

## WILLIAM N THOMPSON AND ELIZABETH, HIS WIFE

**William Neville Thompson** was born 14 Aug 1798 in Kentucky, probably Mercer County. He was the second son of David and Malinda (Neville) Thompson and had six known brothers. The last four brothers were born in Tennessee, and the family came to Callaway Co MO in about 1820. William N came to Buchanan Co in about 1842. He married **Elizabeth "Eliza" Mumford Barger**, the daughter of Gaspar Joseph and Elizabeth Rollings (Brown) Barger and the granddaughter of Revolutionary War Patriots Phillip Barger and Abraham Brown. She was born 8 May 1801 in Virginia. William and his brothers – Jesse B Thompson and James Townsend Thompson – served in Capt Jameson's Company in the Blackhawk War in 1832. In 1837 Lt. William Thompson, with his brothers, Sgt Joseph D N Thompson and Pvt George C Thompson, served in the Seminole War in Florida. The children of William and Eliza, all born in Callaway Co MO, were:

David Vernile Thompson, the oldest son, was born 28 Jun 1820, and died 28 Feb 1901 Vacaville, Solano Co, CA. Married Martha Caroline Powell in October 1856 in CA. Bio in *History of Napa and Lake Counties California* (1881) says he and his father went to Florida in 1836 for about 9 months, which would support his father's service in the Seminole War.

Amanda Delia Thompson, born 1 Dec 1825, married Peter Spangler Rhudy on 2 Aug 1843 in Buchanan Co, MO. He was born 16 Mar 1816 in Burkes Garden, Tazewell Co, VA, son of George Washington and Catherine (Spangler) Rhudy. They had eight children. Peter died 12 Nov 1854 in St Joseph, Buchanan Co, MO. Amanda then married Perry C Harrington in 1861 and they had four children. Amanda died 5 Jul 1900 and Perry died 14 Jun 1901, both in Buchanan Co, MO.

Granville Franklin Thompson, born 1830, married Sarah Miner in St Louis,

Spencer P Thompson, born Jan 1832, married Eleanor Redman 29 Mar 1853 in DeKalb Co, MO. She was born in 1830 in Boone Co, MO, and died 20 Dec 1904. He died 2 May 1907 and they are buried in Mt Mora Cemetery.

Harriet H Thompson, born 31 May 1834, married John Lewis Gillespie on 30 May 1851 in Andrew Co, MO. He was born 15 Jan 1821 in Virginia. She died 17 Jul 1902 and he died 17 Dec 1911, both in Warrenburg, Johnson Co, MO and they are buried in Sunset Hill Cemetery, Warrensburg.

Paralee A Thompson, born Dec 1837, married James G Brooks in 1861. He was born 15 Jul 1833 in Boone Co, MO. They went to Fairplay, Park Co, CO in about 1872. She died 8 Sep 1909 and he died 4 Feb 1916, and they are buried in the Fairplay Cemetery. James Brooks was one of the original 12 shareholders in the King Hill Cemetery at its origin.

William Thompson, born about 1839, was in 1850 census but not in 1860. He is probably "little Willie" buried here next to his parents.

Elizabeth Elberta "Bertie" Thompson, born 29 Nov 1839, married Louis K DeVorss 15 Nov 1862 in St. Joseph. He was born in MO about 1843 and died in 1875. She died 17 Apr 1925.

The Thompson-Brown-Sandusky house, built by William N Thompson about 1852 is still standing at 207 East Cliff Street, below the King Hill Cemetery. In 1949 the newspaper in Buhl, Idaho, interviewed Cynthia Ann Rhudy Abell (daughter of Amanda Thompson and Peter Rhudy), on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. In the interview, Cynthia stated that "longevity is something of a tradition" in her family - her "great-grandmother lived two years after crossing the plains in an ox cart in 1849 at the age of 101." Cynthia was referring to Malinda Neville Thompson, mother of William N. Thompson, and daughter of Revolutionary War Patriot William Neville. William Thompson's brother, James Townsend Thompson, went to California in 1849, so it is thought Malinda traveled with that party. The below photo is family in front of Thompson-Brown-Sandusky house circa 1860.



Contributed by Janet Huss Beiner, 3x-great-granddaughter of William N and Eliza (Barger) Thompson

| 1st Reg't Mo Mtd Vols            |     |
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| Thompson, Wm. N.                 |     |
| Rank                             | Pvt |
| Age                              |     |
| Co.                              |     |
| Captain Jameson                  |     |
| Enlisted                         | 186 |
| Where                            |     |
| Mustered in 7 July 1832 186      |     |
| Where Callaway Co                |     |
| Remarks                          |     |
| Mustered out 17 Aug 1832 186     |     |
| Where                            |     |
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