

Family Group Record for Benjamin Freeman BIRD

Husband		Benjamin Freeman BIRD¹	
Born	18 Jan 1778	Rahway, Essex, New Jersey	
Christened	17 Oct 1779	Morristown, Morris, New Jersey	
Died	23 Feb 1862	Springville, Utah, Utah	
Buried		Springville, Utah, Utah	
Marriage	25 Oct 1833		
Other Spouse	Marabah REEVES (1784-1833)	22 Feb 1801 - , Morris, New Jersey	
Other Spouse	Jane Jones FRILICK (1798-) ²	
Wife		Margaret CRANE³	
Born	2 Jun 1797	Caldwell, Essex, New Jersey	
Christened			
Died	24 Mar 1866	Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ⁴	
Buried		Wellsburg Baptist Cemetery, Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ⁵	
Children			
1	F	Margaret Jane BIRD⁶	
Born	9 Apr 1834	Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ⁷	
Christened			
Died	22 Jun 1912	Penn Yan, Yates, New York ⁸	
Buried	25 Jun 1912	Glenwood Cemetery, Watkins, Schuyler, New York	
Spouse	Orison Emmet BIRD (1826-1901) ⁹	12 Jul 1864 - Southport, Chemung, New York ¹⁰	
2	M	Benjamin Freeman (Tucker) BIRD¹¹	
Born	20 Jun 1837	Wellsburg, Chemung, New York	
Christened			
Died	24 Jun 1864 ⁴		
Buried		Wellsburg Baptist Cemetery, Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ¹²	
Spouse			
3	F	Martha Marie BIRD¹³	
Born	2 Jun 1840	Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois ¹⁴	
Christened			
Died	14 Jan 1903 ¹⁵		
Buried			
Spouse	Walter Minthorn FARNSWORTH (Abt 1833/1835-1861) ¹⁶	19 Apr 1859 - Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ¹⁷	
Spouse	Isaac BENNETT (Abt 1826-) ¹⁸ 20 Jan 1869	
Spouse	Hollis ALLEN (Abt 1822-1899) ¹⁹	22 Feb 1893 - Wellsburg, Chemung, New York ²⁰	
General Notes: Husband - Benjamin Freeman BIRD			
CHRISTENING: First Presbyterian Church Records of Morristown, NJ SLC call 974.974/M1 p196 K2mr "1779. Oct. 17. Jer. Bird, on wf Eliz. acc., ch. Freman, born Jan: 18, '79"			
General Notes: Wife - Margaret CRANE			
Possible christening record - 1st Presbyterian Church, Caldwell, Essex, NJ: Oct. 1797 - Chevise Peggy - of Azariah & Hannah Crane Named in will of father Azariah - Margaret Crane 1855 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 58 - wid - b NJ - lived in Southport 8y - living alone in own house			

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General Notes: Wife - Margaret CRANE (cont.)

1860 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 63 - widow - b NJ - blind

1865 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 68 - b NJ - 3 children - md 2x - now wid - housewife

Tombstone - 1st Baptist church, Wellsburg, NY:

Margaret Bird d 24 Mar 1866 aged 68y 9m 22d

DAR Cemetery Record:

Margaret Bird d. Mar. 24, 1866 ag. 68y 9m 2d

Florence Bird Document:

For his second wife, Benjamin Bird married Margaret Crane, who was a cousin of his first wife; and who came to the town of Southport from Orange County (believed to have been Orange County, New York, but there is a possibility it might have been Orange County, New Jersey) to care for the invalid Mariba Reeves Bird.....

General Notes: Child - Margaret Jane BIRD

1850 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 16 - b NY - in hh of Beryl Benson

1850 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 16 - b NY - in hh of John Sutphen

1855 census - not found in Southport

1860 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 26 - b NY - in hh of Margaret Bird - "Margaret J."

1865 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 31 - dau of Margaret Bird - b Chemung Co - 1 child - md 2x, now md - housewife

1870 census - Dix, Schuyler, NY - age 36 - keeping house - b NY - in hh of Oscar? Bird

1875 census - Dix, Schuyler, NY - age 46 - wife of Oscar E. Bird - b Chemung Co - md

1880 census - Watkins, Schuyler, NY - age 46 - wife of Oscar Bird - keeping house - b NY - parents b NJ

1900 census - Dix, Schuyler, NY - age 66 - wife of Orson Bird - b Apr 1834 - md 35y - 4 children, 3 living - b NY - parents b NJ

1910 census - Dix, Schuyler, NY - age 78 - wid - 4 children, 3 living - b NY - parents b NJ - no occ

Named on marr rec of son Oscar - mother Margaret J. Bird

Temple Book - at instance of Richard Bird, dead:

Margarett Jane Bird, b 9 Apr 1834, Watkins, NY, d 22 Jun 1912 - half bro.

DEATH: NY State Vital Records:

Margarett J. Bird - f - w - wid - d 22 Jun 1912 at Penn Yan, Milo, Yates, NY - b 4 Apr 1837 - age 78y 2m 13d - occ house work - b NY state - father Benj. F. Bird b N.J. state - mother Margarett Crane b NY state - bur 25 Jun 1912 at Watkins, NY - inf L. C. Bird, Penn Yan, NY - D2038

Obituary - Watkins Review - Weds., 26 Jun 1912:

Mrs. Orison E., Bird, a former resident of Watkins, died last Saturday night at the home of her son, Lark E Bird, in Penn Yan. She was 78 years of age. Mrs. Bird leaves another son, Oscar F. Bird, and a daughter, Mrs. E. W. Van Vleet, of Philadelphia. The remains were brought here Tuesday afternoon for burial in Glenwood, and the funeral service was held in the M. E. church, Rev. P. J. Williams officiating.

Obituary extract - Surname cards - Schuyler County Historical Society:

Bird, Mrs. Orison E. - formerly of Watkins. Died Sat., Jun 22, 1912, at the home of her son, Lark E. Bird in Penn Yan. - age 78y - widow of the late Orson Bird - survived by her 2 sons, Lark and Oscar F. of Long Island, and a dau, Mrs. C. W.

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General Notes: Child - Margaret Jane BIRD (cont.)

Van Vleet of Philadelphia - burial at Glenwood - maiden name Margaret Jane Bird - born 5 Apr 1834 - Husband died 1 Nov 1901

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Also survived by two grandsons, Charles E. and Francis Bird, from Rochester.

Schuyler Chronicle 27 Jun 1912 - p5 col. 4

Exerpt from Florence Bird document:

Margaret Jane, born April 9, 1834, on the farm on the northeast corner of the South Creek and the Rodgers Roads, Town of Ashland, Chemung County, New York. At the age of three she started school. (The school, which was very near her home, was later to be called the "Roushy School". The first words she learned to spell were "lady", "baker", and Shady". She was about seven or eight years old when her parents moved to Utah; she later returned to Chemung County with her mother. Martha (Margaret?) Jane Bird became and tailoress and traveled about the country in the vicinity of Troy and Columbia Crossroads, Pennsylvania, tailoring men's clothing. In 1861, she married Orriston E. Bird, who was born in 1826, the son of James and Jane (Carpenter) Bird, who had come to Peach Orchard, or Hector Falls, Schuyler County, New York, from Connecticut. Margaret Jane Bird died in 1912....

(Jane Carpenter Bird died when her son Orriston was born. Her widower, James, remained in New York State only a few months after her death and then went "West". He is not known to have been related to the Benjamin Freeman Bird family. James is thought to have married a second time, but no details are known. Margaret Jane Bird remembered another family of Birds sharing her parents; cabin when they lived in Nauvoo - although their presence was never explained to the children, in later life she thought it had been the James Bird family. She remembered one of the daughters, Sarah Jane, who was older than Margaret, sitting in the center of the bed, with the "feather-bed fluffed up around her to hide the lace she was knitting so that Margaret could not copy the pattern."

General Notes: Child - Benjamin Freeman (Tucker) BIRD

1855 census - not found in Southport

1860 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 23 - town laborer - b NY - in hh of Margaret Bird

1860 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 22 - b NY - farm laborer - in hh of Albert C. Crane

Tombstone - 1st Baptists Church - Wellsburg, NY:

Benjamin F. Bird - b

d

(too damaged to read dates)

Wellsburg Baptist Cemetery (Surname Book at Steele Library)

Benjamin Bird - d 24 Jun 1864 - 27y 3m 0d

NY State DAR Cemetery Records - v57 p171:

"Benjamin Bird d. June 24, 1864 ag 27y 3m"

Bird Family Notes by Florence Bird:

"Benjamin Freeman, Jr., who went to Utah with his parents and returned to Chemung County with his mother. He substituted 'Tucker' for his middle name 'Freeman' in honor of an aunt, Jane Tucker. Benjamin Bird died June 24, 1864. He is buried in Ashland Cemetery, Wellsburg, New York. He served in the Civil War and died of disease contracted while in the Army."

General Notes: Child - Martha Marie BIRD

1855 census - not found in Southport

1860 census - Smithfield, Bradford, PA - age 20 - b IL - listed after Walter Farnsworth, in hh of Hiram Farnsworth

1865 census - Southport, Chemung, NY - age 25 - dau of Margaret Bird - b IL - md 1x, now wid - domestic

1870 census - Ashland, Chemung, NY - age 38? - keeping house - b NY - in hh of Isaac Bennett

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General Notes: Child - Martha Marie BIRD (cont.)

No 1875 state census

1880 census - not found online or FHL

1900 census - Smithfield, Bradford, PA - age 59 - wid - b June 1840 - 0 children, 0 living - b IL - parents b NJ -
Housekeeper in hh of Herbert H. Lane

Also in hh: Herbert H. Lane - 24 - md 1/12 - b Dec 1875 - b PA - parents b PA -
farmer

Mary Elmira - wife - 24 - b Apr 1876 - md 1/12 - 0 children - b PA -
parents b PA

Mary Josephine Allen - 57 - m-in-law - b Aug 1832 - wid - 1 child, 1
living - b PA - parents b PA

Temple Book - at instance of Richard Bird, dead:

Martha Marie Bird, b 2 Jun 1840, Watkins, NY, d abt 1912 - half bro.

Death date in Civil War Pension File - 14 Jan 1903 - affidavit;

Martha M. Farnsworth now Allen - soldier Walter M. Farnsworth - d 14 Jan 1903

NY death rec not found - 1900 - 1915 definitely - several possibilities

No obituary found - Elmira Budget

Named in obit of bro-in-law Orrison Bird - Mrs. M. M. Allen of Wellsburg [attended service] - 1901

Bird Family Notes by Florence Bird:

"Martha, born 1840(?). She went to Utah with her parents and returned to Chemung County with her mother. Martha was three times married, but had no children. Her first husband was Walter Farnsworth, who was killed in the Civil War. Isaac Bennett was her second husband; and her third was Hollis Archer, who is remembered for the extraordinary amount of clothing he wore to prevent colds. Martha was a milliner and lived, at least for a time, near Smithfield and Bentley Creek, Pennsylvania."

Deed - 14 Feb 1865 - Bradford Co., PA - land in Bradford, PA, sold by Martha M. B. Farnsworth to Hiram Farnsworth -

"said Martha M. B. Farnsworth ...being the widow of Walter M. Farnsworth, who was a son of the said Hiram Farnsworth."

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