

**Missouri R. (Shelton) Linville**  
**AEHC featured person for the week of April 18, 2021**

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April 18, 1860 – December 9, 1928

Born this week in 1860, Missouri Roxanna (Shelton) Linville is buried in our cemetery's Section 4, Lot 94, Space 3.

Summary of our research: Missouri Roxanna Shelton was born on April 18, 1860 to John and Mary S. (Wicker) Shelton in Shelby County, Indiana.

Missouri's father John Shelton (1836-1889) was born in Posey Township to David (1803-1847) and Elizabeth (Gard) (1809-1873) Shelton. David and Elizabeth were married in Ohio in 1828. David purchased property in Posey Township in 1834. David passed away in 1847 and on the 1850 Census, Elizabeth, and her children (including John) were still residing in Posey Township. David's burial location was not found. Elizabeth was living with one of her children in Iowa when she died. She is buried there.

Missouri's mother Mary S. (Wicker) (1839-1915) was born in North Carolina to Wiatt (1809-1880) and Nancy C. (Smith) (1812-1880) Wicker. Wiatt and Nancy were married in North Carolina in 1829. The Wicker family was residing in Posey Township by the 1860 Census. Wiatt and Nancy's burial locations were not found.

Missouri's parents John and Mary S. (Wicker) Shelton were married in 1856 in Rush County. They were residing just inside Shelby County by 1870 Census. After the death of Missouri's father in 1889, Mary married George W. Rutherford (1834-1913). Mr. Rutherford is buried in Blue River Chapel Cemetery in Shelby County. John and Mary are both buried in Blue River Wesleyan Cemetery.

Missouri's family was farming next the Linville family farm on the 1870 Census. At the age of 17, Missouri married her next farm neighbor Adrain P. Linville (1852-1933) in 1877 in Shelby County.

Adrain Linville was born in North Carolina to John F. (1827-1913) and Elizabeth (Wortman) (1829-1868) Linville. By 1860 Census, the Linville family was residing in Shelby County. After Elizabeth died in 1868, John F. Linville married Aley C. Sullivan (1829-1870) in 1869. She passed away the following year. In 1871 John F. Linville married Sarah A. Sullivan (1831-1893). John F. Linville, Elizabeth (Wortman) Linville, and Aley (Sullivan) Linville are buried in the Little Blue River Baptist Cemetery in Shelby County. Sarah (Sullivan) Linville is buried in the Little Blue River Friends Cemetery.

Missouri and Adrain were still farming in Shelby County according to the 1900 Census. By the 1910 Census, Adrain was listed as a Real Estate Salesman. They had two daughters, Cora (1878-1953) and Nellie (1885-1975). Missouri Roxanna (Shelton) Linville passed away in December 1928 after moving to Rushville in October. She is buried in Section 4 at Arlington East Hill Cemetery. Adrain Linville died in 1933, he is buried next to Missouri.

Cora (Linville) married John Madison Gibson (1875-1946). They are both buried in Arlington East Hill Cemetery, along with their daughter, Francis Ruby (Gibson) Perkins Stabler.

Nellie (Linville) married Lewis Benjamin "Ben" Keaton (1884-1963). They are both buried in Arlington East Hill Cemetery.

(sources: Ancestry, Find-a-Grave, Newspaper archives, and Arlington East Hill Cemetery records)

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