

Individual Narrative of Fanny⁸ H. Leverich [282]
Daughter of William⁷ Edward Leverich [137] and Fanny Hampton Inskeep
Wife of Benjamin Franklin Eshleman

Fanny H. Leverich was born on 19 July 1846 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.^{1,2}

Fanny H. Leverich, age 4, was recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Her household included her parents William E. and Taney Leverich, ages 53 and 37 respectively; and siblings Charles E., age 16; Abraham I., age 14; Henry Leverich, age 2; and William E., age 0.³

Fanny H. Leverich, age 13, was recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Ward 3, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Her household included her parents Wm E and Fanny Leverich, ages 62 and 47 respectively; and siblings Charles E, age 26; Abraham, age 22; Henry, age 12; William E., age 11, and Eliza, age 7.⁴

Fanny H. Leverich married Benjamin Franklin Eshleman on 22 December 1868 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.⁵

Benjamin Franklin Eshleman was born 9 March 1830 in Strausburg, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Benjamin Brackbill Eshleman and Mary Elizabeth Stauffer. He remained on his family's farm until he turned age 16, then moved to New Orleans to work in his uncle Isaac Stauffer's hardware business. When the civil war began in 1861, Benjamin enlisted as a private in the Battalion Washington Artillery of the Confederate Army. He was rapidly promoted, and by the end of the war was a Luit. Colonel.^{6,7,8}

Fanny H. Eshleman, age 23, was recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Ward 3, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. However, despite the 1868 marriage date, she is living in her parents' household with her surname given as Leverich. Benjamin F. Eshleman, presumably her husband, is not listed in the household, nor is he found elsewhere in the 1870 Census. Yet their first child Marie Elizabeth Eshleman was born in February 1870.⁹

Benjamin F. Eshleman was listed in the 1875 New Orleans City Directory, employed by Stauffer, Macready & Co., residing at Prytania, corner of Sixth street.¹⁰

Fanny H. Eshleman, age 34, was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, residing at 558 Prytania. The household included her husband B. F. Eshleman, age 50; and their children M. Elizabeth, age 7; Benj F., age 5; Sidney, age 2; and Charles age 1/12.¹¹

Benjamin F. Eshleman was listed in the 1885 New Orleans City Directory, Stauffer, Macready & Co., residing at 226 Prytania.¹²

Benjamin F. Eshleman was listed in the 1890 New Orleans City Directory, Stauffer, Macready & Co at 71 Canal Street, residing at 210 Third Street.¹³

Benjamin F. Eshleman was listed in the 1895 New Orleans City Directory, Stauffer, Eshleman & Co at 513 Canal Street, residing at 1138 Third Street.¹⁴

Fanny H. L. Eshleman, age 53, was recorded in the 1900 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Ward 11, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Her household included Benjamin Eshleman, age 70; her children Sidney, age 22; Charles, age 20; Marie, age 16; and Isaac, age 15.¹⁵

Benjamin F. Eshleman was listed in the 1905 New Orleans City Directory, Vice President and General Manager of Stauffer, Leverich & Co at 511 Canal, residing at 1138 Third Street.¹⁶

Benjamin Franklin Eshleman died 7 July 1909 at Narragansett Pier, Washington County, Rhode Island. He had relocated there for health reasons. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans.^{17,18,19}



Fanny H. Eshleman, age 63, widow and head of household, was recorded in the 1910 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Ward 11, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Her household included children Charles, age 29; Marie, age 26; Isaac, age 25. Also sister Elsie Leverich, age 59; and grandchildren Craig, i.e. Fanny, age 13; Robert, age 11; Elizabeth, age 7; and Emily, age 5.²⁰

Fanny Eshleman was listed in the 1915 New Orleans City Directory residing at 1138 Third Street.²¹

Fanny Eshleman, age 74, head of household, was recorded in the 1920 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Ward 11, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Her household included her daughter Marie Eshleman, age 37 and her daughter Fannie Craig, age 34, and Fannie's Craig children Fannie, age 22; Robert, age 21; Elizabeth, age 17; and Emelia, age 16.²²

Fanny Hampton Leverich Eshleman died on 8 September 1926 at New Orleans, Orleans, Louisiana, at age 80. She was buried at the Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans.^{23,24}

Fanny Hampton Leverich and Benjamin Franklin Eshleman had eight children, six of whom survived to adulthood.²⁵



- i. Maria Elizabeth Eshleman was born 8 February 1870 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Elizabeth married John Wesley Castles 14 May 1891 in New Orleans. Elizabeth died 17 May 1954 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. She was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx, New York County, New York. Maria Elizabeth Eshleman was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana; 1910 Morristown Ward 4, Morris County, New Jersey; 1930 and 1940 Morris, Morris County, New Jersey.^{26,27,28,29,30}
- ii. William Leverich Eshleman was born 25 September 1871 and died as an infant 29 January 1872 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans.^{31,32}
- iii. Benjamin Franklin Eshleman Jr was born 4 September 1873 and died as a child age 7 on 10 October 1880 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans.^{33,34}
- iv. Fanny Leverich Eshleman was born 9 June 1875 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Fanny married Fountain Barksdale Craig 5 February 1896 in New Orleans. Fanny died 29 December 1969 in New Orleans. She was buried in Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. Fanny was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of New Orleans; 1900 Yazoo Ward 2, Yazoo County, Mississippi; 1910, 1920, 1940, and 1950 in New Orleans.^{35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42}
- v. Sidney St. John Eshleman was born 6 December 1877 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Sidney married Marie Corinne Augustin 22 December 1903 at New Orleans. Sidney died 29 December 1969 at New Orleans. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. Sidney was recorded in the U.S. Census 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, and 1940, all in New Orleans.^{43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50}

- vi. Charles Leverich Eshleman, MD was born 18 May 1880 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Charles married Anais Legendre 15 June 1915 in New Orleans. Charles died 6 June 1976 in New Orleans. He was buried in Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. Charles was recorded in the U.S. Census 1880, 1900, 1910, 1930, 1940, and 1950, all in New Orleans.^{51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58}
- vii. Marie Celeste Eshleman was born 23 September 1883 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Celeste was never married. Celeste died 27 July 1976 in New Orleans. Celeste was recorded in the U.S. Census 1900, 1910, 1920, 1940, and 1950 all in New Orleans.^{59,60,61,62,63,64,65} |
- viii. Isaac Stauffer Eshleman was born 10 January 1885 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. Isaac married Julia Hayden Richardson 27 December 1913 in New Orleans. Isaac died 2 February 1974 in St. Petersburg, Florida. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. Isaac was recorded in the U.S. Census, 1900 and 1910 New Orleans; 1920 Eastchester, Westchester County, New York; 1930 and 1940 Scarsdale, Westchester County, New York.^{66,67,68,69,70,71,72}

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