

THE ALWAYS INTERESTING GRIGSBY-KENTUCKY CONNECTIONS.

Society members William and Jean Grigsby of Grand Coulee, Washington are among those with Kentucky ancestors. They are also among those 'cousins' whose professionalism in genealogical research has developed a genuine contribution to Society files by categorizing all listed Grigsbys in the state of Kentucky that they could locate prior to 1850 - and in some counties through 1880. Jean has noted that on Bill's Kentucky birth certificate, his father William Burton Grigsby, is listed as having been born in Grigsby, Kentucky.

Mary Jane Rodgers, Past President, Kentucky Genealogical Society (Frankford) has called attention to a publication, KENTUCKY PLACE NAMES by Thomas P. Field, 1961, (\$2.50 Dept. of Commerce, Map Sales, 133 Holmes St., Frankford, KY 40601) containing 39,212 place names of Kentucky towns, villages, rivers, schoolhouses, cemeteries, hills, roads, etc. On page 107 there is a reference to a GRIGSBY and a GRIGSBY SCHOOL in Perry Co., a GRIGSBY NEIGHBORHOOD in Knott Co., a GRIGSBY CREEK, a GRIGSBY BRANCH, and a GRIGSBY CEMETERY in Trigg Co.

Jean Grigsby also called attention to this quote from The Combes Genealogy by Joseph H. Combs (Bill's second Grigsby line) regarding Nancy Grigsby Combs: 'Nicholas 'Danger Nick' Combs married Nancy, daughter of Thomas Grigsby, probably in Old Federick (Warren Co.) Virginia about 1770-75. The Grigsbys were among the earliest pioneers to the Shenandoah Valley, having come as early as 1732. Nicholas was 35 to 40 when he married Nancy and may have been previously married.....'