

Johnathan K. Wrightstone (1868-1943)

Jonathan Kline¹ Wrightstone was born March 7th 1868 to John Wrightstone and Elizabeth Ann Wire in the Siddonsburg area of Monaghan Township York County Pennsylvania.

Jonathan married 18 year old Sarah Ellen Fortney on October 17th 1889 in Mechanicsburg by Reverend Stewart.² Sarah was born August 1871 in Monaghan Township York County Pennsylvania to Mary Ann Fortney.

In 1898 Jonathan worked for R. L. Polk and Co. as a laborer in Siddonsburg Pennsylvania.³ In the 190 census he was working as a butcher. Jonathan was living in Monaghan Township in 1900 working as a Huckster.

In 1905 John was indicted and charge for false pretenses in the case of the; Commonwealth vs. J. K. Wrightstone. The Commonwealth witnesses were H. W. Parr and H. L. Brinkley. There were no particulars to the case; but costs were paid.⁴

The 1908 alphabetical list of residents of Camp Hill: Washington Heights, Belvoir Park, and Earlington Wrightstone, John (Carpenter) State Road; Wrightstone, Mrs. John State Road; Wrightstone, Elmer (Laborer) State Road; Wrightstone, Russell (Harrisburg Boot and Shoe Mfg Co.) on State Road.⁵

By 1910 the family moved to 11 South Main Street Chambersburg Franklin County Pennsylvania where Jonathan was a house carpenter. He moved his family in 1915 to East Pennsboro Cumberland County, living next door to his son Elmer at 55 State Road. This would be present day Route 11. Jonathan remained there and worked as a house carpenter.

Jonathan died circa 1943. He is buried with his wife at Filey's Cemetery in Monaghan Township York County Pennsylvania, next to his parents. Sarah died November 18th 1944, age 73, at the home of her daughter; Mrs. Thomas Comella. She is buried with her husband at Filey's Church Cemetery, Monaghan Twp York County Pennsylvania. Sarah belonged to the United Brethren Church of Lemoyne Pennsylvania.

Jonathan Wrightstone and Sarah Fortney had the following children:

- i. Elmer Jay Wrightstone Elmer Jay Wrightstone was born June 1st 1890.⁶ Elmer 1st married Berta Stoner,⁷ and 2nd to Mary Evelyn Booser. Elmer died May 1966, while living at 21061 Glen Burnie, Anna Arundel Maryland.⁸
- ii. Russell Guy Wrightstone was born March 8th 1893 in Bowmansdale, Cumberland County Pennsylvania⁹
- iii. Zedna Wrightstone was born March 26th 1896. She married Thomas Comella (Comalla) on December 25th 1912 in Lemoyne Cumberland County Pennsylvania.¹⁰
- iv. Laura Mae Wrightstone was born June 30th 1904.¹¹ She was sixteen years old when she married Luther F. Critchley in 1920.¹²

- v. Ruth M. Wrightstone September 3rd 1906. ¹³ She had a child with Samuel Cooper; Dorothy Jane Cooper was born 1925. Ruth married Charles Shaffer in 1929, and in 1930 they lived with Ruth's parents in Lemoyne. Dorothy would continue to live with her grandparents in 1940.

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End Notes

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