

Iowa Society DAR

PATRIOT STORIES

Cornelius Harris, Virginia, A211751

- Patriotic Service
- Born: 11 Nov 1735, Hanover Co VA
- Died: p 1807, Clermont Co OH

Cornelius is the second son of Daniel Harris (1705-1747) and Mary Hutchins (1705-1766). There were eight children born into this Quaker family. Cornelius's early life included resistance to involvement in French and Indian War. There is documentation (June through August 1756) of Colonel George Washington being charged by Governor Dinwiddie to imprison several Quakers for six months who refused to bear arms. Cornelius and his brother John were among those prisoners.

On 12 Aug1759, Cornelius married Ketura (Keturah) Webber in Goochland Co VA. Since his bride was not a Quaker, he was disowned by the Quakers. There are eight recorded children: Thomas Milton, William, Archibald, John, Webber, James Daniel, Josiah, and Bowles. While it is possible that no girls were born in this union, it is also possible that none of the daughters were given an inheritance or all died young.

As of Summer 2021, NSDAR recognizes daughters from William and Bowles.

- o Thomas Milton (b 1757/1760 d. unknown) married Mary Cain.
- William (A052037) (b 1763 Goochland Co VA d 21 Aug 1850 Estill Co KY) married Anna Oldham, then Polly Dunbar (d 22 Jan 1833 Estill Co KY) on 28 Nov 1803 in Madison Co KY.
- Archibald (b Aug 1763/1768) married Franky (Frances) Wyeme (Winn).
- o John (d b 1827 Estill Co Ky) married Fanny Hill.
- Webber (b 25 Mar 1779 d 7 Mar 1865) married Elizabeth Nancy Panley (1780-1845) are buried in Mount Tabor Cemetery Estill Co KY.
- o James Daniel (b 1770/1785 d 5 Nov 1833) married Jane Vivion. Both are buried in Estill Co KY.
- o Josiah.
- Bowles (b c 1785 d a 15 Nov 1847 Estill Co KY) married Sarah Lawrence (b c 1792 KY d a 15 Aug 1870 Estill Co KY) married 29 Jul 1810 in Clark Co KY.

He purchased 408 acres of land in Louisa Co VA from Patrick Henry Esquire for 20 pounds in Dec 1777. Between Aug 1780 and Mar 1781, Cornelius sold beef to the military. His recognized patriotic service is labeled "furnished supplies".



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