

## Catharine Smith (1819 -1904)

Catherine Smith was born December 18<sup>th</sup> 1819 to Henry and Susanna Smith near Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County,<sup>i</sup> Pennsylvania. <sup>1-2-3-4</sup>

- The Smith family had eleven children, including George Smith, of Huntsdale who died two weeks before Catherine on March 4<sup>th</sup> 1904; and Adam Smith of Carlisle. <sup>5</sup>
  - Henry Smith was born May 29<sup>th</sup> 1791. He died February 6<sup>th</sup> 1882. He was laid to rest in the Ashland Cemetery, Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. FAG#: 9721937 <sup>ii</sup>
  - George O. Smith was born in 1825. He was married to Susan A. (1834-1876). George died in 1904 in Carlisle, Cumberland County. He was laid to rest in the Ashland Cemetery, Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. FAG#: 9721968 <sup>iii</sup>
  - Adam Smith was born in 1832. He was married to Angelina Rhoads. He was the last of sixteen children. <sup>6</sup> Adam died in 1905 in Carlisle, Cumberland County. He was laid to rest in the Ashland Cemetery, Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. FAG#: 9721924 <sup>iv</sup>

On October 5<sup>th</sup> 1841, Catherine was married to Fredrick Allenweit, who died May 21<sup>st</sup> 1861. <sup>7</sup>

- According to William Graham (1833-1908) he 1<sup>st</sup> married Mary Oliver of Maclay's Mill. <sup>8</sup>

By August 9<sup>th</sup> 1850 Fredrick Oliver lived with his wife Catherine in East Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. Oliver was a laborer, 50 years old (b, 1800), and Catherine was 28 years old <sup>v</sup> (b. 1822). Living with them were two daughters.

- Mary E. Oliver was 9 years old, born about 1841
- Ann E. Oliver was 9 months old, born around December 1849

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<sup>i</sup> Catherine's obituary indicates she was born in the lower end of the county (Cumberland); Page 5, On The Death Roster, Thrush, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1904, People's Register, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

<sup>ii</sup> Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

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<sup>v</sup> The 1850 census indicated Catherine's age as 38 years old, and in the 1860 census she was still 38 years old. I believe the 1850 census is an error, and her real age was 28 years old.

**Investigate This Lead:** Name: Frederick Oliver - Event Type: Confirmation - Confirmation Date: 20 Oct 1850 and 8 Oct 1848 - Confirmation Place: Shiremantown, Cumberland, Pennsylvania - Denomination: Lutheran - Organization Name: St John Evangelical Lutheran (Friedens or Peace) – This place is about 5 miles from East Pennsboro, and 1000 yards from the town of Shiremanstown in Cumberland County.

Fredrick Oliver (Allenwelt or Allewett) <sup>vi</sup> died May 21<sup>st</sup> 1861, <sup>9</sup> and Mrs. Catherine Oliver married Leonard Thrush on January 4<sup>th</sup> 1870. <sup>10</sup>

- On the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. (meaning this month), by the same. Mr. Leonard Thrush to Mrs. Catherine Oliver, both of Franklin County.

Leonard was 85 years old when he died January 16<sup>th</sup> 1885 near Shippensburg. <sup>11</sup>

Catherine died Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 1904 while living at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Angle. She was laid to rest in the Spring Hill Cemetery, Section 2.2, Shippensburg, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. FAG#: 154428683 <sup>vii</sup>

About her obituaries: All the obituaries were most likely arranged by her granddaughter, Annie Graham-Agle.

Obituary #1: Catherine died Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 1904 while living at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Angle. Catherine lived in Shippensburg area for about nineteen years; 1883-1904. <sup>12</sup>

- When Catherine died Cora Wennel and Mrs. Harry Seitz of Harrisburg, returned home to spend a few days with Mrs. Edward Agle, and attend the funeral of their grandmother Catherine Thrush. A brother, Adam Smith, of Carlisle also survived Catherine. <sup>13</sup>

Obituary #2: Mrs. Catherine Thrush died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Agle, on South Penn Street, Shippensburg, on Friday Morning, March 4<sup>th</sup> aged 81 years, 2 months, and 10 days old. Mrs. Thrush was twice married, her second husband dying about nineteen years ago, which time she resided with her granddaughter, who tenderly cared for her in her last days. A Brother died just one week before her death in his 70<sup>th</sup> year. <sup>14</sup>

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<sup>vi</sup> Again, I do not believe that the correct name is Allewelt, but should be Oliver.

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Obituary #3: Catherine lived with her granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Agle, on South Penn Street in Shippensburg. She was born in the lower end of the county December 18<sup>th</sup> 1819. Her maiden name was Catherine Smith. On October 5<sup>th</sup> 1841, she was married to Fredrick Allenwelt, who died May 21<sup>st</sup> 1861. On January 4<sup>th</sup> 1870, she married to Leonard Thrush, who died about nineteen years ago, since which time she made her home with her granddaughter, Mrs. Agle. Mr. Adam Smith, of Carlisle, is the only surviving member of a of eleven children. George Smith, who died at Huntsdale about two weeks ago was a brother. Catherine was a consistent member of the Reformed Church. She died Friday Morning, March 4<sup>th</sup> aged 81 years, 2 months, and 10 days old. Her funeral took place on Monday afternoon, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 o'clock, services being conducted by Reverend C. I. Brown. <sup>15</sup>

Obituary #4: Mrs. Catherine Thrush died in Shippensburg March 4, age 85. Adam Smith, of Carlisle, is a brother of deceased. The funeral was held Monday. <sup>16</sup>

## End Notes

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<sup>1</sup> Catherine Smith Name, Date of Birth, and Place of Birth: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #1, Mrs. Catherine Thrush Obituary, Page 3, Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Shippensburg Chronicle, Shippensburg Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>2</sup> Catherine Smith Name, Date of Birth, and Place of Birth: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #2, Page 5, On The Death Roster, Thrush, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1904, People's Register, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>3</sup> Catherine Smith Name, Date of Birth, and Place of Birth: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #3, Page 1, Deaths, Mrs. Catherine Thrush, Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Carlisle Evening Herald, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043

<sup>4</sup> Catherine Smith Name, Date of Birth, and Place of Birth: The information from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #4: Page 3, The Death Record, Thrush, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Sentinel, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>5</sup> Catherine Smith Maiden Name, Number of Smith Family Children, Her Brother George Smith Name, 1904 Residence and Date of Death, and Her Brother Adam Smith Name, and his 1904 Residence: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #3, Page 1, Deaths, Mrs. Catherine Thrush, Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Carlisle Evening Herald, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>6</sup> Adam Smith Name, and Last of Sixteen Children: The information came from the Adam Smith Obituary, Page 3, Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> 1905, The Sentinel, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>7</sup> Catherine Smith Marriage to Fredrick Allenwelt, and his date of Death: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #3, Page 1, Deaths, Mrs. Catherine Thrush, Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Carlisle Evening Herald, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>8</sup> William Graham's First Wife, Mary Oliver, Her Parents and Place of Residence: The information came from William's obituary from The Shippensburg Chronicle, Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 1908; Shippensburg Historical Society Obituary Collection, Shippensburg Historical Society, 52 West King Street Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, 17257.

<sup>9</sup> Catherine Smith Marriage to Fredrick Allenwelt, and his date of Death: The information came from the Catherine Thrush Obituary #3, Page 1, Deaths, Mrs. Catherine Thrush, Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Carlisle Evening Herald, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

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<sup>10</sup> Catherine Oliver Marriage to Leonard Thrush: The information came from Married, Thrush-Oliver, Page 2, Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup> 1870, The Star and Enterprise, Newville, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>11</sup> Leonard Thrush Name, Age, Date of Death, and Place of Death: The information came from the Leonard Thrush Obituary: The Shippensburg Chronicle (Shippensburg, Pennsylvania), 23 Jan 1885, Fri, Page 3, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>12</sup> Catherine Thrush Name, Birth Date, Place of Birth, Date of Death, Length as Shippensburg Resident, Dying at her Granddaughters Home Mrs. Edward Agle, and indicating Three Surviving Granddaughters: The information came from her obituary #1, Mrs. Catherine Thrush Obituary, Page 3, Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Shippensburg Chronicle, Shippensburg Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>13</sup> Cora Wennel and Mrs. Harry Seltz of Harrisburg, Visting Mrs. Edward Agle for Their Grandmother Catherine Thrush Funeral. The information came from the Mrs. Catherine Thrush Obituary, Page 3, Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Shippensburg Chronicle, Shippensburg Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>14</sup> Catherine Thrush Obituary #2: The information came from her obituary, Page 5, On The Death Roster, Thrush, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1904, People's Register, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>15</sup> Catherine Thrush Obituary #3: The information came from her obituary, Page 1, Deaths, Mrs. Catherine Thrush, Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Carlisle Evening Herald, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.

<sup>16</sup> Catherine Thrush Obituary #4: The information came from her obituary, Page 3, The Death Record, Thrush, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1904, The Sentinel, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043.