

## Matilda Kennedy & William E. Poe Family

Matilda Kennedy is the #11 child of George Kennedy and Mary Pellett. William E. Poe is a son of James Bradford Poe and Nancy Luzena Clark

### William E. Poe

Birth: 2 Dec 1843 Summerville Guilford Co North  
Carolina  
Married: 8 Oct 1868 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Death: 22 Jan 1933 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Burial: 24 Jan 1933 Bethany Cemetery, Marshall, Parke Co,  
Indiana

### Matilda Kennedy

Birth: 10 Feb 1847 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Death: 28 Oct 1934 Marshall Parke Co  
Indiana  
Burial: 30 Oct 1934 Bethany Cemetery, Marshall, Parke Co,  
Indiana  
Children:

#### (1) Ida L. Poe

Birth 1870 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Married: 14 Sep 1890 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Married:  
Spouse: (1) John S. Copeland, (2) ?? Jackson  
Death:  
Burial:

#### (2) William Allie Poe

Birth: 15 Oct 1871 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Married: 26 Dec 1894 Parke Co  
Indiana  
Spouse: Clara M. McCampbell  
Death: 24 Dec 1944 Rockville Parke Co  
Indiana

Burial: 27 Dec 1944 Bethany Cemetery, Marshall, Parke Co,  
Indiana

(3) George Monroe Poe  
Birth: 14 Aug 1879 Parke Co  
Indiana

Married: 23 Dec 1900 Parke Co  
Indiana

Spouse: Eva B. Moneymaker

Death: 16 Jul 1924 Terre Haute Vigo Co  
Indiana

Burial: Jul 1924 Bethany Cemetery, Marshall, Parke Co,  
Indiana

**Parke County, Indiana Obituary from *The Rockville Tribune***  
as transcribed from microfilm in the Rockville Public Library Pat Kennedy  
Schuknecht

W. E. Poe was born in Guilford Co, North Carolina in 1843, Mr. Poe writes: "After the Civil War had run for a time they drafted to get men or boys rather, and I was drafted along with many others. Then they gave us a chance to volunteer for choice of companies. So I went to Co. B or the Guilford Grays, 27 Reg. Cook's Brigade, Heath's Division, A.P. Hill's Corps, the Army of the Potomac under General Robert E. Lee. We were sure in many battles. They used the Carolina troops to a finish because N. Carolina never seceded. The legislature was called together to see what Carolina would do, and they decided to stay with the Union and disbanded and started home. A few of S. Carolina stripe went back and declared N. Carolina a seceded state. It seemed after that the south had it in for Carolina and used her troops on every occasion possible. We were in the big siege at Petersburg, Va., 5 months, where we had to picket from the breastworks, and were near the crater or blow-up, and in many other outside battles. In the fall of 1866, I came to Parke County, where I have ever since made my home.

**Book #3 Collected By Narcissus Hardley and Rhoda Marshall Banta in Marshall, Indiana** Book now in Rockville Library, Rockville, Parke Co, Indiana.

**NOTE: These obituaries would be from *The Rockville Tribune*. Parke County, Indiana**

**OBITUARY**

Matilda Kennedy, daughter of George and Mary Kennedy, was born

10 February 1847 and died 28 October 1934, age 87 years, 8 months and 18 days. She was the youngest of a family of 10 children.

On 6 October 1868, she was united in marriage to William E. Poe, who preceded her in death 22 January 1933. For over 60 years this worthy couple stood for the moral uplift and Christian standards as set forth in the teachings of the Bible. While health permitted few revivals were ever held in Marshall in which they were not found in their place, ready to add their testimony to the glory of their Savior. Three children were born to them: Ida L., William A., and George M. George passed away in 1923. She was proud to claim 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. It was always the cheery smile, a pleasant greeting and a joyous welcome when they come home. In early life she was converted and united with the United Brethren church. Although adhering to its religious tenets, her broad vision and deep spiritual insight found pleasure in working with any of God's people. Of such as her no doubt Proverbs speaks: "Her children arise up and call her blessed". Three years of suffering with two strokes of paralysis brought low this mother here, to be raised in glory there.

Pallbearers were R.C. Cannon, Chas Welch, John Poe (grandson), Homer McCampbell, Walter McMurtry and Frank Adams. The beautiful floral offerings were carried by relatives and friends, Mrs. O.F. Sowers of Goshen, Mrs. Frank Brant of Brook, Mrs. Bert Whitesell of Rockville, Mrs. R.C. Cannon of Indianapolis, Mrs. Opal Welch of Rockville, Miss Dorothy Livingston of New Richmond and Bobby Cannon of Indianapolis, great-grandson.

The funeral services were held in Marshall Baptist church at 2 p.m., Tuesday of last week. Rev. Shrigley of Cates delivered an impressive funeral discourse.

### **OBITUARY**

William E., son of James Bradford and Nancy Luzena Poe, was born in Guilford Co, North Carolina, 2 December 1843, and departed this life at his home in Marshall, 22 January 1933, age 89 years, 1 month, and 20 days.

Born in that day when valiant young men were called to fight in the great war of Secession and faced with the alternative of enlisting or being drafted, he enlisted in 1862 in Co. B, Cooks brigade, army of the Potomac, and served under Gen. Lee until the close of the war. Accepting defeat with a magnanimous nature, he came north at the close of the war, and always marched with the Union soldiers in all their exercises.

6 October 1868, he was married to Matilda Kennedy. Three children blessed this home. William A., Ida L., and George deceased.

This wife who had walked by his side for over 64 years, with the son and daughter, eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren are left to revere his name.

Left an orphan when 10 years old, he made his home while in the southland with his aunt. In youth he gave his heart to Jesus and joined the

Protestant Methodist church. In later years he transferred his membership to the United Brethren church of Marshall and remained a faithful member of this church as long as it was maintained. Filled with a zeal for his Master, his soul sought companionship among the Christian people of the various churches of this place and long will he be remembered for his petitions to God for the salvation of lost mankind.

A fond husband, a loving father, a staunch friend, a gallant soldier, rests peacefully today.

The earthly home has been exchanged for a mansion, the soldier's garb for a breastplate of righteousness, mortality has taken on immortality and whether he sleeps under the laurel or under the willow matters little if he sleeps in the Father's love.

The funeral was held at the Baptist church in Marshall, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Elmore officiating. Pallbearers were grandsons, Robert Cannon, Ernest Bauman, Charles Welch, Hubert Poe, John Poe, Randolph Copeland. The flowers were carried by the granddaughters, Mrs. Lelia Cannon, Mrs. Mable Bauman, Mrs. Opal Welch, Mrs. Doris Sperry and Miss. Dorothy Livingston. Burial in Bethany Cemetery.

#### **Parke Place, June 1987, Vol. & No. 6. Civil War Veterans Died About Same Time**

Two veterans of the Civil War, one from Union Army, the other from the Confederate Army, two of Parke County's oldest and most respected citizens died within hours of each other in the closing days of January 1933.

William A. Poe, was born 2 December 1843 at Summerville, North Carolina. He moved to Indiana in 1868 and married a few months later.

Poe was 18 years old when he was drafted to serve with the Confederate Army.

(other man not included)

#### **Rockville Tribune, 28 December 1944, William Poe Dies At Residence Sunday**

William Allie Poe, 73 years old, died at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his residence four miles north of Rockville.

He is survived by four sons, Sgt. John Poe of the United State Army, Walter Poe of Cincinnati, Ohio, Foster Poe of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Ralph Poe of Grand Rapids, Michigan; two daughters, Mrs. Mable Baum of Winetke, Illinois, and Mrs. Thelma Taylor of Carson, Pennsylvania.; one sister Mrs. Ida Copeland of Indianapolis and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Marshall Presbyterian church, with the Rev William McFadden officiating. Burial was in Bethany cemetery.

**Rockville Tribune, 24 April 1942, Last Rites Will Be Held For Clara Poe**

Funeral services for Mrs. Clara Poe, age 67 years, who died at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning at her home near Rockville will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Marshall Federated church, with the Rev. Paul Shult in charge. Burial will be in Bethany Cemetery. Mrs. Poe had been in failing health for the past two years.

She was the daughter of John N. and Victoria McCampbell and was born in Parke County on 20 May 1874. She spent most of her life in this county. On 26 December 1894, she was married to W.A. Poe, who survives.

Beside the husband, she is survived by six children, Walter Poe, Glendale, Ohio, Foster Poe, Lincoln, Nebraska, Mrs. Mable Bauman, Jackson, Michigan, Mrs. Ernest F. Taylor, Akron, Ohio, Ralph Poe, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and John Poe, Rockville; two brothers, Walter McCampbell of Chicago and Albert McCampbell, Rockville; one sister, Mrs Bert Whitesell, Rockville, and nine grandchildren.

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**George Monroe Poe  
Well Known Farmer Of This Place Dies In Hospital**

George Monroe Poe, son of William and Matilda Poe, was born near Annapolis, Indiana, 14 August 1879, and died at the Union Hospital, at Terre Haute, 16 July 1924, aged 44 years, 11 months and 2 days.

He was the youngest, but the first to be taken of the old home circle. One sister, Ida Jackson of Kingman, and one brother, Wm A., of near Rockville, are left with their parents to help assuage the sorrow of the grief stricken family. George was converted at the Friends church here during the revival conducted by Rev. McClain, and united with the United Brethern church. The evidence of a life with God was manifest by the assurance he sent his father and mother during his sickness that he was prepared to meet his Savior.

23 December 1900, he was united in marriage to Eva Moneymaker. To this union three children were born; Opal Marie, Doris Lareva and Hubert Monroe. This circle was broken 23 October 1921, when the mother passed away. Truly no fortitude is greater than that of a little family that leaves one of their numbers to rest beneath the flower strewn earth and wends its way

back to the old home to pick up the broken cords of love and hope and weave them anew into the warp and woof of their lives. With so short a time intervening three children again face the same ordeal today but with no father to whom they can take their heartaches and cares. Surely the great heart of the Master, as he looked adown the ages, had such as these in mind when he said: "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted."

On 20 June 1923, George was again married to Flossie May Glaze. Though brief this union, she tried by her acts of love and kindness to leave the imprint for good upon the lives in this home, standing with the daughter by his bed side until life had ebbed away.