

# Lincoln's Paternal Family

## THE GRANDFATHER

*Abraham Lincoln*

**Abraham Lincoln**, born in Berks County, Pennsylvania on May 13, 1744 to John Lincoln and his wife, Rebecca Flowers Morris. According to an Augusta County, Virginia, marriage license, Abraham wed Bersheba (Bathsheba) Herring on July 9, 1770. During the American Revolutionary War, Lincoln served as a Captain in the Virginia Militia and received land grants in Kentucky in payment for his service. He later relocated his family to these land holdings in Kentucky. He was killed by a small band of Wyndotte Indians in Jefferson County, Kentucky, near Hughes Station in May of 1786, while clearing the land. He was buried near the homestead cabin at Long Run.

## THE GRANDMOTHER

*Bersheba Herring Lincoln*

**Bersheba Herring Lincoln**, thought to be born about 1750 in Virginia, was the daughter of Alexander Herring (Herron), Jr. and Abigail Harrison. After the death of her husband, Captain Abraham Lincoln, the widow moved her children to Washington County, Kentucky. She remained there until 1803 when she moved to Hardin County with her youngest married daughter, Nancy Ann Brumfield. She lived to an advanced age with her daughter in the Mill Creek area of Hardin County. Following her death in 1836 she was buried in the Mill Creek Church Cemetery.

## THE AUNTS and UNCLES

**Mordecai Lincoln**, born about 1771. According to Nelson County, Kentucky, records, the Reverend William de Rohan, a Roman Catholic priest, presided over his marriage to Mary Mudd in 1792. The couple resided in Washington County, Kentucky. In 1811, they moved to Grayson County, Kentucky. In 1829 they removed to Hancock County, Illinois, where he died in 1830. They had three sons, Abraham, James and Mordecai and three daughters, Elizabeth, Mary Rowena and Martha.

**Josiah Lincoln**, born about 1773. On February 28, 1801, he married Catherine "Caty" Barlow. From Kentucky he moved to Harrison County, Indiana, in the DePaul area. He died in 1835. They had two sons, Thomas and Jacob and four daughters, Barbara, Elizabeth, Nancy and Katherine.

**Mary Lincoln Crume**, born about 1775-6. She married Ralph Crume on August 4, 1801, in Washington County, Kentucky. They moved to Breckinridge County, Kentucky, just across the Hardin County line in the Hudson/Constantine area. It is not known when Mary died. They had two sons, William and Ralph Jr. and one daughter, Ann.

**Nancy Ann Lincoln Brumfield**, born March 25, 1780. She was married February 3, 1801, to William Brumfield of Washington County, Kentucky. They relocated to the Mill Creek area of Hardin County, Kentucky, in 1803 where they lived out the remainder of their lives. Nancy died October 8, 1845. They had four daughters, Mary, Elizabeth, Lucretia and Susan.

## FATHER of the PRESIDENT

*Thomas Lincoln*

Born on Linville Creek, in Augusta County (now Roanoke County), Virginia, January 6, 1778. Migrated to Kentucky with his parents when about five years of age. Suffered loss of father at a young age and was reared by widowed mother. No known formal education but able to read and sign own name. Pioneer of intelligence, good standing and excellent morals. Primarily a carpenter by trade, but also did some farming of the land. Married Nancy Hanks in Washington County, Kentucky on June 12, 1806. After the death of Nancy, he returned to Hardin County, Kentucky, and took a second wife, Sarah "Sally" Bush Johnston, on December 2, 1819. He died on January 17, 1851, at age seventy-five, near Farmington in Coles County, Illinois.



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*Thomas Lincoln*



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