

**H. Edgar Hill**

**From:** Clyde n Bunch [SMTP:kd4vqd@juno.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 27, 1997 5:43 PM  
**To:** HEH007  
**Subject:** Re: Hicks, Hicks and more Hicks

Hi,

I don't have my Hicks info in the computer so I will answer questions as I get it in the computer. What I am sending should answer about 4 of them. Did you get to check on the Indian Ancestry books while you were in Frankfort?

Mildred

Family of William and Mary Swanger (Swango) Hicks

William Hicks was born in 1755 in Virginia. While living in Virginia, he married Mary Swanger (Swango) on 2 January 1784. William Hicks died 19 Dec 1822 in Garrard County, Kentucky. Mary was born ca. 1763/65 and died 24 Aug 1847 in Jessamine County, Kentucky. No Cemetery Record for Mary or William was found in Jessamine County, Kentucky. William Hicks is listed on the 1810 census of Garrard County, Kentucky. William Hicks was not listed on the first census of Kentucky.

The Revolutionary War Pension Application of William Hicks contains much information. Pension Claim # 8931. In June of 1818 William Hicks, aged about 62, states under oath yhat he enlisted in the 12<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment , a contiental establishment in Captain William McKees Company under the command of Col. James Woods, on or along the 25 day of Sept. 1776, for the term of two years and served out his time in the corps aforesaid at the mouth of the Great Kanawha, and was regularly discharged in the fall of the year in 1778. The discharge given him by Capt. McKee, he states is either lost or depoisted at some of the offices in Richmond, Virginia. He further states that sometime in the year 1780 he again engaged in the second Virgiment attachment uner Col. Samuel Hawes and in Capt. Frank Cowherd's company and served the time of eighteen months and was discharged from the same on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 1782, as will more fully appear by the orginal discharged filed and dated the 17<sup>th</sup> day of anuary, 1782.

He further says that during his service he suffered much from exposure as well as in battle having served the whole campaign under General John Green to the South. He further states that his circumstances are such as to render personal labor on his part are necessary to obtain the means of tuberculosis and his age and infirmity places it out of his power to do much. He terefore states that he is need of the aid and the assistance of his country to render his latter at all comfortable.

William Hicks

The battle of "the Point", or Point Pleasant was a one day battle against the Shawnee Indians on 10 Oct. 1774. The battle took place at the mouth of the Kanawha river in Virginia. Lord Dunmore, the colonial Governor of Virginia, by proclamation Jan. 1775, stated that the Shawnee to remove all ground of future quarrel, have agreed not to hunt on this side of the Ohio. ( Collins History of Kentucky Vol. 11, pg. 490)

The actual pension papers on file W8931 showed that William Hicks enlisted 20 September 1776 and served two years as a private in Capt. William McKees company, Col. James Woods 12<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment. He enlisted in 1780, served eighteen months as Corporal in Capt. F. Cowher's company in a detachment of the 2<sup>nd</sup> regiment, commanded by Col. Hawes, was in General Green's campaign and was discharged 17 Jan. 17, 1782.

William Hicks was allotted pension on his application executed 30 June 1818, at which time he resided in Garrard County, Kentucky. He was aged then sixty-two years, the date and place of his birth are not known, nor the names of his parents, nor the place of his residence at the time he enlisted in the Revolutionary War.

An Official Report on file shows that the above noted pensioner died 19 Dec 1822 in Garrard County, Kentucky.

William Hicks married 2 January 1784, Mary Swanger, the date of her birth and the the name of her parents are not known.

Mary Hicks, the soldiers widow, was allowed pension on her application executed 19 Nov. 1838. She was then a resident of Jessamine County, Kentucky, aged seventy-two years.

An official report on file shows that Mary Hicks, a soldiers widow died 22 August 1847, in Jessamine County, Kentucky.

In Nov. of 1838, Suffiah Combs, a daughter of the soldier William Hicks, and his wife Mary, was a resident of Jessamine County, Kentucky, she was born 20 September 1790, and was the parent's fourth child. Her husband Edward Combs, died in Oct. 1825.

The following data pertaining to the other children are shown: the first child, name not given, died when about 3 months old; Moses the next child, was born 7 Sept. 1786, Abraham was born 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1788; Samuel was born 16 Jan 1792; William was born 4 Dec 1794; Abigail was born 20 May 1796.

In 1845, William Hicks was living with Mary Hicks, the widow, in Jessamine County, Kentucky. It was not stated however, that he was the son William. (the above was an answer from A. D. Miller, Executive Assistant to the Administar to Mrs. J. H.

Freeman of Springfield, TN. letter dated 15 Feb. 1933.)

7 May 1839

The deposition of Suffiah Combs of Jessamine County, Kentucky, taken at her residence, on this the 7 day of May 1839, to be used as evidence in the favor of the application of Mrs. Mary Hicks, widow of William Hicks, deceased, for a pension under the act of congress passed July 7, 1838.

Deponent being of forty-eight years old on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September last deposes and said that she is the fourth child of William Hicks and Mary Hicks, whose name before marriage was Mary Swanger.

She further states that she has her father's old Pocke Book, now in her possession, which book contains the family register of the marriage of her father and mother and the ages of their children—said register occupying two pages. The handwriting is that of the deponent's father and has been there since the deponent's earliest collection. On the right hand page is first is some old accounts and nearly middle way down is entered the parent's marriage, but to dim now but to make out the month and the year.

They were

married which appears to to be 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 1784, and immediately below is listed the ages

of their sixth and seventh children to wit: William Hicks was born 4 Dec., 1894,

Abigail Hicks was born 20 May 1896. The left hand page also commenced with some

old accounts and near half way down there is an entry (but not entirely legible) the age

of William and Mary Hicks second child ( the first child as the deponent ssaid as she

remembered died at about 3 months os age) . This entry seems to make their second

child, Moses Hicks, to have been born, 7 Sept 1786. The third childs age is legible and

in these words" Abraham Hicks, son to William and Mary Hicks, born the 30<sup>th</sup>

September(Oct.) 1788". The next is the deponnet's own age, Suffiah Hicks

was born 20<sup>th</sup>  
Sept. 1890. and then comes the name and age of the fifth child, of the  
said William and  
Mary Hicks, which states their Samuel Hicks, was born the 16<sup>th</sup> January  
1892. All of  
which entries are specified in said family register was legible when the  
deponent's past  
recollection of seeing them , which was many years , prior to her fathers  
death. But it  
will be observed that the deponents father has made a very obvious  
mistake in putting  
down the years of all the children , except the first two, Moses and  
Abraham. The  
deponent's having made use of 1890, etc. in place of 1790. and with  
this correction she  
the deponent firmly believes from every information from she has  
received from her  
mother and her father and other sources that the whole of said register  
is correct. The  
deponent further saith that she knows that the said pocket book  
containing said  
register is her father and was in his possession many years before his  
death. Her father the  
said William Hicks died 25 Oct at that time the book containing the  
register came into  
the possession of the deponent and has remained in her possession ever  
since. Which  
register this day described by her , she makes part of this deposition  
and further saith not

Suffiah Combs

State of Kentucky  
Jessamine County

The above deposition of Suffiah Combs was this day sworn and subscribed  
by the said

Suffiah Combs before me, Jos. H. Chrisman, A Justice of the Peace, for the County of Jessamine  
and the state of Kentucky, and I swear that Suffiah Combs is a good woman of moral character,  
aperson of truth and veracity Given under my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1839.

Jos. H. Chrisman

In the book Alphabetical Index of Pensioners

Alphabetical Index of Pensioners, with Reference to Counties, pg. 189 (forgot to put down author)  
Mary Hicks is listed as pensioner of Jessamine County.

Jessamine County, Kentucky Will Book G, pg. 375, 428, 433 is the will of Mary Hicks.

19 July 1847

This where we learn of daughter Polly (Mary) Goforth.

Sale Bill: Witness Joseph Zike

Sale bill list of property sold at sale of Mary Hicks:

William Hicks - one skillet & Baker	. 43
John Corman Jr. - one chest	.50
Polly Goforth - 1 bedstead and bedding	— 8.25

John Corman, administer

Mary Hicks, settlement of estate: amount of sale: 8.50  
To amount of balance of pension 40.60  
amount received from Wilson West(money oplaced in his hands by decedant)  
44.25  
credit  
by Paul B. Price - Clerk Fee - 1.98; Lowery & Payne Acct-Rec'd 3.81;  
Martin Leslers  
Rec'd of 8.00; Joseph Zike rec'd as appraiser 75. Dr. S. S. Misener's Acct  
& rec'd 5.00,  
Sophia Combs rec'd 5.12 1/2 Do 4.81; William Hicks rec'd 1.00; Sophia  
Combs rec'd  
2.37; Mary Goforth rec'd 18.00; Mary Goforth 7.32; Sophia Combs rec'd  
5.00; Sophia  
Combs rec'd 16.15; Tours?? Cain fees 3.00. \$93.35 - \$82.21 - by  
commissioners for  
attending to this business 5.00 amt of dosbursements detucted \$87.21 -  
balance in his  
hands 6.14

William and Rebecca Alcorn had 2 1/2 acres of land on Jessamine Creek in Jessamine County,  
Kentucky that Mary Hicks lived on. Deed Book Q, pg. 231 year of 1849 (sold to James Hanly)

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**From:** Clyde n Bunch [SMTP:kd4vqd@juno.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 30, 1997 9:46 AM  
**To:** HEH007  
**Subject:** Re: Hicks, Hicks and more Hicks

Hi,

I apologize for not having my Hick's info in better order. I hope that with us working together. My files will improve.

4. Did Moses, son of William and Mary, have children? I assume you haven't found any since there was no mention in the article. I lost track of this Moses in Gallatin County. I found one in Fayette County, but he was not the right one. Audel looked for him also.
5. Did Samuel, son of William and Mary, have children?  
Yes, Samuel Hicks born 16 Jan. 1793 married Fannie Cox <sup>SN</sup> 17 June 1813 in Fayette County, Kentucky, Fannie was born 26 Oct. 1795 - Samuel died 6 Apr. 1861 in Grant County, Kentucky; Fannie died 27 Nov. 1882 in Grant County, Kentucky; both are buried in the Nichols Cemetery in Grant County, Kentucky. Two known daughters from census records: Martha born ca.1841 and Sarah born ca. 1844.

6. I already had a listing of children for William, Jr., except for Alfred. Do you have any more info on him?

Alfred married Frances Holbert 19 March 1837 in Gallatin County, Kentucky.

I think all of these Hicks brothers, Wm., Samuel Hicks must have children born in the early 1800's 15 on that Audel and I have not picked up on. We seem to have a big age difference here between Alfred being married in 1837 and Emily being born in 1842.

With William and Samuel being married in 1811 and 1813 respectively; I can't see them not having children born from at least 1815 on. I will need to re-check another William Hicks in Jess. for possible son of William and Rebecca. I think when I paid attention to Mr. Harlan Hicks genealogy of picking out his line from Jessamine County, that I assumed his line could not be some of mine.

7. I had found the death certificate for Rice Hicks, son of William, Jr.

On it, his mother was listed as Rebecca West. I have seen enough errors

on death certificates to know this is probably in error. I have also found the marriage bond for William and Rebecca "Alcorn". Would there have been any basis at all for it being listed as West, for example did she remarry after William's death?

8. Do you know where William and Mary are buried?  
I do remember that Audel sent me the war records of William Hicks Jr. and one for Rebecca, I think applying for William's pension, William served in the war of 1812, enlisted under Hix. I have gone through all of my Hicks info and cannot find them. I may have them in the Alcorn file somewhere. I will look some more. I may have to write and embarrass myself, and ask Audel to send me more copies. He didn't by any chance send you copies; did he?
9. I have looked and looked for George, son of William, Jr., with no luck. Do you know what ever became of him? no
10. I believe that Julia, daughter of William, Jr., married an Abner Boone Bradley and had several children. Abner had been married before and it appears he had at least one son by a former marriage. Do you have any info on this? only that she married Abner Bradley 13 Apr. 1859 in Harrison County, Kentucky. I will go back and recheck what Harrison Co. info I have.
11. What about Emily, daughter of William, Jr.? Who did she marry? no info

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To: 'Clyde n Bunch'  
Subject: RE: Hicks

Thanks for the info. Yes, Audel sent me in for on John Bryant and Mary Belle Hicks as well as some of Mary Belle's line and some on the Alcorn. There was also a photo copy of a photo of (I think) Sarah Hicks with a note that she was supposedly full blooded Indian. Is this your Gr Grandmother?

I know that there was a Charles Hicks who was chief of the Cherokee in North Carolina. He had a son named William, as well as another son who I cannot remember the name of. I wonder if this line has been researched. Oh well, something for another day.

I do have some specific questions for you later when I get a few moments to get my act together. Thanks.

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**From: Clyde n Bunch [SMTP:kd4vqd@juno.com]**

Sent: Monday, August 04, 1997 2:10 PM

To: HEH007

Subject: Re: Hicks

Hi Ed,

You wanted to know if Mary Belle Hicks and John Bryant Hicks were related. If they were I think it would be back in the earlier lines of Hicks. I am compiling Alcorn info now and of course the Hick's families enter into all of my lines. What I did was copy all Hicks info as I came across it I have like 1,000 pages of info.

Joseph Hicks who married Mahala Grimes was a brother to my great grandmother Sarah Hicks Alcorn. Joseph Hicks parents were John and Elizabeth Preston Hicks.

Rebecca Alcorn who married William Hicks was a sister to my 3rd gr grandfather John Alcorn  
William Hicks parents were William and Mary Swanger (Swango) Hicks Sr..

Audel thinks that John Hicks and William Hicks sr. were brothers. I need to look at this closer before I agree on that.

*not likely of Charles's line correct*  
JR- b. 1794  
SR- b. 1756  
John 1792  
which one is from Hicks of Lincoln

I realize that what I have written above will not be of much help to you. I will think on this some more. I do know that descendants of William Hicks of Lincoln County were in Garrard And Washington counties of Ky.. I also believe that the Grant and Owen County Hicks tie back to the Woodford County Hicks. *which one is this*

I am assuming that Audel sent you all of his info on Mary Belle and John Bryant Hicks.

Like yourself I have heard about the indian blood in the Hicks Family. I have even heard that there was indian blood in the Alcorn Family. I have not pursued this line of research. The next time I get to go to the Kentucky Historical Library. I will try to find something out about the Hicks having indian blood. My Uncle Hughie told me that my gr-grandmother Sarah Hicks was a full bloodied Indian.

A friend sent me a postcard that he received from Richard Pangburn; a historian and genealogist, who wrote a book "Indian Blood: Finding Your Native American Ancestor". The book was selling for \$39.95. I never did order it. If you are interested you might want to drop him a line and see if he has any books left. Address: Richard Pangburn---404 Tom Greer Road--- Bardstown Kentucky. 40004

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