FOURTH GENERATION

(31) Joseph Shue, son of Jacob and Eve (Wagner) Shue, married spouse unknown.

Notes for Joseph Shue: According to Anna (Shue) Atkins, all of Joseph's children were born in Virginia. His wife died. Jacob Shue in old age married Margarette Cochran--NO ISSUE. Jacob then with his second wife lived on the western side of Droop Mountain.

At that time, Droop Mountain was in Virginia and the county boundaries were not marked and were not really known by some people who lived there. Some thought it was Greenbrier County and some Pocahontas County. Pocahontas County was formed in 1821 from Bath, Randolph, and Pendleton, and in 1825 part of Greenbrier was added to Pocahontas County. (Virginia acts: chapter 63, pages 73 and 74.) Thus, the confusion. Some early settlers did not hear of their farm (land) being "re-located" and thought they were in Greenbrier County. Information from Anna (Shue) Atkins.

The following information is from the History of Pocahontas County, Pocahontas Historical Society, copyright 1981, page 15. "Droop Mountain's name was Droop Mountain before the Revolutionary War when it was in Botetourt County. So named because a long level ridge, it droops into the Greenbrier River at river level."

The Cochrans lived a few miles, so I've heard, East of Droop top. The top being a high, level, narrow plane with a forest of virgin timber underneath of which grew thickets of mountain laurel, rhododendron laurel and/or huckleberry brush. Beneath the soil, or even sticking out was rocks, and for many years no one built on top of Droop. However, the mountain's sides were easier cleared for crops of early settlers. The Mountain's top had only an Indian trail crossing it North to South used by Seneca Indians. There were a few wagon roads/bridle paths across it East to West.

Jacob Shue and Margaret lived on the western side about a mile from the top. There was a wagon road in the small valley by the house he rented and his Blacksmith's shop was in Pocahontas County, his dwelling in Greenbrier County. He, an old man in 1857, was kicked by a horse in groin and died. His wife (Cochran) buried him on top of Droop at a place where Porter Dorsey was buried known now as Cutlip Graveyard.

Children:

He also married (52) Margarette Cochran.