

WIGGINS, JOHN WESLEY⁸ (THOMAS⁹): John Wesley Wiggins was born 24 December 1810 in Ross County, Ohio to **Thomas Wiggins⁹ and Lucinda Holdman⁹**. He married **Amy Terwilliger⁸** on 31 March 1831 in Pickaway County, Ohio. He died 26 April 1889 in Pickaway County, Ohio. His Obituary, published in Pickaway County, Ohio follows:

John Wesley Wiggins died at his residence in Deercreek Township, last Sunday at 3 A. M. of kidney ailment, which was in its incipient stage seven years ago. About four years ago he had a stroke of paralysis, and since then has been in feeble condition. The deceased was in his 79th year. He was born in Ross County, O., December 24, 1810, son of Thomas Wiggins, who settled in Wayne township, this county in 1812, where he died in 1825. John Wesley Wiggins was married to Miss Amy Terwilliger, of Deercreek Township, March 31, 1831 and was the father of nine children, one son, Jacob F., and eight daughters, two of whom died in infancy. The deceased lived at the homestead in Wayne Township until a few years ago, when he moved over the line into Deercreek. He was a man of sterling integrity, blameless in his life, faithful to every duty, ever firm in standing up for the right, and was honored and respected in the community. He was converted when a boy under the preaching of Rev. Wilson, at a camp meeting near Brown's Chapel, Ross county, and has since lived a Methodist, always belonging to the Mt. Pleasant society, acting with ability in many of the offices of the church. He never was an aspirant for any public position. Politically, he was an ardent, unswerving Democrat all his life, and often sat in the conventions and councils of the party.

The multitude at the funeral, Monday afternoon, indicated the high standing and worth of the deceased as a citizen. The services took place at the Mt. Pleasant Church, the pastor Rev. I. M. Brashares, preaching the sermon.

WIGGINS, ELIZABETH BROWN⁷ (JOHN WESLEY⁸, THOMAS⁹): Elizabeth Wiggins was born on 2 April, 1832 in Ohio to **John Wesley Wiggins⁸ and Amy Terwilliger⁸**. She married **Justus McSchooler⁷** on 31 August, 1848 in Pickaway County, Ohio. She died 6 June, 1918 in Louisville, Clay County, Illinois and is buried at the Old Louisville Cemetery in Louisville, Illinois.

Elizabeth accompanied her husband and family from Ohio to Clay County, Illinois in April, 1863. She remarried after Justus' death to George Miinch on 1 April, 1869.

The following information was related by a granddaughter of Elizabeth Brown Wiggins McSchooler Miinch. I found it at the History Museum in Pickaway County, Ohio.

Lizzie Wiggins, born in 1832, was the daughter of John Wesley Wiggins and Amy Terwilliger Wiggins. She grew up on a farm near Kinderhook, Pickaway County. She was the granddaughter of pioneers in Ohio on both sides of her family. On her mother's side she was the granddaughter of Jacob Terwilliger, Jr. and Elizabeth Saxton. On her father's side she was the granddaughter of Thomas Wiggins and Lucy Holdman Wiggins.

This is a story that was told by a granddaughter about Lizzie Wiggins' baptism (probably in MT Pleasant Church). When she got home from church she followed her mother out to the milk house when they were fixing Sunday dinner, and told her mother, "I don't like that preacher". Her mother asked her why. "Because he got my hair ribbons all wet." Rosene Dillon, a great granddaughter (who now lives in Hendricks County, Indiana), who passed this story that her mother had told her on to Elizabeth Manz (a daughter of Permilia Saxon McSchooler Russell), wrote, "You know how much we used to think of our pretty hair ribbons; well, she must have really liked her Sunday ones.

In 1848 at 16 years of age Lizzie married Justus Gray McSchooler, about 22. He taught school and became a member of the Ohio Legislature. They lived on a farm near Circleville. When Elizabeth Manz was in Circleville, about 1950, looking up family connections, she talked with Meeker Terwilliger, once a judge in Pickaway County. He gave Elizabeth the above information about McSchooler and took her over to where the school was located - - "close to the border" writes Elizabeth.

McSchooler had traded two farms in Ohio for a farm at Clay City, Illinois, before he joined the army, probably in 1861. He became a Captain of Company "E", 73rd Regiment of Ohio Infantry Volunteers. He was discharged in