

Excerpts from the
History of Greenup County Kentucky
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Jesse Boone, unlike Daniel, was active in all of the early affairs of the county and town. As one of the town fathers, he aided in the organization of the courts, both quarter sessions and circuit, and also in the planning of roads. He owned much land above Greenup, and Mrs. Juliet Hockaday Collins has two deeds given by Jesse Boone to her great grandfather, John Hockaday. The Boone family has been widely scattered and little is known of their descendants. Jesse Boone is buried in the Shuff Graveyard near East Fork, having died at the home of Matilda Hood Davidson, daughter of pioneer, Andrew Hood.

Andrew Hood was a true pioneer, having lived within the present bounds of the county before it was organized. He and his wife, Mary Kane, came from Virginia and lived two miles above the Little Sandy River. It was in Andrew Hood's home that the town fathers met to organize the county; and also where they met to organize both the quarter sessions and the circuit courts. **Thomas Hood**, a brother of Andrew, was also one of the town fathers. Hood's creek, below Ashland was named for Andrew Hood and Hood's Run in the Tygart Valley, was named for Thomas Hood.

Seriah Stratton came from Mason County to Greenup and was one of the town fathers. Nothing can be learned about his family, but we find among the old marriage license records Ann Stratton married Jacob Friend in 1808; that Jane Stratton married Nelson Brown in 1810; and that James Stratton married Elizabeth McGuire in 1815. These three were no doubt the children of Seriah Stratton, as his name appears on the marriage records as the parent.

Thomas Waring received from his father, Major Francis Waring, one tract of land lying in Frederick County, Maryland, containing 270 acres. Thomas sold the 270 acres called "Warington" to Thomas Contee and Dr. Leonard HOLLYDAY of Prince George's County, Maryland.

He had service in the Revolution as lieutenant and captain of the Maryland Militia.

Migrated from Maryland to Kentucky 1784. Purchased 1,000-acre tract Land about 1784 in Limestone (Maysville), Mason Co, Kentucky. Here he built WARING'S STATION for protection and defense against the Indians. Purchased from the government a 1,000-acre tract of land in 1799 near present Lynn, Greenup Co, Kentucky. Established his home here, being probably one of the earliest settlers in that section.

Thomas was a Justice of the first Court of Quarter Sessions 20 Feb 1804, Greenup Co, Kentucky; Assistant (associate) Judge of the first Circuit Court 6 Mar 1806, also in 1811 and 1815.

He was a member of the Constitutional Convention that *formed the first constitution of Kentucky* and was very active and influential in formulating plans for the "formation and organization of Greenup County. He was a member of the commission that laid out Greenupsburg, the seat of Justice.

IN MEMORY OF THE HON. JUDGE THOMAS WARING BORN IN PRINCE GEORGE CO, MD;
EMIGRATED TO KY, 1784 & DIED IN GREENUP CO, KY, JAN 15, 1818, IN HIS 67th YEAR

Note: We are working on the Founding Families of Greenup County, Kentucky. Hopefully, we will be able to fill in the blanks on what happened to some of the families of our founding fathers.