

THE WILLIAM HORACE EVANS FAMILY OF ROGUES POINT, SMITH'S ISLAND

S/O Francis E. & Julia Anne Evans of Rogues Point, Md.

	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED</u>
WILLIAM HORACE EVANS	1843	1912-70
Wife of William H. was the Daughter of Walter H. and Rhoda Marsh		
RHODA CATHERINE MARSH	1846	1886-40

Children of William Horace, & Rhoda Catherine Marsh Evans

	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED</u>	
BENJAMIN SEWARD EVANS	1865	1928	M. ANNIE ELIZABETH POE
WILLIAM ALFRED EVANS	1867	1883-16	D.S.P.
AARON T. EVANS	1869	1888-19	D.S.P.
(Was living with his brother Benjamin S. untill the year 1900)			
JOHN WASHINGTON EVANS	1872	_____	Moved to Chessonessex Va.
CAREY NELSON EVANS	1876	_____	M. MARY RIGGIN-CRISFIELD
LAURA JANE EVANS	1878	_____	M. EDDIE COOK SR. CRISFIELD
FLORENCE EVANS	1880	_____	UN-MARRIED-CRISFIELD
GROVER CLEVELAND EVANS	1883	1940-57	M. MARTHA JANE RIGGIN
EDWARD FOUNTAIN EVANS	1884	1940-56	M. MARY ALICE GUY

William Horace Evans lived on the shores of The Chesapeake Bay at Rogues Point, Md. (So named, because during the Revolutionary War from 1776 untill 1783, small-time pirates, known as "Picaroons" infested the low-lying marshes of Smith's Island.) after conducting raids, and pillaging settlements on the mainland, The raiders used the off-shore marshes as hide-outs untill the end of the war; but the name, Rogues Point wasn't changed untill the year 1885, when a new Postoffice was set up there, and the name was changed to Rhodes Point, (for no particular reason, other than getting rid of the Rogue Name.) Wm. H. Evans continued to live there, untill the death of William's wife Rhoda, who died there in 1886. She was buried in the Rhodes Point Methodist Church Cemetery.

William H. was left with 8 children. The eldest son being Benjamin Seward Evans who was 21 years old, and married to Annie Elizabeth Poe Evans, who was 20 years old. Benjamin and his wife Annie moved into his father William's home, to help him raise the younger children. Wm. Alfred had already died at the age of 16, in 1883. Aaron T. who was 17, died 2 years later at 19 years of age. The younger children were John Washington, 14, Carey 10, Laura Jane 8, Florence 6, Cleveland 3, and Edward Fountain 2.

About the year 1899, William H. moved from Rhodes Point to Crisfield. Four of his children, Carey Nelson 23, Laura Jane 21, Grover Cleveland 16, and Edward Fountain 15, moved there with him. Two of his children John Washington 27, and Florence 19, remained on the island, living with their older brother, Benjamin Seward, and his wife Annie Elizabeth. Its not known, if Wm. H. remarried a 2nd wife on the mainland, or not, but he was employed in the seafood business, over there, and later, his three sons were employed at the seafood plant, and all of them married wives from Crisfield.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM HORACE & RHODA CATHERINE MARSH EVANS

<u>Son</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED AGE</u>	<u>BURIED</u>
BENJAMIN SEWARD EVANS	1865	1928-63	Crisfield Vets Cemetery
<u>Wife</u>			
ANNIE ELIZABETH POE	1866	1942-76	Crisfield Vets Cemetery

Children

MARY WEST	1890	M Edward A. Jones of Ewell, Md.
ADDIE	1892	M. Elmer F. Evans (2) William Cook
CATHERINE (DINK)	1896	M. Charlie W. Evans Rhodes Point, Md
ROSE	1899	M. Preston Dize Crisfield Md.
SEWARD JR.	1900	M. Georgia James Elsworth Crisfield
CHARLES EDWARD	1903	D.S.P. Drowned in Rhodes Pt. Gut

William H. Evans' Eldest son Benjamin Seward and his wife Annie E. continued to live at Rhodes Point where Benjamin was a waterman. His brother John Washington was also a waterman, and he and his sister Florence, (who was never Married) were both with oldest brother Benjamin, and his wife Annie, who by 1903, had 6 children of their own. Unfortunately in 1910, Benjamin and Annie's youngest son Charles Edward was drowned in a near-by gut, at the age of 7.

After that tragedy, things were never the same for the Ben Seward family, but they remained at Rhodes Point, until two of their daughters, Mary West, and Catherine, both married island husbands. About the year 1915, Benjamin's brother John Washington moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia at Chessonessex, where he continued to work on the water there. By the year 1921,, Benjamin and Annie along with their children; Addie, Rose, Seward Jr. and Benjamin's sister Florence all moved to Crisfield, and never returned to to the island. They are all buried in the old Crisfield Vets Cemetery on Chesapeake, and Somerset Avenue's.

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BORN

CAREY NELSON EVANS	1876	WATERMAN - SOLDIER
<u>Wife</u>		
MARY RIGGIN	1889	HOMEMAKER - CRISFIELD, MD.

Children Were all born in Crisfield

MARTHA JANE EVANS 1910

CAREY NELSON JR. 1914

CAREY N. EVANS SR. A U.S. SOLDIER IN THE SPANISH AMERICAN WAR-1898

Carey and Mary Riggin Evans are buried in the old Crisfield Cem.

BORN

GROVER CLEVELAND EVANS	1883	WATERMAN & SEAFOOD WORKER
<u>Wife</u>		
MARTHA JANE RIGGIN		HOMEMAKER - CRISFIELD, MD.

Children Were all born in Crisfield

HORACE EVANS 1910

CAREY (BUDDY) EVANS 1913

FRANKLIN (FRANK) EVANS 1914

WESLEY (WEST) EVANS 1918

RICHARD EVANS 1930