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Prewett/Pruett family from VA to Indiana

My great grandfather William Pruett b 1832 VA died 1922 in IN. I have found his civil war records but still no sign of who his father might be. I do know that he had a brother Woodson and Robert who were also in the Civil War. Recently I found an 1859 census for Washington Parish, Westmoreland, VA where Richard a brother or uncle age 30 Phebe age 30, Robert Prewett age 10, William age 20 (mine) Woodson age 8, James H. Prewett age 6, Luticia Prewitt age 7 were all living with the Eliza Cradling family. No fathers were listed. Does anyone have Prewett/ Pruett relatives in that area? lindasharp 123 @ att dot net (I am spelling this out to keep hackers from grabbing it.) Please write if you know of connections.

Comments



A. Pruett Aug 26, 10

Sorry, the 1850 census was what I meant, not 1859 for William Pruett.



Marcia McClure Aug 27, 10

Looks to me like you come from the Caroline Co, VA Pruett's like John Pruett Jr, a member of this site. Westmoreland is very close by. Richard was in the 1840 Caroline census and he has an older boy with him then too. From the 1830 census, it looks like Richard and William are the children of Charles, who is probably dead by 1840. He was 50-60 in 1830.

There's a widow Mary in the 1840 census. If it's her, and there is a woman 50-60, then she has an older woman living with her 70-80.

Do you have a male Pruett who would join the DNA project???



A. Pruett Aug 27, 10

I have two male Pruetts, Marcia, but they have refused to do the DNA!

Thank you for the 1840 census information. I will look into that possibility. Yes, I have talked to John but at that time, I thought my Pruetts were part of the Tazwell and WVA group. Marcia, would you mind if I write to your e-mail address? I don't like to take up much room on here.



Marcia McClure Aug 28, 10

Richard married Phebe Loven in Caroline Co 8/22/1838. My email address is rivermet@aol.com



A. Pruett Sep 9, 10

Thanks Marcia, I am looking carefully at four possibilities for a father for William b 1832 abt) Robert b 1830 and Woodson b 1842 in Caroline Co. The name Woodson carried through to Indiana as well as Charles and William into Indiana from Westmoreland co in 1850 census. The Lovin family probably has a good database somewhere but doubtful it would mention husband Richard Prewitt who disappeared from census records in that area in 1860. I think Woodson was killed in the Civil War but can't prove it. I have record of William Pruett as signing up at Fredericksburg with Critchener's Northern Neck Cavalry from April 1862-1865. In 1880 he was in Indiana and received his pension in 1912 like most confederate soldiers. Richard A Prewitt has been my main source for research. Without a probate or will, it will be difficult to prove much else. I have to put this research on automatic pilot while I research 4 books sent to me by another family line not related back in VA.



Marcia McClure Nov 14, 10

From looking at the 1840 and 1850 census, it looks more likely that William was Richard's brother and that Robert and Woodson were sons of Richard.

There's another little clue in the 1850 concerning something that John and I have discussed about his Caroline Co Pruetts. Richard's occupation is "carpenter." The Pruetts of Caroline were carpenters for several generations.



A. Pruett

Wrote this on Aug 26, 10

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