

Story of Israel Jared
s/o Joel & Polly (Dowell) Jared
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Israel was a community leader, a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Masonic Lodge. He believed in education. Six generations of his descendants have been school teachers. Under his leadership a school was built across the road from his home on a piece of his land. It was called "The Jared School" and there Israel taught for many years.

Two more children were born in Illinois bringing the Tribe of Israel up to twelve. Then came the Civil War and the end of their close family ties. The Israel Jared family gave much to the Union; their sons, Granville, James Mack, Joel, and Thomas, enlisted. To Israel was given the unpopular and dangerous commission of hunting and returning deserters to the army. He also served from 1864 to 1866 as supervisor of Grandview Township.

During the Civil War, with husbands and sons serving their county, Rhoda was left head of the family. It was she who had to ride to the nearest postoffice. She opened the door when strangers knocked. Both tasks took courage for Israel's job of arresting Army deserters brought to them much animosity and threats. Several times bullets penetrated their doors, and once when Rhoda opened a closet a strange man walked out. He ran away when the women screamed for help.

On 10 February 1863, Granville, who served in the 123rd Illinois Regiment, Company E., was badly wounded and six months later his sister, Missouri, aged twenty seven, died. The next year, 1864, Joel was killed in the Battle of Vicksburg. Rhoda died on 1 August 1874.

On 13 January 1876, Israel Jared married Mrs. Sarah J. Brown. She seemed to have been greatly beloved by Israel's grandchildren. Sarah was born in 1830. She had no children by the name of Jared. She had at least one son by Mr. Brown. His name was John B. Brown.

*See Chapter 8.

- ...**Joel Jared** – b. 19 July 1785, Isle of Wight, VA – d. 10 December 1872
md **Mary “Polly” Dowell** – b. 15 July 1787 – d. 12 June 1860 –
d/o Micajah & Frances Dowell
- ...Mason Jared – b. 5 November 1805 – d. 15 August 1871
md Polly B. Dowell – *His 1st cousin.*
- ...**Israel Jared** – b. 5 March 1807 – d. 6 January 1892, Jasper Co., IL
md 1st 27 February 1837, **Rhoda Meador** – b. 22 January 1808,
Hardenburg, Breckenridge, KY- d. 1 August 1874, Jasper Co., IL
md 2nd 13 January 1876, **Sarah Brown**
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- ...Sarah Jared – b. 6 November 1808 – md Archibald McGlothlin
- ...Wilson Jared – b. 29 August 1810, Breckenridge Co., KY –
d. 29 August 1881, KY -
md 1st 2 September 1833, Catherine Dowell – b. ca. 1813, KY – d. ca. 1862
d/o Nehemiah & Mary (Beard) Dowell – *From this union sprang 11 children.*
md 2nd 28 November 1867, Catherine Moredock –
d/o Stephen R. & Matilda (Pemberton) Moredock
*Wilson J. Jarrett lived in KY and owned slaves. However, four of his sons
fought on the Union side. Samuel became a Captain, and when the war
came to an end he returned to his home in KY. His father gave him so many
hours to be gone. He went to Illinois, was married, and raised his family
there.*
- ...Elizabeth “Besty” Jared – b. ca. 1836
- ...Samuel Jared – b. 1 May 1837, Meade Co., KY –
d. 15 January 1923, Olney, IL – md 1st Martha A. Grant –
md 2nd Nancy Caroline Watt – d/o Fideller & henrietta (Capps) Watt
- ...Mary “Molly” Jared – b. ca. 1839
- ...Sarah Jared – b. a. 1841
- ...William Hunter Jared – b. ca. 1843 - d. 23 December 1887
- ...Frances Jared –
- ...Emily Jared –
- ...James D. Jared – *Civil War Veteran – Hotel owner in KY.*
- ...Junius Jared - *Civil War Veteran.*
- ...Louisa Jared – b. ca. 1847 - d. ca. 1932, age 85, Louisville, KY
md Elias Smith
- ...John Wesley Jared/Jarrett – b. 28 October 1844, Breckinridge Co., KY
md 5 March 1882, Jennie Perrigo –
d/o Samuel & Catherine (Ackerman) Perrigo.
See Story of John W. Jarrett.
- ...Grover C. Jared/Jarrett
- ...Frances “Fanny” Jared – b. 19 March 1812 – md Mr. Moredock

- ...Rachel Jared – b. 23 December 1813, Breckenridge Co., KY –
d. 8 March 1890, Jasper Co., IL – Buried: Bethel Cemetery, Yale, IL
md 1st Warden Clemons at Newton, IL –
md 2nd Mr. Farley
- ...Allen Jared- b. 14 December 1815 – d. 22 April 1825
- ...Malinda Sue Jared – b. 1 October 1817, Breckenridge, IL
md Abner Laymon – *Both died very young leaving five small children.*
- ...Thomas Jared – b. 6 July 1819 – d. 23 January 1820
- ...**Corporal William Jared** – b. 3 January 1821, Breckenridge Co., KY-
d. 9 March 1863, Jasper Co., IL –
md 27 November 1845, **Susannah Robertson/Robinson** –
b. 13 September 1827, Jasper Co., IL – she married 2nd Alexander Cooper
**See Story of William Jared below.*
- ...Catherine “Kitty Ann” Jared – b. 13 December 1822 – md Henry Vanderhoof
- ...Elizabeth Jared – b. 19 February 1825 – md William Andrews
- ...Ora Andrews Jared – *School teacher in Jasper Co., IL*
- ...Dr. Josiah C. Jared – *Signed his mother’s death certificate.*

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Joel Jared – Bible Record
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Joel Jared born 19 July 1785, died 10 December 1872 at the age of 87 years. He was the twelfth child and sixth son of John Jared, the wagonmaker. His mother was John’s second wife, Rachel Palmer Jared. He married Polly Dowell, daughter of Macajah and Frances Dowell, born 15 July 1787.

Ada Matheny of Yale, IL, has the old family Bible which once belonged to Joel and Polly (Dowell) Jared. The history of the Bible is given on its flyleaf as follows:

(Publication date not given.)

“Handed down to me October 1895 by Aunt Katy Vanderhoff – A.K. Watt, Newton, IL.

“From Mother to Delia 1922”

“From Delia (Cordelia) to Ada Matheny, her daughter.”

The family record is apparently written by Polly Dowell Jared:

“Joel Jared and Polly Dowell were married in Bedford Co., state of VA in the year of our Lord 1805 and moved to Breckenridge Co., KY in the fall of 1806, where we continued to live till this present day, it being the 21st day of February 1836.”

The family record follows with births, marriages, and deaths, all in Polly’s handwriting. Then in another handwriting we find:

“Joel Jared son of John and Rachel Jared was born 19th July 1785. “Joel died the 10th day of December 1872. His age 87. “Polly Jared daughter of Micajah Dowell and Frances his wife was born the 15th of July 1787, died the 12th day of June 1860 her age was 73.

In 1852 Polly and Joel with their family moved to IL where they united with the Bethel Congregation of Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She lived to see all her children and some of her grandchildren become members of the Church. She was on of the practical Christians who believed in doing the work and by works her faith was made perfect.



Israel Jared and Family, taken about 1892

Front row, L to R: Jane J. Cramer, Israel Jared, Sarah J. Brown Jared 2nd wife, Polly J. Cramer, Mrs. Matilda---, Wilson T. Jared.

Back row, L to R: Granville Jared, James M. Jared, Mrs. Alsey K. Watts, Norman Jared.

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As you see there are five people in the back row but only four names were listed with this picture in the Book of Jared – pg. 586.

Corporal William Jared – *Pension Record: Cert. No. 182953* –

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Story by Grace Heminger Jared

Book of Jared

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William Jared, son of Joel and Mary “Polly”(Dowell) Jared was born 3 January 1821, in Breckinridge Co., KY, on a farm on Sinking Creek, not far from Abraham Lincoln’s birthplace. When William was 24 years old, on November 27, 1845, he married Susan Robinson, 18 year old daughter of Allen and Lucy “Lucinda” (Dowell) Robinson.

In the year of 1848, William and his brother Israel – 13 years his senior – grew restless. They heard rumors of the fertile land in Illinois and longed to try the new frontier. Joel and wife Mary, together with Joel’s brother Thomas, a widower, and some of Thomas’ children joined the caravan.

William, Israel, and Joel owned several teams of horses, which must have given them quite an advantage.

It was a dull day in November when they reached Yale, Jasper, Co., Illinois. Thomas and his band pushed on toward the better land of Edgar Co. Joel and his descendants paid the government a small percent per acre for their land, paying the rest by homestead rights, and settled near Yale.

On a hill overlooking Painter Creek, William felled the trees and built his crude log cabin. He filled the cracks with mud. The furniture was two three-legged stools, a rough table, a built-in bed with hickory bark for springs, a corn shuck mattress, feather beds for covering, a trundle bed underneath the big bed for the children. There was a loft above, reached by a ladder, and here in that one room and loft, which served as a kitchen, dining room, living room, and bedroom, a family of 13 children were born.

A school was built near by. It was named the Jared school for its teacher Israel, William Jared’s older brother.

On 18 January 1860, identical triplet sons were born to William and Susan. They lived but a day. Then came the election of Abraham Lincoln and the great Civil War. The months lengthened into years and the conflict raged on. In the heart of William Jared another battle raged. There were nine children now, Lewis, the oldest was 15 years old. The soil was not very productive. Would his wife and 15 year old Lewis be able to keep the wolf from the door?

Near the end of the summer of 1862, his country’s need forced a decision. Fighting for country became synonymous with protecting his family, so on August 14, 1862, William Jared enlisted. He served as a corporal in the 123rd Illinois

Infantry in Company E under Cpl. James Monroe. On 6 September he was sent to Camp Terry at Mattoon, Illinois. Here, in 13 days he received all the military training he had ever had. On 19 September his regiment was loaded into freight cars and transported to Louisville, KY, where they were at once put to work under General Nelson to fortify the city against Bragg, who was then advancing on it in pursuit of Buell. Eleven days of this strenuous labor and then they started marching southward through Kentucky after Bragg, who had turned back. On 8 October, nineteen days after leaving Mattoon, the regiment engaged in the battle of Perryville. The untrained troop of 123rd Illinois Infantry were at the mercy of the enemy. Their loss was terrible. Corporal William Jared was badly wounded in his right leg. He was sent to the military hospital at Louisville, KY. The days lengthened into weeks, weeks into months while Corporal William Jared fought for his life.

The physical suffering battle with the fear and worry about his family. They were suffering the hardships of war. It is said that at time the children had nothing but cornbread and green apples to eat. The corporal did not improve. When spring approached, he realized that his wife needed him as a new baby was expected. The government would not give him a furlough. They considered him no sufficiently improved to be discharged from hospital treatment.

Finally his nurse came to the rescue. Together they laid their plans. Dressed in the civilian clothes which the nurse was able to smuggle in, he would leave the hospital. About 28 February 1865, he crept out of the hospital disguised in his borrowed suit, and boarded the train for Olney, Illinois. He was a ghost of the strong, hearty man, who six months before had kissed his family goodbye. He reached Olney on 2nd March. The rest of the way had to be made on foot. It was 28 miles to Yale. When he reached home and Susan laid his 5 weeks old son Joel in his arms, for a few days at least they were happy.

But death followed birth in the little cabin, for a week later Corporal William Jared, age 42, was dead. The long trip had caused blood poison and death came quickly. His war record kept by his faithful nurse, gives Louisville, KY as the place of his death, March 9, 1863. Susan Robinson Jared was left a widow at 35 years of age with 10 children, the youngest but six weeks old.

Sorrow followed Susanna four months later when wee Joel the war baby died. In 1864 Quincy Adams was laid beside his father. At 70 years the hair of this valiant woman was hardly touched with gray, and her remarkable refinement was still evident.

Before he died, William Hared had called his son, Lewis A. Jared to his bedside and urged him not to enlist in the Civil War. For a while Lewis heeded this request, but it was inevitable that he should go.

On March 16, 1865 Lewis joined the thirty-second Illinois Infantry, and was placed in Company K, but later transferred to Company I. His regiment was sent to NC. They marched north through Richmond to Washington where they participated in the Grand review May 24th. Later they were ordered westward, and while they covered much territory, going as far west as NB not much active fighting was done. This was a great disappointment to Lewis Jared. Lewis Jared was mustered out 16 September 1865. The great Civil War was over.



Lewis Jared & Family

L to R: Daughter Lara, Roy, Ray (neighbor boy above Ray) wife Sarah Ellen, younger daughter Pearle, beside her father, Lewis Jared, daughter Etta, Olive, Susan on ground and son Allen who died in 1894.

Photo of Lewis Jared family probably taken in 1893.

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Children of Lewis Jared – 1960.

L to R: Pearle K. Haskel, Olive Carr, Ray V. Jared, Etta Jenkins, Susan Bogan.

The children of William and Susannah Jared under 16 years of age at the date of her husband's death were:

Mary K. Jared – b. 10 April 1849; Sarah J. Jared – b. 30 August 1850; James Noble Jared – b. 13 May 1852; Miriam E. Jared – b. 19 February 1854; Quincy A. Jared – b. 1 January 1858; Emily F. Jared – b. 29 January 1861; & William A. Jared – b. 26 February 1863 – d. 20 July 1863; Lewis Jared – b. 26 August 1846; Lucy Jared – b. 26 September 1847.

PENSION RECORD: CIVIL WAR: WILLIAM JARED

Box 34123

Cert. No: 182953

Issued: 8 February 1879

Act of: 14 July 1862

At: 8 per mo., add 2 for each child

From: 25 July 1866

App. For Pension: 20 June 1863

Age: 35

Res. at date of app.: Jasper Co., IL – p.o. Yale

Res at date of enlistment: Widow of William Jared who was a Sergt. In Co. E. 123 Regt., Ill Vol. under Capt. Kohlantz and died near Greenville, Jasper Co., IL while in service, March 9, 1863.

She was married under the name of Susanah Robertson to William Jared at Breckenridge Co., KY on the 26th of November 1845.

Their children under 16 years of age at the date of her husband's death:

Mary K. Jared, 14 yrs., b. 10 April 1850

Sarah J. Jared, 13 yrs., b. 30 August 1850

James Noble Jared, 11 yrs., b. 13 May 1852

Miriam E. Jared, 9 yrs., b. 19 February 1854

Quincy A. Jared, 7 yrs., b. 13 January 1856 – d. 21 December 1864

Emily F. Jared, 2 yrs., b. 29 January 1861

William A. Jared, 3 months, b. 26 February 1863

Other children: Lewis Jared, b. 26 August 1846 & Lucy E. Jared, b. 26 September 1847.

Wit: Israel Jared

30 October 1901 – Susan Cooper, 74, of Palmersburg, Jasper Co., IL former widow of William Jared. That she was married to Alexander Cooper August 21st 1871 at Palmersburg, IL. He died May 27, 1900 at Wise Co., TX.

January 31, 1880: Emily F. Alexander 20 oof Lewis Creek Switch Shelby Co., IN daughter of William & Susannah Jared.

Wit: Israel B. Alexander.

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