Descendants of Rebecca Malinda Swayze from Kingston, Mississippi, to Multnomah County, Oregon. Prepared by Rebecca’s great-great granddaughter (through Rebecca’s daughter Julia Ann Brown Tooley), Nancy Todd, 2015.

Rebecca came via the Oregon Trail about 1848 with her husband Alexander Monroe Brown and their children. They filed a Donation Land Claim on the south side of the Columbia River in the area of today’s northwest Portland.

Their children were: James W. Brown, Amanda Melvina Brown Ricketts, Alexander Monroe Brown, J., Julia Ann Brown Tooley, Nancy Jane Brown Dray, and Sarah Eugenia Brown McIntire. This file only shows Rebecca’s children and grandchildren. She had over 90 great-grandchildren; then her descendents mushroomed from there.

Rebecca was the daughter of James SWAYZE and Elizabeth___. James’ parents were Elizabeth PUTNAM and Samuel SWAYZE, Jr., who was the son of Hannah HORTON and Rev. Samuel SWAYZE who led the “Jersey Settlers” from New Jersey to the Natchez District of the Mississippi Territory in 1772-1773. Rebecca’s siblings: Hannah Henrietta Swayze Scurlock, Elizabeth Mary Swayze Bradshaw, Daniel S. Swayze, Amelia Swayze Robinson, Jacob T. Swayze, Virgil M. Swayze, Alexander P. Swayze, Absalom V. Swayze.

**Note:** First record of Rebecca is an 1822 marriage in Adams County, Mississippi, to David King MARTIN, son of John Allen Martin and Elizabeth Guice. David and Rebecca had two children (names unknown & left behind in Mississippi), then he passed away. The widow Martin then met her future husband on a trip to St. Louis, Missouri. Also to note, after Alexander Monroe Brown, Sr. passed, Rebecca married in 1857 in Multnomah County, OR, to widower Ira Patterson of Vancouver, Washington Territory. They had no children.

At the bottom of this file are images related to the Brown’s Donation Land Claim.

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David King MARTIN (son of John Allen Martin & Elizabeth Guice of Adams County, Mississippi)
b. 1803
d. before 1830

& REBECCA MALINDA SWAYZE
b. 1806, Mississippi Territory
d. 21 Feb 1875, Multnomah County, OR
married June 1822, Kingston, Mississippi to David King Martin
|   ___ MARTIN
|   ___ MARTIN

Alexander Monroe Brown Sr
b. 1802, Westmoreland, PA
d. 1855, Portland, OR

& REBECCA MALINDA SWAYZE
b. 1806, Mississippi Territory
d. 21 Feb 1875, Multnomah County, OR
m. 11 Apr 1830, St Louis, MO to Alexander Monroe Brown
|   James W Brown (1831-1881)
|   b. 1831
|   d. 24 Oct 1881, Portland, OR
|   Amanda Melvina Brown (1838-1922)
|   b. 22 Mar 1838
|   d. 16 Aug 1922, Manor, WA
|   & Edward (James) John Ricketts
|   b. 24 Jun 1833, Ohio
|   d. 19 Apr 1917
|   m. 20 May 1855
|   |   Simon Wilbur Ricketts
|   |   b. 14 Jun 1857, Multnomah County, OR
|   |   d. 19 Mar 1929, Wasco Co., OR
|   |   & Robin Nettie Bowman
|   |   b. 3 Jul 1865, White Cloud, Clark Co, MO
|   |   d. 19 Oct 1955, Multnomah County, OR
|   |   m. 6 Jul 1882, Sprague, Lincoln CO, WA
|   |   Malinda Rachel “Linnie” Ricketts
|   |   b. 1858
|   |   d. 1942
|   |   & James Harvey Bolen
|   |   James Monroe Ricketts
|   |   b. 12 Apr 1865, Manor, Clark Co., WA Territory
|   |   d. 6 Sep 1928, Manor, Clark Co., WA
|   |   & Mary “Minnie” Bennett Gilmore
|   |   b. 25 Feb 1865, Australia
|   |   d. 22 May 1952, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
|   |   Mary Florenah E “Flora” Ricketts
b. 1866
d. 1944
& James L “Jimmie” Garrett
  b. 1861, OR
d. 1931
  m. 20 Dec 1887, Clark County, WA
  Ira P [1863-1879] Ricketts
    b. 3 Mar 1861
d. 1879
  Herbert Alvah [1879] Ricketts
    b. 6 Jul 1863
d. 23 Feb 1879, Manor, Clark Co, WA
  Iva Ada [1869-1879] Ricketts
b. 3 Mar 1861
d. 1879
  Herbert Alvah [1879] Ricketts
    b. 6 Jul 1863
d. 23 Feb 1879, Manor, Clark Co, WA
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    b. 6 Jul 1863
d. 23 Feb 1879, Manor, Clark Co, WA
  Iva Ada [1869-1879] Ricketts

**Alexander Monroe Brown Jr (1840-1899)**
b. 22 Jan 1840
d. 30 Nov 1899, drowned by Ferry slip, Vancouver, WA
& Sarah Mariah Wilson
d. 8 Dec 1880
  m. 29 Aug 1867, Tillamook County, OR
    Charles (1867- ) Brown
      b. 1867
d. young
  William Hamilton (1869-1948) Brown*
    b. 16 Sep 1869, Multnomah County, OR
d. 9 Jul 1948, Long Beach, Pacific Co., WA
  & Iva L Turner
    b. 30 Jul 1875, Nebraska
d. 14 Mar 1971, Santa Cruz
  m. 1895, Multnomah County, OR
  William Hamilton (1869-1948) Brown*
    b. 16 Sep 1869, Multnomah County, OR
d. 9 Jul 1948, Long Beach, Pacific Co., WA
  & Wilhelmina Evalinaminni “Minnie” Hartvig
    b. 3 Oct 1881, CA
d. 25 Dec 1959, El Monte, Los Angeles County, CA, USA
  George Wilson (1871-1959) Brown
    b. 22 Nov 1871, Multnomah County, OR
d. March 1959
  & Anna Gertrude Powell
    m. 25 Dec 1899, Dufur, OR
  Benjamin Franklin [1874-1953] Brown
    b. 19 Jul 1874, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
d. 24 Jun 1953, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
  & Effie Lena Mumford
b. 19 Nov 1876, Lincoln, Nebraska USA
d. 15 Aug 1970, Portland OR
m. 23 Jan 1901

Anna Olive (1878-1911) Brown*
  b. 19 Mar 1878, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
d. 4 Dec 1911, San Francisco County CA
& Charles J Allen

Anna Olive (1878-1911) Brown*
  b. 19 Mar 1878, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
d. 4 Dec 1911, San Francisco County CA
& Jesse Shively
  b. 1873

James Jamison (1880-1923) Brown*
  b. 7 Aug 1880, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
d. 13 Apr 1923, San Francisco, San Francisco County, CA, USA
& Mary “Maggie” Dent
  d. 16 Apr 1908

James Jamison (1880-1923) Brown*
  b. 7 Aug 1880, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
d. 13 Apr 1923, San Francisco, San Francisco County, CA, USA
& Jennie_______
  b. CA

Julia Ann Brown* (1843-1906)
  b. Oct 1843, Iowa
d. 1906, Kerns, Cowlitz County, WA
& A. L. Lendingham
  b. 1840
  m. 27 Jul 1856, Multnomah Co., OR
divorced. 25 Jan 1858

Julia Ann (1843-1906) Brown*
  b. Oct 1843, Iowa
d. 1906, Kerns, Cowlitz County, WA
& John Sloan (1836 - 1914) Tooley
  b. 28 Oct 1836, Attica, Fountain Co., Indiana
d. 30 Sep 1914, Woodland, Cowlitz County, WA
m. 23 Apr 1858, Vancouver, Clark County, WA
  George Lincoln [1862-1902] Tooley
  b. 4 Apr 1862, WA
d. 26 Apr 1902, Portland, Multnomah Co OR
& Mary Elizabeth Wilkinson
  b. 19 Jul 1871, South Dakota
  m. 14 Mar 1894, Cowlitz County, WA
Margarette M. (1863 - 1926) Tooley
  b. 26 Nov 1863, WA
William Wesley (1865 - 1935) Tooley
b. 25 Jun 1865
d. 9 Jun 1935, Wilson Bridge Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
& Emma Elvira Strong
b. 13 Nov 1875, Woodland, Cowlitz County, WA
d. 11 Apr 1947, Wilson Bridge Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
m. 17 Sep 1893
Mary Jane (1869 - 1885) Tooley
b. 3 Feb 1869, WA
d. 6 Mar 1885, Cowlitz County, WA
& Amos A Burke
b. 1864
d. 1925
m. 4 Feb 1884
Francis Asbury (1867 - 1952) Tooley
b. 25 Feb 1867, Ridgefield, WA
d. 11 Mar 1952, Clatsop County, OR
& Mary Ann (1871 - 1939) Dunn
b. 15 Jan 1871, Sauvies Island, OR
d. 22 Jun 1939, St. Helens, Columbia County, OR
Fanny Ann (1871 - 1937) Tooley*
b. 29 Jun 1871
d. 3 Apr 1937, Kalama, Cowlitz, WA
& Harry Sherman Lee Lewis
b. 1867
d. 18 Jun 1926
m. 14 May 1890 in Woodland, Cowlitz, WA
Fanny Ann (1871 - 1937) Tooley*
b. 29 Jun 1871
d. 3 Apr 1937, Kalama, Cowlitz, WA
& Tom Jacobs
James Monroe (1872 - 1956) Tooley
b. 1 Nov 1872
d. 28 Aug 1956, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
& Maud “Minnie” Davis
b. 1890
d. 1957
Sarah Ann (1874 - 1953) Tooley
b. 10 Nov 1874
& John Ralph “Cloudy” Bozarth  
  b. 16 Feb 1872  
  d. 8 Dec 1944  
  m. 10 Nov 1891, Cowlitz County, WA  
  John Clarence [1881-1898] Tooley  
  b. 30 Jul 1881  
  d. 1898  
  Fred Lee [1885-1903] Tooley  
  b. ? 1885  
  d. 1903  
  & UNNAMED  
  Charles L [1887-1943] Tooley  
  b. 15 May 1887  
  d. 27 Feb 1943  
  & Eva Seany Birt  
  b. Dec 1890  
  m. 23 Jun 1919, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA

**Nancy Jane Brown** (1848-1903)  
 b. Jun 1848, OR Trail?  
 d. Aug 1903, San Francisco, CA  
 & Henry Clay Dray  
 b. 1845, Stark, Illinois  
 d. 6 Sep 1933, Union County, OR  
 m. 1865, Multnomah County, OR  
 William Franklin Dray  
 b. 7 Jul 1866, Multnomah County, OR  
 d. 6 Aug 1922, San Francisco County CA  
 & Katherine M “Kate”  
 b. Feb 1872, Massachusetts  
 d. CA  
 m. 1891  
 Sarah Eugenia Dray  
 b. 1868, Multnomah County, OR  
 d. 11 Jul 1910, Multnomah County, OR  
 & A G (Allison Gray) “Allie” Byers  
 b. 1868, Iowa  
 m. 7 Nov 1883, Cowlitz County, WA

**Sarah Eugenia Brown** (1849-1929)  
 b. 11 Apr 1849, OR, USA  
 d. 16 Jun 1929, Rainier, OR  
 & William Parcels McIntire  
 b. 19 Jan 1839, Adair Co., MO  
 d. 26 Jun 1920, Rainier, OR
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Redrick, Ricketts, Robbins; Sail, Santos, Saxon, Shelbourn, Shively, Silva, Simpson, Smith, Strong, Suter, Swayze

**Brown**

Alexander M. Brown and his wife Rebecca came to Oregon before December 1850 and, under the Donation Land Act, took up a claim of 626 acres. Today, it includes the “Vanport” area, West Delta Park, and the Delta Park Golf Course. Mr. Brown died in 1856, and Rebecca was named “administratrix” of the estate. Other than the fact that, in 1861, she sold 160 acres to Joseph and William Switzler for $1200, the files hold no further information about this family. The rest is silence.

Parcel 2703
**Names On Document**
- BROWN, ALEXANDER 
- BROWN, REBECCA

**Miscellaneous Information**
- Land Office: Oregon City
- US Reservations: No
- Mineral Reservations: No
- Tribe: ...
- Militia: ...
- State In Favor Of: ...
- Authority: September 27, 1850; Oregon Donation Act (grant) (39 Stat. 496)
- General Remarks: ...

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Property bordering Columbia River – to the north is Hayden Island
Contemporary – To the west of I-5; Delta Park Golf Course is now Heron Lakes Golf Club.
Vanport was built in 1942 to house workers from the Kaiser Shipyards that built war-time equipment. Any remnants of the Brown's residence or farm would have been long gone before being bulldozed over for Vanport that was subsequently washed away in the devastating 1948 Memorial Day flood. The Brown property extended between the two dark vertical lines.

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