



Harvey Logan: aka "Kid Curry"

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Much has been written concerning the life and death of "Kid Curry", the outlaw, and much of it is completely false.

Kid Curry was born to William H. Neville and Eliza Jane (Johnson) Logan about 1867 in the State of Iowa. His name was Harvey Alexander Logan. Since it is known from a family source that his sister, Arda Alma, was born in Iowa County, Iowa, it is likely that Harvey and his other brothers were also born in that county. It is known that the Logan brothers, Harvey, Johnnie, and Lonnie, rode with Butch Cassidy, the Sundance Kid, and the much publicized outlaw band known as the "Wild Bunch".

Many authors mistakenly give the nativity of the Logan brothers as Rowan County, Kentucky. There is, however, only a grain of truth in that assumption. William H. Neville Logan and Eliza Jane Johnson, the parents of "Kid Curry", were raised in the vicinity of Morehead and were born in Fleming County; that is the part that is now Rowan County. This can be seen from the Fleming County census of 1850 and from the Rowan County marriage records found in the Rowan County, Kentucky Vital Statistics.

Larry Pointer, in his book, *In Search of Butch Cassidy*, points out the Logan brothers indicated, when they registered to vote in Choteau County, Montana, that they were born in Iowa. This was the county in which the mining town of Landusky was located at the time. Landusky was the place that Harvey Logan killed Powell "Pike" Landusky and turned to his life of crime. Today, Landusky, Montana is located in Phillips County near the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation.

The census of Iowa County, Iowa, listed below, proves beyond a reasonable doubt that Harvey Logan and at least two of his brothers were born in Iowa. The date of birth of James William Logan and some of the other children differ from other sources that have been found, but are within the reasonable limits of census research. The original will of Howard Monroe Logan, well known merchant of Morehead, named his niece, Arda Alma (Self) Rodriguez, as an heir, giving further proof of the relationship of the Logans of Montana and the Logans of Rowan County, Kentucky.

Very little is known of the death of Harvey Logan, but there are two documented records of his death and members of the Self-Rodriguez family indicate that neither record is correct. The family members believe that Harvey may have returned to the United States after his alleged death in South America and led a normal life while hiding from the law.

It has been well documented by authors of the "Wild West" that Johnnie Logan was killed by Jim Winters on February 1, 1896 in a shootout at the Winters ranch. Five years later Jim Winters was mysteriously ambushed, presumably, by Harvey Logan. Both Winters and Johnnie Logan are buried in a pasture near Landusky, Montana.

On February 28, 1900, Lonnie Logan was killed by a sheriff's posse outside the residence of his aunt, Betty Lee, in Dodson, Missouri, now a part of Kansas City. She was Elizabeth (Logan) Lee and was married to Hiram Lee on Aug. 1, 1852 in Fleming County, Kentucky.

Lonnie Logan, Elizabeth (Logan) Lee, and Hiram Lee are buried in the family plot in Forest Hills Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.

From family sources and written history it is known that the Logan children went to live with their aunt and uncle, Elizabeth and Hiram Lee, sometime after the death of their mother in Henry County, Missouri in 1870. When the Logan brothers left Missouri is not clear, but they do appear in Landusky, Montana in 1884.

William Logan, father of William H. Neville Logan, was the son of James and Caroline Elizabeth Logan and was married to Elizabeth Ray Powers on Aug. 24, 1815 in Fleming County, Kentucky. Elizabeth Ray Powers was the daughter of Jacob Powers and Ann (Shelton) Crosthwait. Zachariah K. Johnson and Delilah Evans were the parents of Eliza Jane Johnson, according to family sources.

Robert E. Lee, a cousin of the Logan brothers, was also a member of the "Wild Bunch" and spent some time in Federal prison for trying to pass stolen bank notes from the Wilcox, Wyoming train robbery that occurred in June of 1899. Robert E. Lee also went by the alias of "Bob Curry".

Below is the genealogical evidence of the Logan, Johnson, and Lee families of Rowan County, Kentucky, Iowa County, Iowa, Choteau County, Montana, and Jackson County, Missouri.

20 years

Date Inventoried: October 16th 1997 By James G. Matthews & Dana Matthews

Location: From Rt. 32 W. & Rt. 377 (Gardner Rd) turn right on Rt. 377 and drive 4.7 miles to Char Fork Rd. Turn left and drive 2.0 miles to a small drive on left. Drive back about 50 feet and park. Cemetery is on hill to your left (side of road) about 50 feet. Boundary is straight up incline. (Very steep!) Sign for Cemetery is on hill to your left of road!!!

NAME	BORN	DIED	STONE	REL	NOTE
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HH # 71

HH # 74

Lee, Hiram 25 M KY
Elizabeth 21 F KY

Logan, William 58 M PA
Elizabeth 52 F KY
Sarah Amanda 20 F KY
Mary D. 18 F KY
William H.N. 16 M KY

Frances L. 14 F KY
Howard M. 10 M KY
Hill, Susannah 85 F KY

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HARVEY LOGAN, A.K.A. KID CURRY

HH # 75

Johnson, Zachariah H. 51 M KY
Amanda 23 F KY
Benjamin F. 19 M KY
James W. 15 M KY
Zachariah P. 19 M KY
Eliza Jane 12 F KY
Mahala 8 F KY
Nelly Ann 2 F KY

Fleming County, Ky. Vital Statistics state that Cassander [sic] A. Lee was born Feb. 1852. d/o Hiram Lee & Elizabeth Logan.
Rowan County, Ky. marriages gives W.H.N. Logan (age 22) marr. Eliza J. Johnson (age 18) on Oct. 5, 1856.

Johnson County, Kansas, Shawnee Township, Census of 1860

HH # 595

Lee, H. 35 M KY
E. 32 F KY
H. 10 F KY
C. A. 7 F KY
E. 3 F KY
L. 3 F KY
Noble, W. 40 M KS
Stewart, A. 46 M VA



Jackson County Missouri - ^{Lee's Summit} ~~Census~~ 1870

Lee, Hiram 47 M KY
Elizabeth 45 F KY
Carry 18 F KY
Lucy 15 F KY
Lizzie 15 F KY
Edgar 9 M KY
Robert E. 3 M KY

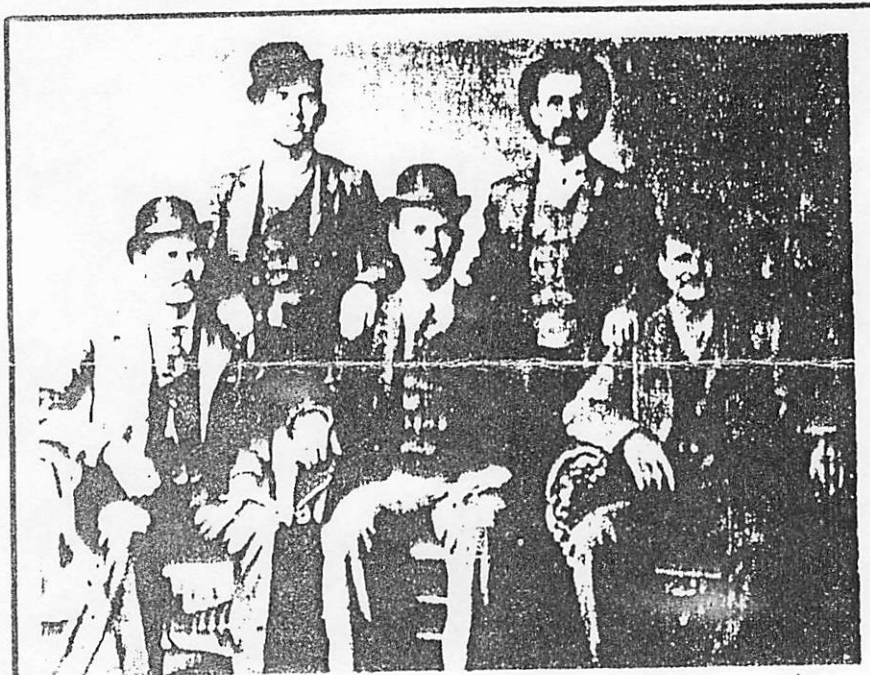
Jackson County Missouri - Washington Township - Census of 1880

Lee, Hiram 55 M KY KY KY
Elizabeth 51 F KY PA KY
Lucy 21 F MU KY KY
Lizzie 21 F MU KY KY
Edgar 18 M KS KY KY
Robert 12 M MU KY KY
Parker, Mary M. 29 F KY KY KY Daughter
Severette 10 F MU KY MU granddaughter
Wm. Arthur -- M MU KY MU grandson

Iowa County, Iowa - Richland Township - Post Office:

Logan, William 36 M KY
Eliza J. 29 F KY
James W. 10 M KY
Denver 8 M IA
Harvey A. 3 M IA
Arda A. 2 F IA
John A. 300 M IA

Helena - Census of 1870



Left to right, standing. William Carver, Harvey Logan (Kid Curry). Seated, left to right; Harry Longbaugh (The Sundance Kid), Ben Kilpatrick (The Tall Texan), Robert Leroy Parker (Butch Cassidy).