Individual Narrative of James⁸ Williamson [424] Son of Elizabeth⁷ Leverich [210] and John Williamson Husband of "Unknown"

James Williamson was born on 23 May 1803 at Westchester County, New York. 1,2

About 1808 Benjamin Leverich, James Williamson's maternal grandfather, with extended family removed from Westchester Co and settled in Guernsey Co, Ohio. John Williamson Sr's (father of James Williamson) 1873 obituary states that John and his family went to Guernsey County in 1805.^{3,4}

By 1817, John Williamson and much of the extended Leverich family had removed to Galion, Ohio where they were among the first settlers. Galion was then in Sandusky Township, Richland Co, now Polk Township, Crawford Co. At this time, John Leveredge (Leverich, brother of Elizabeth Leverich Williamson) was killed by a falling log while helping to raise the cabin of his brother-in-law John Williamson. Subsequently, John Williamson Sr. selected the ground for, and held the deed for the Galion Cemetery (aka Union Green Cemetery). John and his wife Elizabeth Leverich (parents of James Williamson) were probably buried there, although a documentary record has not been found to support this.⁵

James Williamson married an unidentified spouse circa 1828 most likely in Marion County, Ohio. James' first child Elizabeth was born circa 1829 as per the 1850 U.S. Census of James' father John Williamson, Sr. in Tully Township, Marion Co, Ohio.⁶

James Williamson was included in the 1832 Ohio Tax List for Tully Townshi8p, Marion County, Ohio.7

James Williamson died between 1833 and 1840 probably in Marion Co. James' youngest child (Celia) was born circa 1833, as per the 1850 Census for her grandfather John Williamson, Sr. James is not found in the 1840 U.S. Census, but the census tallies for his father John in the 1840 U.S. Census of Tully Township, Marion Co, Ohio account for three children, likely James' children. A burial place has not been determined for James Williamson, but possibly was the Galion, Ohio Cemetery (aka Union Green Cemetery). James Williamson may have died from the cholera epidemic that reached Ohio circa 1832.8,9,10

John Williamson Sr and his wife Elizabeth Leverich, ages 70 and 71, were recorded in the 1850 U. S. Census of Tully Township, Marion County, Ohio. John and Elizabeth's household included four grandchildren: three granddaughters (children of son James Williamson) and one grandson (child of son David B. Williamson): Elizabeth Williamson, age 21; Jane Williamson, age 19; Celia Williamson, age 17; and John Williamson, age 10.11

- i. Elizabeth Williamson was born circa 1829 in Tully Township, Marion County, Ohio. Elizabeth married Samuel Baker 13 November 1851 in Marion County. No further information regarding Elizabeth has been found. 12,13
- ii. Jane Williamson was born circa 1831 in Tully Township, Marion County, Ohio. No further information regarding Jane has been found.¹⁴
- iii. Celia Williamson was born circa 1833 in Tully Township, Marion County, Ohio. A Celina Williamson married John L. Carl 24 December 1857 in Marion County. It is not certain that Celia and Celina were the same person. No further information regarding Celia has been found.

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