Elizabeth DeVault



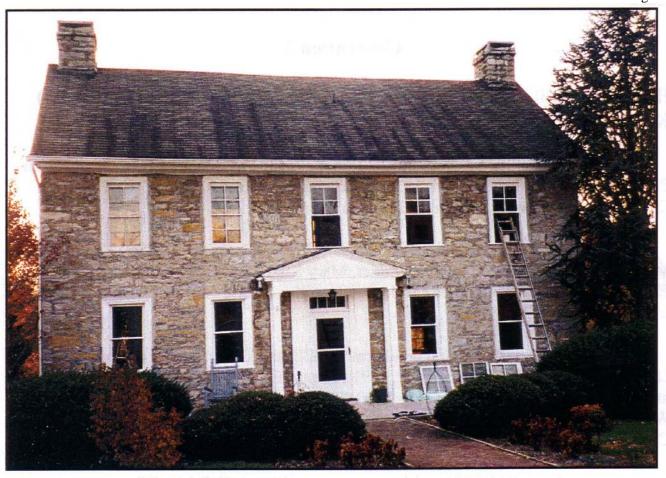
No Picture Available Born: 17 Nov 1771 Hanover, PA Married: Martin Kitzmiller Died: 9 June 1856 Washington CO., TN Parents: Henry DeVault & Mary Greaver

Mary Elizabeth Dewald – 6th Child of Henry and Mary Catherine Dewald

Mary Elizabeth Dewald was born in Hanover, Pennsylvania on November 17, 1771. About 1799, Mary married Martin Kitzmiller in York County, Pennsylvania. The Kitzmiller and Dewald families were very close. Four of the Dewald children married Kitzmillers. Martin's parents were John George and Anna Christina (Keefauver) Kitzmiller. His grandparents were Hans Martin and Julianna (Benckner) Kitzmiller. Both Hans and Julianna were born in Waldorf, near Hiedelberg, Germany.

Martin's and Mary's first child, David Kitzmiller, was born in Pennsylvania on October 11, 1799. About 1800, Martin and Mary followed her brothers to Washington County, Tennessee. Martin and Mary settled in the area known as Boone's Creek. In Tennessee they had seven more children. They were: John Kitzmiller, Henry Kitzmiller, Martin Kitzmiller, Jr., Mary Kitzmiller, Elizabeth (Betsy) Kitzmiller, Jacob Kitzmiller and Joseph Kitzmiller.

In 1808 Martin and Mary hired Seth Smith, a noted stone mason from Pennsylvania, to build them a house. The house was 2 ½ stories and built in the typical German fashion, with no windows on the gable ends except in the upper half-story. Of the four Davault homes built before the Civil War and still standing today, Martin's and Mary's home is the only one built of stone. The others are all built of brick.



Martin and Mary Elizabeth (Dewald) Kitzmiller's home - Stone House "A"

Picture and above information provided by Tracy DeVault, Prescott, AZ



Mary & Martin Kitzmiller buried at Buffalo Ridge Church Cemetery

Information on Henry DeVault, father of Elizabeth



No Picture Available Born: 10 Apr 1733 Dole, France Married: Mary Greaver Died: 16 Apr 1817 Hanover, PA Parents: Unknown

DEMALT, (DEVAULT), Henry, Lt. & Ens. 3rd Co. 7th Batt. York Co. Militia; b L-10-1733, Dole, France; d 1C-2-1830, Hanover, York Co., Pa.; m 1762, Catherine Maria Graver, Palatinate State, Germany, b 8-8-1737; d 1C-2-1830, York Co., Pa.: ch: Philip, b 1764, m Catherine Long; Margaret, b 1766, m Samuel Long; *GABRIEL (twin), b 1767, m Magdalena (Molly) Kitzmiller; Anna Sliz. (twin), b 1767, m John Kitzmiller; Catherine, b 1769, m Nicholas Kefauver; Mary, b 1771, m Martin Kitzmiller; Kenry, b 1774, m Kitty Gross; Valentine, b 1776, m Louisa or Susan Range; Frederick, b 1778, m Margaret Range; Julia, b 1780, m Jacob Wortz; Jacob, b 1782, m 1-Rachel Kitzmiller, 2-Eliz. Scott desc: Ruth Devault Gibney (Otto Warren) 220 N. 17th, Springfield, Ore.

Information from online research at: Ancestry.com

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"Born on the west side of the Rhine River, not far from its source in Switzerland and adjoining France. Emigrated to America along with thousands of other German, French, and Swiss emigrants, most of whom shipped from Rotterdam, Netherlands, at the mouth of the Rhine River. Emigrated in the year 1766, landing in Philadelphia on the ship," Chance." He settled in Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania.

Henry made two trips to eastern Tennessee to buy land for his sons. Although they began to move onto the land before Henry's death, he kept title to the properties until he died in 1817. (See will of Henry Dewald.) The first purchase of Tennessee land was recorded September 25, 1797: "John Bishop to Henry Dewald, consideration \$400.00 current money of Virginia, part of a tract of land in Sullivan County and State of Tennessee on the south bank of the Holstein River, containing 400 acres more or less." Also, in September of 1797, a second tract of land containing 637 acres was purchased from John Been. This parcel was located about three miles south of the Sullivan County tract, on the Watauga River, in Washington County, Tennessee (at what was later to be known as "DeVault's Ford"). This parcel would eventually become the joint farm of Henry's sons, Valentine and Frederick. On Henry's second trip he purchased parcel, adjoining the Sullivan County tract. This purchase was recorded on November 29, 1800.

GRAVE STONE Further information provided to Lewis H. Ruble in April 2001, by Dewald Farmily researcher......indicates birth place as "in or IN near Dole, France"?

MEMORY OF HENRY DEWALD WHO WAS BORN AP RIL 10, 1733. AND DE PARTED THIS LIFE AP RIL 16, 1817. AGED 84 YRS & 6 DAYS"







Henry and Mary Catherine (Greaver) Dewald were first buried in Saint Matthew's church yard in Hanover. About 1919 the church was expanded and the graves of Henry and Mary were moved to Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Henry and Mary were sandwiched in between the graves of their youngest daughter, Julian (Dewald) Wortz and her husband, Jacob Wortz. Jacob's and Julian's stones are the tall stones on either side of Henry's and Mary's stones.