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Jim,

Your best bet on the Stemple family would be Bruce Stemple

<bstemple@ix.netcom.com>.

I have a thick packet of material on our family but haven't gotten to sit down and digest it, yet. Bruce may be taking a much needed break right now. If you do not connect with him please contact me and I will try to help with any questions you may have. I have you in my address file, so, we may have talked before. Hope I didn't drop the ball!!!! =;o)

Warmest regards,  
Carolyn

(from Stemple info pkg. sent to me--cs)

"A copy of Godfrey's (Stemple) will, written on 3 March 1794, can be

found in the DAR Library in Washington, D.C.

(Another copy is reportedly filed in Morgantown, WV.)

The Preston County courthouse burned in 1869 and the original records were lost, so it is not surprising that Godfrey's will is

not included in the county Will Books. However, his estate, valued at 141.9.6 pounds, was settled 9 Apr. 1798 and is

recorded in Vol 1, pp 117-118 of Monongalia Probate records. The will was said to be recorded on 10 Apr 1798, possibly at

the same time as the estate settlement. It is apparent that Godfrey died sometime between March 1794 when he wrote his will

and Dec. 1796 when his executors sold part of his land. In his will, Godfrey devises to his wife, Margaret, (cs note:maiden

name was either Boyles or Speck) to his 3 sons, David, Martin and John, and to his 7 daughters, eldest Christianna, Barbara,

Catherine, Rosina, Susanna, Eve and the youngest, Annamary. He also names his friend Abraham Wotring and his eldest son

David as co-executors.

Godfrey was between 67 and 69 years of age at the time of his death. He

and Margaret are buried in the Pioneer Cemetery,

which is located on a hill (cs note: directly across the road from the present (yr.2000) St. Paul's Lutheran Church) in what is now the Dale

Stemple's farm. This was the original cemetery where all early burials (cs note: fr: c. 1787-1845) were made."

. . . . . "In 1787 he was able to purchase 1,000 acres of land

in that  
part of Virginia which is now WV."

"On March 14, 1787, Godfrey Stemple of Washington Co., Md., for 333.6.8 pounds Maryland money, purchased 1,000 acres of land (from "Francis & William Deakins of Montgomery Co. and the State of Md.") between the headwaters of the Yohogania and Cheat Rivers, in and around what is now the community of Aurora, Preston Co., WV. The original warrant is in the possession of Stemple descendants still living in the area. Godfrey and his family were among the first settlers in the area, migrating across the mountains from Hagerstown, Md. with a few other German families in 1789. His arrival in the community is documented on the first page of the original church register (publ. 1956 as the Aurora Documents by Karl Gower). In it he is identified as "Reformed".

"Aurora and the original Stemple land is located atop a large, high plateau which drops down gently to the north in the direction of Terra Alta (WV). On the south and west, the plateau is surrounded by deep ravines. The area is called Stemple Ridge."

"Margaret Stemple was about 67 years old when she died, sometime after Apr. 5, 1798, when she wrote her will. She may have died as late as 1800 because the sale bill for her estate was recorded in June of that year. (she left a detailed will).

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Is this your Anna Catherine Stemple??? It is in my notes/clues.-----cs

> mailbox:/C:/Program Files/Netscape/Users/shupe/mail/Inbox?id=3A4B5672.14055A8E%40home.com&am  
> 29. Jacob SIMON1 was born on 12 Jan 1786 in Washington County, Pennsylvania.

> He Baptised on 17 Jan 1786 in Washington County, Maryland.He died on  
> 14 Sep 1861 in Boardman twp, Mahoning County, Ohio.He Politics in Trumbull

> County, Ohio.

> He was married to Elizabeth STEMPLE (daughter of David STEMPLE and Eva Catharina

> REINHART) on 13 Jan 1811 in Mahoning County, Ohio. Elizabeth

STEMPLE1 was  
 &gt; born on 8 Feb 1790 in Washington County, Maryland. She died on 28 Dec 1854  
 &gt; in Boardman twp, Mahoning County, Ohio.  
 &gt; Jacob SIMON and Elizabeth STEMPLE had the following children:  
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 &gt; +122 i. David SIMON.  
 &gt; +123 ii. Lydia SIMON.  
 &gt; +124 iii. Delilia SIMON.  
 &gt; +125 iv. Levi SIMON.  
 &gt; +126 v. Stilling SIMON.  
 &gt; +127 vi. Gideon SIMON.  
 &gt; +128 vii. Salome SIMON.  
 &gt; +129 viii. Selinde SIMON.  
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 &gt; 34. Henry &quot;Henrich&quot; SIMON was born on 7 Jun 1796 in Washington County,  
 &gt; Pennsylvania. He was christened in Jul 1796 in Glyde, Washington County,  
 &gt; Pennsylvania. He died on 15 May 1856 in Charlotte, Eaton County, Michigan.  
 &gt; He was buried on 16 May 1856 in Maple Hill Cemetery, Charlotte, Eaton County,  
 &gt; Michigan.  
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 &gt; He was married to Anna Catharine STEMPLE (daughter of John David STEMPLE  
 &gt; and Eva Catharina RINEHART) on 11 Sep 1821 in Cumberland, Allegheny County,  
 &gt; Maryland. Anna Catharine STEMPLE1 was born on 10 Jul 1798 in Aurora, Preston,  
 &gt; Virginia. She died on 2 Apr 1836 in Youngstown, Mahoning County, Ohio. She  
 &gt; was buried on 3 Apr 1836 in Lake Park Cemetery, Youngstown, Mahoning, Ohio.  
 &gt; Henry &quot;Henrich&quot; SIMON and Anna Catharine STEMPLE had the following children:  
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 &gt; +143 i. Israel SIMON.  
 &gt; 144 ii. Jones SIMON1 was born in 1824 in Boardman twp Trumbull County, Ohio.94 He died on 5 Apr  
 &gt; 1854 in Hancock County, Ohio.  
 &gt; +145 iii. Eva Marie SIMON.  
 &gt; +146 iv. Elias SIMON.  
 &gt; +147 v. Abigail SIMON.  
 &gt; +148 vi. Joshua SIMON.  
 &gt; 149 vii. Carolus SIMON1 was born on 18 Jul 1835 in Boardman twp

&gt; Trumbull county, Ohio. He was christened in Oct 1835 in Bethel  
Lutheran  
&gt; and Reformed Church, Mahoning County, Ohio.<sup>9,10</sup> He died on 20 Jan  
1863 in  
&gt; Bloom Township, Wood, Ohio. He was buried about 23 Jan 1863 in Bloom  
&gt; Chapel Cemetery, Bloom twp, Wood County, Ohio.  
&gt; (married 2nd Eliz. Minor b. Ohio)  
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&gt; +130 ix. Jesse SIMON.