

Grandpa burst on Kumbie died  
while Bessie was a baby  
I think when you were a baby  
in Colorado Springs, Colo.  
I expect those are in the bible  
I don't know for sure where  
my parents were married but  
probably Mansfield Ills. Piatt Co

Myrtle Pearl Montgomery was married  
to Charles Morgan July 4 - 1902  
at Holyoke Colorado

3 children Bertha May - Alice  
and a boy at Holdrege Neb.  
Myrtle died in her 40's at Holdrege  
Bessie Bell married Marion Boyland  
at Boulder Colo. in 1904

one child Helen. who is in Manila  
married first  
her Ernest Simmons  
a boy & girl by the first husband  
2 boys by Ernest  
one has killed several yrs ago



My mother  
Laura Walker born - July 27 - 1862  
near Almy Ill. in Richland County  
Charles William Montgomery born Jan. 17 - 1861  
in Ohio

Married Feb. 22 - 1883

Myrtle Pearl born - Feb. 29 - 1884

Minnie Edna " Oct 3 - 1885

Bessie Bell " Dec 20 - 1886

Edta Grace " Aug. 17 - 1888

Walter Dewey March 29 - 1898

John Ward " Oct. 9 - 1899

Lawrence Conklin Aug 26 - 1901

near Mansfield  
near Springfield  
near Holdrege  
near

My mother died in Pueblo  
at the State Hospital in her 70<sup>th</sup>

My father at Fort Collins Colo at 81  
my brothers Ward & Lawrence were at  
the funeral I may be able to find  
out just where.

I never saw the big bible till at  
Bessie's. One of Daddy's brothers  
gave it to him while he was  
working in R.A.  
Joe married once but it didn't  
last long. before I knew where



Elta Grace Montgomery married Will Freeman  
at Fort Collins in Aug 1905

She had twins who died then <sup>Fern</sup> Clyde, Maurine  
I can't think of the next girls name. then a boy who  
died when 6 mo old.

Then she married Fred Chausse <sup>in L.A</sup> after Will died <sup>in L.A.</sup>  
then she died about 4 yrs ago at Northridge

I'll give you Maurine's address and you can  
write her if you want more information there

Walter Dancy is married & lives in Vernon <sup>no address</sup>  
Ward will be out here this summer, his first  
wife died, had 2 girls then married again

Lawrence Cooklin is married had 12 children  
one died, I can give you his address if  
you want it

I can't tell you where any of the Kimbles  
were born

The one who died in Aildale. was Daddy's  
oldest brother Erwin. His wife was Eliza

they had Bert & John twins. Davey <sup>Rose</sup> Charlie & Everett,  
after Eliza died Erwin married again no children

He was next brother.  
then Dave. who married Minta they had  
Ralph Roy Hazel & Cecil (a girl)

then Harley  
then Alfred who married Brelia Folluck  
and had Edna (she was married before (Brelia was))

Daddy had a sister who died as a baby



adress, or some of her folks in Illinois might know some of the Montgomerys back there. I saw a picture once of the two couples taken after the wedding.

I don't know who got our old family album unless it was my oldest sister & she has been dead maybe 35 yrs.

My mother had a younger sister Clara who married Arthur Simpson at Holdrege Neb. they later moved to Kansas.

she had two younger brothers Cliff & Will Walker who went back to Illinois after Grandpa Walker died. She had ~~two~~<sup>3</sup> other sisters, one Minnie Bateman in Illinois and one Eunice Pilchard she had 3 boys Harvey, Cloyd & Walter we used to write to them at Mansfield.

Aunt Ella married Henry Marker, they lived near Holdrege, had Ray who died at 14 boy who came to see me in Bakersfield once but died later - Leathor Earl.

That is about all I can tell you now

Love Mamma.



P.S. we are having Easter services  
here at our house.

Mr Brown is showing his slides Forks of Salmon Calif.  
Its also a pot luck dinner.

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Dear Rogella: - I haven't been feeling too  
good the last few days. but much better  
today. Now I know Erwin Kinble is  
Daddy's oldest brother. I've heard Grandma  
Kinble talk about things enough to know  
anyway, isn't it written down in that big  
bible? Beulah must have meant her father  
being the orphan. Rose knew very little about  
him. Rose's brothers forced him to marry Rose  
as he had got her pregnant. She never lived  
with him. but stayed at home.

I knew Rose before she met this man thru  
Daddy. Beulah & Bessie are very near the  
same age, as I nursed Beulah one day  
while her mother was working.

The Bible with my family record was lost  
when we moved to California. In it I had  
Stella May & Florence's births & deaths

I had the same Dr for both, they were 11 mo  
apart Stella May lived 10 days & Florence 3 days.  
I know Florence was born in March

Now if I were you I wouldn't worry about



Daddy's first marriage. All the Kinsles  
lived in "Stove Prairie" a little valley 15 mi  
west of Fort Collins. Each of the brothers & father  
had a home stead. Daddy got a middle aged  
woman to keep house for him. They had her  
daughter come up for a visit. She was a grass  
widow with 3 children. She told Daddy she had  
had a miscarriage and the Dr said she couldn't  
have any more children. But within a few  
weeks she told him she was pregnant & would  
have to marry her. To save turning over his  
home to her or leaving, he married her.  
They couldn't get along and she left before  
the baby came, which came at 7 mo.  
He told me he thought she was already  
pregnant and they wanted a man to pin it on.  
any way she divorced him and married  
again and had about 6 more children.  
She when she turned up in Ft Collins  
after we came to Calif. He went to see her  
in R.A. She was divorced & had a girl about 6.  
She worked him for all she could get out of  
him. married again and went to drinking.  
Her daughter married & would have nothing  
to do with her. She locked herself in the bath  
and her husband found her dead the next  
morning. This was while Daddy & I were



both working in Air. craft in L. A. Daddy was staying at Bessie's. You asked me how the Kimbles family life was. Grandma & he were separated for quite a few years.

Alfred took care of Grandma & he lived with his Dad. She complained to me about him but said Daddy was just like him and didn't see how I could put up with him.

I was 3 yrs old when my folks left Illinois to come to Nebraska. Elta was a baby.

Yes there was 10 yrs between Elta & Walter. & no children at all. My mother was very nervous and I think jealous any way. She was odd as far back as I can remember. Then she had the 3 boys and became very queer. When Lawrence was 3 mo old. She decided she was Christ come the second time, My Dad was the Devil, and went around talking & bothering neighbors. So after several weeks my father & Aunt Elta & Uncle Henry had her sent to the Asylum at Lincoln Neb.

We moved to Sterling Colo. We girls took care of the boys for a year.

Then my father went to visit her & got



permission to bring her<sup>3</sup> home on trial.  
She wasn't well. We kept her home 2 yrs  
and finally she got pretty bad again  
and we lived in Fort Collins then.  
We had to have a trial then, and she was  
sent to Pueblo, Lawrence was 3 then and  
Francis a baby.

She seemed to be O.K. or nearly at the  
Hospital & wrote nice letters. I visited her  
on the way to Calif. She finally died of  
Cancer in her 70's.

I don't remember any thing of Illinois.  
But Grandpa Walker (his wife had died of  
quick consumption in charge of life) & his 3  
young children Aunt Clara. Cliff & Will had  
come to Neb. & taken a homestead near Holdrege  
Aunt Ella & her husband had also come  
and rented a farm. That's how our folks  
happened to come. But my father got a  
job as butcher in town, then meat-cutter  
My father & mother were both very nice  
looking people. My mother had been a  
school teacher in Illinois. My sister Myrtle  
taught school about 5 yrs before she married  
I taught one term 7 mo. both near Holdrege.

By Ray now  
I love Mamma