

## Descendants of John William \* COWDEN

### Generation No. 1

1. JOHN WILLIAM \*<sup>1</sup> COWDEN was born 1778 in Usually seen only as Wm. Cowden, and died September 15, 1863 in Sullivan Co. IN. He married (1) MARY \* (TRIMBLE) COWDEN December 17, 1802 in Fayette Co, KY; this is Wm's 1st wife, daughter of JAMES \* (1) TRIMBLE. He married (2) REBECCA RICHEY November 12, 1815 in Knox Co, IN; this is his 2nd wife.

Notes for JOHN WILLIAM \* COWDEN:

It is likely that the last 5 children listed here are from his 2nd wife. We are pretty sure that his 1st wife, Mary Trimble died 1814 or 1815.

The Indiana 1860 census shows 2 Cowden men: John pg.772 and Wm. pg.793 both in Jefferson Co. I suspect John is the son of Wm.?

I received an email via another party who copied materials from Lancaster Co., PA will abstracts which shows a Matthew COWDEN drew up a will between Oct.1782-July 1783 which showed he had a wife, Martha (or Matha?), children: Wm., Margaret, John, James, Mary, Elizabeth, Rebecca & Benjamin. No ages of children are shown, but Donn Neal believes that one of these male children are almost certainly the Father of our John William COWDEN, making Matthew, J.W.'s GrandFather.

Children of JOHN COWDEN and MARY COWDEN are:

2. i. ELIZABETH \* (COWDEN)<sup>2</sup> NEAL, b. November 6, 1806, KY; They are on the 1850 Sullivan Co. Cen.; d. April 28, 1851, Sullivan Co.Neal-Paxton Cem.(Poss. 4-23-51).
3. ii. ELEANOR (COWDEN) SIMPSON-OSBURN, b. Abt. 1803, or Possibly named Ellen; d. 1st Husband John Simpson; 2nd John Osburn.
- iii. HENRIETTA ANN (COWDEN) BOOKER, b. June 1, 1808, KY; d. Aft. 1867, from the will of Wm. Cowden (Brenda Brewer, m. JACOB BOOKER).
4. iv. MARTHA ANN (COWDEN) POSEY, b. 1813, IN or KY?; d. Aft. 1867, These are gggGrandparents of Brenda Brewer.
5. v. NANCY (COWDEN) FREDERICK, b. 1810, KY; d. Aft. 1867, from Wm. COWDEN's will (per Brenda Brewer).
6. vi. JOSEPH COWDEN, b. Abt. 1818.
7. vii. JOHN COWDEN, b. Abt. 1813; d. Bef. 1867, per Wm. Cowden's will.
- viii. JANE COWDEN, b. Abt. 1811.
- ix. SARAH COWDEN, b. Abt. 1814.
- x. GEORGE COWDEN, b. Abt. 1815.
8. xi. ROBERT COWDEN, b. Abt. 1804; d. Bef. 1867, from Wm. Cowden's will (Brenda Brewer).
- xii. BARTHENA COWDEN, b. Abt. 1812; d. moved to Texas per Wm. Cowden's will.
- xiii. MARGARET COWDEN, b. Abt. 1812; d. Moved to Texas- per Wm. Cowden's will.

### Generation No. 2

2. ELIZABETH \* (COWDEN)<sup>2</sup> NEAL (JOHN WILLIAM \*<sup>1</sup> COWDEN) was born November 6, 1806 in KY; They are on the 1850 Sullivan Co. Cen., and died April 28, 1851 in Sullivan Co.Neal-Paxton Cem.(Poss. 4-23-51. She married WILLIAM \* "BILLIE" NEAL Abt. 1828, son of THOMAS NEAL and JANE NEAL.

Notes for ELIZABETH \* (COWDEN) NEAL:

I originally had her birthdate as Nov 1, 1797, but Geo. McCAMMON has a more probable date of Nov 6, 1806, in KY. Also her death date may be April 23 instead of 28th. Brenda Brewer says her BD is 11-1-1797 (she says her tombstone shows died at age 54 yrs 5 months.

2 things wrong with the 1797 BD, 1.) Parents married in 1802. 2.) presuming Billy's bd of 1809 is accurate, and they were married about 1828 or 1829, then She would have been 32-33 and he 19-20.. doesn't seem likely.