

# Descendants of J L GRAY

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## Generation 1

1. **J L<sup>1</sup> GRAY** was born on 25 Oct 1858 in Illinois. He died on 29 Nov 1940 (maybe).

J L GRAY was counted in the census in 1920 in La Prairie, Marshall, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1940 in La Prairie, Marshall, Illinois (head with dau). He was buried in Gilman, Iroquois, Illinois (Gilman Cemetery).

J L GRAY had the following children:

- i. **MAY<sup>2</sup> GRAY** was born in 1887 in Illinois (vs Kansas).  
May GRAY was counted in the census in 1920 in La Prairie, Marshall, Illinois (with father). She was counted in the census in 1940 in La Prairie, Marshall, Illinois (with father).
2. ii. **FRANKLIN L GRAY** was born in 1889 in Nebraska. He died in 1983. He married **BESSIE M HOLMES**. She was born in 1882 in Illinois. She died in 1985.

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## Generation 2

2. **FRANKLIN L<sup>2</sup> GRAY** (J L<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1889 in Nebraska. He died in 1983. He married **BESSIE M HOLMES**. She was born in 1882 in Illinois. She died in 1985.

Franklin L GRAY was counted in the census in 1910 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois (with father). He was counted in the census in 1920 in Whitefield, Marshall, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1930 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1940 in Camp Grove, Marshall, Illinois. He was buried in Henry, Marshall, Illinois (Henry Cemetery).

Bessie M HOLMES was counted in the census in 1920 in Whitefield, Marshall, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1930 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1940 in Camp Grove, Marshall, Illinois. She was buried in Henry, Marshall, Illinois (Henry Cemetery).

Franklin L GRAY and Bessie M HOLMES had the following children:

- i. **MARGARET E<sup>3</sup> GRAY** was born in 1916 in Indiana.  
Margaret E GRAY was counted in the census in 1920 in Whitefield, Marshall, Illinois (with parents). She was counted in the census in 1930 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois (with parents).
- ii. **CHARLES EDWIN GRAY** was born on 10 Aug 1917 in Illinois. He died on 08 Feb 2010. He married **DORTHA E LADD**. She was born on 09 May 1921 in Dupont, Putnam, Ohio. She died on 23 Sep 2001 in Chillicothe, Peoria, Illinois.

Charles Edwin GRAY was counted in the census in 1920 in Whitefield, Marshall, Illinois (with parents). He was counted in the census in 1930 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois (with parents). He was counted in the census in 1940 in Camp Grove, Marshall, Illinois (with parents). He was buried in Henry, Marshall, Illinois (Henry Cemetery).

Notes for Charles Edwin GRAY:

"After William Marshall's death, the farm went to the daughter, Mary Ann, who was then Mrs. Milan H. Holmes and living on a nearby farm. Eventually the Holmes' oldest son, Alfred, and his wife lived at and farmed the Marshall place until moving to Mrs. Holmes' folk's farm in northwest Saratoga Township. Charles Holmes moved there in 1914, a short time later the place was deeded to Alfred, Bessie Holmes Gray and Charles Holmes. The Gray's bought Alfred's share and have continued to own the South one-half of the 160 acres. It now belongs to their son, Charles E. Gray. The North one-half belonging to Charles R. Holmes was sold when Charles retired from the farm. The original house was torn down and replaced around 1918 or 1919 by Charles Holmes. Mrs. Charles Gray " Deep Roots "CHILLICOTHE - Charles Edwin Gray, 92, of the Chillicothe/Henry/Sparland area, passed away early Monday morning, Feb. 8, 2010, at the Heartland Health Care Center in Henry, where he had resided for the past nine months. Born Aug. 10,

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## Generation 2 (con't)

1917, in Marshall County, Ill., to Frank and Bessie Holmes Gray, he married Dortha Ladd on Jan. 24, 1940, in Henry. She preceded him in death in 2001. He is survived by one brother, Franklin of Henry; one daughter, Connie (and Wayne) Livingston of Longwood, Fla.; one son, Tom (and Janet) Gray of Owatonna, Minn.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by one sister. During WWII, he served in the Philippines in the Navy Construction Battalion from November 1943 to Dec. 12, 1945, and received his honorable discharge along with the Illinois citation for Meritorious Service and the Asiatic Pacific Victory Ribbon. Active in farming in Marshall County for 35 years, from 1948 to 1983, he also participated in the local volunteer fire department as well as in the Saratoga Methodist Church. After retiring to Chillicothe, he enthusiastically supported the Chillicothe Historical Society and the Marshall County and Peoria County Genealogical Society, as well as the Pearce Community Center. In his retirement, he enjoyed playing cards, gardening, wine making and traveling. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Chillicothe, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13. Pastor Ted Mitchell will officiate. Visitation will be held one hour before services at the church. Burial will be in Henry City Cemetery. Arrangements are by Weber-Hurd Funeral Home in Chillicothe." FindAGrave

Dortha E LADD was counted in the census in 1940 in Camp Grove, Marshall, Illinois (with inlaws & husband). She was buried in Henry, Marshall, Illinois (Henry Cemetery).

- iii. FRANKLIN ROBERT GRAY was born in 1927 in Illinois.

Franklin Robert GRAY was counted in the census in 1930 in Saratoga, Marshall, Illinois (with parents). He was counted in the census in 1940 in Camp Grove, Marshall, Illinois (with parents).