura Ellen Kyser Dotty Berry Frye 1931-2006