### Benjamin R. Field (1828-1903) Gibson County, Indiana and

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**Shelby County, Illinois** 

Name:	Benjamin* R. l	Field			Sex:	M			
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Birth Date:	18 July 1828	Place:	Gibson County, Indiana		Jane L				
Chr. Date:		Place:							
Death Date:	10 May 1903	Place:	Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois		green a				
<b>Burial Date:</b>	12 May 1903	12 May 1903							
Place:	IOOF Cemetery, Ha	IOOF Cemetery, Hazleton, Gibson County, Indiana							
Cause of Death:			·	7		8			
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#### **Events**

• He resided at Military Donation No. 10 in White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana in 1828



- 1830 Census: Living with father, 1830, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana.
- 1850 Census: head, 21, born Indiana, farmer, 1850, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana. Dwelling 1011 Family 1012
   Benjamin Fields, head, 21, born Indiana, farmer
   Lydia Fields, wife, 23, born Indiana
   George E. Fields, son, 6/12, born Indiana



• He worked as a farmer from 1850 to 1893 in Gibson County, Indiana.

Wm Evans, 23, born Kentucky, farm hand John McFetridge, 18, born Indiana, farm hand

• 1860 Census: head, 31, born Indiana, farmer, 1860, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana. Dwelling 613 Family 620
Benj R. Field, head, 31, born Indiana, farmer
Lydia E. Field, wife, 32, born Indiana
Geo E. Field, son, 16, born Indiana
Charity E. Field, daughter, 7, born Indiana
John F. Field, son, 5, born Indiana
Cynthia E. Field, daughter, 3, born Indiana
Sarah E. Field, daughter, 5/12, born Indiana



### Events: Benjamin\* R. Field

• 1870 Census: head, 41, born Indiana, farmer, 1870, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana. Dwelling 120 Family 120

Benjamin Fields, head, 41, born Indiana, farmer

Elizabeth Fields, wife, 32, born Indiana, keeping house

George Fields, son, 20, born Indiana

Charity Fields, daughter, 17, born Indiana

John Fields, son, 15, born Indiana

Sarah Fields, daughter, 10, born Indiana

Keen Fields, son, 8, born Indiana

Nancy Fields, daughter, 6, born Indiana

Grace Fields, daughter, 3, born Indiana

Henry Fields, [unknown relationship],12, born Indiana



- He worked as a carpenter and farmer in 1881 in Gibson County, Indiana.
- Church Affiliation: Methodist Episcopal Church, Bet 1867 and 1903.
- 1880 Census: Head of household, 52, born Indiana, farming, 1880, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana. Fields, Benjamin, head, 53, born Indiana, farming

Fields, Annie, wife, 48, born Indiana, keeping house

Fields, George, son, 30, born Indiana, farming

Fields, John, son, 25, born Indiana, works on farm

Fields, Sarah, daughter, 18, born Indiana, at home

Fields, Nancy, daughter, 18, born Indiana, at home

Fields, Keen, son, 16, born Indiana, works on farm

Fields, Grace, daughter, 13, born Indiana, at home

Fields, Jane, daughter, 11, born Indiana, at home

Fields, Ruth, daughter, 9, born Indiana, at home

Sanders, Anna, daughter, 18, born Indiana



• Land Ownership: Sections MD10, MD15, Luke Decker Tract, 12, 1881, White River Twp. Gibson County, Indiana.



- He immigrated in 1893 to Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois.
- He resided at 325 N. Third St. in Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois between 1893 and 1903.



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### Events: Benjamin\* R. Field

• 1900 Census: head, 71, born July 1828, Indiana, married 0 years, [no job listed], 1900, Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois. West Third Street Dwelling 318 Family 324

Benjamin Field, head, 71, born July 1828, Indiana, married 0 years, [no job listed] Martha E. Field, wife, 52, born Jan 1848, Kentucky, married 0 years, 0 children



He signed a will 1 April 1901 and it was probated on 16 May 1903 in Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois. Benjamin R.
Field, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make, publish and declare the following to be my last will and testament.

First, I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid.

Second, It is my will that my executor herein after named shall sell either at public or private sale, and convey by a good and sufficient deed within two years from the date of my death the following described real estate, to wit. Apart of the tract formerly known as the Evey or Dexter land commencing at a point where Long Street and North Third street intersect [in Shelbyville, Illinois] and running thence east one hundred and six feet along the north side of North third street, thence north one hundred twenty feet, thence west one hundred and six feet to the place of beginning. situated in the city of Shelbyville, county of Shelby and state of Illinois.

Third, I will and bequeath to my wife Martha E. Field to have and to hold as her absolute property forever the following described real estate to wit.

The follwing section was struck out. Benjamin had moved to Shelbyville Il and disposed of his property in Princeton, Gibson County, IN]

[Beginning west of a point which point is in the center of an alley six feet west of the south west corner of lot number twenty six. C. Brownlee's enlargement to the town, now city of Princeton, and state of Indiana, running thence west to West Street seventy on and one fourth feet, thence north one hundred forty-eight and a half feet, thence east seventy one and one fourth foot, thence south one hundred forty eight and a half feet to the place of beginning. consisting one quarter of an acre more or less.]

Fourth, It is my will that my executor pay unto my wife, Martha E. Field five hundred fifty dollars out of my money in his hands as so as collected from the assets of my estate.

Fifth, It is my will and I direct my executor to pay my grandchild, Allie May Smith, two hundred fifty dollars out of any money he may collect from the assets of my estate in case she has some suitable person appointed to act as her guardian (if at that time she is a minor) rather her father, but in case she does not nominate such a person to act as such guardian then my said executor shall hold said money in trust for her until she becomes eighteen years of age at which time he shall pay said money over to her with all occurred interest.

Sixth, It is my will that my executor, after reducing all of my property both said and real and personal, to money pay the above legacies to Martha E. Field (my wife) first, or retain my grandchild's part in trust as above specified, ? after which he will divide the remainder equally between my sons George E. and Keen R. Field each of said sons to share equally in such remainder.

Seventh, it is my will that my wife Martha E. Field and my sons George E. Field and Keen R. Field divide my bed clothing and beds and picturers equally between them and each to take one third of the same. Also that my clothing shall be divided between my two sons George E. Field and Keen R. Field as they may agree.

Eighth, I hereby appoint my nephew John. W. Field as executor of this my last will and testament, and declare this to be my last will and testament and hereby revoke all other wills by me made.

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#### Events (cont.)

In Witness thereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this 1st day of April, A. D. 1901.

Benjamin R.Field (seal)

We Edward N. Harron and Charles R. Athey hereby certify that Benjamin R. Field signed the foregoing instrument in our presence and declared the same to be his last will and testament, and that we signed the will in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other and that we believe that said testator at the time of the execution of this will was of sound mind and disposing memory.

Edward N. Herron Resident in Shelbyville, Illinois Charles R. Athey Resident in Shelbyville, Illinois

Will of Benjamin R. Field Deceased. Filed in the office of County (?) This 16" day of May A. D. 1903 Gilbert Allen (?) Clerk.

Shelbyville Shelby C Wills Feb 27

Benjamin R Field being of sound mind and disposing memory add a codicil to my will

Eight it is my will that my executor shall consider the word personal properly null and void it is my will that my executor after complying with my will except the word personal property

Ninth to pack all my carpenter tools in the tool chest and rap it well with wire send it to Valparaiso Indiana to my son George E Field also pay the freight put the key in the box in the clothing tell him how to find it

Tenth it is my will that my executor fix the brown beauro in the east room also the corner cupboard and fix them safe for shipping pay the freight and send them to Keen R. Field in Patoka Indiana

Eeleventh when the beds and the clothing are divided box the boys shares separately and send them to George in Valparaiso and Keen to Patoka pay the freight all freight to be paid out of assets of my estate

Twelfth it is my will that my wife Martha E. Field shall have the balance of my personal property not including money except her legacy nor notes nor certain articles that I will name which my executor shall sell also that my wife shall have the house and ground rent free untill sold.

Thirteenth it is my will that my executors take the property I name here and sell them as best he can at private sale one the tile spade one weed (?). one sixteen foot ladder one step ladder one lawn mower one hand plow one grind stone.

in witness hereof I hereunto set my hand and self this 27 Feb 1903

Benjamin R. Field

We E. N. Herron and August H. Wynich hereby certify that Benjamin R. Field signed the forgoing insturment in our presence and declared the same to be his last will and testament and that we signed the will or codicil in the presence of each other and that we believe that said testator at the time of the execution of this will was of sound mind and disposing memory

Edward Harron (seal) August H. Wynich (seal)

I also appoint John W. Field my nephew executor fo this codicil as will as the former will

Benjamin R. Field

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### **Events: Benjamin\* R. Field**

• Tombstone Inscription: B. R. Field/Born/ July 18, 1828 (Death Date Never Inscribed), 1903, Hazleton, Gibson County, Indiana.



- Death Cause: Hemorrhage of the brain, 10 May 1903, Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois.
- His obituary was published in the Shelbyville newspaper after 10 May 1903 in Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois.
   BENJ. R. FIELD FORDS THE RIVER

Benjamin R. Field, who for sometime has been a resident of this city, responded to the summons of Death Sunday morning and was called away into the Hereafter. More than two years ago Mr. Field was a victim of a stroke of paralysis, and later received the second one. During the months following he suffered greatly, and welcomed the means of the release from the ills of the flesh. For several days just previous to his death he lay in an unconscious condition and did not rally sufficiently to bid farewell to the relatives who surrounded him.

The funeral services were held at the residence at three o'clock Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. W. Whitlock and Rev. P. S. Heald. Afterwards the remains were taken to Hazelton, Ind., where they were laid away Tuesday morning to await the resurrection of the Just. The funeral party included Mrs. Field, her son George, of Valparaiso, Indiana, her nephew J. W. Field of Strasburg, and Miss Bessie Field of Patoka, Indiana.

Mr. Field was born in Gibson County, Indiana, on the 18th of July, 1828 and was therefore nearly 75 years of age at the time of his death. Quite a number of years ago he came to Shelby County, and in 1893 removed to this city. He was married five times, his fifth wife and two sons by a former marriage surviving him. The sons are George E., of Valparaiso, and K. R. of Patoka. An aged brother of the deceased, K. W. Field, resides in this city and with a host of other relatives and intimate friends mourns the death of him who [to] a great degree possessed the esteem and love of those about him.

This article is from a Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinios, newspaper printed shortly after May 10, 1903.

Father:	Abraham* Field (1793-1870)								
Mother:	Grace* Rainey (1797-186	Grace* Rainey (1797-1863)							
Spouse:	*Lydia* Ellen Brown (2	5 May 1827	7 - 14 February 1869)						
Marr. Date:	7 March 1849	Place:	Gibson County, Indiana						
Children: 1	George* Emery Field (18	49-1915)							
2	Charity E. Field (1853-18	377)							
3	John F. Field (1854-1885	John F. Field (1854-1885)							
4	Cynthia Easter Field (185	Cynthia Easter Field (1856-1869)							
5	Sarah Elizabeth Field (18	Sarah Elizabeth Field (1860-1889)							
6	Keen R. Field (1862-Afte	Keen R. Field (1862-After 1915)							
7	Nancy A. Field (1863-18	82)							
8	Grace A. Field (1867-188	39)							
Other Spouse:	Elizabeth Moore (12 Fe	Elizabeth Moore (12 February 1838 - 11 November 1873)							
Marr. Date:	17 June 1869	17 June 1869 Place: Gibson County, Indiana							
Children: 1	Jane E. Field (1870-1887	Jane E. Field (1870-1887) <b>3</b> Son Field (1873-1873)							
2	2 Arminta Field (1872-1873)								

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Other Spouse: (cont. for Benjamin* R. Field)										
Other Spouse:	Amanda E. Dills (22 Au	Amanda E. Dills (22 August 1833 - 16 September 1878)								
Marr. Date:	1 December 1875	1 December 1875 Place: Gibson County, Indiana								
Children: 1	Ruth F. Field (1877-1881	Ruth F. Field (1877-1881)								
Other Spouse:	Margaret Anne "Annie	'' Gillispie (	(5 November 1832 - 3 June 1899)							
Marr. Date: 19 February 1880 Place: Gibson County, Indiana										
Other Spouse: Martha E. Vaught (January 1848 - 23 April 1914)										
Marr. Date:	14 August 1899	Place:	Gibson County, Indiana							
General:										

School Board President, Patoka Gibson County, Indiana

Shelbyville Democrat, Oct. 14, 1897. Benj. R. Field and wife [Martha E. Vaught] left here the sixth of September for a visit with their brother-in-law at Harrisburg, Ill., and at Princeton, Ind., the old youth-hood home. They arrived home October five after having enjoyed reminiscent converse with the old childhood chums and talk about the conditions and hopes of the generation below them. Ben's brother K.W. and latters good wife [Nancy D. Blyth] were back to the old homestead and with the good old time friends last year and will leave shortly for a fortnights visit as St. Charles, Mo. With their daughter, Mrs. Charity [Field, daughter of Lydia Ellen Brown] Randolph and her family. The Fields are an old and honorable family .

Shelbyville Democrat, Aug. 27, 1903, page 8. Real estate transfers: John W. Field, executor of B. R. Field to John P. Bennett, pt. Of Dexter and Evey's tract of Land in Shelbyville, \$1800.

Shelbyville Democrat, May 14, 1903, page 1. We the undersigned desire to thank our friends who so kindly assisted us in our sad bereavement during the sickness and death of husband, father and brother. [Benjamin R. Field]- M.E. Field, wife: George E. Field, son: K.W. Field, brother.

Windsor Gazette, Oct. 28, 1897, page 7 [County Line]. B.R. Field of Shelbyville was in this neighborhood one day last week.

Shelbyville Democrat, Aug. 25, 1898, page 3. Mrs. Benjamin R. Field has been very ill. Her relatives, T.H. Gillespie and lady [Mary A.] of Princeton, Ind., have been with them for some days.

Shelbyville Democrat, March 16, 1893, page 1. Mr. L.H. Turner [Cynthia Field] purchased Mrs. (illegible) Cutler's residence in the part of this city, paying \$1600. He bought it (illegible) brother-in-law's, Mr. B.R. Fields.

Shelbyville Democrat, March 16, 1893, page 3. Mrs. L.H. Turner [Cynthia Field] has been happy the past week in the enjoyment of a visit from her brother and sister -in-law, Mr. And Mrs. B.R. Field and wife [Martha Vaught] of Priceville, Ind.

Windsor Gazette, Feb. 23, 1888, page 3 [Stewardson]. Mr. And Mrs. B.R. Field [Martha Vaught] of Indiana and Mrs. L.H. Turner [Cynthia Field)\] of Richland were visiting in Stewards on last week.

Windsor Gazette, Feb. 23, 1888, page 3. Mr. And Mrs. B.R. Field [Martha Vaught] of Hazelton Ind. Mr. And Mrs. L.H. Turner [Cynthia Field], Mr. And Mrs. K.W. Field [Nancy D. Blyth] of Richland visited Mrs. J.N. Storm [Nancy Jane Field daughter of Lorenzo and Cynthia Field] today.

Windsor Gazette, Feb. 16, 1888, page 7. Mr. and Mrs. B.R. Field [Martha Vaught] of Hazelton Ind. have been visiting relatives on Richland the past week.

News paperclippings transcribed by Eric Hampton, 3rd great-grandnephew of Benjamin R. Field. (mbspcrafts@msn.com)

#### **BENJAMIN R. FIELD**

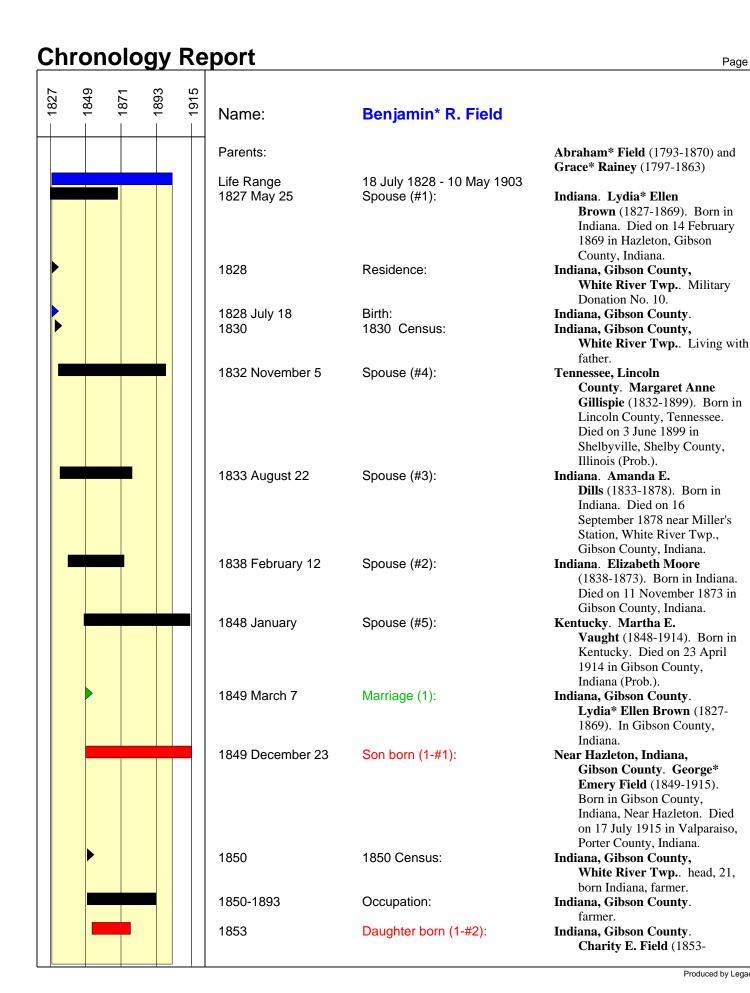
Died at His Home Sunday--Remains Interred at Hazleton, Ind., Tuesday

Benjamin R. Field was born in Gibson county, Ind., July 18, 1828, died at his home in Shelbyville, Ill., May 10, 1903. Deceased was five times married. Besides the bereaved wife he leaves two sons, George of Valparaiso, Ind., and K. R. of Patoka, Ind., one aged brother of Shelbyville, Ill., and a host of other relatives to mourn the loss of husband, parent and bother.

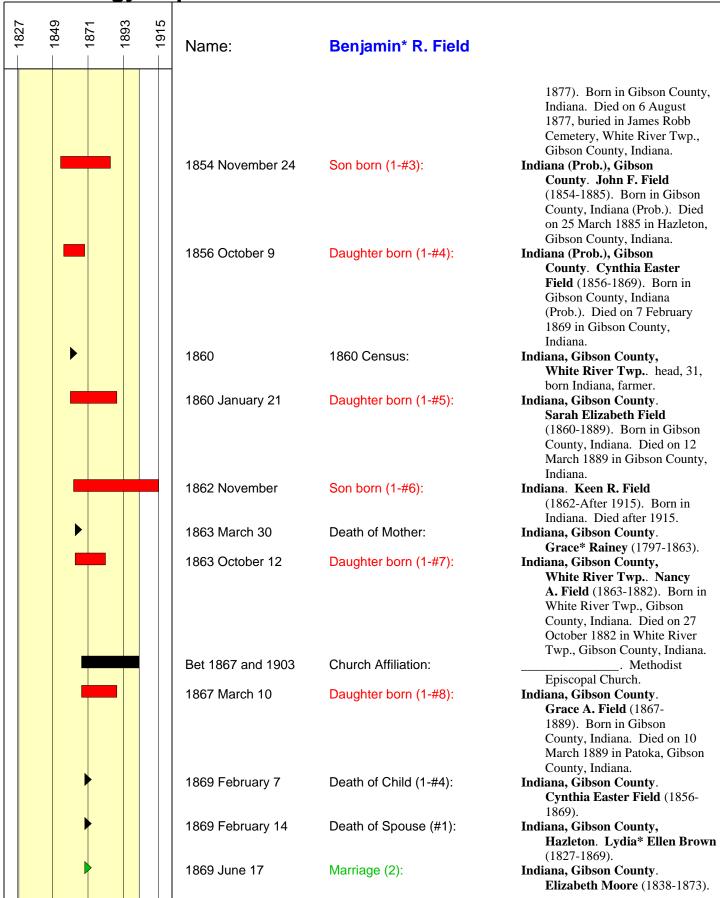
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General: (cont.)						
Mr. Field was converted to the Christian religion and became a member of the M. E. church in 1867, and was faithfull to the church of his choice until impared by ill health which prevented his attendance at divine worship.						
Short service was held at the residence by Rev. Whitlock of the Moulton M. E. church, assisted by Rev. Epler, after which the remains were taken to Hazelton Ind., Monday night. The remains were accompanied by his wife, George Field his son, John Field and Bessie Field, nephew and niece. The interment took place at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.						
May 14, 1903 Shelbyville Democrat. Shelbyville, Shelby County, Illinois						





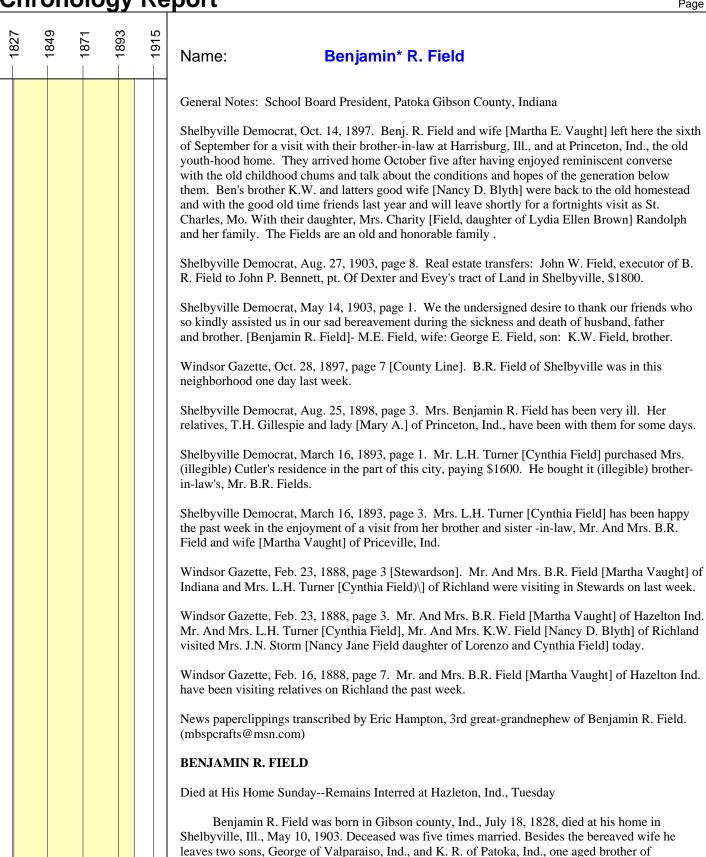


### **Chronology Report**

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182/	1849	1871	1893	1915	Name:	Benjamin* R. Field	
					1870	1870 Census:	In Gibson County, Indiana.  Indiana, Gibson County,  White River Twp head, 41,
					1870 April 12	Death of Father:	born Indiana, farmer. Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp Abraham* Field (1793-1870).
					1870 July 12	Daughter born (2-#1):	Indiana (Prob.), Gibson County. Jane E. Field (1870-1887). Born in Gibson County, Indiana (Prob.). Died on 9 December 1887 in Patoka,
					1872 June 1	Daughter born (2-#2):	Gibson County, Indiana.  Indiana, Gibson County.  Arminta Field (1872-1873)  . Born in Gibson County, Indiana. Died on 5 August 1873 in Gibson County, Indiana.
		<b>&gt;</b>			1873 August 5	Death of Child (2-#2):	Indiana, Gibson County. Arminta Field (1872-1873).
					1873 October 5	Son born (2-#3):	Indiana, Gibson County. Son Field (1873-1873). Born in Gibson County, Indiana. Died on 5 October 1873 in Gibson County, Indiana.
		<b>&gt;</b>			1873 October 5	Death of Child (2-#3):	Indiana, Gibson County. Son Field (1873-1873).
		•			1873 November 11	Death of Spouse (#2):	Indiana, Gibson County. Elizabeth Moore (1838-1873).
					1875 December 1	Marriage (3):	Indiana, Gibson County.  Amanda E. Dills (1833-1878).  In Gibson County, Indiana.
					1877 July 25	Daughter born (3-#1):	Indiana. Ruth F. Field (1877-1881). Born in Indiana. Died on 21 December 1881, buried in IOOF Cemetery, Hazleton, Gibson County, Indiana.
		•			1877 August 6	Death of Child (1-#2):	Charity E. Field (1853-1877).
		•			1878 September 16	Death of Spouse (#3):	Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp., near Miller's Station. Amanda E. Dills (1833-1878).
		•			1880	1880 Census:	Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp Head of household, 52, born Indiana, farming.
					1880 February 19	Marriage (4):	Indiana, Gibson County.  Margaret Anne "Annie"  Gillispie (1832-1899). In Gibson County, Indiana.
		•			1881	Land Ownership:	Indiana, White River Twp.

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			•			1881 December 21	Death of Child (3-#1):	carpenter and farmer.  Ruth F.
			•			1882 October 27	Death of Child (1-#7):	Field (1877-1881). Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp Nancy A. Field (1863-1882).
			•			1885 March 25	Death of Child (1-#3):	Indiana, Gibson County, Hazleton. John F. Field (1854- 1885).
			•			1887 December 9	Death of Child (2-#1):	Indiana, Gibson County, Patoka. Jane E. Field (1870- 1887).
			•			1889 March 10	Death of Child (1-#8):	Indiana, Gibson County, Patoka. Grace A. Field (1867- 1889).
			•			1889 March 12	Death of Child (1-#5):	Indiana, Gibson County. Sarah Elizabeth Field (1860- 1889).
						Bet 1893 and 1903	Residence:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville. 325 N. Third St.
				<b>&gt;</b>		1893	Immigration:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville.
				<b>•</b>		1899 June 3	Death of Spouse (#4):	Illinois (Prob.), Shelby County, Shelbyville. Margaret Anne Gillispie (1832-1899).
						1899 August 14	Marriage (5):	Indiana, Gibson County.  Martha E. Vaught (1848- 1914). In Gibson County,
				•		1900	1900 Census:	Indiana.  Illinois, Shelby County,  Shelbyville. head, 71, born July 1828, Indiana, married 0 years,
				•		1903	Tombstone Inscription:	[no job listed].  Indiana, Gibson County,  Hazleton. B. R. Field/Born/ July 18, 1828 (Death Date Never Inscribed).
						1903 May 10	Death Cause:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville. Hemorrhage of the brain.
						1903 May 10	Death:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville.
						After 1903 May 10	Obituary:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville. Shelbyville newspaper.
						1903 May 12	Burial:	Indiana, Gibson County, Hazleton, IOOF Cemetery.
						1903 May 16	Will:	Illinois, Shelby County, Shelbyville. 1 April 1901 and it was probated.



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