

Cox-Boyd Family

**Leaves of History-Cross Creek, Brooke County-Part II
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Without you, the former and the present residents of the Cross Creek Valley, this book could never have become a reality. To each of you, a hearty THANK YOU.

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Tony Beltrame
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Aubrey Brothers
Mary Rigo Bryan
Margaret Burkhart
Tom Butcher

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John Resnik
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Robert Rotunda
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Homer Roush

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Dominic and Pat Stillison
Carlton and Betty Stewart
Rae McFarland Sutermaster
Jim Schweizer

Fred and Florence Moore Thomas
Julia Tisik
Lou and Helen Tokas Tranquill
Theresa Tripodi
Alice Ulrich
Charles Ulrich
Nellie Uphole
Anthony Valenti
Elizabeth Tokas Velegol
Jacque Clark Verbon

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Sara Deer Welsh
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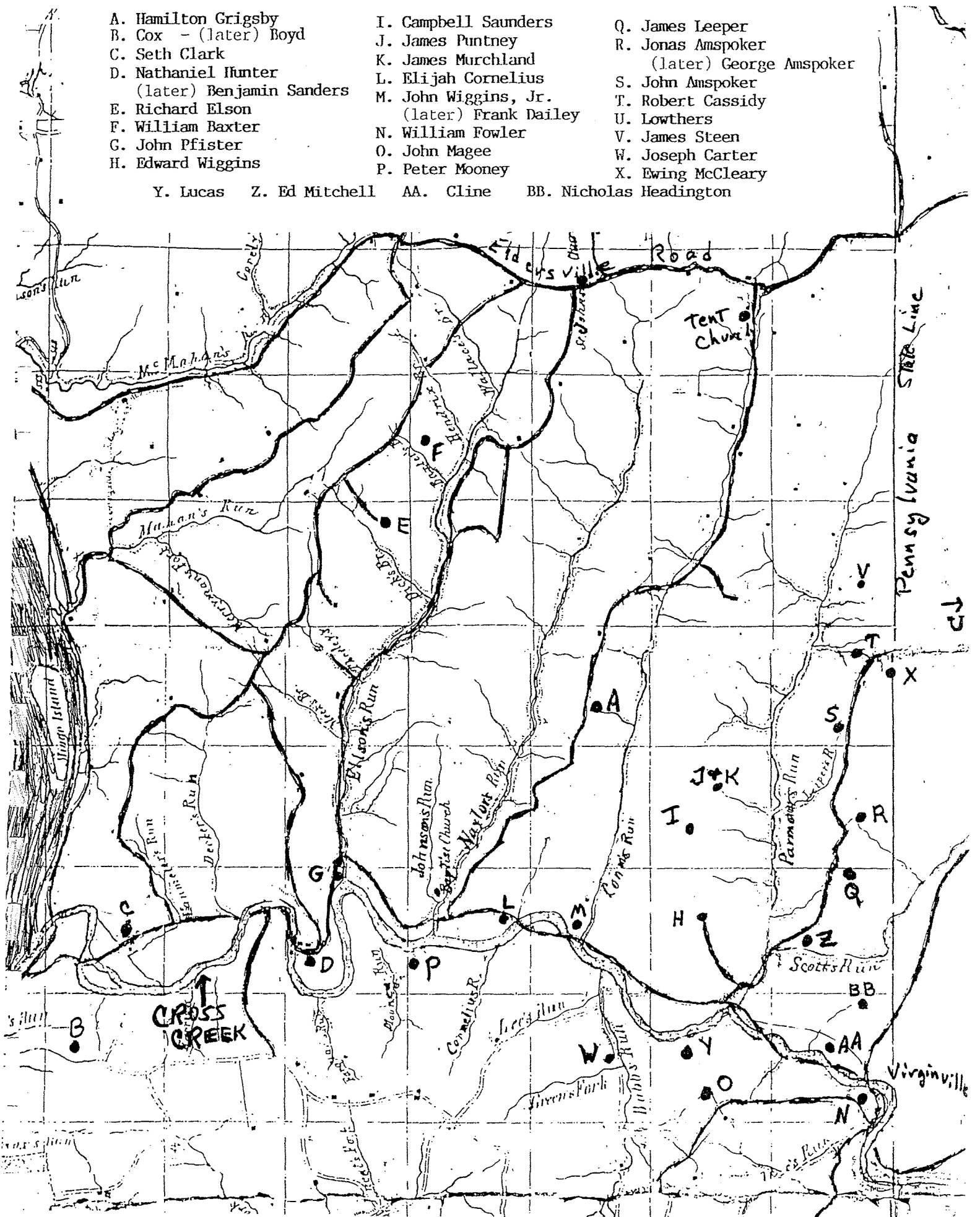
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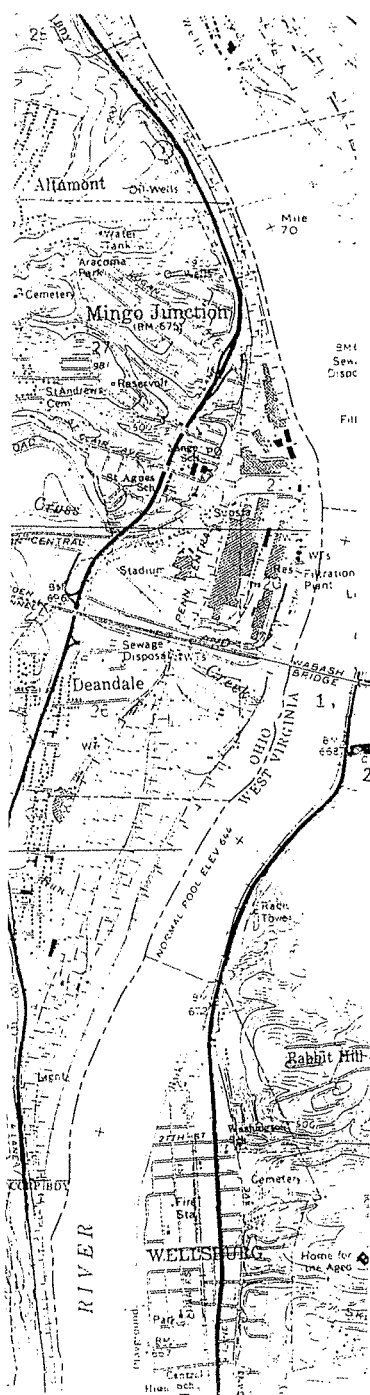
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Helen Amspoker Boles
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Viola Cheesebrough Gillespie
Helen Rigo Marus
Glenna Haworth Morton
Irene Vargo Popp
Anthony Muzopappa
Elza Scott
Harold Scott
Ed Taylor
Helen V. Saunders
A.D. White
Rudy Zambarda

THE EARLY FAMILIES

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|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Hamilton Grigsby | I. Campbell Saunders | Q. James Leeper |
| B. Cox - (later) Boyd | J. James Puntney | R. Jonas Amspoker |
| C. Seth Clark | K. James Murchland | (later) George Amspoker |
| D. Nathaniel Hunter
(later) Benjamin Sanders | L. Elijah Cornelius | S. John Amspoker |
| E. Richard Elson | M. John Wiggins, Jr.
(later) Frank Dailey | T. Robert Cassidy |
| F. William Baxter | N. William Fowler | U. Lowthers |
| G. John Pfister | O. John Magee | V. James Steen |
| H. Edward Wiggins | P. Peter Mooney | W. Joseph Carter |
| Y. Lucas | Z. Ed Mitchell | X. Ewing McCleary |
| AA. Cline | BB. Nicholas Headington | |





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19. Oil Well
20. Pfister Farm
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47. Methodist Church
48. Bell Branch Railroad
49. Camp (Freda Mack)

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52. Cheap John
53. Tripodi
54. Virginville Post Office
55. Virginia Station
56. Urso Store & P.O.
57. Stillson homesite
58. State Line Tunnel (Klein)
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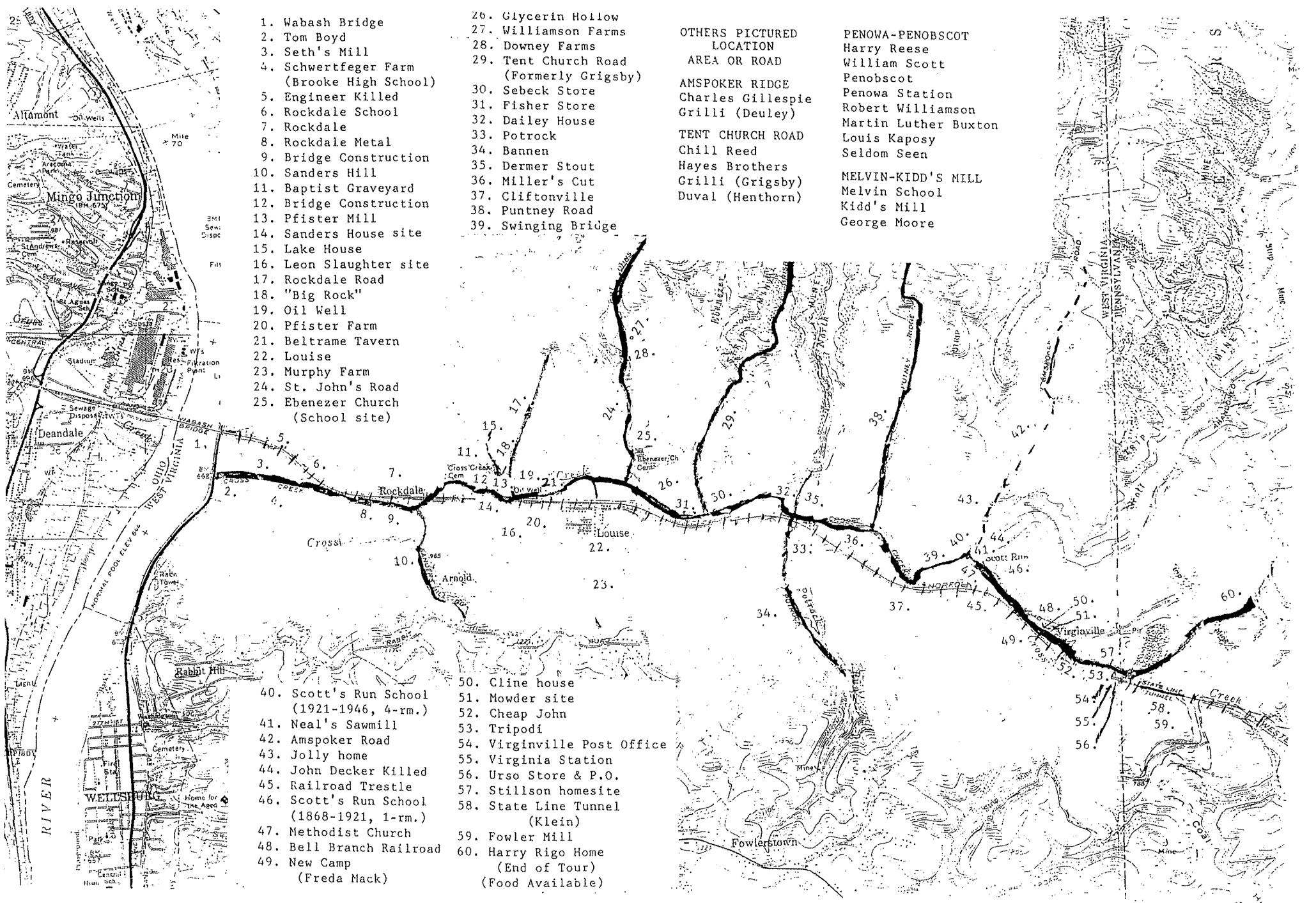


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Robert Boyd
December 20, 1781-August 26, 1878



Catherine McCausland Boyd
March 7, 1791-9-September 9, 1875

JAMES R. BOYD

James R. Boyd, 42, a resident of the Cherry Valley community of Washington County for 25 years, died Tuesday, March 23, 1943, at 12:50 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Myrtle Cathers, of Nineveh, Greene County.

A son of the late James and Johana Stienger Boyd, Mr. Boyd was born in Indiana, October, 19, 1900. He had been an invalid for the last 15 years.

Surviving is a sister, Mrs. William M. Wright, of Belle Vernon, R. D. A brother, Roger M. Boyd, died July 17, 1941.

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James R. Boyd
October 19, 1900-March 23, 1943

MISS MARY PEARL BOYD

Funeral services for Miss Mary Pearl Boyd, 42, former teacher in the Hollidays Cove school, who died at the state sanitorium at Hopemont, W. Va., on Friday, July 14, were conducted Monday, July 17 at 2 p. m., at the Hartnick Funeral home in Weirton. Rev. Teal of California, Pa., officiated. Interment was in Union cemetery, Steubenville.

Miss Boyd was born in Burgettstown, Pa., February 21, 1902, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boyd. Surviving are these sisters and brothers, Percy Boyd of Wilkinsburg, Pa.; William Boyd, Beaver, Pa.; Frank Boyd, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Clyde Boyd of Genese, Ill.; Mrs. Cora Byrnes, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Miss Dora Boyd, Burbank, Calif.; and Mrs. Virginia Graul, Steubenville.

Mary Pearl Boyd
February 21, 1902-July 14, 1944

CLYDE P. BOYD

Clyde P. Boyd, 49, passed away suddenly in his home at 618 North State Street, Geneseo, Illinois, on Sunday, November 26, 1944, at 8:30 in the morning of a heart attack. He had been confined to his home for about ten weeks but had apparently recovered from his illness and was making preparations to attend church when he was stricken.

He was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown, and a regular attendant at the First Methodist Church in Geneseo ever since his residence there.

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He was married to Elsie Bixby on July 21, 1915. For several years thereafter, he was engaged in railroad construction, which work took him and his family to projects in several places, such as the construction of the Sewickley Yards near Pittsburgh and the grade separation for the Pennsylvania Railroad at Cleveland, O. His ability was early recognized and he was made superintendent for the H. E. Culbertson Company of Cleveland, Ohio for which company he did considerable work.

He became interested in Masonry and at Hanover, Ohio, became a member of the Blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Order of Masons.

In March, 1929, he came to Geneseo, Illinois, to associate with the Midland Electric Coal Corporation at Atkinson, Illinois, and continued that association ever since. He was prompted in his decision of this connection by his desire to be able to devote more of his time to his home and his family. In Geneseo, he has built his home and educated his two daughters, Lois and Alice.

He was past president of the U. M. W. A. local at Atkinson, and had attended several national conferences.

He was one of a family of five boys and six girls. He had been preceeded in death by his parents; three sisters, Ethel, Etta and Pearl; and one brother, Clancy.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Elsie Boyd; two daughters, Mrs. Lois Broadfoot of Whittier, California and Alice Boyd at home; two grandchildren, Suzanne and Larry Broadfoot; three sisters Mrs. Virginia Graul of Steubenville, O., Miss Dorothy Boyd Babcock of Burbank, Calif., Mrs. Cora Byrnes of Miami Beach, Florida; three brothers, William Boyd of Beaver, Pa., Percy Boyd of Wilkinsburg, Pa., and Frank Boyd of St. Petersburg, Florida.

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