

THE AMOS FAMILY :

ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS OF

PERRY AMOS (1857 - 1933)

AND

MOLLIE LEOTA DICKERSON AMOS (1862 - 1947)

OF SHELBY COUNTY, INDIANA

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NAVE (NAEFF) FAMILY

The Naves were Hollanders who came to Pennsylvania beginning in 1728. There were many immigrants through the next forty years bearing the name Naf, Neff, Naeff, Naffe, and later becoming Nave. Some of them moved into Virginia. The earliest of our line to our knowledge were LEONARD NAEFF and his brother, Peter, who lived in Jessamine County, Kentucky. In Leonard's Dutch prayer book the names of his family are spelled Naeff. A descendent said that Leonard never changed his spelling though all the rest of the family did, to Nave.

Leonard Nave was born May 22, 1763 in Virginia or Pennsylvania and died October 1844 in Jessamine County. His wife was said to be Margaret (possibly Woodson). A descendent of Peter's says that along about 1785-90 Peter and Leonard came with their families and kinsmen Tottens and Johnsons from Culpepper County, Virginia, via the Cumberland Gap and Wilderness Road to Danville. There the Naves separated from the Totten and Johnson families and went to Jessamine and Garrard Counties. They came by oxcart, horseback, and driving their stock. Mary, wife of Peter, was a large woman and rode all the way on a young stallion, a baby in her lap and a little

negro behind her. Peter had been to Kentucky before and had staked off his claim of 1600 acres and built a cabin. He cut a tree, hewed a canoe, paddled down the Kentucky River to the Ohio, stopped by Fort Washington, now the site of Cincinnati, and filed his land grant, as was the custom before Kentucky became a state.

Leonard Nave was on the tax list of Madison County, Kentucky for 12 acres, in 1792. He was in Jessamine County for the 1810 census. He lived near Boonsboro and Nicholasville. He was in the War of 1812.

Children of LEONARD and MARGARET NAVE:

John L., probably unmarried as his will in 1841 mentions only father, nephew, and brothers and sisters.

Jonathan, married (1) Delila Bruner and (2) Miranda Springer, both in Jessamine County.

Catherine, married Samuel Hestand in Jessamine Co. John L. in his will spells her son's name as Heaston.

Dr. Peter, married December 21, 1813 Elizabeth Hoover in Jessamine Co. A physician, he lived to be about 75.

Eve, married Peter Hoover

Michael, born about 1794, died July 1851 at Charleston, West Virginia on his way to White Sulphur Springs, Virginia. He moved to Montgomery Co, Ohio about 1815 and married, probably there, Hester Weaver (d. 1825), daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Heist) Weaver.

Elizabeth Woodson, born about 1800; married James Woodward (b. about 1800) in Jessamine Co. About 1827 they moved their family to Shelby Co., Ind.; in 1852 to Wisconsin.

Susanna, married December 12, 1822 John Cornman in Fayette County, Kentucky.

MARGARET MAY, born February 15, 1810, died January 12, 1900 in Versailles, Ind.; married in Jessamine Co, Kentucky, 1828 to JOHN DICKERSON (1807-1864). They moved to Versailles in 1839.

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According to Margaret Nave Dickerson, there were eleven children in Leonard's family. Names given in his Dutch prayer book, with no relationship mentioned are Luoy