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Introduction



Many of our readers are not genealogists, hence we have tried to balance this publication with both readable articles and genealogies. Naturally, since the purpose of the TULLIS TRACER is to document the family history, we have little recourse but to lean a little toward the genealogical side. We would like to publish more articles like "A TULLIS TEXAN", and "JOEL TULLIS PIONEER" but, unfortunately, this type of article is difficult to come by. If any of our readers would like to write an article on an interesting Tullis ancestor, we would be delighted to receive them. We have only a few biographical articles that are verified that we can publish. The guidelines are simple, the article should be under two-thousand words, the individual should pre-date 1900 and MUST be a TULLIS. We particularly would like to publish articles on the Revolutionary War service of our Tullis ancestors during this Bicentennial year. Therefore, articles on our Tullis "Revs" are most welcome.

As explained above, many of our readers are not genealogists. Accordingly, they may or may not be familiar with the standard abbreviations used in genealogy. For their benefit, we have listed below the abbreviations used in this publication:

b.	- born	Co.	- county
d.	- died	twp.	- township
bur.	- buried	Dau.	- daughter
bapt.	- baptized	s.	- son
m.	- married (also = on charts)	gt.	- Great (as in Great-Grandfather)
w.	- where	A/K/A	- "also known as"
D.A.R.	- Daughters of the American Revolution		
S/R	- Sons of the Revolution		
S.A.R.	- Sons of the American Revolution		
"Rev"	- Revolutionary War Veteran (as in contemporary "Vet.")		

Additionally, when we publish Bible records, in order to conserve space, we delete the traditional biblical phraseology, i.e. "in the year of our Lord, 1976 and in the month of May, etc." Accordingly, the Bible records contained in this publication are not true transcripts.

Donald and Linda (Tullis) Moran

A Tullis Line

JOHN TULLIS

b. 28 July 1799 - Ohio
 m. 30 Sept. 1824 - Ross Co.,
 Ohio
 d. 04 Jan. 1825 - Ross Co.,
 Ohio

SAMUEL PURDUM

b. 10 Sept. 1801 - Maryland
 m. ca. 1843 - McDonough Co. Ill.
 d. 22 Aug. 1878 - Schuyler Co.
 Illinois

FRANCIS MARION MONTEE

b. 25 June 1841 - Crawford Co.,
 Ohio
 m. 18 Aug. 1861 - McDonough
 Co., Ill.
 d. 04 June 1925 - Pittsburg,
 Kansas

JAMES EDWARD MONROE BILES

b. 19 Feb. 1855 - Stanly Co.
 North Carolina
 m. 23 Feb. 1882 - Girard, Kan.
 d. 25 Oct. 1942 - St. Louis, Mo.

LEROY HENRY TEMME

b. 27 Sept. 1909 - St. Louis, Mo.
 m. 23 Feb. 1934 - St. Louis, Mo.

HOWARD HUGHES McGEE, Jr.

b. 17 Jan. 1936 - St. Louis, Mo.
 m. 12 Aug. 1962 - St. Louis, Mo.

LAUREL LEIGH McGEE

b. 08 June 1969 - St.
 Louis, Mo.

= REBECCA DOLL

b. 25 Jan. 1803 - Ohio
 d. 28 Apr. 1842 - McDonough
 Co., Illinois

= ELIZABETH ANN TULLIS

b. 15 Aug. 1825 - Ross Co. Ohio
 d. 15 Sept. 1912 - Pittsburg,
 Kansas

= MARY EMMILINE PURDUM

b. 06 Feb. 1844 - McDonough
 Co., Illinois
 d. 08 Nov. 1827 - Pittsburg,
 Kansas

= EMMA HARRIER MONTEE

b. 03 Dec. 1863 - McDonough
 Co., Illinois
 d. 21 Oct. 1946 - Goldwater,
 Kansas

= FERNE MARION BILES

b. 23 Feb. 1906 - Uniontown, Kan.
 d. 17 July 1972 - Florissant, Mo.

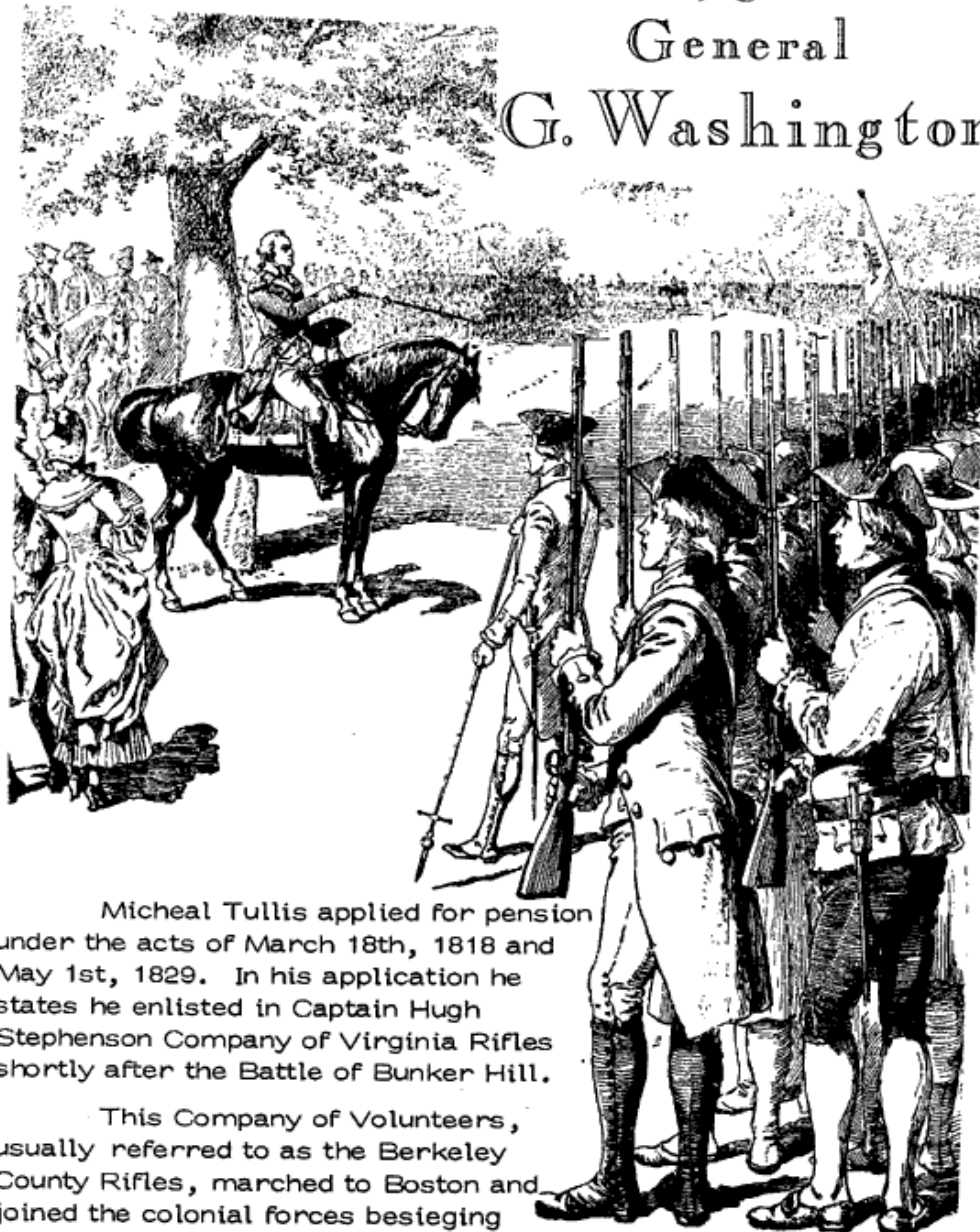
= LEIGH FERNE TEMME

b. 08 June 1935 - St. Louis, Mo.

STEVEN MICHAEL McGEE

b. 14 Mar. 1974 - St.
 Louis, Mo.

Micheal Tullis - bodyguard to General G. Washington



Micheal Tullis applied for pension under the acts of March 18th, 1818 and May 1st, 1829. In his application he states he enlisted in Captain Hugh Stephenson Company of Virginia Rifles shortly after the Battle of Bunker Hill.

This Company of Volunteers, usually referred to as the Berkeley County Rifles, marched to Boston and joined the colonial forces besieging

that city. There is no record of what his Company did while at Boston, but it appears that Micheal was still there when the Army was re-organized and General George Washington assumed command. His Company became part of the 8th Virginia Regiment, under Colonel William Dark, and Micheal served in Captain Daniel Culp's Company. He had re-enlisted in 1776 for a period of three years.

During the last year of his service he was a member of Capt. Livingston's famed LIFE GUARDS, assigned to protect General George Washington. He served in the battles of Staten Island, Brandywine, and Germantown. During this service he broke his arm, but no details nor the date of the incident have been found.

Micheal Tullis was granted a pension on certificate number 19-832 and was paid at the Indiana Agency and later transferred to the Cincinnati, Ohio agency. His widow, Elizabeth Jones Tullis, was also allowed pension on certificate 602 issued under the act of February 2nd, 1848 and was paid at the Indiana Agency and transferred to the District of Columbia Agency.

Micheal and Elizabeth were married in 1791 in Virginia, their banns being announced on June 24th of that year. They had eighteen children according to a statement made by Micheal in September of 1827. Of their 18 children, we have identified twelve, and they appear below.

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| 1. Moses Tullis | b. 22 June 1792 | = died 1805 |
| 2. Thomas B. Tullis | b. 26 July 1794 | = Amy Hatfield |
| 3. Samuel Tullis | b. 20 Mar. 1796 | = Huldah Mack |
| 4. Jonathan Tullis | d. 22 Mar. 1798 | = Leah Carson |
| 5. David J. Tullis | b. 09 Feb. 1800 | = Mary Goble (?) |
| 6. Isaac Tullis | b. 15 Apr. 1802 | = |
| 7. Aaron Tullis | b. 11 Oct. 1804 | = Mary Jane Bayless |
| 8. Mary Tullis | b. 22 June 1807 | = Joseph Burch |
| 9. Margaret Tullis | b. ca. 1809 | = Ellison Harkrader |
| 10. Nancy Tullis | b. ca. 1812 | = |
| 11. Mariah Tullis | b. ca. 1814 | = Alyrad C. Chamberland |
| 12. Moses Tullis | b. ca. 1817 | = Rebecca Clough |

Micheal Tullis died on March 2nd, 1832 in Franklin County, Indiana. It appeared that he had lived there for twelve years. His wife, Elizabeth Jones Tullis, was still living there on August 17th, 1852, when she gave her age as 80 years.

the
Corbin Tullis Family of
Pioneers

By: RICHARD C. HANSEN



any pioneers settled and opened western Ohio during the 1810's and 1820's and in 1820 the County of Mercer was formed in the westernmost tier of counties. Two of these prominent pioneer families were united by the marriage of Corbin Tullis and Frances (Fanny) Roebuck on May 14th, 1835. By the 1840 census they had two children under five: Mary Elizabeth Tullis, who was born on July 17th, 1839, and her brother, Leonard Benjamin Gurley Tullis, who was born three years earlier in 1836.

This Tullis family was religiously inspired by Frances who was a very devout woman. Her father, Benjamin Roebuck, had hosted the Methodist Circuit Ministers at his farm as they came to preach. One of these ministers was Leonard B. Gurley, for whom Frances' son was named.

After her husband died in 1840, Frances is said to have gone to the cemetery often and would fall, weeping, upon his grave. On November 6th, 1847, seven years after becoming a widow, she re-married to William Cain of Virginia, who had been a laborer on her father's farm for about a year.

Leonard Benjamin Gurley Tullis, known to all the family as "Gurley" Tullis, married Anna Bolton on February 22, 1857. (He had to obtain guardian consent as he was under 21 years of age.) Leonard and his wife settled on 25 acres in Section 34 of Union township in Mercer County, Ohio. He and Anna had three children: Mary Frances Tullis, born 28 August, 1859, Mark Tullis, born 2 February, 1861, and Joshua Leonard Tullis, born 26 January 1864. Family tradition says that about two months before Joshua was born, Leonard Tullis went to war, and his wife stayed with her parents at Neptune, Ohio.

The records of the United States Army Quartermaster's Office state that Leonard was hired by the Army at Camp Nelson, Kentucky as a teamster on December 1st, 1863. One month later,

December 31st, 1863, Leonard was captured by Confederates. Between the time of his being hired and the date of his capture, he must have written home as Anna received a letter asked that the coming child (Joshua), if a boy, be named Joshua Leonard Tullis, which he was.

After his capture, Leonard was shipped to the infamous prison camp at Andersonville, Georgia. There he died of "Bad Treatment" on June 1st, 1864 and his grave can be seen as Number 1531 at the Andersonville Georgia National Monument.



Andersonville Prison

Anna applied for a pension on October 20th, 1866 but it was denied because her husband had not been a soldier. She then remarried to John Wesley Merrill on March 7th, 1867. Her father-in-law Richard Merrill apparently became guardian to the children as he petitioned for the sale of his wards' property; 21 acres appraised at \$500.00. This petition was in court from 13 February to 7 March 1871 when final sale was approved. Shortly after this, both the Merrills and Tullises migrated to Kansas.

They settled on the Blue River, eight miles upstream from Manhattan, Kansas. There Anna died on January 14th, 1875 after bearing four children for her second husband. On November 22nd, 1879, J.W. Hall, guardian to the Tullis children, made application on their behalf for their father's service pension. This was also rejected on April 10th, 1880 on the grounds that "Tullis was a citizen employee and not a soldier nor a temporary volunteer in the military service of the U.S. at the time of his capture by the rebels in whose hands he subsequently died; the law making no provisions for such class of cases."

In 1874 Mary Frances Tullis had been sent by her mother to her Grandmother, Frances (Roebuck) Tullis Cain, in Celina, Ohio, where she was in 1880 and where she subsequently married. Mark and Joshua farmed around Manhattan, Kansas and eventually married in that area; Joshua on 29 April 1886 and Mark on November 28th, 1894. Both these men became prominent and active in their communities and represented the calibre of pioneers evident in the Tullis family.



THE JOSHUA LEONARD TULLIS FAMILY

(taken about 1908)

(back row, left to right) Anna, Cora and Mary

(front row, left to right) Pearl, Frances, Leonard, Verbina, Nellie.

Descendants of Corbin Tullis

By: RICHARD C. HANSEN

1. CORBIN TULLIS

According to the 1840 Federal Census, he was born between 1810 and 1820. Circumstantial evidence points to Amos and Mary (Epperson) Tullis as his parents. If this is correct, then Corbin Tullis was born between 1815 and 1820. He married Miss FRANCES ROEBUCK (the daughter of Benjamin Roebuck) on May 12th, 1835 in Mercer County, Ohio. He died in the summer of 1840. Frances remarried to William Cain on November 6th, 1847.

Children:

2. Leonard Benjamin Gurley Tullis b. 1836
3. Mary Elizabeth Tullis b. 17 July, 1839

2. LEONARD BENJAMIN GURLEY TULLIS

He was born in 1836 according to the Federal Census records, and married on February 22nd, 1857 to ANNA BOLTON at Celina, Ohio. He died as a prisoner of war at Andersonville Prison, Georgia. His story is told in the preceding text. Anna was born in 1840 and died on January 14th, 1875 at Riley, Kansas. She married John Wesley Merrill in 1867.

Children:

4. Mary Frances Tullis b. 28 Aug. 1859 - Celina, Ohio. Married Valentine Grim and had two children:
 7. Lacey Grim b. ca. 1883 (had four sons)
 8. Cora Grim b. ca. 1888
5. Mark Tellis b. 01 Feb. 1861 - Celina, Ohio. Married 8 Nov. 1894 at Manhattan, Kansas to Mary J. Quinn and had 4 children:
 9. David Tellis b. ca. 1898 - Keats, Kan. - no children.
 10. Maud Tellis b. ? - Keats, Kan. She married a Mr. Raether and had two sons and three daughters.
 11. Forrest Tellis b. 28 Aug. 1903 - Keats, Kan. and d. 30 Sept. 1906 at Keats.
 12. Dewey Tellis b. and d. at Keats, Kan.

6. Joshua Leonard Tellis b. 26 Jan. 1864, Neptune, Ohio.

6. JOSHUA LEONARD TELLIS

His story is also told in the text of the preceding article, and a photograph of him and his family is included. As a point of interest, owing to the youthful death of both his parents, he and his brother were not aware of the correct spelling of TULLIS and used TELLIS. Joshua married VERBINA FREEZMAN on April 29th, 1886 at Manhattan, Kansas. She was born on April 10th, 1867 at Weener, Germany and died on February 2, 1950 at Topeka, Kansas. He died on March 18th, 1948, also at Topeka.

Children:

13. ANNA MARTHA TELLIS, b. 18 Mar. 1888 - Sedalia, Kan.
d. 20 May 1974 at Topeka, Kan. She married CARLOS
CROWL and bore him three children:

- 19. Mable Crowl b. 18 March 1909, married Thelmer
Downing in 1929 but had no children.
- 20. Frank Crowl b. 29 July 1911, married and had one
daughter.
- 21. Emily Crowl b. 1913, married Eddie Deal and had
four children:
 - 37. Darlene Deal
 - 38. Charlotte Deal
 - 39. Frank Carl Deal
 - 40. Robert Deal

14. MARY LENA TELLIS b. 24 Feb. 1890 - Sedalia, Kan.
Married PERRY FRANKLIN NELSON on Feb. 14th, 1912
at Manhattan, Kansas. He was b. 1888 and d. 1968. She
bore him five children:

- 22. Ruth Geraldine Nelson b. 17 July 1913, married
Clarence Noland (b. 19 Aug. 1911) and bore him
one son.
- 41. John Clair Noland (b. 13 Apr. 1943, married
15 Aug. 1965 to Jean Dallas).
- 23. Marian Evelyn Nelson, b. 29 Nov. 1916, married
17 Aug. 1938 to Wesley Carl Nauerth.

42. Janet Elaine Nauerth b. 30 June, 1942, married Stanley Allen Moberly. They have one son:
 59. Michael Allen Moberly b. 5 Aug. 1968.
43. Roger Lynn Nauerth, b. 4 Mar. 1947, married Donita Jean Ford, they have two children:
 60. Jill Lynn Nauerth, b. 12 June 1968
 61. Joel Travis Nauerth, b. 8 Mar. 1970
24. Dwight Franklin Nelson, b. 28 Mar. 1919, married 12 Dec. 1942 to Lavina June Kern (b. 13 June 1922) and she bore him four children:
 44. Mary Jane Nelson, b. 28 Mar. 1947
 45. Carolyn Ann Nelson, b. 10 Feb. 1950
 46. Pamela Kay Nelson, b. 10 Dec. 1951
 47. David Dwight Nelson, b. 14 Jan. 1954.
25. Alice Maxine Nelson, b. 30 Dec. 1920, married 1 March 1942 to Paul Stadel, Jr. She bore him 3 children before she died on 28 Jan. 1969.
 48. Carol Sue Stadel, b. 28 Mar. 1944, married 9 Aug. 1964 to Dwight Alan Benninga. They have three children:
 62. Carmen Sue Benninga, b. 6 Nov. 1966
 63. Alan Eric Benninga, b. 5 Aug. 1969
 64. Paula Ranae Benninga, b. 21 Aug. 1974
 49. Paul Reginald Stadel, b. 5 May 1952, married 2 Sept. 1972 to Wendy Walter (b. 4 July 1952).
 50. Cynthia Jane Stadel, b. 11 Aug. 1955.
26. Harold Lyle Nelson, b. 7 Oct. 1923, married 19 Aug. 1958 to Kathryn Ann Vandahl. They have 3 children:
 51. Mark Lyle Nelson, b. 24 Nov. 1962
 52. Kent Harold Nelson, b. 12 Oct. 1964
 53. Kathleen Ann Nelson, b. 5 Oct. 1966
15. CORA ETTA TELLIS, b. 2 May 1892 - Sedalia, Kansas. Married RALEIGH TRENT and bore him four children:
 27. Edna Trent

- 28. Bulah Trent
 - 29. Helen Trent
 - 30. Virgil Trent
16. NELLIE BELLE TELLIS, b. 8 Jan. 1895 - Sedalia, Kan. She married 3 Mar. 1914 at Manhattan, Kan. to ARTHUR EDWIN OLSON (b. 19 June 1893 - Garrison, Kan.) She bore him three children:
- 31. Glenn Chester Olson, b. 5 Jan. 1915, married on 24 Mar. 1940 to Ruth Chappell (b. 1 Jan. 1915) They have two children:
 - 54. Gregory Glenn Olson, b. 31 July 1944 - Wichita, married Janiece Edigar and have one daughter:
 - 65. Valerie Gayle Olson, b. 30 Aug. 1973.
 - 55. Cathye Sue Olson, b. 5 Mar. 1947 - Wichita.
 - 32. Nona Margaret Olson, b. 20 Feb. 1917 - Keats, Kan. Married 11 Mar. 1940 at Salina, Kan. to James Albert Ferguson (b. 18 Aug. 1916) They have one daughter:
 - 56. Patricia Ann Ferguson, b. 25 July 1940 - Fort Morgan, Col., married 30 Aug. 1961 - Salt Lake City to Joseph Vincent Cabibi (b. 11 July 1935) They have two children:
 - 66. Paul Joseph Cabibi, b. 7 Mar. 1963
 - 67. Julie Christine Cabibi, b. 5 June 1965.
 - 33. Dorothy Laverne Olson, b. 2 Jan. 1921 - Keats, Kansas. Married George Donald Hansen and had one son:
 - 57. Richard Charles Hansen, b. 10 Mar. 1954 - Ogden, Utah. (Editor's note: Richard compiled this extensive genealogy, and has been most helpful to us in this project.)
17. PEARL EMMA TELLIS, b. 2 Nov. 1900 - Sedalia, Kan. She married on 19 Dec. 1927 at Manhattan, Kan. to JAMES MOYCE who was born 4 Dec. 1898 at Cupar, Fife, Scotland and died 21 Mar. 1975. She died 19 Dec. 1947 at Missoula, Mt. They had one son:

34. James Leonard Moyce, b. 27 Dec. 1933 - Missoula, Mt. He married on 4 Oct. 1962 at Salt Lake City, Utah to Cleo Lambert (b. 13 April 1944) and they have one daughter;
58. Menissa Moyce, b. 30 July 1965 - Salt Lake City, Utah.
18. FRANCES LUCILLE TELLIS, b. 8 June 1907 - Sedalia, Kansas. She married RENICK H. WILSON (1906-1973) and had two children:
35. Leona Wilson, b. 15 June 1932 - Topeka, Kansas
36. Daniel Wilson, b. 31 May 1947 - Topeka, Kansas

Our special thanks to Richard C. Hansen (no. 57 above) for this effort. We find that it is of particular interest because of the spelling variance of Tullis, and it is a graphic illustration of a surname dying out. Above are shown 66 descendants of Corbin Tullis, yet not one of his known great grandchildren bears his surname.

The Editors

A Thought From The Past

"People will not look forward to their posterity, who will not look back to their ancestors."

Edmund Burke
1729-1797



A Tullis Bible Record

This Bible record was submitted by Mr. C. OWE ↗ TULLIS
and they have advised us that the Bible had belonged to John Tullis.

JOHN TULLIS	b. 27 Sept. 1762
ELEANOR TULLIS	b. 27 Jan. 1783
ARTHUR C. TULLIS	b. 26 Apr. 1803 m. 21 Apr. 1825
MOSES TULLIS	b. 22 Jan. 1802 m. 08 Mar. 1829
JONAH TULLIS	b. 03 Feb. 1804
NANCY TULLIS	b. 23 Jan. 1808
ELIZABETH TULLIS	b. 23 Feb. 1818
JOHN TULLIS	b. 28 Apr. 1812
ELEANOR TULLIS	b. 04 Mar. 1814
CATHERINE TULLIS	b. 02 Dec. 1816
MARY TULLIS	b. 17 Oct. 1819
DAVID D. TULLIS	b. 04 Dec. 1822
JOHN TULLIS	d. 29 Aug. 1855
MOSES TULLIS and SUSANAH MURDOCK were	m. 08 Mar. 1929
MOSES TULLIS	b. 22 Jan. 1802
SUSANAH, wife of Moses	b. 21 Dec. 1808
ELEANOR, first born of Moses and Susanah	b. 17 Dec. 1829
REBECCA JANE TULLIS	b. 07 Nov. 1831
CATHERINE TULLIS	b. 10 Feb. 1838
AMANDA TULLIS	b. 23 Nov. 1835
JOHN M. TULLIS	b. 20 Jan. 1843
WILLIAM T. MURDOCK	b. 18 Sept. 1811

SARAH MURDOCK	b. 16 Aug. 1811
R. or B.P. WILLIAMSON	b. 01 Apr. 1816
MOSES TULLIS	d. 03 Sept. 1873
ALLIE S. TULLIS	d. 12 June 1883

Marriages of Moses and Susanah Tullis Family

ELEANOR TULLIS and SAMPSON HUSTON	m. 30 Jan. 1848
B.P. WILLIAMSON and ELLEN NORTON	m. 22 Oct. 1859
J.M. TULLIS and ELIZZIE DUKES	m. 23 Nov. 1873
JOHN W. JOHNSON	b. 16 July 1841
CHARLES S. JOHNSON	b. 15 Mar. 1843
JOHN TULLIS, the husband of ELEANOR TULLIS	d. 14 Mar. 1840
CATHERINE MONTGOMERY, dau. of JOHN and ELEANOR TULLIS	d. 06 Mar. 1845
ELEANOR TULLIS, the wife of JOHN TULLIS	d. 15 Mar. 1851
NANCY TULLIS, the wife of EZEKIEL BRADBURY	d. 05 Apr. 1872
EZEKIEL BRADBURY, the husband of NANCY TULLIS	d. 04 Apr. 1872
ELIZABETH TULLIS, the wife of JAMES McCULLOUGH	d. 30 July 1878
RALPH SLEETH	b. 08 Mar. 1815
MARY SLEETH	b. 11 Oct. 1819
RALPH SLEETH and MARY TULLIS	m. 04 Nov. 1831
EZEKIEL B. SLEETH	b. 31 July 1839
LEANDER B. SLEETH	b. 25 Mar. 1843
MARGARET E. SLEETH	b. 19 June 1849
EZEKIEL BRADBURY and NANCY TULLIS	m. 02 June 1825