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## Elenor “Elen” Carter Research Project

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### Objective

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Who were the parents of Elenor “Elen” Carter who was born circa 1823 in Ohio, and died on 25 September 1890 in Putnam County, Missouri? Elenor Carter married John Centers on 8 March 1846, in Gallia County, Ohio.

### Background Information

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Elenor Carter was born circa 1823 in Ohio, and died on 25 September 1890, in Putnam County, Missouri.<sup>1</sup> She married John Centers on 8 March 1846, in Gallia County, Ohio.<sup>2</sup> There were several Carter families in both Gallia County, Ohio, and Putnam County, Missouri, while Elenor lived in each place. These Carter families may have been related to her.

### Limitations

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This research project was limited to ten hours of research, analysis, and writing.

Some repositories are still closed or have restricted hours due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Online databases or microfilm were used for this research report.

The State of Ohio first mandated birth records in 1867 with some counties having records as early as 1840, however, this is too late to record the birth of Elenor Carter who was born circa 1823.<sup>3</sup>

The State of Missouri reached full compliance with all counties for death certificates in 1911.<sup>4</sup> Some counties have extant records created during the mandated period of 1883 to 1893. Unfortunately, the online records available through the *Missouri Digital Heritage* website do not contain Putnam County death records.<sup>5</sup> A phone call to the Putnam County Clerk confirmed that they do not hold death records, those extant having been sent to the State Archives.<sup>6</sup> A phone call to the State

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<sup>1</sup> *Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 27 August 2021), memorial 15161584, Elenor “Elen” Carter Centers (1824-1890), Saint John Cemetery East, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri; gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford. **(Doc 1)**

<sup>2</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. G:36, Centers-Carter, 8 March 1846; image, “Ohio, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1774-1993,” *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 13 October 2018). **(Doc 2)**

<sup>3</sup> Walter Fuller, President, *The Handybook for Genealogists, United States of America*, 11th Edition (Logan, Utah: Everton Publishers, 2006), p. 583, Ohio.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*, 427, Missouri.

<sup>5</sup> “Guide to Pre-1910 Births and Deaths at the Missouri State Archives,” negative search for Putnam County death records, *Missouri Secretary of State* ([https://sos.mo.gov/CMSImages/Archives/resources/pre\\_1910\\_births\\_deaths.pdf](https://sos.mo.gov/CMSImages/Archives/resources/pre_1910_births_deaths.pdf) : accessed 5 April 2022).

<sup>6</sup> Putnam County, Missouri, Recorder of Deeds, re: 1890 death record for Elenor Centers (1823-1890), does not hold pre-1911 death records as they were sent to state archives; telephone call, 19 April 2022.

Archives in Jefferson City, confirmed that there are no extant death records for Putnam County pre-1911.<sup>7</sup>

## Summary of Known Facts

Event	Date / Place	Information
Birth <sup>a</sup>	Circa 1823 OH	"Our old friend C. Baquett, of Grant township . . . called at this office . . . From him we learn that <b>Mrs. John Centers</b> died on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock of consumption. Mrs. C. was 67 years of age the day she died . . ."
Marriage <sup>b</sup>	8 March 1846 Gallia Co, OH	John Centers & Eleanor/Elenor Carter [shown both spellings]; Gallia County, Ohio; Married 8 March 1846 by J.S. Clark J.P. Recorded 3 April 1846
Residence <sup>c</sup>	30 November 1850 Harrison Twp., Gallia Co, OH	<b>John Center Jr</b> (25), PA; <b>Elenor</b> (25), OH; <b>James</b> (4), OH [must have died by 1851 or renamed as William H.]; <b>Mary</b> (2), OH
Residence <sup>d</sup>	9 July 1860 Liberty Twp., Putnam Co, MO	<b>Jno Centers</b> (30), PA; <b>Ellen</b> (28), OH; <b>Mary</b> (12), OH; <b>William</b> (11), OH; <b>Jas</b> , (10), OH; <b>Elizabeth</b> (8), OH; <b>Nancy</b> (3), MO; <b>Eliza J.</b> (1), MO
Residence <sup>e</sup>	25 July 1870 Grant Twp., Putnam Co, MO	<b>Jno Centers</b> (45), OH; <b>E [Ellen]</b> (46), OH [cannot write]; <b>MLC [Mary]</b> (21), OH; <b>Jas</b> (19), OH; <b>SM [Sarah]</b> (16), OH; <b>N [Nancy]</b> (13), MO; <b>H [Hannah]</b> (4), MO; <b>C [Catherine]</b> (65), Va E
Residence <sup>f</sup>	28 June 1880 Grant Twp., Putnam Co, MO	<b>John Centers</b> (56), OH [fa: CT; mo: PA] <b>Ellen</b> (56), OH [parents VA; cannot write] <b>Hannah</b> (14), MO [parents OH]
Death <sup>g</sup>	25 September 1890 Grant Twp., Putnam Co, MO	<b>Elenor "Elen" Carter Centers</b> Birth: 1824, Gallia County, Ohio Death: 25 Sep 1890, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri Burial: Saint John Cemetery East, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri Inscription on TS: "Died Sept 25, 1890, Aged 67Y"
Obituary <sup>h</sup>	1 October 1890 Unionville, Putnam Co, MO	"Our old friend C. Baquett, of Grant township . . . called at this office . . . From him we learn that <b>Mrs. John Centers</b> died on Thursday . . ."
<b>Sources:</b>		
<p>a. Untitled item (Mrs. John Centers) <i>Unionville (Missouri) Republican</i>, 1 October 1890, p. 5, col. 7; digital image, <i>Community History Archive</i> (<a href="http://putnamcounty.advantage-preservation.com/">http://putnamcounty.advantage-preservation.com/</a> : accessed 11 February 2022). <b>(Doc 3)</b></p> <p>b. Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. G:36, Centers-Carter, 8 March 1846; image, "Ohio, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1774-1993," <i>Ancestry</i> (<a href="http://ancestry.com">http://ancestry.com</a> : accessed 13 October 2018). <b>(Doc 2)</b></p> <p>c. 1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 105 (stamped), p. 109 (penned), dwelling 2759, family 2769, John Center Jr household; image, <i>Ancestry</i> (<a href="http://ancestry.com">http://ancestry.com</a> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm M432, roll 681. <b>(Doc 4)</b></p> <p>d. 1860 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Liberty Township, p. 36 (penned), dwelling 279, family 240, Jno Centers household; image, <i>Ancestry</i> (<a href="http://ancestry.com">http://ancestry.com</a> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 641. <b>(Doc 5)</b></p>		

<sup>7</sup> Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City, re: Putnam County death record for Elenor Centers (1823-1890), no extant death records pre-1911; telephone call, 19 April 2022.

- e. 1870 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Grant Township, p. 6 (penned), dwelling 33, family 33, Jno Centers household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm M593, roll 801.
- f. 1880 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Grant Township, enumeration district (ED) 205, sheet 43B (penned), dwelling 397, family 404, John Centers household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm T9, roll 711.
- g. *Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 27 August 2021), memorial 15161584, Elenor "Elen" Carter Centers (1824-1890), Saint John Cemetery East, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri; gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford. **(Doc 1)**
- h. Untitled item (Mrs. John Centers) *Unionville (Missouri) Republican*, 1 October 1890, p. 5, col. 7. **(Doc 3)**

## Summary of Results

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[See "Findings & Analysis" for source-cited explanations supporting this summary.]

- Searched the marriage records in Gallia County, Ohio, and found that James Carter married Polly Waugh about a year before Elenor Carter's birth.
- Located the 1820 marriage laws of Ohio.
- Located and analyzed the census records of 1830, 1840, 1850, and 1860 to show a common migration pattern between the Centers and Carter families.
- Located and analyzed the gravestones of James Carter and Elen (Carter) Centers.
- Located and analyzed the death notice of Elenor (Carter) Centers.
- Located and analyzed the 1873 deed showing the heirs of James Carter.
- Located the 1870 inheritance laws of Missouri.

## Findings & Analysis

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### Types of Documents and Information

An original document is often created at or near the time of the event by someone with firsthand knowledge. Primary information, given by someone with firsthand knowledge, is usually the most reliable type of evidence. An example of primary information on an original death certificate would include the time, date, and place of death, cause of death, informant's name, and burial information. Other information is secondary, supplied by an informant who may or may not have personal knowledge of the deceased. Depending on who the informant is, types of secondary information can include date and place of birth, parents' names including the mother's maiden name, and parents' birthplaces. Generally, the further disconnected from the time of an event, the less reliable the information.

In the days before automated copiers, county clerks hand-copied all records. Derivative records are created from an original copy and may be subject to errors. One should thoroughly research this data to prove its accuracy.

### Birth and Death Records

As related in the Limitations section, the States of Ohio and Missouri do not have birth or death records for Elenor "Elen" (Carter) Centers. When governmental records do not exist, other methodologies and records must be relied upon.

## Marriage Records

Marriage records are original records created at the time of the event. They contain primary information such as the names of the bride, groom, and officiant, as well as the date and place of the marriage. Sometimes the names of the parents or ages of the bride and groom are recorded. However, since the original marriage certificate was usually given to the newlyweds, a court clerk copied the information into the county marriage book, making it a derivative record. Thus, errors may be introduced. The following marriage records were found in the Gallia County marriage book. The digital images are clear and the handwriting is legible.

The marriage record for John Center shows that he married Elenor Carter on 8 March 1846 in Gallia County, Ohio.<sup>8</sup> There was no parental consent given. Per the Ohio statutes of the time, men under age 21 and women under age 18 needed parental consent to marry.<sup>9</sup> So, assuming they did not misrepresent their ages, Elenor was probably born before 1828 and John before 1825. Their shared gravestone shows they were born circa 1824.<sup>10</sup>

Isaac Carter married Nancy Waugh on 3 August 1820, in Gallia County, Ohio.<sup>11</sup> There was no parental consent noted in the county marriage book, so Isaac and Nancy were probably over the ages of 21 and 18, respectively.<sup>12</sup> The 1850 census shows that they were born circa 1793 and 1802.<sup>13</sup>

James Carter married Polly Waugh on 19 September 1822 in Gallia County, Ohio.<sup>14</sup> Like Isaac and Nancy's marriage record, neither James Carter nor Polly Waugh required parental consent. James Carter died on 20 June 1866 at the age of 67 years, 9 months, and 7 days.<sup>15</sup> Therefore, a calculated birthdate for James is 15 September 1798. He would have been 24 years old in 1822 making parental consent unnecessary for him.

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<sup>8</sup> Gallia Co., OH, Marriage Records, vol. G:36, Centers-Carter, 1846. **(Doc 2)**

<sup>9</sup> J.R. Swan, collator, *Statutes of the State of Ohio* (Columbus: Samuel Medary, 1841), 582; digital image, *Google Books* (<http://books.google.com> : accessed 12 February 2022).

<sup>10</sup> *Find A Grave*, memorial 15161584, Elenor "Elen" Carter Centers (1824-1890); gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford. **(Doc 1)**

<sup>11</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. 1:96, Carter-Waugh, 3 August [1820]; image, "Marriages, v. 1-2 1803-1862," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 12 February 2022); citing FHL microfilm 4,016,313, image 237. [The year is not noted on several marriages on this page, but those that do have 1820.]

<sup>12</sup> Salmon P. Chase, ed., *The Statutes of Ohio and of the Northwestern Territory, Adopted or Enacted from 1788 to 1883 Inclusive*, vol. 1 (Cincinnati: Corey & Fairbank, 1833), 354; digital image, *Google Books* (<http://books.google.com> : accessed 12 February 2022).

<sup>13</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 97b, dwelling 2639, family 2649, Isaac Carter household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 August 2020); citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 681.

<sup>14</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. 1:446, Carter-Waugh 19 September 1822; image, "Marriages, v. 1-2 1803-1862," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 12 February 2022); citing FHL microfilm 4,016,313, image 237. **(Doc 6)**

<sup>15</sup> *Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 11 February 2022), memorial 51796286, James Carter (1798-1866), Mitchell Cemetery, Putnam County, Missouri; gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford. **(Doc 7)**

Polly Waugh was likely born before September 1805 to be 18 years old when she married in 1822. A speculative birth year of circa 1804 correlates to the female in the James Carter households of 1830 and 1840 in Walnut Township, Gallia County, Ohio (see table 4). Given that Isaac Carter married Nancy Carter in 1820, and James Carter married Polly Waugh in 1823, it is very probable that Isaac and James Carter were brothers, and that Nancy and Polly Waugh were sisters. It was commonplace in earlier times for siblings of one family to marry siblings of another family. In a time and place when travel was limited to shorter distances, the availability of eligible spouses was also limited.

In the days before the widespread use of contraceptives, a couple's first child was usually born within the first year of marriage. As shown above, James Carter and Polly Waugh married on 19 September 1822. Per the 1890 death notice for Elen (Carter) Centers: "Mrs. C was 67 years of age the day she died."<sup>16</sup> Therefore, Elen's birth year was circa 1823, consistent with her parents marrying in 1822.

### FAN Club

The FAN Club research strategy encompasses researching the Family, Associates, and Neighbors of an individual.<sup>17</sup> Cluster research can help identify extended families living nearby; female neighbors often turn out to be married daughters or sisters. Thus, a family unit can be pieced together through different records. Tables 1 and 2 identify the FAN Club of Elenor "Elen" (Carter) Centers.

### Census Records

Census records can provide names, ages, and locations useful for proving relationships. Beginning with the 1850 census, enumerators recorded the names or initials of all household members as well as their ages and birthplaces. The forms for the census records of 1850, 1860, and 1870 did not capture familial relationships, so one cannot presume that people of the same surname in one household are a nuclear family unit.

Census records can be either original or derivative depending on if the enumerator recopied the information later. The 1850 and 1860 census images accessed for this project are legible and contain minor corrections such as renumbering of the dwellings or a few crossed-out names with a corrected name written. As such, these seem to be original rather than derivative.

In 1850 John and Elenor (Carter) Center lived in the same township as James Carter, Enoch Carter, Isaac Carter, and George W. Carter (see table 1). Isaac and James may have been brothers since they were close in age and were both born in Virginia. Elenor (Carter) Center was young enough to be the daughter of either James Carter or Isaac Carter.

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<sup>16</sup> Untitled item (Mrs. John Centers) *Unionville (Missouri) Republican*, 1 October 1890, p. 5, col. 7; digital image, *Community History Archive* (<http://putnamcounty.advantage-preservation.com/> : accessed 11 February 2022). **(Doc 3)**

<sup>17</sup> Elizabeth Shown Mills, "Quicksheet\* The Historical Biographer's Guide to Cluster Research (the FAN Principle)," a supplement to *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*, rev. ed. (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co, 2009), 2012.

<b>Table 1. Abstracted information from the 1850 census, Harrison Township, Gallia County, Ohio.</b>				
<b>Dwelling / Household</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>[Estimated Birth Year]</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>
2637 / 2647 <sup>a</sup>	James Carter	54	1796	Virginia
	Nancy	42	1808	"
	David	20	1830	Ohio
	Sarah	17	1833	"
	Nancy	15	1835	"
	Mary	12	1838	"
	Susanah	9	1841	"
	Mahala	6	1844	"
	James	2	1848	"
2638 / 2648 <sup>b</sup>	Enoch Carter	23	1827	Ohio
	Mahala	22	1828	"
	Sophiah Kelley	75	1775	Virginia
2639 / 2649 <sup>c</sup>	Isaac Carter	57	1793	Virginia
	Nancy	48	1802	"
	John	17	1833	Ohio
	William	14	1836	"
2640 / 2650 <sup>d</sup>	George W. Carter	29	1821	Ohio
	Elizabeth	26	1824	"
	Jacob	1	1849	"
2659 / 2679 <sup>e</sup>	John Center Jr	25	1825	Pennsylvania
	Elenor	25	1825	Ohio
	James	4	1846	"
	Mary	2	1848	"

**Sources:**

a. 1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 97b, dwelling 2637, family 2647, James Carter household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 August 2020); citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 681. **(Doc 8)**

b. *Ibid.*, dwelling 2638, family 2648, Enoch Carter household.

c. *Ibid.*, dwelling 2639, family 2649, Isaac Carter household.

d. *Ibid.*, dwelling 2640, family 2650, George W. Carter household.

e. *Ibid.*, p. 105 (stamped), p. 109 (penned), dwelling 2759, family 2769, John Center Jr household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 681. **(Doc 4)**

By 1860, John and "Ellen" Centers lived in Putnam County, Missouri (see table 2). They left Ohio sometime before 15 May 1856 as evidenced by a deed drafted on that date which shows them "of Putnam County, Missouri."<sup>18</sup> Joseph and Nancy Neighbors moved between the births of Bill and Joseph in 1855 and 1857, respectively. (Joseph Neighbors married Nancy Carter on 9 June 1853 in Gallia County, Ohio.<sup>19</sup>)

<sup>18</sup> Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. A:265-266, John & Ellen Centers to Thomas Brooks, 1 July 1856; browsable images, "Deeds v. A-B 1847-1857," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 21 January 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,007, images 143-144. **(Doc 9)**

<sup>19</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. G:247, Neighbors-Carter, 9 June 1853; image, "Ohio, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1774-1993," *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 5 April 2022).

On 12 April 1858, John and Ellen Centers sold two parcels of land to David Carter.<sup>20</sup> Five months later, David and Mary Carter sold those two parcels to James and "Mary" Carter; all parties were "of Putnam County, Missouri."<sup>21</sup>

James and "Polley" Carter conveyed their Gallia County, Ohio, land to Alexander McCall via two deeds dated 24 September 1856.<sup>22</sup> On that date, James and "Polley" were of "Gallia County." So, it seems that they followed John and Ellen Centers to Putnam County, Missouri, rather than migrating at the same time.

### Resolution of Conflicting Names - Multiple Wives or Same Person?

From the various records, it seems that James Carter was married to as many as four different women: Polly, Mary, Jane, and Nancy. James and Polly Waugh married in 1822 as noted above. "Polley" was a party of the 1856 deed in Ohio. "Mary" was a party to the 1858 Putnam County, Missouri, deed. Jane was enumerated in 1860. However, Polly was a common nickname for Mary.<sup>23</sup> Mary Jane was, and is, a common combination of names for women. It is highly likely that this was just one person. On the 1850 census, James' inferred wife was shown as "Nancy" Since James and Polly named a daughter Nancy (see 1873 deed below), Polly may have been named Mary Jane Nancy. It is also possible that whoever gave the information mixed up the names; Isaac Carter was married to Nancy Waugh.<sup>24</sup> Marriage records in Gallia County, Ohio, and Putnam County, Missouri, contain no other marriages for James Carter than his marriage to Polly Waugh.<sup>25</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. C:606, John & Ellen Centers to David Carter, 12 April 1858; browsable images, "Deeds v. C-D 1856-1859," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 21 January 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,008, image 321.

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. D:514, David & Mary Carter to James & Mary Carter, 13 January 1859; browsable images, "Deeds v. C-D 1856-1859," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 28 August 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,008, images 622. **(Doc 10)**

<sup>22</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Deeds, vol. 27:593-594, James & Polley Carter to Alexander McCall, 22 December 1856; "Deeds, v. 26-27 1854-1856," browsable images, *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 10 April 2022); citing FHL microfilm 7,897,722, images 652-653. **(Doc 11)**  
*Ibid.*, vol. 28:6, James & Polley Carter to Alexander McCall, 9 January 1857; "Deeds, v. 28-29 1855-1859," browsable images, *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 10 April 2022); citing FHL microfilm 8,185,262, image 11. **(Doc 12)**

<sup>23</sup> Christine Rose, compiler, *Nicknames Past and Present*, 5th Edition Expanded (San Jose, California: CR Publications, 2017), 15.

<sup>24</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. 1:96, Carter-Waugh, 3 August [1820]; browsable images, "Marriages, v. 1-2 1803-1862," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 12 February 2022); citing FHL microfilm 4,016,313, image 237. [The year is not noted on several marriages on this page, but those that do have 1820.]

<sup>25</sup> Gallia County, Ohio, Marriage Records, vol. 2, "C" index, negative findings for James Carter; image, "Marriages, v. 1-2 1803-1862," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 16 February 2022); citing FHL microfilm 7,725,965, images 59-60.  
Putnam County, Missouri, Marriage Records, vol. 1, "C" index, negative findings for James Carter; image, "Marriage records, v. 1-3 1853-1881," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 16 February 2022); citing FHL microfilm 7,513,749, image 11.

<b>Table 2. Abstracted Information from the 1860 census, Liberty Township Putnam County, Missouri.</b>				
<b>Dwelling / Household</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Estimated Birth Year</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>
279 / 240 <sup>a</sup>	Jno. Centers	30	1830	Pennsylvania
	Ellen	28	1832	Ohio
	Mary	12	1848	"
	William	11	1849	"
	Jas	10	1850	"
	Elizabeth	8	1852	"
	Nancy	3	1857	Missouri
	Eliza J.	1	1859	"
283 / 244 <sup>b</sup>	David Carter	25	1835	Ohio
	Mary	20	1840	Illinois
	Jane	1	1849	Missouri
284 / 245 <sup>c</sup>	Jas Carter	58	1802	Ohio
	Jane	55	1805	"
	Mary	18	1842	"
	Elizabeth	15	1845	"
	Adaline	13	1847	"
	James	11	1849	"
285 / 246 <sup>d</sup>	Jos. Neighbors	30	1830	Virginia
	Nancy	25	1835	Ohio
	Bill	5	1855	"
	Joseph	3	1857	Missouri
	Mahala	1	1859	"

**Sources:**

a. 1860 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Liberty Township, p. 36 (penned), dwelling 279, family 240, Jno Centers household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 641. **(Doc 5)**

b. *Ibid.*, p. 37 (penned), dwelling 283, family 244, David Carter household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 February 2022); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 641. **(Doc 13)**

c. *Ibid.*, dwelling 284, family 245, James Carter household. **(Doc 13)**

d. *Ibid.*, dwelling 285, family 246, Jos. Neighbors household. **(Doc 13)**

As shown in table 1, George W. Carter lived next to Isaac Carter.<sup>26</sup> In 1860, George W. Carter and Isaac Carter still lived next to each other in Harrison Township.<sup>27</sup> Since neither of them moved to Missouri with James Carter and Elenor (Carter) Centers, George was probably Isaac's son, and Elenor was probably James' daughter.

<sup>26</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison, p. 97b, dwelling 2640, family 2650, George W. Carter household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 August 2020); citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 681.

<sup>27</sup> 1860 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 89 (penned), dwelling 563, family 561, George W. Carter household; image, *Ancestry* (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 February 2022); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 966.  
*Ibid.*, dwelling 564, family 562, Isaac Carter household.



## Heirs of James Carter - 1873 Deed

Although an heir could sometimes be a relation other than a biological child, Missouri law in 1870 specified that land belonging to an intestate decedent would be inherited by his lineal descendants:

"... it shall descend, and be distributed in parcenary to his kindred, male and female, subject to the payment of his debts and the widow's dower, in the following course: First, to his children, or their descendants, in equal parts . . ."<sup>28</sup>

If any of the children of the decedent had predeceased him, that child's descendants would inherit his or her share. Likewise, any surplus left in the estate after paying outstanding debts and the widow's dower was distributed equally among the descendants. Parcenary, sometimes called coparcenary, is a legal term meaning joint heirs or joint ownership.<sup>29</sup>

A deed was recorded on 30 January 1873 in Putnam County, Missouri.<sup>30</sup> Parties to the deed were the "Heirs of James Carter deceased" (as grantors) and James H. Carter (as grantee). The deed was originally drawn on 6 January 1867 and named the following people as the heirs of James Carter: William Carter & Mary Jane Carter, his wife, of Adams County, Illinois; Enoch Carter and Mahala Carter, his wife; John Centers and Ellender Centers, his wife; David Carter and Mary Carter, his wife; William H. Neighbors and Sarah E. Neighbors, his wife; Nancy Neighbors; Mary C. Carter; Elizabeth S. Carter; and Malinda Carter of Putnam County, Missouri. The deed's original draft date of 6 January 1867 correlates to James Carter's gravestone which shows that he died on 20 June 1866.<sup>31</sup>

Although not specifically named as an heir, James H. Carter (the grantee) was the youngest inferred child in the 1850 and 1860 households of James Carter. Since the dollar amount involved was minimal at \$14, and the word "quitclaim" was used, it is almost certain that James H. Carter was the son of James Carter. Quitclaim deeds are often used to transfer land between relatives.<sup>32</sup> A common situation is when children inherit a piece of land and then sell their interest in the land to only one sibling.

The deed seems to have been signed first by William P. and Mary Jane Carter in Clayton, Adams County, Illinois, on 6 June 1867, however, Nancy Neighbors (who is listed after William and Mary

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<sup>28</sup> David Wagner, comp., *Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri, vol. 1* (St. Louis: W.J. Gilbert, 1870), 529; digital image, *Missouri Digital Heritage* (<https://mdh.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16795coll26/id/7949/>; accessed 11 February 2022); path: Missouri State Archives - Revised Statutes of Missouri > Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri, 1870, Volume 1.

<sup>29</sup> *Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary* (<https://m-w.com>; accessed 3 March 2022), "parcenary" and "coparcenary."

<sup>30</sup> Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. 12:117-118, quitclaim deed, Heirs of James Carter to James H. Carter, 30 January 1873; browsable images, "Deeds v. 11-12 1872-1875," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org>; accessed 27 August 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,012, images 414-415. **(Doc 14)**

<sup>31</sup> *Find A Grave*, memorial 51796286, James Carter (1798-1866); gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford. **(Doc 7)**

<sup>32</sup> Michele Lerner, *What Is a Quitclaim Deed and When Do You Need to Get One?* 15 April 2022, *realtor.com* (<https://realtor.com/advice/sell/need-quitclaim-deed/>; accessed 17 May 2022), "Why use a quitclaim deed."

Jane), signed on 25 February 1867, which is a clue that this is a derivative/clerk’s copy. Other clues are that the deed was written into a large, bound county book and the handwriting is the same for this deed and those preceding and following it. All signatures are in the same hand and original seals and stamps are represented by words enclosed by squiggle lines.

Since none of the heirs on the deed was listed as ‘child(ren) of my deceased child \_\_\_\_\_,’ and with the Missouri inheritance law in effect at the time, they were most certainly the children (listed with their spouses) of James Carter. Additionally, the names on the deed are the same as the inferred children listed on the 1850 and 1860 censuses for James Carter’s household (see table 1), including the married children Enoch Carter, David Carter, and Nancy (Carter) Neighbors. Son-in-law Joseph Neighbors died in 1863 which explains why he did not sign the deed with Nancy (Carter) Neighbors in 1867.<sup>33</sup>

### Resolution of Conflicting Information - Elizabeth & Mahala Carter

Conflicting names on the 1850 and 1860 censuses show that Elizabeth/Susanah and Mahala/Adaline were listed in their respective age order between Mary and James Carter. Their names were probably Elizabeth Susanah (she signed Elizabeth S. on the 1873 deed) and Mahala Adaline. It is believed that “Malinda” listed on the deed was probably Mahala Adaline and that “Malinda” may have been a family nickname for her. The fact that no child named Malinda was listed on the censuses and that Mahala Adaline did not sign the 1873 deed seems to support this supposition.

### Corroboration Between Census Records and Land Deed

Table 3 shows James Carter’s household in 1830 and 1840. The children identified in this table are corroborated in the 1850 and 1860 census records, thus demonstrating the likelihood that James Carter and Polly Waugh were the parents of the named heirs of the 1873 deed, specifically Elenor “Elen” Carter.

Table 3. Abstract of the 1830 and 1840 censuses Walnut Township, Gallia County, Ohio.								
1830 <sup>a</sup>			0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 29	30 to 39
Males			2					1
			John / William					James
Females				1			1	
				Elenor			Polly	
1840 <sup>b</sup>	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	
Males			3				1	
			David / John / William				James	
Females	1	2		1		1		

<sup>33</sup> “Civil War Widows’ Pensions,” database and images, *Fold3* (<http://fold3.com> : accessed 3 March 2022), Joseph Neighbors (Co. F, 8th IA Cav. Vol.), no. WC60989, Nancy Neighbors, image 3; citing “Case Files of Approved Pension Applications of Widows and Other Dependents of Civil War Veterans, ca. 1861 - ca. 1910,” NARA, Record Group 15.

	Mary	Nancy / Sarah		Elenor		Polly	
<b>Sources:</b> a. 1830 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Walnut Township, p. 133 (penned), line 13, James Carter household; image, <i>Ancestry</i> ( <a href="http://ancestry.com">http://ancestry.com</a> : accessed 8 March 2022); citing NARA microfilm M19, roll 131. <b>(Doc 15)</b> b. 1840 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Walnut Township, p. 145 (penned), line 7, James Carter household; image, <i>Ancestry</i> ( <a href="http://ancestry.com">http://ancestry.com</a> : accessed 8 March 2022); citing NARA microfilm M704, roll 395. [Not shown in this table is an unidentified female aged 60-69. Refer to table 1, Dwelling 2638, Sophiah Kelley for the likely identification of this woman. She may have been the mother of James or Polly (Waugh) Carter or an unrelated person.] <b>(Doc 16)</b>							

## Probate

Probate records often name an individual's spouse and children providing evidence of kinship, however, a search for James Carter's probate in Putnam County, Missouri, yielded no results.<sup>34</sup>

## Conclusion

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The objective of this research project was to identify the parents of Elenor "Elen" Carter who was born circa 1823 in Ohio, and died on 25 September 1890 in Putnam County, Missouri.

A variety of original and derivative sources such as the 1830 to 1860 censuses, the 1873 deed, marriage records, gravestones, a common migration pattern, and a death notice provided information that gives direct and indirect evidence supporting the conclusion that Elen Carter's parents were most likely James Carter (circa 1798-1866) and Polly Waugh (circa 1802-bef. 1867).

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<sup>34</sup> Sarah Lemen Phillips, *Putnam County, Missouri estate records: estate records from Putnam County, Missouri, 1845-1909* (Kirksville, Missouri: Simpson Printing, c1989), 21, negative findings for James Carter; digital image supplied by SHenkel/TCorradini, via FHL Remote Access lookup service.



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## Elenor "Elen" Carter Centers

<b>BIRTH</b>	1824 Gallia County, Ohio, USA
<b>DEATH</b>	25 Sep 1890 (aged 65–66) Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri, USA
<b>BURIAL</b>	Saint John Cemetery East Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri, USA
<b>MEMORIAL ID</b>	15161584

I believe that Elenor "Elen" Carter was the oldest of nine children born to James Carter and Nancy Jane Tucker. Supposedly, she was born on 11 Nov 1826, however, I have found no documents to prove that. Her obituary and headstone both list her age as 67 and several census records support an 1824 birth year.

Elen married Jonathon W. Centers on 8 Mar 1846 in Gallipolis, Gallia Co., Ohio, and they had eight children:

William H.; Mary L.C.; James Wesley; Elizabeth J. (died young); Sarah Jane; Nancy Ellen; Eliza Jane; and Hannah Maria.

There were several Carter families in Gallia County, but James and Nancy Carter moved to Harrison Township, Gallia Co, Ohio, and then to Putnam County, Missouri, at the same time as Elen and John Centers.

Photo by Mary Crawford

### Inscription

John Centers  
Died  
July 1, 1902  
Aged  
78 Y. 4M. 5D  
Co. D. 18. Mo. Infantry  
Elen His Wife  
Died Sept 25, 1890  
Aged 67 Years

### Family Members

#### Spouse



**John Centers**  
1824–1902 (m...(married) 1846)

#### Children



**William H Centers**  
1847–1878



**Mary C Willier**  
1849–1886



**James Wesley Centers**  
1851–1932

Eliza Jane Centers Neagle



*Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com>: accessed 27 August 2021), memorial 15161584, Elenor "Elen" Carter Centers (1824–1890), Saint John Cemetery East, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri; gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford.



1858-1931



Sarah Jane *Centers* Tuller  
1859-1882



Hannah M *Centers* Neagle  
1865-1905

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(<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/15161584/elenor-%22elen%22-centers> : accessed 27 August 2021), memorial page for Elenor "Elen" *Carter* Centers (1824-25 Sep 1890), Find a Grave Memorial ID **15161584**, citing Saint John Cemetery East, Livonia, Putnam County, Missouri, USA ; Maintained by Dos Perros (contributor **47316322**) .

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John H. Stewart & Hannah McKinley

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the 12 day of March A.D. 1846 by Gallia County } virtue of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage John H. Stewart and Hannah McKinley. Given under my hand this 20 day of April A.D. 1846.  
William Roff J.P.

Lewis Fellingner & Betsey Jenkins

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1846 by virtue of a Gallia County } license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage Lewis Fellingner and Betsey Jenkins. Given under my hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1846.  
P. S. Clark J.P.

John Centers & Eleanor Carter

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the Eight day of March A.D. 1846 Gallia County } by virtue of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage John Centers and Eleanor Carter. Given under my hand this third day of April A.D. 1846.  
P. S. Clark J.P.

Adam Blazer & Mary J. P. Warner

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the second day of April A.D. 1846 by Gallia County } virtue of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage Adam Blazer and Mary Zipporah Perkins Warner. Given under my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1846.  
Hiram R. Howe Minister of the Gospel

George F. Mitchell & Mary Lasley

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1846 by Gallia County } virtue of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage George F. Mitchell and Mary Lasley. Given under my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1846.  
A. J. Lyda

Nathaniel Chick & Mary C. Carter

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the 13 day of June A.D. 1846 by virtue Gallia County } of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage Nathaniel Chick and Mary Caroline Carter. Given under my hand this 14 day of June A.D. 1846.  
Robert Carter J.P.

John Fredrick Spangler & Mary J. Louks

The state of Ohio, I hereby certify that on the 29 day of March A.D. 1846 by Gallia County } virtue of a license from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, I joined in marriage John Fredrick Spangler and Mary J. Louks. Given under my hand this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April A.D. 1846.  
C. A. Cherry J.P.

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◆ R. F. HENKLE'S ◆

Speeches Delivered by Elder J. A. Shepherd  
of Cincinnati, Iowa, and Rev. M. D. Stout,  
of Buffalo, Kansas, at the Soldiers' Re-  
Union at Unionville, Sept. 19th.

sun would be rising over yonder in  
the east. These things are true, and  
we want to teach them to the rising  
generation. I want to say right here  
that my heart goes out in sympathy  
to every Southerner that was deceiv-

which has now passed, and in the  
cause of this gathering to-night,  
might not occur, and cause their kin-  
dred and friends to be swept away  
from them. I can see that old mother  
of mine as she sobbed on her boy's

perhaps, the mustering of brigades to  
be assembled into regiments. To-day,  
the remnants of those regiments are  
shrinking, shrinking away; it will  
not be long until our beloved old gen-  
erals will all be gone, and our good

informed us the county has, during  
the year 1889 and thus far in 1890,  
built sixteen good bridges. He prom-  
ises to give the amount spent, the  
quality of bridge built and the loca-  
tion of each bridge. This will show  
where and for what purpose the mon-  
neys levied for bridge fund have gone.

—Our old friend C. Baquett, of Grant  
township, was up the latter part of  
last week visiting his sons in Wilson  
township, and of course while in the  
city called at this office and paid his  
respects. From him we learn that  
Mrs. John Centers died on Thursday  
afternoon at four o'clock of consump-  
tion. Mrs. C. was 67 years of age the  
day she died. The family have long  
resided in that township, and have a  
large circle of relatives and acquaint-  
ances who mourn her demise.

—Hon. F. M. Harrington, Republi-  
can candidate for congress, came across  
the country and met the local candi-  
dates at Hartford Tuesday night. He  
made an address to a goodly number.  
He gives his hearers medicine that in-  
vigorates and puts new life into luke-  
warm souls, and stirs them up to line  
of duty. The result is that Col. Hatch  
is becoming alarmed. Mr. Harring-

Wed, Oct 1

Tue, Sep 30

Mon, Sep 29

Sun, Sep 28

Sat, Sep 27

Fri, Sep 26

Thu, Sep 25, 1890 -- date of death

Makes her date of birth 25 Sep 1823

Untitled item (Mrs. John Centers) *Unionville  
(Missouri) Republican*, 1 October 1890, p. 5,  
col. 7; digital image, *Community History  
Archive* ([http://putnamcounty.advantage-  
preservation.com/](http://putnamcounty.advantage-preservation.com/) : accessed 11 February  
2022).

District No 4  
 SCHEDULE L—Free Inhabitants in Harrison Township in the County of Gallia State of Ohio enumerated by me, on the 30th day of June 1850. John W. Edwards Ass't Marshal

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1	2	3	Description			7	8	9	10 11 12			13	
			Age	Sex	Color				Married within the year	Attended School within the year	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict		
		Jacobi Broadman	4	m				O					1
		Oliver Broadman	4	m				O					2
		John Broadman	2	m				O					3
2759	2769	John Center	25	m		Farmer	250	Pa					4
		Eliza Center	25	f				D					5
		James Center	4	m				O					6
		Mary Center	2	f				O					7
2760	2770	James F. Martin	23	m		Farmer		Pa					8
		Melissa Martin	22	f				Pa					9
		Mary E. Martin	1	f				O					10
2761	2771	Nancy Shoemaker	57	f			500	Pa					11
		John L. Shoemaker	15	m		Farmer		O					12
2762	2772	John W. White	35	m		Farmer		Pa					13
		Nancy A. White	20	f				O					14
		William B. White	1	m				O					15
2763	2773	James Canal	43	m		Farmer		Pa					16
		Rebecca Canal	38	f				Pa					17
		Virginia Canal	18	f				O					18
		Mathias Canal	16	f				O					19
		Franklin Canal	14	m				O					20
		Hannah Canal	12	f				O					21
		Peter Canal	9	m				O					22
		Ann Canal	6	f				O					23
		George Canal	6	m				O					24
		Smith Canal	5	f				O					25
		David Canal	3	f				O					26
		Harrison Canal	3	m				O					27
		Mahala Canal	1	f				O					28
2764	2774	George W. Boster	35	m		Farmer	600	O					29
		Mary Boster	32	f				O					30
		Jonathan Boster	12	m				O					31
		Elizabeth Boster	9	f				O					32
		Paul Boster	7	f				O					33
		Hannah Boster	5	f				O					34
		George Boster	3	m				O					35
		James Boster	4	m				O					36
2765	2775	John Canal	29	m				Pa					37
		Sarah Canal	25	f				Pa					38
		Jonathan Canal	7	m				O					39
		Susannah Canal	5	f				O					40
		Harriet Canal	3	f				O					41
		Melissa Canal	1	f				O					42

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1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 105 (stamped), p. 109 (penned), dwelling 2759, family 2769, John Center Jr household; image, Ancestry (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 27 August 2021); citing National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm M432, roll 681.



SCHEDULE 1—Free Inhabitants in Liberty Township in the County of Putnam State of Mo enumerated by me, on the 9 day of July 1860. J. B. Stauber Asst Marshal  
Post Office Chariton Mills

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION.			7	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		10	11	12	13	14	
			Age.	Sex	White, black, or mulatto		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.						
1	275	236	Geo. Larrell	28	m	Farmer	500	200	Mo.	✓				
2			Elizabeth	28	f				Mo.	✓				
3			Nancy	7	f				Mo.	✓	1			
4			Sarah (Harrow)	10	f				Ill.	✓				
5	276	237	J. W. Hand	57	m	Farmer	800	300	Mo.	✓				
6			Elizabeth	55	f				"	✓				
7			James	22	m	Farmer			"	✓				
8			Lisian	20	m	"			Mo.	✓				
9			Ann	15	f				"	✓	1			
10			Dra	4	m				"	✓				
11	277	238	Jos. Berry	56	m	Farmer	3000	3200	Pa.	✓				
12			Rebecca	60	f				"	✓				
13			Bracket	26	m	Farmer	400	100	"	✓				
14			Charles	23	m	"		100	"	✓				
15			Wm	21	m	"		50	"	✓				
16			Jas	20	m	Farm laborer			"	✓				
17			Jos. G.	16	m	"			Mo.	✓				
18	278	237	Jno. Speate	40	m	Farmer	500	500	Pa.	✓				
19			Nancy	25	f				Mo.	✓				
20			Boysman	8	m				"	✓	1			
21			Alfred	4	m				"	✓				
22			Milton	2	m				"	✓				
23			Ann	1	f				"	✓				
24	280	240	Jno Centers	30	m	Farmer	800	300	Pa.	✓				
25			Collan	28	f				Ohio	✓				
26			Mary	17	f				"	✓	1			
27			William	11	m				"	✓	1			
28			Jas	10	m				"	✓	1			
29			Elizabeth	8	f				"	✓	1			
30			Nancy	3	f				Mo.	✓				
31			Eliza G.	1	f				"	✓				
32	281	241	Samuel Neighbor	18	m	Farmer	600	400	Pa.	✓				
33			Frances	20	f				"	✓				
34			Parnell (Barney)	35	f				"	✓				
35			Crastin	28	m	Farmer			"	✓				
36			Francis	14	m				"	✓	1			
37			Joseph	10	m				"	✓	1			
38			B.	2	f				Mo.	✓				
39														
40														
No. white males, 22							No. colored males, _____		No. foreign born, _____		No. blind, _____		6600 5150	
No. white females, 10							No. colored females, _____		No. deaf and dumb, _____		No. insane, _____		No. paupers, _____	
											No. idiots, _____		No. convicts, _____	

1860 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Liberty Township, p. 36 (penned), dwelling 279, family 240, Jno Centers household; image, Ancestry (<http://ancestry.com>: accessed 27 August 2021); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 641.

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John Saunders & Mary Sheets,

State of Ohio Gallia County ss.  
 On the 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. in the year A. D. 1843, I do  
 certify the marriage of John Saunders & Mary Sheets.  
 Joseph A. Terry, J. P. Jan 3.

William Boyles and Katy Slenny,

State of Ohio Gallia County ss.  
 Gallipolis May 11<sup>th</sup> 1831. This certifies that I have this day joined in marriage  
 William Boyles and Katy Slenny as per License.  
 Nathl. Gato M.

Andrew Boggs and Sally McDaniel.

State of Ohio Gallia County ss. By virtue of a License  
 to me doctd. I hereby certify that I have joined Andrew Boggs and Sally  
 McDaniel in the Holy bonds of matrimony on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 1833.  
 Andrew Boggs J.P.

James Faulkner and Mary Whitt.

I do hereby certify that I joined together in the  
 holy bonds of matrimony James Faulkner and Mary Whitt on the tenth day of  
 October last past, both of lawful age by virtue of License. Given under my hand  
 this 2<sup>d</sup> day of December 1834.  
 Samuel W. Marty J.P.

George W. Cumber & Barbara Furr.

The State of Ohio Gallia County ss. I hereby  
 certify that on the eighth day of Feb. A. D. 1818. By virtue of a License I joined  
 in the holy bonds of matrimony George W. Cumber and Barbara Furr, Given  
 under my hand and seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818. Edward W. Mullin J.P.

James Carter & Polly Haugh.

State of Ohio Gallia County ss. This is to certify  
 that I joined together in marriage James Carter and Polly Haugh on the  
 10<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1822 by virtue of License. Given under my hand & seal  
 this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Nov 1822.

Warr Long J.P.

Thomas Russell & Mary Bradbury.

This is to certify that on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
 August 1823 I joined together in the holy bonds of matrimony  
 Thomas Russell and Mary Bradbury both of lawful age by virtue of License  
 State.  
 Elisha Robinson

Oraker of the C.

## James Carter



Photo added by Mary Crawford

<b>BIRTH</b>	15 Sep 1798 Ohio, USA
<b>DEATH</b>	20 Jun 1866 (aged 67) Putnam County, Missouri, USA
<b>BURIAL</b>	Mitchell Cemetery Putnam County, Missouri, USA
<b>MEMORIAL ID</b>	51796286

Husband of 1. Nancy Jane Tucker. #2 Mary ?.

**Created by:** Mary Crawford

Added: 29 Apr 2010

Find a Grave Memorial **51796286**

*Find a Grave*, database and images

(<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/51796286/james-carter> : accessed 11 February 2022), memorial page for James Carter (15 Sep 1798–20 Jun 1866), Find a Grave Memorial ID 51796286, citing Mitchell Cemetery, Putnam County, Missouri, USA ; Maintained by Mary Crawford (contributor 46964631) .

*Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 11 February 2022), memorial 51796286, James Carter (1798–1866), Mitchell Cemetery, Putnam County, Missouri; gravestone photograph by Mary Crawford.

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R/6 S/30 Carter, James  
D: 06/20/1866 A: 67y 9m 5d

*District No 42*  
**SCHEDULE I.—Free Inhabitants in *Harrison Township* in the County of *Gallia* State**  
of *Ohio* enumerated by me, on the *27<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* 1850. *John Robinson* Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3	Description.			7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			Age.	Sex.	Color, (black or mulatto).							
Dwellings—houses numbered in the order of visitation.		The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Description.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1	2635		2645	John Buckle	45							
2			Ephiah Buckle	45	f				O			
3			John Buckle	18	m		Labourer		O			
4			Joseph Buckle	13	m				O			
5			William Buckle	11	m				O			
6			James Buckle	2	m				O			
7	2636	2646	John Williams	48	m		Farmer		Mo			
8			Lelia Williams	40	f				Va			
9			Martha Williams	21	f				Co			
10			Mary Williams	14	f				O			
11			Minerva Williams	15	f				O			
12			Isaac Williams	14	f				O			
13			Empress Williams	8	f				O			
14			Lelia Williams	3	f				O			
15	2637	2647	James Carter	54	m		Farmer	350	Va			
16			Mary Carter	42	f				Va			
17			Davida Carter	20	m		Farmer		O			
18			Samuel Carter	17	f				O			
19			Mary Carter	15	f				O			
20			Mary Carter	12	f				O			
21			Susanna Carter	9	f				O			
22			Mahala Carter	6	f				O			
23			James Carter	2	m				O			
24	2638	2648	Ernest Carter	23	m		Farmer		O			
25			Mahala Carter	22	f				O			
26			Ephiah Kelly	78	f				Va			
27	2639	2649	Isaac Carter	57	m		Farmer	1000	Va			1
28			Mary Carter	48	f				Va			1
29			John Carter	17	m		Labourer		O			
30			William Carter	14	m				O			
31	2640	2650	George Wheaton	29	m		Farmer	400	O			
32			Elizabeth Carter	26	f				O			
33			Isaac Carter	1	m				O			
34	2641	2651	Achilles Commons	34	m		Farmer	1150	O			1
35			Elizabeth Commons	29	f				O			
36			Mary Commons	10	f				O			
37			Mary Commons	8	f				O			
38			Arthur Commons	6	m				O			
39			Aliza Commons	4	f				O			
40			Mahala Commons	3	f				O			
41			John Commons	2	f				O			
42			Franklin Williams	7	m				O			

1850 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Harrison Township, p. 97b, dwelling 2637, family 2647, James Carter household; image, Ancestry (<http://ancestry.com> : accessed 11 August 2020); citing NARA microfilm M432, roll 681.

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mission and acknowledged that he executed the within power of attorney for the purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May A.D. 1856 Special Power J.P.

State of Missouri ss  
County of Putnam. I J hereby certify that Special Power was before whom the within power of attorney was made executed and who has therewith subscribed his name and at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Putnam duly Commissioned and sworn and that his signature thereto genuine and

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed the seal of the County Court for the County aforesaid at Office in Hannibal this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May A.D. 1856  
J. M. Hatcher Clerk of the County Court

Filed and recorded this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1856  
L. M. Hatcher Recorder  
By W. A. Shelton Deputy

State of Missouri ss I N Davis Sheriff do hereby certify County of Putnam that I ~~certify~~ advertise & offered for sale the ~~2<sup>nd</sup> 1/2~~ section of Township 13<sup>th</sup> of Range no 20 and ~~1/2~~ <sup>1/2</sup> of the S.E. 1/4 of the S.E. 1/4 of said Section and Range he being the highest bidder for the same this 11<sup>th</sup> April A.D. 1856  
N Davis Sheriff

Filed and recorded this 10<sup>th</sup> of June A.D. 1856  
L. M. Hatcher Recorder  
By W. A. Shelton Deputy

Recd of Putnam Co. Vol 30, 1857, p. 144  
Deeds v. A-B 1847-1857, FamilySearch (http://familysearch.org : accessed 21 January 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,007, images 143-144.  
Attest J. M. Hatcher Recorder

Known all men by these presents that we John Centers and Ellen Centers of the County of Putnam and State of Missouri in Consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to us paid in hand by Thomas Brooks of the same County and State aforesaid the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge do hereby give bargain sell transfer and make over unto the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever a certain piece of land ss the South West fourth of the South West quarter of Section Thirteen in Township 13<sup>th</sup> of Range Seventeen and also the North West fourth of the North West Section no. Twenty four in Township 13<sup>th</sup> of Range no Seventeen containing Eighty acres together with all the appurtenances thereto or in anywise belonging to the same. To have and to hold the same to the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever and we the said John Centers and Ellen Centers for ourselves and our heirs executors and administrators do covenant to warrant and defend the said Thomas Brooks his heirs that we are lawfully seized

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in fee of the afore granted premises that they are free from all incumbrances that we have your right to sell and convey the same to the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful Claims and demands of all persons provided nevertheless that if the said John Centers or Ellen Centers, their heirs Executors Administrators shall pay unto the said Thomas Brooks his Executors Administrators or assigns the said sum of two hundred Dollars without trust on or before the fifteenth day of May next then this deed as also a certain obligation or bond bearing date even with these presents given by the said John Centers to the said Thomas Brooks in the penalty of two hundred Dollars Condition to pay the just <sup>principal</sup> sum without interest at the time aforesaid shall be void otherwise shall remain absolute.

In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 15th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six

John Centers *[Signature]*Ellen <sup>nee</sup> Centers *[Signature]*

State of Missouri  
County of Putnam  
Be it remembered that John Centers and Ellen Centers wife of said John Centers both of whom are personally known to the undersigned Justice of the peace to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing Mortgage deed this day appeared before me in the County of Putnam and the said John Centers then and there acknowledged that he executed the said mortgage deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed, and the said Ellen Centers having been by me made acquainted with the contents of said mortgage deed on an examination apart from her said husband acknowledged that she executed the said mortgage deed and on examination apart from her said husband acknowledged that she executed said mortgage deed freely and without compulsion or undue influence of her said husband. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15th day of July 1856

Morgan C. Kinsey J. P.

Justice of the Peace

This is to certify that the above mortgage was filed and duly recorded this 1st day of July A.D. 1856

A. M. Hatcher Recorder  
By Wm. B. Shelton Deputy



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Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. A:265-266, John & Ellen Centers to Thomas Brooks, mortgage, 1 July 1856; browsable images, "Deeds v. A-B 1847-1857," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 21 January 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,007, images 143-144.

*[Transcribed 17 May 2022 by Jill Leonard Nock]*

*[Left margin: Deed of Release Filed Oct 30, 1891 at 1<sup>40</sup> }  
 O'clock PM. and is Recorded in Book ^2C 4[?] page 267 }  
 Attest TB Valentine Recorder }]*

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Know all men by these presence that we John Centers and Ellen Centers of the County of Putnam and State of Missouri in Consideration of the sum of two hundred Dollars to us paid in hand by Thomas Brooks of the same County and State aforesaid the Recipt whereof we do hereby acknowledged do hereby give bargain sell transfer and make over unto the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever, a certain piece of land SS the South West fourth of the South West quarter of Section thirteen in Township sixty six of Range Seventeen and also the North West fourth of the North West Section no. Seventy four in Township sixty six of Range no Seventeen Containing Eighty Acres together with all the appurtenances thereunto or in anywise belonging to the same. To have and to hold the same to the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever and we the said John Centers and Ellen Centers for ourselves and our heirs Executors and administrators do covenant to Warrant and defend the said Thomas Brooks his heirs that we are lawfully seized

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in fee of the afore granted premises that they are free from all incumbrances that we have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Thomas Brooks his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons provided nevertheless that if the said John Centers or Ellen Centers, their heirs Executors Administrators shall pay unto the said Thomas Books his executors Administrators or assigns the said sum of two hundred Dollars without trust on or before the fifteenth day of May next then this deed as also a certain obligation or bong bearing date even with these presents given by the said John Centers to the said Thomas Brooks in the penalty of two hundred Dollars Condition to pay the first mentioned sum without interest at the time aforesaid shall ^ back be void otherwise shall remain absolute.

In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals this May the fifteenth day in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and fifty six

John Centers {seal}

State of Missouri }

Ellen /her x mark/Centers {seal}

County of Putnam } Be it remember that John Centers and Ellen Centers wife of said John Centers both of whom are personally Known to the undersigned Justice of the peace to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing Mortgage deed this day appeared before me in the County of Putnam and the said John Centers then and there acknowledged that he Executed the said Mortgage deed for the uses and purposes therein

Expressed. And the said Ellen Centers having been by me made acquainted with the contents of said Mortgage deed on an Examination apart from her said husband acknowledged that She Executed the said Mortgage deed and on Examination apart from her said husband acknowledged that She Executed said Mortgage deed freely and without compulsion or undue influence of her said husband. in testimony where I have hereunto set my hand and seal this May the 15<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856

Morgan C. Hensley J.P.

This is to certify that the above Mortgage was filed and July recorded this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July A.D. 1856

D.M. Thatcher Recorder  
By Wm A. Shelton Deputy



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Digital image of a derivative record of a mortgage deed from John and Ellen Centers to Thomas Brooks. This is a clerk's copy since the information was recorded on lined paper, bound in a county book. The handwriting is all the same for the body of the deed as well as signatures for this deed. The place where original county seals next to the signatures should be is represented by words and squiggle marks. The original would have been given to Brooks as proof of the mortgage. The image is legible and has no tears or stains; a fold in the lower right corner of page 265 does not impinge on the writing.

| Information Items                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Informant                                                                                                          | Information Type                                                                                                                                        | Evidence Type                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Parties: John & Ellen Centers (mortgagors) to Thomas Brooks (mortgagee) , all of Putnam County, Missouri<br>\$200; 80 acres<br>Land description: SWSW, S13, T66R17 & NWNW, Sec 24, T66R17<br>Terms: due on or before 15 May next<br>Deed was drawn 15 May 1856<br>Signed 24 Sep 1856 in Gallia Co, OH<br>Filed/Recorded: 1 July 1856                                                                                                | Unknown, but presumably each person came to their respective courthouse to sign the deed and gave their own names. | Primary information as to parties involved, date and places signed for each, and description of land to be sold.<br><br>Primary for the recording date. | Direct evidence as to the name of John Centers' wife (Ellen), the description of the land owned by John & Ellen Centers, and that they were both alive when the deed was drawn up. |
| <p><b>Comments / Analysis:</b></p> <p>Signed: John Centers &amp; Ellen (her mark) Centers</p> <p>Morgan C. Hensley, JP; D.N. Thatcher, Recorder by Wm A. Shelton, Deputy</p> <p>In margin: Deed of Release Filed Oct 30, 1891 at 140 oclock pm &amp; is recorded in Book 2C 4[?] page 267 [If the terms were that this was due on or before 15 May 1857 why wasn't the release filed then?]</p> <p>Attest TB Valentine Recorder</p> |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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This indenture made the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
 and fifty eight Between David Carter and Mary  
 Carter of the County of Putnam in the State of Missouri  
 of the first part and James Carter and  
 Mary Carter of the part of the second part and of  
 the County and State of the same. Witnesseth that the party  
 of the first for and in Consideration of sum of one hundred  
 five dollars to them in hand paid by the party of the second  
 part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged. We hereby  
 give grant bargain sell transfer and make over to the said  
 James Carter and Mary Carter their heirs and assigns for  
 ever with the right and title that we have to the following  
 described tract or parcel of land to wit the south West fourth  
 of the North East quarter of Section (Twenty Three) 23<sup>rd</sup> and the  
 East fourth of the South East quarter of Section (Twenty Three) 23<sup>rd</sup> in Township  
 34<sup>th</sup> North Range 16<sup>th</sup> East of the Missouri Territory containing eighty acres, siting and  
 lying in Putnam County in the State of Missouri To have and to hold  
 the above granted premises unto the said James Carter his heirs and  
 assigns forever. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our  
 hands and affixed our seals this day and year above written  
 State of Missouri  
 County of Putnam  
 David Carter Seal  
 Mary Carter Seal

Be it Remembered that David Carter and Mary  
 Carter his wife who are personally known to the undersigned Justice  
 of the Peace in and for the County and State above named to be the same  
 persons whose names are subscribed to the within deed this day appeared  
 before me in the said County and the said David Carter then and  
 there acknowledged that he voluntarily executed the said deed  
 for the use and purpose therein contained the said Mary  
 Carter being by me acquainted with the contents of said deed  
 and upon examination apart from her (said) husband acknowl-  
 edges that she executed the said deed as relinquished her  
 dower in the real estate therein expressed freely and without  
 Compulsion, or undue influence of her her said husband  
 Given Under My hand this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 1858  
 Shepard Brown J. P.

The words included in brackets are interlined in the  
 original  
 Filed for Record the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January A. D. 1859  
 Daniel W. Chatham Secy  
 By Mrs. C. Chatham Depts



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Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. D:514, David & Mary Carter to James & Mary Carter, 13 January 1859; browsable images, "Deeds v. C-D 1856-1859," *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 28 August 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,008, images 622.

*[Transcribed 17 May 2022 by Jill Leonard Nock]*

*[Written in left margin: "23, 66, 17" - presumably the section, township and range]*  
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This indenture Made the threntyeth[?] day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty Eight. Between David Carter and Mary Carter of the County of Putnam and the State of Missouri As the partys of the first part and James Carter and Mary Carter of the party of the Second part and of the County and State afor name. Witnesseth that the party of the first for and in Consideration One hundred and Seventy five dollars to them in hand paid by the [^] Said party of the Second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledge. We hereby give grant bargan Sell transfer and Make over to the Said James Carter and Mary Carter their heirs and assigns for ever all the wright and title that we have to the following described tract or parcel of land the North West fourth of the North East quarter of Section (twenty three) 23 and the South [East] fourth of the South East quarter of Section [fourteen] 14 in township [Sixty Six] 66 of Range [Seventeen] 17 Containing eighty Acres it being and lving in Putnam County in the State of Missouri To have and to hold the afore granted primises unt to the Said James Carter his heirs and assigns forever. in testimonia whereof we have here unto Set our hands and affixt our Seals this day and year above written

State of Missouri }  
 County of Putnam } S.S.

David Carter {seal}  
 Mary /her + mark/ Carter {seal}

Be it remember that David Carter and Mary Carter his wife who are personally Known to the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State abovenamed to be the Same Persons whose Names Are Subscribed to the Within deed this day apeard before me in the Said County and the Said David Carter then and there acknowledged that he volentarily execute the Said deed for the uses and purposes therein Contained the Said Mary Carter being by me aquante with the Contents of Said Deed and [on] examination apart from her [Said] husband acknolege that She executed the Said deed an relinquished her dower in the real estate therein expressed freely an without Compulsion or Undue influence of her her Said husband

Given Under My hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D 1858

Spesard Brown J.P.

The words included in brackets are interlined in the original

Filed for Record the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D 1859

Daniel N. Thatcher Recorder  
 By Wm A. Shelton Deputy

ANALYSIS

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Digital image of a derivative record of a deed from David and Mary Carter to James and Mary Carter. This is a clerk’s copy since the information was recorded on lined paper, bound in a county book. The handwriting is all the same for the body of the deed as well as signatures for this deed. The place where original county seals next to the signatures should be is represented by words and squiggle marks. The original would have been given to James Carter as proof of ownership. The image is legible and has no rips or tears. A few scattered ink stains do not materially affect the readability; a fold in the lower left corner does not impinge on the writing.

Information Items	Informant	Information Type	Evidence Type
Parties: David & Mary Carter (grantors) to James & Mary Carter (grantees), all of Putnam Co, MO \$175; 80 acres Land description: NWNE, Sec 23 & SESE, Sec 14, T66, R17 Drawn: 20 Sep 1858 Signed: [date] in [place] Filed: 13 Jan 1859	Unknown, but presumably each person came to their respective courthouse to sign the deed and gave their own names.	Primary information as to parties involved, date and places signed for each, and description of land to be sold.  Primary for the recording date.	Direct evidence as to the name of James Carter’s wife (Mary), the description of the land bought by James and Mary Carter, and that they were both alive when the deed was drawn up.
<p><b>Comments / Analysis:</b> Indirect proof that James’ wife, Polly, on previous records was named “Mary.” Polly is a common nickname for Mary.<sup>1</sup> Provides additional proof that Polly/Mary was alive in 1858, and perhaps is the Jane listed on the 1860 census with him, as Mary Jane is a common combination of names.</p> <p>David Carter bought the NWNE section from John and Elen (Carter) Centers on 20 Dec 1856 (filed 29 Dec 1857; recorded 12 Apr 1858, vol. C:606). James Carter was a witness.</p> <p>Signed: David Carter &amp; Mary (her mark) Carter; Spesard Brown JP</p> <p>Daniel N. Thatcher, Recorder; by Wm A. Shelton, Deputy</p>			

<sup>1</sup> Christine Rose, compiler, *Nicknames Past and Present*, 5th Edition Expanded (San Jose, California: CR Publications, 2017), 15.

Carter to M. Call

John Wallas } Deed.  
 to }  
 Lucinda McCall }

Know all men by these presents that I John Wallas of the county of Gallia and state of Ohio in consideration of the sum of Four hundred and sixty dollars in hand paid by Lucinda McCall of the same place have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Lucinda McCall her heirs and assigns forever the following premises situated in the County of Gallia and state of Ohio and bounded and described as follows in the Ohio Company Purchase of Land Township No. (4) Range (15) Section (34) and bounded as follows to, commencing one hundred and fifty rods south of the North East corner of said section and thence South East corner of James McCall's Land in said section thence west 40 chains thence South 13 chains and 75 links, thence east 40 chains thence North 13 chains and 75 links to the place of beginning, to contain fifty five acres. To have and to hold said premises with appertinances to the said Lucinda McCall her heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Wallas for himself and heirs doth hereby covenant with the said Lucinda McCall here heirs and assigns that he is lawfully seized of of the premises aforesaid that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appertinances unto the said Lucinda McCall her heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In testimony whereof the said John Wallas herunto set his hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> Decr 1856. executed in the presence of.

Edwanth Cummings,  
 Joseph A Cummings

John Wallas (Seal)  
 made

The State of Ohio Gallia County ss.

Before me Edwanth Cummings a Justice of the peace in and for said County personally appeared the within or above named John Wallas and acknowledged the signing and sealing of the within or above conveyance to be his voluntary act and deed this 21<sup>st</sup> Decr 1856.  
 Edwanth Cummings J. P.

Recorded December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1856. Must Samuel Polley Recorder

James Carter } Deed.  
 to }  
 Alexander McCall }

Know all men by these presents that we James Carter and

Polly Carter wife of the said James Carter of the County of Gallia and State of Ohio in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars, in hand paid by Alexander McCall of the same place has bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever the following premises situate in the County of Gallia in the State of Ohio and bounded and described as follows, being the South East quarter of the North East quarter of Section thirteen in Township four and of range sixteen in the district of lands subject to sale at Chillicothe Ohio containing forty acres.

To have and to hold said premises with the appurtenances unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever and the said James Carter for himself and heirs doth hereby covenant with the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid, that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtenances unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In testimony whereof the said James Carter and Polly Carter his wife have hereunto set their hands and seal this September the 24<sup>th</sup> 1856.

Witness in presence of,  
 Er. Cremens, Jacob Goltschall  
 Abram <sup>his</sup> <sub>mark</sub> <sup>Wenters</sup>

James <sup>his</sup> <sub>mark</sub> Carter Seal  
 Polly <sup>his</sup> <sub>mark</sub> Carter Seal

State of Ohio Gallia County ss.

Before me Elkanah Cremens a Justice of the peace in and for said County personally appeared the within named James Carter and Polly Carter wife of the said James Carter and acknowledged the signing and sealing of the within conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed and the said Polly Carter being at the same time examined by me separate and apart from her said husband and the contents of said instrument made known to her by me. She then declared that she did voluntarily sign seal and acknowledge the same and that she is still satisfied therewith this September the 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

Elkanah Cremens J. P.

Recorded December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1856. Attest James Jolly Recorder

James Alexander's Heirs }  
 to } Copy of  
 o Gabriel Houck } deed

The State of Ohio  
 Gallia County ss.

Gabriel Houck complainant  
 vs  
 Margaret Harpnot  
 in Chancery



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Gallia County, Ohio, Deeds, vol. 27:593-594, James & Polley Carter to Alexander McCall, 22 December 1856; "Deeds, v. 26-27 1854-1856," browsable images, *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 10 April 2022); citing FHL microfilm 7,897,722, images 652-653.

[Transcribed 17 May 2022 by Jill Leonard Nock]

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James Carter  
to Deed  
o Alexander McCall

Know all men by these presence that we James Carter and

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Polley Carter wife of the said James Carter of the County of Gallia and state of Ohio in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars in in hand paid by Alexander McCall of the same place have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever the following premises Situate in the county of Gallia in the state of Ohio and bounded and described as follows. being the South East quarter of the North East quarter of section thirteen in Township four and range Sixteen in the district of lands subject to sail at Chillicothe Ohio containing forty acres.

To have and to hold Said premises with the appurtenances unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever and the Said James Carter for himself and heirs doth hereby covenant with the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully Seized of the premises aforesaid. that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrance whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtence unto the Said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all person whomsoever

In testimony whereof the said James Carter and Polly Carter his wife have hereunto set their hands and seal this September the 24<sup>th</sup> 1856.

Executed in presence of.  
E. Cremeens, Jacob Gotschall  
Abram /his x mark/ Wooten

James /his x mark/ Carter {seal}  
Polley /her x mark/ Carter {seal}

State of Ohio Gallia County SS

Before me Elkanah Cremeens a Justice of the Peace in and for Said County personally appeared the within named James Carter and Polley Carter wife of the said James Carter and acknowledge the Signing and Sealing of the within conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed and the said Polley Carter being at the same time Examined by me separate and apart from her said husband and the contents of said instrument made Known to her by me. She then declared that She did volluntearly Sign Seal and acknowledge the Same and that She is Still Satisfied therewith this September the 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

Elkanah Cremeens J.P.

Recorded December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1856.

Attest Samuel Jolly Recorder

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Digital image of a derivative record of a deed from James and Polley Carter to Alexander McCall. This is a clerk's copy since the information was recorded on lined paper, bound in a county book. The handwriting is all the same for the body of the deed as well as signatures for this deed and the following one. The place where original county seals next to the signatures should be is represented by words and squiggle marks. The original would have been given to McCall as proof of ownership. The image is legible and has no rips, tears, or stains; a corner of paper intrudes into the bottom portion of the page but does not impinge on the writing.

| Information Items                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Informant                                                                                                          | Information Type                                                                                                                                        | Evidence Type                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Parties: James & Polley Carter (grantors) to Alexander McCall (grantee)<br>\$200; 40 acres<br>Land description: SENE S13 T4R16<br>Deed was drawn 24 Sep 1856<br>Signed 24 Sep 1856 in Gallia Co, OH<br>Recorded 22 Dec 1856 | Unknown, but presumably each person came to their respective courthouse to sign the deed and gave their own names. | Primary information as to parties involved, date and places signed for each, and description of land to be sold.<br><br>Primary for the recording date. | Direct evidence as to the name of James Carter's wife (Polley), the description of the land previously owned by James and Polley Carter, and that they were both alive when the deed was drawn up. |
| <b>Comments / Analysis:</b> Proves Polly (Waugh) Carter was still alive on 24 Sep 1856 and that "Nancy" listed as James' purported wife in the 1850 census may have been a mistake (Isaac Carter's wife was Nancy Waugh.)   |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |



James Carter      J. Reed.  
 to  
 Alexander McCall

Know all men by these presents that we James Carter and Polly Carter wife of the said James Carter of the County of Gallia and State of Ohio in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars in hand paid by Alexander McCall of the same place have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever the following premises situate in the County of Gallia in the State of Ohio to wit forty acres out of Section thirty seven Township four and range fifteen in the Ohio Companies purchase of land beginning at the North West corner of the section thence South nine chains and sixty links to a white oak sixteen inches in diameter bears South seventy six degrees West eighteen links and a white oak six inches South three degrees West nineteen links thence N 89 1/2 East forty one chains and sixty five links to McCall's line a white oak twenty two inches in diameter bears South 44 degrees East 44 links and a white oak 19 inches in diameter North 56 degrees East 24 links thence North nine chains and 61 links to McCall's corner being 45 links East of the quarter section corner thence South 89 1/2 degrees West 41 chains and 65 links to the beginning.

To have and to hold said premises unto the appointees unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever, and the said James Carter for himself and heirs doth hereby covenant with the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid that premises are free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appointees unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In testimony whereof the said James Carter and Polly Carter his wife have hereunto set their hands and seal this September 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

Witness in presence of,

E. C. Cramms, Jacob Gotschack,

James Carter Seal

Polly Carter Seal

State of Ohio Gallia County ss.

Before me Elkanah Cramms a Justice of the peace in and for said County personally appeared the within named James Carter and Polly Carter his wife and acknowledged the signing and sealing of the within conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed, and the said Polly Carter being at the same time examined by me separate and apart from her said husband and the contents of said instrument made known to her by me she then declared that she did voluntarily sign seal and acknowledge the same and that she is well satisfied therewith this September 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

Elkanah Cramms J.P.

Recorded January 9<sup>th</sup> 1857 Attest Samuel Polley Recorder



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Gallia County, Ohio, Deeds, vol. 28:6, James & Polley Carter to Alexander McCall, 9 January 1857; "Deeds, v. 28-29 1855-1859," browsable images, *FamilySearch* (<http://familysearch.org> : accessed 10 April 2022); citing FHL microfilm 8,185,262, image 11.

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James Carter  
 to Deed  
 o Alexander McCall

Know all men by these presence that we James Carter and Polley Carter wife of the said James Carter of the County of Gallia and state of Ohio in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars in in hand pade by Alexander McCall of the same place have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargan sell and convey unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever the following premises situate in the county of Gallia in the state of Ohio to wit forty acres out of Section thirty four. Township four and range fifteen. In the Ohio Companies purchase of land beginning at the North West corner of the Section. thence South nine chains and sixty links to a white oak Sixteen inches in diameter bears South Seventy Six degrees West Eighteen links and a white oak Six inches South three degrees west nineteen links thence N 89¼ East forty one chains and Sixty five links to McCall's line a white oak twenty two inches in diameter bares South 44 degrees East 4 links and a white oak 12 inches in diameter North 56 degrees East 24 links thence North nine chains and 61 links to McCalls corner being 45 links East of the quarter Section corner, thence South 89¼ degrees west 41 chains and 65 links to the beginning.

To have and to hold Said premises with the appurtenance unto the Said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns forever, and the Said James Carter for himself and heirs doth hereby covenant with the Said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully Seized of the premises aforesaid that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrance whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtences unto the said Alexander McCall his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all person whomsoever. In testimony whereof the Said James Carter and Polly Carter his wife have hereunto set their hands and seal this September the 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

|                              |                                   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Executed in presence of.     | James /his x mark/ Carter {seal}  |
| E. Cremeens, Jacob Gotschall | Polley /her x mark/ Carter {seal} |

State of Ohio Gallia County SS

Before me Elkanah Cremeens a Justice of the peace in and for Said county personally appeared the within named James Carter and Polley Carter his wife and acknowledged the Signing and Sealing of the within conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed, and the said Polley Carter being at the Same time examined by me Separate and apart from her said husband and the contents of Said instrument made Known to her by me She then declared that She did voluntarily Sign Seal and acknowledge the Same and that She is Still Satisfied therewith this September the 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1856.

Elkanah Cremeens J.P.

Recorded January 9<sup>th</sup> 1857. Attest Samuel Jolly Recorder

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 ANALYSIS

Digital image of a derivative record of a deed from James & Polley Carter to McCall. This is a clerk's copy since the information was recorded on lined paper, bound in a county book. The handwriting is all the same for the body of the deed as well as signatures for this deed and the following one. The place where original county seals next to the signatures should be is represented by words and squiggle marks. The original would have been given to McCall as proof of ownership. The image is legible and has no rips, tears, or stains; a corner of paper intrudes into the bottom portion of the page but does not impinge on the writing.

Information Items	Informant	Information Type	Evidence Type
<p>Parties: James &amp; Polley Carter, Gallia Co, OH (grantors) to Alexander McCall [same place] (grantee)</p> <p>\$300; 40 acres</p> <p>Land description: S34 T4R15; Beg at NW corner of the section; then S 9C, 60L to white oak 16" in dia bears S76W 18L w/ white oak 6" S3W 19L; then N89-1/4E 41C, 65L to McCall's ln, white oak 22" in dia bears S44E 4L, white oak 12" in dia N56E 24L; then N 9C, 61L to McCalls corner, being 45L E of the Quarter section corner; then S89-1/4W 41C, 65L to beg.</p> <p>Deed was drawn 24 Sep 1856</p> <p>Signed 24 Sep 1856 in Gallia Co, OH</p> <p>Recorded 9 Jan 1857</p>	<p>Unknown, but presumably each person came to their respective courthouse to sign the deed and gave their own names.</p>	<p>Primary information as to parties involved, date and places signed for each, and description of land to be sold.</p> <p>Primary for the recording date.</p>	<p>Direct evidence as to the name of James Carter's wife (Polley), the description of the land previously owned by James and Polley Carter, and that they were both alive when the deed was drawn up.</p>
<p><b>Comments / Analysis:</b> Proves that Polley (Waugh) Carter was still living on 24 September 1856 when the deed was drawn.</p> <p>[Signed]: James /his x mark/ Carter &amp; Polley /her x mark/ Carter</p> <p>Witnesses: E. Cremeens, Jacob Gotschall</p>			

SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in Liberty Township in the County of Putnam State of Missouri enumerated by me, on the 5 day of July 1860. H. H. Stammers Ass't Marshal  
Post Office Charitonville.

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Dwelling-house— numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.	
			Age.	Sex.	Whites, Colored, or Indian.		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
281	242	Samuel Stiles	53	m		Farmer	1500	800	NY	✓			
		Jane "	53	f								✓	
		William "	23	m		Farm labourer		100	Ind	✓			
		J. J. "	20	m		"			"	✓			
		J. J. "	15	m		"			All	✓		✓	
		Samuel J. "	10	m		"			"	✓		✓	
282	245	John Hart	53	m		Farmer	400	250	NY	✓			
		Nancy "	45	f					"	✓			
		Jos "	20	m		Farm labourer			Ind	✓			
		Levi "	17	m		"			Ind	✓		✓	
		Phillip "	15	m		"			"	✓		✓	
		Matilda "	13	f		"			"	✓		✓	
		Lucinda "	10	f		"			"	✓		✓	
		Jacob "	8	m		"			"	✓		✓	
		George "	6	m		"			"	✓		✓	
283	244	David Carter	25	m		Farmer	400	200	Pa	✓			
		Mary "	20	f					All	✓			
		Jane "	1	f					All	✓			
284	245	Jos Carter	58	m		Farmer	600	400	Pa	✓		✓	
		Jane "	55	f					"	✓		✓	
		Mary "	18	f					"	✓			
		Elizabeth "	15	f					"	✓			
		Adeline "	13	f					"	✓		✓	
		James "	11	m					"	✓		✓	
285	246	Jos. Neighbors	30	m		Farmer		175	Pa	✓		✓	
		Nancy "	25	f					Pa	✓		✓	
		Bill "	5	m					"	✓		✓	
		Joseph "	3	m					"	✓		✓	
		Abigail "	1	f					"	✓		✓	
286	247	Landrine Kesh	58	m		Farmer		150	Ind	✓			
		Susana "	42	f					Pa	✓		✓	
		Wm "	18	m		Farm labourer			Ind	✓			
		Nancy "	16	f					"	✓			
		Larch "	14	f					"	✓			
		John "	13	m					"	✓			
		Catherine "	11	f					"	✓			
		Daniel "	9	m					"	✓			

No. white males, 21 No. colored males, \_\_\_\_\_ No. foreign born, \_\_\_\_\_ No. blind, \_\_\_\_\_ 320020/5 No. idiotic, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. white females, 16 No. colored females, \_\_\_\_\_ No. deaf and dumb, \_\_\_\_\_ No. insane, \_\_\_\_\_ No. paupers, \_\_\_\_\_ No. convicts, \_\_\_\_\_

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1860 U.S. census, Putnam County, Missouri, population schedule, Liberty Township, p. 37 (penned), dwelling 283, family 244, David Carter household; image, Ancestry (http://ancestry.com : accessed 11 February 2022); citing NARA microfilm M653, roll 641.

Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned Heirs of James Carter deceased  
 with William Carter and Jane Carter his wife of the County of Adams in the State  
 of Illinois and Enoch Carter and Mahala Carter his wife and John Cutters and  
 Ellender Cutters his wife and David Carter and Mary Carter his wife and William  
 H. Neighbors and Sarah E. Neighbors his wife and Nancy Neighbors and Mary Carter  
 and Elizabeth S. Carter and Maluida Carter of the County of Putnam in the  
 State of Missouri have this day for and in consideration of fourteen dollars  
 to us in hand paid by one dollar to each of us by James H. Carter of the County  
 of Putnam in the State of Missouri the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged  
 granted bargained and sold and by these presents receive, release and forever  
 quit claim unto the said James H. Carter and to his heirs and assigns the  
 following described tract or parcel of land situate in the County of Putnam  
 and State of Missouri that is to say. The South East fourth of the South East Quarter  
 of Section number fourteen (14) and the North West fourth of the North  
 East Quarter of Section number twenty three (23) in Township Sixty Six (66)  
 in Range Seventeen (17) To have and to hold the premises hereby conveyed  
 with all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in  
 any wise appertaining unto the said James H. Carter his heirs and assigns  
 forever. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and  
 affixed our seals this Sixth day of January 1873.

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Alex } E. Gayd }	{ 50 Mo. Stat. Rev. Stamp Canceled }	- William Carter Seal.
		- Mary J. <sup>her</sup> Carter Seal.
		- Enoch <sup>mark</sup> Carter Seal.
		- Mahala <sup>her</sup> Carter Seal.
		- John Cutters Seal.
		- Ellender <sup>her</sup> Cutters Seal.
		- David Carter Seal.
		- Mary Carter Seal.
		- William H. Neighbors Seal.
		- Sarah E. Neighbors Seal.
		- Nancy <sup>her</sup> Neighbors Seal.
		- Mary C. Carter Seal.
		- Elizabeth S. Carter Seal.
		- Maluida Carter Seal.

State of Illinois U.S.S.  
 County of Adams

Be it remembered that William P. Carter and Effie Carter his wife who is  
 personally known to the undersigned a notary public within and for said  
 County to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing  
 deed as parties thereto this day appeared before me and acknowledged that they  
 executed and delivered the same as their voluntary act and deed for the  
 uses and purposes therein contained and the said Jane Carter being made

Putnam County, Missouri, Deeds, vol. 12:117-118, quitclaim deed, Heirs of James Carter to James H. Carter, 30 January 1873; browsable images. "Deeds v. 11-12 1872-1875," FamilySearch (http://familysearch.org : accessed 27 August 2021); citing FHL microfilm 8,117,012, images 414-415.

acquainted with the contents of said deed acknowledged on an examination apart from her said husband that she executed the same and relinquishes her dower in the real estate therein mentioned freely and without compulsion or undue influence of her said husband, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal at my office in Clayton this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1867.

(Seal)

Eli Lloyd J.P.

State of Missouri }  
County of Putnam } S. Be it remembered that Nancy Neighbors who is personally known to the undersigned one of the justices of the County Court within and for said County to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within deed as a party thereto, this day personally appeared before me and acknowledged that she executed and delivered the same as her voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein contained. Given under my hand this 22<sup>d</sup> day of February 1867.

Wm H Neighbors County Justice.

State of Missouri }  
County of Putnam } Be it remembered that on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 1870 personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace within and for said County Enoch Carter and Mahala Carter, his wife John Carter Ellenor Carter his wife David Carter & Mary Carter his wife William H Neighbors and Sarah E Neighbors his wife & Elizabeth S Carter and Malinda Carter who are personally known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed as parties thereto and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and the said Mahala Carter and Mary Carter being by me first made acquainted with the contents of said deed acknowledged on an examination apart from their said husbands that they executed the same and relinquished their dower in the real estate therein mentioned freely and without compulsion or undue influence of their said husbands. Witness my hand day and year last above written.

J. P. Abbott J.P.

Filed for record at 10 o'clock A.M. January 30<sup>th</sup> 1873. It is placed in the foregoing where erasures occur in the original, & words included in [ ] in the foregoing are interlined in the original.

Milton Cauby Recorder  
By R. Little Deputy.

To all to whom these presents shall come John Mitchell administrator of the estate of Mr Waggner deceased. send Greeting. Whereas on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty Anno the County Court of the County of Monroe in the State of Missouri at the November term One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty nine of said Court in renewall of an order made by said Court at its February Term 1869



(No. 4.)

**SCHEDULE of the whole number of persons within the division allotted to**

NAMES OF HEADS OF FAMILIES	FREE WHITE PERSONS, INCLUDING HEADS OF FAMILIES.																				FREE COLORED PERSONS.																	
	MALES										FEMALES										MALES					FEMALES												
	Under 5	5 under 10	10 under 15	15 under 20	20 under 30	30 under 40	40 under 50	50 under 60	60 under 70	70 under 80	80 under 90	90 under 100	100 and upwards	Under 5	5 under 10	10 under 15	15 under 20	20 under 30	30 under 40	40 under 50	50 under 60	60 under 70	70 under 80	80 under 90	90 under 100	100 and upwards	Under 10	10 under 24	24 under 36	36 under 55	55 under 100	100 and upwards	Under 10	10 under 24	24 under 36	36 under 55	55 under 100	100 and upwards
	5	10	15	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	and upwards	5	10	15	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	and upwards	10	24	36	55	100	and upwards	10	24	36	55	100	and upwards
5	10	15	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	and upwards	5	10	15	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	and upwards	10	24	36	55	100	and upwards	10	24	36	55	100	and upwards	
<i>William Clark</i>	2	2	1				1						1		2																							
<i>Lewis Clark</i>	1			1									1		2																							
<i>Katharine Mart</i>	1		1	1			1										1																					
<i>Peter Sides</i>	2	2		1			1								2																							
<i>John Langley</i>	1	1	1				1						1	1	1		1																					
<i>William S. Mart</i>					1								2				1																					
<i>Lewis Carter</i>			2				1						1	2		1						1																
<i>Thornton Drummond</i>	1	1	1		1		1						1	1			1																					
<i>David Coffman</i>	1				1												1																					
<i>Lewis Sider</i>	1				1								1																									
<i>Peter Sider</i>									1												1																	
<i>Thomas Rose</i>	2						1								1	2	2				1																	
<i>Hiram Kull</i>	2				1										1						1																	
<i>William Kull</i>			1		1				1							1	2																					
<i>George Kull</i>	2				1																1																	
	74	48	34	22	53	25	21	11	7	1			74	57	45	42	52	34	17	13	5	2	2			2		2				2	1	2				
<i>Amos Smith</i>							1						2									1																
<i>Andrew Woods</i>					1																	1																
<i>Nancy Woods</i>					1																																	
<i>Mary Duff</i>				1	1		1								1	1					1																	
<i>Ann Foster</i>			1				1						1	1	1						1																	
<i>David Davis</i>	1	2	2				1						1	2							1																	
<i>Alfred Christen</i>	1				1								2				1	1																				
<i>John Edwards</i>	1							1																														
<i>Thomas Bladue</i>	2		1					1							1	1	1	2			1																	
<i>William Gilmer</i>	2						1						2								1																	
<i>Tom Doorman</i>	2	1			1	1									1	1					1																	
<i>Joseph Thaler</i>							1																															
<i>William E. Bridge</i>	1		1		1	2							2								1																	
	8	6	5	1	6	9		2					18	6	4	2	6	4	2	1		1																

1840 U.S. census, Gallia County, Ohio, population schedule, Walnut Township, p. 145 (penned), line 7, James Carter household; image, Ancestry (http://ancestry.com : accessed 8 March 2022); citing NARA microfilm M704, roll 395.