First Generation

1. **Burton Leroy Waite** was buried¹ in Michigan. Burton married² **Lillian A. (-)** Lillian was born on 13 Jul 1888. She died on 19 May 1981 in Litchfield, Hillsdale, MI.

Second Generation

- 2. **Leroy Watson Waite** was born³ on 7 Aug 1853. He died⁴ on 27 Jan 1929 in Hillsdale Co., Ml. He married Ella.
- 3. **Ella.** I have seen her surname referred to as both Snyder and Credit.

Third Generation

- 4. **Nathaniel Waite** was born⁵ on 26 Feb 1822. He married⁶ Lovina Avery.
- 5. Loving AVERY.

Fourth Generation

8. Martin Waite was born⁷ on 15 Feb 1775 in Lyme, New London, CT. He died⁸ after 1855. He married Sarah Bailey. The first land transaction for Martin is in 1802. It may represent the newly-married Martin buying land to set-up his first marital home. Martin's land, and his residence for the next thirty years, is given as Lima, a town four miles west of West Bloomfield, in (after restructuring in 1821) Livingston Co. At this point I (Kem Luther) will try to build up a credible picture of who the children of Martin Wait may have been. 1810 and 1820 census information suggests that four children were born in this decade. During the 1820s some names emerge for Martin's children. in Martin's father's will, Lorin is described as martin's second oldest son. Also, Lorin the father of Martin sells land to the sons of Martin, and their names are given: a parcel to David, Thomas, Nathaniel, and Joseph on one deed, and another parcel to Lorin Jr. on another. If we are lucky, the four in the first deed are named in chronological order, and all we have to do is to insert Lorin in his place as the second son. Up to 1820, only three sons had appeared, and five sons are named on the deeds, so it seems likely that children continued to be born to Martin after 1820. The 1830 census seems to bear this out. It appears that there may be four more children on this census. But Martin's wife, as we will see, is 49 by 1830, so it may be that one or two of the youngest are grandchildren. But for now, they are listed as Martin's children. (KL) Somewhere between 1830 and 1840, Martin and several of his children move to Newstead and Alden Townships of Erie County. A sale in 1831 says Martin is of Lima. A sale in Livingston Co., in Jun of 1834 lists Martin, Sarah, Lorin Jr. and Thomas, but Thomas is explicitly said to be late of Lima. It is likely that not long after this sale that most of the Wait family left for Erie County. Backdating from the 1855 New York census, it appears that the move was made about 1835. In Erie County the first recorded mention of Martin Wait's children by name is a land record, generated when Lorin Jr. bought a tract in Newstead Twp. Not long after this Lorin bought the land on

Batavia Road in 1837/8. Nathaniel Wait first appears in the Erie land records in Sept. 1843 and Joseph the same year. The only names added to the emerging picture by the land records are that the wife of Nathaniel is Lovina and the wife of Lorin Jr. is Helen. (KL)

Age given as 86 in 1850. (This is quite a bit older than should have been.)

Martin's three youngest sons, Martin, Joseph, and Nathaniel, moved eventually to Butler Co., Ml. In an obituary in the Homer Index of 23 Mar 1887 we learn that Martin Jr.'s wife's name was Sally Ann Van Guilders, that Martin was born on 6 Jun 1826 in Lima, NY, that he died in Mar 1887, and that he came to Butler in 1867. In 1883 he moved to Homer, Ml and opened a dry goods store with his sons. His children were Harlo Wait of Homer, William J. of Dowagiac, Marian E. of Homer, and Cynthia Bowers, living with her parents. The son, Harlow, is said to have married Nellie E. Walford on 23 February 1891. (KL)

- 9. Sarah BAILEY was born⁹ in 1776/1782 in ps. Livingston Co., NY. She died¹⁰ after 1855.
- 10. Daniel AVERY. Daniel married Florilla BARBER.
- 11. Florilla BARBER.

Fifth Generation

16. Loren Waite was born¹¹ on 20 Aug 1743 in Lyme, New London, CT. He died in West Bloomfield, NY. He married¹² Zeruiah Caulkins on 3 Nov 1761 in Lyme, New London, CT. Probably came to central New York in the early 1790s. First appears in the West Bloomfield area in 1800 on the federal census. The distribution of ages and genders suggest to me that one of the married children, either a daughter or son, along with their own children, may have been living with Lorin and Zeruiah at the time of the census. The boy Martin 9in the 16-25 age bracket), and either Stephen or Thomas or both (in the 26-45 age bracket), may still be at home with the father in this census. Lorin and Zeruiah are tabulated in the wrong category, since they were well over 45 in 1800. There is a 1796 land record for a Stephen Wait in the area, so Stephen may have already started a family and bought a farm by 1800, making Thomas and Martin the most likely boys to be at home. Thomas seems to appear on the 1810 census with a wife and no children, so he may not have left home until closer to 1810. By 1810, Lorin and Zeruiah's sons are out of the house, and two daughters (the older one presumably Phoebe, age 32) are still with them. The last census on which Lorin appears, the 1820 census, shows Lorin without a woman in the comparable age bracket. There are several land records for Lorin in the 1810s, but the last one which explicitly mentions Zeruiah is 1811. So Zeruiah probably died in the 1810s. (KL)

There are other Waits in the Bloomfield area in the census and land records. The Ezra, John, Richard, and Joseph Wait in the records are probably children and

grandchildren of Lorin's uncle Richard. Ezra seems to be the relative of Lorin's that stayed in Bloomfield the longest. He held some civil posts, and his will is on record in Ontario county. Ezra and his wife Lucia appear as witnesses on some legal transactions of Lorin's. (KL)

In one curious pair of 1823 records, Lorin's son Martin deeds Lorin some land, and Lorin immediately deeds it (on the same day) to Martin's sons. (KL)

Lorin's will is dated 26 Jul 1823 and is in the Ontario County will books. Registered on 12 Jul 1825. He mentions: daughter Phoebe Wait, single, living on farm; daughter Cynthia Fuller; daughter Mary "Polly" Hamilton and her son William Richards (under the age of 21); daughter Esther Beckwith; son Thomas and his son Marvin (under the age of 21); son Martin and his second son Lorin (under the age of 21).

17. **Zeruiah CAULKINS** died¹³ in 1811/1819.

Sixth Generation

- 32. **Thomas Waite** ¹⁴ was born¹⁵ on 9 Oct 1706 in Lyme, New London, CT. He died¹⁶ on 19 Mar 1779 in Lyme, New London, CT. He was buried¹⁷ in Waite Cemetery, Old Lyme, New London, CT. He married¹⁸ Elizabeth LEWIS on 21 Apr 1731 in Lyme, New London, CT. An alternate marriage date is 22 Apr 1731 Old Lyme New London CT. (V1PG45) Thomas & wife o.c. 26 Nov 1732 Old Lyme New London CT. (V1PG25) Gravestone gives his age as 78 years, thus implying a dob of 1701.
- 33. **Elizabeth LEWIS** was born in 1710/1712 in Lyme, New London, CT. She died on 19 May 1799 in Lyme, New London, CT. Elizabeth was the d/o John LEWIS. She was admitted to the church 6 Aug 1738 Old Lyme, CT. (V1PG35)

Seventh Generation

- 64. **Thomas Waite Jr.** ¹⁹ was born^{20,21,22,23} on 7 Mar 1677/1678 in Watertown, Middlesex, MA. He died²⁴ on 27 Jun 1725 in Lyme, New London, CT. He married^{25,26,27,28} Mary BRONSON on 16 Aug 1704 in Lyme, New London, CT. Thomas was a soldier in Queen Anne's War in 1702. This was the second of four wars waged between 1689 and 1763 known collectively as the French and Indian Wars, between the British and French in North America and involved the struggle for predominance on the North American continent. The principle event in Massachusetts involved the capture and burning of Deerfield, MA and the massacre of many of the inhabitants of that town in 1704 by French troops and their Indian allies. He removed from Weston and went to Lyme, Connecticut, possibly spending a small period of time in Sudbury.
- 65. **Mary BRONSON** 29 was born 30 on 21 Mar 1680 in Lyme, New London, CT. She died 31 on 7 May 1731 in Lyme, New London, CT. She was buried 32 in Old Burying Ground, Lyme, New London, CT.

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