

2604 West Lawrence Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois  
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Mr. Chas. Wilson

Dear Sir:

I will try to answer your questions. It would help if I knew the number of the pages of our book of which you have copies. There were many Wm. Akins. The clan was closely knit and marrying of first cousins was common. If the ancestors of Sen. George Akin came in 1718 that was 57 years before our Wm. Akin brought his family in 1775. Also the father of Gov. Aikin of S. Carolina came in 1787 at the age of 8 years. He returned to Ireland and brought his family in 1799. They also resided in Fairfield County. They might be related. No proof. If you have copies of the pages 8 to 14 check these names and numbers for your line. There is much information about each.

I Wm. Akin, Page 8- Came to America 1775. Wife and four children, Last one, James born enroute. Others were Wm., Catherine and Nancy.

II-1 Wm. Akin, Page 11, Came with Father Wm. and family in 1775. Fought in Rev. War. Record available. (I joined DAR <sup>on his record</sup>).

III-2 James W. Akin, Page 12, Son of above Wm. . Known as Squire Jimmy, Several children.

IV-2 Robert McLean Akin, Page 13, 2nd child of Squire Jimmy, had several children.

V-7 Nancy E. Akin, Page 14, 7th child of Robert Mclean Akin. Married Henry Wilson. When our book was printed I could not find any children of this marriage. You have a direct line back to County Antrim, Ireland. I hope this helps and pleases you. I am glad I could help you.

Yours truly,

Pearle Tulpin Forrester

P.S. From Wm's Pension Application: Wm. Akin, son of Wm. Akin, was born in Co. Antrim, Ireland, about 3 miles from Ballemena, between the 1st and 12th day of February, 1760. Ballemena was on a main road from Co. Antrim to Ballymoney and Coleraine.