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DODGE CEMETERY Cherry Valley Township, Winnebago County, Illinois

Dodge Cemetery is located at 7217 Perryville Road just south of Blomberg, Cherry Valley Township, Illinois [east of Rockford, off Harrison Road]. It lies on the west side of the street on the north side of a residence. The wire fence that encloses the cemetery appears to be electric. The cemetery was established in ???? . It is a very small cemetery, and by far one of the most neglected. The stones are heaped in the center area with weeds grown up around them. Access to the stones is prohibitive because of the fencing. There is no visible effort to care for the stones in any fashion and they are difficult to see because of the foliage overgrowth. Records will have to obtained from previous readings as little is salvageable here. കക

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Dodge Family members attending the January 22nd California reunion had a lively discussion of the ongoing Ychromosome DNA study being performed by Family-TreeDNA of Houston, Texas.

Chuck Dodge and Barbara Dodge used simplified diagrams and charts to explain the concepts and results of our DNA project. Many of our researchers have had their "paper trail" genealogies validated by this test and others have discovered a need to change direction in their lineage study.

Since the Y-chromosome is only passed from father to son, this project is open to all males surnamed DODGE and all variant spellings around the world. As our test results came in it was quickly learned that descendants of John Dodge and Tristram Dodge alligned in two distinct groupings which, at this time, have not been shown by genealogical research to converge.

Most of us have seen illustrations or models of the DNA structure which has been described as a twisted ladder or the Double Helix. The rails or two strands of this "ladder" are made up of phosphate and sugar molecules while the "rungs" are comprised of weakly bonded nitrogenous base molecules of four different types: Adenine, Thymine, Cytosine and Guanine. These bases pair up in a set manner: A pairs with T and C pairs with G and it is these base pairs that are the targets of Ychromosome testing.

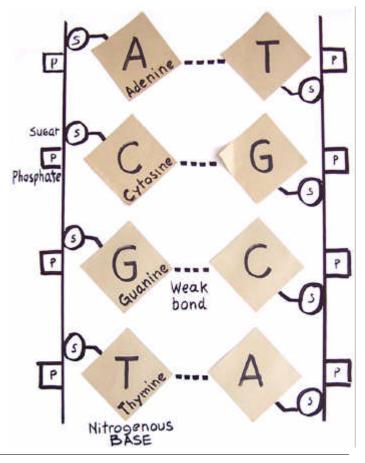
Genetic researchers have settled on specific locations along a strand of the Ychromosome they call markers to which they have assigned

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various reference numbers known as DYS# (DNA Ychromosome Sequence) The marker positions are of interest because they are Short Tandem Repeats (STR) or sequences of DNA where the base pairs repeat numerous times. The total number of repeats for any specific marker is called an Allele.

We have had members submit cheek-swabs to Family-TreeDNA which divides the tests into 12 marker, 25 marker or 37 marker totals. Members receive a kit number and an identification code which allows anonymity if desired. Initial 12 marker studies can be "upgraded" to 25 or 37 marker studies - the more markers help identify family groupings because, although the Y-chromosome usually passes from father to son exactly, there can be infrequent incidences of mutations that occur.

The allele numbers across the line in their DYS# positions of the 12, 25, 37 columns are referred to as a Haplotype and individuals having the exact same numbers can be assured of relationship to some common ancestor which may be known by careful genealogical research. Other submitters who do not know their lineages can learn directions to research from these DNA Y-chromosome studies. Minor mutations shown in the tables calculate into the probabilities of relationships and generational distances to common ancestors. Tables (Continued on page 4)



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SAND IN MY SHOES by Stephen Allen Dodge

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I am currently researching a newspaper published in Brooklyn, New York, during 1841 and 1902. This paper, called the Brooklyn Eagle carried many stories on the Dodge families that were living in Brooklyn during those years.

I would like to share a story I found here. This is a letter from 1848, written by Henry Dodge, my 4th cousin, 6 times removed.

From: The New York Brooklyn Public Library Website: Publication: Brooklyn Eagle: Issue: July 1, 1848.

Washington, June 30, 1848, noon

I have seen in the published proceeding of the convention at Utica, New York, that my name is put in nomination for Vice President of the United States on the Ticket with Mr. Van Buren. No information has been given to me by the convention, or its order, of this nomination, and I have waited some days for that invitation, as furnishing the suitable occasion for making my answer. But, beginning to doubt whether any such communication will be made, and seeing my name placed in many papers as a candidate for the Vice Presidency, by virtue-of that nomination, I deem it proper to delay no longer, and to declare, at once, and in this public manner, my inability to accept it. The state to which I belong was represented in the Baltimore convention: the vote of that state was given to Messrs. Cass & Butler; they were nominated: and as one of the citizens of that state, that nomination immediately received my cordial concurrence and support, and will continue to do so.

I have long been the friend, personally, as well as politically, of Mr. Van Buren: and under other circumstances would be proud to have my name associated with his in any way; but the acceptance of this nomination is impossible, and I have to request the members of the convention, and the public, to receive this declination as my answer, and to excuse this mode of making it,

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being the only mode which the want of a communication from the convention leaves open to me.

(signed) HENRY DODGE, Washington City, June 29, 1848.



Kernels by The Colonel Col. Robert L. Dodge

The embers glowed softly, and in their dim light, I gazed round the room and I cherished the sight.

My wife was asleep, her head on my chest, my daughter beside me, angelic in rest.

Outside the snow fell, a blanket of white, transforming the yard to a winter delight.

The sparkling lights in the tree, I believe, completed the magic that was Christmas Eve.

My eyelids were heavy, my breathing was deep. Secure and surrounded by love I would sleep in perfect contentment, or so it would seem. So I slumbered, perhaps I started to dream.

The sound wasn't loud, and it wasn't too near, but I opened my eyes when it tickled my ear. Perhaps just a cough, I didn't quite know, then the sure sound of footsteps outside in the snow.

My soul gave a tremble, I struggled to hear, and I crept to the door just to see who was near.

Standing out in the cold and the dark of the night, a lone figure stood, his face weary and tight.

A soldier, I puzzled, some twenty years old; Perhaps a Marine, huddled here in the cold.

Alone in the dark, he looked up and smiled, standing watch over me, and my wife and my child.

"What are you doing?" I asked without fear "Come in this moment, it's freezing out here! Put down your pack, brush the snow from your sleeve. You should be at home on a cold Christmas Eve!"

For barely a moment I saw his eyes shift, away from the cold and the snow blown in drifts, to the window that danced with a warm fire's light then he sighed and he said "Its really all right, I'm out here by choice. I'm here every night. Its my duty to stand at the front of the line, that separates you from the darkest of times. No one had to ask or beg or implore me. I'm proud to stand here like my fathers before me.

My Gramps died at 'Pearl on a day in December,' then he sighed, 'That's a Christmas Gram always remembers.' My dad stood his watch in the jungles of 'Nam and now it is my turn and so, here I am.

I've not seen my own son in more than a while, but my wife sends me pictures. He's sure got her smile.

Then he bent and he carefully pulled from his bag, the red white and blue ... an American flag.

"I can live through the cold and the being alone; away from my family, my house and my home. I can stand at my post through the rain and the sleet; I can sleep in a foxhole with little to eat; I can carry the weight of killing another or lay down my life with my sisters and brothers who stand at the front against any and all, to insure for all time that this flag will not fall."

"So go back inside," he said, "harbor no fright. Your family is waiting and I'll be all right."

"But isn't there something I can do; at the least, Give you money," I asked, "or prepare you a feast? It seems all too little for all that you've done; for being away from your wife and your son."

Then his eye welled a tear that held no regret, "Just tell us you love us, and never forget to fight for our rights back at home while we're gone; to stand your own watch, no matter how long, for when we come home, either standing or dead, to know you remember we fought and we bled is payment enough, and with that we will trust that we mattered to you as you mattered to us. ~author unknown

God Bless Our Nation, Our President, Our Armed Forces, You and Your Family

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The View From My Window

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At the end of my column is an item that was sent to me by DFA member Vic Sifton. It brought back memories about my grandmother and mother so I thought I would write a bit about those memories and finish up with the item from Vic.

My mother always wore an apron while working around the house as did my grandmother. The aprons always had pockets and sometimes the pockets were big enough to hold cleaning items although they did not have all the cleaning aides that we have today.

My mother did a lot of cooking of pies, cakes, rolls, and cookies to help support us. The folks in our town of Weston, Massachusetts, knew that she did this and they would order such items from her for special occasions. Nearly every week at least one person had a bridge club meeting and then small fluted pastry shells would be ordered that would be used for hot fillings such as creamed tuna. I still have dozens of the fluted pans she used. I just can't part with them. Almost always, one of the things desired was sugar cookies that were rolled very thin and decorated with different colors of sugar. Mama did not have the money to buy colored sugar so she colored her own.

Monday was wash day and even for

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that, she wore an apron. Our green EASY washing machine was pulled out into the middle of the kitchen floor and was filled with water via a hose that one pushed up on the kitchen faucet and held there so that it would not pop off. All the clothes were separated into piles of white, light colored, and dark colored. The white ones were washed first and bluing was always added to the water to make the white clothes whiter. They were washed for about 20 minutes and then they were put into the spinner part of the machine and the same hose was pointed that way, and while they spun, water was run on them to rinse them. In the meantime, the next load of dirty clothes went in to the same water that the previous load had been washed in. This is the way it was done ... all clothes washed in the one machine load of water. However, more soap would be added to each load if needed. Lots of soapsuds was the order of the day.

Making jelly and jam, canning vegetables and fruit, everything called for an apron to be worn over the dress. I did the same thing in the early years of my marriage but do not do that anymore. I have ruined some of my clothes because I have not worn an apron while canning or cleaning.

My mother used an old cook stove that made wonderful pies, baked beans, etc. So...the following could also be called 'Mother's Apron.'



THE TEAM handlesp event of the Men's. City howling tourney was won by the Glenn Reed Insurance team with a 3,147 total

From left to right in the picture: Rod Blackburn, Richard Dodge, Keith Dodge, Lloyd Dodge and Wayne Dodge.

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Grandma's Apron

The principle use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath, but along with that, it served as a holder for removing hot pans from the oven. It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out dirty ears. From the chicken-coop the apron was used for carrying eggs, fuzzy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven. When company came those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids. And when the weather was cold, grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood cook stove. Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron. From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled it carried out the hulls. In the fall the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees. When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds. When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner. It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that "old-time apron" that served so many purposes. .

REMEMBER THIS! "Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughter's set theirs on the window sill to thaw."

Ed. Note: NOT THIS Granddaughter! I still make my own pies from scratch . I learned from my mother. I also carried things in my apron that needed to be moved from one room to another. Hmmm....perhaps I should start wearing one again!

My mother will have her 100th birthday on February 14, and we will be holding a party to celebrate that fact on February 12. లచిన

Would the person who gave me the newspaper clipping at the left please let me know WHERE this was?

> Passwords for our Web Site are: User Name: dodgefamily Password: chinnock

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of many individuals having the same or similar alleles form into Haplogroups. Geneticists are hard at work to identify these groups, their origins and their specific migration patterns around the globe. As the information is tabulated, as the Haplotypes are sub-divided by finer testing into further Haplogroups and regional origins, we are reminded that, of all the peoples in the world that we have compartmentalized by various physical characteristics, DNA tells us that we are 99.9% the same. *Chuck Dodge*

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The chart above shows some of our John Branch DNA results. As you can see one group had only 25 markers tested. These markers are identified by their DYS# at top of each column. In the first 8 kit results, the horizontally tabulated numbers (called Alleles) for each DYS# are identical.

The next group of 3 kits, have had all 37 markers tested and they match exactly. One of these is someone with a paper trail to Richard. The other 2 are mystery Dodges; however we believe all three have a close relationship - possibly within 5-7 generations.

The last 3 kit results are from people we know to be very closely related having paper trails to Farmer William. They match 37 out of 37. There is one mutation between these 3 submitters and all the others at DYS# 458 which is a '19'. All of our other John Branch submitters show an '18' for this DYS#. Is this a mutation specific to the Farmer William line? We don't know yet; but we need more descendants with paper trails to Farmer William to get their DNA tested. Only then will we prove if this minor change goes all the way back to William.

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In the example above, we have 3 DNA results from our Tristram branch. Two of them have known paper trails and are 3rd cousins. They match exactly except for one mutation at DYS# 439. The other interesting thing is that they each show 3 mutations from the 'normal' Tristram DNA in the 26-37 marker range. There is one mystery line in this chart which matches the 'norm' for Tristram in the 1-25 range, and also has 3 mutations in the 26-37 range. Two of these mutations match the cousins with the paper trail. One does not. This person also has a two step mutation of 40 for the DYS# CDYb while the cousins have 42. We think 40 is the 'norm' for most Tristram descendents, but we need many more to be tested before we can say for sure.

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Above, are 2 of our Tristram mysteries. They match exactly in markers 1-25. The 26-37 markers were not tested for these 2 individuals. If they would upgrade to 37 at a cost of only \$59, it might very well help place them in a 'family line' of our Tristram branch. You can view all of the DNA results on our web site for Tristram and John Branch lines. The names of those who have been tested are not shown as that is kept confidental.



Carl's Pcarls earldodge@

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dodge Family Association was held on January 22 at the U.S. Marine Corps Air Station Miramar in California. The Secretary reported that membership reached 808 in 2004, highest level in our history. The Treasurer reported all bills paid, a healthy balance in the bank and a gain in net assets for the year.

Officers re-elected for one year terms include:

President: Everett J. Dodge Vice President; Robert L. Dodge Vice President: Frederick J. Dodge Vice President: Norman E. Dodge Secretary: Earl F. Dodge Treasurer: C. Joseph Klein

CALIFORNIA REUNION

The 20th Annual Dodge Family California Reunion took place at Air Station Miramar on January 22. Members were present from a number of California communities and from Colorado, Idaho and Nevada. Robert L. Dodge welcomed the group and opened the meeting with a prayer composed by George Washington. All present identified themselves and it was noted that a number were attending for the first time.

Brief remarks were given by Pres. Everett J. Dodge and by Secretary Earl F. Dodge. Charles Dodge and Barbara Dodge used charts to present a detailed report on our family DNA project. They appealed for more males with the Dodge surname do the test in order to enlarge our understanding of how we all are related.

A delicious steak luncheon and much time for sharing family mementos contributed to making this yet another memorable family gathering.

RECORD MEMBERSHIP

On December 31 our membership reached the record level of 808. Each year we lose 50 or more members due to non-payment of dues or death. This means that in 2004 over 120 new members were added to offset our loss and register this new record high membership total.

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Our goal is still to reach 1,000 members. That means adding a net of just one new member for each four we now have. Almost all of us have family members who do not belong to the Association. For a modest \$20 we can make each one a member. They will receive a letter announcing your gift, a membership certificate, some Journal issues and a list of all materials available from the Association.

Membership currently costs the same for members no matter where they live. We desire new members in England, Wales, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Sweden, Oman, Belgium and the USA (we have members in each of those lands) and in any other countries where Dodges live.

The larger our membership, the more we can do for the members and the longer it will be before dues need to change to offset growing postage and printing costs. PLEASE SEND AT LEAST ONE GIFT MEMBERSHIP NOW. THANK YOU.

DODGE FAMILY ON LINE

The ever-growing web site of our family is www.dodgefamily.org Each issue of the Journal gives the current password so members may access some valuable data available only to members. Members may also read the Dodge Family Journal and current roster at **www.dodgeoffice.net.**

Many photos, items of family interest and cemetery data are found on dodgefamily.org. People can access this from anywhere in the world. Barbara Dodge, our Office Manager, is also the Webmaster for our site. In that capacity she attended the first international Family DNA Conference last October.

DODGE FAMILY TOUR

Initial plans are being made for the Seventh Dodge Family Tour likely to be held either 2006 or in 2007. Presently both late September and early June are being considered. Participants would visit Stockport and Somerset County to see Dodge-related sites plus many points of interest such as Cornwall, Land's End, the most westerly point in the United Kingdom, and St. Michael's Mount, an historic abbey which is an island at high tide.

If you have any interest in possibly coming on this great expedition to the land of our ancestors please let us know and tell us whether you prefer an early fall or late May - early June time frame.

PLEASE VOTE

The letter enclosed with this Journal has a form for voting on nominees for the Board of Directors of the Dodge Family Association. At the Annual Meeting, Everett J. Dodge, Frederick J. Dodge, James Bailey and Earl F. Dodge were nominated for three-year terms on the Board. All are current members. You may vote for any or all of these nominees or write in the name of another member in good standing.

If you have an interest in being considered for Board Membership, please contact Secretary Earl F. Dodge and include a resume of your background and experience.

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The photo to the right is Fred Dodge. If you are the person who gave us this at the California reunion, please let us know.



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http://www.comportone.com/cpo/ cemeteries/illinois/winnebagocounty/ dodge.htm

Do we have a member who lives in Illinois who would be willing to try to track down any information of burials ?





GENEALOGY REQUESTS COLUMN by Norman Dodge nedodge@aol.com

Now that Christmas & New Year Holidays are over I am working once again on Mysteries. One old one keeps popping up. Nathan Cram Dodge & Nathan I (or J). Dodge. Both are in Johnson, Lamoile Co., Vermont and marry different wives. Several people claim the children. Rafael Augusta, Sylvester, Zebina Burnham, and Edwin Smith Dodge are the children of Nathan I (or J) Dodge & Dolly Burnham. The Burnham family was in Johnson at this time. I did not have time to check this when I was in Vermont the last time. Some say that Nathan I (or J) and Nathan C. are the same people. Nathan C. seems to be Nathan Cram, son of Elijah Dodge and Eunice Cram. Who are the Parents of Nathan I (or J) who married ? See John Dodge file & Mystery file. The other Nathan, Nathan Cram, married Sally Waite.

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Benjamin Dodge who married Sarah/ Sally Loud is still a mystery. The claim is that Benjamin was b. November 04, 1778 in Beverly, MA. A thorough search of the Beverly records shows no Benjamin with this birth date. Ruth Larson, one of our members, found Benjamin Dodge and Mary Dodge on her one World Tree Disk that is put out by Ancestry.com. This mystery goes into Monroe Maine with several descendants. The claim of many people is that this Benjamin Dodge is the son of Edward Dodge b. Abt. 1765 in Beverly, MA & Mary Balch b. 20 May 1755 in Beverly, dau. of Joshua Dodge & Joanna. If this is so, then Edward Dodge was only a boy of 13 when his son Benjamin was born. So far, no vital records have been found to support this theory. Sarah, wife of Benjamin, was b. in Portsmouth, NH on Oct 4 1782. I believe her Parents were Benjamin Loud and Deborah Green. I have moved this file into our John Dodge File.

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Another Mystery is Asahel Dodge b. ca 1756 of Lee Massachusetts who married Sarah N. Stanley. This is a Tristram line confirmed by DNA testing. Some want to confuse this Asahel with the Asahel b. in Lunnenburg, MA. (John

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Branch) who after marriage to Ann Walker, went to Nova Scotia. <u>Asahel &</u> <u>Sarah</u> went to Marcellus, Onondaga Co., New York and are buried there. Since Sarah was born in Connecticut I wonder if perhaps Asahel was b. there too. According to history from Lee, this Asahel moved to Lee from Cape Cod or Nantucket.

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RICHARD DODGE b.1763 d.1815 NY, Ontario Co., Town of Gorham, Baldwin Corners, Dwelle Cemetery; 1st wife Betsy, daughter Polly; 2nd wife Fanny; children William, Catherine, b. Mar.15,1803, and Orin. William Dodge's wife's name was Nancy. Ontario Co., NY 1830 Census shows children; 1 boy b. 1820-1825, 4 girls. The oldest daughter was Harriet (Mary) Dodge Rippey. Daughter Catherine Dodge m. Hiram Wager 1823 and moved to Castalie, Ohio abt. 1837: Their children were Austin, Milo, William, George, Sarah Jane, Orin, Nathaniel, Ketchum, Fanny, Lucy, & Elizabeth. Orin Dodge's wife's name was Mary. They moved to Erie Co., Ohio late 1830's. The 1840 Census shows Orin Dodges children: 4 girls born between 1830-1840. Any info here please contact susie092056@hotmail.com

Richard Dodge b. 1 May 1844 in Lockport, Niagra Co., New York was son of Noah Dodge & Calista Eaton. Richard's wife was Lucy D. Parker b. in NY Abt. 1857. They had a large family in Wisconsin. Anyone with info please contact us and also Terri at jtbb@francisfamily. net

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Jim Bailey is looking for Information on Israel Dodge b. 2 Dec 1776 who married Roxanna Scott. He was a son of Benjamin & Tabitha This family is found on Pg. 173 in Theron Royal Woodward. Israel and Roxanna had four children; Harry, Louisa, Minerva & Samuel. By the way, DNA testing of a descendent of Benjamin proved that he was from the Tristram line. We do not know his ancestry thus we were not sure from which Dodge line he descended. If anyone has info, please contact Jim at dodgeri@aol.com.

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Ed Galloway came to a Dodge reunion 2 years ago in Ipswich at the Hart House. He is looking for a Winthrop Dodge b. abt 1805 said to be in Ver-

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mont. Winthrop married a Harriet Sutherland b. abt 1810 in NY and moved to Westford, Otsego Co., NY about 1830. Some of their children are Chester b. 1829, DeLoss b. 1830, Harriet b. 1832, Jane A. b. 1839 and Orrin b. abt 1844. By 1846 they had moved to Cohoes, Albany Co., NY. Please contact Norman E. Dodge at DFA if you have information concerning this family.

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Joshua Dodge married Dorcus Groves who was b. in Kentucky abt 1790 the daughter of George Groves. They had first Joshua, b abt 1850 & d. 1828, married twice Elizabeth Jane Boston and later Nancy Eaton, 2nd Elisha who married Nancy Akers, 3rd James Dodge who married Nancy Lukenbill, 4th, Thomas Dodge wh married Sylvania Smith, 5th Charles Dodge, who married Julia Martin & Marry Coffman. we have the marriages and many of their children all b. in Indiana. Anyone with information as to cities and exact dates and ancestors or descendants, please contact nedodge@aol.com

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On page 2 of the Nov/Dec 2004 journal there was a brief article and a picture of Willie Dodge. Eileen Dodge was able to find out a little about his family, but not his ancestry.

Willie Dodge, also known as Willie H. Dodge and William H. Dodge was born in New York circa 1863. He lived in Harmony, Chautauqua Co., New York for the 1860, 1870, 1880 census. The post office for Harmony was the town of Panama. His father was William E. Dodge, born circa 1826 in New York. His mother, Mary P. Everett, daughter of Timothy and Harriet C. Everett ,was born circa 1829. He had brothers Orson, Orville and Willard (or Millard).

In the Panama Union Cemetery in Harmony, Chautauqua Co., New York are buried: his grandmother, Harriet C. Everett and his mother, Mary P. Dodge, who died 30 Jan 1889. Brother Orson, died 12 Aug 1868 - aged 2 mos, 21 brother Orville L., died 28 Dec 1872 aged 15 yrs, 8 mos, 4 d; brother Willard O. (or Millard O.), died 13 Apr 1872 aged 19 yrs, 3 mos, 21 d. William H. is not buried there.

If you can help with this please contact us at NEDodge@aol.com. ~~~~