

**Individual Narrative of Elizabeth⁸ Millis [374]
Daughter of Elizabeth⁷ Sackett Leverich [193] and John Nicholson Millis, Jr.
Wife of George White**

Elizabeth Millis was born circa 1830 in Manhattan, New York County, New York.¹

Elizabeth Millis, age 20, is recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth is single and living with her parents and siblings.²

Elizabeth Millis may have married George White circa 1852 probably in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. There is no direct evidence of this marriage. Two other public family trees at Ancestry.com identify an Elizabeth Keesling or an Elizabeth Hopper as the wife of a George White. This profile assumes that the Elizabeth White of the 1855 New York State Census of Oswego County, New York and subsequent census records was Elizabeth Millis. The estimated marriage date is based on the birth year (circa 1854) of their first child Homer White.³

George White was born circa 1827 in Otsego County, New York. In 1855 George is a boatman. In 1860 George is a farm laborer. George's parents have not been identified.^{4,5}

Elizabeth (Millis) White, age 25, was recorded in the 1855 New York State Census of Hastings, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her husband George White, age 28, and their son Homer, age 1. Also living in the household is a boarder Adeline Bickard, age 8.⁶

Elizabeth White, age 33, was recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of Schroepfel, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her husband George White, age 38, and their children Lawrence, age 3, and Martha, age 1.⁷

Elizabeth White, age 37, was recorded in the 1865 New York State Census of Schroepfel, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her husband George White, age 37, and their children Lawrence, age 8; Martha, age 6; Orin, age 3; and Orphy, age 2. George White was indicated to have been born in Massachusetts which conflicts with other census records. George's occupation was listed as "solder" (unknown meaning, perhaps "soldier" since this was the time of the Civil War).⁸

Elizabeth White, age 35, was recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of Schroepfel, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth was recorded as "Mary" by the census taker, an apparent error. Every other census record has her as "Elizabeth". Elizabeth's household consisted of her husband Goerge, age 38 Farmer, and children Lawrence, age 10; Martha, age 8; Orval, age 7; Jennie, age 6; and Mary, age 4.⁹

Elizabeth White, age 48, was recorded in the 1875 New York State Census of Schroepfel, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her husband George, age 48 Farmer, and children Lawrence, age 15; Martha, age 16; Orpha, age 12; and Jennie, age 9.¹⁰

Elizabeth White was listed in the 1875 Oswego New York City Directory living at 79 East Fifth Street. Elizabeth was identified as a "widow George", but George appeared in the 1880 U.S. Census. Perhaps there was more than one couple George and Elizabeth White in Oswego, however direct evidence is lacking. It is more likely that the directory reference was an error. The 1880 Census places Elizabeth and George White in the Town of Schroepfel, not the city of Oswego.¹¹

Elizabeth White, age 42, was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Schroepfel, Oswego County, New York. Elizabeth's household included her husband George, age 43 Farmer, and children Lawrence, age 23, and Jenny, age 13.¹²

Elizabeth's mother, Elizabeth Millis, died in 1895 and her obituary mentioned seven surviving children, including Mrs. E. White of Long Branch, Monmouth County, New Jersey.¹³ Elizabeth (the daughter) died after 1895.¹⁴ The exact date and place of Elizabeth's death, as well as her burial place, have not been identified. There was an Elizabeth H. White, born circa 1831, in Long Branch, New Jersey who died 18 April 1895. This conflicts however with the October 1895 obituary

of Elizabeth's mother. There were also two Elizabeth White deaths in Oswego, Oswego County, New York occurring on 20 July 1917 and 19 March 1922.^{15,16}

Elizabeth Millis and George White had seven children, at least three of which survived until adulthood.

- i. Homer White was born circa 1854 probably in Oswego County, New York. Homer died before 1860, also probably in Oswego. Homer was recorded in the 1855 New York State Census of Oswego, but not the 1860 U.S. Census of Oswego.^{17,18}
- ii. Lawrence White was born circa 1857 probably in Oswego County, New York. Lawrence married Julia T. (unidentified) circa 1884, place unknown. Lawrence White died 12 February 1924 in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. Lawrence was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Syracuse. Lawrence was recorded in the 1860, 1870, and 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego County, New York; 1900, 1910, and 1920 Onondaga County, New York; also the New York State Census for Oswego County 1865 and 1875.^{19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27}
- iii. Martha White was born 23 May 1859 probably in Oswego County, New York. Martha married Jesse Ward Spencer 8 March 1880 in Palermo, Oswego County, New York. Martha died 27 March 1891 in Penneville, Oswego County, New York. Martha's place of burial is unknown. Martha was recorded in the 1860, 1870, and 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego County, New York; also the New York State Census for Oswego County 1865 and 1875.^{28,29,30,31,32,33,34}
- iv. Orin White was born circa 1862, probably in Oswego County, New York. Orin died after 1865. Orin appears in the 1865 New York State Census of Oswego, but does not appear in the 1870 U.S. Census of Oswego.^{35,36}
- v. Orpha (aka Orval)(a female) was born circa 1863 probably in Oswego County, New York. Orpha died after 1875. Orpha appears in the 1865 and 1875 New York State Census of Oswego; the 1870 U.S. Census of Oswego, but not the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego.^{37,38,39,40}
- vi. Jennie White was born circa 1866 probably in Oswego County, New York. A Jennie White died 6 November 1887, presumably in Oswego. Jennie was buried at the Rural Cemetery in Oswego. This was likely the Jennie White, daughter of George and Elizabeth White, who appears in the 1870 and 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego County, and the 1875 New York State Census of Oswego County. It should be noted that a Jennie B. White married Roscoe B. Ottman 11 June 1902 in Minetto, Oswego County, New York.^{41,42,43,44,45,46}
- vii. Mary White was born circa 1868 probably in Oswego County, New York. Mary died after 1870 presumably in Oswego. Mary's place of burial is unknown. Mary appears in the 1870 U.S. Census of Oswego County, but not the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego County.^{47,48}

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