

Wayne County Pioneers # 99, # 100 & #101

William Kerr (1774-1858) Jane Sprowls (1778-1835)

James Wilson Kerr (1810-1896)

William Kerr was born in 1774 in Washington County, Pennsylvania. William Kerr married Jane Sprowls on the 27 June 1805. Jane was the daughter of John Sprowls, a farmer in East Finley Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania.

William and Jane Sprowls Kerr had nine children as follows:

Robert Kerr was born in 1807, never married, died in house fire in Marshallville, Wayne County, Ohio

John Kerr was born 1808 and d. 1838

James Wilson Kerr was born 1819; d.1896

Eliza Kerr was born 1812, married a Wilford, died in Minnesota

William Jr. Kerr was born 1814, d.1831

Sydney Kerr was born 1816, married a Casselman, died Minnesota

Jane Kerr was born 1818, married a George Vankirk, died in Pulaska, Indiana

Andrew Kerr was born 1820 and d.1889

Mary Kerr was born 1823- d. 1905

Jane Sprowls Kerr died the 12 February 1835 at the age of 57. She was buried at the Maple Grove Cemetery in the east edge of Marshallville in Baughman Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

William Kerr died the 14 May 1858 in Salt Creek Township, Holmes County, Ohio.

William Kerr served in the War of 1812. He served under the commander Captain William Blackburn and was discharged on the 30 November 1812.

William Kerr purchased 160 acres in the southeast quarter section 5 on 15 November 1813 in Baughman Township, Wayne County, Ohio. He was recorded in the Wayne County 1826 Tax List.

James Wilson Kerr was born 26 February 1810, son of William and Jane Sprowls Kerr. He married Margaret Dierdorff 25 September 1838 in Wooster, Ohio. She was born 28 April 1821, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Dierdorff of Stark Co. Ohio. Nine children born to this union: David 1839; Elizabeth Jane 1842; Jemima Anne 1849; John William 1852; Samuel 1854; Mary Amanda 1857; Alice Matilda 1860 and Oliver Dierdorff 1864.

James W. Kerr died on 17 November 1896 and his wife, Margaret died the 27 April 1899.

William Kerr, Jane Sprowls and James Wilson Kerr was entered in the Wayne County Pioneers in 2002.

William Kerr (1774-1858) married Jane Sprowls (1778-1835)

James Wilson Kerr (1810-1896) married Margaret Dierdorff

Mary Kerr (1857-1941) married William Thomas Boyd

Alice Boyd (1890-1982) married Weldon Wheaton

Mary Elizabeth Wheaton Leppla (1916-2009)