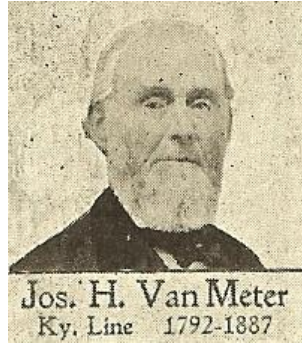


Jacob Pence was born 23 Apr. 1793, Rockingham Co., VA, and served in the War of 1812, as a Private in the Virginia Militia. After the war, his family went to Sullivan Co., TN, where he married Margaretta Ann Roller, and several of his children were born. They came to Bartholomew Co. before 1830. Two of Pence's sisters came to Bartholomew Co. also, Nancy Ann, widow of John Teany; and Sarah Salome, wife of Jacob Cook. Both of Jacob Pence's sisters died here in the 1850s, as did his wife Margaret in 1863, followed by a couple of their adult children, also in the 1860s. Jacob Pence was still in Columbus in 1870, living with a daughter, but shortly afterward removed to Dallas Co. IA, to live with his youngest daughter, Amanda (Pence) VanMeter. He died there, 30 June 1873, buried at Oakland Cemetery.

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John Teany was mentioned as an 1812 veteran in the Bartholomew Co. 1888 History; and Jacob Pence and Joseph H. VanMeter's photos were among those so listed in the 1903-1904 Columbus City Directory. It should be noted that none of these is *buried* in Bartholomew Co. Teany was Jacob Pence's brother-in-law, and died during the war (1814) at Craney Island, Norfolk Co., VA. His wife, Nancy Pence Teany, did come to Indiana; she is buried at Columbus City Cemetery. Jacob Pence and Joseph H. VanMeter lived in Bartholomew Co. many years, but, their children having married one another and moved to Dallas Co., IA, both aged men followed.



Joseph Harrison VanMeter was born 30 Sept. 1792 in Hardin Co., KY. He served in the War of 1812 as a Pvt., in Gray's 13th Regt., Kentucky Militia. VanMeter was married four times: Elizabeth Burkham Grundy (five children); Jemima Nelson (one infant); Elizabeth Treadway (four children); and Sarah (Carvin) Thompson. Joseph VanMeter was a pioneer of Bartholomew Co. IN, entering government land 20 Oct. 1820, a farm he still owned at his death, 28 Oct. 1887, even though he had long since taken up residence in Iowa. (The village of VanMeter, IA is named for his family.) Joseph VanMeter is buried at Oakland Cemetery, near two of his sons...and his old friend Jacob Pence.

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