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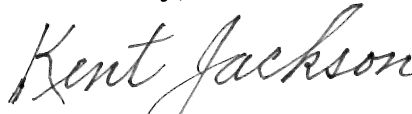
Dear Sir:

I am seeking the obituary of Judson Bayne. According to his civil war pension file, he died in Doniphan County 19 December 1917, age 76. His place of residence in the county was in or near Highland but may have been elsewhere at the time of his death. Judson Bayne was a 1st Lieutenant in Company F, 15th Kentucky Infantry during the civil war.

If the cemeteries of Doniphan County have been copied would you also check this reference for his place of burial.

Enclosed is \$5 to reimburse your efforts. If this is insufficient please bill me for the additional.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kent Jackson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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October 29, 1995

Grace Jeschke
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Dear Mrs. Jeshke,

Thank you for the material on Judson Bayne. I enclose the additional for your services. Sarah Jane Dixon, the wife of Judson Bayne was the sister of my great-grandmother, Nancy Dixon. They were from a family of fourteen children and although I have been working on tracing the family for seventeen years I am far from completion. I still have one child unidentified.

With such a large family obviously they married into a good many different families in Larue County, Kentucky when they settled there having moved from Pittsylvania County, Virginia in the late 1830's. My Jackson family also came from the same place in Virginia and may have been related to them although I have not discovered what the connection might have been.

W. J. Bayne in Doniphan County , for which you provided some information, was the oldest brother of Judson Bayne. There was a third brother who lived in the same are for a while, named Bolivar B. Bayne. Bolivar and his family seem to have moved to Cheyenne and then to South Dakota where the entire party was murdered by Indians. Not too surprising since they were interlopers on land the Indians considered sacred. Gold fever probably was the reason they went there in the first place and the U. S. Government hadn't stolen this land from the Indians yet, that came a few years later when pressure from white prospectors demanded it.

Sarah Jane Dixon had another sister, Mary E. (Polly) (Dixon) Hayes, wife of William Hayes who settled in Atchison County, Kansas. I have not done much on that family yet. Her husband died young leaving her a widow by the 1870 census.

My great-grandfather, Franklin Francis Jackson, had an older brother, William A. Jackson who moved from Larue County, Kentucky to Doniphan County, Kansas in about 1869. They were there in the 1870 census living neighbors to the W. J. Bayne family but apparently Kansas did not agree

with them as they migrated from there to Menard County, Illinois in about 1874. The youngest son of William Jackson married in Menard County and then migrated to Nebraska. They moved around some because he worked for the railroad as foreman on section gangs. He finally settled in Fillmore County, Nebraska where he retired and I think died there. I am awaiting some information from the Probate Court there in order to know for certain where he died. Both of his sons were also railroad men one settled in Lincoln, Nebraska and the other in Portland, Oregon.

I particularly needed an obituary for Judson Bayne in order to locate their children. I will look in the census now and try to get them located, one apparently in Salt Lake City and the other in Colorado Springs. Sarah J. Bayne's death notice from Colorado Springs was very brief and made no mention of her children.

Some years ago I stopped in the Doniphan County Courthouse and located the estate settlement for W. J. Bayne and also his wife Sarah J. At that time I thought this was Judson and his wife, but after further study this proved to be wrong. I finally got back on track when I got the Civil War pension file of Judson Bayne. We were in a hurry that day but I think there was no estate settlement for Judson listed in the index.

I am also from Kansas. I was born and grew up in Pratt County in the little town of Sawyer about three miles north of the Barber County line. We lived there until I was twenty-one when we moved to Salina where my father took a job with the Kansas State Board of Health as a Food and Drug Inspector. My parents live at the Kansas Christian Home in Newton, Kansas now and I have a younger brother in Hutchinson who looks after them, my father is 87 and mother is 82 in November. I am retired from Wright-Patterson AFB where I was a civilian employee after I got out of the Air Force.

The genealogy of my mother's family, Libby and Legg had been worked on by my grandmother for some years so I had a leg-up on it when I started doing genealogy. But, my father's side was a nearly total mystery and he was an only child who knew but little of his family. Jackson ain't easy in Virginia and I am still working on them as well as the Davis, Dixon and Turner families there. We had Legg relatives living in Brown County, Kansas with whom my grandmother corresponded and visited. They were rather distant of the third or fourth cousin relation

If you have anyone who needs genealogy help in southwest Ohio my wife and I have done some work in the area and offer our services. She is still working however so it might fall to me to do the searching. Up until my

retirement I just didn't have time to do much on a professional basis but have more time now to pursue it.

Well I must quit rambling and thank you again for the Judson Bayne obituary. The citation was sufficient for my purposes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kent Jackson".

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October 23, 1995

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Dear Mr. Jackson:

My name is Grace Loveall Jeschke and I volunteer at the library plus doing genealogical work professionally. Your letter was referred to me by the library.

First, I wish to apologize for the delay in answering your request. Our library is small and we don't have the staff or resources to answer some requests. Regarding your needs, the source was at our local Highland Community College on microfilm. When I went there this evening, it was easy to locate but the machine would not print the obituary (some kind of breakdown). Rather than waiting, I just copied it by hand. If you need it documented further you can let me know.

Highland Vidette, December 20, Thursday, 1917

"Judson Bayne died at the home of Mrs. Matie Marcell Tuesday night after an illness of several weeks. He had been in poor health for some time but had been bedfast only a little over a week. His daughter, Mrs. C.H. Thomas, and her husband of Colorado Springs came last Friday to be with him. His son, Thomas, of Salt Lake City was unable to be with here.

Mr. Bayne came to Kansas from Kentucky in 1868 and lived east of here until 1874. From Highland they moved to Colorado Springs, where his wife died in 1895. After two years, he returned to Highland and later was married to Mrs. Joe Lusk, living on their farm northeast of Highland. His second wife died seven years ago and since that time he has lived in Highland a good part of the time. He has also made frequent visits with his daughter in Colorado, these being of much pleasure to him.

Mr. Bayne was a veteran of the Civil War, being a First Lieutenant in Co. F, 15th Regiment, Kentucky Infantry. He had four older brothers, all of whom are dead, and one sister the late Mrs. Margaret Hammond. His brother, Smith, was captain of the same company and was killed in the battle of Stone River in Tennessee.

The funeral services were held this morning at the Christian Church of which he was a member and the body was laid to rest in the Highland Cemetery.

Judson Bayne was a fine old man in many ways; the kind of friend who got right "down to where men live", after you knew him well. Thoughtfulness and kindness were two of his strong characteristics at all times. He never failed to tell his friends goodbye when he left for his Colorado

visits. His friends are large in number, a fact that proves that he left this world better than he found it.

We are farmers supposedly retired but not completely. We have 16 grandchildren who are active in sports, school activities and so we keep very busy. Our #3 child, David and his wife Connie lived near a place south east of Highland which years ago used to be called Bayne's Bridge or crossing. I have included more history about the Bayne family from various research books which I have here at home.

In an 1882 Platt book Doniphan County is found Sections 7 & 8, Twp 3, Range 20 W.J. Bayne Est.

1905 Gray's Doniphan County History page 91

"Two fine county bridges--Bayne's and the Leona bridge--were built in 1873. Bayne's was 101 feet in length and the Leona's 77 feet."

From 1916 Montgomery's Illustrated Doniphan County History page 45

"Judson Bayne came to Doniphan County in 1868 at the age of twenty seven. His birthplace was in Larue County Kentucky. He served the flag in Company F, Regiment Fifteen, Kentucky Infantry, having enlisted at New Haven on September 10, 1861. He was mustered out at Chattanooga, November 7, 1863. Mrs. Bayne was formerly Miss Sarah J. Dixon, and she was married to the subject of this article in 1864. They live at Highland and have two children, Thomas and Jenny."

Same history book and page 124:

"Postoffice History..."

The sixth office was at Walnut Grove and was opened July 5, 1856, with Grandison R. Wilson as the first postmaster. The others were.....William J. Bayne September 31, 1865....."

In rereading your letter, I see you requested the cemetery listing. The cemetery book is at the library and it is in process of being alphabetized (waiting on me to do it). This letter needs to go out to you so will go ahead and send it. I can find the listing by going through the cemetery names one by one. It is listed in a book which is not difficult..just getting it done.

Thank you for enclosing \$5.00. My bill is \$10.00 more if it meets with your approval. I charge \$10.00 an hour plus expenses.

Sincerely,

Grace Jeschke, Researcher