

## The Mills family of Delaware County, New York

The Mills family of Delaware County, New York is part of the larger Mills family. The family is English in origin, coming to North America as part of the Great Puritan Migration of the 1630s. After a brief tenure in the future state of Maine they moved to Fairfield County in Connecticut. From there they come to Delaware County in the person of Ebenezer Mills and his sons around 1814.

### Robert Mills 1615-1647

Robert Mills was mostly likely born in 1615 in England. He was present in York, Massachusetts (Maine) by 7 February 1637 when he was served with a warrant to appear in court the next day. By 18 October 1647 he had died.

He married Dorothy in 1638 and had the following children:

*James Mills* was born about 1644. He died after 1718 in Lynn, Massachusetts.

*John Mills* was born about 1645. He died in 1706 in Stamford, Connecticut.

*Mary Mills* was born about 1646. She married Lewis Bane/Bean and had issue.

*Other Unknown Child*

After he died the widow Dorothy remarried to John Harker.

### John Mills 1645-1706

John Mills was born about 1645. He was the son of Robert Mills and Dorothy. He died in 1706 in Stamford.

About 1669 he married Mary. Mary, "Ye antient widow mary mills" died on 19 November 1732

John and Mary had the following children:

*John Mills* was born in 1675 in Stamford. A John Mills is listed as having property valued at £18 on the 1701 Stamford tax rolls. Since this person is listed with a William Mills, we presume it to be this John Mills.

*James Mills* was born in 1679 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts. He possibly died young.

*William Mills* was born in 1680 in Stamford. There is a William Mills listed in the Stamford tax rolls of 1701 who holds property valued at £21. He would appear to have died prior to 27 September 1710 when "letters of administration on his estate granted to his brother John Mills" according to the Fairfield probate records. According to Jacobus he left a widow and possibly children, though Helen Ullman states he was never married. An inventory of his estate was taken on 26 September 1710 by John Young and Zachariah Dibble. It listed 6 ½ acres of land, a gun, sword, a pistol, a mare, some clothing, a wig, and a few carpenters tool.

*Robert Mills* was born in 1682 in Stamford. He died between 9 May 1745 when he sold land, and 6 August 1745 when Jacob Waring was appointed administrator of his estate. He married Mary, possibly Holmes, and appears to have had no children that survived him.

John Mills was a shipwright by trade. He was granted four acres of land by the town "on the east side of the Noroton River above the path" "so that he may improve it for his own use". It is important to remember that the towns of the colonial and early national period could cover much larger areas than they do in the twenty-first century. In the case of Stamford it also covered the area of Darien and Greenwich. So while John Mills lived in his time in the town of Stamford, in the modern times he would be living in Darien. The land he was granted was at the head of Holly Pond, and the "Path" is mostly certainly the Post Road.

In 1691 he sold a pink (a type of ship) named "Blossom" that was rated at 70 tons to Jonathan Selleck and John Beldin. In 1693-4 Jonathan and John Selleck enter a caution or caveat against all the lands and housing of John Mills.

John Mills was literate, as he was able to sign his own name. He is also referred to as "Mr. Mills" in the grant of four acres. This would indicate he was of fairly high social standing and some education.

### John Mills 1675-1723

John Mills was born in Stamford about 1675. He was the son of John Mills and Mary. He died in Stamford on 1 December 1723.

On 2 October 1702 in Fairfield he was married to Mary Fountain by Major Peter Burr. Mary Fountain was the daughter of Aaron Fountain and Mary Beebe.

John and Mary had the following children:

*Sarah Mills* was born in 1703 in Stamford. She married Benjamin Coley about 1724 in Stamford.

*John Mills* was born in 1705 in Stamford. He died as a child.

*Mary Mills* was born in 1706 in Stamford. She died in 1785 in Cornwall, Litchfield, Connecticut. She married Joseph Pangman on 28 November 1729 in Stamford.

*John Mills* was born in 1710 in Stamford. He died in 1746 in Stamford. On 30 October 1728 in Stamford John married Tabitha Dibble.

*William Mills* was born in 1712 in Stamford. He died after 1783 in St. Johns, New Brunswick. William married a woman named Mary about 1742 in Stamford

*James Mills* was born in 1714 in Stamford and about whom nothing more can be said.

*Robert Mills* was born in 1715 in Stamford. He died about 1742 in Fairfield. Robert married Dorothy Middlebrook of Fairfield about 1738 in Fairfield.

*Hannah Mills* was born in 1718 in Stamford. She died after 1776. Hannah married John Scofield on 4 March 1744 in Stamford.

*Abigail Mills* was born in 1719 in Stamford.

*Beebe Mills* was born in 1722 in Stamford. He died in 1758 in around Fort Edward, New York. Beebe married a woman named

Abigail of Fairfield about 1742 in Fairfield.  
*Naomi Mills* was born in 1724 in Stamford.

This would seem to be the start of the migration of the Mills family from Stamford to Fairfield. All indications are that John lived in Stamford, but he was married in Fairfield. Two of his sons, Robert and Beebe, would settle in Fairfield. William stayed in Stamford. Aaron Fountain is buried at Burying Hill Beach in Westport. Mary Beebe was the daughter of Samuel Beebe of New London. On 20 August 1717 Aaron Fountain surrender to his son-in-law John Mills his interest in the estate of Samuel Beebe in New London. John may have served in the militia as an officer. John was a Shipwright like his father.

In Elizabeth Hubbell Godfrey Schenck's "The History of Fairfield, Fairfield County, Connecticut, from the Settlement of the Town in 1639 to 1818" there is a list of land holders from 1650 to 1700 who were not part of the original allotment in Fairfield. Therein is listed "John Mills", but she provides no other details. It is reasonable to assume that this entry may refer to this John or his father.

#### **Robert Mills 1715-1742**

Robert Mills was born in 1715 in Stamford. He was the son of John Mills and Mary Fountain. He died in 1742.  
Robert married Dorothy Middlebrook of Fairfield. Dorothy was the daughter of Joseph Middlebrook and Deborah.

Robert and Dorothy had the following children:

*John Mills* was born in 1739 in Greenfield Hills.

*Ebenezer Mills* was born in 1740 in Greenfield Hills

His widow Dorothy remarried to Jonathan Whalley, and they had a son named Aaron Whalley.

From "History of Stamford, Connecticut: From Its Settlement in 1641..." page 150: (Concerning the creation of Middlesex Parish, which would become the town of Darien in 1820)

"The names of the petitioners to the "Five Mile river petition" dated the second Thursday of October, 1736, the original petition being now before me – are: Thos. Reed, Edmond Waring, Jona. Cristy, Jona Bates, Robert Mills, John Reed, Joshua Scofield, Isaac Bishop, Jona. Bell, Josh. Morehouse, John Bates, Jona. Petit, David Selleck, Nath'l Bates, Ed Waring jun, Jos. Pengban, Thos. Reed Jun, John Petit, Joseph Whiting, John Reed jun, James Mason jun, David Bates, Elias Reed, John Raymond, Nath'l Selleck, David Scofield, Sam Richards, Jos. Waterbury, Jonas Weed, Deliverance Slason, Chas. Weed, Theop. Bishop, John Andrus, Nath'l How, John Dean, David Waterbury, Eb. Bishop, Zach. Dibble, Thomas Bishop, Sam. Bryan, Nathan Sturgis, Benj. Dibble, David Slason, David Dibble, Nathan Selleck, Nathan Waring, Sam Brinswade, Eb. Green, John Bolt, Jacob Waring, John Waring, Dan Reed, Abr. Raymond, Comfort Raymond, Isaac Wood, and Sam Reed"

#### **Ebenezer Mills 1740-1818**

Ebenezer Mills was christened in 1740 in the Greenfield Hills Church, Fairfield. He was the son of Robert Mills and Dorothy Middlebrook. He died in January 1818 in Greens Farms or Sharon, Litchfield, Connecticut.

About 1759 he married Abigail (Wakeman?) in Fairfield. Abigail was the daughter of Samuel Wakeman. There is some doubt that Abigail was a Wakeman, though circumstantial evidence supports it.

Ebenezer and Abigail had the following children:

*John Mills* was born about 1760 in Fairfield

*Abigail Mills* was born about 1763 in Fairfield. She died in 1854 in Hillsdale, Columbia, New York. She married Joshua Meeker on 7 February 1781 in Fairfield

*Lucy Mills* was born about 1764 in Fairfield

*Ebenezer Mills* was born 4 October 1766 in Fairfield

*Robert Mills* was born about 1768 in Fairfield

*Daniel Mills* was born about 1773 in Fairfield

*Sarah Mills* was christened 21 August 1785 in Trinity Church, Fairfield

While at the time of the birth of his children Ebenezer would be listed as living in Fairfield, he was most active in the areas of Norfield and North Fairfield. These areas become the current towns of Weston and Easton respectively. His eldest son has traditionally been ascribed as being born in Weston, and his son Robert will live there for most of his days.

Ebenezer also served in the French and Indian war:

He was on the muster roll at Fort William Henry dated 13 October 1756 as part of Captain David Lacey's 7th Company. He was listed as sick at Albany. From 7 to 23 August 1757 he served in Captain Bradley's company of Colonel Andrew Burr's regiment for the relief of Fort William Henry. He rode a horse from Fairfield.

#### **Ebenezer Mills 1766-1843**

Ebenezer Mills was 4 October 1766 in Fairfield. He was the son of Ebenezer Mills and Abigail Wakeman. He died 4 December 1843 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

On 26 February 1786 he married Lois Bates in Southport. She was born 10 August 1767 in Connecticut. She died 13 February 1857 in Delaware County, New York.

Ebenezer and Lois had the following children:

*Henry Mills* was born 26 October 1786 in Weston. He died 28 April 1873 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 24 December 1806 in Middleburg, Schoharie, New York he married Mary "Polly" Brill.

*Ransom Mills* was born 18 November 1789 in Weston and was christened 31 October 1790 in Fairfield. He died 20 December 1842.

Firstly, on 23 November 1816 he married Jinny and had issue. Secondly he married Marie "Polly".

*Ebenezer Mills* was born 7 April 1793 in Weston and was christened 23 June 1793 in Fairfield. He died on 11 June 1857 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He married Maria or Polly at an unknown date and place.

*Minor Mills* was born 26 August 1796 in Weston and was christened 13 December 1795 in Fairfield. He died after 1850 in Greenfield, Huron, Ohio. On 26 October 1816 he married Hannah Wood in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

*Ada Mills* was born About 1803 in Saratoga County, New York. She died after 1880 in Manchester, Wayne, Pennsylvania. On 22 November 1818 she married Harry Sherman in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

Ebenezer Mills was part of the first great westward migration in the United States. In this case it meant going west from the established areas near the coast further inland, such as western New York and the Ohio Country.

### **Henry Mills 1786-1873**

(Ebenezer)

Henry Mills was born on 26 October 1783 in Weston. He died 28 April 1873 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

On 24 December 1806 in Middleburg, Schoharie, New York he married Mary "Polly" Brill. Mary was the daughter of Philip Brill.

Henry and Mary had the following children:

*Lois Mills* was born 5 December 1807 in Schoharie, New York. She died on 13 January 1891 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 1 January 1830 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York she married Nelson Graves and had issue.

*Ann Mills* was born 27 August 1809 in Saratoga, New York. She died after 1880 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. About 1860 she married David Colvin in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. Secondly she married Alexander Beals.

*Purlina/Paulina Mills* was born 16 December 1812 in Schoharie, New York. She died in 1897. About 1830 in Delaware County, New York she married Joshua Culver and had issue. On 28 February 1860 or 1861 she married Justus Knapp.

*Hannab Mills* was born 13 June 1816 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died on 30 December 1848. About 1841 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York she married Samuel Armstrong and had issue.

*Betsy Mills* was born 27 September 1818 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died on 18 October 1869 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. About 1837 she married Simeon W Hall in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York and had issue.

*Abigail Jane Mills* was born 11 September 1820 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died on 30 October 1890. On 8 December 1842 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York she married Eliphalet Reynolds and had issue.

*John Henry Mills* was born 26 January 1823 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died on 29 July 1871. About 1854 he married Sophia Kinney/Keeney and had issue.

*Walter Henry Mills* was born 16 December 1826 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He was the twin to Walton H Mills. He died on 4 December 1901 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. About 1856 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Catherine G Hamblet and had issue.

*Walton H(Heath?) Mills* was born 16 December 1826 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He was the twin to Walter Henry Mills. He died on 10 July 1902 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 13 October 1860 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Effie Bixby and had issue.

### **Ransom Mills 1789-1842**

(Ebenezer)

Ransom Mills was born 18 November 1789 in Weston. He died 20 December 1842.

On 23 November 1816 he married Jinny and had issue.

Secondly he married Marie "Polly" at an unknown date and place.

Ransom and Jinny had the following children:

*Daughter Mills* was born between 1815-1820

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*Daniel D. Mills* was born 12 February 1822 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 7 November 1880. On 16 October 1845 he married Betsy Arvilla Matteson and had issue.

*Son Mills* was born between 1825 and 1830

### **Ebenezer Mills 1793-1857**

(Ebenezer)

Ebenezer Mills was born 7 April 1793 in Weston. He died 11 June 1857 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

He married Marie "Polly" at an unknown date and place.

Ebenezer and Marie had the following children:

*Henry Mills* was born 20 June 1821 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1875 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. About 1845 he married Samantha and had issue.

*Harvey G. Mills* was born 16 April 1832 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 31 August 1901 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. By 1855 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Sarah B Mills. Sarah is the daughter of Thomas Mills and Ruth Eggleston. Thomas would seem to be of the Mills (Van der Muelen) of Windsor, Connecticut, an otherwise unrelated family.

*Julia Ann Mills* was born about 1833 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York

### **Minor Mills 1796-1850**

(Ebenezer)

Minor Mills was born 26 August 1796 in Weston. He died after 1850 in Greenfield, Huron, Ohio. On 26 October 1816 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York he married Hannah Wood.

Minor and Hannah had the following children:

*Ebenezer W. Mills* was born 31 July 1817 in Saratoga County, New York. He died 7 November 1900 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. On 13 April 1842 in South Bainbridge, Chenango, New York he married Hannah H Vandewarker and had issue.

*David Wood Mills* was born 13 December 1819 in of Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died 28 April 1894. On 19 December 1847 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York he married Sarah Ann Cook and had issue. Secondly, he Luthera Wilson and had issue.

*Lewis Nelson Mills* was born 28 June 1831 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died about 12 February 1908 in Porter, Richardson, Nebraska. On 5 December 1865 in Licking, Ohio he married Sarah E Condit and had issue.

*Nancy Lois Mills* was born 28 June 1831 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died after 1900 in St Joseph. On 6 October 1874 in Williams County, Ohio she married Bazzel Worthington, whom she later divorced.

*Richmond M. Mills* was born 27 March 1834 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1900 in St Joseph. On 11 January 1877 in Williams County, Ohio he married Rosa Bridinger, whom he later divorced, and had issue.

*William B. Mills* was born 13 February 1838 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York

### **Lois Mills 1807-1891**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Lois Mills was born 5 December 1807 in Schohaire, New York. She died 13 January 1897 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 1 January 1830 she married Nelson Graves.

Lois and Nelson had the following children:

*Edwin Graves* was born about 1833 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

*Mary "Polly" I. Graves* was born about 1838 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died in 1930. She married Albert Colvin.

*Roxy Graves* was born about 1841 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She married Edwin Johns.

*Robert Turner Graves* was born 5 April 1844 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 5 May 1864 in the Battle of the Wilderness. A Private in Company F, 146th NY State Volunteer Infantry.

*Simeon Graves* was born 13 January 1847 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 15 August 1864 in Alexandria, Virginia of disease on campaign. He was a Private in Company I, 2nd NYS Heavy Artillery. His earthly remains are interred at Arlington National Cemetery, Alexandria City, VA; Plot: sec B, site 2566

*Graves* was born and died 24 September 1849.

### **Purlina/Paulina Mills 1812-1897**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Purlina/Paulina Mills was born 16 December in Schohaire, New York. She died in 1897. About 1830 she married Joshua Culver and had issue. Joshua was the son of Ichabod Culver. On 28 February 1860/1861 she married Justus Knapp.

Purlina/Paulina and Joshua had the following children:

*Hannab L. Culver* was born about 1837 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

*Abrisa Culver* was born about 1843 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Angeline Culver* was born about 1848 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Cynthia Culver* was born about August 1854 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

### **Hannah Mills 1816-1848**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Hannah Mills was born 13 June 1816 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died 30 December 1848. About 1841 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York she married Samuel Armstrong.

Hannah and Samuel had the following children:

*Mary Ann Armstrong* was born about 1842 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

*James H. Armstrong* was born about 1846 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Hannab Armstrong* was born 1848 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

### **Betsey Mills 1818-1869**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Betsey Mills was born 27 September 1818 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died 18 October 1869 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

About 1837 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York she married Simeon W Hall.

Betsey and Simeon had the following children:

*Mary Jane Hall* was born about 1838 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died before 1870. About 1862 she married William Leonard in Hancock, Delaware County, New York.

*Eveline "Eva" M. Hall* was born about 1840 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*John N. or R. Hall* was born about 1842 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Rebecca Hall* was born about 1844 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Betsey L. Hall* was born about 1851 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Simeon C. Hall* was born about 1854 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York.

*Harriet Hall* was born about 1858 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

*Nellie Hall* was born about 1859 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

*Carster Hall* was born about 1860 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

*Herbert Hall* was born about 1862 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

*Cora Hall* was born about 1866 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

### **Abigail Jane Mills 1820-1890**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Abigail Jane Mills was born 11 September 1820 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. She died 30 October 1890.

On 8 December 1842 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York she married Eliphalaet Reynolds.

Abigail and Eliphalaet had the following children:

*Eliza Reynolds* was born about 1841. She married \_\_\_ Cutting and had issue.

*Betsey Ann Reynolds* was born about 1844 in of Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

*Harriet Reynolds* was born about 1846 in of Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She married James M Winne.

*Ellen or Helen J. Reynolds* was born about 1 August 1848 in of Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 21 March 1862

*Walton D. Reynolds* was born about 1852 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York.

*Hannah Reynolds* was born about 1854 in Barbourville, Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Walter Reynolds* was born about 1857 in Barbourville, Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Mary Reynolds* was born about JAN 1860 in Barbourville, Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*Charles Reynolds* was born about 1862 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York

*William Reynolds* was born about 1865 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York

### **John Henry Mills 1823-1871**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

John Henry Mills was born 26 January 1823 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He died 29 July 1871.

About 1854 he married Sophia Kinney/Keeney. Sophia was the daughter of Esek Kinney/Keeney and Rebecca.

John and Sophia had the following children:

*Frank E. or Edwin J. Mills* was born about 1855 in New York.

*Mary Mills* was born about 1858 in Pennsylvania

*Charles Henry Mills* was born about 10 June 1861 in Pennsylvania. He died after 1920 in Binghamton, Broome, New York. About 1893 he married Dora Quinette and had issue.

### **Walter Henry Mills 1826-1901**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Walter Henry Mills was born 16 December 1826 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He died 4 December 1901 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

About 1856 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Catherine G Hamblet. Catherine was the daughter of Noah Hamblet and Roxey Graves.

Walter and Catherine had the following children:

*Lizzie H. Mills* was born 7 August 1857 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 7 November 1929. She married

George Luman Rood on 2 November 1879 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York and had issue.

*Clinton DeWitt Mills* was born 27 August 1859 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 20 August 1932. About 1883 he married Nellie Squires and had issue.

*Nellie or Ellen Mills* was born 12 September 1862 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 19 October 1864.

*Elmer E. Mills* was born 12 September 1862 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 31 August 1937. About 8 February 1886 he married Ina Robertson and had issue.

*James Mills* was born 17 September 1865 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 13 June 1950. On 19 March 1896 in Broome County, New York he married Blanche Penny and had issue.

*Harvey D. Mills* was born 14 July 1867 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 6 April 1914 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. About 1895 he married Mina L. Beals and had issue.

*Merton Henry Mills* was born 26 December 1871 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 13 May 1894. He married Mina L. Beals at an unknown date and place and had issue.

Walter is listed as a Farmer in the 1880 census.

### **Walton H Mills 1826-1902**

(Henry, Ebenezer)

Walton H Mills was born 16 December 1826 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He died 10 July 1902 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

On 13 October 1860 he married Effie Bixby in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. Effie was the daughter of William Bixby and Mary McKinnon.

Walton and Effie had the following children:

*William H. Mills* was born 17 September 1861 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 10 February 1862.

*Mary J. Mills* was born 7 February 1863 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 20 July 1864

*Flora May Mills* was born 30 May 1865 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 16 November 1924 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 5 February 1891 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York she married Clarence H Beach.

*John Bixby Mills* was born 14 November 1868 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 2 May 1912. About 1904 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Minnie Hulbert and had issue.

*Wilbert H. or Wilbur Albert Mills* was born about 28 August 1870 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 28 May 1940. About 1899 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Esther Stickle and had issue.

### **Daniel D Mills 1822-1880**

(Ransom, Ebenezer)

Daniel D Mills was born 12 February 1822 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 7 November 1880.

On 16 October 1845 he married Betsey Arvilla Matteson in Bennettsville, Bainbridge, Chenango, New York.

By 1875 he married Matilda B in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York.

Daniel and Betsey had the following children:

*Renette L. Mills* was born 6 June 1847 in Bennettsville, Bainbridge, Chenango, New York. She died 11 June 1856 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

*Charette D. Mills* was born 12 July 1850 in Bainbridge, Chenango, New York. He died 21 November 1928. About 1874 he married Nellie Davis and had issue.

*Livingston Mills* was born 25 July 1852 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1875.

*Nettie L. Mills* was born 24 August 1859 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

### **Henry Mills 1821-1875**

(Ebenezer, Ebenezer)

Henry Mills was born 20 June 1821 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1875.

About 1845 he married Samantha.

Henry and Samantha had the following children:

*Charles Mills* was born about 1846 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1880 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. About 1871 he married A Sarah.

*George Mills* was born 5 April 1848 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

*Clark Mills* was born about 1852 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

*Ransom or Henry Mills* was born about April 1855 in Hancock, Delaware County, New York

### **Ebenezer W Mills 1817-1900**

(Minor, Ebenezer)

Ebenezer W Mills, and we presume his middle name to be Wood, was born 31 July 1817 in Saratoga County, New York. He died 7 November 1900 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York.

On 13 April 1842 in South Bainbridge, Chenango, New York he married Hannah H Vandewarker.

Ebenezer and Hannah had the following children:

*Louisa A. Mills* was born 2 July 1844 in Delaware County, New York. She died in 1926. By 1865 she married Chauncy S Alger and had issue

*William Henry Mills* was born about 22 September 1848 in Bainbridge, Chenango, New York. About 1900 in New York he married Belle

*Lois M. Mills* was born 1 August 1850 in Chenango County, New York. She died after 1920 in Afton, Chenango, New York. About 1869 she married Mason Beals. They adopted two children, Allen and Susie.

*Susan H. Mills* was born 18 December 1853 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died after 1898.

*Dewitt C. Mills* was born 27 June 1856 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1920 in Bainbridge, Chenango, New York. He firstly married Jennie, but nothing came of it. Secondly, about 1907 he married Alice B and had issue.

*Josephine L. Mills* was born 24 July 1860 in Sanford, Broome, New York.

Additionally, Ebenezer had an adopted child:

*David Peck* was born about 1843 in Delaware County, New York.

Ebenezer served in the Civil War with Company I, 1st NY Volunteer Engineers. He was a farmer before and after the war. Sometime between 1880 and 1900 Ebenezer and Hannah started residing apart. He with his grandson Miner Mills (Son of DeWitt) and she with their daughter Lois.

#### **David Wood Mills 1819-1894**

(Minor, Ebenezer)

David Wood Mills was born 13 December 1819 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He died 28 April 1894.

On 19 December 1847 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York he married Sarah Ann Cook. Sarah Ann was the daughter of Nathaniel Cook and Tamar.

In September 1876 in Huron County, Ohio he married Sarah Lutheria Wilson.

David and Sarah Ann had the following children:

*Eugene David Mills* was born about 25 April 1852 in New York. He died 5 April 1904 in Kansas City, Missouri. About 1876 he married Eudora Morris and had issue.

*Charlie Mills* was born about April 1853 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York, Delaware County, New York. He was buried 1 September 1854.

*Arba Kaiser Mills* was born 1 January 1860 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died 17 November 1935 in Omaha, Nebraska. On 15 April 1885 in Almena he married Ida Lucretia Harris and had issue.

David and Sarah Lutheria had the following children:

*Mary Lutheria Mills* was born 29 June 1877 in of Almena. She died after 1900 in Almena.

*Walter Wilson Mills* was born 6 October 1879 in Almena. He died after 1920 in Oklahoma City. About 1907 he married Nettie M.

*From his "Find A Grave" entry:*

"David was raised on a farm in Delaware County, New York. He moved to Huron County, Ohio in 1842 where he worked on a farm during the summer and taught school during the winter. David married Sarah Ann Cook in 1848. They became the parents of two children, Eugene and Arba.

In 1866, he went to Nebraska and settled in Nemaha County the following year. On 7 May 1872, David and John Gishwiller went to Norton County, Kansas. While he was there, his wife was killed in a cane mill accident although he did not learn of her death for two weeks due to the lack of mail service in the area.

In Huron County, Ohio during September, 1876, David married Sarah Lutheria Wilson whom he had known when living in Ohio. They had two children, Lutheria and Walter. "

David was elected as county surveyor twice and as county superintendent once.

#### **Lewis Nelson Mills 1831-1908**

(Minor, Ebenezer)

Lewis Nelson Mills was born 28 June 1831 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died about 12 February 1908 in Porter, Richardson, Nebraska.

On 5 December 1865 in Licking, Ohio he married Sarah E Condit.

Lewis and Sarah had the following children:

*Mary E. Mills* was born 24 December 1866 in Iowa.

*Willie E. Mills* was born 2 February 1872 in Nebraska. He died 18 March 1873

*Mattie J. Mills* was born 7 March 1875 in Nebraska. She married Robert L Coe and had issue.

#### **Richmond M Mills 1834-1915**

(Minor, Ebenezer)

Richmond M Mills was born 27 March 1834 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 1 November 1915 in Edgerton, Williams, Ohio.

On 11 January 1877 he married Rosa Bridinger in Williams County, Ohio.

Richmond and Rosa had the following children:

*William G. Mills* was born March 1877 in Ohio.

*Martha H. Mills* was born 7 February 1879 in of St. Joseph, Williams, Ohio

#### **Charles Henry Mills 1861-1920**

(John, Henry, Ebenezer)

Charles Henry Mills was bout about 10 June 1861 in Pennsylvania. He died after 1920 in Binghampton.

About 1893 he married Dora Quinette.

Charles and Dora had the following children:

*Sarah Julia Mills* was born February 1895 in Salamanca. She died after 1930 in Fenton, Broome, New York. She married Leon

Edward Clark.

*John H. Mills* was born September 1896 in Salamanca.

*Effie M/N Mills* was born 1897 in Salamanca

*Mary S. Mills* was born about 1901 in Corning. She died after 1930 in Binghamton. She married Floyd E Barnard.

*Lena/Leora B. Mills* was born about 1903 in Corning. She died after 1920 in Binghamton.

*Violet Myrtle Mills* was born about 1905 in Corning.

*Ira/Oro E. Mills* was born about December 1908 in Corning

*Iva/Eva Mills* was born about 1912 in of Binghamton. She died after 1930 in Cato, Cayuga, New York. About 1929 she married Walton M Mills, her second cousin.

*Charles D. Mills*

*Ronald R. Mills*

### **Lizzie H Mills 1857-1929**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Lizzie H Mills was born 7 August 1857 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. She died 7 November 1929.

On 2 November 1879 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York she married George Luman Rood.

Lizzie and George had the following children:

*Walter Luman Rood* was born 14 November 1880 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 8 November 1902

*Mildred Rood* was born 13 July 1883 in of Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died on 1 February 1950. On 18 November 1912 in Delaware County, New York she married Harry Earl Cole.

*Katie Helen Rood* was born 21 December 1884 in of Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died 3 January 1969. Firstly, on 10 January 1904 she married Ray E Reynolds. Secondly, on 16 May 1941 she married Clifford Drummond Howland.

*Nellie May Rood* was born 6 November 1888. She died on 6 September 1962. On 7 October 1913 she married Clarence Frederick Mills, her first cousin.

*Luman Walter Rood* was born 11 January 1891. He died on 23 January 1955. On 25 June 1925 in Delaware County, New York he married Ethelyn M Dix. Luman was a farmer in 1940, and Ehtlyn was a public school math teacher.

*Evelyn Rosella Rood* was born 31 August 1894 in of Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died 14 August 1975. Firstly, on 28 November 1913, she married William Bond. Secondly, on 17 August 1940 she married Raymond Leet.

*Bernice Irene Rood* was born 16 August 1900 in of Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died in October 1980 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. On 28 June 1922 in Delaware County she married Earl Summer Freeman.

### **Clinton DeWitt Mills 1859-1932**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Clinton DeWitt Mills was born 27 August 1859 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 20 August 1932.

About 1883 he married Nellie Squires.

Clinton and Nellie had the following children:

*Orrin Walter Mills* was born 11 June 1884 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 11 July 1944. On 16 September 1906 he married Lena J Anderson and had issue.

*Frank Clinton Mills* was born 2 September 1885. He died 14 January 1964 in Pennsylvania. On 2 November 1910 in Delaware County, New York he married Marietta Jones and had issue.

*Edwin Clayton Mills* was born 2 February 1889 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 22 March 1956. On 16 October 1912 in Delaware County, New York he married Florence A Couse and had issue.

*Nora Rachel Mills* was born 28 June 1902 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died 15 January 1988 in Unadilla, Otsego, New York. On 8 January 1927 in Delaware County, New York she married Durwood Rutenber Young and had issue.

### **Elmer E Mills 1862-1937**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Elmer E Mills was born 12 September 1862 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 31 August 1937.

About 8 February 1886 he married Ina Robertson. Ina was the daughter of William W Robertson and Abigail Gould.

Elmer and Ina had the following children:

*Horace Wheeler Mills* was born 7 October 1886 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died in 1955. On 25 September 1906 he married Florinda C Hulbert and had issue.

*Clarence Frederick Mills* was born 28 August 1888 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died 21 April 1955. On 7 October 1913 he married Nellie May Rood, his cousin, in Delaware County, New York.

*Hattie G. Mills* was born 29 December 1889 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died about 1956.

### **James Mills 1865-1950**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

James Mills was born 17 September 1865 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 13 June 1950 in Delaware County, New York.

On 19 March 1896 in Broome County, New York he married Blanche Penny. Blanche was the daughter of Charles Penny and Anjibel Law.

James and Blanche had the following children:

*Wesley J. Mills* was born 7 June 1897 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 25 June 1989 in Walton, Delaware, New York.



Firstly he married Marie L Gleason about 17 December 1923 in Delaware County, New York. Secondly he married Mary E Sterling. He had issue.

*Ethel Mills* was born about 19 May 1898 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. Firstly she married Ernest Linkroun and had issue. Secondly, on 21 January 1930 she married George Oralls

*Edna Mae Mills* was born 9 August 1905 in Windsor, Broome, New York. She died 5 December 1965. About 1925 she married Kenneth Bosket and had issue.

*Edith Marie Mills* was born 6 March 1917. She married Harold Isaac Barnes and had issue.

#### **Harvey D Mills 1867-1914**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Harvey D Mills was born 14 July 1867 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 6 April 1914 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York.

About 1895 he married Mina L Beals, his brother's widow.

Harvey and Mina had the following children:

*Edith Hazel Mills* was born 4 January 1899 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died after 1930 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. On 30 June 1915 she married Harry Edward Cutting and had issue.

#### **Merton Henry Mills 1871-1894**

(Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Merton Henry Mills was born 26 December 1871 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 13 May 1894.

He married Mina L Beals.

Merton and Mina had the following children:

*Merton Henry Mills* was born 27 January 1895 in Barbourville, Delaware, New York. He died 27 November 1950. About December 1921 he married Olive May Oralls. After that he married Leona Schneider and had issue.

#### **John Bixby Mills 1868-1912**

(Walton, Henry, Ebenezer)

John Bixby Mills was born 14 November 1868 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 2 May 1912.

About 1904 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York, he married Minnie Hulbert.

John and Minnie had the following children:

*Donald H. Mills* was born 7 November 1907 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York.

*Archie H. Mills* was born 1906 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died in 1909.

#### **Wilbert H/Wilbur Arthur Mills 1870-1940**

(Walton, Henry, Ebenezer)

Wilbert H/Wilbur Arthur Mills was born About 28 August 1870 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died 28 May 1940.

About 1899 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York he married Esther Stickle.

Wilbert and Esther had the following children:

*Walton M. Mills* was born 8 March 1900 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. About 1929 he married Iva/Eva Mills and had issue.

#### **Charette D Mills 1850-1928**

(Daniel, Ransom, Ebenezer)

Charette D Mills was born 12 July 1850 in Bainbridge, Chenango, New York. He died 21 November 1928.

About 1874 he married Nellie Davis. Nellie was the daughter of Amos R Davis and Wealthy C.

Charette and Nellie had the following children:

*Stuart Mills* was born 17 February 1876 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 29 October 1952. About 1904 he married Anna Arnold and had issue.

*Maude S. Mills* was born August 1877 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. She died after 1930 in Unadilla, Otsego, New York. About 1908 she married Hubert G Gray. About 20 October 1920 she married William Lewis Hotaling.

*Jewell Lagrande Mills* was born 28 June 1897 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died September 1972 in Tampa, Hillsborough, Florida. By 1918 he married Bessie M Adner and had issue.

*Edward Durnard Mills* was born 17 August 1900 in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 17 April 1973 in Windsor, Broome, New York. On 30 June 1920 he married Gladys Beatrice Walley and had issue.

#### **DeWitt C Mills 1856-1920**

(Ebenezer, Minor, Ebenezer)

DeWitt C Mills was born 27 June 1856 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1920 in Bainbridge.

He first married Jennie, and secondly married Alice B about 1907.

DeWitt and Jennie had the following children:

*Miner Mills* was born April 1880 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died in 1901. About 1900 he married Effie

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*Jessie M. Mills* was born about 1883.

*Oscar C. Mills* was born April 1886 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1930 in Syracuse, Onondaga, New York. About 1923 he married Marcia E

*Orson C. Mills* was born April 1886 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died after 1930 in Bainbridge.

*Lena Mills* was born September 1893.

Alice B was formerly married to Seeley. When they married DeWitt took her children in as well:

*Harold W. Seeley* was born about 1894

*Marie E. Seeley* was born about 1900

He may have formally adopted at least Marie, as she is listed as his daughter in the 1920 census, but had been listed as a stepchild in the 1910 census.

### **Eugene David/Darwin Mills 1852-1904**

(David, Minor, Ebenezer)

Eugene David/Darwin Mills was born 25 April 1852 in New York. He died 5 April 1904 in Kansas City, Missouri.

About 1876 he married Eudora Morris.

Eugene and Eudora had the following children:

*Clara Etta Mills* was born 9 September 1877 in Almena.

*Marin Mills* was born June 1879 in Almena

*Elva Jane Mills* was born July 1881 in Almena

*Louise Esse Mills* was born October 1883 in Almena

*Dorothy "Minnie" Minialta Mills* was born 11 January 1886 in Almena. She died after 1918 in Kansas City, Missouri

*Arba Kaiser Mills* was born 13 May 1888/1889 in Garden City, Kansas. He died 18 April 1937 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California. He married Mary Edna McCoy.

*Izma Eugenia Mills* was born May 1890 in Almena.

*Harry Russell Mills* was born 9 December 1898 in Almena. He died after 1918 in Kansas City, Missouri.

### **Arba Kaiser Mills 1860-1935**

(David, Minor, Ebenezer)

Arba Kaiser Mills was born 1 January 1860 in Tompkins, Delaware County, New York. He died 17 November 1935 in Omaha.

On 15 April 1885 in Almena he married Ida Lucretia Harris.

Arba and Ida had the following children:

*Minnie Mildred Mills* was born 13 September 1886 in Almena. She died 26 August 1893.

*Claude Hulburd Mills* was born 2 December 1888 in Almena. He died 14 December 1888.

*Zelman "Zell" A. Mills* was born 23 August 1894 or 1896 in Almena. He died 5 April 1965 in San Bernardino, California. He married Margaret Edwards and had issue.

*Arba K. Mills* was born 2 December 1899 in Almena. He died 14 December 1899.

Arba and Ida also had a foster daughter:

*Etta R Mills* was born about February 1879 in Missouri.

From his Find A Grave entry:

“OBITUARY

Arba K. Mills was born January 1, 1860, in New York City. When he was about six years old his parents moved to Edgerton, Ohio, and a few years later to Richardson County, Nebraska. At the age of 13 he moved with his father and older brother, Gene, to the Mills homestead, east of Almensa, Kansas, on the Prarie Dog Creek, where he spent 48 years of his life. On April 15, 1855 he married Ida L. Harris. A daughter, Minnie, died when six years old and a son, Claude, died in infancy. The only living child is Zell of Omaha, Nebr., though a foster daughter, Etta, was all that an own child could be.

In 1921, Arba and Ida left the old homestead and moved to Salina, Ks., where they made their home until her death on October 18, 1932, and where he struggled in a losing battle for health until nine weeks before his death on the morning of Nov. 17, 1935, at the age of 75 years, 10 months and 17 days. These last weeks were spent in the home of the son, Zell of Omaha; where everything possible was done for his comfort by those near and dear to him.

He is survived by the son Zellmond A., of Omaha; the foster daughter, Mrs. Etta Parker, of Beulah, Colorado, a half-sister, Mrs. Luthera Thompson of Chicago, all whom were with him to the end, a half-brother, Walter W. Mills, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and two grand-daughters, Marjorie and Wilma Mills, of Omaha. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Cyntia Briant, who helped to care for him the past two years, was also with him.

His versatility led him from pioneer life through many occupations. Though he was burdened with a double physical handicap, he was farmer, poet, teacher, musician, craftsman and artist. But the years spent on the farm, building a beautiful home, were always nearest to his heart. He was Register of Deeds of Norton County for four years. He taught for many years in Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado. He spent much time in forwarding co-operative enterprises, trying to better conditions of the farmer. He loved beauty. His home was always a beauty spot. He had over eighty varieties of plants and shrubs around his home in Salina. His last years were spent in painting in oil, for which he received much acclaim. Two of his paintings are in the Joslyn Memorial Art Gallery in Omaha.

With all the talents he had also a deeply religious nature, and spent much of his time reading the Bible and religious literature, to help him "keep the faith".

Next to his love for his family, he cherished most the love of his friends. He made them where ever he went, and all will miss him deeply.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yes, saith the Spirit, the they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them".

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Funeral services were held at 10:30 Tuesday morning, Nov. 19 at the Almena M. E. Church by the Rev. J. E. M. Chambers. A quartet composed of Jacob Dragt, S. E. Combs, Mrs. John Dragt, and Mrs. Len Keith sang "Going Down the Valley," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and "Jesus Savior Pilot Me," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Mildred Lough.

The pall bearers were F. E. Whitaker, Claud Hubbard, Claud Trompson, Will Sorrie, Will Malcolm, C. L. Rose.

Out of town relatives attending the funeral services of A. K. Mills were is son Zellmond Mills, wife and two daughters, Marjorie and Wilma, of Omaha, Nebr., Mrs. Luthera Thompson, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Cyntia Briant, Beulah, Colo., Mrs. W. L. Edwards, mother of Mrs. Zell Mills, Clyde, Kans., Mrs and Mrs. Ray Briant and daughters Dorothy and Helen, and son Ray Junior, Odell, Nebraska."

Arba was granted a patent with his son Zell for a "Sash Holder" for windows.

#### **Walter Wilson Mills 1879-1949**

(David, Minor, Ebenezer)

Walter Wilson Mills was born 6 October 1879 in Almean. He died 23 March 1949 in Oklahoma.

About 1907 he married Nettie Moore Ross.

Walter and Nettie had the following children:

*Luthera A Mills* was born about 1907 in Kansas. She married Clarence Frost before 1937 and had issue.

*Edgar B Mills* was born about 1909 in Kansas. He married Donna, she was born in Oklahoma.

#### **Mattie J Mills 1875-?**

(Lewis, Minor, Ebenezer)

Mattie J Mills was born 7 March 1875.

She married Robert L. Coe.

Mattie and Robert had the following children:

*Vera L. Coe* was born August 1894 in Porter, Richardson, Nebraska.

*Veni J. Coe* was born September 1898 in Porter, Richardson, Nebraska

#### **Orrin Walter Mills 1884-1944**

(Clinton, Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Orrin Walter Mills was born 11 June in Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He died 11 July 1944.

On 16 September 1906 he married Lena J Anderson. She was born 25 September 1886. She died 5 September 1985.

Orrin and Lena had the following children:

*Walter O Mills* was born 1 March 1910. He died 14 June 1969, most likely in Broome County, New York. He married Lorena Poultz.

For the World War I draft registration Orrin is farming for himself in Hambletville, Delaware County. He is listed as tall with a medium build, blue eyes and black hair.

#### **Frank Clinton Mills 1885-1964**

(Clinton, Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Frank Clinton Mills was born 2 September 1885. He died 14 January 1964 in Pennsylvania.

On 2 November 1910 he married Marietta "Mary" E Jones in Delaware County, New York.

Frank and Marietta had the following children:

*Clinton Eugene Mills* was born 15 September 1912. He died 9 December 1975 in Broome County, New York. He married Pearl G

*Lena Marie Mills* was born about 1916

*Earl Danforth Mills* was born about 1919

*Doris Minnie Mills* was born about 1925

For the World War I draft registration Frank is farming for himself at Big Hallow, Deposit, Delaware County, New York. He is of medium height with blue eyes and brown hair.

**Horace Wheeler Mills 1886-1955**

(Elmer, Walter, Henry, Ebenezer)

Horace Wheeler Mills was born 7 October 1886 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York. He died in 1955.

On 25 September 1906 he married Florinda C Hulbert.

Horace and Florinda had the following children:

*Jennie Mills* was born about 1910

*Lawrence Mills* was born about 1913. He married Cecil \_\_\_\_ and had issue.

For the World War I draft registration Horace is farming for himself in Hambletonville, Delaware County. He is listed as Quite Tall and medium build, with blue eyes and medium build.