

## Blake Family

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Dr. Calvin Blake, M. D.

*s/o Caleb Blake & Betsey Briggs*

b. 5 Sep 1798 Turner

d. 8 Oct 1870 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery) at 72yrs

m. 25 Jan 1826 St Albans/Hartland (Intentions filed 26 Nov 1825 in New Gloucester)

Louisa Haskell (See Haskell Family)

*d/o Eliphalet Haskell & Mary Woodman*

b. 18 Apr 1800 New Gloucester

d. 26 Sep 1882 Hartland (IC w/Calvin) at 82yrs

*They moved from Turner to Hartland, then still part of St Albans, in December of 1825 where they married and he continued his medical practice for some forty years. He owned a large area of land adjacent to the Academy which part of became Blake Street named posthumously in his honor in 1897. He was on the original Board of Directors of St Albans/Hartland Academy in 1832 and was greatly involved with both town's politics before and after the respective town line changes in 1846. He also owned a large area of land further down Academy Street which included a section of future Commercial Street eventually sold as individual lots by himself and his son Calvin. At an unknown date, but by 1860, Dr. Blake built a large house on Academy Street near the corner of Commercial Street which was owned by three generations of family until 1945. Louisa's brother Peleg C. Haskell moved to the area around the same time settling on future Commercial Street. (See Dr. Blake Biographical Dedication at bottom)*

*Their children's names and birth dates were recorded in St Albans Vital Records as their residence on Academy Street was part of St Albans until 1846 when it was annexed to become part of Hartland.*

Ch. BLAKE: (See original record below)

1. Elizabeth Ann Blake

b. 28 Jan 1827 St Albans/Hartland

d. 15 Apr 1911 Springfield (Springfield Village Cemetery w/Phillip) at 84yrs

m. 1 Jan 1852 St Albans

Dr. Phillip Calvin Jones, M. D.

*s/o Dr. Asa Jones & Stella Blake*

b. 25 Apr 1825 Turner

d. 19 May 1889 Springfield (Springfield Village Cemetery) at 64yrs

*He was a physician in St Albans before they moved to Springfield soon after C/1860 where they remained until their deaths. The Jones family had 4 successive generations of physicians.*

Ch. JONES:

A) Dr. Pitt Harold Jones, M. D.

b. 1862 Springfield

d. 17 Oct 1917 Lee (Springfield Village Cemetery)

m. Nellie Phoebe Johnson

Ch. JONES:

I. Dr. Richard Phillip Jones, M. D.

b. 1901 Springfield

d. 1951 Springfield (Springfield Village Cemetery)

m. Priscilla A. Fortier

2. Harriet Ellen Blake "Hattie"  
b. 9 Aug 1828 St Albans/Hartland  
d. 1920 Hartland (IC w/parents) at 91yrs  
m. 10 July 1851 St Albans (divorced)

Augustus Jedediah Burbank  
*s/o Jedediah Burbank & Frances Brown*

**Civil War 1st Maine Cavalry, Co. G**

- b. 5 Mar 1829 Bethel  
d. 24 Jan 1901 Chicago, Illinois (Oak Woods Cemetery, Chicago)  
They had no children.

*They were living in Hartland on Academy Street in C/1860 but divorced soon after. He was living in Fort Dodge, Iowa in C/1870 before moving to Chicago. She moved back to her father's house by C/1870 and remained there when her brother Calvin took over the home. She remained there living with her widowed sister-in-law Jeanette (Turner) Blake in Hartland in C/1910.*

3. Mary Louisa Blake  
b. 5 Oct 1830 St Albans/Hartland  
d. 1846 St Albans/Hartland (IC w/parents) at 16yrs

4. Frances Cordelia Blake  
b. 23 July 1832 St Albans/Hartland  
d. 1882 Hartland (Pine Grove Cemetery w/George) at 50yrs  
m. 1 Feb 1854 Hartland

George Lancey, Jr (See Lancey Family)  
*s/o George Lancey, Sr & Mary Gilman*

- b. 7 Sep 1828 Palmyra  
d. 3 May 1885 Hartland (PG) at 56yrs

*His name was noted in Palmyra Vital Records as the son of George & Mary Lancey. They lived in Hartland after they married and took over her father Dr. Calvin Blake's original house on Academy Street next to the Academy. By 1860, he was operating a dry goods store at an unknown location in Hartland before he built a new building in 1875 near the corner of Academy Street and Commercial Street (future B. W. Hanson Store) where he operated his store until his death.*

Ch. LANCEY:

- A) Blake Lancey  
b. 12 July 1858 Hartland  
d. 2 June 1942 Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada (Hillsdale Cemetery, Petrolia, CA)  
m. 10 May 1887 Petrolia, Ontario, Canada

Sarah Evelyn Nappen  
*d/o William Nappen & Susannah Jury of Ontario via England*

- b. 4 Oct 1862 Ontario, Canada  
d. 2 Aug 1931 York, Ontario, Canada (Hillsdale Cemetery, Petrolia, Canada)  
*He moved from Hartland to Petrolia, Canada soon after the C/1880 Census likely influenced by his cousin Henry Warren Lancey who had established himself there as a successful oil businessman. Blake became a Naturalized Citizen of Canada in 1882. He was a merchant and traveling salesman. He was at his daughter's home when he was admitted to the local hospital where he died.*

Ch. LANCEY:

- I. Berna Frances Lancey  
b. 1888 Petrolia, Ontario, Canada  
d. 9 Sep 1888 Petrolia, Ontario, Canada at 3mths

II. Florence Louise Lancey

b. 28 Apr 1890 Petrolia, Ontario, Canada

d. 9 Jan 1972 Los Angeles, CA (Live Oak Memorial Park Monrovia, CA)

m. 29 Dec 1915 Canada

Robert Roy Stirrett

*They resided in Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada after they married before moving to California by C/1950.*

III. Merrill Lancey

b. 21 Apr 1899 Petrolia, Ontario, Canada

d. 26 June 1914 Toronto, Ontario, Canada at 15yrs

*Noted in 1911 Census of Canada living with his parents.*

B) Willard H. Lancey

b. May 1859 Hartland

d. 1941 Lowell, Massachusetts

m. 1878 Hartland

Alice B. \_\_\_\_\_

b. 1860 Maine

d. 1940 Lowell, Massachusetts

*They moved from Hartland after C/1880 to Lowell, Massachusetts where he was a fish merchant and remained there until their deaths.*

Ch. LANCEY:

I. Florence M. Lancey

b. 1880 Hartland

d. 1953 Lowell, Massachusetts

She never married.

*She lived with her parents her entire life.*

C) George Merrill Lancey aka G.M. Lancey

b. 18 Nov 1861 Hartland

d. 8 July 1942 St Albans (PG) at Camp DeLancey on Great Moose Lake

m. 1 Oct 1885 Hartland

Anna Clapperton Linn "Annie" **(See Linn Family)**

*d/o William Linn, Sr & Elizabeth Patterson (Brother of Archibald Linn)*

b. 30 Nov 1861 Selkirk, Selkirkshire, Scotland

d. 8 Dec 1948 Hartland (PG)

*Annie first arrived from Scotland in New York City on December 9, 1864 on the 'Caledonia' at 3yrs old with her father, maternal grandmother and siblings then proceeded to their final destination in Hartland. Annie was raised in the household of her Uncle Archibald & Aunt Grace Linn living with them in C/1870 & C/1880 after arriving in Hartland with her family.*

*By 1886, he took over the business previously operated by his late father George Lancey, Jr near the corner of Commercial Street & Academy Street and began operating as G. M. Lancey Dry Goods & Groceries and moved into the upstairs apartment with Annie.*

*In September of 1920, he sold his store block to Perley & Bertie Hanson who eventually operated it as B. W. Hanson Clothing Store. Following the sale, George & Annie moved*

*into his late Uncle Calvin Blake's house on Academy Street where he continued selling insurance until his retirement in 1942 just before his death.*

Ch. LANCEY:

I. Frances Linn Lancey  
b. 5 Nov 1887 Hartland  
d. 8 Feb 1936 Belfast (PG)  
m. 26 June 1918  
Norman Sylvester Donahue  
b. 1886 Pennsylvania  
d. 1967 Belfast (PG)

II. Ardis Elizabeth Lancey  
b. 15 Apr 1900 Hartland  
d. 3 June 1983 Hartland (PG)  
m. 8 Sep 1936 (divorced)  
George A. Moore  
b. 4 Feb 1889 Pittsfield  
d. May 1970 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)

D) Harry William Lancey  
b. 7 Mar 1870 Hartland  
d. 25 Apr 1892 Hartland (PG) at 22yrs  
He never married.

5. John Xavier Blake  
b. 22 May 1834 St Albans/Hartland  
d. 8 Feb 1924 Los Angeles, California (Angelus Rosedale Cemetery, Los Angeles) at 88yrs  
m. c1857  
Almyra Montgomery "Myra"  
b. 1839 New York  
d. 1897 Los Angeles, California (Angelus Rosedale Cemetery, Los Angeles w/John) at 58yrs  
*They were living in Wisconsin when Estelle was born but moved back in Hartland by C/1860. They moved to Bangor after C/1870 then moved to California soon after C/1880 where he registered to vote in 1888. Her maiden name was noted on Stella's death certificate.*

Ch. BLAKE: (C/1900 notes 3 children born, 2 living)

A) Estelle Blake "Stella"  
b. 12 Dec 1858 Wisconsin  
d. 4 Mar 1944 Los Angeles, California  
*She was living with her parents in Bangor in C/1880 noted as a school teacher. She was living with her father in Los Angeles in C/1910 & C/1920 remaining there until her death.*

B) Clarence H. Blake  
b. 1862 Hartland  
d. 26 Mar 1929 Los Angeles, California  
m. 1884 Dora L. Hamm  
*They lived next door to his father in Los Angeles in C/1900 after they married.*

C) Harriet Blake "Hattie"  
b. 1863 Hartland

d. 1864 Hartland (IC) at 1yr

6. George Calvin Blake aka Calvin Blake

b. 14 Mar 1837 St Albans/Hartland

d. 26 June 1905 Hartland (IC w/Jeanette) at 68yrs

m. 16 Dec 1868 Auburn (his 1st marriage, her second; widowed)

Jeanette H. Turner

*d/o Hannibal Turner & Anna Knight of Gorham*

b. Feb 1838

d. 21 Sep 1915 Hartland (IC) at 77yrs

They had no children. (C/1900 notes 0 children born)

*As noted in her obituary, "She was married twice, her first husband having been the cousin of her second choice. He met a tragic death (April 10, 1865) while firing a cannon salute at (General) Lee's surrender celebration." The unnamed first husband was Daniel Wilson Blake (1835-1865), a son of Daniel Briggs Blake, the brother of Dr. Calvin Blake.*

*They lived with his parents on Academy Street and took over the house upon his father's death in 1870. Calvin, as he was known throughout his life, was active in town affairs serving as Town Treasurer, Town Constable and Town Selectman. He operated a store on Main Street in 1860 at the future Randlett-Tapley store location. He sold several lots of his father's land on Commercial Street which became stores. He also sold several lots adjacent to the Academy in the 1890s and early 1900s which were developed with new houses and became Blake Street in 1897.*

*Following Calvin's death, Jeanette remained at the house with her sister-in-law Hattie Blake. Following Jeanette's death, his nephew George Merrill Lancey moved into the house in 1920. It was sold to Lewis H. Barden in 1945 after G. M.'s death.*

7. Silas Blake

b. 18 Jan 1838 St Albans/Hartland

d. 29 Sep 1920 Ukiah, California (Potter Valley Cemetery, California w/Kate) at 82yrs

m. 22 Apr 1866 Mendocino, California

Catherine Lucretia Hayden "Kate"

b. 4 Apr 1847 Lindley, Missouri

d. 2 May 1925 Ukiah, California (Potter Valley Cemetery, California) at 78yrs

*"Silas Blake, well know pioneer of Potter Valley, where he had resided for some 50-odd years, died in this city Wednesday morning, old age being the chief contributing cause of his demise. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at Potter Valley Cemetery. Mr. Blake was born in Maine, Jan. 18, 1838, but had been a resident of California for over 60 years." - Ukiah Dispatch Democrat*

Ch. BLAKE: (C/1900 & C/1910 note 6 children born, 6 living)

A) Harriet Ellen Blake "Hattie"

b. 21 Jan 1867 Potter Valley, California

d. 25 Mar 1943 Ukiah, California (Ukiah Cemetery, California)

m. 1887 Oliver (Scott) Thornton

B) Louisa Percis Blake "Lulu"

b. 19 July 1869 Potter Valley, California

d. 10 Feb 1933 Burns, Oregon (Burns Cemetery, Burns, Oregon)

m. 1901 Arthur Vernon Horton (widowed 1912)

*All Census records from 1870 thru 1930 and her children's birth & marriage records, etc., indicate her birth year around 1870 until her death certificate notes it as 1883 which is also recorded on her gravestone.*

C) Daisy Blake

b. 19 Oct 1871 Potter Valley, California

d. 13 Feb 1938 San Francisco, California (Potter Valley Cemetery w/parents)

She never married.

*She moved to San Francisco by C/1910 working as a Stenographer.*

D) Hugh Blake

b. 26 Mar 1874 Potter Valley, California

d. 25 Nov 1941 Ukiah, California (Potter Valley Cemetery w/Maude)

m. 1905 Maude Ida Glazier

E) Ethel Artie Blake

b. 27 Mar 1879 Potter Valley, California

d. 15 Aug 1952 Ukiah, California (Potter Valley Cemetery)

m1. \_\_\_\_\_ Martin

m2. Charles O. Foster

*They resided in Portland, Oregon. She was visiting her sister Wilma when she died.*

F) Wilmot Frances Blake "Wilma" or "Frankie"

b. 25 Sep 1890 Potter Valley, California

d. 7 Nov 1966 Ukiah, California (Ukiah Cemetery, California)

m1. 1911 Theodore F. Schultz (divorced 1933)

m2. \_\_\_\_\_ Teel

m3. George Edward Burkett

8. Persis Blake

b. 25 Aug 1840 St Albans/Hartland

d. 26 Aug 1867 Auburn (Oak Hill Cemetery, Auburn) at 27yrs

m. 22 Feb 1865 Hartland

William Stockbridge Young

*s/o Joshua B. Young & Charlotte Bowker (Oak Hill Cemetery, Auburn)*

b. 10 Apr 1835 Turner

d. 12 Apr 1898 Auburn (Oak Hill Cemetery, Auburn) at 63yrs

They had no known children.

*She was living with her parents in Hartland in C/1850 and in C/1860 at 20 years old. He was living in Newport when they married. They resided together briefly following their marriage until her death in Auburn where he and his brother Albert became proprietors of the family business at the Elm House Inn in Auburn by C/1870. Her nephew George Merrill Lancey came to work briefly at the Inn as a clerk around 1875 when he was 14yrs old.*

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Elizabeth Ann Blake daughter to Calvin Blake  
 Louisa his wife over born Jan the 29<sup>th</sup> 1827  
 Harriet Ellen Blake Daughter to Calvin Blake and  
 Louisa his wife was born August the 9<sup>th</sup> 1828  
 Mary Louisa, their daughter, was born Oct 5 1830  
 Frances Cordelia " " " " July 23<sup>d</sup> 1832  
 Elizabeth Ann " " " " Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 1834  
 John Harriet Blake " " " " May 29<sup>d</sup> 1834  
 George Calvin Blake " " " " March 14 1835  
 Silas Blake " " " " July 18 1838  
 Purvis Blake " " " " Aug. 25 1840

**Biographical Sketch of Dr. Calvin Blake**

by Dr. Harris H. Pushor of Hartland

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"Dr. Calvin Blake was born in Turner, Maine on September 5, 1798. He was one of the numerous self-made men of the community, who, without a liberal education, have arisen by their own energy and exertions, to positions of wide influence and usefulness; and by his skill, ability and benevolence, he secured the confidence, respect and love of a large circle of friends.

He received the rudiments of his early education at the district schools at Turner, and was engaged in the usual labors of a farm during his boyhood. He afterwards taught school to defray the expenses incurred while preparing for his chosen profession. He commenced the study of medicine with his uncle, Dr. Silas Blake, of Harrison, Maine, where he remained the first eighteen months of his studies; attended his first course of medical lectures at Dartmouth; returned home and became the pupil of the late Dr. Timothy Little, then an active practitioner at New Gloucester, Maine; graduated at the Medical School of Maine, in November 1824, and commenced practice at Hartland, Maine, in December the following year, where he remained in active practice for forty-two years, with an energy and success which few have equaled.

*In January 1826, he married Miss Louisa Haskell, of New Gloucester, Maine, a woman of intellect and strength of character, who lived to cheer him in the performance of his varied duties and nurse him in his last sickness. He lay in a helpless condition from the fall of 1866, at which time he was stricken down with an attack of paralysis, till October 8, 1870, and fell asleep to wake no more on earth, but passed, we trust, to a merciful God and a glorious immortality.*

*During the four years he lay sick and palsied, no man could be more patient. He became a firm believer in the Christian religion, asking praying men to pray with him, and when his speech became so impaired that he could talk no more, he would point to the Bible, and by signs get them to read and pray, that he might listen to the promise of God to the humble and penitent sinner.*

*He was most assuredly a good and practical physician, possessing an active mind, disciplined by study and an extensive practice; quick in his decisions; promptly resorting to bold and heroic treatment when necessity required prompt measures to be taken. As an obstetrician none excelled him. In consultation he was honorable and gentlemanly, seeking to promote the welfare of both patient and physician. Though stern and decided in his deportment, he possessed a heart as tender as a child. The cheat, the impostor and quack, he hated with bitter hatred. In his death the community feels that they have met with an irreparable loss."*