

Family Records from the Bible of Naomi Elizabeth Dicks Palmes VanGorden

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The family records transcribed below were found in a family Bible currently in the possession of the transcriber's niece, Rose Boggs. The transcriber is a great-granddaughter of Naomi Dicks Palmes VanGorden. These records appear to record the family of William and Sarah (Foster) Dicks, evidently Naomi's parents. The loose papers with family information found in the Bible appear to record information on the family of Naomi and her husband Herman G. Palmes. Family members lived in Henry, Marion, Shelby, and Madison counties.

Dicks Family Records Incribed in Bible

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Births

William Dicks son of Job and Hannah Dicks
was born 9 mo 19 1831
Sarah C. Daughter of Jacob and Ann Foster was
born 8 mo 25 1839
Edgar J. son of William and Sarah Dicks was
born 5 mo 31 1859
Naomi E. Daughter of William and Sarah C.
Dicks was born 8 mo 6th 1861
George E. son of William and Sarah C. Dicks
was born 4 mo 29 1863

Births

Hannah A. Daughter of William and Sarah C.
Dicks was born 10 mo 29 1865
John T. son of William and Sarah C. Dicks was
born 3 mo 21 1868
James M. son of William and Sarah Dicks was
born July 2nd 1870
Effie L. Dicks Daughter of William and Sarah
Dicks was born October 3 1872
Clara E. Dicks Daughter of William and Sarah
Dicks was born 12 mo 1874

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Births

Sarah L. Dicks Daughter of William and Sarah C. Dicks was born November the 25 1877
William Dicks Son of William and Sarah Dicks Borne March the 30th 1880

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Marriages

William Dicks and Sarah C. Foster was married May the 23, 1858 by Samuel Poarch at Spiceland

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Deaths

Effie L. Dicks deceiced this life July 17 1876
Age 8 years 9 month 12 days
William Son of William and Sarah C. Dicks
deceiced March 30th 1880
Sarah C. Wife of William Dicks deceiced April
the 2[0th?] 1880 Aged 40 years 6 mo 11 days

Deaths

William Dicks deceiced January 1st 1898
Sarah L Dicks deceiced this life May 29, 1920
age 42 yrs
Johnney Dicks deceiced this life Oct 13th, 1928
Edgar J Dicks deceiced this life Oct 16th 1940
age 81 years

[Loose papers found in Bible; handwritten family information]

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Herman G. Palmes was born in Decatur County Oct. 12, 1868 and died May 2, 1923 at the age of 54 yrs.

He spent most of his childhood days at Rushville, Rush County, Ind. and came to Indianapolis when he was 21 yrs. old where he was married to Naomi E. Dicks Oct. 28, 1889. To this union was born six children, two boys and four girls, all of whom are married and living in Marion County, Ind., except one boy who died in infancy.

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Arthur Leroy Palmes son of Naomi and Grant [Herman G.] Palmes was born on the corner of fortwain and Cherry st. Indianapolis, Marion Co., August the 23 1890.

Clara Myrtle Palmes daughter of Naomi and Grant Palmes was born on sixth and tennsee st. Indpls, Marion Co. April the 29th 1892.

Donald Francisco Palmes son of Naomi & Grant Palmes was born on Mass ave. Indianapolis Marion Co. february the 22 1894.

Donald F. Palmes Dec this life September the 21 1896 aged 2 years and 7 months lacken one day

Grant Palmes Dec this life on the 2 day of May 1923 age 54 years old

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Bessie May Palmes was Bornd in Elwood on the 10 day of November 1900

Cecil Estella Palmes Daughter of Naomi & Grant Palmes was born on Duglass st. Indianapolis Marion Co. Ind. April the 10th 1896

Sarah Ethel Palmes Daughter of Naomi & Grant Palmes was born on samoa st. Indianapolis Marion Co. Ind. June the 8th 1898.

Donald F. Palmes Dec this life September the 21 1896 aged 2 years and 8 months lacken one day he died on diglas st No 14 Indianapolis Marion Co Ind

Bessie May Palmes Daughter of Naomi & Grant Palmes was born on south st. 2326 Elwood Madison Co. Ind. November 10th 1900

Sarah L. Dicks Wilkerson, formerly of Marion, Grant Co. Ind. age 42, born November 25th, 1878. Died Saturday May 29th, 1920, Indianapolis, Marion Co. Ind. at the home of her sister Mrs. Naomi Palmes. She is survived by seven children, three sisters, and four brothers, besides a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services will be held at the home of her sister Mrs. Palmes, 216 Dickson St. Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial in New Crown Cemetery in Indianapolis.

[Newspaper clipping, obituary loose in Bible; no date.]

Edgar J. Dicks Dies At Home

Edgar J Dicks, eighty-one, retired railroader, died at 6:20 a.m. today at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Jerome Williams, 1102 West Twelfth street. Mr. Dicks had been confined to his bed the past five weeks and had been ill the last five months. He had been a resident of Marion for 36 years, coming here from Summitville. He was a member of the Marion Townsend Club.

Surviving are the widow, Etta; two daughters, Mrs. Harve Jones, Gas City, and Mrs. Williams, at whose home he died; a son, Roy; two sisters, Mrs. Naomi Van Gordon, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Clara Dale, Vason, Mich.; 16 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

The body was taken to the daughter's home today from 710 West Third street to lie in state until time for funeral. Rites will be held at 2:30 p. m. Friday at the Pilgrim Holiness church. Rev. Melvin Snyder and Rev. Milo Bowsman will be in charge. Burial will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

[Newspaper clipping found loose in Bible; dated August 8, 1931]

Works in Grocery on 70th Birthday

[Photo of Mrs. E. D. VanGorden]

Special to The Indianapolis Star

NORRISTOWN, Ind. Aug. 8—Mrs. E. D. VanGorden of Norristown celebrated her seventieth birthday with her usual routine work in a small grocery store here. Mrs. VanGorden, for thirty-five years a resident of Indianapolis, has lived in Norristown for the last six years. She has five children, Mrs. Bessie Harris, Mrs. Clara Crooper, Mrs. Cecil Allen, Mrs. Ethel Harris and Arthur Palmes.

[Obituary on formally printed parchment paper found loose in Bible]

“Only waiting till the shadows are a little longer grown.

Only waiting till the glimmer of the day's last beam is flown.

Quickly reapers gather quickly the last ripe hours of my heart,
For the boon of life is withered and I hasten to depart.”

Naomi H Dicks was born in North Carolina, (Guilford County) first month, 19th, 1818. Her parents, Job and Hannah Dicks, moved to Indiana when Naomi was about five years old, and although so young, she walked the greater part of the way. The motion of the wagon making her sick.

They settled first in the western part of the state a few miles south of Terre Haute. In 1930 they moved to the place where Greensboro now stands, building the first log, or pole house in the place. Sometime afterward they moved to Raysville.

Naomi H. Dicks was a wideawake, energetic girl, and being the oldest of the children, bore her full share of the deprivations and burdens of pioneer life, never swerving from the duties which came before her. Aside from home duties she was a teacher in their school and at one period served as clerk of the Monthly Meeting, being a lifetime member of Friends Church.

In 1840, 1st month, 29th, she was married to Joseph Newby. Since then she has resided near Spiceland, and the same energy and untiring zeal to make the best of her surroundings was ever a prominent feature in her quiet, unassuming life.

In 1890, surrounded by her children, grandchildren, other near relatives and friends, Joseph and Naomi Newby, commemorated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. It was in 1898, 1st month, 20th, that her husband departed this life, they having passed over a period of 58 years, lacking 9 days-sharing each others sorrows, sharing each others joys.

A number of years she has been in failing health, and since the death of her husband has been confined to her bed, seeming to have no desire to live longer, and on the 28th of 3rd month, 1898, she quietly sank to rest to await the "Resurrection Morn," aged 80 years, 2 months and 8 days.

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