SOME SHEAR HISTORY

Based on notes compiled by ETHEL SHEAR KING

LODEWICK SHEAR (1746-1831) married Margaret Gance.
Their children were:

Elizabeth (Betsy), who married William E. Oakley.
Margaret, who married Abijah Nickerson.
Mary (Dolly), who married Abraham Backer (or Becker).
Suzanna (of Susanna), who married Abraham Lyon.
Jasper (or Casper), who married (Mary) Pollie Blair.
Ann (or Anne), who married Thaddeus Smith.
Christian Gans, who married L. Elizabeth Blair.
John B., who married Catherine Clark.
Abraham, who married Betsay Stuart.
Sella (or Sally), who married Weaver Green.

CHRISTIAN GANS SHEAR (1792-1852) married Elizabeth (Betsy) Blair. Their children were:

John B.

James, who married Margaret French.

Abram G.

Charles

Christian Lodewick

Jonathan

David Onan

Jane E.

JAMES SHEAR (1819-1883) married Margaret French. Their children were:

Elizabeth Alice, who died very young.
Libby (or Libbie) A.
Ella Jane
Annabel (called Anna)
James Blair, who married Eva Dedrick.

JAMES BLAIR SHEAR (1863-1935) married Eva Dedrick. Their children were:

Roy, who died very young.

H. Ray, who married Mina Belle Knox.

John Lillie, who married Helen Foster.

Lisle J., who died very young.

Ethel May, who married Carroll P. King.

Ruth Irene

(HIRAM) RAY SHEAR (1889-1961) married Mina Belle Knox. Their children:

John Knox, who married Marge (Margaret Ann) Maddox.

James Algan, who married Ruth Eleanor Beard.

L. Elizabeth (called Libby), who married Kenneth W. Nelson.

JOHN LILLIE SHEAR (1891-1953) married Helen Foster. Their children:

Catherine, who married John R. Schoonmaker, and later William S. Craw.

Joan Helen, who married Wesley Paul Johnson, Jr.

John Foster, who married Janice Elaine Pease, and later Sandra Jeanne Farr.

Leslie James, who married Annie Marie Davis.

ETHEL MAY SHEAR (1901-1985) married Carroll P. King. Their children:

Carolyn Ethel, who married Frank H. Charlton.

James Preston, who married Jane F. Campbell.

Ruth Elizabeth, who married Richard T. Malaney.

JOHN KNOX SHEAR married Marge Maddox.

Their children:

John Knox, Jr. (called Jingo)
Ann (called Noonie)
Thomas S.

JAMES ALGAN SHEAR married Ruth Beard.

Their children:

Elizabeth Beard
Susan Knox
Ray F. (called Butch)

LILLIAN ELIZABETH (LIBBY) SHEAR married Kenneth W. Nelson.

Their children:

Kenneth Shear Bill CATHERINE SHEAR married John R. Schoonmaker.

Their children:

Jennifer Lynn

Marla Joan

David Alan

John Shear

Catherine later married William S. Craw.

JOAN HELEN SHEAR married Wesley Paul Johnson, Jr.

Their children:

Joseph Paul

Emily Brooks

JOHN FOSTER SHEAR married Janice Elaine Pease.

Their children:

John Leslie

Kathy Ann

James Robert

John later married Sandra Jeanne Farr.

Their children:

Matthew John

Timothy James

Brett Michael

LESLIE JAMES SHEAR married Annie Marie Davis.

Their children:

Helen Marie

Laura Ann

CAROLYN ETHEL KING married Frank H. Charlton.

Their children:

Mark King
Eric Shear
Ann Karen
James Buchanan
Ruth Carroll

JAMES PRESTON KING married Jane F. Campbell.

Their children:

James Preston, Jr. (called Jim)
David Knox
Glenn Campbell (called Matey)

RUTH ELIZABETH KING married Richard T. Malaney. Their children:

Anne Susan Richard Thomas, Jr. Timothy James