

THE DESCENDANTS OF

Jacob Heite (Hitt)

Papa Boyd's mother's family

From Rehbach, Siegen, Germany

Note: This was originally a long report containing pages of two Wills and two Military Reports.

For brevity I have copied only those parts pertaining to family names, births and places.

Ann Boyd Herbert

**SUMMARY OF
THE FAMILY OF
JACOB HEITE (HITT)**

**Jacob Heite b. abt 1625 in Rehbach, Siegen, Germany,
he married Catherine Bosch in abt. 1650, she was b. abt. 1625.**

Their son was Peter Hitt b. abt 1680-1683 in Germany.

**He married Elizabeth Otterbach and one of their sons was;
Joseph Hitt, Sr. b. 1717 in Germany.**

He married Mary Polly Cuntz b. abt. 1720-1725 - in abt. 1740.

One of their sons was Peter Hitt b. abt. 1745 in Virginia,

Peter married Mary Shaw b. abt. 1745 in Virginia.

**The eldest son of Peter and Mary was Benjamin Hitt
b. abt. 1777 in Virginia.**

Benjamin married Nancy Curan abt. 1795, she was b. abt. 1780 in SC,

**One of their sons was Henry L. Hitt b. 1808 in SC, d. 1902 in
Tuscaloosa, AL. He married Nancy Snider. One of their**

**daughters was Nancy Caroline Hitt b. 1832 in Alabama, she
married James Louis Boyd, Sr. in 1856 in Tuscaloosa, AL**

James L. Boyd was the son of Aaron Boyd and Nancy Staggers.

James L. Boyd and Nancy Staggers married in 1856.

**The only son of their marriage to survive to adulthood was
James Louis Boyd, Jr. who served briefly in the Civil War,**

**he was b. in 1863 and married Rose Annie Miles in 1888 - She was b.
in 1869 in Brierfield, AL. One of their sons was Louis L. Boyd b. 1910**

and married Alene Brand b. 1912 both of Meridian, MS

Descendants of Jacob Heite (Hitt)

Generation No. 1

1. JACOB¹ HEITE was born Abt. 1625 in Rehbach, Siegen, Germany, and died 1690 in Rehbach, Siegen, Germany. He married CATHERINE BOSCH Abt. 1650. She was born Abt. 1625.

Children of JACOB HEITE and CATHERINE BOSCH are:

- i. JOHAN² HEITE, b. 1652.
- ii. ANNA CATHERINE HEITE, b. 1653.
- iii. CHUEN HEITE, b. 1655.
- iv. ELIZABETH HEITE, b. 1658.
2. v. JOHANN JACOB HEITE, b. Abt. 1660, Rehbach, Siegen, Germany; d. Abt. 1720, Siegen, Germany.
- vi. CATHERINE HEITE, b. 1663.
- vii. PETER HEITE, b. 1665.

Generation No. 2

2. JOHANN JACOB² HEITE (*JACOB¹*) was born Abt. 1660 in Rehbach, Siegen, Germany, and died Abt. 1720 in Siegen, Germany. He married CATHRIN UNKNOWN Abt. 1680 in Rehbach, Germany. She was born Abt. 1664 in Rehbach, Siegen, Germany.

Notes for JOHANN JACOB HEITE:

Likely was a carpenter in Trupbach.

Geramna Record # 1. Farm named Rehbach near Marienborn.

In 1956, there was a nationwide reorganization of the states and regions of West Germany. The Principalities of North Rhine Westphalia that encompassed Siegen and Wittgenstein were organized into a Kreiss called Siegen/Wittgenstein. The principalities of Baden and Württemberg became Baden/Württemberg, the two Hesse principalities became Hessen. At that time the church records were consolidated in archival centers for each region. The Siegen/Wittgenstein church records were housed in Siegen while the civil records were sent to Munster. In Baden/Württemberg the church records were sent to Karlsrhue, and the civil records to Stuttgart. LDS teams went to these centers to microfilm the records in the late 60s early 70s. These are the filmed records used by Cerny and Zimmerman for "Before Geramna". Now here is the "rub". It seems that not all of the records were sent to the respective archival centers. We know that the Gemmingen Church books are not in Gemmingen or Karlsrhue, but for some reason are housed 4 miles away in Stebbach. This is where Cindy Crigler found the record of the departure of Michael Clore and Phillip Joseph Weaver and their families. These records were later (after the publication of "Before Geramna") filmed for the LDS and are available on microfilm.

Child of JOHANN HEITE and CATHRIN UNKNOWN is:

3. i. PETER³ HITT, b. Bet. 1680 - 1683, Kaan-Marienborn, Nassau-Siegen, Westphalia, Germany.

Generation No. 3

3. PETER³ HITT (*JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹*) was born Bet. 1680 - 1683 in Kaan-Marienborn, Nassau-Siegen, Westphalia, Germany. He married ELIZABETH OTTERBACH Abt. 1740 in Germantown, Fauquier County, Virginia. She was born 1689 in Germany.

Notes for PETER HITT:

The below notes or story /documentation is from a fellow genealogist J.B. Hitt. Since he has two death dates for this will, I do not know which one is actually correct:

1. Peter¹ HITT; born circa 1690 in Germany; married Elizabeth Otterbach; died between 23 March 1772 and 17

Moses. Item: I give to my son, Henry Hitt, one hundred pounds cash, which is all he is to have of my estate. Item: My will and desire is that after the decease of my wife, that all my estate not herein mentioned be sold to the highest bidder, and the money arising therefrom be equally divided among all my children hereafter named: That is to say, John, Joseph, Harman, Peter, and Mary, and lastly, I do nominate and appoint my two eldest sons, Harman Hitt and Joseph Hitt, executors of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written. In the presence of: Harman (X) Rector Signed Peter (P) Hitt Joseph Taylor John Morgan
 Probate: Teste: H.L. Pearson, clerk, Circuit Court of Fauquier County, Virginia, Will Book #1, page #200, Circuit Court of Fauquier County, Virginia. In the Court of Fauquier County this 27th day of July 1772. This will was proved by the oaths of Harman Rector and Joseph Taylor witness thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion of Harmon Hitt and Joseph Hitt, executors thereon, who made oath and executed legal bond. The law directs certificate be granted them for a probate through in due form. The law directs certificate is granted them for attaining a probate thereof in due form. Teste: J. W. Burkett

Children of PETER HITT and ELIZABETH OTTERBACH are:

4.
 - i. JOSEPH⁴ HITT, SR., b. 1717, Germania, Essex County, Virginia.
 - ii. JOHN HITT, b. 1715, Germania, Essex County, Virginia.
 - iii. HENRY HITT, b. 1718, Germania, Essex County, Virginia.
 - iv. HARMAN HITT, b. 1721, Germantown, Virginia.
 - v. MARY ANN HITT, b. 1723, Germantown, Virginia.
 - vi. PETER HITT II, b. 1726, Germantown, Virginia.

Generation No. 4

4. JOSEPH⁴ HITT, SR. (PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹) was born 1717 in Germania, Essex County, Virginia. He married MARY POLLY CUNTZ Abt. 1740 in Germantown, Fauquier County, Virginia. She was born Bet. 1720 - 1725 in Germantown, Virginia.

Notes for JOSEPH HITT, SR.:

Served in Fauquier County Militia in 1761 in Capt. Wm. Edmond's Co. with his son Joseph. Both served in Rev. War with his brothers John and Harmon.

1. Joseph served in the Fauquier County Militia in 1761 in Capt. William Edmond's Company. Joseph and his oldest son, John, were both Revolutionary soldiers and they served with Joseph's brothers, John and Harmon, in the same company. Joseph's nephew, John, Jr., served in the same Company.23,24

2. On 9 December 1745, Nathaniel Hilling and Kezia his wife sold to Joseph Hitt 434 acres on branch Cedar Creek adjacent to Capt. William Russell, Rev. John Bell. Witnesses: William Hackney, Peter Hitt.25

3. On 21 March 1746, Joseph Hitt and Mary his wife of Hamilton Parish sold 217 acres to John Hitt (his brother) of same for 1050 lbs of Tobacco. Original Patent to Nathaniel Hilling of May 10, 1725. Witnesses: Richard "R" Grubbs, Thomas Machen, Peter Hitt.26

4. On 24 March 1746, Joseph Hitt, Planter, and Mary his wife transferred five acres to John Wright and Joseph Blackwell, church wardens of Hamilton Parish, for 10 shillings, 2 acres on Cedar Run, part of land bought of Nathaniel Hilling. Witnesses: Thomas Thornton, Benjamin Taylor.27

5. On 28 May 1752, The last Will and Testament of John Holtzclaw was presented for probate by Jacob Holtzclaw, Executor. Jacob Holtzclaw and Joseph Hitt gave bond of administration and Joseph Hitt, with several others, was appointed to appraise the Holtzclaw estate.28

6. On 24 May 1759, Joseph Hitt was appointed road supervisor for the Upper Marsh Road, which joined the lower Dum Friers Road.29

in September 1777 and it involved troops from Virginia under Nathaniel Greene, as well as troops from Pennsylvania, it quite likely that is what brought the two brothers to Pennsylvania. On 26 June 1786, A Fauquier County court "Ordered that the Sheriff pay John Hitt, son of Joseph, and Peter Hitt 800 lbs Tob, out of the fraction in his hands.

The above notes came from a fellow genealogist, J.B. Hitt at jbhitt@att.net - By : Becky Coger Roberts. 12/14/2007

Children of JOSEPH HITT and MARY CUNTZ are:

- i. JOHN RUSSELL⁵ HITT, b. 1740, Fauquier, Virginia.
- ii. LILLY ANN HITT, b. Aft. 1740, Fauquier, Virginia.
- iii. JOSEPH HITT, JR., b. 1742, Fauquier, Virginia.
5. iv. PETER HITT, b. Abt. 1745, Essex, Virginia; d. 03 Feb 1806, Laurens, South Carolina.
- v. LAZARUS HITT, b. Bet. 1745 - 1750, Fauquier, Virginia.
- vi. MARY HITT, b. Bet. 1745 - 1750, Fauquier, Virginia.
- vii. CHARLES HITT, b. Abt. 1749, Fauquier, Virginia.
- viii. ELISHA HITT, b. Abt. 1749, Prince William, Virginia.
- ix. JAMES HITT, b. Abt. 1766, Prince William, Virginia.
- x. WILLIAM HITT, b. Abt. 1767, Prince William, Virginia.

Generation No. 5

5. PETER⁵ HITT (*JOSEPH⁴, PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹*) was born Abt. 1745 in Essex, Virginia, and died 03 Feb 1806 in Laurens, South Carolina. He married MARY SHAW. She was born Abt. 1745 in Essex, Virginia.

Children of PETER HITT and MARY SHAW are:

6. i. BENJAMIN⁶ HITT, b. Abt. 1777, Laurens, South Carolina; d. Abt. 1860, Newton, Newton County, Mississippi.
- ii. ANBER HITT, b. Abt. 1783, Essex, Virginia.
- iii. THOMAS HITT, b. Abt. 1772, Essex, Virginia.
- iv. DAVID HITT, b. Abt. 1776, Laurens, South Carolina.
- v. LARKIN HITT, b. Abt. 1785, Laurens, South Carolina.
- vi. ELIZABETH HITT, b. Abt. 1790, Laurens, South Carolina.

Generation No. 6

6. BENJAMIN⁶ HITT (*PETER⁵, JOSEPH⁴, PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹*) was born Abt. 1777 in Laurens, South Carolina, and died Abt. 1860 in Newton, Newton County, Mississippi. He married NANCY CURNAL Abt. 1795. She was born 1780 in Laurens, South Carolina.

Notes for BENJAMIN HITT:

Benjamin Hitt left Church in Laurens S.C. on 11-11-1826 to go to Alabama Church. He was a Baptist minister and reorganized Siloam Bapt Church of Sumter Co. Al. He became the first pastor and served til 1845.

Children of BENJAMIN HITT and NANCY CURNAL are:

- i. JESSE⁷ HITT, b. 14 Dec 1797, South Carolina.
- ii. DAVID BENJAMIN HITT, b. 25 Mar 1800, South Carolina.
- iii. MARSHALL HITT, b. Abt. 1801, South Carolina.
- iv. GARRETT THOMPSON HITT, b. Abt. 1807, Culpepper, Virginia.
7. v. HENRY L. HITT, b. 1808, South Carolina; d. 26 Aug 1902, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
- vi. CHARLES HITT, b. 25 Apr 1808, South Carolina.
- vii. WILLIAM RUSSELL HITT, b. 22 Jan 1809, Culpepper, Virginia.
- viii. AUSTIN HITT, b. 01 Jun 1811, South Carolina.
- ix. JOHN HITT, b. Abt. 1812, Culpepper, Virginia.
- x. JAMES HITT, b. Abt. 1818, Culpepper, Virginia.

Generation No. 7

7. HENRY L.⁷ HITT (*BENJAMIN⁶, PETER⁵, JOSEPH⁴, PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹*) was born 1808 in South

Carolina, and died 26 Aug 1902 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He married UNKNOWN.

Notes for HENRY L. HITT:

JAMES LOUIS BOYD (Sr.) was one of the sons of Aaron & Nancy Boyd was born approximately 1838, lived near Tuscaloosa, AL & married NANCY HITT who was the daughter of HENRY HITT, a Primitive Baptist preacher. Henry Hitt was born in South Carolina but settled in Alabama & Nancy was one of his fifteen children.

Personal Note: These were the only children that I have been able to identify. By: Becky Roberts 12/14/2007

Children of HENRY HITT and UNKNOWN are:

8. i. NANCY CAROLINE⁸ HITT, b. 1832, Alabama.
- ii. LUCINDA HITT, b. 1834, Alabama.
- iii. MARTHA C. HITT, b. 1843, Alabama.
- iv. BENJAMIN HITT, b. 1844, Alabama.
- v. MARGARET S. HITT, b. 1846, Alabama.
- vi. DAVID MARSHALL HITT, b. 30 Jul 1847, Alabama.

Generation No. 8

8. NANCY CAROLINE⁸ HITT (HENRY L.⁷, BENJAMIN⁶, PETER⁵, JOSEPH⁴, PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹) was born 1832 in Alabama. She married JAMES LOUIS BOYD, SR. 12 Jul 1856 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, son of AARON BOYD and NANCY STAGGERS. He was born Abt. 1838 in Alabama.

Notes for JAMES LOUIS BOYD, SR.:

Nancy & James Louis Boyd had three children but only one lived to maturity. Their children were: JAMES LOUIS BOYD, Jr. (Papa Boyd) born Sept. 20, 1863, HENRY who died at age 10, and ELIHU who died at 18 months.

The Dept. of Archives & History in Alabama has the following information; JAMES L. BOYD (Sr.) enlisted in the Confederate Army as a private on May 26, 1861 at Gainesville, AL & was assigned to Company A, 5th Battalion, Alabama Infantry. He said he was born in Alabama & gave his age as 23, his residence as Gainesville, and his occupation as Lawyer / Farmer.

U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865

about James L. Boyd

Name: James L. Boyd

Side: Confederate

Regiment State/Origin: Alabama

Regiment Name: 5 Alabama Vols. Battalion

Regiment Name Expanded: 5th Battalion, Alabama Infantry Volunteers

COMPANY: A

Rank In: Private

Rank In Expanded: Private

Rank Out: Private

Rank Out Expanded: Private

Film Number: M374 roll 5

Source Information:

National Park Service. U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2007. Original data: National Park Service, Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System, online <<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/>>, acquired 2007.

The following is the history of his regiment and the places in faught.

American Civil War Regiments

REGIMENT: 5th Infantry Regiment Alabama

Date of Organization: 5 May 1861

Muster Date: 9 Apr 1865

Regiment State: Alabama

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Children of NANCY HITT and JAMES BOYD are:

- 9. i. JAMES LOUIS⁹ BOYD, JR., b. 20 Sep 1863, Tuscaloosa, Alabama; d. 05 Jun 1947.
- ii. HENRY BOYD, b. 1857, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
- iii. ELIHU BOYD, b. May 1860, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Generation No. 9

9. JAMES LOUIS⁹ BOYD, JR. (*NANCY CAROLINE⁸ HITT, HENRY L.⁷, BENJAMIN⁶, PETER⁵, JOSEPH⁴, PETER³, JOHANN JACOB² HEITE, JACOB¹*) was born 20 Sep 1863 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and died 05 Jun 1947. He married ROSE ANNA MILES 12 Jan 1888 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, daughter of TILLMAN MILES and RHODA BUTLER. She was born 26 Apr 1869 in Brierfield, Alabama, and died 03 Mar 1939.

Notes for JAMES LOUIS BOYD, JR.:

1900 United States Federal Census
 about Jas L Boyd
 Name: Jas L Boyd
 Home in 1900: Blocton, Bibb, Alabama
 Age: 36
 Estimated Birth Year: abt 1864
 Birthplace: Alabama
 Relationship to head-of-house: Head
 Spouse's Name: Anna
 Race: White
 Occupation: View Image
 Neighbors: View others on page
 Household Members: Name Age
 Jas L Boyd 36
 Anna Boyd 31
 Jessie Boyd 10
 Antonio Boyd 7
 Jas C Boyd 2
 Roy Boyd 5.12

Source Citation: Year: 1900; Census Place: Blocton, Bibb, Alabama; Roll: T623 2; Page: 3B; Enumeration District: 10.

1910 United States Federal Census
 about James L Boyd
 Name: James L Boyd
 Age in 1910: 47
 Estimated Birth Year: abt 1863
 Birthplace: Alabama
 Relation to Head of House: Head
 Father's Birth Place: Alabama
 Mother's Birth Place: Alabama
 Spouse's Name: Annie R
 Occupation: Tailor
 Home in 1910: Meridian Ward 4, Lauderdale, Mississippi
 Marital Status: Married
 Race: White

Gender: Male
Household Members: Name Age
James L Boyd 47
Annie R Boyd 41
Jessie E Boyd 20
James T Boyd 12
Roy H Boyd 10
Evello Boyd 4

Source Citation: Year: 1910; Census Place: Meridian Ward 4, Lauderdale, Mississippi; Roll: T624_746; Page: 2A; Enumeration District: 46; Image: 970.

1920 United States Federal Census
about James L Boyd
Name: James L Boyd
Home in 1920: Meridian, Lauderdale, Mississippi
Age: 50 years
Estimated Birth Year: abt 1870
Birthplace: Alabama
Relation to Head of House: Head
Spouse's Name: Annie
Father's Birth Place: Alabama
Mother's Birth Place: Alabama
Marital Status: Married
Race: White
Sex: Male
Home owned: Own
Able to read: Yes
Able to Write: Yes
Image: 17
Household Members: Name Age
James L Boyd 50
Annie Boyd 48
Jessie Boyd 28
Evelle Boyd 14
Louis Boyd 9

Source Citation: Year: 1920; Census Place: Meridian, Lauderdale, Mississippi; Roll: T625_883; Page: 8A; Enumeration District: 36; Image: 17.

1930 United States Federal Census
about James L Boyd
Name: James L Boyd
Home in 1930: Meridian, Lauderdale, Mississippi
Age: 66
Estimated Birth Year: abt 1864
Birthplace: Alabama
Relation to Head of House: Head
Spouse's Name: Annie M
Race: White
Occupation: Tailor
Education: Yes
Age at first marriage: 24
Parents' birthplace: Father-Alabama Mother - Alabama
Household Members: Name Age
James L Boyd 66
Annie M Boyd 61
Jessie E Boyd 40
Evelle Boyd 24