

Kishbaugh Family History

My maternal grandfather was Paul Daniel Hines, and his maternal grandmother was Margaret Jane Kishbaugh, who married Daniel S. Thomas.

We don't factually know about the Kishbaugh family's arrival in Colonial America, or who the Kishbaugh Colonial patriarch was, or of their origins.

What others have written about the Kishbaugh family is all we have, except for our line linked to Paul Lafayette Kishbaugh. It's a shame that no one is properly documenting their work on this family. Here's a perfect example.

The family presumably starts with Heinrich Wilhelm or Wilhelm Kishbaugh, who was a farmer in Knowlton Sussex County (now Warren County) New Jersey. He married Mary Henry.

From William Kishbaugh and Mary Henry, we follow a son named John Kishbaugh who was born about 1798 in Knowlton Sussex County (now Warren County) New Jersey. John married Elizabeth Arner and all of their children were born in Nescopeck Township, Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

- i. Rosanna Kishbaugh was born February 8th 1823. She never married, and she apparently suffered some brain damage from a childhood illness.
- ii. Ephraim Kishbaugh was born: June 12th 1824. He married Sarah Hart
- iii. Maria Kishbaugh was christened on October 27th 1826 in Hazleton, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania
- iv. Paul Lafayette Kishbaugh was born in 1829
- v. Susan C. Kishbaugh was born about 1832
- vi. Anson Kishbaugh was born about 1833
- vii. Elizabeth Kishbaugh was born December 27th 1836
- viii. Almeda Ellen Kishbaugh was born October 17th 1838
- ix. William R. Kishbaugh was born May 4th 1841
- x. Freeman Kishbaugh was born about 1844

We'll continue researching this family, and properly documenting their history.

Paul Lafayette Kishbaugh (1829 – 1864)

Here is our research paper Paul Lafayette Kishbaugh (1829 – 1864) and his family.

Paul Lafayette¹ Kishbaugh was born April 7th 1829.² In 1850 Paul was living with his uncle, Casper Kishbaugh and his family, in Nescopeck Township Luzerne County Pennsylvania, while Mary Ann was living in Lausanne Township, Carbon County Pennsylvania with the Fry family.

Paul married Mary Ann Shaffer on May 7th 1853 in Weatherly, Carbon County Pennsylvania by the Justice of the Peace, James Lewis.³ Mary Ann was born September 1833 in Pennsylvania

By 1860 Paul and his family were living in East Maunch Chunk (present day Jim Thorpe), and he was a Locomotive Engineer. Living with the family was Susan Fry (b. 1846), and Mary Grady (b.1843). Susan Fry was also listed in the 1850 census where Mary was living with the Fry family. Together Paul and Mary Ann had five children. ⁴

- i. Martha Jane Kishbaugh was born August 16th 1853. She went by the name Jane, and married Daniel S. Thomas of Luzerne County Pennsylvania. Jane died January 7th 1922, and was laid to rest in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jim Thorpe, Carbon County Pennsylvania. My mother, Jane Alice Hines-Taylor, is named after her.
- ii. Margaret (Maggie) Ann Kishbaugh was born about August 7th 1855, and was a school teacher in East Maunch Chuck in 1880. Margaret (Maggie) Kishbaugh went on to become a teacher out west, teaching at a school for Native Americans during the plains war period in America. Maggie once had a cottage on Lake Harmony in the Pocono Mountains, later locally known as a resort. ⁵ Lake Harmony is a reservoir, and the name of a village in Kidder Township, Carbon County, Pennsylvania.
- iii. Edward Kishbaugh was born November 25th 1857. He and his brother Wilson were admitted to the Solders Orphan School, Martha Bennet Children's Home in Luzerne County on April 19th 1866. Edward died May 14th 1866 of congestion of the brain. ⁶
- iv. Wilson Kishbaugh was born August 4th 1859. He and his brother Edward were admitted to the Solders Orphan School, Martha Bennet Children's Home in Luzerne County on April 19th 1866. ⁷ He married about 1885 to Emma L. Buchman. Emma was born September 1859 in Pennsylvania to Henry Buchman and Angelina Wolfe, who were both born in Pennsylvania. Wilson and Emma lived in Philadelphia County Pennsylvania. Emma died while in Philadelphia Pennsylvania at 55 years, 7 months, and 29 days on April 9th 1915. She was laid to rest April 10th 1915 in Maunch Chuck Pennsylvania. ⁸ Wilson moved to Miami Florida, where he died on Thursday 1949 at 90 years old. ⁹
- v. Paul James Kishbaugh was born January 20th 1864, and was christened on March 29th 1865, sponsored by Margaretha Arner. ¹⁰ Paul was clerk, and later a sales agent for a coal company. He married Emilie C. about 1887-88 who was born in Pennsylvania about July 1864.

As the Civil War continued over the next four years, the Union forces were in constant need of new recruits. During one of these recruitment drives, on February 25th 1864, Paul Kishbaugh enrolled in the Union forces. On March 2nd 1864 he mustered-in as a private within Company G, under the command of John Patton of the 81st Pennsylvania Regiment (Volunteers).

On February 6th and 7th of 1864, at the time of Paul's enrollment, the 81st regiment was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, II Corp, First Division under the command of Brigadier general Francis C. Barlow, and the 1st Brigade under the command of Colonel Nelson A. Miles.

The regiment was engaged in Spotsylvania County Virginia, in what is known as the Demonstration on the Rapidan, or the Battle of Morton's Ford, about 5 miles south Stevensburg Virginia. The Union forces were attempting to distract the confederate forces' attention from a planned Union cavalry-infantry raid up the Peninsula on Richmond Virginia. To do this the Union army forced several crossings of the Rapidan River.

Beginning on February 6th 1864 the II Corps division, including the 81st Pennsylvania regiment, crossed at Morton's Ford, while the I Corps crossed at Raccoon Ford. Union cavalry crossed at Robertson's Ford. Ewell's Corps resisted the crossings. Fighting was sporadic but most severe at Morton's Ford. By February 7th the attacks had stalled, and the Federals withdrew during the night.

As Paul mustered-in the 81st Regiment on March 2nd 1864, the regiment was in Stevensburg Virginia. The following two months the 81st were consumed by reorganization. Change was in the air as the troops of the 81st shined their brass in preparation for the new spring campaign; little did the 81st know they would soon go through the bloodiest 30 days of the war. ¹¹

As Paul arrived in Stevensburg to join his regiment, they were preparing for the Rapidan Campaign, which lasted from May 4th to June 12th 1864. The campaign included ...May 4th to the 7th where the Battles of the Wilderness; May 8th to the 12th was Corbin's Bridge and Spotsylvania, Po River, Assault on the Salient, and Spotsylvania Court House.

The following are accounts of Paul Kishbaugh's last days with the 81st.

"...That he was a member of the 81st Regt Penn Vols and was well acquainted with Paul Kishbaugh before his enlistment...and in the line of duty during the battle of the Wilderness between the 5th and 12th of May said Kishbaugh became very ill from chronic diarrhea and was taken to the Field Hospital afterwards removed to the rear for the purpose to be sent to some general Hospital. That after the Battle of Coal Harbor sometime in May this Respondent was a soldier and member of the same corps and one of the ambulance drivers with whom he had some slight acquaintance but whose name he has forgotten who informed me that he had buried a man by the name of Paul Kishbaugh. That he knew his name from the fact of it having been printed on his arm in...that Kishbaugh had died while being conveyed in ambulance between Wilderness and Port Royal and was buried about four miles from Port Royal..." ¹²

"...declares that he was late Captain of Co "I" of the 81st Regiment Penns Vols, and was well acquainted with Paul Kishbaugh a private of Co "G", afterwards "I" of said regiment...has personal knowledge the fact that the said Paul sometime during the first part of May... contracted the chronic diarrhea by reason of which he was removed to Field Hospitaland has every reason to believe died while in an ambulance train between the Wilderness and Port Royal in May 1864..." ¹³

The field hospital was located at Camp California, ¹⁴ and Paul died June 16th 1864 ¹⁵ near Hanover Virginia, ¹⁶ while being transported on an ambulance train from the Wilderness of Spotsylvania to Port Royal Caroline County Virginia. But where he was laid to rest is still unclear.

The civil war pension affidavit by Charles Hontz said Paul was buried four miles from Port Royal, presumably coming from the Wilderness. Then there's the headstone of Paul and Mary Kishbaugh at the Union Cemetery, Weatherly Carbon County, Pennsylvania. This is another interesting part of the research, where does Paul lay at rest? Also in the Charles Hontz affidavit, it was mentioned that there was a portrait of Paul Kishbaugh. It would be nice to find that piece of photo history.

After Paul's death, Martha and Maggie went to live at the Solders Orphans' School in Quakertown, Bucks County Pennsylvania. Edward died May 14th 1866 of congestion of the brain.¹⁷ Mary Ann, and two of her sons, Wilson and Paul James, was living together in Weatherly Carbon County. Weatherly is the place where Paul Kishbaugh and Mary Ann Shaffer married, and most likely where other family members still live. It is about 12 miles north of Mauch Chuck, which is called Jim Thorpe today.

By 1870 Mary Ann Kishbaugh and her children, Jane, Maggie and Wilson, were residents in the civil war children's orphanage for veterans (Solders Orphan School) in Chester Springs West Pikeland Township Chester County Pennsylvania.¹⁸ Mary was a house keeper, while her children were teachers (scholars) at the Solders Orphanage School.

The 1880 census record shows Mary age 46, widowed, living with her daughter Maggie age 24, a school teacher, and Wilson age 20, a carpenter in East Mauch Chuck.

Mary Ann Shaffer-Kishbaugh died in December 31st 1903,¹⁹ and she was laid to rest, presumably next to Paul, in section lot 248 of the Union Cemetery, Weatherly Carbon County, Pennsylvania. The headstone for Paul and Mary is difficult to read, so we did a digital enhancement. It appears the headstone reads Paul 1829-1864, and Mary A. 1833-1883.

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End Notes

¹ We are still researching to verify his middle name, Lafayette. In Paul's Widow Pension File, in a Department of Interior Pension record, indicated Paul's middle initial was "A".

² Paul's month and day for his 1829 birth is still being verified.

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¹⁴ The reference to Camp California came from an affidavit from Libor Winter, Lieutenant of Company G, 81st Pennsylvania regiment (Volunteers), January 31st 1867, in Paul's Widow Pension Records. The location of Camp California is still being researched.

¹⁵ Paul's death is correct as written from his Civil War Widow Pension Record, but there is an error in his recorded death from his burial card; which reported his death as February 1864, and his GAR Headstone Marker Civil War information was provided by William Williams on February 1st 1931 on a veteran burial notification card.

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¹⁷ Pages 428-430, Pennsylvania's Soldier's Orphan Schools" by James Laughery Paul, 1877

¹⁸ Chester Springs is just 70 miles south of East Mauch Chunk PA, and 40 miles from Philadelphia PA.

¹⁹ Mary Ann Kishbaugh's date of death came from Paul's Civil War Widow Pension Record, where the date of her pension was stopped. This may or may not be her actual date of death.