

Descendants of Joseph Lafayette KELSAY

Generation 1

1. **JOSEPH LAFAYETTE¹ KELSAY** was born on 10 Apr 1857 in Edwardsville, Madison, Illinois, USA. He died on 25 Sep 1925 in Weed, Siskiyou, California, USA (lung trouble). He married (1) **MARTHA MARCUS** in 1877 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA (his 1st). She was born on 21 Apr 1861 in Tennessee. She died on 21 Apr 1954 in Los Angeles, California. He married (2) **NORA TURNER**, daughter of John TURNER and Alice BLAYLOCK, on 03 Apr 1892 in Nampa, Canyon, Idaho, USA (his 2nd). She was born on 13 Jan 1875 in Idaho, USA. She died on 24 Oct 1932 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (cancer).

Joseph Lafayette KELSAY lived in St Vrain, Boulder, Colorado Territory, United States in 1870. He was buried in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (Kelsay family plot).

Notes for Joseph Lafayette KELSAY:

“Joseph Lafayette Kelsay, the son of James Sheppard Kelsay and Harriett Sheppard, was born 10 Apr 1857 in Edwardsville, Madison County, Illinois. He left home as a young man and became a miner and prospector in Colorado, Utah, and California. He was a quiet, deep-thinking person. “He was married in 1877, probably in Pueblo, Colorado, to Martha Marcus, who was born 21 Apr 1861 in Tennessee. They were divorced about 1885, and she later married August Scharf. She died 21 April 1954 in Santa Monica, California, and is buried there in the Woodlawn Cemetery. Martha and August had two children.

“After his divorce, Joseph worked in a mine in Idaho that was just above a cattle ranch owned by John Turner and Alice Blaylock. The Turner family was from England, first settled in Kentucky, and then traveled by wagon train on their way to Oregon by way of Missouri. But when they got to the Boise River in Idaho, they forgot all about Oregon and bought all of the land across the Boise River from Boise and lived and died there and became quite wealthy. The Blaylocks were from Ireland and settled first in Ohio and then by wagon train to a stage stop called “Mayfield” about 15 miles from Boise.

“They had a daughter named Nora. Joseph and Nora could not get her family to approve their marriage because of his being divorced. They eloped to Nampa, Idaho, 20 miles away, and were married 03 Apr 1892 and moved into a house on the Boise River. The Turner family was very upset and would not speak to them but about a year later Nora’s parents, John and Alice, lost their twin daughters through illness. They were grieving over their loss when Joseph came to them and invited them to go on a camping and fishing trip with him for a week to get their minds off the girls. Joseph treated them so nicely and they enjoyed the trip so well that they fell in love with “Kelsay”. Shortly after the camping trip, Nora gave birth to a baby girl. Nora’s mother, Alice, was on hand the following year when their oldest son was born.

“The mine closed in the Fall of 1894, so Joseph and Nora moved to Perl, Idaho. When that mine closed, Joseph took his family to Cannon City, Colorado. While there he met and got to know his son by his first wife, Charley Kelsay. In 1909, Joseph decided to try his luck in California, leaving his family in Boise, Idaho, until he could send for them. He made a claim near Redding, California. In the meantime, Nora had moved to Portland, where she got work as a cook. The family finally put down roots, and the Kelsay family was still occupying the place in Redding, California ifl 1977.

“Joseph became a blacksmith. He died of lung trouble 25 Sep 1925 and was buried in Redding. Nora died of cancer 24 Oct 1932. her body was cremated and her ashes placed with her husband.

Martha MARCUS lived in Dodge, Ford, Kansas, United States in 1880. She was buried in Santa Monica, Los Angeles, California, USA (Woodlawn Cemetery).

Joseph Lafayette KELSAY and Martha MARCUS had the following children:

2. i. **IDA MAY² KELSAY** was born on 08 Nov 1880 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She died on 25 Apr 1956 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, USA. She married Franklin DAVIES.
3. ii. **CHARLES WILLIAM KELSAY** was born on 13 May 1883 in Williamsburg, Fremont, Colorado, USA. He died on 25 Feb 1966 in San Francisco, California, USA. He married Mary Jane WALPOLE, daughter of Patrick J WALPOLE and Mary Jane O’NEIL, on 09 Jun 1903 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She was born on 11 Sep 1881 in St Louis, St Louis, Missouri, USA. She died on 01 Jun 1956 in Hayward, Alameda, California, USA (sudden).

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Nora TURNER was buried in Redding, Shasta, California, USA ((cremated remains buried with husband)).

Joseph Lafayette KELSAY and Nora TURNER had the following children:

4. iii. BESSIE JENNY KELSAY was born on 16 Jun 1893 in Boise, Idaho, USA. She died after 1975. She married (1) GILBERT CLARK on 29 Nov 1911 in Medford, Jackson, Oregon, USA (her 1st). He was born in 1884 in California. He died before 1925. She married (2) GEORGE CATES (her 2nd).
5. iv. JOSEPH LAFAYETTE KELSAY BEE was born on 16 Sep 1894 in Boise, Idaho, USA (Boise, Ada). He died on 26 Jul 1920 in Portland, Oregon (cancer). He married Florence CONKLIN on 21 Apr 1917 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA. She was born in Montana.
- v. NORA KELSAY BABE was born on 10 Sep 1896 in Perl, Idaho, USA. She died on 25 Sep 1971 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA. She married (1) LAWRENCE W WHEELER on 26 Jul 1918 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (her 1st). He was born in 1884 in California. She married (2) DAVID ODINGS on 11 Jan 1963 in Shasta, California, USA (her 2nd, no children). He was born about 1902.

Nora KELSAY Babe lived in Boise Ward 2, Ada, Idaho in 1900. She lived in Redding, Shasta, California in 1910. She lived in Vallejo, Solano, California in 1920. She lived in Township 1, Shasta, California in 1930.

Lawrence W WHEELER lived in Vallejo, Solano, California in 1920. He lived in Township 1, Shasta, California in 1930.

- vi. JOHN FREDERICK KELSAY JACK was born on 26 Mar 1900 in Perl, Idaho, USA. He died on 21 Sep 1974 in Concord, Contra Costa, California, USA. He married Mable PARSLEY on 02 May 1937 in Carson City, Carson, Nevada, USA (no children). She was born on 13 Mar 1902. She died after 1975.

John Frederick KELSAY Jack lived in Boise Ward 2, Ada, Idaho in 1900. He lived in Redding, Shasta, California in 1910.
- vii. ALICE MAY KELSAY was born on 12 Feb 1903 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. She died on 09 Feb 1918 (flu epidemic).

Alice May KELSAY lived in Redding, Shasta, California in 1910. She lived in Vallejo, Solano, California in 1920. She was buried in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (beside her father in Kelsay plot).
6. viii. HARRIET KELSAY was born on 16 Jan 1905 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. She died on 18 Feb 1976 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (suicide). She married Peter MANTIS on 06 Jul 1926 in Napa, California, USA (her 2nd). He was born in Greece. He died in Jun 1974 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (suicide).

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2. **IDA MAY² KELSAY** (Joseph Lafayette¹) was born on 08 Nov 1880 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She died on 25 Apr 1956 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, USA. She married Franklin DAVIES.

Franklin DAVIES and Ida May KELSAY had the following children:

- i. MILDRED³ DAVIES was born on 20 Sep 1905 in Colorado. She died on 24 Mar 1981 in Modesto, Stanislaus, California. She married Eugene LOGAN.
 - ii. MAURICE DAVIES was born on 20 Sep 1905.
 - iii. DORIS DAVIES was born on 26 Nov 1907. She married Arden COFFMAN.
3. **CHARLES WILLIAM² KELSAY** (Joseph Lafayette¹) was born on 13 May 1883 in Williamsburg, Fremont, Colorado, USA. He died on 25 Feb 1966 in San Francisco, California, USA. He married Mary Jane WALPOLE, daughter of Patrick J WALPOLE and Mary Jane O'NEIL, on 09 Jun 1903 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She was born on 11 Sep 1881 in St Louis, St Louis, Missouri,

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USA. She died on 01 Jun 1956 in Hayward, Alameda, California, USA (sudden).

Charles William KELSAY lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910. He lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. He lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930. He was buried in Hayward, Alameda, California, USA (Holy Sepluchure Cemetery). He lived in Las Animas, Colorado. He lived in Alameda, California.

Notes for Charles William KELSAY:

After his parents were divorced, Charley was raised by his Kelsay grandparents. Later he lived with his mother and step-father for a time. About 1903, he became acquainted with his father in Cannon City, Colorado. Charley and his wife, Mary, took care of his step-mother, Nora, at the time his half-sister, Harriett, was born (1905).

Charley worked many years for Wells Fargo, and later for Armor, where his lungs were gassed. After Mary died, Charley went to live with his youngest daughter.

Mary Jane WALPOLE lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado in 1900. She lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910. She lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910. She lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. She lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930. She was buried in Hayward, Alameda, California, USA (Holy Sepluchure Cemetery).

Charles William KELSAY and Mary Jane WALPOLE had the following children:

- i. DONALD J³ KELSAY was born on 16 Jan 1904 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. He died on 01 Jul 1935 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. He married Maude PERRY in Apr 1924 in Colorado Springs, El Paso, Colorado, USA (three children). She was born in 1907.

Donald J KELSAY lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910. He lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. He lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado in 1930.

Maude PERRY lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado in 1930.

- ii. CHARLES W KELSAY JR was born on 06 Feb 1905 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. He died on 18 Mar 1943 in San Francisco, California, USA. He married Anna GINDAL on 06 Jun 1923 in Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She was born in 1903.

Charles W KELSAY Jr lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910. He lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. He lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado in 1930. He lived in Alameda, California.

Anna GINDAL lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado in 1930.

- iii. GEORGE KELSAY was born on 22 Feb 1907 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. He died on 20 Aug 1917 in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado, USA.

George KELSAY lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910.

- iv. HUGH PATRICK KELSAY was born on 08 Feb 1909 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. He died on 19 Aug 1970 in Ceres, Stanislaus, California, USA. He married Leona Marie CONLEY, daughter of Arthur Ambrose CONLEY and Eva Elizabeth LINDSEY, in May 1926 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She was born on 25 Jul 1907 in New York. She died on 30 Apr 2004.

Hugh Patrick KELSAY lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. He lived in Hutchinson, Reno, Kansas in 1930. He was counted in the census in 1940 in Alameda, California. He was buried in Stanislaus, California, USA (Turlock Memorial Park).

Leona Marie CONLEY lived in Hutchinson, Reno, Kansas in 1930. She was buried in Stanislaus, California, USA (Turlock Memorial Park).

- v. MARY ELLEN KELSAY was born on 07 Sep 1914 in Durango, La Plata, Colorado, USA. She married Joseph COLTON in Nov 1942 in Oakland, Alameda, California,

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Mary Ellen KELSAY lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. She lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930.

- vi. GLENN KELSAY was born on 10 Feb 1917 in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado, USA. He died on 03 Feb 1918 in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado, USA.
- vii. MARY ELIZABETH KELSAY was born on 03 Dec 1919 in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado, USA. She married John HEITMAN on 22 Nov 1941 in Alameda, California, USA.

Mary Elizabeth KELSAY lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1920. She lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930.

- viii. CATHERINE N KELSAY was born on 23 Jun 1923 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She married Franklin GREEN on 11 Jul 1942 in Reno, Washoe, Nevada, USA.

Catherine N KELSAY lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930.

- ix. EVA KELSAY was born on 11 May 1925 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She died on 11 May 1925 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA.
- x. DOROTHY LORRAINE KELSAY was born on 07 Oct 1927 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, USA. She died on 02 Jul 2007 in Yuba City, Sutter, California, USA. She married Leo Emerald OTT on 01 Feb 1946 in Alameda, California, USA (seven children). He was born on 24 May 1924 in Charleston, South Carolina, USA. He died on 15 Sep 2000 in Citrus Heights, Sacramento, California, United States of America.

Dorothy Lorraine KELSAY lived in Trinidad, Las Animas, Colorado in 1930. She lived in Yuba City, Sutter, California, USA in 1993 (1776 Carolyn Dr, Yuba City, CA, 95993).

Notes for Dorothy Lorraine KELSAY:

"Dorothy Lorraine Ott, 79, of Yuba City died July 2, 2007, at Rideout Memorial Hospital. Born in Pueblo, Colo., she was a Yuba-Sutter resident since 1993. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Joachim's Catholic Church in Hayward. Survivors include four sons, Charles Ott of Yuba City, James Ott of Berry Creek, Richard Ott of Citrus Heights and Michael Ott of Orangevale; three daughters, Kathy Castillo of Hayward, Janet Auld of Elk Grove and Lorraine Rose of Springfield, Ore.; a sister, Catherine Green of Dixon; 17 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo Ott; and eight brothers and sisters. Donations may be made to the Shriner's Hospital in Sacramento. Services: A service is at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Joachim's Catholic Church, 21250 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, with Deacon Ernest Jaramillo officiating. Burial is at Holy Sepulcher Catholic Cemetery in Hayward. Arrangements are under the direction of Lipp and Sullivan Chapel in Marysville." Appeal-Democrat, 04 Jul 2007

Leo Emerald OTT lived in Fair Oaks, CA in 1981 (6022 Sundale Way Apt 60, Fair Oaks, CA, 95628-2576).

- xi. HAZL G KELSAY was born in 1909 in Colorado.

Hazl G Kelsay lived in Pueblo Ward 6, Pueblo, Colorado in 1910.

- 4. **BESSIE JENNY² KELSAY** (Joseph Lafayette¹) was born on 16 Jun 1893 in Boise, Idaho, USA. She died after 1975. She married (1) **GILBERT CLARK** on 29 Nov 1911 in Medford, Jackson, Oregon, USA (her 1st). He was born in 1884 in California. He died before 1925. She married (2) **GEORGE CATES** (her 2nd).

Bessie Jenny KELSAY lived in Boise Ward 2, Ada, Idaho in 1900. She lived in Delta, Shasta, California in 1920.

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Notes for Bessie Jenny KELSAY:

After the death in 1925 of her first husband, Gilbert Clark, Bessie operated a service station and restaurant with her mother, until she was married to George Cates.

Later, Bessie had a house moved onto the original Kelsay land about three miles from Redding, California, where she was still living in 1975.

Gilbert CLARK lived in Delta, Shasta, California in 1920.

Gilbert CLARK and Bessie Jenny KELSAY had the following child:

- i. BESSIE MAE³ CLARK was born on 26 Aug 1912 in Hilt, Siskiyou, California, USA. She died on 25 Nov 1945. She married (1) DUKE FISHMAN on 15 Mar 1932 (her 1st). She married (2) SHARKEY (her 3rd). She married (3) GRAFTON (her 2nd).

Bessie Mae CLARK lived in Delta, Shasta, California in 1920.

5. **JOSEPH LAFAYETTE² KELSAY BEE** (Joseph Lafayette¹) was born on 16 Sep 1894 in Boise, Idaho, USA (Boise, Ada). He died on 26 Jul 1920 in Portland, Oregon (cancer). He married Florence CONKLIN on 21 Apr 1917 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA. She was born in Montana.

Joseph Lafayette KELSAY Bee lived in Boise Ward 2, Ada, Idaho in 1900. He lived in Redding, Shasta, California in 1910. He lived in Keswick, Shasta, California in 1910. He lived in Shasta, California.

Joseph Lafayette KELSAY Bee and Florence CONKLIN had the following children:

- i. ERNEST BEE³ KELSAY was born on 07 Mar 1918 in Oakland, Alameda, California, USA. He died on 27 Aug 1981 in Shasta, California. He married (1) EDITH REEVES on 29 Aug 1938 in Oakland, Alameda, California, USA. She was born in Oklahoma, USA (vs RIEVES spelling). He married (2) HELEN CARLSON after 1957.

Ernest Bee KELSAY lived in Seattle, King, Washington in 1920. He lived in Township 1, Shasta, California in 1930. He lived in Alameda, California.

- ii. DAVID ARTHUR KELSAY was born on 06 Mar 1920 in Seattle, King, Washington, USA. He died on 14 Aug 1957 in Napa, California, USA (at the Veterans' Hospital). He married Helen CARLSON on 12 Sep 1944 in Reno, Washoe, Nevada, USA.

David Arthur KELSAY lived in Township 1, Shasta, California in 1930. He was buried in French Camp, San Joaquin, California, USA. He lived in Siskiyou, California.

6. **HARRIET² KELSAY** (Joseph Lafayette¹) was born on 16 Jan 1905 in Canon City, Fremont, Colorado, USA. She died on 18 Feb 1976 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (suicide). She married Peter MANTIS on 06 Jul 1926 in Napa, California, USA (her 2nd). He was born in Greece. He died in Jun 1974 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA (suicide).

Harriet KELSAY lived in Fresno, Fresno, California in 1920.

Notes for Harriet KELSAY:

As a young girl she walked 7 miles to school every day with her sister from the old Kelsay home place near Redding, California. She left school at the age of 12 and went to work in a laundry. Her first husband apparently died about 1925, because when her mother came back to Redding at that time to live on the home place, she stated her husband was dead then and she went to live with her mother, until she married Peter Mantis on 06 Jul 1926. In 1975, Harriet and her sister, Bessie, became very close and took several trips together visiting their kinfolk. Harriet was very interested in genealogy and is the source of much of the information about this family. Harriet became ill and was mistakenly convinced she had cancer like her mother and husband. On 18 Feb 1976 Harriet closed her garage door and started her car, taking her own life.

Notes for Peter MANTIS:

Peter was born in Greece and came to America at the age of 17. He was a finish carpenter and spent much time in his gardens, building several houses as rental property. They retired in 1965 and moved to one of their favorite houses on 720 Locust Street in Redding. Peter discovered

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that he had cancer, but surgery and treatments did him no good. He hung himself in June of 1974.

Peter MANTIS and Harriet KELSAY had the following child:

- i. BEULAH LOVE³ MANTIS was born on 12 May 1927 in Dunsmuir, Siskiyou, California, USA. She married Leslie E WILKINSON on 06 Jul 1948 in Redding, Shasta, California, USA.