




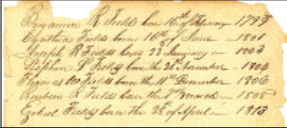
Keen Field Sr. (1744-1815) Culpeper County Virginia, Jefferson County, Kentucky & Gibson County, Indiana

Name:	Keen* Field Sr.			Sex:	M
AKA:					
Birth Date:	Abt 1774	Place:	Culpeper County, Virginia		
Chr. Date:		Place:			
Death Date:	Abt 22 January 1815	Place:	White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana		
Burial Date:	1815				
Place:	Field-Morrison Cemetery, MD 11, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana				
Cause of Death:					

Events

- Other Spellings: Cane, Cain.
- Middle Name: No reference to Keen's middle name has ever been found. However, Anna named his last son Keen Wither Field Jr. after Keen had died. From this we conjecture that Keen's middle name was most likely Wither or Withers. The middle name of Withers was used in several generations of the family.
- Court Appearance: Proved his attendance in Court for Field v. Scott, 2 June 1789, Jefferson County, Kentucky.
- Tax List 1792: 1792, Shelby County, Kentucky.
- 1795 Census: Listed in the Kentucky state census, 1795, Shelby County, Kentucky.
- He immigrated from Shelby County, Kentucky in 1799 to Knox County, Indiana. The area to which he immigrated is now located in Gibson County, Indiana.
- He resided at Military Donation No. 10 in Gibson County, Indiana from 1799 to 1815. This was the land on which Keen and Elizabeth Field settled on about 1799 in what was then Knox County, Indiana Territory. He brought his family here from Jefferson County, Kentucky. He lived here until he died in 1815. At the south east corner of this land is the Field/Morrison Cemetery where Keen is buried.
 
- 1800 Census: Listed in the 1800 Census, Jefferson County, Kentucky, 1800, Jefferson County, Kentucky. He may have already moved to Knox (later Gibson) County, Indiana. He is listed as Cain.
- 1807 Census: Listed on the Indiana Territory Census (tax list) in Knox County (later split and Gibson County was formed from it.) and not listed in the 1810 Census, Jefferson County, Kentucky, 1807, Knox County, Indiana. Listed as Cain Fields.
- Election Poll: Keen Fields listed, 1809, White River Twp., Knox County, (Now Gibson) Indiana.
- Civic Duty: Appears on list of County Road viewers, surveyors and supervisors for 1810, 1810, Knox (Now Gibson) County, Indiana.
- Fined: Fined \$1.00 for breach of the peace, 8 November 1813, Gibson County, Indiana.
- Tombstone Inscription: KF x 1815, 1815, Field-Morrison Cemetery, MD 11, White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana. This is the original marker on the grave of Keen Field in the Field/Morrison Cemetery, Steelman Road, Gibson County, Indiana.
 

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estate: Estate 39-4 Gibson County Courthouse, 18 February 1815, Princeton, Gibson County, Indiana. (Princeton Public Library) 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Civic Duty: Served as a juror, 1808-1810, Knox (Now Gibson) County, Indiana. He served on a jury at some point between 1808 and 1810. 			
Father:	Abraham* Field (1744-1822)		
Mother:	Elizabeth* "Betty" (-After 1825)		
Spouse:	*Anna* "Anny" Lewis (1773 - After 1850)		
Marr. Date:	29 March 1793	Place:	Shelby County, Kentucky
Children:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Abraham* Field (1793-1870) 2 Elizabeth Field (Abt 1795-1860) 3 Benjamin R. Field (1799-Between 1830/1840) 4 Cynthia Field (1801-1843) 5 Joseph Riley Field (1803-1881) 6 Stephen Lewis Field (1804-Abt 1845) 7 Thomas Withers Field (1806-) 8 Reuben R. Field (1808-1857) 9 Ezekiel Field (1813-Between 1877/1880) 10 Keen Wither Field Jr. (1815-1894) 		
General:			
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<p>Biography of Keen Field:</p> <p>Keen (Cain) Field, was born about 1774, in Culpeper County, Virginia. His parents were Abraham and Elizabeth Field. He was the second of seven children. When he was 10 years old his family moved to the Falls of the Ohio. They followed George Rogers Clark who founded Louisville in 1778. Only one of his siblings was born after the family settled in Kentucky. Two of his younger brothers, Joseph and Reuben, are remembered for being members of the Corps of Discovery (The Lewis and Clark Expedition). Little is known of his childhood. His father was a hunter and surveyor and without a doubt he accompanied his father on some of these activities. Having been raised in the Kentucky wilderness he gained the skills need to survive in sparsely inhabited southern Indiana. At the age of 19, in 1793, he married Anna Lewis in Shelby County, Kentucky.</p>			

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Their first child, Abraham, was born just nine months after they were married. Their first five children, Abraham, Elizabeth, Benjamin, Cynthia and Joseph were born in Kentucky. The last five, Stephen, Thomas, Reuben, Ezekiel and Keen were born after they moved to Indiana. The last child, Keen Wither Jr., was born about seven months after his father's death.

In 1799 he claimed land in Knox County now Gibson County, Indiana. Prior to this Keen may have moved up the Mississippi to the area of St. Louis. Keen and Anna eventually settled their family on Military Donation No. 11. Here he farmed and built the first grist mill in White River Township. Again, little is known about his life. In 1810 he was one of a group of county road viewers, surveyors and supervisors. Prior to this he served on a jury. In 1813 in what was the first incident of its kind in the county Keen was fined \$1.00 for a breach of the peace.

He died relatively young at about the age of 45, in 1815. He is buried at the south east corner of his property in the Field/Morrison Cemetery. His grave was at first marked by a simple triangular stone from the surrounding field with "KF 1815" carved into it. A list of his possessions was one of the first to be filed with the county courthouse. In September of 1999, Eugene and Lucie Field placed a new tombstone next to the original one.

Even less is known about the life of Anna Lewis. She was born in 1773 and her father may have been Stephen Lewis of Loudon County, Virginia. After Keen's death Anna appeared in court several times to gain guardianship of her minor children. In 1838 she moved with the family of her son Keen Withers Field to Wilmington Precinct, Greene County, Illinois. She died sometime after 1850, the last time her name appears in a Green County census with the family of her son Keen.

By Eugene A. Field
December 2005

Chronology Report

1773	1803	1833	1863	1894	
Name: Keen* Field Sr.					
Parents: Abraham* Field (1744-1822) and Elizabeth* (-After 1825)					
Life Range: Abt 1774- Abt 22 January 1815					
1773 Spouse: _____ . Anna* Lewis (1773-After 1850) . Died after 1850 in Greene County, Illinois (Prob.).					
Abt 1774 Birth: Virginia, Culpeper County, Kentucky, Jefferson County. Proved his attendance in Court for Field v. Scott.					
1789 June 2 Court Appearance: Kentucky, Shelby County.					
1792 Tax List 1792: Kentucky, Shelby County.					
1793 March 29 Marriage: Anna* "Anny" Lewis (1773-After 1850) . In Shelby County, Kentucky.					
1793 December 27 Son born (#1): Kentucky, Shelby County. Abraham* Field (1793-1870) . Born in Shelby County, Kentucky. Died on 12 April 1870 in White River Twp., Gibson County, Indiana.					
Abt 1795 Daughter born (#2): Kentucky (Prob.). Elizabeth Field (Abt 1795-1860) . Born in Kentucky (Prob.). Died on 28 June 1860.					
1795 1795 Census: Kentucky, Shelby County. Listed in the Kentucky state census.					
1799 Immigration: Indiana, Knox County. from Shelby County, Kentucky.					
1799-1815 Residence: Indiana, Gibson County. Military Donation No. 10.					
1799 February 16 Son born (#3): Kentucky, Shelby County. Benjamin R. Field (1799-Between 1830/1840) . Born in Shelby County, Kentucky. Died between 1830 and 1840 in Pike County, Indiana (Prob.).					
1800 1800 Census: Kentucky, Jefferson County. Listed in the 1800 Census, Jefferson County, Kentucky.					
1801 June 16 Daughter born (#4): Kentucky, Shelby County. Cynthia Field (1801-1843) . Born in Shelby County, Kentucky. Died on 14 May 1843 in Gibson County, Indiana (Prob.).					
1803 January 22 Son born (#5): Kentucky, Jefferson County, Louisville. Joseph Riley Field (1803-1881) . Born in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Died on 28					

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					1804 November 20	Son born (#6): September 1881 in Patterson Twp., Greene County, Illinois. Indiana (Prob.), Knox (Now Gibson) County. Stephen Lewis Field (1804-Abt 1845). Born in Knox (Now Gibson) County, Indiana (Prob.). Died about February 1845 in Gibson County, Indiana.
					1806 December 11	Son born (#7): Indiana (Prob.), Knox (Now Gibson) County. Thomas Withers Field (1806-). Born in Knox (Now Gibson) County, Indiana (Prob.).
					1807	1807 Census: Indiana, Knox County. Listed on the Indiana Territory Census (tax list) in Knox County (later split and Gibson County was formed from it.) and not listed in the 1810 Census, Jefferson County, Kentucky.
					1808-1810	Civic Duty: Indiana, Knox (Now Gibson) County. Served as a juror.
					1808 March 7	Son born (#8): Indiana, Gibson County, Hazleton. Reuben R. Field (1808-1857). Born in Hazleton, Gibson County, Indiana. Died on 19 February 1857 in Gibson County, Indiana.
					1809	Election Poll: (Now Gibson) Indiana, Knox County, White River Twp.. Keen Fields listed.
					1810	Civic Duty: Indiana, Knox (Now Gibson) County. Appears on list of County Road viewers, surveyors and supervisors for 1810.
					1813 April 28	Son born (#9): Indiana, Gibson County. Ezekiel Field (1813- Between 1877/1880). Born in Gibson County, Indiana. Died between 1877 and 1880 in Gibson County, Indiana.
					1813 November 8	Fined: Indiana, Gibson County. Fined \$1.00 for breach of the peace.
					1815	Tombstone Inscription: Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp., MD 11, Field-Morrison Cemetery. KF x 1815.
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					<p>1815 Burial: Indiana, Gibson County, White River Twp., MD 11, Field-Morrison Cemetery.</p>
					<p>1815 February 18 Estate: Indiana, Gibson County, Princeton. Estate 39-4 Gibson County Courthouse.</p>
					<p>1815 August 15 Son born (#10): Indiana, Gibson County. Keen Wither Field Jr. (1815-1894). Born in Gibson County, Indiana. Died on 24 October 1894 in Wyandotte, Ottawa County, Oklahoma (Indian Territory).</p>
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