

## Franklin Forrest and Descendants, Upper Gilmanton, NH, and Henry, IL

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Franklin Forrest  
and  
Hannah Ladd

{ Franklin Jackson Forrest  
Barbara Ann Forrest  
Benjamin Franklin Forrest  
William Henry Forrest

Franklin Forrest, born at Canterbury June 9, 1803; died at Mineral, IL, May 12, 1857. Hannah K. Ladd, born at Gilmanton, 1802; died at Mineral, IL, Feb. 23, 1883. They were married in 1826.

### CHILDREN, ALL BORN AT GILMANTON, NH

Franklin Jackson Forrest, born 1828; died in 1829.

Barbara Ann Forrest, born 1831; died 1832.

Benjamin Franklin Forrest, born 1832; died 1836

William Henry Forrest, born Oct. 10, 1835; died at Mineral, IL, Apr. 10, 1893;  
married Nancy Hilton Fellows, born at Andover, Sept. 21, 1836.

### GRANDCHILDREN

Benjamin Franklin Forrest, M.D., Henry, IL; born at Mineral, IL Dec. 25, 1859; married (1<sup>st</sup>) Mary E. Studley of Mineral, born Feb. 14, 1863; died at Annawan, IL Nov. 18, 1889; married (2<sup>nd</sup>) Cora Piel, born at Belvidere, IL.

William Henry Forrest, Esq., Sheffield, IL; born at Mineral, IL, Oct. 10, 1861;  
married Charlotte Clauges, Nov. 27, 1891; born at Trenton, MO.

Edwin Guy Forrest, Henry, IL; born at Chicago, IL, Nov. 20, 1864; married Mary E. Mevich, Sept. 16, 1886; born at Mineral, IL, Jan. 10, 1868.

### GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN

*Children of Dr. Benjamin Franklin and Mary Studley Forrest, born at Annawan, IL:*

\*Frank H. Forrest, born July 20, 1884.

\*Wilbur Forrest, born Feb. 15, 1887.

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*Children of Dr. Benjamin Franklin and Cora Piel Forrest, born at Henry, IL:*

----- Forrest, born Oct. 11, 1894.

\*Cora May Forrest, born Oct. 11, 1894.

\*See group of children.

*Children of William H. and Charlotte Clauges Forrest, both born at Sheffield, IL:*

Frances F. Forrest, born Nov. 22, 1892; died at Mineral, IL, June 2, 1894.  
+Pauline Hilton Forrest, born Oct. 2, 1895.

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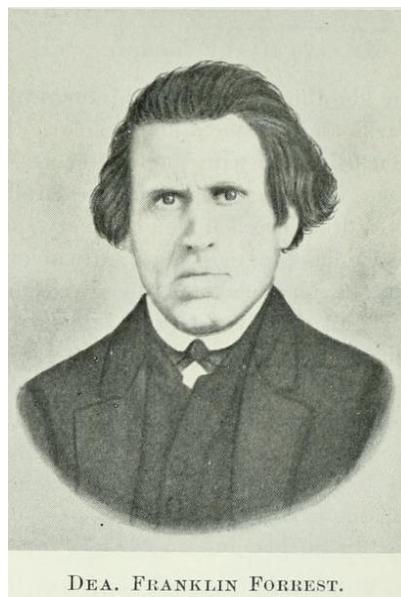
*Children of Edwin Guy and Mary Mevich Forrest:*

\*Benjamin Hilton Forrest, born at Mineral, IL, Sept. 30, 1888.  
+Gertrude Inez Forrest, born at Henry, IL, Sept. 5, 1896.

#### MEMORANDA.

Dea. Franklin Forrest was for many years a resident of Upper Gilmanton (NH), now Belmont, where he carried on the business of a blacksmith. He was a devoted member of the Christian church and a true-hearted man in all his social and business relations. He removed to Illinois in 1855, and died of consumption two years later.

A notice of his death, cut from a local paper, says: "His last moments were like the calm setting of a summer sun, without a cloud to obscure his spiritual sight. No one who visited his sick-room failed to learn lessons of enduring patience, calm resignation, and holy reliance, for his hope was indeed an anchor to the soul."

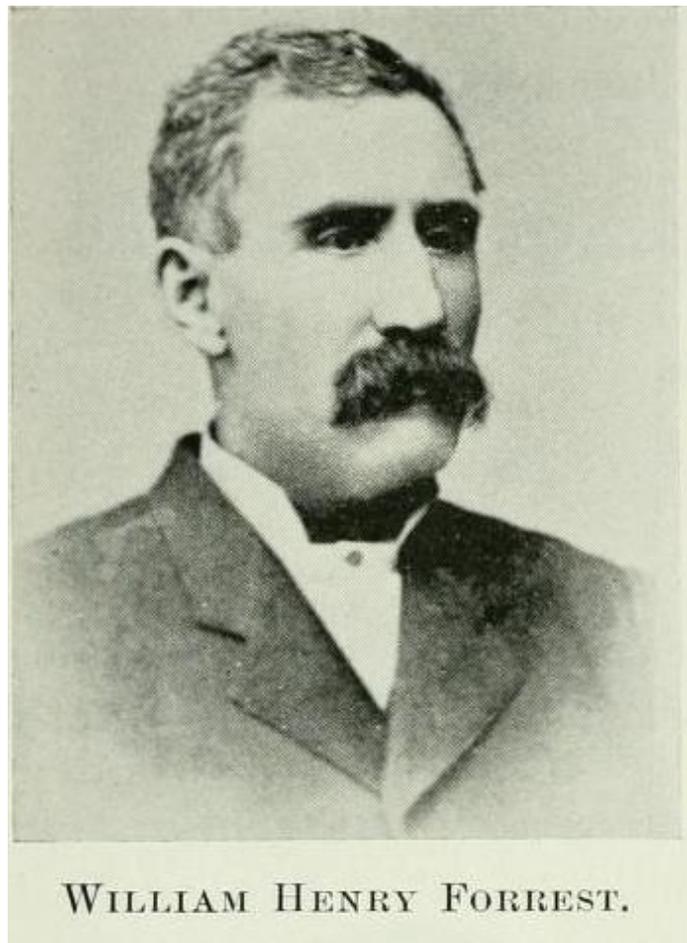


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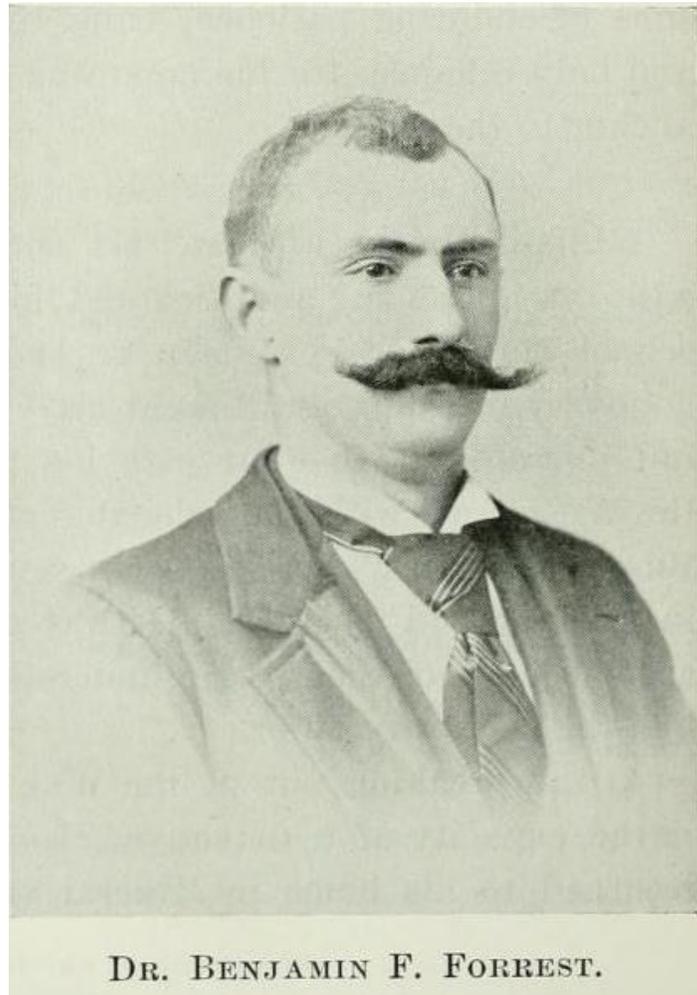
William Henry Forrest, his son, resided with his parents, and devoted his time to school-work. At seventeen he had acquired a good education, and taught his first school in Gilmanton. He went with his parents to the West, and with them located at Mineral, Bureau Co., IL, where he spent several years in teaching and farming. He was a great admirer of fine horses and cattle, and was a good judge of them. He understood what good farming consisted in, but did not like the necessary labor.

At the breaking out of the War of the Rebellion, he went to Chicago and acted in the capacity of a detective, also doing police duty for about five years. He then returned to his home in Mineral and commenced the study of law, becoming sufficiently versed in it to have passed an examination and received a diploma. But this he did not choose to do. He was a very useful man, and held many prominent offices in his town, in all of which he proved himself useful and efficient. He was fine looking physically, weighing 240 pounds. He was a great reader, possessed a good memory, and was constantly acquiring knowledge. He was honest in all his dealings, loved society, and was a good conversationalist. Politically he was a Democrat, and a Unitarian in belief. He died of neuralgia of the heart and lungs without a moment's warning, at the age of forty-eight.



Dr. B.F. Forrest spent many years in school, and by his diligence and faithfulness to all his duties he surmounted the most difficult tasks and became a fine scholar. He read medicine with Dr. L.N. Cunningham of Sheffield, and with fine certificates and recommendations went to Rush Medical College, Chicago, from which he graduated in the class of 1883 with high honors. He is a first-class surgeon and very successful in the operating-room.

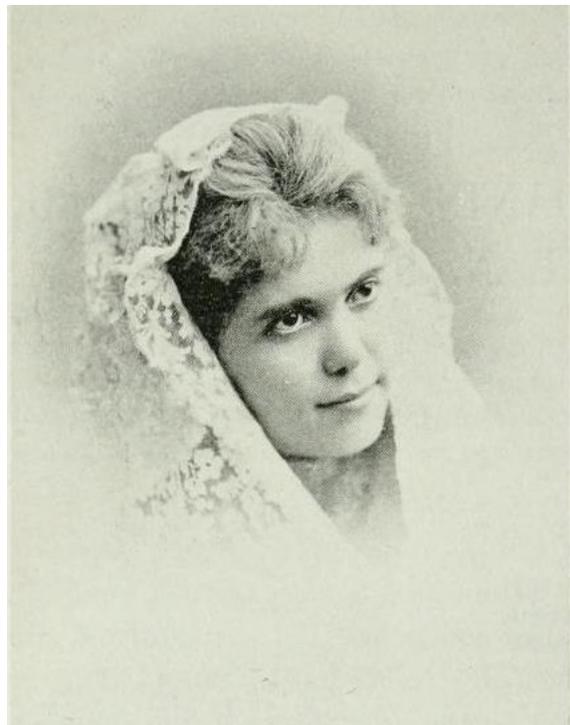
He has practiced constantly since his graduation, and has built up an extensive practice. He resides on the Illinois River in the city of Henry, where he has a fine home in a beautiful locality. He greatly loves his chosen calling, and calls the work that comes necessarily into a physician's life no task. It is an inheritance from six generations on his mother's side.



William H. Forrest Jr., was born on his father's twenty-fifth birthday, and consequently was his father's namesake. He was educated as a lawyer, having attended school from childhood to manhood, and was a quick, apt scholar, learning the most difficult lessons at a single perusal. He studied law with Charles K. Ladd, in Kewanee, IL; then at Union Law School in Chicago. He passed a fine examination before the Supreme Court at Ottawa, LaSalle Co. He is now practicing law at Sheffield, as his health permits. An unfortunate fall of sixty feet in a coal shaft caused disabilities from which he is still suffering.



WILLIAM H. FORREST, JR.



MRS. WILLIAM H. FORREST.

Edwin Guy Forrest resided with his parents and received a fair education, but did not choose to pursue his studies further. He chose rather to engage in the coal business with his father, which he continued after his death. His health failing, he removed to Henry in order to avail himself to his brother's services. A year's treatment greatly improved it, and he was able to take up a lighter business. At present he is engaged in raising poultry. He is honest and upright in all his dealings, rather reticent, but genial and kind hearted, and greatly respected wherever he is known.



EDWIN GUY FORREST.

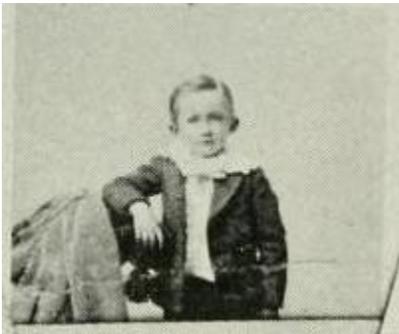
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