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For years guests from Moultrie County, Illinois, have visited the tomb and declared that they were related to Lincoln. When questioned none could run their family line back more than two or three generations, which would not be sufficient. Recently Mrs. Celia Florence Lincoln Sawyer, who was born in Moultrie County, Illinois, visited the tomb and was able to furnish the most complete genealogy of that branch of Mr. Lincoln's family, that has ever been compiled. We publish it below for the benefit of all interested:

## Lineage of John Strother Lincoln

### \*The Moultrie County Line.

1. Samuel Lincoln, m. Martha Lyford; born, England; located Hingham, Mass.

#### Children:

Samuel  
Daniel.  
Mordecai.

- \*Mordecai, m. Sarah Jones.

Thomas.  
Mary  
Thomas.  
Martha.  
Sarah.  
Sarah.  
Rebecca.

2. \*Mordecai, m. Sarah Jones; died Mass.

#### Children:

- \*Mordecai, m. Hannah Salter, m. Mary Robeson.

Abraham.  
Isaac.  
Sarah.  
Elizabeth.  
Jacob.

3. \*Mordecai II., m. Hannah Salter, m. Mary Robeson; moved to New Jersey and then to Pennsylvania.

#### Children of Mordecai and Hannah:

- \*John, m. Rebecca (Flowers) Morris.  
Deborah.

Hannah.  
Mary.  
Anne.  
Sarah.

#### Children of Mordecai and Mary:

Mordecai.  
Thomas.  
Abraham.

4. \*John, m. Rebecca (Flowers) Morris. Called "Virginia John." Home, Rockingham County, Va.

Children: Abraham, m. Bathsheba Herring. He was the grandfather of Abraham Lincoln, the president. Killed in Kentucky by the Indians.

Hannah.  
Lydia.  
Isaac.

- \*Jacob, m. Dorcas Robinson.

John.  
Sarah.  
Thomas.  
Rebecca.

5. \*Jacob, m. Dorcas Robinson.

#### Children:

- \*David, m. Catherine Bright.

John.  
Lydia.  
Mary.  
Dorcas.  
Rebecca.  
Hannah.  
Jacob.  
Abraham.  
Abigail.  
Elizabeth.

6. \*David, m. Catherine Bright. David was first cousin of Abraham Lincoln, the president.

#### Children:

- \*John Strother, m. Hester Ann Burnside. (Mrs. Sawyer has photo).

Preston.  
Benjamin Franklin.  
Dorcas.  
Betsey Ann.  
Abigail.  
Jacob Nicholas.  
Abraham.

7. \*John Strother, m. Hester Ann Burnside, John Strother was second cousin of Abraham Lincoln, the president.

Children:

- a. \*Doralis Marshall, m. Lydia Gertrude Spore.
- b. David C.
- c. Jacob W.
- d. James F.
- e. Charlotte Catherine.

8. \*John Strother Lincoln, son of David and Catherine (Bright) Lincoln, b. Dec. 30, 1809, in Rockingham County, Va., d. Aug. 5, 1873 in Moultrie County, Illinois, m. Hester Ann Burnside March 18, 1831 in Maryland. She was born Feb. 27, 1811 in Rockingham County, Va., d. Oct. 5, 1890, Moultrie County, Ill. He moved to Ohio from Virginia in 1835. Moved later to Illinois, Logan County, then to Moultrie County in 1875. He was a farmer in Virginia, Ohio and Illinois. Children of John Strother and Hester Ann (Burnside) Lincoln. Mrs. Sawyer has photo.

9. a. \*Doralis Marshall, was third cousin to Abraham Lincoln, the president; b. March 16, 1832 in Rockingham County, Virginia, d. March 22, 1894 in Moultrie County, Illinois, m. Lydia Gertrude Spore, April 26, 1866 in Illinois. She was born in Ohio, October 10, 1843. He lived in Virginia, Ohio and Illinois, where he was a farmer. He was a tax collector and assessor in Moultrie County, Illinois. Father of Mrs. Sawyer.

b. David C., b. March 27, 1834, Rockingham County, Va., d. Jan. 22, 1888, m. Nancy M. McFarland, Aug. 30, 1860. Children (1) Robert, Portland, Ore. (2) Ellen Dempsey, Spokane, Wash. (3) Eva May.

c. Jacob W., b. July 31, 1836, Fairfield County, Ohio, d. Sept. 1, 1851.

d. James F., b. Dec. 15, 1838, Fairfield County, Ohio, d. Oct. 11, 1903, Lincoln, Ill. m. Lucy Jane Whittaker, Lincoln, Ill. She was born Dec. 7, 1835, d. July 3, 1921, Oakland, Calif. Children (1) Ulysses Judson, b. Dec.

20, 1865, Lincoln, Ill., m. Harriet E. Lewis. She was born Aug. 9, 1807, Lincoln, Ill. (2) George Wilbur, born Feb. 2, 1869, Lincoln, Ill., m. Mary Meisner, Lincoln, Ill. living in Portland Ore. (3) Ola May, b. May 12, 1872, Lincoln, Ill., m. Robert Blaine, living in Oakland, Calif.

e. Charlotte Catherine, b. March 11, 1841, Fairfield County, Ohio, d. 1926, Portland, Ore., m. John C. Thornton, Feb. 19, 1877. He died in Portland, Ore. Children: (1) Robert, Chicago, Ill. (2) Joseph J., Pacific City, Ore. Robert has son, James, Chicago, Ill.

Eleven children of Doralis Marshall and Lydia Gertrude (Spore) Lincoln; four sons and seven daughters:

1. Dayton Monroe, b. Feb. 9, 1867 in Logan County, Ill. Attended Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind., and was a farmer in Platt and Moultrie Counties, Ill., m. Margaret Bunyan, Hammond, Ill. in 1892. Children (1) George Marshall, b. April 26, 1893 in Hammond, Ill., d. June 25, 1909 in Indiana. (2) Chester Abraham,

b. Sept. 29, 1894, Hammond Ill. Graduate James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill., Bloomington Law School, Bloomington, Ill., attorney, Ft. Wayne, Ind., m. Freda Grace Haas of Columbia City, Ind., May 29, 1929. She was born June 16, 1906. Marshall Lee, son of Chester Abraham and Freda Grace (Haas) Lincoln, b. July 20, 1830, Fort Wayne, Ind. Dayton Monroe, by second marriage has children: Catherine, Gertrude, Lillian, Los Angeles, Calif.

2. Abigail Adina, b. Jan. 5, 1868, Logan County, Ill., m. Edward Alvin Thorpe in 1901 at Nome, Alaska. He was born in Yakima County, Wash. Dec. 8, 1875. Children: (1) Eugene Lincoln, b. July 2, 1902, Nome Alaska, m. Viola Newbanks, Seattle, Wash. Patricia Jean, daughter of Eugene Lincoln and Viola (Newbanks) Thorpe, b. April 24, 1925, Seattle, Wash. (2) Irene Doris Thorpe, b. Oct. 18, 1903, Seattle, Wash., m. Victor Jorgensen, Seattle, Wash., 1923. Abigail Adina attended Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind., and was

a teacher in Moultrie County, Ill.

3. Hester Catherine, b. May 22, 1869, Logan County, Ill., d. May 24, 1930, Seattle, Wash. She was a teacher in Moultrie County, Ill., m. George Harry Conklin, 1893, Decatur, Ill.
4. Maggie, b. 1870, Logan County, Ill., died in infancy.
5. Clenent Valentine, b. April 2, 1872, Logan County, Ill., d. Dec. 5, 1928, Cornucopia, Ore., m. Pearl Romick. Children: (1) Claire, (2) Raymond, (3) Roy Clement, Portland, Ore.
6. Emma Violet, b. Feb. 1, 1875, Logan County, Ill., m. Jacob B. Williams, June 21, 1893, Decatur, Ill. He died July 9, 1919. Carlyle Lincoln, son of Jacob B. and Emma (Lincoln) Williams, b. May 31, 1894, Decatur, Ill., Wabash R. R. Clerk, Decatur, Ill. Emma Violet was a teacher in Moultrie County, Ill.
7. Della Maude, b. July 30, 1877, Moultrie County, Ill., m. Walter M. Way, Oct., 1904. Children: (1) Gertrude, (2) Katherine, (3) Wilma, (4) Josephine, Seattle, Wash.
8. Luther C., b. 1878, Moultrie County, Ill., d. Feb. 22, 1881.
9. Charles Ernest, b. Sept. 16, 1880, Moultrie County, Ill., m. Agnes Hahn, Decatur, Ill. Children: (1) Norma Inza, (2) Catherine; both deceased. Married Emma Joachimi, Indianapolis, Ind., June 28, 1923. Mueller Company salesman, Indianapolis, Ind.
10. Celia Florence, b. Sept. 26, 1883, Moultrie County, Ill. Attended Decatur, Ill., schools, m. William Ira Sawyer, Decatur, Ill., R. R. No. 3, Feb. 24, 1904. He was born Jan. 19, 1883, Decatur, Ill. Children: (1) William Lincoln, b. July 18, 1905, Decatur, Ill. Attended James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill. Graduate University of Illinois, Department, Civil Engineering, 1928; instructor Civil Engineering University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla., m. Enid Janice Friend, Aug. 26, 1930, Decatur, Ill. She was born Jan. 27, 1909, Decatur, Ill. Janice Rosemary, daughter of William Lincoln and Enid Janice (Friend) Sawyer, b. May 22, 1933, Gainesville, Fla. (2) Mary Elizabeth, b. June 11, 1908, Decatur, Ill., Artist, attended Decatur, Ill., schools and James Millikin University, Graduate Federal Art Schools. (3) Julia Catherine, b. March 26, 1914, Decatur, Ill. Attended Decatur Schools. Student Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Ill. (4) Jean Ann, b. June 9, 1921, Decatur, Ill. Student Maple Grove School, Harristown Township, Macon County, Ill.
11. Julia Frances, b. July 4, 1887, Moultrie County, Ill. Attended Decatur Schools and University of Washington, Seattle, m. Franklin Hoyt Fowler, Seattle, Wash., Oct. 1906. He died Dec. 1931. Children of Franklin Hoyt and Julia (Lincoln) Fowler: (1) Elizabeth Ann, b. July 8, 1915, Seattle, Student University of Washington, (2) Franklin Lincoln, b. Feb. 23, 1920, Seattle, Wash.

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