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Lem - A few years ago, a cousin took me to the abandoned Surpin Cemetery in Lincoln Township, Hendricks County Indiana. Jacob Surpin, a direct ancestor of mine, is buried here as is Levi Shirley 5/6 Thomas Jr and Hannah Dale Shirley. (see Surpin Cem. page included)

The Shirley Man. says Levi married Nancy Newham 5-28-1832. Hendricks Co marriage index shows a Lem Shirley and Nancy Newham m. on that date. Looks like a case of bad handwriting / transcription to me.

I actually think her name was Newham. There are several Newhams buried in the Surpin Cemetery, probably her relatives and possibly her parents. This Cemetery is online. See Daniel Newham and wife Arena or Annis who are buried a short distance from Levi. He appears in the 1830, 40, 50 and 60 Censuses. I'm suggesting this not positive. Unfortunately the 1830, 40 censuses don't name females (grm!) so there is no way to know for sure.

several Shirleys - see Newhams

I also believe Nancy Newham Shirley widow of Levi Shirley later married Robert Cor (H.C. Marriages). I then found Robert Cor and wife Nancy in the 1860 Brown Township H.C. Census with son William J. Shirley age 17 b. Indiana! This means William was b in 1833 one year after ~~Levi~~ & Nancy were Levi

married Apr. 1838

Married. The only complication I find is that ^{William} he changes his story about where he was born and says Ky instead of In. In following W.M.T. Shirley through the years, the one constant is Robert Cox who always lives with the household and actually outlives W.M.T. Nancy died between the 1860 and 1870 Census, but I haven't yet found a date, or burial.

Birth — William J. Shirley b. 1833 Indiana
There is no way of knowing whether he was born before or after Lucie died.

Age 17 — 1850 Census Division 2 Barren, Ky
The same area as his grandparents, Thomas Jr. and Hannah Dale Shirley

Age 20 — Married December 13, 1853 Barren Co
to Henrietta Hatchett (pronounced hat-tit.) (Barren Co Marriages 1850-60)

Age 27 — 1860 Census Brown Hendricks In

Age 37 — 1870 " " " "

Looks like 3 children Mary, Robert's
Age 38 — W.T. Shirley b. 1833 d. 1871 Prissilla
death Everett Cemetery Cass Co. Mo.

Also: Henrietta Shirley wife of W.T. Shirley
b. March 19, 1837 d. June 2, 1880

I haven't yet found any death records for Robert Cox or followed any of the children. May later. I hope you got the pic I emailed you of Henrietta. pic enclosed.

a word about the 1830 census

page where Daniel Newham appears.
He is living surrounded by Smiths
and Shirleys, all of them distant
relatives of mine. I'm a direct
descendant of Benjamin Smith
who was m. to Susannah Shirley
d/o Richard branch 3 through his
son James Smith. I was actually born
in Hendricks Co, lived in Boone Co
till I was 10.

My dad was one of 10 children
of Benjamin (mint) Shirley s/o
Thos Shirley s/o Martin Shirley s/o
Thos Jr & Hannah Dale. Each of
the children had lots of children
and at one time I had 52 first
cousins!

Hope this is all understandable.
Margo

Sorry, I just remembered that
Henrietta was the sister of Mary
Hatchett who married John Shirley,
Levi's brother. There was a 13
year age difference. Mary b. 1821
Henrietta 1838 Both daughters of
Archibald and Elizabeth Hatchett.

I have basic ancestry. If you ever want
me to look anything up for you, I'd be
happy to. I'm sending lots of pics of Shirleys
from other lines. Also the Suda Heave site
is a goldmine.