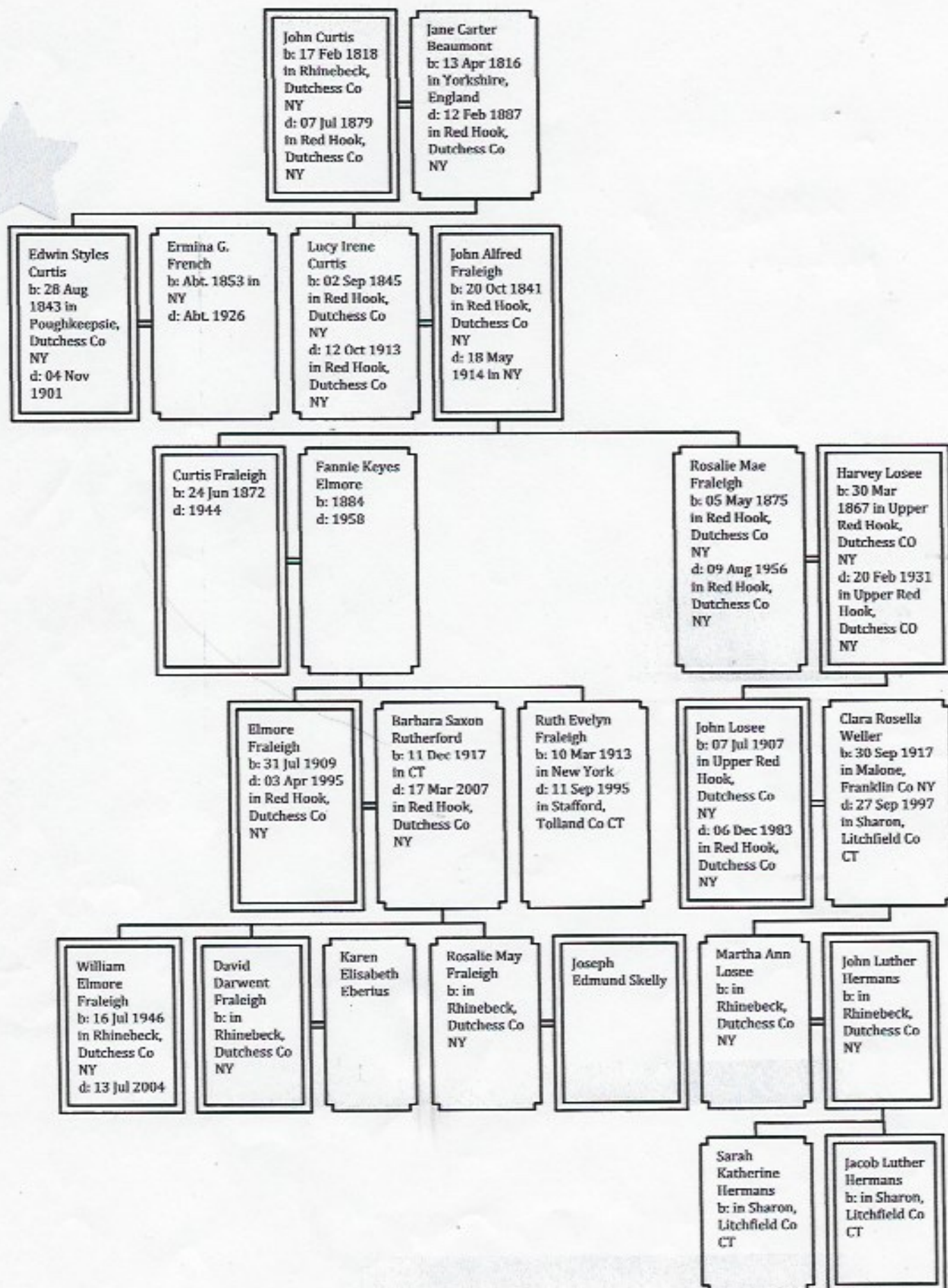


Descendants of John Curtis





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Chris.

No prob. That's helpful. Ok, this is going to be long!

Legrand M Curtis was born 15 November 1796 in Trumbull CT died 15 August 1875 in Rhinebeck. He was the son of John and Eunice Summers Curtis. His father supposedly fought with the Connecticut Light Horse in the American Revolution. He was one half of Carroll & Curtis, furniture dealers and undertakers in Rhinebeck, NY. He married 13 July 1817 Rachel Canfield (29 April 1789 – 25 September 1849), daughter of James Jr and Anna Brouwer Canfield. Her father fought in the American Revolution. Together they had eight children: **John** 1818 – 1879 (my ancestor), Phoebe Ann Curtis born 1820, Cornelia Curtis who lived only 2 months, William Summers Curtis born 1824, James Howard Curtis who lived one year, Mary Curtis who lived two months, **Sarah Remington Curtis** who married William King born 1829 (who's d-type I have) and Rachel Eliza Curtis born 1834.

John Curtis was born 17 February 1818 in Rhinebeck, died 07 July 1879 in Red Hook. He was the son of Legrand and Rachel Canfield Curtis. He married 22 December 1840 in Poughkeepsie **Jane Carter Beaumont** (13 April 1816 – 12 February 1887), an immigrant from Yorkshire, England. John was "a man among men because he possessed all the noble qualities of a man" according to an obituary from the Red Hook Aurora Borealis. The obituary notes that he was a Sunday School teacher. "As a mechanic, he stood in the front rank..." "...having been in business nearly forty years." He sold stoves in Red Hook and was a fervent Methodist. "He was a kind, affable, genial, and most excellent neighbor and friend." He and Jane had eight children, only four of which lived to adulthood: Grace Curtis 1840 – 1851, **Legrand Beaumont Curtis** 1841 – 1906, Florence Curtis 1842 – 1855, **Edwin Styles Curtis** 1843 – 1901, **Lucy Irene Curtis** 1845 – 1913 (my ancestor), Willis Curtis 1849 – 1854, Herbert Jackson Curtis 1858 – 1924 and James Canfield Curtis 1860 – 1863.

LeGrand Beaumont Curtis was born 03 November 1841 died June 1906, he was the son of John and Jane Carter Beaumont Curtis. He married first 15 January 1867 at Red Hook Helen Andrews (23 October 1837 – 20 September 1876). They had one son, John Andrews Curtis 24 December 1868 – 12 March 1930. He married second 23 February 1881 Mary Alice Massoneau. They had Robert Massoneau Curtis 1883 – 1950 and Elizabeth Waldorf Curtis born 1886. Legrand was committed to the Hudson River State Hospital because he suffered from delusions of bankruptcy and there was a fear that he may harm himself or others. A newspaper clipping of 6 May 1892 states that LB Curtis and wife Mary A were judged not of sound mind. Her family had to help her move to Poughkeepsie to be near her husband. He died in the institution.

Major Edwin Styles Curtis was born 28 August 1843 died 04 November 1901. He was the son of John and Jane Carter Beaumont Curtis who were our ancestors. Edwin enlisted as a Private on 1 September 1861 at the age of 18. Four days later he was part of Company B, 48th Infantry Regiment New York and was discharged on 16 September 1863. He was stationed in the 1880s in Florida, Iowa. He commanded a company of Utes against the Sioux in 1876. He was a professor in the US Military Academy in Arkansas. He is buried at West Point, Section XIII Site 296. He

married c. 1876 Ermina G. French and they had four children: Harold Penrose born July 1880 in Connecticut, Marion Harwood born October 1882 in Washington, DC, Helen born April 1884 in Washington, DC, and 2nd Lt. Legrand Beaumont Curtis born 09 May 1887 in Iowa who died 30 June 1914 at sea during WWI.

If it's Edwin who refers to "Aunt Martha" this is **Martha Ann Beaumont**, sister of Jane Carter Beaumont who married John Curtis b.1918. She was born 18 February 1818 died 24 June 1878 and we saw her tombstone today. I also have her d-type image. She was the daughter of Abraham Beaumont and Mattie Carter who came from Yorkshire, England. She never married.

Not sure who "Aunt Kate" is because Martha and Jane had no other siblings and I've listed all of John Curtis' siblings, no Catherine among them. Perhaps this was his wife's family?

I have no correspondence from this time at all, unfortunately, but it sounds like what survived made its way to EBHS!

PHOTOS related to the below: Unless indicated I have only copies of these. I'll send a list of the d-type and photos I'm loaning in another email

Legrand M Curtis
John Curtis (1818)
Jane Carter Beaumont
Jane Carter Beaumont (I have this d-type)
Lucy Irene Curtis
Edwin Styles Curtis (I have this photo)
Edwin Styles Curtis
Legrand Beaumont Curtis and Edwin Styles Curtis
Most glorious mustache ES Curtis
LeGrand Beaumont Curtis
Martha Ann Beaumont
I have another image you saw but is not online of Martha Ann Beaumont, a d-type with her in a bonnet.
Sarah Curtis King (on the left, I have this d-type)
2nd Lt LeGrand Beaumont Curtis who died WWI

UNRELATED, but here's that Miss Cordelia Jackson I pointed out today

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