

Smith - Stirt

The marriage license for Jabez
Smith, Ed Sarah Stirt in ^{dated} _____
Tahola, is the first official record
of ~~his~~ ^{her} in the U.S. They were
married in the home of James Murphy
but I have never determined any
family relationships here -

My grandma Minnie Edna Smith
~~was~~
Nicholas - was the ³ child
with her youngest brother James
Hugh Smith born after his father
drowned in the Mississippi River in 18 -

Jabez owned land _____

Ed - ^{moved to} ^{Harlem,} ^{Ill} (why?) Wirts there?

add
the dog
here
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At the time of his death he was
a mail porter on the railroad -
and rode the train across the river
and back - Family story said that
he was maneuvering a flatbed boat
back across the river to Iowa to
arrive home early - ~~The boat was~~
~~top~~ ~~ten~~ This ~~ten~~ kind of boat was
difficult to steer 'ed it was thought
~~get~~ he got into a strong eddy
(whirl pool) near the bridge pilings
'ed it wrenched the "keel" out of his

hands and hit him in the head -

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(Re read newspaper account)

(When I tried to get a copy of this from the Iowa Hist. Society - They did not have the paper - Later in Sahula I was told when the newspaper changed ownership in the 1940's the old issues were dumped in the river -)

in 1967

The typed copy I made was from the scrapbook of Sophia Smith Scarborough - ~~made in 19~~ ~~Thomas~~ Mom and I Shane and Alison went to visit her daughter-in-law Carol Scarborough esp. to see the scrapbook - It was 104° degrees that day in Hayes, So Dakota, and the water tasted very bad Ed looked discolored as well. Carol's husband _____ saddled up some horses and gave the little kids a ride - T+A

Their son Thomas Scarto had even a gold ~~ss~~ metal in Olympic rifle shooting and they had a room full of other silver platters, "loving" cups and other trophies for his efforts & successes -

Grandma's brothers - Ira - Tom - James Neuf -

Checks books.

Notes about Mrs John
died in ~~Iowa~~ Idaho

Ira George -
in Pender
(later one of the class in my class)

James Hugh -
Lived on family ^{Harla} Shelly Co - Iowa
farm -

Eliza Kate -
married A. P. Taylor - no remem-
ber?

Ed Minnie

Obit for
Ira in Pender paper - St West Society?

Grandma Minnie -

went to help her mother's bro -
Gasper Thirt care for children
after his first wife died in
Cherokee -

There she met Edwin L. Nicholas -