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## Great-Great-Aunt Mollie

*Mary Virginia Baldwin Weir, a Third Generation Broken Branch*

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I met only one third generation descendant of William and Amy (Crooks) Baldwin (see **BFB** II,1,7-8): **Mary Virginia "Mollie" (Baldwin) Weir**. She was the twelfth child of twelve of their son, William Crooks and Cyrena (Dalton) Baldwin (see **BFB** IV,3,7-8).

I believe it was the summer after my junior year in high school that my parents drove my brother, my grandfather, and me

to the Springfield area to visit historic sites and to meet relatives who still lived in the area: Smith relatives of my great-grandmother, Amanda Jane (Smith) Baldwin (see **BFB** XVI,3,7-8); Minnie Duncan (see **BFB** XVIII, 3,7-8 and XIX,1,8); and Mollie. My brother returned with my folks after the weekend, but Grandpa and I stayed with Mollie, returning home on the train a week later.

—Marti Swanson

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The Family of John and Mary Virginia (Baldwin) Weir

Mary Virginia "Mollie" BALDWIN

d/o William Crooks and Cyrena (DALTON)

BALDWIN

b. 11 Mar 1860, White Hall, Greene Co,
IL^{17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29}

d. 15 Aug 1956, St Francis Hospital,
Litchfield, Montgomery Co, IL³⁰

bur. Abbey Mausoleum, Oak Ridge Cem,
Springfield, Sangamon, Co, IL

m. 18 May 1878, Galesburg,
Knox Co, IL^{31,30,32}

1 Cyrena WEIR, d.s.p.

b. 2 Aug 1879, Rio, Knox Co,
IL^{33,34,35,36,37,38,39}

d. 10 Apr 1937, home (811 Country Club
Drive), Burbank, CA^{40,41,42,43}

bur. Abbey Mausoleum, Oak Ridge Cem,
Springfield, Sangamon Co, IL

edu. Knox College, Galesburg, IL⁴⁴

& George Rogers CORWIN⁴⁵

b. 19 Mar 1867, Fredonia or Dunkirk,
NY^{46,47,48,49,50}

d. 21 Apr 1950, St Francis Hospital,
Litchfield, Montgomery Co,
IL^{51,52,53,54,55}

bur. Abbey Mausoleum, Oak Ridge Cem,
Springfield, Sangamon Co, IL

m. 1908, Litchfield, Montgomery Co,
IL^{56,57}

& John Findley WEIR

s/o George Washington and Lydia Jane (EPPERSON)
WEIR

b. 19 Jan 1854, Galesburg, Knox Co,
IL^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12}

d. 16 Nov 1931, Sunset Canyon, Burbank,
Los Angeles Co, CA^{12,13,14}

bur. 18 Nov 1931, Abbey Mausoleum, Oak
Ridge Cem, Spgfld, Sangamon Co, IL¹⁵

occ. owner-operator of Baldwin-Weir
Lumber Co, Union Ave & Madison St,
Litchfield (and other branches)¹⁶

res. b IL; lived in ND and Iowa; to
Litchfield in 1901¹²

Sources

- CA County Death Records, 1800-1994, say 19 Jan 1854.
- Obituary gives DoB as 17 Jan 1854 and place as "northeast of Woodhull, IL."
- The Centennial History of Litchfield, Illinois* (1853-1953). n.p.: Litchfield Centennial Inc, n.d., p 74 - says Galesburg as PoB.
- Census - 1860 (Rio, Knox Co, IL) - age 7, b IL.
- Census - 1870 (IL) - age 16, b IL.
- Census - 1880 (Rio Twp, Knox Co, IL) - age 26; druggist; dad b OH; mom b KY.
- Census - 1895 (Van Buren Co, IA, state census, p 235) - age 41; in home of brother-in-law Francis.
- Census - 1900 (Farmington Twp, Van Buren Co, IA - ED 95, Sheet 10A) - age 46, b Jan 1854 in IL; dad b PA, mom b IN; in home of brother-in-law Francis Baldwin.
- Census - 1910 (Litchfield, Montgomery Co, IL - ED 103, Sheet 1B) - age 56, b IL.
- Census - 1920 (Los Angeles City, Twp, & Co, CA) - age 64; b IL, dad b OH, mom b IL.
- Census - 1930 (Los Angeles city and co, CA - ED 193, Sheet 15A) - John F "Meir" is age 49, b IL; dad b PA; mom b KY.
- Obituary in the *Litchfield News-Herald* (17 Nov 1931), p 1, col 4.
- The Centennial History of Litchfield, Illinois* (1853-1953), pp 74-75—date only.
- CA County Death Records, 1800-1994; 1931 D Cert #6437 - 16 Nov 1931.
- Ibid.*
- The Centennial History of Litchfield, Illinois* (1853-1953), p 74.
- Ibid.*, p 74 - gives place.
- Obituary in the *Litchfield News-Herald* (16 Aug 1956), p 1, col 5, says 21 Mar in White Hall; 11 Mar is from family records.
- Census - 1860 (Whitehall, Greene Co, IL - p 608, #78) - "Virginia" is 9/12; b IL.
- Census - 1870 (Virden, Macoupin Co, IL, p 61 - dated 15 July) - "Mary" is 11.
- Census - 1880 (Rio Twp, Knox Co, IL) - "Molly" is age 20, b IL.