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CRAIG

Most of information I have on my Craig line comes from census and vital records from the Fayette County Virginia/West Virginia region. James Craig, born 1797 Virginia, is the first verified Craig ancestor – he is settled in Fayette County at least by 1840. Earlier census records do not adequately prove his presence.

In the 1850 Fayette County, James is lively near William Craig and his wife, Catherine. William actually shows up in two places in 1850 – he can also be found in Floyd County, Virginia. Also in 1850 Fayette County is John Creigh and his wife, Deliah. According to John's 1874 death record in Fayette County, he is the son of Thomas and Margaret Creigh of Greenbrier County. Thomas Creigh is reported in Greenbrier County at least from the time of the birth of his son, Doctor Thomas Creigh. I have concentrated a lot of effort trying to prove a connection between James, William, and John and the senior Thomas Creigh.

Around 1827, James Craig married Sarah. I found a James Craig marriage to Sarah Blake on 15 December 1825 Kanawha County, Virginia - but do not know if this is them. In the 1850 Kanawha County census there is another James Craig, 63 years old, with a 21 year old daughter named Caroline and a 16 year old son named Nicholas - his wife had not been listed with him so I was unable to verify her name. If my James Craig is the one that married Sarah Blake then there is information available through the LDS Church that puts the Blake line back to the 1600's - beginning with Sarah's parents, James (b. 1780 Greenbrier County, VA, d. 9 Sep 1833 Kanawha County, VA) and Jane Arthur Blake (m: 31 Jul 1805 Greenbrier County, VA). I continued to track James and Sarah Craig in the 1860, 1870 and 1880 census reports:

Thanks to my cousin, Joyce Grigsby, I have pictures of the grave stones of James and Sarah M. Craig, from the Craig Cemetery in Fayette County, W.VA. James died 23 February, 1887 (aged 90 years - a soldier of the war of 1812), and Sarah M. Craig died 30 July, 1892 (aged 83 years). My 3rd great-grandmother, Sarah Frances Craig, is buried with them.

In 1858, Sarah F. Craig married Benjamin Franklin Darlington. Benjamin was the son of William and Ann Holliday Darlington. Benjamin and Sarah were the parents of nine children - their son, James William Franklin "Frank" Darlington, was my great-great-grandfather.

Frank Darlington married Josephine Quillen on 4 September 1900, in Fayette County, W.VA. Josephine's parents were James and "Maggie" Biggins Quillen. Frank and Josephine had four children - their daughter, Carmen Pearl Darlington, was my great-grandmother.

Census Records

1820 Lewisburg, Greenbrier Co, VA (Craig)

Males to 10	10-16	16-18	16-26	to 45	45+	Females to 10	10-16	16-18	16-26	to 45	45+
Robert Craig		Males 101111			Females 00011						
Thomas Creigh ¹		Males 311301			Females 20022						

1830 Virginia (Craig)

Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89
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Greenbrier, Lewisburg

Thomas Creigh	pg. 167	Males 001220001						Females 02400010011		
Robert Craig	pg. 171	Males 001000010						Females 10100100001		

Kanawha

Robert Craig	pg. 187	Males 110001000						Females 10001000000		
George Crage	pg. 187	Males 110010000						Females 20001000000		
James Craig	pg. 187	Males 011001000						Females 21100100100		

1840 Virginia (Craig, Creigh)

Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89
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Fayette County

James Craig	pg. 145	Males 10101100						Females 1110010		
John Creigh	pg. 159	Males 01100100						Females 2100100		

Kanawha County

David Craig	pg. 46	Males 00010010						Females 0001001		
Robert Craig	pg. 46	Males 22210000						Females 1010010		
Geo Craig	pg. 46	Males 31210010						Females 1111001		
Jas Craig	pg. 53	Males 12001101						Females 0111101		
Jas B. Craig	pg. 4	Males 20000101						Females 0111101		

¹ According to the Greenbrier County 1938 Historical Booklet 160th Anniversary 1778 – 1938 “The Old Lewisburg Academy” – Thomas Creigh participated in the Jan 29, 1812 act that incorporated the Lewisburg Academy. According to the 1874 death record of John Creigh in Fayette Co, W. Virginia – John was the son of Thomas and Margaret Creigh and he was born in Greenbrier County (1803). I am trying to confirm or deny John Creigh as the brother of James Craig of Fayette County.

1850 Dist. 29, Kanawha Co, VA (Craig)

Robert Craig	56	b. VA	William Craig	26	b. VA	
Nancy	51	b. VA	Mary	29	b. VA	
Samuel	19	b. VA	Sarah D.	3	b. VA	
David	24	b. VA				
Robert	17	b. VA	James B. Craig	63	b. VA	Carpenter
John	14	b. VA	Nicholas	16	b. VA	
Nancy	12	b. VA	Caroline Watson	21	b. VA	

1850 Floyd Co, VA (Craig)

William Craig	44	b. Floyd
Catherine E.	42	
Nancy	17	b. Floyd
J. H. (male)	13	b. Floyd
J. D. (male)	13	b. Floyd
J. T. (male)	5	b. Floyd
M. M. (female)	1	b. Floyd

1850 Fayette Co, VA (Craig, Creigh)

14th Dist - 12 Aug pg. 352

James Craig	50
Sarah	42
Wm	23
Susan	20
Mary E.	18
James M.	16
Sarah F.	12
Charles H.	10
Margaret	7
John	4
C. C. (male)	1

W. Dist - pg. 379

William Craig	44
Catherine E.	42
Nancy	17
J. H. (male)	13
J. D. (male)	13
J. S. (male)	5
M. M. (female)	1

14th Dist - 22 Aug pg. 364

John Creigh ²	46
Delitha	40
Thomas	19
Margaret	17
Lewis	15
Elizabeth	13
Catherine	11
Wm H.	8
Joseph	5
Emily J.	3
Saml W.	1

² No connection made to John Creigh - his death was recorded December 1874 (71 yrs old) in Fayette County death records. Parents reported to be Thos. and Margaret; wife, Deliah. John Creigh married Delila McClung 24 March 1830 in Nicholas County, VA.

1860 Fayette Co, VA (Craig)

District 2

James Craig, Sr.	62	b. VA
Sarah	54	b. VA
William	33	b. VA
Mary E. Huffman	28	b. VA
William Huffman	25	b. VA
Charles	19	b. VA
Martha	25	b. VA
Margaret	15	b. VA
John	13	b. VA
Christopher C.	11	b. VA
Felix H.	9	b. VA
Tomsey E. Huffman (f)	5	b. VA (grandchild)
James Huffman	6/12	b. VA (grandchild)
James	1	b. VA
"unnamed"	4/12	b. VA

District 4

John Creigh	57	b. VA
Delilah	47	b. VA
Lewis	25	b. VA
Elizabeth	21	b. VA
Catherine	20	b. VA
Wm H. H.	19	b. VA
Joseph	17	b. VA
Emily	14	b. VA
Samuel W.	10	b. VA
John C.	9	b. VA
Sabinah	7	b. VA
Augustus	5	b. VA

1870 Fayette Co, W.VA (Craig)

17 Aug 1870, Gauley Bridge, pg. 101

James Craig	73	b. VA
Sarah	62	b. VA
Margaret	25	b. VA
Columbus	21	b. VA
Felix H.	19	b. VA
William Craig	43	b. VA
Martha	35	b. VA
James	12	b. VA
Sarah	10	b. VA
Wm Huffman	35	b. VA
Mary	38	b. VA
Thompsy	14	b. VA
James	13	b. VA
Sallie	10	b. VA
Mittie	5/12	b. W.VA

Sewell, pg. 180

John Creigh	65	b. VA
Delilah	59	b. VA
Elizabeth	31	
Joseph	23	
Emily	21	
Samuel	19	
Christopher	17	
Sabina	15	
Augustus	13	

1880 Greenbrier Co, W.VA (Creigh)

Blue Sulpher

Delilah Creigh	70	b. W.VA
Joseph A.	35	b. W.VA
Samuel	32	b. W.VA
Emily J.	27	b. W.VA
Sabina L.	24	b. W.VA
Augustus	23	b. W.VA

Fort Spring

Lewis S. Creigh	65
Elizabeth A.	45
Allen E.	17
John L. Duff	48
Louisa E.	41

Sarah E. Creigh³ 63 b. VA

1880 Kanawha District, Fayette Co, W.VA (Craig)

Charles Craig	35	miner
Louisa	26	
Anna	4	
Lee	3	
C. C. (male)	1	
Payne, James	25	boarder
Huffman, James	22	boarder
Stockton, Wm	40	boarder
Scott, Chris	21	boarder
Brewer, Thom	26	boarder

William Craig	53
Martha	46
James	21
Sarah	20
Lori	7
John	4

James Craig	83	b. VA fath VA moth VA
Sarah	74	b. VA fath VA moth VA
Columbus	30	b. WV

Felix Craig	29	b. W.VA
Ellen	21	b. W.VA
Henry	2	b. W.VA
Oma	1/12 (May)	b. W.VA
Bessie	1/12 (May)	b. W.VA

William Huffman	47	b. WVA
Mary	49	b. WVA
Araminta	10	b. WVA

³ Sarah F. Creigh is the widow of Doctor Thomas Creigh, son of Thomas and Margaret Creigh.

Miscellaneous Data

Blake/Winter Genealogy and Allied Families

Entries: 7780 Updated: Mon Aug 27 11:13:05 2001 Contact: Robert J Blake blakerph1@home.com

- ID: I1812
- Name: **James CRAIG**
- Sex: M
- Birth: ABT 1797 in VA

Marriage 1 [Sarah BLAKE](#) b: ABT 1808 in VA Kanawha Co, VA 15 Dec 1825

1. [William CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1827 in VA
2. [Susan CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1830 in VA
3. [Mary E. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1832 in VA
4. [James M. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1834 in VA
5. [Sarah F. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1838 in VA
6. [Margaret CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1843 in Fayette,WV
7. [Charles H. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1845 in Fayette,WV
8. [John CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1846 in Fayette,WV
9. [Columbus Christopher CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1850 in Fayette,WV
10. [Felix W. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1851 in Fayette,WV

- Name: **William CRAIG**
- Sex: M
- Birth: ABT 1827 in VA

Father: [James CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1797 in VA

Mother: [Sarah BLAKE](#) b: ABT 1808 in VA

Marriage 1 [Martha UNKNOWN](#)

1. [James CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1859 in Fayette,WV
2. [Sarah CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1860 in Fayette,WV
3. [Loni CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1873 in Fayette,WV
4. [John CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1876 in Fayette,WV

- Name: **Charles H. CRAIG**
- Sex: M
- Birth: ABT 1845 in Fayette,WV

Father: [James CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1797 in VA

Mother: [Sarah BLAKE](#) b: ABT 1808 in VA

Marriage 1 [Louisa UNKNOWN](#) b: ABT 1854 in WV

1. [Ann CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1877 in Fayette,WV
2. [Lee CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1877 in Fayette,WV
3. [C.C. CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1879 in Fayette,WV

- *Name:* **Felix W. CRAIG**
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* ABT 1851 in Fayette, WV

Father: [James CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1797 in VA

Mother: [Sarah BLAKE](#) b: ABT 1808 in VA

Marriage 1 [Ellen UNKNOWN](#) b: ABT 1859 in WV

1. [Henry CRAIG](#) b: ABT 1878 in Fayette, WV
2. [Oma CRAIG](#) b: MAY 1879 in Fayette, WV
3. [Bessie CRAIG](#) b: MAY 1879 in Fayette, WV

Thomas Creigh of Greenbrier County, Virginia

HISTORY OF MEDICINE IN GREENBRIER COUNTY 1750-1938⁴

Then as now members of the profession in Greenbrier desired after graduation to keep abreast of the advances being made by the profession and endeavored he promotion and dissemination of medical knowledge by study, and writing for medical journals of the day.

Among these pioneer physicians was Doctor Thomas CREIGH, born July 1812.⁵ He graduated with an academic degree from what is now Ohio University at Athens, Ohio. he received his medical degree from one of the most outstanding medical schools of America, and the oldest, the University of Pennsylvania, founded by Benjamin FRANKLIN.

He had as his medical preceptor in Lewisburg another outstanding and distinguished member of the profession, Doctor SIMPKINS.

Dr. CREIGH was a public-spirited citizen and as such represented the county of Greenbrier for several sessions in the Legislature of Virginia. He was a contributor to medical journals and the first president of the Greenbrier Medical Society.

JOHN A. PRESTON

While his home was always in his native community, and the place he loved best in all the world, Greenbrier County, the late John A. Preston was in every sense a man of commanding importance and influence through West Virginia. He was a, great lawyer, and was the favorite son of his native county. People respected, trusted, admired and loved him because they knew him to be worthy of all and that he was true to his high ideals, ideals that he translated into action and conduct that fully earned him his high place in county and state.

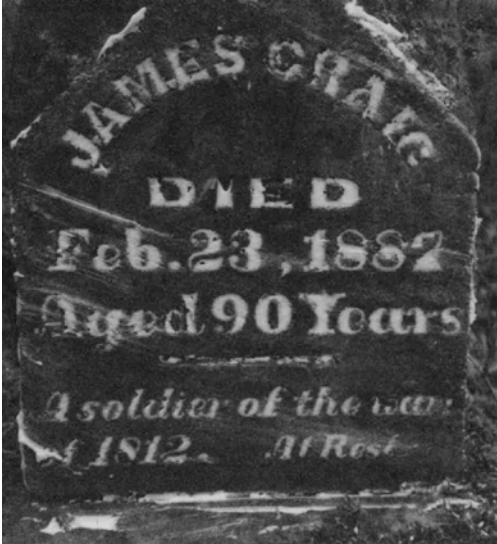
His father was David R. Preston, a native of Southwestern Virginia, a minister of the Presbyterian faith, who completed his theological studies in Princeton University. David R. Preston probably came to Greenbrier County from Kentucky in the decade of the '30s. He had a charge at Union in Monroe County, but for many years his home was near Lewisburg in Greenbrier County. He married Jeanette Creigh, who represented one of the oldest and best known families in Greenbrier County. The Creighs were prominent Confederates during the Civil war. Rev. David R. Preston died when a comparatively young man. He and his wife had six children, the late John A. Preston being next to the youngest.

⁴ Extract from Historical Booklet - Greenbrier County, 160th Anniversary - 1778-1938, Published 1938, Transcribed by Lori Samples dawg@mail.us-net.com.

⁵ Believe to be the son of Thomas Creigh of same county – and possible brother of James Craig (b. 1797).

Headstone Pictures

Craig Cemetery, Fayette Co, VA (Craig)



James Craig



Sarah M. Craig



Sarah Francis Craig

Descendants of JAMES CRAIG

Generation No. 1

1. JAMES³ CRAIG (*THOMAS² CREIGH, THOMAS¹*) was born 1797 in VIRGINIA, and died 23 Feb 1887 in FAYETTE CO, W.VA. He married SARAH (SALLIE) M. BLAKE 15 Dec 1825 in KANAWHA CO, VA. She was born 1809 in VIRGINIA, and died 30 Jul 1892 in FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

Children of JAMES CRAIG and SARAH BLAKE are:

2.
 - i. WILLIAM⁴ CRAIG, b. 1827, VIRGINIA; d. 16 Feb 1898, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
 - ii. SUSAN CRAIG, b. 1830.
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 - iii. MARY E. CRAIG, b. 1832, VIRGINIA; d. Aft. 1880, res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
 - iv. JAMES MADISON CRAIG, b. Nov 1833, FAYETTE CO, VA; m. JANETTA BAYS, 16 Aug 1866, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 1837.
4.
 - v. SARAH FRANCES CRAIG, b. 22 Mar 1838, FAYETTE CO, VA (Cannelton); d. 19 Jan 1902, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
5.
 - vi. CHARLES H. CRAIG, b. 1840, FAYETTE CO, VA; d. Aft. 1880, res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
 - vii. MARGARET J. CRAIG, b. 1843, FAYETTE CO, VA; m. PARRIS TOTTAN, 23 Jan 1872, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. Abt. 1847.
 - viii. JOHN L. CRAIG, b. Dec 1846, FAYETTE CO, VA; m. SARAH ANN BAYS, 2 Dec 1874, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. Jan 1847, WEST VIRGINIA.
 - ix. CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS CRAIG, b. 1849, FAYETTE CO, VA.
6.
 - x. FELIX H. CRAIG, b. 1851, FAYETTE CO, VA.

Generation No. 2

2. WILLIAM⁴ CRAIG (*JAMES³, THOMAS² CREIGH, THOMAS¹*) was born 1827 in VIRGINIA, and died 16 Feb 1898 in FAYETTE CO, W.VA. He married MARTHA CRAIG* Abt. 1857 in VIRGINIA. She was born 1835 in VIRGINIA, and died Aft. 1880 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

Children of WILLIAM CRAIG and MARTHA CRAIG* are:

- i. JAMES⁵ CRAIG, b. 1858, FAYETTE CO, VA.
- ii. SARAH CRAIG, b. 1860, FAYETTE CO, VA.
- iii. ANNIE M. CRAIG, b. Apr 1866, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. Mar 1867, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- iv. LORI CRAIG, b. 1873, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- v. JOHN CRAIG, b. 1877, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

3. MARY E.⁴ CRAIG (*JAMES³, THOMAS² CREIGH, THOMAS¹*) was born 1832 in VIRGINIA, and died Aft. 1880 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA. She married WILLIAM HUFFMAN Abt. 1854 in VIRGINIA. He was born 1835 in VIRGINIA, and died Aft. 1880 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

Children of MARY CRAIG and WILLIAM HUFFMAN are:

- i. TOMSEY E.⁵ HUFFMAN, b. 1855, FAYETTE CO, VA.
- ii. JAMES HUFFMAN, b. 1857, FAYETTE CO, VA; d. 25 Apr 1885, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- iii. SARAH (SALLIE) HUFFMAN, b. 1860, FAYETTE CO, VA.
- iv. ARIMINTA HUFFMAN, b. 1870, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

4. SARAH FRANCES⁴ CRAIG (*JAMES³, THOMAS² CREIGH, THOMAS¹*) was born 22 Mar 1838 in FAYETTE CO, VA (Cannelton), and died 19 Jan 1902 in FAYETTE CO, W.VA. She married BENJAMIN FRANKLIN DARLINGTON 16 Nov 1858 in VIRGINIA, son of WILLIAM DARLINGTON and ANNA HOLLIDAY. He was born 26 Feb 1838 in FAYETTE CO, VA (Cotton Hill Mt.), and died Dec 1918 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

Children of SARAH CRAIG and BENJAMIN DARLINGTON are:

- i. EMMA MARGARET⁵ DARLINGTON, b. 8 Dec 1859, FAYETTE CO, VA; d. 2 Aug 1899, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; m. GEORGE W. SIMMS, 29 Aug 1883, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 1858, KANAWHA CO, VA.
- ii. NANCY J. DARLINGTON, b. 27 Jul 1861, FAYETTE CO, VA; d. 1932; m. WILLIAM H. PAYNE, 26 Oct 1887, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 1865; d. 1932.

- iii. CHARLES JEFFERSON DARLINGTON, b. 15 Aug 1863, FAYETTE CO, VA; d. 3 Dec 1926, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; m. HATTIE D. ALSTED, 16 Jan 1893, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 31 May 1865, BLAND CO, VA; d. 16 Oct 1947, KANAWHA CO, W.VA.
- iv. SARAH A. DARLINGTON, b. 23 Jan 1866, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. 19 Jan 1902; m. EDWARD SAY, 24 Dec 1884, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 1860.
- v. MARY (MOLLY) L. DARLINGTON, b. 1 Mar 1869, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. 20 May 1915; m. ISAAC (IKE) E. MCCORMICK, 26 Oct 1887, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 1855.
- vi. SUSAN ELLEN DARLINGTON, b. 1 Mar 1870, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. 2 Nov 1956; m. EDWARD BAILEY.
- vii. JAS WM FRANKLIN DARLINGTON, b. 28 Dec 1873, FAYETTE CO, W.VA (Columbia); d. 7 Mar 1917, KANAWHA CO, W.VA; m. JOSEPHINE STARK QUILLEN, 4 Sep 1900, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 13 Mar 1882, HOCKING CO, OH (Carbon Hill); d. 8 Jan 1946, KANAWHA CO, W.VA.
- viii. GEORGE MADISON DARLINGTON, b. 21 Sep 1876, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. 28 Jan 1943; m. MAY (NELLIE) WORKMAN, 1902, WEST VIRGINIA; b. 1887, WEST VIRGINIA.
- ix. THOMAS J. DARLINGTON, b. 26 May 1879, FAYETTE CO, W.VA (Armstrong Creek); d. 23 Apr 1926, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; m. EFFIE D. PERCIVAL, 11 May 1904, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; b. 21 Nov 1880, WEST VIRGINIA; d. 5 Nov 1914, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

5. CHARLES H.⁴ CRAIG (*JAMES*³, *THOMAS*² *CREIGH*, *THOMAS*¹) was born 1840 in FAYETTE CO, VA, and died Aft. 1880 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA. He married LOUISA CRAIG* Abt. 1875 in WEST VIRGINIA. She was born Abt. 1854 in WEST VIRGINIA, and died Aft. 1880 in res. FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

Children of CHARLES CRAIG and LOUISA CRAIG* are:

- i. ANN⁵ CRAIG, b. Abt. 1876, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- ii. LEE CRAIG, b. Abt. 1877, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- iii. C. C. CRAIG, b. Abt. 1879, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.

6. FELIX H.⁴ CRAIG (*JAMES*³, *THOMAS*² *CREIGH*, *THOMAS*¹) was born 1851 in FAYETTE CO, VA. He married ELLEN BREWER 14 Jun 1877 in FAYETTE CO, W.VA. She was born 1859.

Children of FELIX CRAIG and ELLEN BREWER are:

- i. HENRY⁵ CRAIG, b. 1878, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- ii. OMA CRAIG, b. May 1880, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- iii. BESSIE CRAIG, b. May 1880, FAYETTE CO, W.VA; d. 6 Jul 1882, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.
- iv. MYRTLE CRAIG, b. 4 May 1886, FAYETTE CO, W.VA.