

[Johnson, Dorastus]

The Johnson family of Jamestown, New York, herein recorded, descend from Dorastus Johnson, born June 14, 1800, died April 3, 1881. He was a prosperous farmer of Oneida county, New York, owning a fine estate lying along the Mohawk river. Here he spent the earlier part of his life, prominent and respected. In 1830 he sold his farm and for thirteen years lived in Cattaraugus county, New York, later settling at Pine Grove (now Russell), Warren county, Pennsylvania, where he lived a retired life the rest of his days. He was a Universalist in religious belief. He married, January 11, 1821, Bathsheba Cummins, born February 2, 1802, died August 5, 1874. Children: 1. William, born September 24, 1821; a veteran of the civil war. 2. Truman W., born April 17, 1823. 3. Edwin F., July 25, 1824. 4. Abel, April 10, 1826. 5. Samuel McCoon (born in Herkimer Co. New York on January 10, 1828; married, September 22, 1850, Elizabeth Adelaide Cook); 6. Selina B., April 24, 1829; served in the civil war, and died from disease contracted in the army. 7. Ira W., born September 3, 1834; he was color bearer of his regiment, and was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. He fell literally riddled with bullets, the flag he bore rendering him a conspicuous target. 8. Dora (or Dorcas), born August 17, 1836. 9. Calvin, born July 14, 1842; a veteran of the civil war.

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