

# Genealogy

## The Engle Family, Randolph County, Indiana

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In 1683 four brothers came to America from Cambridge-shire, England, which is about sixty-four miles from London. Three of them settled in Pennsylvania. It is presumed that these three brothers first settled in Bristol Township.

<sup>1</sup> Robert Engle, immigrant, direct ancestor of the Randolph County, Indiana, Engle family, settled in Evesham Township, Burlington County, New Jersey. He married Jane Horne on the fourth day of the fifth month in 1684. One child, a son, John, was born to this union. <sup>2</sup> John married but at this moment his wife's name is not known. <sup>1</sup> Robert Engle, the immigrant to New Jersey, died in 1696.

John's son, <sup>3</sup> Robert, married Mary, the daughter of Samuel and Jane Ogborn. They had five children and their son <sup>4</sup> Robert married Rachel Vimcum. <sup>4</sup> Robert was born in 1708 and died in 1774, at the age of sixty-six. His children were <sup>5</sup> Robert, Joseph, Abraham, Rachel, and Sarah.

<sup>5</sup> Robert married Jane Sharp on September 19, 1739. Only one child of theirs is mentioned, their son, <sup>6</sup> Isaac Engle, born March 18, 1773, who married Sarah M. Price, daughter of Thomas and Hannah Price. Sarah M. Price was born on March 17, 1774. Both Isaac and Sarah were born in Burlington County, New Jersey, and were married there.

<sup>6</sup> Isaac and Sarah Engle were the parents of these children: Hannah, Robert, Sarah, Isaac, Rachel A., Prudence, Susan, <sup>7</sup> William, Lydia A., and Phoebe.

<sup>7</sup> William, the ninth child of Isaac and Sarah M. Price Engle, was born December 13, 1811, in Burlington County, New Jersey. When he was fourteen years old the family went to Warren County, Ohio. William Engle was raised on a farm and endured all of the hardships common to pioneer life. He received a fair business education from the common schools. He was married to Lutitia Cabe on February 13, 1834.

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Lutitia Cabe Engle, born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, November 29, 1813, was the daughter of Elias and Sarah (White) Cabe. Elias Cabe was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, in 1768, the son of Thomas and Rebecca (Van Horne) Cabe, of Dutch descent. Sarah White Cabe was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and was a daughter of George and Mary White, who were natives of Pennsylvania. Lutitia Cabe Engle had one brother and five sisters, whose names were: Mary, Charlotte, Abigail, Sarah, Margaret, and Thomas.

Lutitia Cabe's union with William Engle was blessed with twelve sons, whose names and birth dates are as follows:

|         |                    |
|---------|--------------------|
| Isaac   | December 11, 1834  |
| Wesley  | April 21, 1836     |
| Robert  | September 21, 1837 |
| Elias   | December 9, 1838   |
| William | December 18, 1841  |
| Samuel  | March 22, 1843     |

(All of the above were born in Warren County, Ohio, not far from Waynesville.)

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| Calvin Stratton | September 9, 1844  |
| James S.        | September 18, 1846 |
| Daniel H.       | May 11, 1849       |
| Albert H.       | May 26, 1851       |
| Price           | October 5, 1852    |
| Josiah (Si)     | October 30, 1854   |

(The last six sons were born at the Old Engle Home in Washington Township, Randolph County, Indiana.)

The Engle boys, as they were generally known, were farmers, stock raisers, schoolteachers, and carpenters. James S. Engle was judge of Randolph County. Calvin S. Engle was auditor. After the Civil War five of these boys migrated to the West. Three married in the West and the Southwest. All came to live in later years at home. Calvin S. and family, his wife and two daughters, in 1883 came by invitation from his father to operate what is known as the Engle Home Place. Calvin S. Engle brought with him the first Holstein herd known in that section of the county and took many blue ribbons at the county fairs. He had full-blooded Clydesdale horses also.

Isaac Engle, Wells County, married Ann Hopkins. Wesley, Randolph County, was married twice. His first wife was Martha Johnson, the mother of Molly Engle Bright.

(Molly was the oldest grandchild of William and Lutitia Engle.) Wesley's second wife was Catherine Sheppard.

Robert, Randolph County, was married twice. His first wife and the mother of his children was Datia Ferguson. His second wife was Elizabeth Stevenson. Robert Engle served in the regular army, being drafted in 1864. He served his country faithfully to the end of the Civil War.

Elias Engle married Ruth A. Thornburg, Jefferson County, Kansas. He served his country in the Morgan Raid. William, who entered the Sixty-ninth Regiment of the Volunteer Infantry, died on his way to the hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, after having been wounded in the Battle of Shiloh.

Samuel died in infancy at the age of two years.

Calvin Stratton Engle was named for a Dr. Stratton, the pioneer physician who brought him into the world. He married Ellen Greeley of Faribault, Minnesota. He was the seventh son and the first child born at the old Engle Home Place in Indiana. Calvin enlisted in the Sixty-ninth Regiment, but being under age and having an attack of measles, his father brought him home. After he returned to health, he re-enlisted in the Fifth Indiana Cavalry. He was taken prisoner at Macon, Georgia, and was confined in southern prison pens (in Charleston, South Carolina, and in Andersonville Prison, near Americus, Georgia) and endured all of the hardships of prison life for ten months. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war.

James S. Engle enlisted in the Union forces for 100-day service. He was married in 1875 to Alice Monks, of Randolph County.

Daniel married Martha Sharp. Albert married first Harriet (Hattie) Deboy; his second wife was Mary Hardwick (Hardrick).

Price married Esther Patton, then of Iowa. Josiah (Si) married Amanda Hoover.

All but one of William and Lutitia Cabe Engle's twelve sons lived to manhood, that one being Samuel. All married but two, Samuel and William. All the married sons except James S. had children.

Calvin S. and Albert H. Engle made the first telephone in their section. The wires were placed in old clock faces and strung over a mile, over fields and through woods. This lasted several years until the children were old enough to do the errands.

William Engle cast his first vote for Benjamin Harrison, being a Republican. Mr. and Mrs. Engle were members of the United Brethren Church more than forty years. William Engle was a public-spirited man, and served as trustee several times. He was interested in every movement calculated to advance the interest of the country at large or of his immediate community. He died in Washington Township, Randolph County, Indiana, December 18, 1884. He was buried at Union Chapel Cemetery, west of the villiage of Carlos. His wife, who died in 1900, was buried there also.

The family of William and Lutitia Cabe Engle has entered its sixth generation (1951-1953), spreading over Indiana, the Southwest and West. The three immigrants who crossed the Delaware River into Pennsylvania have spread their name all through Pennsylvania and through Ohio, in Sidney, Piqua, Dayton, and elsewhere throughout the state.

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Roy V. Sherman, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio, has compiled a genealogy, "Some of the Descendants of Philip Sherman, First Secretary of Rhode Island," and has had it mimeographed and bound in a folder. It is for sale for \$1.00. Mr. Sherman invites correspondence concerning this line of the Sherman family.