

WILLOUGHBY GENEALOGY—

WE HAVE COUSINS

Our Patriarch William Willoughby was born about 1790 to 1800 in North Carolina. He moved to Smith County Tennessee and is enumerated there in 1820 and 1830 census data. His name is spelled Willoby. Also in Smith County Tennessee in the 1820 census was a widow, Sarah Wiloby, and her family which included two boys. We believe that these boys are the Isaac Willoby who appears in the 1830, 1840 and 1850 Smith County Tennessee census and his brother, Andrew Willoby' who is found in the 1840 and 1850 Smith County Tennessee census.

DNA TESTING

A Willoughby cousin descended from William Willoughby donated a DNA sample and initial tests were completed in August. A match was found with a descendant of Andrew Willoby which firmly establishes and confirms that we are closely related to the descendants of Andrew and Isaac Willoby. They could be our William's brothers or first cousins. In either case we have hundreds of new cousins.

Tests are planned to see if a DNA link exists between the Willoby lines in Smith County Tennessee and the Willoby lines in Jackson County Tennessee. This huge Willoby line traces to Isaac Willoby who was born in 1750 in North Carolina and died in 1850 at age 100.

DNA has also found a connection to the descendants of Benjamin Willoughby from Yorkshire, England who arrived in the United States about 1880. This appears to be a more distant cousin line.

William Willoughby moved to Illinois after 1835 and was enumerated in the Jefferson County IL 1840 Census. He died March 3, 1843. His wife Rebecca and son in law David Bullock were the administrators of his estate. Rebecca was probably his second wife as she was under 30 in 1840 and there were children in the household 15 to 20 years old. Williams's first wife is unknown as are his parents. His first wife is probably our direct line. The Willoughby family intermarried with the Morgan, Bullock, Nelson and other families of Illinois and there are hundreds of known descendants, all "cousins".



(above) John R "Ned" Willoughby and Nora Willoughby Morgan. Nora married Thomas Jefferson Morgan. John married Dora Modglin. They were children of John Riley Willoughby and Margaret Ingram. (Neal and Annette Clement Morgan album)

John R "Ned" Willibey and Grandson, Clinton, IL July 1941 Jean Morgan Vineyard Album (left)

DNA markers for our Willoughby DNA project confirm our Y-Chromosome Haplogroup is I2b1 which is a relatively uncommon haplogroup. This genetic trace appears in about 4 per cent of Scot, Irish, English, Celtic, and Southeastern Europe populations but is over 10 per cent in Lower Saxony. Haplogroup I2b1 may be found in Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, England (not including Wales or Cornwall), Scotland, and the southern tips of Sweden and Norway in Northwest Europe; the provinces of Normandy, Maine, Anjou, and Perche in northwestern France; the province of Provence in southeastern France; the regions of Tuscany, Umbria, and Latium in Italy; and Moldavia and the area around Russia's Ryazan Oblast and Republic of Moravia in Eastern Europe.



MYSTERY PHOTO: (below)

The second man from the left is John R. "Ned" Willoughby. On his left is sister Nora Willoughby Morgan. Who are the others?



Nora Willoughby Morgan married to Thomas Jefferson Morgan is on the left (wearing glasses). She is the mother of Ray Morgan, grandmother of Carl Ross Morgan, and great grandmother of Neal Morgan and his brothers. Maude Morgan is the sister of Ray Morgan and daughter of Nora and Thomas Jefferson Morgan. Aunt Jean (Lenora Jean Morgan Vineyard) says Maude is the wife of Willard Reynolds and the mother of Clifford Reynolds. (above, from Aunt Jean's Album)

**Note - according to 1930 census records, Maude was married to Samuel R. Smith as of 1930 and Clifford was 14 years old, Nora was 56 and living with Sam, Maude and Clifford. (Photo taken November 1930 near Clinton)



Horses and Wagon on Ned's farm, Clinton, IL 1941

(Right, L. to R. Fred Morgan, Nora Willoughby Morgan, Fern Morgan Hammond, Earl Hammond)

Fern and Fred are sister and brother to Ray Morgan and Maude Morgan Reynolds

(From Aunt Jean's Album: courtesy, Neal and Annette Morgan.) Lenora Jean Morgan Vineyard is the granddaughter of Nora Willoughby Morgan. Nora married Thomas Jefferson Morgan. Nora was the granddaughter of Nathan Riley Willoughby and the great granddaughter of William Willoughby. Thomas Jefferson Morgan was the grandson of "Ally" Eleanor Willoughby and was also the great grandson of William Willoughby. They were "kissing cousins".

