

# Descendants of Frederick SCHAFFER

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## Generation 1

1. **FREDERICK<sup>1</sup> SCHAFFER** was born about Apr 1837 in Wartenburg, (Polish) Germany. He died on 24 Jun 1904 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He married Mary M SHORE, daughter of Joseph SHORE, in Apr 1864 in Union, Illinois, USA. She was born on 08 May 1837 in Columbus, Franklin, Ohio, USA. She died on 13 Oct 1924 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA.



Frederick SCHAFFER and Mary M SHORE had the following children:

2. i. **JOHN<sup>2</sup> SCHAFFER** was born in 1865 in Illinois, USA. He married **LOUISE CLEMINTINE REGNIER**. She was born in 1877 in Missouri, USA.
3. ii. **ANNA OTELIA SCHAFFER** was born on 18 Apr 1870 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. She died on 12 Jan 1938 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA (myocarditis, bronchitis). She married (1) **JOHN E WESTON**, son of Hiram WESTON and Laura Ann Ellers SKEEN, on 15 Nov 1894 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He was born on 15 Apr 1874 in Benton, Franklin, Illinois, USA. He died on 06 Apr 1936 in Carterville, Williamson, Illinois, USA (suddenly from heart problem, angina pectoris). She married (2) **ED BUTLER** before 1920. He was born in 1875 in Kentucky, USA.
- iii. **CARRIE SCHAFFER** was born in 1874 in Illinois, USA. She married **CHARLES BROWN**.
- iv. **MARY J. SCHAFFER** was born in 1876 in Illinois, USA.
- v. **CHARLIE SCHAFFER** was born in 1879 in Illinois, USA.



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## Generation 2

2. **JOHN<sup>2</sup> SCHAFFER** (Frederick<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1865 in Illinois, USA. He married **LOUISE CLEMINTINE REGNIER**. She was born in 1877 in Missouri, USA.

John Schaffer and Louise Clemintine Regnier had the following children:

- i. **HERMAN<sup>3</sup> SCHAFFER** was born in 1897 in Missouri, USA.
  - ii. **LOUISE SCHAFFER** was born in 1899 in Missouri, USA.
  - iii. **JOHNNIE SCHAFFER** was born in 1902 in Missouri, USA.
  - iv. **ANTONIETTA SCHAFFER** was born in 1908 in Missouri, USA.
3. **ANNA OTELIA<sup>2</sup> SCHAFFER** (Frederick<sup>1</sup>) was born on 18 Apr 1870 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. She died on 12 Jan 1938 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA (myocarditis, bronchitis). She married (1) **JOHN E WESTON**, son of Hiram WESTON and Laura Ann Ellers SKEEN, on 15 Nov 1894 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He was born on 15 Apr 1874 in Benton, Franklin, Illinois, USA. He died on 06 Apr 1936 in Carterville, Williamson, Illinois, USA (suddenly from heart problem, angina pectoris). She married (2) **ED BUTLER** before 1920. He was born in 1875 in Kentucky, USA.



Notes for Anna Otelia SCHAFFER:

Mother of Cedric Corbel Weston Wife of John Edward Weston Married 15 November, 1894 at Jonesboro, Union Co, IL Died 12 January, 1938 at Jonesboro, Union Co, IL.  
Cause of death: myocarditis

Notes for John E WESTON:

John Weston's middle name is questionable. A Delayed Record of Birth for Cedric Corbal Weston says father was John W. Weston. 1930 Census shows John E. Weston, while some say E stands for Edgar and some say Edward. The death certificate for his son, Cedric C. Weston, states father as John N. Weston.

John E WESTON and Anna Otelia SCHAFFER had the following child:

4. i. **CEDRIC CORBAL<sup>3</sup> WESTON** was born on 07 Dec 1894 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He died on 27 Feb 1986 in Sullivan, Moultrie, Illinois, USA (pneumonia, severe dementia). He married (1) **BERTHA IRENE WILEY**, daughter of Elbert Berton WILEY and Julia Ette SHADOWENS, on 22 Jan 1919 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. She was born on 16 Jul 1900 in



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Ridge Farm, Vermilion, Illinois, USA. She died on 11 Jun 1925 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He married (2) **MADIE HINMAN** on 19 Aug 1926. She was born in 1892.

Notes for Ed BUTLER:

Ed is shown as a second husband for Anna. He was born in KY.

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### Generation 3

4. **CEDRIC CORBAL<sup>3</sup> WESTON** (Anna Otelia<sup>2</sup> SCHAFFER, Frederick<sup>1</sup> SCHAFFER) was born on 07 Dec 1894 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He died on 27 Feb 1986 in Sullivan, Moultrie, Illinois, USA (pneumonia, severe dementia). He married (1) **BERTHA IRENE WILEY**, daughter of Elbert Berton WILEY and Julia Ette SHADOWENS, on 22 Jan 1919 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. She was born on 16 Jul 1900 in Ridge Farm, Vermilion, Illinois, USA. She died on 11 Jun 1925 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He married (2) **MADIE HINMAN** on 19 Aug 1926. She was born in 1892.



Notes for Cedric Corbal WESTON:

In 1910 and 1920, Cedric and Bertha were living in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois with his step-father, Ed Butler. 1920 census also lists baby daughter, Mary P. Weston.

"...Cedric Corbal Weston, had placed his three children: Mary Pauline, Ralph, and Edward Eugene in an orphanage after the death of Bertha Irene Wiley (his first wife). Bertha was the mother of all three children. He then married Madie Hinman two months after Bertha's death. Madie already had two daughters, and would have nothing to do with Cedric's three children. Cedric then had his own three children -- the oldest being seven -- placed in an orphanage. He then adopted Madie's two daughters. The three children stayed in the orphanage until the children's Aunt Clara Schaffer Brown was able to get them from the orphanage. Edith (Weston in MA in 1997) does not know how long the children had to stay in the orphanage. They lived with her until they were old enough to marry or move away." Source: Ric Nold, 31 Mar 1997.

Obit from Anna, IL, newspaper for Cedric Corbal Weston states that he was married to Bertha Shaefer. This is an error, it should have read Bertha Wiley.

"... Cedric "Ced" Weston had to search for work like most adult men in the late 1920's and early 1930's. Jobs were hard to find so a man took whatever job he could find, regardless of the distance. And, then he looked forward to the weekends and traveling home to be with his family and friends again. On those weekends home, "Ced" began to court a young widow, Madie Rendleman. She had two lovely little girls and a house on Green Street in Anna, Illinois. When "Ced" and Madie married, his expectations were that his children would join them in Madie's home. However, Madie felt that she had enough responsibilities with her own children and that "Ced's" children should stay with their grandparents. After all, that was their "home". As time passed, the grandparents became more feeble and needed financial help from "Ced" to support the three children. However, with times the way they were during the great depression, Madie felt that it took every penny that they had just to survive. She was adamant that there was nothing left over for "those children." The grandparents tried to get assistance from the state to help with their financial needs. However, as soon as the social workers discovered that the elderly family was trying to survive on a meager amount of money in a small house with no indoor plumbing, the children were removed from the home and placed in an orphanage." edwardandchristinewestonfamily.blogspot.com 15Jul2010

Notes for Bertha Irene WILEY:

Wife of Cedric Corbel Weston Died 11 June, 1925 at Jonesboro, Illinois  
Cause of death: heart disease

Cedric Corbal WESTON and Bertha Irene WILEY had the following children:

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- i. MARY PAULINE<sup>4</sup> WESTON was born on 10 Nov 1919 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. She died on 23 Sep 1945 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA (massive heart attack). She married Aloys BEHRMAN (Ollie), son of John Henry BEHRMAN and Anna C. BUDDE, on 15 Mar 1937 in Cobden, Union, Illinois, USA. He was born on 29 Jan 1903 in Lively Grove, Washington, Illinois, USA. He died on 08 Dec 1948 in Rochelle, Ogle, Illinois, USA (accidentally struck by a train).



#### Notes for Mary Pauline WESTON:

Mary Pauline and her two brothers, Edward and Ralph, were placed in an orphanage after the death of their mother, Bertha Irene Wiley, and the subsequent marriage of their father, C.C. Weston to Madie Hinman.

#### Notes for Aloys BEHRMAN (Ollie):

Married Mary Pauline Weston, 15 March, 1937 at Cobden, Illinois Died 8 December, 1948, at Rochelle, Illinois Buried St. Anthony's cemetery, Lively Grove, Illinois  
Struck and killed by train while walking across train tracks during snow storm in Rochelle, IL.

- ii. JOHN CEDRIC WESTON was born on 24 Dec 1920 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He died on 10 Jan 1921 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA.

#### Notes for John Cedric WESTON:

Died 10 January, 1921 Buried at Jonesboro, Union Co, IL Brother of Mary Pauline Weston

- iii. EDWARD EUGENE WESTON SR (JIGGS) was born on 10 Apr 1922 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He died on 12 Dec 1977 in Nashville, Washington, Illinois, USA (cardiac arrest). He married Christine Pearl ALDRED, daughter of Clarence Edward ALDRED and Essie Melinda CHAPMAN, on 17 Feb 1942 in Cape Girardeau, MO. She was born on 20 Mar 1924 in Villa Ridge, Pulaski, Illinois, USA. She died on 19 Dec 2009 in Vienna, Johnson, Illinois.

#### Notes for Edward Eugene WESTON Sr (Jiggs):

"As a toddler, Edward Eugene Weston loved to "help" his mother with her canning. One day, when he "helped" so much that Bertha spent more time cleaning and less time canning, his mother told him, "You are just a little 'Jiggs'!" The name stuck! "Jiggs" was one of the main characters (who always was in one type of mischief or another) in the comic strip, "Bringing Up Father", by George McManus. It ran in the newspaper from 1913 through 2000. "Jiggs" was always grateful for the memory of that day with his mom. Bertha Irene Wiley Weston died when he was only three years old." [edwardandchristinewestonfamily.blogspot.com](http://edwardandchristinewestonfamily.blogspot.com) 15Jul2010

"The grandparents tried to get assistance from the state to help with their financial needs. However, as soon as the social workers discovered that the elderly family was trying to survive on a meager amount of money in a small house with no indoor plumbing, the children were removed from the home and placed in an orphanage. "Jiggs" and his siblings did their best to see each other as often as possible. It was not easy. The boys were not in the same dormitory as their sister and the younger children were separated from the older ones. "Jiggs" remembered how excited all of the children were when they got to shop for clothes and shoes. This only happened once a year, so they all hoped they didn't grow too quickly! They received two sets of clothes and one pair of shoes. ("Jiggs" always thought that his size 8 feet were because his feet could not grow properly in the too tight shoes!)

"Jiggs" became eligible for adoption when he was 9 years old. He was a nice looking boy and was academically advanced for his age. One particular couple were

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very interested in adopting him. They visited often and spent time getting to know the boy. They discussed with "Jiggs" their plans for his future and his education. However, when all of the paperwork was nearly completed and the time came for "Ced"'s signature to allow his older son to be adopted, "Ced"'s wife Madie convinced him that this would not be the best thing for "Jiggs". And, just how would it look for "Ced" to allow his son to be adopted by strangers? "Jiggs" was devastated.

By the time "Jiggs" was 12 years old, it was time for him to help support himself. He was assigned to work on a family farm. His bedroom was the barn. He used old newspapers to line his blankets during the coldest part of the winter. The barn roof was riddled with holes and he did his best to keep warm and dry during the rain and the snow. He always tried to get his morning chores completed before the school bus arrived. However, there were days when he had to walk. And, on heavy snow days, he often stayed on the farm. The farmer did not approve of "Jiggs" going to school because he needed him on the farm and discouraged the boys attendance. "Jiggs" thought that his first year of high school started out perfectly; he was even moved up one grade. And because he was such an outstanding athlete on the football team, many people overlooked his young age and his worn clothes. However, it was an especially hard winter and "Jiggs" was absent so often that he became discouraged and soon dropped out of school. By the time "Jiggs" was 15 years old, he was driving trucks and basically on his own. That was also the same year that "Ced" and Madie temporarily seperated. During that time, "Jiggs" had opportunities to spend some time with his dad. He always considered that time one of the happiest of his life. Near the end of "Jiggs" life, he and I had an opportunity to talk about his childhood. He discussed the couple who had planned to adopt him and all of the opportunities that he missed. But, then he said that he knew that it was all for the best that he grew up and learned life's lessons the way that he did. For, he knew he was not a perfect man, but he had always tried hard to be a good man. And, he continued, if he had lived his life as a rich man, perhaps he would not have become the kind of man that he wanted to be."

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Notes for Christine Pearl ALDRED:

"Clarence Edward "Nappy" Aldred and Essie Melinda Chapman were married on Christmas Day in 1921. Because the economy in the smaller farming towns was already beginning to show signs of recession, they sometimes found themselves so poor that it was necessary for each of them to move back into their parents home. Their only child, Christine Pearl Aldred, was born on 20 March 1924. She was the sunshine in their lives during the growing economic crisis. Christine was known as the small town "Shirley Temple". With her blond girls, dimpled smile, and beautiful singing voice, she was admired by all of the local towns people.

Christine would spend much of her early growing up years on the Chapman family farm with her beloved grandparents, Andrew Jackson Chapman and Delia Pearl Lackey.

Andrew and Delia welcomed all four of their daughters and their families to the farm whenever needed during the Great Depression. It was a time of working together to provide for the needs of each and every one.

The husbands would leave early every Monday to search for work. "Nappy" did everything from painting a bridge to becoming a barber. No work was beneath the men for it was important for the survival of their families. The men would return late on Saturday to spend the time they could with their families.

On the farm, the Chapman daughters helped in the home, in the gardens, and with the animals. Even the young cousins had their own responsibilities of gathering eggs, feeding the chickens, and weeding the gardens.

In the spring, they would buy a pair of white shoes. In the fall, they would buy black shoe polish to cover the white. As the soles of the shoes became worn, thin, and riddled with holes, they would line the insides of the shoes with cardboard to keep out the rain and snow.

Regardless of how poor the families were, each one used their talents to help the

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family. Christine's mother, Essie, was a seamstress. She could take any kind of cloth and make something beautiful. She loved to sew for the entire family. (I heard as a child from the Pulaski elementary school teacher, Mrs. M D Hoffner, that Christine was always the best dressed child at school because of the dresses her mother made her.)

The Chapman family were active in their little church snuggled on the side of Rose Hill in Pulaski, Illinois. The Pulaski Christian Church had a small congregation and became a close church family. The dirt and gravel country roads made the travel time for the farm families from the more remote areas a long and dusty journey to attend the Sunday morning meetings. To accomodate these families and to enjoy the fellowship of their church members, many Sundays would find the congregation sharing a potluck dinner in the church basement or having a picnic when the weather would allow. Vacation Bible School was always open to every child in the community.

The Chapman family was also active in the plays and the local talents shows at the community center in Villa Ridge. During the time before television or the internet, the activies at the community center were one of the few entertainments in the area and a highlight in the often bleak lives of people in all of the neighboring communties. (The Chapman sisters were all talented singers and dancers. Christine's mother, Essie was such a gifted actress that she once received a write up in a local paper.) Dances and other events and activities were also held at the community center and were always well attended by all of the families in the surrounding area.

Christine was also well loved by her paternal grandparents, Alfred Wesley Aldred and Katherine Elizabeth Stoddard. Their beautiful two story home in Pulaski was turned into a boarding house to provide income so that they could survive during those lean years. For Katherine, a member of the wealthy and prominent Stoddard family of New York, this was a very difficult adjustment. But, regardless of the amount of hard work required or number of boarders, they always made time for Christine and there was always a special place in the home for their granddaughter. January of 1937 was a very difficult one for many people in the tri state area. The temperatures were frigid. Sleet and snow fell faster and harder than anyone could remember. Soon, the Ohio River's freezing waters overflowed the banks and flood water poured into the already sodden land of Southern Illinois. Christine never forgot that year and the hardships that befell the farmers. Their fields were covered with ice, snow, mud, and the flood waters. The only way to leave the Chapman farm was by boat.

As the years progressed and the economic tides turned for the better, "Nappy" was able to find steady work and provided a home for Essie and Christine in Pulaski. However, "Nappy" had a drinking problem. When he was not drinking, "Nappy" was handsome, dashing, and well liked. He was known as one of the most intelligent, congenial, and gentlemanly men that anyone could hope to meet. But, when he was drinking, he would often disappear and gamble away all of their money. There were also rumors of other women.

Before Christine was a teenager, her mother could no longer hide the truth. As any sensitive young child would be, Christine was often humiliated by the whispered innuendoes and knowing smirks of local people. She knew that her father was well liked and respected by all when he was not drinking (sometimes for years) but a source of embarassment during his drinking binges and even ridicule on the one occasion that he became so drunk that he was swindled out of their family farm. During those difficult periods, Essie would work at any job that she could find from telephone operator to running her own second hand store. No matter how difficult times might be or how long the hours she worked, Essie would always be sure that her only child was loved and protected and that Christine had at least the basic things that she could provide."

"Christine Pearl Aldred was a lovely young woman with many friends. She was known for her beautiful soprano singing voice, her dimpled smile, and her dreamy eyes. She earned the nickname "Doodles" from her friends and cousins because of

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her habit of daydreaming and doodling in her high school classes when she was supposed to be taking notes!"

Christine Weston A resident of Vienna, Illinois Passed away Saturday morning, December 19, 2009 at 6:24 AM at Hillview Health Care Center in Vienna, IL. Born: March 20, 1924 in Villa Ridge, IL. She was the daughter of Clarence Edward Aldred and Essie (Chapman) Aldred. Christine was united in marriage to Edward E. "Jiggs" Weston, Sr. on February 17, 1942 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He preceded her in death on December 12, 1977. Survivors include: 2 Sons - Ben and Jan Weston of Vienna, IL, Ed & Susan Weston of Marion, IL; a Daughter - Melinda & Ron White of Austin, TX; a Daughter-in-Law - Nina Weston of Paducah, KY; 13 Grandchildren; and 25 Great Grandchildren. In addition to her Parents and Husband, Christine was preceded in death by: a Son - Gary Weston; a Granddaughter - Wendy Riggs; and a Great Grandson - Justin Riggs. Christine had been employed as a tour guide by Presley Tours. She had also worked as a bank teller at the First State Bank of Cairo. Christine had also owned Christine's Shoe Store in Pulaski and Anna. She was a member of the Great Rivers Community Church in Cairo, IL. Christine enjoyed bowling and traveling. Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 27, 2009 at 2 PM Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna, IL. Pastor Larry Potts will officiate. Burial will be in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Villa Ridge, IL.

- iv. RALPH FREDERICK WESTON was born on 28 Jan 1924 in Jonesboro, Union, Illinois, USA. He died on 10 May 1985 in Springfield, Massachusetts. He married EDITH RIVARD. She was born in 1923 in Feeding Hills, PA. She died on 06 Feb 2008 in Feeding Hills, PA.

Notes for Edith Rivard:

Edith E. Weston 1923 - 2008 FEEDING HILLS - Edith E. (Rivard) Weston, 84 of Homer Street died Wednesday in Mercy Hospital. Edith was born in Feeding Hills and has lived here all her life. She was a retired operations manager for A.G. Edwards in Springfield. Edith was stationed in Bethesda, MD for the United States Navy during World War II. Being an avid golfer, she golfed as recently as last year. Her husband Ralph F. Weston died in 1985. She leaves her daughter Eileen Weston of Feeding Hills; a sister Shirley Nicholas of Reading, PA; two granddaughters Michelle and Luci; four great grandchildren and a great great granddaughter. The funeral will be held at the Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home Monday at 1:00pm followed by burial in the Massachusetts Veteran's Memorial Cemetery. Visiting hours will be held prior to the funeral Monday from 12:00noon to 1:00pm. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 54 Wayside Ave. West Springfield, MA 01089. Published in The Republican on 2/8/2008.