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### Ok Please help.

Am still trying to figure out my Pruett line. Have gotten little ways but unfortunately my parents divorced when I was little and my father Paul Pruett is passed. I don't have anyone to answer questions. here goes... Issac Pruett b. 1847 McDonough Illinois. He married a Catherine Willey. She died young and he remarried a Minnie. Heres where it goes in 2 different directions. Some say his father was Nicholas Pruett and Mary Robertson. Other says Issac Pruett and Anna Gilpin. I have called Illinois I have called Buchanan County Mo. where he lived out his life. Nothing. This is not that long ago in the world of genealogy. We work really hard to make sure we have the correct information and documents to back up our tree, so important to have the right information before going any farther. If anyone knows about this family or Pruetts in Illinois I would appreciate it. I believe they came from Carolinas but don't know. Thanks everybody

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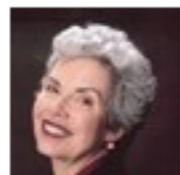
**Mary Zashin** Mar 2, 12

Hi, Hilda, I am descended from the Illinois Pruitts and have Isaac who married Anna Gilpin as a son of Martin Pruitt, who moved up from VA/NC through Tenn and into southern Illinois. On the 1860 census Isaac and Anna have three sons, Francis, Christian, and Isaac. This Isaac may be yours as it seems to be him who is living with Minnie in Buchanan Co. MO on the 1870 census. I haven't traced this line any further. I have no Nicholas Pruitt/Pruett in my data base, but that doesn't mean he doesn't exist. I wonder if you have any direct line male Pruitt relatives--brothers, uncles, cousins, etc.--who might be willing to do the DNA test? My Pruitt cousin has done so (his results are on this website), and if we found a match you would be pretty sure to have found your Pruitt line. Send me your email address if you'd like to be "invited" to see my tree at [ancestry.com](#). Although it is a public tree, an "invitation" is needed if you want to "view notes." My email is [zashin@ameritech.net](mailto:zashin@ameritech.net)



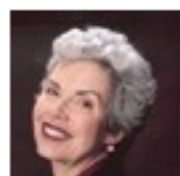
**Wayne Pruitt** Mar 2, 12

M You might get a hold of Richard Prewitt's book on Illinois Prewitt/Pruett/Pruitts etc. It might have some information that may be helpful in determining the trails you need to pursue. His prices are real reasonable. He does show an Isaac born in 1846, McDonough Co., Illinois, to Nicholas Pruett and Mary Robertson. Nicholas lived in Montana, Iowa, Kansas as well as Illinois so he may be interesting to trace with his son Isaac moving with him at least for a while. [rprewitt40@aol.com](mailto:rprewitt40@aol.com)



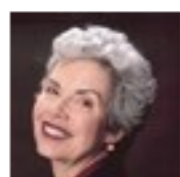
**Mary Zashin** Mar 2, 12

OK, you're not Hilda! You're M. My remark still applies, however. I have R. Prewitt's book on my line, William Pruitt and Mary Martin, and there's no Nicholas listed. So the Isaac in Missouri could be from the line Wayne above mentions instead. DNA might really help.



**Mary Zashin** Mar 2, 12

OK, one more. A quick look at the 1850 Illinois census did not find any Pruett/Pruitt family in McDonough County. Closest was a Purdy family with no Isaac. They are on the 1860 census. Nicholas says he's born in Tennessee, wife in VA, kids in IL. And I made a mistake in my first comment. I was looking at the 1900 census, not the 1870 one, for the Isaac in MO. He says his parents were both born in IL, which may or not mean anything.



**Mary Zashin** Mar 2, 12

OK, one ONE more. In 1870 I see Isaac and Catherine Pruitt in Vernon Co., MO, living with the William Willey family. Both she and Isaac are born in IL, as were the other Willey children listed. Is this Catherine's family?



**M Linder** Mar 2, 12

Thank you for the emails. I knew both my grandparents but not real well. I have been told a little but not alot. Harry Pruett then back to Issac Pruett from Illinois. He first married Catherine Willey then apparently a Minnie. As Catherine died young. I was told they came from south then from England. I really appreciate all the help from everyone on here sending emails and tips. My daughter and I have been doing this for years, but boy some parts are hard to fit together.

Marcie.



**M Linder**

Wrote this on Mar 1, 12

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