

## Introduction

The name Redmond Line came up in 1850 and 1860 during our research into Redmond and Christiana Owens in Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>1</sup> The name of Redmond may suggest an Owens and Line relationship, which are supported by two primary sources.

1. "...Harmon Sox united in marriage December 27<sup>th</sup> 1838 in Pennsylvania to Margaret Owens...She was born in that State November 14<sup>th</sup> 1814...Mrs. Sox is the daughter of Redmond and Christiana (Arnold) Owens. Her parents lived and died in Pennsylvania, where they reared their children Christiana, Edward, John, Mary, Hattie and Elizabeth..." <sup>2</sup> Elizabeth Owens married Hezekiah Thomas. <sup>3</sup>
2. In a May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1863 letter written by Redmond Lierce, and addressed to his cousin Edward F. Sox, was signed in script. The salutation is Cousin Redmond Lierce. <sup>4</sup> The Lierce interpretation is most likely the name Line.

In 1840 living next door to Redmond Owens in Newport Township Luzerne County Pennsylvania,<sup>i</sup> is Conrad C. Lines and Abraham Lines. <sup>ii</sup> The name Conrad Lines can be traced back to the 1800 census in Hanover and Nescopeck Townships of Luzerne County. In 1790 there is a Benjamin Lines living in Washington Pennsylvania.

By 1850 we 1<sup>st</sup> see Redmond's parents, James Line (b. 1791 in PA and a farmer) and Maria line (b. 1789 in PA), living in Hollenback Township in Luzerne County. <sup>iii</sup> Living next door is Conrad Line (b. 1787 in PA and a farmer) and Catherine Line (b. 1787 in PA), Fletcher Line (b. 1826 in PA and a laborer), and Adeline Line (b. 1841 in PA).

- In 1870, the name Adeline (b. 1865 in PA) is also used as a child of Elizabeth Thomas. <sup>5</sup>

If there is a relationship between the Line, Owens, or Sox families, it isn't presently known.

The Line family is a complicated family line, and for now, I have temporarily suspended my research.

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<sup>i</sup> Newport Township is north of Sugarloaf and Hollenback Townships, and north-west of Wright Township, and is the western border of Hanover Township in Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

<sup>ii</sup> The name Line and Lines were sometimes spelled.

<sup>iii</sup> Hollenback is on the northern border of Sugarloaf, west of Wright Township, and south of Hanover Township in Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

## Redmond Line (1840-1927)

Redmond Line was born October 26<sup>th</sup> 1840 in Pennsylvania to James Line and Mary Mark. <sup>6</sup>

In 1850 Hanover Township Luzerne County Pennsylvania, Redmond was identified as Redmond Jr., living with Redmond and Christiana Owens. In 1860 Wright Township, Wilkes-Barre post office area, Redmond was identified as Redmond Line, and he was still living with Redmond and Christiana Owens in Hanover Township, Luzerne County.

On June 30<sup>th</sup> 1863, Redmond was 22 years old when he signed up for the Civil War Draft. At the time he was single and living in Wright Township in Luzern County Pennsylvania. <sup>7</sup> Then on March 31<sup>st</sup> 1864 Redmond went to Wilkes-Barre to enlist into Company G of the 52nd Pennsylvania Infantry Regimental Union Army. <sup>8</sup> He mustered out on service from Company H of the same regiment on July 12<sup>th</sup> 1865 in Harrisburg, Dauphin County Pennsylvania.

Sometime after Redmond left the Army, he married Mary Shaffer. <sup>iv</sup> Mary was born September 7<sup>th</sup> 1847 to James Shaffer and Mary Mack in Pennsylvania. <sup>9</sup>

In 1880 Redmond was a locomotive engineer, and the family lived in Penobscot, Wrights Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. On September 6<sup>th</sup> 1883 Redmond signed up for his Civil War pension. <sup>10</sup> By 1890 Redmond was living in Mountain Top in Wright and Fairview Townships of Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>11</sup>

In 1900 the family lived in Wright Township, with their daughter, Anna Allabaugh, and her children. At some point the family lived near Rippletown, which is a small town in Mountain Top Luzerne County.

Mary died February 10<sup>th</sup> 1922. She was laid to rest at the Albert Cemetery in Mountain Top, Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>12</sup> FAG#: 151498458 <sup>v</sup>

Redmond died August 25<sup>th</sup> 1927 in Fairview Township Luzerne County Pennsylvania. He was laid to rest with his wife at the Albert Cemetery. His son Philip Line was the informant on his death certificate. <sup>13</sup> The inscription on his headstone: Co. H, 52 PA Vol Inf. FAG#: 29305029 <sup>vi</sup>

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<sup>iv</sup> Redmond's marriage to Mary Shaffer came from the death certificates of his two children; Annie E. Messersmith and William E. Line. Both death certificates are cited later on in the paper.

<sup>v</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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In 1900 Mary indicated she had 12 children, and 8 were still living.

- i. Mary E. Line was born in 1865. She was with her parent's in 1880, but not 1900.
- ii. William E. Line (1869-1934)
- iii. Annie E. Line (1871-1950). She 1<sup>st</sup> married Mr. Allabaugh, and 2<sup>nd</sup> to Thomas Messersmith
- iv. Ettie J. Line was born in 1874. She was with her parent's in 1880, but not 1900.
- v. Minnie M. Line was born in 1876. She was with her parent's in 1880, but not 1900.
- vi. Redmond Philip Line was born in 1878 to Redmond Lines and Mary Shaffer. <sup>14</sup> He was with his parent's in 1880, but not 1900.
- vii. George Line was born in August 1882. He was with his parents in 1900.
- viii. Nora Line was born in August 1884. She was with her parents in 1900.
- ix. Bertha N. Line was born in 1885. She was single and lived with the family in 1920.

### William E. Line (1869-1934)

William E. Line was born February 11<sup>th</sup> 1869 to Redmond Line and Mary Shaffer in Wrights Township Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>15</sup>

William worked for the railroad and retired in 1927. He was married and lived on Hartford Street in Ashley, Fairview Township Luzerne County.

William died May 9<sup>th</sup> 1934. He was laid to rest May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Albert Cemetery <sup>vii</sup> in Mountain Top, Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>16</sup> His wife was the informant on his death certificate.  
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<sup>vii</sup> The cemetery was also known as the Rippletown Cemetery.

## Annie E. Line (1871-1950)

Annie was born June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871 to Redmond Line and Mary Shaffer in Mountain Top, which is located in Wright and Fairview Townships Luzerne County Pennsylvania. <sup>17</sup>

Anna was married to Mr. Allabaugh, and in 1900 she and her children lived in Wright Township, with her parents. Annie then married Thomas Messesmith, who was born was born October 8<sup>th</sup> 1869 to George Messersmith and Margaret Wandell. <sup>18</sup>

Annie was a widow when she died at 78 years old at her home, 18 Rose Lane in Wilkes-Barre, Luzern County, Pennsylvania, on June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1950. She was laid to rest June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Rippletown Cemetery. <sup>viii</sup> Her son Philip Allabaugh, of Georgetown Pennsylvania, <sup>ix</sup>was the informant on her death certificate. <sup>19</sup> FAG#: 151498254

Thomas died October 6<sup>th</sup> 1940 in Wilkes-Barre. He was laid to rest at the Rippletown Cemetery. <sup>20</sup> FAG#: 151498311

In 1900 Annie indicated she had four children, who were all still living.

- i. Philip Allabaugh was born in July 1892.
- ii. William Allabaugh was born in May 1894.
- iii. Eddie Allabaugh was born in February 1896.
- iv. Claretta Allabaugh was born in May 1897.

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<sup>viii</sup> The Rippletown Cemetery is known in 2016 as the Albert Cemetery in Mountain Top, Luzerne County Pennsylvania 18707.

<sup>ix</sup> Georgetown is mostly the town in Wilkes-Barre Township Luzern County Pennsylvania.

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<sup>1</sup> Redmond Owens (1792-1863) Research Paper: Taylor-Graham Library, c/o Bob Graham, 479 County Line Road, York Springs Pennsylvania 17372.

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<sup>3</sup> Hezekiah Thomas (1825-1862) Research Paper: Taylor-Graham Library, c/o Bob Graham, 479 County Line Road, York Springs Pennsylvania 17372.

<sup>4</sup> May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1863 Letter to Edward Sox: The information and cousin relationship is written out in the letter, which is in the possession of Mary Sox Brathwaite, Santa Clarita (Saugus), California

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<sup>6</sup> Redmond Line Name, Birth Date, and Parent's Names: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate # 75905, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906-1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

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<sup>9</sup> Mary Shaffer Name, Birth Date, and Parent's Names: The information came from her Pennsylvania Death Certificate # 15366, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906-1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

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<sup>16</sup> William E. Line Death Date and Burial: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate #: 51257, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906-1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

<sup>17</sup> Annie E. Line Name, Birth Date, and Parent's Names: The information came from her Pennsylvania Death Certificate #: 52571, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906-1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

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<sup>18</sup> Thomas Messersmith Name, Birth date, and Parent's Names: The information came from cemetery and headstone records at the Albert Cemetery in Mountain Top, Luzerne County Pennsylvania 18707.

<sup>19</sup> Annie E. Messersmith Name, Death Date, and Burial: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate #: 52571, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906-1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

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