

News, Updates, & More

Varner Family Genealogy

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Prior newsletters and other Varner genealogy information can be found on the Varner Family website.

<http://brucevarner.com/VarnerGenealogy.htm>

This month's main topic was too large to include in the newsletter. Therefore I have a link below that will take you to the subject matter on the website. Thanks!

QUESTIONS / NEWS

Q: Dee Hunt Bremer wrote "Edmund Riggs was married to Mary Ann Piles/Pyles. I wouldn't be surprised if Edmund isn't buried in the Berry Family Cemetery. I have pictures of the cemetery but most are sandstones with no markings. I know there were Piles graves up there that I photographed"

A: Here are a couple of those images Dee captured in the Berry Family Cemetery-



Charles Piles, Mar 18, 1870-Oct 5, 1870?



Emily P. Piles, 1871?

Great possibility! Plus, once everyone reads this month's article, they will really understand just how close all these folks lived to each other.

Now need to do a little work on the Piles family to see what else can be discovered.

Q: I received a couple of queries about difficulties uploading DNA data to the GedMatch.com website.

A: One must always remember this is computer work you are doing here. It does not think like a human. You cannot make a single mistake, no matter how small, or the process will not work. The instruction have to be followed EXACTLY.

If anyone is having problems with this task, let me know. I can provide a set of instructions for correcting issues with the upload. If that does not work, I can assist with the upload while we are on the phone together. Please do not let it deter you. Thanks!

George Varner of Missouri Direct Line DNA

See main article!

Riggs/Varner Connection

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Another Look at Our Family's Time in Miller

We are all aware of the many open genealogical questions about the mid-nineteenth century time period. A time when our families lived in Miller County, Missouri. Some facts and details are known. But having an accurate view of the overall landscape, in the proper perspective can be difficult.

I have created a slideshow in PDF format of those federal land patents for family members and others known to have interacted with our family. The area of study is that land south of Mary's Home and west of St. Elizabeth, in Miller County.

Doing this required several copies of maps for the area. I wanted each map to be of sufficient quality so that they could be enlarged, allowing the viewer to see the details associated with each. In doing this, the file became too large for inclusion in the newsletter.

Rather than reduce size to fit the newsletter, I concluded that it would be wiser to point the reader to the document on the Varner Genealogy website.

Please take the effort to open &/or download the material as it is very enlightening. It contains information on

specific land locations for: Riggs, Berry, Newton, Williams, Jenkins, Wells, and Denton in the immediate area.

It will bring into focus the very close proximity of all these families in the 1860 timeframe.

While viewing the PDF, remember that the printed owner names on the maps are from 1905, NOT FROM 1860. Please do not get confused as to ownership!

Click on the file name below & you will be taken to that file on the website. Enjoy and please provide feedback if you see any issues or problems with the information. Thanks!

<http://brucevarner.com/VarnerGenealogy/Another%20Look%20at%20Our%20Family%E2%80%99s%20Time%20in%20Miller.pdf>

Fall is around the corner! Enjoy the cooler weather and do some genealogy work!

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