

Descendants of Eli Wiser Sheatz

Generation No. 1

1. ELI WISER² SHEATZ (ELI¹)^J was born 06 Apr 1828 in Centre Co., PA, and died 03 Apr 1896 in Yuba Co., CA. He was married to **MARIA KESNER** 06 Apr 1859 in Muscatine, Iowa, daughter of **MICHAEL KESNER** and **ELISABETH**. She was born in Yuba Co., CA, and died 07 Jan 1908 in Yuba City, Yuba Co., CA.

Notes for **ELI WISER SHEATZ**:

1850 Census: Paint Township, Clarion Co., PA

Eli Sheets, self, age 51, farmer

Eve Sheets, wife, age 54

Eli Sheets, son, age 21, blacksmith

Eve Sheets, daughter, age 19

Jacob Sheets, son, age 16

William Sheets, son, age 15

Eli Wiser Sheats is living with his parents in 1850

1860 Census: Bear River Twp., Sutter Co., CA: Roll 70, Pg. 821 & 822

Sheets, E.W., head age 32, born in PA, real estate value, \$2000, personal estate value, \$5000, blacksmith

Sheets, Hannah M., wife, age 26, born in PA, domestic (all wives on census page were called domestic)

Clark, G.R., age 28, born in PA, personal estate value, \$500, blacksmith

Wilson, J., age 20, born in VA, blacksmith

Bnyy, H., age 27, born in China, servant

1870 Census: Wheatland, E. Bear River Twp., Yuba Co., CA: Roll 93, Pg. 542

Sheets, E.W., head, age 43, born in PA, parents born in PA, blacksmith, real estate value-\$2000, p

Sheets, Maria, wife, age 38, born in PA, parents born in PA, keeping house

Sheets, Harriet, daughter, age 6, born in CA, parents born in PA, attending school

Sheets, Lizzie, daughter, age 4, born in CA, parents born in PA

Sheets, Alma, daughter, age 2, born in CA, parents born in PA

Sheets, Kate, daughter, age 4/12, Feb., born in CA, parents born in PA

1880 Census: Wheatland Twp., Yuba Co., CA: Roll 86, Book 1, Pg. 455

Sheets, Eli, head, aged 52, born in PA, Parents born in PA occupation, blacksmith Sheets, Maria, wife, aged 42, born in PA, parents born in PA, keeping house

Sheets, Hattie, daughter, aged 16, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Sheets, Alma, daughter, aged 12, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Sheets, Kate, daughter, aged 10, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Sheets, Murray, son, aged 8, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Sheets, Maude, aged 6, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Sheets, George, son, aged 2, born in CA, parents born in PA, at home

Notes: All names are Orig. Data: Eli-1 Maria-2 Hattie-3 Alona-4 Kate-5 Murray-6 Maude-7

SUTTER LODGE, NO. 100, IOOF

The lodge was organized November 1, 1860, at Nicolaus, Sutter county, but was removed to Wheatland because the majority of its members had moved to this place. The charter members were: - D. Ray Secretary; Francis McMahon, Treasurer, Francis Heyland, Eli W. Sheets and John McNamara. The highest number at any one time was eighty-three. The value of the lodge property is \$3,500. Regular meeting night at their hall in Wheatland. The present officers are: - Charles Schlosser, N.B.; H. C. Niemeyer
Source: cagenweb.com/archives/history/yuba/chap26.htm

BROWNSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY, CA

The promising little town of Brownsville lies on the Central Turnpike, thirty-three miles from Marysville. I.E. Brown, who still lives near by, built a saw mill here in August, 1851, at a cost of eight thousand dollars. In November, 1852, Martin Knox and P.E. Weeks bought the mill, and ran it under the firm name of Weeks & Knox. The mill was abandoned about 1857. In addition to the mill, Brown and his partner, John Hoyt, kept hotel in a log house. When Weeks & Knox bought them out they named the place Brownsville, in honor of Mr. Brown. In 1853, a store was started in connection with this hotel. In 1855, Weeks & Knox built a large hotel. The first blacksmith came in 1855, a man named Sheets. In 1861, the store was given up. The hotel was burned in 1866, and another built the same year. In 1878, there was quite an impetus given to the town.

fifteen thousand dollars expended in improvements. The Knoxdale Institute was founded by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knox. The school opened September 9, 1878, with Professor E. K. Hill as Principal. There were but five scholars when the school was opened, but this number was increased the second term to seventeen. The young ladies who attend this institute receive the same care and attention from Mrs. Knox that would be bestowed upon them by their mothers at home. The educational advantages offered by this institution, its healthful location and the watchful supervision of Mrs. Knox will soon render it a favorite and prosperous school for young ladies.

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/history/yuba/chap30.htm

YUBA COUNTY 1877 GREAT VOTING REGISTER
2203—Sheets, Eli Wiser—38—Pennsylvania—E. Bear River Twp.—June 29, 1867

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/registers/yuba/yuba1877-6.htm

YUBA COUNTY 1879 GREAT VOTING REGISTER
2646—Sheets, Eli Wiser—38—Pennsylvania—E. Bear River Twp.—June 29, 1867

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/registers/yuba/yuba1879-4a.htm

YUBA COUNTY 1879 BUSINESS DIRECTORY
Sheets, E. W., Wheatland, blacksmithing, born in PA, came to CA in 1854, came to Yuba County in 1868, P.O., Wheatland

YUBA COUNTY 1880 GREAT VOTING REGISTER
2474—Eli Sheets—52—Pennsylvania—blacksmith—E. Bear River—Sept. 21, 1880

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/registers/yuba/yuba1880-7.htm

YUBA COUNTY 1886 GREAT VOTING REGISTER
2474—Sheets, Eli Wiser—52—Pennsylvania—E. B. River tp.—Sept. 21, 1880

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/registers/yuba/yuba1886-9.htm

YUBA COUNTY HISTORY : EAST BEAR RIVER TOWNSHIP
Sheets, Eli W., Residence, Wheatland, blacksmithing, born in PA, came to CA in 1854, came to Yuba Co. in 1868, P.O., Wheatland
Source: cagenweb.com/archives/history/yuba/chap51.htm

Eli Wiser Sheatz (Sheets) arrived in California with his wife, H. Maria, in 1854. He arrived in Yuba Co., CA in 1868.

There is an Addie Sheets who graduated from State Normal School on May, 1882

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/schools/sns/sns89016.htm

NEW SPAPER TRANSCRIPTIONS

Sacramento Union

Sunday July 15, 1917

Wheatland (Yuba Co.), July 14 - the same corps of teachers have been selected to teach in the grammar school at this place for next term. CHRIS JACOBS will be the principal and the other teachers are MISS BOWDEN, MISS COPELAND and MISS SHEETS. (Kate Sheets)

Source: cagenweb.com/archives/news/sac-other1917.htm

YUBA COUNTY Death Index

Sheets, Charles B., died 11/8/1865-born, 5/21/1863-buried in Wheatland

Sheets, Eli W., died 4/3/1896-born 4/6/1828 in Pennsylvania of stomach cancer-buried in Wheatland

YUBA COUNTY DEATH INDEX

Sheets, Emma A., died 11/28/1865-born 1/14/1861, buried in Wheatland

Sheets, Eve E., died 2/6/1871-born 5/6/1866, buried in Wheatland

Sheets, George K., died 1883-born 1878, buried in Wheatland

Sheets, H. Maria, died 1908-born 1833, buried in Wheatland

Sheets, Kate, died 1933-born 1870, buried in Wheatland

Sheets, Maria L., died 12/4/1865-born 1/15/1862, buried in Wheatland

Co., died of heart disease & failure, buried in Wheatland
Source: cagenweb.com/yuba/deaths/di-sc.htm

WHEATLAND CEMETERY

Sheets, Charles B., born 5/21/1863-died 11/18/1865, s/o EW & HM
Sheets, Eli W., born 4/6/1828-died 4/3/1896, n/o Pennsylvania
Sheets, Emma A., born 1/14/1861-died 11/28/1865, d/o EW & HM -
buried with Maria L.
Sheets, Eve E., born 5/6/1866-died 2/6/1871, d/o EW & HM
Sheets, George K., born 1878-died 1883
Sheets, H. Maria, born 1833-died 1908
Sheets, Kate, born 1870-died 1933
Sheets, Maria L., born 1/15/1862-died 12/4/1865, d/o EW & HM
Sheets, Murray K., born 5/31/1872-died 7/19/1889
Source: cagenweb.com/yuba/cemetery/wheat-z.htm

SHEETS, ELI W.

Daily Appeal-4/7/1896, p 4 -Funeral of E. W. Sheets-The
Ceremony at Wheatland Very Largely Attended -The funeral of Eli W.
Sheets took place in Wheatland on Sunday, and was under the
auspices of Sutter Lodge No. 100, I. O. O. F. The services were held
in the Odd Fellows hall where the religious services were read by
Rev. L. B. Hindman, and the services of the Lodge by R. P. Stagner,
N. G., and B. F. Monson, Chaplain. A large cortege followed the
remains to the cemetery, a number of Odd Fellows being in line, A.
A. Atkinson acting as marshal. The services were concluded at the
cemetery and the remains of the last surviving charter member of
Sutter Lodge was laid at rest. -The following gentlemen acted as
pallbearers: S. D. Wood, John Steinman, Frank Kishner, Sam
Kuster, J. F. Bawn and C. K. Dan. The deceased was initiated into
the Odd Fellows on May 6, 1856.

More About ELI WISER SHEATZ:

Cause of Death: Stomach Cancer

Medical Information: Source: cagenweb.com/yuba/deaths/di-sc.htm

Notes for H. MARIA KESNER:

1900 Census: Wheatland, E. Bear River Twp., Yuba Co., CA: Roll 116, Pg. 157

Sheets, Mrs. M., head, born Sept., 1833, age 66, born in PA, parents born in PA, widowed, married
house free, Ng 0-1-1

Sheets, Alma, daughter, born May, 1868, age 32, born in CA, parents born in PA

Sheets, Katie, daughter, born Feb., 1870, age 30, born in CA, parents born in PA, school teacher

Daily Appeal - 1/8/1908, p 7 - Wheatland Woman Died at Yuba City - Yuba City, Jan. 7. - Mrs. H.
Wheatland died this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her son-in-law, Reb. J. B. Needham, in t
was caused by pneumonia from which Mrs. Sheets had been a sufferer but a short time. She came
Wheatland to spend the Christmas holiday with her daughter and was taken with a severe cold whi
into pneumonia, and caused her death. - Mrs. Sheets was a native of Pennsylvania, having been bor
on September 2, 1833. She was 74 years, 5 months and 5 days of age.- She was married to E. W. S
Muscatine, Iowa, on April 6, 1859. To this union were born eleven children, four of whom survive
Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mrs. Joseph Murphy and Miss Kate Sheets of Wheatland, and Mrs. J. B. Need
city. - She leaves two brothers, J. P. Kesner of Wheatland and E. H. Kesner of Columbia Falls, Mo
sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Long of Neodesha, Kansas, and Mrs. T. W. Judy of Dunsmuir, California. -
came to California by way of the isthmus in March, 1860, and joined her husband who had precede
Kempton's Crossing on Bear river, Sutter county, where they lived until August, 1866. They then
Wheatland, Yuba county, where Mr. Sheets died in April, 1896, and where Mrs. Sheets resided un
her death. - The funeral will be held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, in Wheat
Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

SHEETS, H. MARIA

Daily Democrat - 1/7/1908, p 1 - Mrs. E. W. Sheets, Resident of Wheatland, Answers Summons -
this afternoon removed from our midst another pioneer of Yuba county when Mrs. E. W. Sheets an
final summons at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Needham in Yuba City. Deceased was a res
Wheatland for nearly half a century and was loved and respected by all. - She came to Yuba City t
Christmas with her daughter when she contracted a cold that resulted in a severe attack of pneumo
extreme age made it impossible to withstand the dread disease and death porved the victory this aft
Sheets was a native of Pennsylvania, 74 years of age and one of the early settlers of Yuba county.
loss four children survive her. Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mrs. Joseph Murphy and Miss Kate Sheets of V
Mrs. J. B. Needham of Yuba City. A sister, Mrs. T. W. Judy, reside in Dunsmuir and a brother, J.
reides in Wheatland. - Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

M. ALI - ELI WISER SHEATZ - H. MARIA KESNER

Children of ELI SHEATZ and H. KESNER are:

- i. EMMA A.³ SHEATZ, b. 14 Jan 1861, CA; d. 28 Nov 1865, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.
- ii. MARIA L. SHEATZ, b. 15 Jan 1862, CA; d. 04 Dec 1865, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.
- iii. CHARLES B. SHEATZ, b. 21 May 1863, CA; d. 18 Nov 1865, CA.
- iv. HARRIET SHEATZ, b. 1864, California; d. 13 Dec 1922, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA; m. JOHN b. 1862, California; d. 1932.

Notes for HARRIET SHEATZ:

YUBA COUNTY OBITS: JOHNSON, HATTIE S.

Marysville Appeal - 12/15/1922, p 1 - Death of Wheatland Woman Sad Blow To Relatives, F Wheatland, Dec. 14, - Mrs. Hattie S. Johnson, former postmaster here, despondent over ill-health is believed, laboring under a temporary mental disorder jumped into the slough back of the home daughter (sister), Mrs. Joseph Murphy, here and was drowned. - Johnson awakened about 5 o'clock morning and finding his wife missing aroused the family, a search resulted in the finding of the Johnson had been under treatment with specialists for a tumor on the brain. She was a native county. Decedent was an active member of the Methodist church here and also of the local church. She is survived by her husband, John M. Johnson of Wheatland, three sisters, Mrs. Joseph M. Johnson of Wheatland, Mrs. J. B. Needham of Roseberg, Ore., and Miss Kate Shields (Sheets) of Wheatland. Funeral services will be held at the Wheatland Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will take place in the family plot in the Wheatland cemetery under the direction of Bevan and

- v. EVE E. SHEATZ, b. 06 May 1866, CA; d. 06 Feb 1871, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.

Notes for EVE E. SHEATZ:

SHEETS, LIZZIE

Daily Appeal - 2/7/1871, p 2 - Died: In Wheatland, February 6th, Lizzie, daughter of Eli W. Sheets, aged 4 years and 9 months. - The funeral will take place to-morrow from the residence. Friends are invited to attend.

- vi. ALMA SHEATZ, b. 19 Mar 1868, California; d. 29 Apr 1941, Yuba Co., California; m. JOSEPH b. 1858, California; d. 1913, California.

Notes for ALMA SHEATZ:

1900 Census: Wheatland, E. Bear River Twp., Yuba Co., CA: Roll 116, Pg. 157

Sheets, Mrs. M., head, born Sept., 1833, age 66, born in PA, parents born in PA, widowed, m. had 10 children, 4 living, owns house free, Ng 0-1-1

Sheets, Alma, daughter, born May, 1868, age 32, born in CA, parents born in PA

Sheets, Katie, daughter, born Feb., 1870, age 30, born in CA, parents born in PA, school teacher

Appeal Democrat - 28 Jan 1960, page C-13. (This was a section devoted to what occurred 100 years ago. "First white child born in Wheatland was Alma Sheets (Murphy), a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli W. Sheets, 1868.

YUBA COUNTY OBITS

MURPHY, ALMA

Appeal Democrat 0 4/30/1941, p. 6 - First Wheatland Child Succumbs - Wheatland, Apr. 30 - Alma Murphy pioneer resident, wife of the late Joseph Murphy and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sheets, residents of Wheatland, passed away at her home here Tuesday after an illness of several weeks. Murphy's parents moved here when Wheatland was in its infancy. She was the first white child born in Wheatland. She recently celebrated her 73rd birthday. For many years she was an active member of the Methodist church. - She is survived by her sister, Mrs. J. B. Needham of Wheatland with whom she resides. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. from the Christian church. Interment in the family plot of Wheatland cemetery. The Yuba City Mortuary is arranging for the funeral.

Appeal Democrat - 5/2/1941, p 10 - Final Rites Held for Mrs. Murphy - Wheatland, May 2 - Final rites for Mrs. Alma Murphy, pioneer resident of Wheatland were held in the Christian church Thursday afternoon and were attended by many friends of the family. Rev. Pendleton of Sacramento, assisted by Rev. Townsley of Yuba City conducted the services. Mrs. Alice Swetzer was organist. The many tributes attested the esteem in which Mrs. Murphy was held in the community. - Friends who acted as bearers were: A. K. Dam, A. C. Stineman, F. A. Brock, F. N. Beilby, G. R. Akins and Charles Sheets. In addition to her sister, Mrs. Murphy left two nieces, Mrs. Nina Cox of San Jose and Mrs. M. Roseberg, Ore.

Murphy, Alma A. Sheets, born 3, 19/1868, died 4/29/1941, n/o Calif, - D: Yuba Co. -w/o Jos
Murphy, Joseph C., born 1858, died 1933, California

Notes for JOSEPH MURPHY:
1880 Census: Wheatland, Yube Co., CA: 6-8-1880
Noe, Rugh, widow, age 72, born NJ,
Finell, Mathew, age 44, born Tennessee, laborer
Murphy, Joseph, age 27, born CA, tin wirer

vii. KATE SHEATZ, b. 1870, CA; d. 1933, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.

Notes for KATE SHEATZ:
1900 Census: Wheatland, E. Bear River Twp., Yuba Co., CA: Roll 116, Pg. 157
Sheets, Mrs. M., head, born Sept., 1833, age 66, born in PA, parents born in PA, widowed, n
had 10 children, 4 living, owns house free, Ng 0-1-1
Sheets, Alma, daughter, born May, 1868, age 32, born in CA, parents born in PA
Sheets, Katie, daughter, born Feb., 1870, age 30, born in CA, parents born in PA, school teac

viii. MURRAY KAHLE SHEATZ, b. 31 May 1872, CA; d. 19 Jul 1889, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.

More About MURRAY KAHLE SHEATZ:
Cause of Death: Heart disease & failure
Medical Information: Source: cagenweb.com/yuba/deaths/di-sc.htm

2. ix. MAUDE S. SHEATZ, b. 11 Jul 1874, CA; d. 06 Nov 1966, Sonoma, CA.
x. GEORGE KAHL SHEATZ, b. 1878, CA; d. 12 Oct 1883, Wheatland, Yuba Co., CA.

Notes for GEORGE KAHL SHEATZ:
YUBA CO., CA OBITUARIES
SHEETS, GEORGE
Wheatland Graphic - 10/13/1883 - Death of George Sheets - George the youngest child of E.
in this town Thursday at 9:30 p.m. The funeral will take place this (Friday) afternoon.

Generation No. 2

**2. MAUDE S.³ S HEATZ (*ELI WISER², ELI¹*) was born 11 Jul 1874 in CA, and died 06 Nov 1966 in S
She married JERAMIAH B. NEEDHAM. He was born Jul 1872 in NC.**

Notes for MAUDE S. SHEATZ:
1900 Census: Gilroy City, Gilroy Twp., CA: 6-2-1900
Needham, J. B., head, age 27, born NC, born July, 1872, parents born NC, clergyman, rents house
Needham, Maud, wife, age 25, born CA, born July, 1874, parents born PA

1920 Census: Tangent, Linn Twp., OR: 6-19-1920
Needham, Jeremiah, head, age 47, born NC, rents, minister in S. Methodist Church
Needham, Maud, wife, age 45, born CA,
Needham, Nina, daughter, age 17, born CA
Needham, Marion, daughter, age 15, born CA

California Death Index, 1940-1997 Record
Name: Needham, Maud S.
Social Security #: 562660242
Sex: Female
Birth Date: 11 Jul 1874
Birth Place: California
Death Date: 6 Nov 1966
Death Place: Sonoma
Mother's Maiden Name: Kesener

Notes for JERAMIAH B. NEEDHAM:
1900 Census: Gilroy City, Gilroy Twp., CA: 6-2-1900
Needham, J. B., head, age 27, born NC, born July, 1872, parents born NC, clergyman, rents house
Needham, Maud, wife, age 25, born CA, born July, 1874, parents born PA

Needham ,Jeremiah, head, age 47, born NC , rents, minister in S.M ethodist Church
Needham ,Maud, wife, age 45, born CA ,
Needham , Nina, daughter, age 17, born CA
Needham ,M arion, daughter, age 15, born CA

Children of MAUDE SHEATZ and JERAMIAH NEEDHAM are:

- i. NINA⁴ NEEDHAM, b. Abt. 1903, California; m. UNKNOWN COX.
- ii. MARIAN NEEDHAM, b. 12 Jan 1905, California; d. 18 Feb 1989; m. UNKNOWN COBB.

Notes for MARIAN NEEDHAM:

California Death Index, 1940-1997 Record (Ancestry.com)

Name: Cobb, Marian S.

SS# 57246758

Sex: Female

Birth Date: 12 Jan 1905

Death Date: 18 Feb. 1989

JDeath Place: Santa Clara

Mother's Maiden Name: Sheets

Father's Surname: Needham

Endnotes

1. Eli Wiser Sheatz's arrival in CA & Yuba Co., CA,. Yuba County, CA History from [cagenweb.com/archives/history/yuba/chap. 51](http://cagenweb.com/archives/history/yuba/chap.51).