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FIRST GENERATION

1. Mary Magdalene¹ Traxler, daughter of David W. Traxler and Anna F. Alderfer. Born, 25 Oct 1863, in Defiance Co., OH¹. Died, 14 Feb 1940, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN¹.

She married Clark Augustus Criss, 9 Nov 1884². Born, 30 Jul 1861, in Crawford Co., IN³. Died, 9 Oct 1932, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁴. Children:

- i. Millard H.² Criss. Born, 13 Jun 1885, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁴. Died, 18 Aug 1885, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁴.
- 2 ii. Herschel W. Criss.
- 3 iii. Anna B. Criss.
- iv. Rayman H. Criss. Born, 30 Jan 1891, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁵. Died, 26 Sep 1900, in Piatt Co., IL⁵.
- v. Eva Irene Criss. Born, 1 Aug 1893, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁶. Died, 25 Apr 1913, in Howard Co., IN⁶. "She died from complications of measles. Measles was a serious disease then, contrary to popular opinion nowadays." Paul C. Smith
- vi. Oscar David "Doc" Criss. Born, 20 Aug 1896, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁵. Died, 2 Mar 1975, in Florida⁷. He married⁸ Marie Vaughn Fry⁵, 10 Jun 1926, in Howard Co., IN⁹.
- vii. Earl B. Criss. Born, 22 Mar 1899, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL¹⁰. Died, 4 May 1899, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL².
- 4 viii. Orville Dewey Criss.
- ix. Clarke W. Criss. Born, 4 Jul 1903, in Howard Co., IN⁵. Died, 21 Aug 1988, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁶. He married¹ Florence Vaughn⁸, 27 Feb 1929, in Howard Co., IN⁶.

SECOND GENERATION

2. Herschel W.² Criss. Born, 14 May 1886, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁵. Died, 7 Jan 1969, in West Middleton, IN⁶.

He married⁸ Virginia "Virgie" Smith⁵, 26 Feb 1908, in Howard Co., IN⁹.
Children:

- i. Ralph³ Criss¹.
- ii. Kenneth Criss¹.

3. Anna B.² Criss. Born, 31 Aug 1888, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁵. Died, 9 Sep 1984, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁶.

She married¹ Hugh Smith¹, 26 Apr 1908, in Howard Co., IN⁶. Born, 2 Apr 1886, in Howard Co., IN⁶. Died, 7 Feb 1973, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁶. Son of Edwin Smith and Jennie Mary Berrey. Children:

- i. Evangeline³ Smith¹. Born, 28 Jan 1909, in Howard Co., IN⁷. Died, 15 Aug 1938, in Howard Co., IN⁷.
- 5 ii. Paul Criss Smith.
- 6 iii. Earl Smith.
- 7 iv. Donald Smith.

4. Orville Dewey² Criss. Born, 22 Mar 1899, in Lintner, Piatt Co., IL⁵. Died, 13 Mar 1968, in Watseka, IL⁹.

He married, first, Blanche Ratliff, 3 Nov 1917, in Howard Co., IN⁹. Born, 6 Sep 1898⁹. Died, 19 Aug 1928⁹. Children:

- i. Donna Maxine³ Criss. Born, 14 Sep 1922⁹. She married⁹ Ed Claire⁹.
- ii. Reba Elenor Criss. Born, 28 Feb 1926⁹. She married⁹ Truman Utterback⁹.

He married⁹, second, Alice Cornthwaite Griner⁹.

He married², third, Ann Claire Robb⁵.

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5. Paul Criss³ **Smith**¹. Born, 16 Nov 1910, in Howard Co., IN⁷. Resided, Sep 1991, in Indianapolis, IN¹¹.

He married, first, Mildred Lavinia **Swisher**, 18 Aug 1946, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁹. Born, 20 May 1916, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁹. Died, 20 Jan 1967, in Lawrence, Marion Co., IN⁹. Daughter of Walter Swisher and Sarah Matilda Elliot. Children:

- i. Evangeline Lee⁴ **Smith**. Born, 26 Dec 1948, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁶. She married, first, Theodore **Helminiak**⁹ in Dayton, Montgomery Co., OH⁹. She married, second, Hugh **Tryner**⁹ in Jacksonville, Duval Co., FL⁹.
- 8 ii. Esther Fae **Smith**.
- iii. David Lester **Smith**. Born, 23 Mar 1955, in Lawrence, Marion Co., IN⁶. He married Melinda **Rayburn**⁹ in Rocky River, OH⁹.
- iv. Loren Russell **Smith**. Born, 7 May 1963, in Lawrence, Marion Co., IN⁶. Single.

He married⁷, second, Bonnie **Wyrick**, 8 Jun 1968, in Lawrence, Marion Co., IN⁹. Born, 15 Jun 1922, in Thorntown, IN⁶. Daughter of Ernest Roy Applegate and Bonnie Ethel Reeves.

6. Earl³ **Smith**¹². Born, 4 Jul 1913⁷. Resided, Aug 1919, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN¹³.

He married¹⁴ Phyllis Jean **Bogue**¹⁴, 20 Jul 1947⁷. Born, 4 Nov 1923⁷. Daughter of Oro C. Bogue and Ella Fellow. Children:

- 9 i. Janet⁴ **Smith**.
- 10 ii. Shirley Beatrice Ellen **Smith**.
- 11 iii. Darrell **Smith**.
- 12 iv. Linda Nadine **Smith**.

7. Donald³ **Smith**. Born, 1 Jan 1918, in Howard Co., IN⁷. Died, 10 Aug 1967, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁸.

He married⁷ Edna **Graham**, 2 Sep 1939⁹. Born, 10 Nov 1919, in Howard Co., IN⁷. Daughter of Charles Graham. Children:

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- i. Jean Ann⁴ **Smith**. Born, 27 Mar 1940, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷. Died, 18 Feb 1976, in Illinois⁷. She married Larry **Bevington**⁷, 3 Sep 1961, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.
- ii. Norman **Smith**. Born, 5 Mar 1942, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷. He married⁷ Linda **Warden**⁷.
- iii. Dorothy **Smith**. Born, 7 Mar 1950, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷. She married David **Thomas**⁷ in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.
- iv. Rebecca **Smith**. Born, 15 Sep 1953, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷. She married Mark **Mayfield**⁷ in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.

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8. Esther Fae⁴ **Smith** (Paul Criss, 5). Born, 15 Apr 1951, in Bloomington, Monroe Co., IN⁶.

She married, first, Daniel B. **McCracken**⁹ in Indianapolis, IN⁹. Children:

- i. Brendon Asher⁵ **McCracken**. Born, 16 Mar 1979⁹.

She married, second, David **Boysen**⁹ in San Diego, San Diego Co., CA⁹.

9. Janet⁴ **Smith** (Earl, 6)¹⁴. Born, 10 Jun 1948⁷.

She married¹⁴ Gerald A. **Klein**¹⁴, 31 Aug 1968⁷. Born, 11 Jan 1944 (?)⁷. Son of Frances "Bob" Klein and Irene Voss. Children:

- i. Patty⁵ **Klein**¹⁴. Born, 17 Mar 1970⁷.
- ii. Elaine **Klein**¹⁴. Born, 28 Jun 1973⁷.
- iii. Shawn **Klein**¹⁴. Born, 12 Aug 1976⁷.
- iv. Alicia **Klein**¹⁴. Born, 6 Jun 1981⁷.
- v. Nicholas **Klein**¹⁴. Born, 5 Feb 1984⁷.

10. Shirley Beatrice Ellen⁴ **Smith** (Earl, 6)¹⁴. Born, 14 Jan 1952, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.

She married, first, Jeff **Bronnenberg**, 3 Aug 1980 (?)⁷. Born, 2 May 1945⁷. Son of Philip and Mabel Bronnenberg. Children:

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- i. Lori⁵ Bronnenberg. Born, 3 Jun 1971, in Anderson, Madison Co., IN⁷.
- ii. Jason Bronnenberg. Born, 9 Jul 1973, in Anderson, Madison Co., IN⁷.

She married⁷, second, Dan Juroff⁷. Children:

- iii. Nicole Juroff. Born, 17 Dec 1975, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.
- iv. Nathan Juroff. Born, 14 Sep 1977, in Anderson, Madison Co., IN⁷.

11. Darrell⁴ Smith (Earl, 6)¹⁴. Born, 29 Aug 1952⁷.

He married¹⁴ Melissa Gill¹⁴, Mar 1975⁷. Born, 18 Jan 1953 (??)⁷. Daughter of James and Marcia Gill. Children:

- i. Justin⁵ Smith¹⁴. Born, 12 Oct 1981⁷.
- ii. Megan Smith¹⁴. Born, 9 Feb 1986⁷.

12. Linda Nadine⁴ Smith (Earl, 6). Born, 5 Jan 1959, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.

She married⁷, first, Gary Kitchener⁷. Children:

- i. Sara Jean⁵ Kitchener. Born, 27 Sep 1982, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷.

She married, second, William White, 28 Sep 1983, in Kokomo, Howard Co., IN⁷. Born, 31 Dec 1947⁷. Son of Pete White and Helen Garver McKinley.

NOTES AND REFERENCES

- ¹Myrtle Traxler personally compiled family information, in custody of Myrtle Traxler, 17715 Traxler Lane, Perris, CA 92370.
- ²Ibid., Paul C. Smith personally compiled family information, in custody of Paul C. Smith, 8415 W. 88th St., Indianapolis, IN 46278.
- ³Born 6 miles south of Palestine, Crawford Co., IL per Paul Smith info.
- ⁴Ibid., Myrtle Traxler info.
- ⁵Myrtle Traxler info, Phyllis Smith personally compiled family information, in custody of Phyllis Jean Smith, 2525 W. Jefferson, Kokomo, IN 46901, Paul Smith info.
- ⁶Phyllis Smith info, Paul Smith info.
- ⁷Phyllis Smith info.
- ⁸Myrtle Traxler info, Phyllis Smith info.
- ⁹Paul Smith info.
- ¹⁰Twin, Myrtle Traxler info, Paul Smith info.
- ¹¹Mr. & Mrs. Paul Smith, 8415 W. 88th St., Indianapolis, IN 46278.
- ¹²Myrtle Traxler info, Nena Clough Frantz personally compiled family information, (1989), in custody of Lorraine Frantz Edwards, P.O.B. 2076, Lancaster, CA 93539.
- ¹³M/M Earl Smith, 2515 W. Jefferson St., Kokomo, IN 46901.
- ¹⁴Nena Clough Frantz info.