Introduction

This is a research paper of the Ferree family. A member of this family, Charles Ferree, may have had a child out of wedlock with Sadie Mae Knaper in York, York County, Pennsylvania.

Sadie’s child went by the name Charles Henry Knaper, whose granddaughter, Tina Brumley, is a DNA match to my wife, Janelle Taylor-Graham.

Daniel B. Ferree (1847-1925) married Mary Ann Fry, whose parents are Joshua Frey and Julianna Kinard.

CHECKED DNA MATCHES:

* Joshua Fry and His Parents: NOTHING
* Joshua Fry and his children’s, and grandchildren’s, married names: NOTHING
* Joshua Fry’s wife, Julian Kinard: NOTHING
  + Her parents George Kinard and Elizabeth Smith: NOTHING

Joshua Fry (1822-1877)

Joshua Fry was born April 1st 1822 in York County, Pennsylvania. [[1]](#endnote-1)

On February 12th 1852 Joshua Frey (Fry) married Julyana (Julian) Kinert (Kinard) at the Bethlehem United Methodist church in York, York County, Pennsylvania. [[2]](#endnote-2)

Julian was born July 9th 1832 [[3]](#endnote-3) to George Kinard and Elizabeth Smith.

In 1860 The family lived in the post of area of Wrightsville, Lower Windsor Township, York County, Pennsylvania. Including their children: Mary was 7 years old; Sarah was 6, Louisa was 2; Matilda was 3; and Elizabeth Fry was 8 months old.

By 1870 they were still living in the post office area of Wrightsville, and Mary was not with the family, Sarah was 16 years old, and Malinda was 11. More children had been born since 1860: Amanda was 8; Julia A was 6; Wm Henry was 5; Ettie was 3; and Matilda was 1 year old.

Julian was 39 years old when she died August 22nd 1871 in York County. She was laid to rest at the Riverview Cemetery in East Prospect, York County, Pennsylvania. [[4]](#endnote-4) FAG#:73900691 [[5]](#footnote-1)

* Inscription: Died Aug. 22, 1871 - Aged 39 yrs, 1 month, 13 days

Joshua was 55 years old when he died July 27th 1877 in York County, Pennsylvania. He was laid to with his wife at the Riverview Cemetery in East Prospect. [[6]](#endnote-5) FAG#:73900535 [[7]](#footnote-2)

* Inscription: Died July 27, 1877 - Aged 55 years, 3 months, 26 days

Joshua and Julian Fry’s children included:

1. Mary Ann Fry (1852-1938) She married Daniel B. Ferree. [[8]](#endnote-6)
2. Sarah Jane Fry (1853-1932) She married Mr. Nevin.
3. Louisa Fry She married Mr. Kreidler. When her brother, William, died in 1938 Louisa Kreidler lived in York, York County, Pennsylvania.
4. Malinda C Fry (1838-1940) When her brother, William, died in 1938, Mrs. Malinda Benedick lived in Wrightsville, York County, Pennsylvania.
5. Elizabeth Fry (1860-1938) She married Albert Woods.
6. Etta Fry. When her brother, William, died in 1938, Mrs. Etta Leiby lived in Wrightsville, York County, Pennsylvania.
7. Julia A. Fry (1863-1957) When her brother, William, died in 1938, Mrs. Julia Beaumont lived in Kettle Falls Washington.
8. William Henry Fry (1865-1938) He married Sophy Elizabeth Keller.
9. Matilda "Tillie" Fry (1869-1941) She 1st married Mr. Brown. Then Matilda Frey married William H. Keller on December 25th 1892 in Wrightsville, York County. [[9]](#endnote-7) When Matilda’s brother, William, died in 1938, Mrs. Tillie Brown lived in Mt. Joy, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.
10. Amanda Fry was born September 9th 1861 in the Wrightsville area of Lower Windsor Township, York County, Pennsylvania. [[10]](#endnote-8)

She married Benjamin Eshelman about 1879. By 1880 21-year-old Benjamin and 18-year-old Amand lived in the Indiantown district of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

* This district today is known as Manor Township, which includes Turkey Hill, about 7 miles south along the Susquehanna River from Columbia, Lancaster County.
* Columbia is directly across the Susquehanna River from Wrightsville and Hallam, which is where the Fry family was living.

Then in 1884 Benjamin and Amanda left Lancaster County, and settled in the area of Sioux Lookout in Lincoln County, Nebraska. [[11]](#footnote-3) Later the family homesteaded on Jack Morrow Flats, Lincoln County, until 1909 when they moved to North Platte, also in Lincoln County.

When Amanda’s brother, Willaim, died in 1938, Mrs. Amanda Eshelman lived in Nebraska. [[12]](#endnote-9)

Amanda was 90 years old when she died April 5th 1952. She was laid to rest at the North Platte Cemetery, North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska.[[13]](#endnote-10) FAG#:19158643 [[14]](#footnote-4)

William Henry Fry (1865-1938)

William Henry Fry was born March 9th 1865 to Joshua Fry and Julian Kinard in the Wrightsville area of Lower Windsor Township, York County, Pennsylvania. [[15]](#endnote-11)

William Married Sophia Elizabeth Keller. [[16]](#endnote-12) Sophia was born February 18th 1870 to Walter Keller and Sophia Bashore in Littlestown, Adams County, Pennsylvania. [[17]](#endnote-13)

William was a farmer, and he and his wife were members of the St. James Lutheran church in Hallam, York County, Pennsylvania.

William was 73 years old when he died July 4th 1938 at his home in the borough of Hallam, York County. He was laid to rest at the Machpelah Cemetery, Yorkana, York County, Pennsylvania. [[18]](#endnote-14) FAG#:153066528 [[19]](#footnote-5)

* He died 10 hours after his sister, Mrs. Albert Woods, of York passed away. [[20]](#endnote-15)
* Six sisters survive: Mrs. Louisa Kreidler of York; Mrs. Malinda Benedick of Wrightsville; Mrs. Etta Leiby of Wrightsville; Mrs. Tillie Brown of Mt. Joy Lancaster County; Mrs. Amanda Eshelman of Nebraska; Mrs. Julia Beaumont of Kettle Falls Washington.

Sophia was 81 years old when she died February 15th 1951 in Hellem. She was laid to rest at the Machpelah Cemetery, Yorkana, York County, Pennsylvania. [[21]](#endnote-16) FAG#:153066819 [[22]](#footnote-6)

Willaim and Sophia Fry’s children included: [[23]](#endnote-17)

1. Walter H. Fry of Hallam.
2. Mrs. Beulah Forry of Hallam, her children: Eugene, Dennis, and Treva Forry all of Hallam.

1. Joshua Fry Name and Date of Birth: The information came from a birth date calculator using his date of death and his age at the time of his death inscribed on his headstone located at the Riverview Cemetery, East Prospect, Pennsylvania 17317. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
2. Joshua Frey and Julyana Kinert Marriage: The information came from the 1852 Bethlehem United Methodist Records, York, York County, Pennsylvania, Historic Pennsylvania Church and Town Records, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1300 Locust St, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19107. [↑](#endnote-ref-2)
3. Julian Fry Name and Date of Birth: The information came from a birth date calculator using his date of death and her age at the time of his death inscribed on her headstone located at the Riverview Cemetery, East Prospect, Pennsylvania 17317. [↑](#endnote-ref-3)
4. Julian Fry Name, Date of Death, and Age of Death: The information came from his headstone located at the Riverview Cemetery, East Prospect, Pennsylvania 17317. [↑](#endnote-ref-4)
5. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
6. Joshua Fry Name, Date of Death, and Age of Death: The information came from his headstone located at the Riverview Cemetery, East Prospect, Pennsylvania 17317. [↑](#endnote-ref-5)
7. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
8. Daniel B. Ferree (1847-1925) Research Paper: Taylor-Graham Library, c/o Bob Graham, 479 County Line Road, York Springs Pennsylvania, 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-6)
9. Matilda Frey Marriage to William H. Keller: The information came from his marriage application and license; Marriage Records (1885-1949), Application:5814; Book: L; Page:245; York County Archives, 150 Pleasant Acres Road, York, Pennsylvania, 17402. [↑](#endnote-ref-7)
10. Amanda Fry Name, Date of Birth, Place of Birth, Life Events, Surviving Siblings and Children: The information came from Page 7, Deaths, Mrs. Amanda E. Eshelman, The Lincoln County, Tribune, Lincoln, Nebraska, Thursday, May 1st 1952, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#endnote-ref-8)
11. Sioux Lookout, the highest point in Lincoln County, was a prominent landmark on the overland trials. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
12. Mrs. Amanda Eshelman Name and 1938 Residence: The information came from Page 2, County Deaths, William Henry Fry Obituary, The York Dispatch, York, Pennsylvania, Tuesday, July 5th 1938, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#endnote-ref-9)
13. Amanda Fry Name, Date of Death, Life Events, Surviving Siblings and Children: The information came from Page 7, Deaths, Mrs. Amanda E. Eshelman, The Lincoln County, Tribune, Lincoln, Nebraska, Thursday, May 1st 1952, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#endnote-ref-10)
14. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
15. William Henry Fry Name, Birth Date, Place of Birth, and Parent’s Names: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate #:66418, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-11)
16. William Henry Fry Name and Wife’s Full Name: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate #:66418, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-12)
17. Sophia Elizabeth Keller Name, Birth Date, Place of Birth, and Parent’s Names: The information came from her Pennsylvania Death Certificate #:16066, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-13)
18. William Henry Fry Name, Occupation, Residence, Date of Death, Place of Death, and Burial: The information came from his Pennsylvania Death Certificate #:66418, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-14)
19. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
20. William Henry Fry Name, Occupation, Residence, Life Events, and Surviving Children and Siblings: The information came from Page 2, County Deaths, William Henry Fry Obituary, The York Dispatch, York, Pennsylvania, Tuesday, July 5th 1938, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#endnote-ref-15)
21. Sophia Fry Name, Occupation, Residence, Date of Death, Place of Death, and Burial: The information came from her Pennsylvania Death Certificate #:16066, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-16)
22. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials managed by Ancestry, Find-A-Grave, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
23. William Henry Fry Name, Occupation, Residence, Life Events, and Surviving Children and Siblings: The information came from Page 2, County Deaths, William Henry Fry Obituary, The York Dispatch, York, Pennsylvania, Tuesday, July 5th 1938, Ancestry, Newspapers.com, 1300 West Traverse Parkway, Lehi, Utah, 84043. [↑](#endnote-ref-17)