Individual Narrative of William⁸ (aka Nickerson W.) Millis [373] Son of Elizabeth⁷ Sackett Leverich [193] and John Nicholson Millis, Jr. Husband of Elizabeth Lieb

William Millis (aka Nickerson W.) was born circa 1827 in Manhattan, New York County, New York.^{1,2,3}

William Millis married Elizabeth Lieb circa 1847, place unknown.^{4,5,6} The estimated marriage date was calculated based upon the birth year (circa 1849) of their first child. Elizabeth was born circa June 1827 in Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of Gustavus Friedrich Ferdinand Lieb and Barbara Lienhardt.

William Millis, age 26 Boatman, was recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Oswego Ward 4, Oswego County, New York. William's household included his wife Elizabeth, age 22, and his son Gustavus, age 1.⁷

William Millis, age 29 carpenter, was recorded in the 1855 New York State Census of Oswego Ward 4, Oswego County, New York. William's household included his wife Elizabeth, age 27; and his sons Gustavus, age 6, and Theordore, age 1.⁸

William Millis was listed in the 1856 Oswego New York City Directory living at 47 West First Street.⁹

William Millis, age 31 box maker, was recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York living in the household of his parents. He is living separately from his wife and children who are recorded living in a different household in Oswego. Elizabeth Millis, age 38, is living in the household of her mother Barbara Lieb, accompanied by Elizabeth's sons Gustavus, age 11, Theodore, age 6, and Edward, age 4.¹⁰

William N. Millis is listed in the 1861 Oswego New York City Directory, boarding at New Welland.¹¹

William Millis served in the Civil War on the Union side, the 14th New York Infantry Regiment. He died 29 August 1862 at the 2nd battle of Bull Run.¹²

Elizabeth Millis, age 36, was recorded in the 1865 New York State Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her three sons Gustavus, age 16; Theodore, age 11; and Edward, age 9. Also living in the household were her mother Barbara, two siblings Edward and Bertena, and several boarders.¹³

Elizabeth Millis, widow, was listed in the Oswego New York City Directory: 1867 and 1869 East 2nd St near Cochran; 1870 East 2nd St near Hubbard. Her son Gustavus was listed in 1867 at the same address as Elizabeth.^{14,15,16}

Elizabeth Millis, age 34, was recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of Oswego Ward 8, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her sons Theodore, age 16 and Edward age 14.¹⁷

Elizabeth Millis, age 47, was recorded in the 1875 New York State Census of Oswego Ward 8, Oswego County, New York. Her household included her sons Theodore, age 21 and Edward, age 19.¹⁸

Elizabeth Millis, age 52, is recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego Co, New York. Elizabeth's household included her son Gustavus, age 32, and an adopted daughter Margaret Davenport, age 10. The household was living at 92 Duer Street.¹⁹

Elizabeth Millis, age 72, was recorded in the 1900 U.S Census of Oswego Ward 8, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included three grandchildren: Josephine L. Millis, age 20; Edward Millis, age 18; and Bessie W. Millis, age 10.²⁰

Elizabeth Millis died 11 August 1900 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth was buried at the Riverside Cemetery in Oswego.²¹

William Millis and Barbara Lieb had five children, three of whom survived to adulthood.

- i. Gustavus N. Millis was born circa 1849 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Gustavus married Lillie Washborn 17 November 1882 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Gustavus died 6 December 1912 in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. Gustavus was buried at Riverside Cemetery in Oswego. Gustavus was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego, and the 1900 U.S. Census of Providence, Rhode Island. The 1890-1891 Oswego City Directory had Gustavus, a machinist, boarding at 346 Duer Street.^{22,23,24,25,26,27,28}
- ii. Barbara Elizabeth Millis was born circa 1850 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. She died as an infant 27 October 1850 in Oswego.²⁹
- iii. Fredericka Gertrude Millis was born circa 1852 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. She died as an infant 4 April 1853 in Oswego.³⁰
- iv. Theodore L. Millis was born 4 February 1854, probably in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Theodore married Josephine (unidentified; possibly Millis or Lieb according to Ancestry Family Trees) circa 1876-1877. Theodore died 22 February 1922 in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. Theodore's place of burial had not been identified. Theodore was recorded in the 1880, 1900, 1910 U.S. Census in Oswego; 1920 Syracuse.^{31,32,33,34,35}
- v. John Edward Millis was born circa 1856 probably in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. John married Josephine Webb circa 1877-1878, place unknown. John died 30 January 1896 in Oswego. John was buried at Riverside Cemetery in Oswego. John was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego and the 1892 New York State Census of Oswego.^{36,37,38,39}

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