

# JOHN AND NOAH SPEARS

## IN KENTUCKY, MISSOURI, KANSAS, TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA

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In 370 pages this book describes the life, travels and descendants of these pioneers. This book reconstructs community life, and details of the daily events they faced.

The Spears history is covered in 187 pages and the genealogy in 135 pages. We have included 27 photos, some taken in the 1880's, to let you meet these ancestors and see the places they lived. There are two "every name" indices to help you locate quickly the over 1200 persons described in this work. The first index covers history and the second covers the genealogy. The genealogical section will help you determine how we are all related (the author is a grandson of Maude Spears Hughes, who was the daughter of R.H.L. Spears, who was the son of John Spears, who was the son of Christian Spears).

You will see how the Spears met the Ryan's, how they traveled from Missouri to Texas. You'll see how Quantrill and his men and the Union soldiers destroyed the Spears' peace and their homes in Cass County, Missouri. You'll meet Noah, John's brother, and see the trying times he and his family faced. You will hear some firsthand stories of life in Vernon, Texas, Oak Ridge and Ireton, Oklahoma (Grady County). You will watch as we trace John backwards to find his mother and father. You will learn how Jane Pope Lail Wingfield fits into the Spears puzzle.

You will hear the amazing story of Christian Spears and Ann Mary Burger as they are captured by the British and Indians in Kentucky during the Revolutionary War. You will find them in Callaway and Montgomery Counties, Missouri, in Bourbon and Harrison Counties, Kentucky as well as the other places already mentioned. You will have an excellent view of the life style faced by each of these persons through court records, tax records and brief personal accounts. We cover the era 1755—1922.

This work, like all our others, is extensively documented so that you can verify our findings and add to them later if you like.

