

INFORMATION & DATA ON THE FAMILY OF:

JOHN BRICE & MARY ANN (BUSH) WEBSTER
1809-1895 1809-1883

Being a collection of information from Public records, biographies, histories and family sources, and arranged to present a coherent view of said family and their individual relationship. This has all been done for the purpose of preserving for future generations a knowledge of their past.

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WEBSTER
Surname
FAMILY INFORMATION CHART NO. _____

Husband's full name <u>John Brice WEBSTER</u>	Authority/Source of Data:
born on <u>22 Mar. 1809</u> at <u>Ross County, Ohio</u>	
married <u>1837</u> at <u>Ross County, Ohio</u>	
died on <u>28 Aug. 1895</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	
Interred at <u>Riverside, IA, Cemetery</u> Groom's <u>1st</u> marriage	Records, Census & Other:
Farmer <u>Seventh Day Adventist</u> ^{1.}	1850, '60, '70 & '80 Federal Census of Washington Co., Iowa, Iowa Township.
Occupation <u>Religion</u> Military Service	Published Obituary - Washington Gazette, Sept. 13, 1895.
Judge S. B. WEBSTER	
His father _____ Mother's maiden name _____	
Wife's maiden name <u>Mary Ann BUSH</u>	
born on <u>11 June 1809</u> at _____, Virginia	1. At first a member of Presbyterian church then M. E. & Baptist churches.
died on <u>24 June 1883</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	The last 35 years of his life was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist.
Interred at <u>Riverside, IA, Cemetery</u> Bride's _____ marriage	
Her father _____ Mother's maiden name _____	

Abodes & removals: During the year 1846 Mr. Webster, with his wife and four children, moved from Ross County, Ohio, to Washington County, Iowa, and settled in the English River Valley where he lived up to the time of his death.

Sex	Their Children:	Additional Information:
	(1) Name <u>Eliza WEBSTER</u>	Children: Nellie, b. 1866; Edward, b. 1868; Kate V., b. 1874; Lester, b. 1878.
	born on <u>1839</u> at <u>Ross County, Ohio</u>	
	died on <u>15 Sep. 1893</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	
	married <u>2 Mar. 1865</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	
	to: <u>Benjamin J. GODLOVE</u>	Marriage Record, Book E, page 29, License No. 114.
	- 4 July 1915	
	(2) Name <u>Lydia Ann WEBSTER</u>	Children: William B., b. 1859; Lilly, b. 1860; Maggie, b. 1861; Mary E., b. June 1875
	born on <u>Apr. 1841</u> at <u>Ross County, Ohio</u>	
	died on _____ at _____	
	married <u>10 Mar. 1859</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	
	to: <u>William G. PARKER</u>	Marriage Record, Book E, page 117. (nl)
	Feb. 1837 -	
	(3) Name <u>Elizabeth WEBSTER</u>	Children: Melcena, b. 1886
	born on _____ at _____	
	died on _____ at _____	
	married <u>9 June 1864</u> at <u>Washington County, Iowa</u>	
	to: <u>William E. TATMAN</u>	Marriage Record, Book F, page 11, License No. 43.

1850 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. Free Inhabitants in Iowa, enumerated by me on the 27 day of September, 1850, in the County of Washington, State

Line No. on page	Dwelling No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each male person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned	Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended school within the year	Over 20 who can- not read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, in- sane, idiotic, in- paper or con- vict.	(Remarks)
32	632	632	John B. WEBSTER	41	m		(Farmer) do	700	Ohio					
33			Mara Ann 2.	41	f				Virg					
34			Eliza	11	f				Ohio		/			
35			Lidda Ann 2.	9	f				do		/			
36			Elizabeth	8	f				do		/			
37			John R.	5	m				do					
			1. English River Twp. 2. sic.											

**NATHAN LITTLER'S HISTORY OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY**

1835 - 1875

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As among the early comers and continuous residents in our county, we mention the name of Michael Hayes. He was born and raised in Madison County, Illinois, near St. Louis, in the famous region of country known as the American Bottom; his birth dating back to December 21, 1809, nine years before Illinois became a state. Possibly ***** He came here in 1839 and purchased the claim originally made by William Conner, on which he still resides, one and a half miles northwest of town. He moved here in 1840 when the land was brought into market, secured the government title to them, made a large farm, improved it well and continues to carry on successfully his original occupation, that of farmer. At the general election in 1848 Mr. Hayes was elected as a member of the board of county commissioners and served nearly three years, and until the original system of county government was superceded by that of the township system, during the continuance of which we had fifteen county commissioners, one from each organized township, instead of three as formerly, and now. It is only the truth and simple justice to Mr. Hayes to say that never in the history of our county have we had any officer that looked more carefully after all the material interests of Washington County than Michael Hayes; neither has there ever been any administration of the financial affairs of the county more ably and economically managed than during the time this gentleman was a member of the board of county commissioners. He was emphatically the bull dog of our county treasury, and every claim presented received the closest and most searching examination from him, and any bill not technically legal or eminently reasonable and just was promptly thrown overboard. The last meeting of the board before the new dispensation for the management of county affairs was held on Monday, July 28, 1851. It was a special meeting to levy taxes for that year. The amount of the levy was as follows: For state purposes, 3 mills; county tax, 4 mills; schools, 1 mill; roads, 1 mill; total, 9 mills. Besides the usual poll tax of 50 cents, and the local road tax, only 6 mills in all were levied for all county purposes in that year, and the preceding year 5 mills was the entire levy for county affairs. It will be seen, however, that the state tax was two and a half mills. For many years past our state tax has only been 2 mills per annum. Michael Hayes, and John B. Webster of Iowa Township were all of the board present at this meeting, and after levying the taxes the board adjourned sine die. Like Mr. Hendee, and unlike most other men coming here in early times, Michael Hayes came in good financial circumstances, having plenty of money to pay for his claim, buy his lands and make such improvements on them as desired, and probably had some left to loan, or buy additional land. By prudent and judicious investments, coupled with industry and economy, Mr. Hayes has continually increased his original capital, and for many years past he has been known as one of the wealthiest men in our county as well as one of its largest land owners. Mr. Hayes has been married twice, but the first wife died in early life, leaving only one child, a son, now deceased. By his second wife, who is still living, he has nine children, all living and grown; four boys, of whom two are married; and five girls, of which three are single. Although in his 71st year Mr. Hayes is quite active and vigorous, giving personal attention to all his business, and bids fair to live many more years. Politically he is a Democrat, but was originally a Whig. He never united with any church, but was raised by Methodist parents.

1860 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. — Free Inhabitants in Iowa Township in the County of Washington State
of Iowa, enumerated by me, on the 20th day of July, 1860 W. B. Bolding, Ass't Marshal
Post Office Richmond & Yaton

Line No. on page	Dwelling house No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female, over 15 yrs. of age.	Value of Estate owned		Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended School within the yr.	Over 20 who can- not read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, in- sane, idiotic, im- pauper or con- vict.	(Remarks)
								Real- Estate	Personal Estate						
1	777	761	William Parker	23	M		Farmer	(nl)	361	Canada					
2			Lydia "	18	F					Ohio					Lydia Ann Webster, dau. of John & Mary.
3			William B. "	7 12	M					Iowa					
4			Eliza Wilson (sic)	19	F					Ohio					Eliza Webster, Lydia's sister ?
5	778	762	John B. Webster	50	M		Farmer	2870	2098	Ohio					
6			Mary A. "	50	F					Va					Mary Ann Bush,
7			Elizabeth "	16	"					Ohio		/			
8			John R. "	15	M					"		/			
			(nl) = none listed.												

1870 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. — Inhabitants in Iowa Township, in the County of Washington, State
of Iowa, enumerated by me on the 20th day of August, 1870

Post Office: Lexington, Iowa

Saml C. Gardner, Ass't Marshal

(Line Number)	Dwelling house Number.	Family Number.	The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June 1870, was in this family.	Age last birthday.	Sex.	Color.	Profession, occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Value of Personal Estate.	Place of birth.	Father was Foreign born.	Mother was Foreign born.	Month if born.	W/in census yr.	Mo. if married.	W/in census yr.	Attended school within the year.	Cannot read.	Cannot write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane or idiotic.	Male citizen 21 yrs. & up.	Male 21 & up & right to vote denied/abridged	
33	48	48	WEBSTER J B	60	M	W	Farmer	6000	(n/r)	Ohio													
34			— Nancy A	60	F	W	K House			Va													
35	49	49	WEBSTER J R	25	M	W	Farmer	(n/r)	(n/r)	Ohio													
36			— Emily	17	F	W	K House			Ill													
37	50	50	TATMAN W E	29	M	W	Farmer	(n/r)	(n/r)	Ohio													
38			— Elizabeth	29	F	W	K House			Ohio													
39			— Melcina	2	F	W	At home			Ia													
40			— Orlando	15	M	W	School			Ohio													
			(n/r) = not recorded.																				

1880 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

Film Roll No. 368

Iowa Township, in the County of Washington, State of Iowa
 enumerated by me on the 3d day of June, 1880

Joseph Dudley Enumerator

House Number	Name of Street	Dwelling Number	Family Number	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June last	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed, divorced, or separated	Married in census yr.	Profession, Occupation or Trade	No. of months unemployed	Health Information No.	Attended School	Cannot write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother
39			39	WEBSTER, John B.	W	M	71				/			Retired					Ohio	Maryland	Virg
				Mary A.	W	F	71		Wife	/				Keeping house					Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
40			41	WEBSTER, John R.	W	M	33			/				Farmer					Ohio	Ohio	Virginia
				Emily A. 1.	W	F	27		Wife	/				Keeping house					Ill	Ohio	NY
				Chester W.	W	M	9		Son					At School			/		Iowa	Ohio	Ill
				Jesse 2.	W	M	12		Son										"	"	"
				1. Emily A. WARD, dau. of Tartus & Elvira M.																	
				2. sic, ? their son, Jerome																	

Health Information Item Numbers: 15 - Sick or temporarily disabled; 16 - Blind; 17 - Deaf & dumb; 18 - Idiotic; 19 - Insane; 20 - Maimed or crippled

JOHN BRICE WEBSTER OBITUARY

WASHINGTON GAZETTE Front page September 13, 1895
Washington, Washington County, Iowa

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Mexico, but now of South
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Rev. Schlenker preached the last
sermon of the conference year at this
place last Sunday.
There will be a box supper in the
M. E. church next Tuesday evening.
Everybody invited.
Mose Oraswell has a new molasses
mill and will begin work next week.
Mrs. Jacob Gayer starts for Indi-
ana Tuesday to visit her father.
D Gordon and wife are visiting at
Wyman.
Our deestrick school began last
Monday, Lola Coppook, teacher.
Jake Ivley of Marion, Iowa, spent
most of last with his sister, Mrs.
Mart Soranton.

WEBSTER.

John Brice Webster was born near
Chillicothe, Ross county, Ohio, March
23, 1809. Married Mary A. Bush in
1837, was the father of four children,
three of whom survive. Him, came to
Iowa during the year 1848, died Aug.
28, 1895, aged 86 years, 5 mo, 6 days.
Grandpa Webster, as he was often
called, was the eldest son of Judge S.
B. Webster, one of Ohio's earliest pi-
oneers. In early life, during some
physical misfortune, he promised the
Almighty Father that if things re-
sumed their normal condition with
him that he would devote his life to
the Lord's service as far as his ability
would admit, and in accord with this
promise he became a member of the
Presbyterian church. After migrat-
ing to Iowa, because there was no
Presbyterian church near him he
united with the M. E. church. Dur-
ing his entire religious life he was a
close bible student and thought for
himself, and because of this habit be-
came dissatisfied with the baptism he
had received, the same being consid-
ered valid by the M. E. church, he
severed his connection with them and
was immersed and united with the
Baptist church. About 1860 he be-
came a believer in the doctrine of the
Seventh day Adventists. Since then
he has lived in that faith. What ere
he believed he lived. When he came
to Iowa he settled in English River
Valley where he died. He served as
county commissioner in 1849, as road
commissioner in 1854-5 and as Justice
of the Peace in English River and
Iowa townships for several years.
Funeral services conducted by Rev.
J. R. Payne at the M. E. church in
Riverside, Iowa.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY, IOWA

MARRIAGE RECORD

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1844-1864

Page	Name of Parties	Date of Marriage	By Whom Married
9	Samuel T. Marlin and Alvina Doolittle	September 3, 1861	B. F. Orvis, MG
117	William G. Parker and Lydia A. Webster	March 10 th 1859	G.W.W. Bell, MG

MARRIAGE RECORD

F

Nov. 1864-Oct. 1869

Page	Number of License	Names of Parties	Date of License
11	43	William E. Tatman to Elizabeth Webster	June 9, 1864

State of Iowa, Washington County, ss:

On 9th June, 1864 - Marriage of William E. Tatman and Miss Elizabeth Webster at the house of Clay Chapman in said county by H. W. Thomas, Pastor, M. E. church.

29	114	Benjamin Godlove to Eliza Webster	February 24, 1865
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State of Iowa, Washington County, ss:

On 2d March, 1865 - Marriage of Benjamin Godlove and Miss Eliza Webster at the house of Mr. Webster in said county by John B. Hill, Minister of the M. E. church.

189	651	John R. Webster to Emily A. Ward	October 17, 1868
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State of Iowa, Washington County, ss:

On 20th October, 1868 - Marriage of Mr. John R. Webster and Miss Emily A. Ward at the home of the Bride's Father in said county by Abner Younkin, Justice of the Peace.

Transcript from film of original records
by Edw. E. Bartlett, Sept. 19, 1987.