

Furry-Curry Ganges

Husband:	Furry Ganges ¹⁻²
Person ID:	GPIDS0510
Race:	Black
Sex:	Male ¹
Name:	Curry Furgander ³
Birth:	1784 in Africa; 5 year indenture term (until age 21) suggests this year of birth ^{2, 4-5}
Marriage:	Bet. 1818-1820 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ⁵⁻⁶
Death:	Bet. 18-19 Oct 1858 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA ⁷
Burial:	21 Oct 1858 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Burying Ground ⁷
Arrival:	06 Aug 1800 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA; aboard the Schooner Prudent, Quarantine Station (The Old Lazaretto), Fort Mifflin ^{2, 4, 8}
Indenture:	01 Sep 1800 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA; 5 year term, in farming and lime burning to Jacob Lukens, farmer and lime burner, Upper Dublin. ^{2, 4}
Occupation:	1800 in Upper Dublin, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA; Farmer and Lime burner ¹
Residence:	Bet. 06 Aug-01 Sep 1800 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA; between arrival and indenture ^{2, 4}
Residence:	01 Sep 1800 in Upper Dublin, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA; Jacob Lukens is described in the indenture as "of Upper Dublin" ⁴
Residence:	06 Dec 1815 in Upper Merion, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA ⁹⁻¹⁰
Residence:	01 Apr 1818 in Upper Merion, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA ¹¹
Residence:	Bet. 1820-1858 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; based on census and local tax records. ^{5-6, 12-15}
Religion:	Bet. 1827-1858 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Preparative Meeting ¹⁶
Land/Property:	Bet. 1815-1818 in Upper Merion, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, USA; Four Acres, bought from Joseph Lukens with Isaac Alexanderr, together sold to John Lyle. Curry Ganges and Isaac Alexander held this property for a little over two years, purchasing it for \$850 and selling it for \$600. It may have been a wood lot that could lose value after its trees were removed. ⁹⁻¹¹
Land/Property:	04 Apr 1838 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Four acres bought from Margaret Kennedy et al, mortgaged to Edwin Moore ¹⁷⁻¹⁸
Land/Property:	29 Apr 1852 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Curry's four acre parcel is sold at Sheriff's Sale to Isaac Richards ¹⁹
Military Service:	no military service identified
Estate:	no estate, probate or will records identified
Father:	
Mother:	
Wife:	Rosanna
Sex:	Female
Birth:	Abt. 1800 in Pennsylvania, USA ²⁰
Death:	Feb 1881 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA
Burial:	20 Feb 1881 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹
Father:	
Mother:	
Children:	

1 M	Name: Peter Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1819 ²² Death: Abt. 1872 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²¹ Burial: 02 Apr 1872 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹
2 M	Name: Charles Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1821 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²³ Death: Aft. 1834 ; Charles is living in 1835 ²⁴
3 M	Name: Isaac Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1824 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²⁵ Marriage: 06 Nov 1851 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Baptist Church of the Great Valley ²⁶ Death: 06 Sep 1864 in Fort Barrancas, Pensacola, Escambia, Florisa, USA ; died of scorbutus [scurvy], serving with Co. F, 25th USCT ²⁷ Spouse: Mary Ann Brown
4 ?	Name: Ganges Sex: Unknown Birth: Abt. 1827 ²¹ Death: Abt. Jul 1827 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²¹ Burial: 31 Jul 1827 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹
5 ?	Name: Ganges Sex: Unknown Birth: Abt. 1828 ²¹ Death: 1828 ²¹ Burial: 05 Apr 1828 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹
6 F	Name: Mary Ann Ganges Sex: Female Birth: Abt. 1830 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²⁴ Spouse: Solomon Jackson
7 F	Name: Elizabeth Ganges Sex: Female Birth: Abt. 1832 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²⁸ Spouse: Alexander Brown
8 F	Name: Sarah Ganges Sex: Female Birth: Abt. 1834 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²⁹
9 M	Name: Curry Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1836 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ³⁰ Death: Abt. Jun 1858 in probably Pennsylvania; since Curry Jr was an adult working in Philadelphia in 1850, his probable place of death is less certain ²¹ Burial: 03 Jun 1858 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹

10 M	Name: Joseph Davis Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1838 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania; Since James lived long enough to be named, it's likely he was born earlier than 1839. This fits the regular 2 year sequence of Rosanna's births. ²¹ Death: Abt. Aug 1839 ²¹ Burial: Aug 1839 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground ²¹
11 M	Name: John Ganges Sex: Male Birth: Abt. 1840 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ³¹ Death: 1857 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ²¹ Burial: 1857 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Meeting Burial Ground
12 ?	Name: Ganges Sex: Unknown Birth: Abt. 1846 ²¹ Death: 1846 ²¹ Burial: 26 Jan 1846 in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA; Valley Friends Burying Ground ²¹
13 F	Name: Susannah Ganges Sex: Female Birth: Abt. 1847 in probably Chester County, Pennsylvania ³² Spouse: Elijah Davis

Notes:

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