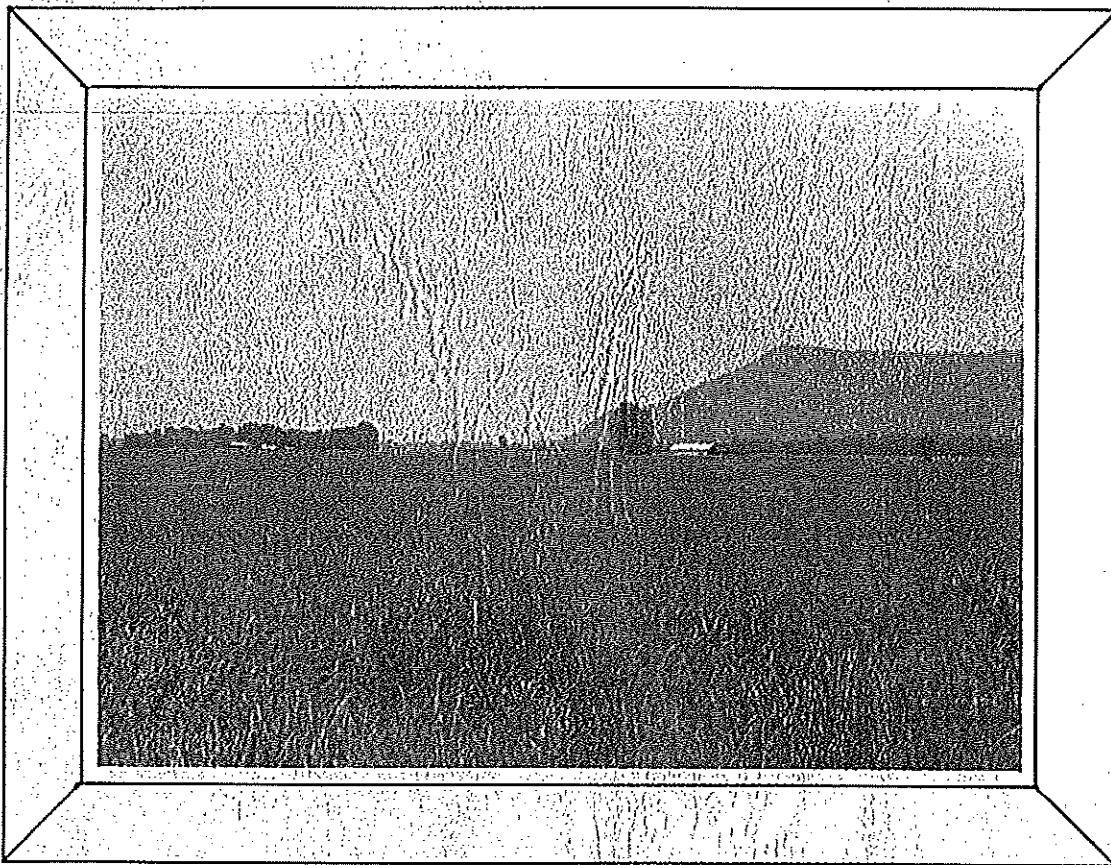


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Family of
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The Nanney family emigrated from Mannau near Llanfachreth, Dolgellau, North Wales, England. It is speculated that they left the family estate when Henry Tudor ascended to the throne after the War of Roses. He was a Welshman. Only one could inherit and the rest would move away.

I have found the Nanney name spelled at least three different ways in the early W. S. Census; Many, Nanny and Nanney. The family that came to Arkansas in the early 1880's, Marion County, near Yellville, for the most part have used "Nanny" as their way of spelling it, however, the part of the family that remained in Rutherford County, N.C. uses "Nanney". This seems to be the correct way of spelling it.

The names James and Nicholas seem to be common in this family, so I will use numbers after these names to help keep them straight; James 1-2, etc.

In 1795, two Nanney brothers, Nicholas 1, and Shadrack, left Brunswick County, Virginia with their uncle, Uriah Nanney and settled in Rutherford County, North Carolina. They were the sons of John Nanney, Jr. and Ellie (Cator) Nanney. John and Ellie had seven children. They were: Molly, Nicholas #1, Rebecca, Sally, Jordan, Elizabeth, and Shadrack. John Nanney, Jr. was the son of John Nanney, Sr. and Francis (Howard) Nanney. John, Sr.'s oldest son was John, Jr. and the youngest was Uriah Nanney.

I have information from Charles W. Nanney of Union Mills, N. C. that John Nanney Sr.'s father was Samuel Nanney who married an "Indian (Cherokee) Maiden". This Charles W. Nanney is descended also from John Nanney, Sr. Thus, John Sr., John Jr., Shadrack, Randall, James, Harvey, and Albert Randal, which was his father.

Mr. Charles W. Nanney is a retired Baptist minister. He retired in 1981 because of medical problems. He bought 13 acres of land of the old original home place dating from 1798 and built a small home where he and his wife, Rachel, will spend their retirement years.

Charles W. and his wife, Rachel, took a 14 day tour of the British Isles in the summer of 1984 and they visited the old Nanney (Nannau) Home. This place is near Llanfrachreth, Dolgellau, North Wales. They were delighted in having tea in the old living room. He said that it was an old stone Georgian Manor house setting high up under Moel Offrym overlooking the Ceder Idris. This is about ten miles inland from Barmouth. This old home called Nannau was established about 1100 A.D. by; Cdwgan ap Beledlyn who the Nanney's are descended from. This old place has now passes from the Nanney family to a developer and is composed of self-catering apartments, a dining hall, bar, etc.

Charles W. Nanney has a copy of John Nanney Sr.'s land grant and will. The will shows that he, John, Sr., left all of his property to his youngest son, Uriah and only a shilling each to the rest. This property is in Rutherford County, N. C.

Family of

JAMES AND MARY (CAMP) NANNY

This is the James and Mary (Camp) family, 1850 Census, Rutherford County, N.C., August 14, 1850 Cathey's Creek Dist. Page 542.

James Nanny	Age	44
Mary "	"	41
William "	"	20
Henry "	"	18
John "	"	15
Nicholas "	"	12
Elbert "	"	8

1860 Census, Rutherford County, N.C. Cathey's Creek, Dist. Page 103.

James Nanny	Age	50	(should be 54)
Mary "	"	59	(should be 51)
William "	"	30	
Nicholas "	"	22	
Elbert "	"	18	

NOTE: Henry nanny had married in the 1860 Census. This is the Henry and Rachell (Keeter) family in the 1860 Census: Rutherford County, N.C. Cathey's Creek Dist. Page 104

Henry Nanny	Age	28	Farm labor
Emmaline "	"	24	
James "	"	1	

1870 Census, Rutherford County, N.C. page 5, Camp Creek, Township.

Henry Nanny	Age	38
Rachell Emmaline	"	34
James H.	"	12
Nicklaus A.	"	10
?	"	7
Sarah L.	"	5
Margaret A.	"	3
Ollie Ida	"	1/12

1880 Census, Rutherford County, N.C. Page 24, June 3, 1880, Camp Creek, Township.

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Nanny, Henry	Age	48
" Rachel E.	"	44
" Nichlaus A.	"	19
" Sarah L.	"	14
" Margaret	"	12
" Ollie Ida	"	9
" Theadocia	"	6
" William	"	5
" Amey E.	"	3
" Addie B.	"	4/12

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In 1806, my great-great-grandfather, James Nanney #1. was born to Nicholas #1 and Polly (Revis) Nanney, in Rutherford County, North Carolina.

On November 22, 1828, James Nanney #1. marries Miss Mary Camp. This is the family of James and Mary (Camp) Nanney.

<u>James Nanney #1,</u>	born: 1806	My great-great-grandfather.	
Mary	"	1809	
William	"	1830	
<u>Henry</u>	"	1832	My great-grandfather
John	"	1835	
Nicholas #2	"	1838	
Elbert	"	1842	

There may have been other children in this family.

NOTE: Nicholas #1, father of James #1 was killed by a falling tree while cutting timber in Montfore's Cove, Rutherford County, N.C.

Henry Nanney, my great-grandfather was born in 1832 in Rutherford County, N.C. to James Nanney #1 and Mary (Camp) Nanney.

On December 31, 1857, he married Miss Rachell Emmaline Keeter in Rutherford County, N.C. (See Keeter History). They had ten children, nine of which lived to adulthood. They are.

James H. #2	born:	October 30, 1858	
Nicholas A. #3.	"	1860	
Sarah Lou	"	January 8, 1866	
Margaret A.	"	1868	
<u>Ida Olive</u>	"	July 13, 1870	My grandmother
Theodosia (Doash)	"	1872	
William E.	"	1875	
Addie Belle	"	1877	
Amey E.	"	1880	

I am descended thus: John, Sr. who was born in Virginia, John Jr, Nicholas #1, James #1, Henry, Ida Olive (Nanney) McGee, Renard, Rosie Belle (McGee) Chism, Van B. Chism.

In the late eighteen seventy's Nicholas Nanney #2 and his wife and children came to Marion County, Ark. where his mother's brother, James Justice Keeter was living. James Justice had moved to Arkansas in 1858, near Yellville, Arkansas. I think this was the first of the Nanney family to come to Arkansas. Sometime after the 1880 W. S. Census was taken, his brother James H. #2, moved to Marion County, Arkansas and then in about 1881, their father and mother, Henry and Rachell Emmaline (Keeter) Nanney and the rest of the children came to Arkansas. My grandmother, Ida Olive was 10 or 11 years old. They settle on the old road that ran from Yellville to Bruno. This is highway 235 now, where there was plenty of good spring water. A good spring was very important to the early settlers in that area, for digging a well was almost impossible because of the rocks.

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Sometime in the early eighties, after the Henry Nanney family moved to Ark. they were stricken with some illness that is unknown to me. Both Henry and Emmaline died, as I have been told within a week of each other. They are buried in the Nanney Cemetery. This cemetery is on Highway 235 between Yellville and Bruno, Ark. They are buried beside Theodocia (Doash) Nanney, who has a marker on her grave. This cemetery is near the old Nanney homestead.

After the demise of Henry and Rachell Emmaline Nanney, the children that were still a home moved in with the older children that had already married.

This will be some details of the children of Henry and Rachell Emmaline (Keeter) Nanney.

#1. James H. Nanney #2.; born in N.C., October 30, 1858, died in Ark. Sept. 30, 1937. He married a girl named Nancy, born, Juen 1864. They had nine children: Zee; born, December 1885, Rupert; born, December 1888; Record; born, December 1890 and Claudie; born January 1893; Wallace; born, April 1895; Othel, Luther, Effie, and Waddie Nanney.

#2. Nicholas A. Nanney #3; born, 1860 in N.C. He is buried in Bakersfield, No. He married first, Miss Rowene Keeter. They had two children; Virgie and Dexter Nanney. Rowene is buried in the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Marion County, Ark. His second wife was Martha. They had two children; Vircy and Jeff Nanney.

#3. Sarah Lou Nanney; born, January 8, 1866-died February 16, 1948. Lou had one daughter, Mary who married Mr. Lee Bowers.

#4. Margaret A. Nanney; born, 1868-died 1945. She wed Charley Burris; born, 1863-died 1918. They had 12 children. Some of these children's names were Sanders, Memory, and twins Raco Roy and Cleo Coy. I don't have the others.

#5. Ida Olive Nanney; born, July 13, 1870, my grandmother, see McGee history.

6. Theodosia (Doash) Nanney; born, 1873-died 1907. She is buried by her father and mother, Henry and R. E. Nanney in the Nanney Cemetery, Marion County, Ark. (She never married).

#7. William E. Nanney; born, 1875-died 1963. He married Emma Lou Carson, daughter of James Patrick and M. Carson. They had three daughters; Ethel (Nanney) Pasco, Effie (Nanney) Allen and Anna Lee (Nanney) Richardson.

#8. Addie Belle Nanney; born, 1877, never wed, buried by Sarah Lou Nanney in the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, Marion County, Ark.

#9. Emmaline (Amy) Nanney; born, May 21, 1880 wed Jim Johnson. They had no children. She died January 6, 1947.

NOTE: All of these were born in Rutherford County, North Carolina.

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Some details of the James Nanney #1, family. Source of this data came from, for the most part Mr. Charles W. Nanney, of N.C.

James Nanney #1, born, 1806 and his wife Mary (Camp) Nanney, born, 1809, married November 22, 1828 in Rutherford County, N.C. They had at least five children:

- #1. William Nanney; born, 1830, in Rutherford County, N.C. He married Miss Mary Pope, ca 1859.
- #2. Henry Nanney; born, 1832, my grandfather
- #3. John Nanney; born, 1835. He married Miss A. E. Keeter, Nov. 10, 1859.
- #4. Nicholas Nanney #2. born, 1838. He married Miss Nancy L. Keeter on November 4, 1860. He was a veteran of the Civil War. He enlisted in Co. "C", 34th Reg. N.C. Troops, Sept. 2, 1861, C.S.A. Nicholas and Nancy had at least seven children; Henry Lee; born, ca 1862; Mary E.; born, 1864; Johanna; born, 1877; Mattie D.; born, 1879; William Add; born, 1871; Effie A.; born, 1879 and Oneida; born ca 1880.
- #5. Elbert Nanney; born, 1842. Elbert enlisted in the same C.S.A. outfit as his brother, Nicholas and died December 3, 1864 at Hamilton, N.C.

NOTE: Two of these brothers married sisters. Henry Nanney, my great-grand father, married Rachell Emmaline Keeter, and Nicholas #2, married Nancy L. Keeter. These were daughters of James and Elizabeth Keeter. John Nanney also married a Keeter girl, Miss A. E. Keeter. She may have been a cousin to Rachell and Nancy.

Rupter Nanney; born, Dec. 1888, son of James H. Nanney, was a Baptist minister that was well known in the Ark., Okla, and Texas area.

I saw only one brother and one sister of my grandmother Ida Olive; William E. (Uncle Will) Nanney and Amey E. (Aunt Amy) Nanney, Johnson. I also met two of Uncle Will's daughters. They are Effie (Nanney) Allen and Ethel (Nanney) Pascoe. Effie and Ethel live in Marion County, Ark.

Although I never met many of this family, I have heard my mother talk about them many times. My grandmother, Ida Olive, worked at the Park Hotel in Yellville, Ark. in the early 1900, and my mother, Rosie Belle spent many days with her Uncles, James H. #2 and Nicholas #3, Nanney.

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These are some details of Henry Lee Nanney, son of Nicholas Nanney #2., and Nancy L. (Keeter) Nanney. Henry Lee was born in January 1862, in N.C. He came to Marion County, Ark. with his parents in ca 1878.

He married Miss Samantha Pippin in 1893-94 in Potawatomia County, Okla. She was born, October 15, 1873 in Sparta, Okla. They had eight children. They are: Oneida; born, 1894; Ira; James Lee; born, January 1898, Clish; Nellie Mae; Buelah B.; born, Nov. 18. 1904, Webber Falls, Okla.; Charlie Haskel; born, July 5, 1907 and Oscar Gains; born, January 25, 1910.

Buelah B. Nanney; born, Nov. 18, 1904, married Sam S. Collins on Nov. 27, 1930. They had at least one daughter, Luella (Collins) Chapman of Calif.

No attempt has been made to get a complete history of this family. There are grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren living all over the United States.

My Mother's Family

JAMES AND ELIZABETH (JUSTICE) KEETER

James Keeter, son of John Keeter, married Elizabeth Justice daughter of James Justice. They were married ca 1828 in Rutherford County, N.C. They were born and spent their lives in North Carolina. They were members of the Missionary Baptist Church. To James and Elizabeth twelve children were born, ten of which lived. They were living in the Cathies Creek, Dist. of Rutherford County, North Carolina when the 1850 Census was made on August 14, 1850. Their children were:

- #1. John M. (Paddy) Keeter; born, 1830.
- #2. Sarah L. Keeter; born, 1831.
- #3. Susan Keeter; born, 1832.
- #4. James Justice Keeter; born, January 5, 1834.
- #5. Rachell Emmaline Keeter; born, 1836. My grandmother.
- #6. Anna E. Keeter; born, 1838.
- #7. George F. Keeter; born, 1840-Died during the War.
- #8. Nancy Keeter; born, 1842.
- #9. Henry Clay (Buck) Keeter; born, 1845.
- #10. Alvin C. Keeter; born, 1847.

Three of the girls of this family married into the Nanny family, #5. Rachell Emmaline married Henry Nanny. These are my great-grandparents. #8. Nancy Keeter married Nicklaus Nanny, Henry's brother. #6. Anna E. wed George Nanny. I think George was a cousin to Henry and Nicklaus Nanny.

Children of the Keeter family and children of the Nanny family intermarried many times both before coming to Arkansas and after coming to Marion County, Arkansas.

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JAMES AND ELIZABETH (JUSTICE) KEETER

- #1. John M. (Paddy) Keeter; born, 1830. He married Miss Nancy Roberts according to the 1880 Census. John and Nancy had seven children. They are; Myria L.; born, 1859, Luther B.; born, 1862; Nancy B; born, 1865; Sarah T.; born, 1867; Austin E.; born, 1870; Thomas B.; born, 1873; Zippena P.; 1878. John M. came to Marion County, Ark. in 1872.
- #2. Sarah L. Keeter; born, 1831. She wed Mr. J. W. Adams.
- #3. Susan Keeter; born, 1832. She wed Mr. John Henry Smith.
- #4. James Justice (Hard) Keeter; born, January 5, 1834. In 1857 he married Miss Mary E. Moore, in Rutherford County, N. C. and in 1858 he and Mary moved to Marion County, Ark. The journey took six or seven weeks being made by wagon. They settled about three miles from Yellville, Ark. His estate was 200 acres of land. He was a prosperous farmer and stockman. He was also interested in the political affairs of his section. He was sheriff of Marion County, from 1878 thru 1888.

James and Mary had three children before her demise in 1863. They are:
A) James M. Keeter. James wed Miss Theodosia Nanny. He served as Deputy Sheriff under his father for ten years. After that he served as guard at the Fort Smith jail in western Arkansas and the Indian Territory. The Judge at that time was hanging Judge Parker.
B) Alfred A. Keeter.
C) Nancy E. Keeter. She married Mr. John Q. Adams, Sr.
- After the demise of his first wife, Mary, who died May 23, 1863, James married Miss M. A. Roberts, daughter of Mark Roberts. They had eight children. They are: Mary E.; Thomas R.; A. C.; Ella; Virgie; John F.; and two who died early. He was a soldier of the Civil War, from 1862-1864. He served under Shelby and Jackman, and took part in a number of engagements.
- #5. Rachell Emmaline Keeter; born, 1836. My great-grand mother. See Nanny history.
- #6. Anna E. Keeter; born, 1838. She wed George Nanny, possibly a cousin to Henry Nanny.
- #7. George F. Keeter; born, 1840. He died during the Civil War.
- #8. Nancy Keeter; born, 1840. She married Nicklaus Nanny, Henry's brother.
- #9. Henry Clay (Buck) Keeter; born, 1845. He married and had fifteen children: Maggie, Mollie, Talitha, Nettie, Lou, Theodosia, Ez, John, Doc, Will, Joe, C.C. (Cleve), O. L., Dexter and a son that died early.
- #10. Alvin C. Keeter; born, 1847-died during the Civil War.

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JAMES AND ELIZABETH (JUSTICE) KEETER

No attempt has been made to gather all data of the Keeter families in Marion County, Ark. There are many Keeter families still living there. Source for this data is from REMINISCENT HISTORY OF THE OZARK REGION and HISTORY OF MARION COUNTY, by Earl Berry.