

Family Group Sheet for Joshua Freeman



Husband: Joshua Freeman

b: 28 Sep 1814 in Orange Co., NC
 m: 22 Nov 1832 in Randolph Co., IN
 Census: 1860 in Howard Co., Union Twp., IN.
 Military Service: 30 Aug 1861 ; Company C, 26th Indiana Infantry. Source: Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Indiana, Pub. 1865-66 by Holloway.
 d: 13 Feb 1862
 Burial: Freeman Cemetery, Liberty Township, Howard CO., IN (near Greentown) Row 2-A
 Religion: United Brethren
 Father: Nathan Charles Freeman
 Mother: Mary Buckingham
 Other Spouses: Elizabeth Lytle (20 May 1845 in Grant Co., IN)



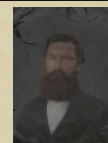
Wife: Mary Warwick

b: Abt. 1815 in NJ
 Father: Richard Cheeseman Warwick
 Mother:
 Other Spouses: David Vance (Aft. 1843)



Children:

1 Name: William Freeman
 M b: 27 Oct 1833 in Wayne Twp, Randolph Co, IN
 m: 31 Jul 1855
 Census: 1860 in Montague Co, TX; Aug 8, 1860
 Census2: 1870 in Montague Co., TX; Jul 11, 1870
 Census3: 1880 in Montague Co., TX; June 1880
 Occupation: 1880 in Farmer & owner of Cotton Gin
 d: 20 Aug 1885 in Montague Co., TX
 Burial: Freeman Cemetery, New Harp, Montague Co., TX
 Spouse: Emily Jane Grimes
 Other Spouses: Martha Jane Johnson (13 Feb 1873 in Montague Co., TX)



2 Name: Richard Freeman
M b: 23 Nov 1835 in Randolph Co., Indiana
m: 11 Sep 1853 in Tipton Co., IN
d: 18 Aug 1917 in Richmond, Wayne Co., IN; Age at death: 80 yrs., 8 mos., 25 days
Burial: 21 Aug 1917 in Earlham Cemetery, Richmond, IN
Probate: 29 Aug 1917
Religion: Quaker
Occupation: Grocer (Dry Goods Merchant)
Spouse: Rheumilla Ayres
Other Spouses: Sarah Jane Frazier (04 Aug 1880 in Wayne Co., IN)



3 Name: Nathan Freeman
M b: 28 Jul 1840 in Randolph Co., IN
m: 18 Apr 1858 in Tipton Co., IN
Military Service: 1861 ; Company C, 26th Indiana Infantry
Census: 1870 in Howard Co., Union Twp., IN.
Census2: 1880 in Howard Co., Union Twp., IN.
Census3: 1900 in Montgomery Co., Clark Twp., IN. Son Charley in household; next house is Frank.
d: 25 Jul 1909 in Montgomery Co., Ladoga, IN
Burial: Ladago Cemetery, Montgomery Co., IN
Spouse: Cynthia Jane Mitchell



4 Name: Mary Jane Freeman
F b: 07 May 1842 in Randolph Co., IN
m: 08 May 1859 in Howard Co., IN
d: 01 Nov 1917 in Wabash Co., IN
Burial: Falls Cemetery, Wabash, IN
Spouse: Wesley Lytle



5 Name: Sarah Elizabeth Freeman
F b: 10 May 1844 in MO
m: 28 Oct 1864 in Montague Co, TX
d: 29 Jan 1927 in Bowie, Montague, TX
Burial: Elmwood Cemetery, Bowie, Montague Co., TX
Spouse: Moses H Johnson



Notes:**Joshua Freeman**

Source: "Portrait and Biographical Record, Montgomery, Parke and Fountain Counties Indiana", containing Biographical Sketches of Prominent and Representative Citizens, Together with Biographies and Portraits of all the Presidents of the United States. Chicago Chapman Bros. 1893.
<https://archive.org/stream/portraitbiographmont00chap#page/421>

The following information, some quoted, is from the publication, "Portrait and Biographical Record, Montgomery, Parke and Fountain Counties Indiana", containing Biographical Sketches of Prominent and Representative Citizens, Together with Biographies and Portraits of all the Presidents of the United States. Chicago Chapman Bros. 1893:

Joshua moved to Howard County, about one mile south of Greentown in 1844. His wife, Mary died either before this move or shortly thereafter. Within a year, he moved to Grant County and settled in an area called Little Ridge which was in Liberty Township. (See notes for Mary Warwick: Mary did not die, but moved on to Texas with two of her children and married David Vance either in MO or TX.)

Notes: (con't)

Joshua Married Elizabeth Lytle on May 20, 1845. They moved to Howard County and were living there when the Civil War broke out. Although he was almost 48 years old, Joshua joined Company C, Twenty-Sixth Indiana Infantry. Enlisting in the same company were two of his sons, Nathan, from his first marriage and Lindsey, from his 2nd marriage. The Twenty-sixth Indiana was sent to St. Louis, MO in September, 1861 and saw action at Springfield and Sedalia. Joshua became ill at Georgetown, MO and was given a disability discharge on January 17, 1862 at Jefferson City, MO with the notation of "recovery doubtful". He returned to Indiana and stopping at his father's house for the night, he died there before he was able to return to his wife and family.

Joshua Freeman was born Sept. 28, 1814. He engaged in farming in Randolph County, and was there married to Mary Warrick, a daughter of a pioneer farmer of that section. In 1846 Mr. Freeman left Randolph County, and took up his residence in Howard County, where he continued to farm, owning a farm of eighty acres. Joshua Freeman was a thoroughly good man and a faithful member of the United Brethren Church.

The article goes on to talk about Nathan Freeman and his wife Cynthia Mitchell and their children.

Newspapers.com:

Article from *Richmond Weekly Palladium* 13 Jul 1833 - page 4

"CAUTION

All persons are warned not to trust my wife, Mary Freeman, as I am determined to pay no debts of her contracting, for she hath left my bed and board without cause or provocation.

JOSHUA FREEMAN.

Randolph county, Ind. June 22, 1833."

Mary Warwick

The family history of Richard C. Freeman "History of North & West Texas' page 329.. states: Joshua Freeman passed away in Mo, whither the family migrated from their Indiana home, and about 1846 it came on to Tx and established itself at Basin Springs, Grayson County. Tx.

Freeman notes state that Mary left Randolph County with a rich land owner. That Joshua encouraged her to take their oldest son William with her. After leaving Joshua, Sarah Elizabeth was born in Mo in 1843. Records show another child - s/o David Vance born in 1847 in Mo. This is about the time they migrated to Basin Springs, Grayson Co., Tx. The family is recorded there in 1850.

Comment:

In the statement above, Joshua Freeman passing away before 1846 is not accurate. Joshua married his second wife, Elizabeth Lytle, in 1845, he is listed in the 1850 Indiana census, and he served in the civil war and was given a disability discharge in 1862.

My own research: According to Census records, Mary Warwick moved to Texas. It appears that she married David Vance and lived in Grayson County, Texas between 1850 and 1860, but I'm not convinced Texas was the only state she lived in, or that Vance was the only man she married after leaving Joshua Freeman. She is listed as Mary Vance living with children William Freeman age 15 and S.E. Freeman age 7 children in the Vance household in the 1850 and 1860 Texas Census (see census information below). The child, Sarah Elizabeth, said to be born in Missouri to Mary Warwick after she left Joshua Freeman, is listed with the Freeman surname in the 1850 census, and the Vance name in the 1860 census. Sarah Elizabeth was not included in the Grandmother's will as an heir, whereas her brother William Freeman was listed as an heir. (See Mary Buckingham's will in the notes section of her individual page).

Texas Census images at www.ancestry.com

1850 Texas Census, Grayson Co.

David Vance is 34, Mary Vance is 35 and born in NJ, Children listed in household are:

William Freeman age 15, born in Indiana

S.E. Freeman (Sarah Elizabeth) age 7, born in MO

Male Vance age 3 born in MO

L. Vance age 11 months, born in TX (This would be the Laura Vance mentioned in cemetery inscriptions,

1860 Texas Census, Montague Co., Aug 8, 1860.

David Vance 41, Mary Vance 44, Sarah 15, John 12, Laura 10.

Notes: (con't)

William Freeman, now married, living next to David & Mary.

1870 Texas Census, Montague Co., Jul 11, 1870.

William Freeman 34, Wife Emily J. 28, and 7 children

next house: Moses H. Johnson, 22, b. TX, Sarah E, Samuel P, 4, John W, 1.

next house: James Harry and Laura, son Garland A. 6 mths.

next house: John Vance and Nova.

1880 Texas Census, Montague Co., June 1880,

William Freeman and family.

Research Notes for Mary Warwick

Possible parents of Mary Warwick

New Jersey Marriages, 1684-1895

Richard WARRICK and Mary CHEESEMAN, 17 May 1812 Gloucester NJ

The Cheeseman's are originally from Gloucester County, New Jersey. Richard C. Warwick owned land in Indiana and Texas; possibly Ohio also. The land in Texas was in the same county where Mary Warwick and her 2nd husband David Vance lived in 1850 & 1860. Texas land abstracts show the land was left to the heirs of Richard Warwick, but does not list the names of the heirs.

<http://usgwarchives.net/in/ranolph/ranolph.html>

According to the publication, "Portrait and Biographical Record, Montgomery, Parke and Fountain Counties Indiana", it is noted that Joshua Freeman, of Randolph County, "was there married to Mary Warrick, a daughter of a pioneer farmer of that section."

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Copy of letter from Charlie Morris to Helen Fackson dated Apr 20, 1999.

Charlie states that Mary Warwick, wife of Joshua Freeman, was the dau of Richard Cheeseman Warwick and Mary Cheesman. A Richard Warwick married Mary Cheesman in Gloucester Co on May 17, 1812.

They came from Gloucester Co, NJ into the area of Ross Co., OH. The father of Richard was probably William Warrick (Warwick). The father of Mary Cheesman could have been Edmond Cheesman, though Edmond could have been a brother since the 1810 Ross County census shows him as 26-45 years old.

Both William Warrick and Edmond Cheesman were in the 1820 census of Ross Co, OH. A Richard Warwick in 1830 is in Fayette Co., OH. It appears that when Mary Warwick Freeman ran off with David Vance, her parents went with them, as they sold their property in Wayne County in 1841. William Warwick, Jr. sold his property in Randolph County in 1847 and was living in Catahoula Parish, LA at that time.

The parents of Richard Warwick appear to be William Warwick and Jemima Cheesman who married Jan 25, 1780 in Gloucester Co., NJ. Richard C and his wife Mary named a dau Jemima, who married Isaac Comer in 1834. They had a dau, Beulah Ann who married Mark Davis in 1833 and died in Howard Co., IN.

A Jemima Cheesman has a will in Gloucester Co., NJ in 1798. This could be the mother of Jemima that married William Warwick. There are wills in that same NJ county for five Richard Cheesman's dated 1789, 1796, 1800, 1801 and 1812.

William Freeman

William had many encounters with "the red man" and on one occasion the artery of his left arm was severed by an arrow and rendered him somewhat of a cripple for life.

Source: B. B. Paddock, History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Vol. I, pp. 329-331.

<https://archive.org/stream/twentiethcenturyv1padd#page/n413>

There is a newspaper article concerning William Freeman and his brother Richard Freeman finding each other after years of being separated and then reuniting in Tennessee in 1892. It is possible that the William Freeman in Tennessee was not Richard Freeman's brother and that William convinced Richard that he was his brother upon hearing of the possibility of a great inheritance from England (heirs of Robert Freeman Estate)

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Is the William Freeman family in Texas and the William Freeman written about in several newspaper articles in Tennessee the same person (son of Joshua Freeman and Mary Warwick)? The cemetery headstone for William Freeman in the Freeman Cemetery, New Harp, Montague Co. has William's year of death as 1885. The William Freeman living in Tennessee who "reunited with his long lost brother Richard Freeman", is living in 1892 at the time of the newspaper article.

In a bio on Richard C Freeman, son of William Freeman, I read that William's year of death is 1894, not 1885 as marked on the headstone in Texas [**B. B. Paddock, History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Vol. I, pp. 329-331.**
<https://archive.org/stream/twentiethcenturyv1padd#page/n413>]

While census records show him living in Texas from 1850-1880, it is possible that he moved to and from Texas and Tennessee in between census years during the years of 1880 through 1894. There are several Tennessee family connections mentioned in Biographical records on three of William's sons, **William Robert Freeman, Richard C. Freeman, and Thomason Madison Freeman.**

I found a blip of an article in the Richmond Indiana newspaper saying that **Richard Freeman** had lived in Tennessee "for some time" and had moved back to Richmond, Indiana in 1899 (http://www.dennettfamily.com/genealogy/Records_Documents/Richard_Freeman_moves_to_TN.pdf).

After further search of newspaper archives on genealogybank.com, I found the following clipping of a court lawsuit by William Freeman's widow in 1886:

Fort Worth Gazette Thursday, Dec 09, 1886 Fort Worth, TX Vol: 12 Page: 7

THE HIGHER COURTS.

COURT OF APPEALS-TYLER TERM, 1886.

C. C. White et al vs. Martha Freeman et al. Appeal from Montague county. C. C. White, appellant, had obtained a judgment against William Freeman and caused execution to issue and levied upon and sold two mules alleged to be exempt. Freeman instituted this suit against White for the recovery of the mules and for actual and exemplary damages. Pending the suit Freeman died, and the court allowed his widow and children to further prosecute the suit. Judgment in court below for plaintiff for the amount of \$275, from which defendants, White et al, appeal to this court. Held, That the court did not err in allowing the wife and children of deceased plaintiff to prosecute the suit. Damages recovered are within the proper measure and the case is affirmed.

This court case finding confirms for me that William Freeman did die in 1885 as engraved on his headstone in Texas, leaving behind a widow, Martha Freeman, and children, as noted in the 1886 court document.

Source: *B. B. Paddock, History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Vol. I, pp. 329-331.*

<https://archive.org/stream/twentiethcenturyv1padd#page/n413> (Bio on Richard C. Freeman)

Source: *B. B. Paddock, History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Vol. I, pp. 682-683.*

<https://archive.org/stream/twentiethcenturyv1padd#page/682> (Bio on Thomason Madison Freeman)

Source: *B. B. Paddock, History and Biographical Record of North and West Texas (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1906), Vol. II, pp. 402-403.*

<https://archive.org/stream/twentiethcentury00padd#page/n533> (Bio on William Robert Freeman).

Fact Notes for William Freeman

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Richard Freeman

1860 IND Census, Tipton Co., Wilcat Twp.

1870 IND Census, July 29, 1870, Tipton Co., Wilcat Twp: Richard age 35, Romilla age 34, Mary J. age 16, Sarah A. age 14, Lyda E. age 13, Rachel E. age 9, Nathan H. age 7, Hannah J. age 3, Melissa age 1. (also in household is Andrew Riffe age 21 and Samuel Huston age 30; don't know who they are.)

Note: The family is scattered in the 1880 census as follows: June 15, 1880 Tipton Co., Windfall City, Indiana. Richard, widowed, is living with his married daughter Sarah Piercefield age 25 and daughters Icy Freeman age 9, Sardus Freeman age 5 and married daughter Lyda E. Works age 23. Mary J., age 24 is married to V. Harrell and living in Howard Co., IN with a son and daughter; sister Minnie Freeman age 13 and brother Harless Freeman age 17. Minnie is Hannah's nickname. Harless is Nathan. Nathan's middle initial is H. Harless is a family name, though Helen Hartley Fackson of Richmond, his granddaughter, thought his middle name was Horace. Haven't yet found where Rachel Elizabeth and Melissa are in 1880.

Richard's death certificate has his address at time of death as 1010 Butler Street, Richmond, IN. (same address where his granddaughter Gladys Essex died in 1919)

Source: Tipton Co Library genealogist.

Obituary: Tipton Daily Tribune, August 21, 1917 Page 8.

DEATH CLAIMS PIONEER

Early Day Merchant at Windfall is Dead

RICHARD FREEMAN one of the early day merchants at Windfall, died on Monday morning at his home in Richmond, at which place he had been living for some time. Nathan Bailey, of Windfall, who was associated with the deceased in the pioneer days, went to Richmond to attend the burial.

There are many of the older residents of Windfall who will recall this pioneer. He was an early day merchant at that place having been one of the earliest merchants of the east part of Tipton County when he was a village merchant at Windfall the country was little more than a howling wilderness.

Mr Freeman left Windfall about thirty years ago, moving to Richmond. His first wife died at Windfall and he was married for the second time, the second wife living. She was formerly Sarah Frazier and was matron for the home for orphans at Richmond, when she married. No children were born of the second marriage.

There were ten children born of the first marriage. Those living being, Mrs David Latta of Center, Mrs Van Harrell, Mrs Sampson Pearciful, Mrs Joseph Works, Mrs Edward Lamm, Mrs Milo Meadenhall all of Richmond, Mrs. D.M. Trees of Tulsa, Okla, and Nathan (Bud) Freeman of Gas City.

At this time three of the sons of Nathan are in France, fighting in the world war.

The elder Freeman was engaged in the mercantile business at Richmond until five years ago at which time he retired owing to advanced arrears and ill health.

Mr. Freeman will be recalled as a man of kindly nature and a citizen always esteemed by those with whom he came in contact. He was a man of christian character and in his earlier day was a power in the community in which he lived, for the betterment of moral conditions. He was identified with the Christian Church.

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Newsclipping from Windfall--

Mrs D.W. Latta and son Homer, went to Richmond, Monday morning where they called

Notes: (con't)

owing to the death of Mrs Latta's father RICHARD FREEMAN which took place Saturday night at 10:00. Mr Freeman is eighty two years old and spent part of his early life in and near Windfall and has many friends throughout the county. He had been ill for some time and his death came not unexpected.

Research Notes for Richard Freeman

Need to research Robert Holmes Freeman of England: Possible direct line to Richard Freeman: Hoosier State Chronicles Indiana's Digital Historic Newspaper Program Richmond Palladium (Daily), Volume 31, Number 226, 12 September 1906 <https://newspapers.library.in.gov/cgi-bin/indiana?a=d&d=RPD19060912.1.1&srpos=14&e=-----en-50--1--tx-t-txIN-%22richard+freeman%22>

"Robert Holmes-Freeman merchant and late resident of Norwich, County Droper, England, died in America." The newspaper article goes on to say, "Mr. Freeman (Richard Freeman) stated yesterday that to the best of his knowlege there were three brothers in England many years ago, two of whom decided to come to this country about 1770 and make their fortunes. The third who by staying at home retained the whole of the estate. The one in England died, willing his property to the two in America. From these two brothers the three hundred or more, who are now seeking their alleged portions of the estate, claim to be descended...."

Fact Notes for Richard Freeman

Birth: The Richard and Rheumilla Family Bible, with many of the Freeman birth, marriage and death dates, is in the possession of Barbara Campbell's mother, Beverly Davenport, daughter of Byron Davenport, son of Blanche Crowell Davenport, daughter of Hannah May Freeman Crowell Lamb, daughter of Richard Freeman and Rheumelia Ayers.

Death: U.S., Quaker Meeting Records, 1681-1935 (Ancestry.com)
Indiana Wayne and Vicinity Various Quaker Death Records, 1890-1935.

Nathan Freeman

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At the time of the publication's writing, 1893, Nathan was engaged in farming on Section 8, Clark Township, Montgomery county.

Nathan Freeman bought his father's (Joshua) eighty acres and lived upon the old homestead from 1866 to 1884. In the latter year he moved to Hancock County, where he stayed two years. In the spring of 1886 he came to Montgomery Co., Clark Township and purchased 180 acres of farming land. He also had 120 acres of land in Missouri.

Mary Jane Freeman

The 1880 Census for this family shows that Mary Jane's father is born in NC and mother in TX. Mary Jane's mother Mary Warwick lived in Texas with her 2nd husband David Vance.

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