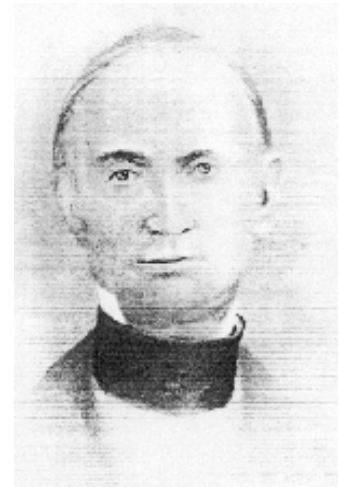


Family Association – Join Today!

We hope you enjoyed our first newsletter in August. We are sending one last complimentary copy for all family members. For the 14 individuals and families that have already joined our organization, a big Thanks is in order! If you haven't yet joined please complete the form on the last page of this newsletter and send in \$15 for an individual or \$20 for a family membership. Remember, this is the last newsletter you will receive if you haven't joined the association. Please join today if you haven't already done so!

Memoirs and Reminiscences Available on CD

Much of our early family history was documented by Casper Schaeffer in Memoirs and Reminiscences together with Sketches of the Early History of Sussex County, New Jersey. The book was compiled by William M. Johnson, since Casper never published his work. Throughout the remainder of this newsletter we will refer to this book as M & R.



Rev. Casper Schaeffer M.D.

We are truly indebted to these two individuals for the pioneering work they did to document as much of the family history and genealogy as they did. This book was privately printed in 1907, and 125 copies were printed.

While having a hard copy is great, an electronic copy has never been available until now. We are pleased to present an offer to sell a CD version of this book in either Word Document (.doc) or in a version readable with Adobe Acrobat Reader (.pdf). The cost of this CD is \$15.00. All profits from the sales of these CD's will go to our gravestone restoration projects.

Bruce Shafer scanned the 187 pages of the book and converted it to a text document. It has been made as historically accurate as possible. One of the great advantages of having it in a Word document is the ability to do word searches to more quickly find passages of interest. Also, having an electronic copy makes it easy to copy sections into your electronic genealogy program. To get your copy please fill out the form on the last page and send a check for \$15.00 payable to The Shafer Family Association for each copy you order.

Newsletter Editor Found!

We are thrilled that Kate Young has agreed to become the editor of this newsletter beginning in 2003.

Milestones

Graduated: Kara (Wesp) Gower, May 2002, East Stroudsburg University

Died: Samantha Shafer, Anniston, Alabama (obituary below)

Graveside services for Samantha Shafer, 42, of Anniston will be today at 2 p.m. at Forestlawn Gardens with Melvin E. Shafer Jr. and Calvin Surrett officiating and Brown and Kughn Memory Chapel in charge.

Miss Shafer died at her home.

Survivors include her mother, Freda Shafer of Oxford; four sisters, Carlyse Archambault of Duluth, Ga., Vanessa Ross of Memphis, Tenn., Freda Wood of Oxford and Ursula Ganato of Anniston; a brother, Melvin E. Shafer Jr. of Knoxville, Tenn.; and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Pallbearers will be family and friends.

Miss Shafer was a longtime resident of Anniston and a graduate of Anniston High School. She worked as a private healthcare provider and as a certified nursing assistant for many years. She was preceded in death by her father, Melvin E. Shafer Sr.

Obituary from *Anniston Star*, Dec. 5, 2002

Please send information to Bruce Shafer at brshafer@aol.com or by mail to 2825 Castle Hill Lane, Green Bay, WI 54302. We are looking for births, deaths, graduations, engagements, marriages, etc.

Shafer Gristmill Painting

We still have 5-6 copies of the water color painting of the Shafer Gristmill in Stillwater, NJ. It is an 8" x 10" print and is shipped in an 11" x 14" mat. The cost is \$15.00, which includes shipping. All proceeds from this sale will be used to support the family association. Please send a check or money order (payable to Lynn Wesp) to:

Lynn Wesp
HC1 Box 40-A
Gilbert, PA 18331

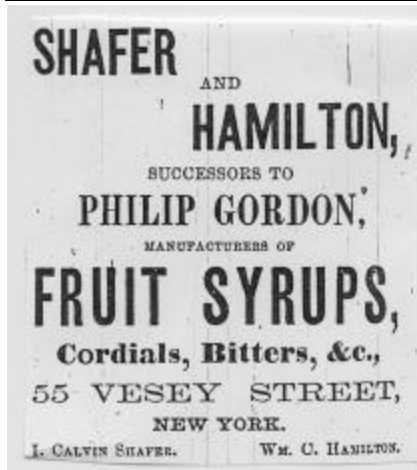


Shafer's in New York City 1861-1870

by Bruce Shafer

Work on this research began innocently enough as I was trying to do some research on my paternal great grandfather, William Bell Shafer. I learned that he and several of his brothers (Aaron Whitfield Shafer, Isaac Calvin Shafer, Nathan Barnet Shafer) and nephews (Jehiel Talmadge Shafer and Thomas H. Shafer) worked in New York City during the time period 1861-1870. Most of them lived in Jersey City and commuted in to the city to work. Listed below is a compilation of information contained in Trow's New York City Directory, compiled by H. Wilson.

Shafer's in New York City 1861-1870 Known Descendants of Casper Schaeffer		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
<u>Shafer, Underhill & Co.(1862</u>											
Aaron W. Shafer	produce, 404 W. Wash. mkt	x	x								
Isaac C. Shafer	produce, 404 Wash. mkt, h 191 Mercer, J.C.; 1863 - meat	x	x	x	x	x					
Nathan B. Shafer	produce, 404 W. Wash. mkt, h 191 Mercer, J.C.; 1864 - meat; 1865 and on -business address 403, 404, or	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Thos. H. Shafer	produce, 404 Wash. mkt, h. N.J.; 1869 - 125 W. Wash. mkt, h 167 Grove, J.C.		x							x	
<u>Shafer J. T. & Co.</u>											
Jehiel T. Shafer	provisions, 158 W. Wash. Mkt, h 214 Bay, J.C.; 1862 Company name change: Shafer, Hancox & Co.	x	x								
<u>Shafer & Hamilton</u>											
Issac C. Shafer	syrups, 55 Vesey, h J.C.; 1867 - h 193 Mercer, J. C.; 1869 - business address 76 Cortlandt						x	x	x	x	x
<u>Shafer Brothers</u>											
William B. Shafer	liquors, 104 Spring							x			
Aaron W. Shafer	liquors, 104 Spring							x			
Archibald S. Shafer	mer. 218 Fulton, h N.J.; 1868 -							x	x	x	



There were numerous other Shafer's in New York City during this period. They are most likely not descendants of Casper Schaeffer (Shaver). If you'd like a complete listing of these individuals, please email Bruce Shafer at brshafer@aol.com.

Advertisement for Isaac Calvin Shafer's business – 1868, page 936

Family Reunion June 28, 2003

We are planning on having a family reunion next summer on June 28th in Stillwater, NJ. See the enclosed flyer with some information on the planned highlights and some pictures from our first reunion in 2001.

We need to get a preliminary idea of how many of you plan to attend this event. We would appreciate it if you would e-mail Bruce Shafer at brshafer@aol.com or drop him a short note letting us know if you will be able to attend, and if so, how many will be with you. Send any postal mail to Bruce Shafer, 2825 Castle Hill Lane, Green Bay, WI 54302. Our next newsletter will include details on accommodations in the area and costs associated with the event.

M & R Errata

One of the regular features of this newsletter is to point out and correct mistakes made in the original printing of Memoirs and Reminiscences. Edward Shaffer pointed out that on page 159 that **REBECCA (HENDRIC) SCHAEFFER** was incorrectly listed, since her surname was **HENDRIE**. In fact you can see this quite clearly in the picture of the inscription in box containing the table cloth used as the communion cloth at their wedding. This picture is located in the lower right hand corner of the flyer for the 2nd Family Reunion in this newsletter. If you are aware of any mistakes (misspellings, wrong dates, missing ancestors) please e-mail Bruce Shafer at brshafer@aol.com. We would like to clear up any mistakes in this work.

Christmas Newsletters

Many of us mail out Christmas newsletters with our Christmas (or Holiday) to our close friends and family. Since this Family Association has been formed, we are getting to know many descendents of Casper Schaeffer (Shaver) with whom we have had little or no contact in the past. To help bridge this gap we will be publishing and mailing Christmas newsletters that we receive. We hope that you enjoy them and send us a copy of yours if you'd like to share it with everyone. Please e-mail Bruce Shafer at brshafer@aol.com if you have a copy you'd like printed in a future newsletter