

Gorham Citations After 1820

Logan County, KY

Notes:

- Only the records that appear to have potential genealogical value are included below. Court records are not indexed and, with a few exceptions, were not read.
- See also the Robertson County file. Several members of the Gorham family appear in the records of both counties. Also see the pre-1820 file, in which both Logan and Robertson County records are included.
- Unless otherwise noted, all parties are residents of the county in which the document is recorded.

- 1 Jan 1823 Benjamin Hendrick and wife Sally to **William Gorham**, \$708, 59a where Isaac Grau now lives. (Logan County Deed Book L, p208)
- 1 Mar 1823 Evan McPherson to **William Gorham**, \$10, 20a. (Logan County Deed Book L, p244)
- 24 May 1823 James Crewdson and wife Sally to **William Gorham**, \$1000, 100a on Little Whippoorwill adjoining William Aingell. (Logan County Deed Book L, p352)
- 7 Apr 1823 Settlement of estates of **Thomas** and **Margaret Gorham** by **William Gorham**, administrator. . (Logan County Will Book B, pp482-3)
- Legacies paid to **John Boyd, Thomas Redman, Thomas Riggs, Sanford Gorham's heirs, Thomas Gorham, Joshua Gorham, John Gorham, Alexander Gorham, Abner Clark, John Beck, and John Burnough**. Each was paid from \$90 to \$178
- 6 Jun 1825 **William Gorham** and wife Nancy to **Thomas Gorham** of Chariton County, Missouri, \$1, 147.92a in Missouri. (Logan County Deed Book N, p181)
- 6 Jun 1825 John Boyd and wife Susannah to **Thomas Gorham** of Chariton County, Missouri, \$1, 127.2a in Missouri. (Logan County Deed Book N, p182)
- Both William Gorham and John Boyd had claimed land in Missouri, which they are now essentially gifting to their brother Thomas.*
- 3 Oct 1825 John F. Todd to **Elijah Gorham**, \$12, 15a on Little Whippoorwill adjoining Zadock Beale. (Logan County Deed Book N, p229)
- 5 Jan 1826 William E. Warren to **Joshua Gorham**, \$48, 16a. (Logan County Deed Book N, p351)

- 5 Nov 1827 Marriage license: **Alexander Gorham** and Mary Price. No return. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p68)
- 7 Oct 1828 Presley Edwards and Ephraim McEwing to **William Gorham**, \$514, 207a on Red River. (Logan County Deed Book Q, p80)
- 17 Nov 1828 **Elijah Gorham** to Elias Harding, \$100, 15a on Little Whippoorwill adjoining Zadok Beale and Rev. John Littlejohn. (Logan County Deed Book P, p250)
- Note the dramatic increase in price in three years.*
- 17 Nov 1828 **William Gorham** and wife Nancy to Elias Harding, \$500, 100a on Little Whippoorwill adjoining William Aingell and Rev. John Littlejohn. (Logan County Deed Book P, p251)
- 3 Oct 1831 John G. Stewart and wife Sarah to **William Gorham**, \$320, 80a on Red River. (Logan County Deed Book R, p65)
- 2 Jan 1832 Marriage of **Delia Gorham** and Lindsay Goff, by Major Stanfield. License dated 21 December 1831, return dated 2 January 1832. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p97)
- 8 Jan 1833 **William Gorham Sr.** to **Elijah Gorham**, \$1, 147a south side of Hopkinsville-Franklin Road. Witness: **William Gorham (Jr.)**. (Logan County Deed Book S, p155)
- 8 Jan 1833 **William Gorham Sr.** to **William Gorham Jr.**, \$1, 151a adjoining Elijah Gorham above. Witness: **Elijah Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book S, p156)
- 3 Mar 1833 Marriage of **Gladden Gorham** (of age) and Elizabeth L. Smith, by Major Stanfield. License dated 3 March, return is undated. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p103)
- 2 Sep 1833 Marriage of **Rachel Gorham** and Robert Murray, by Caleb Weedon. Consent by **William Gorham**. License dated 2 September. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p108)
- 19 Sep 1835 **William Gorham Sr.** to **Alexander Gorham**, \$1, 124a adjoining John Boyd and Abner Clark. Witness: **William Gorham (Jr.)**, **Elijah Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book U, p41)
- 6 Mar 1836 Michael Gilbert to **Gladden Gorham**, \$200, 50a on Little Whippoorwill. (Logan County Deed Book U, p347)

- 16 Sep 1836 **Henry S. Gorham** and wife Mary, alias Polly or Mary Cooper, to Edward Jones, \$150a, ___a on Little Whippoorwill, now occupied by Thomas Harper. (Logan County Deed Book V, p38)
- 20 Dec 1836 **William Gorham Sr.** to **Shelby Gorham**, \$1, acreage not given, land including his [meaning Shelby's] residence, adjoining **William Gorham Jr.** (Logan County Deed Book W, p7)
- 4 Jan 1837 **William Gorham** to Robert J. M. Murrah (sic), \$1, 73a. (Logan County Deed Book W, p255)
- Apparently the last of William Gorham's gifts to his sons and daughters. This is recorded out of sequence among deeds dated 1839, but the date must have been 1837.*
- 5 Jan 1837 **Gladden Gorham** and wife Elizabeth to Michael Gilbert, \$200, 50a on Little Whippoorwill. (Logan County Deed Book V, p192)
- 6 Feb 1837 Marriage of **Elijah Gorham** and Elizabeth Neel, by Caleb Weedon. License dated 19 Dec 1836. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p132)
- 6 Feb 1837 Willis W. Chastain to **Alexander Gorham**, \$80, no acreage in description. (Logan County Deed Book V, p201)
- 6 Jun 1837 Inventory and appraisal of **William Gorham**, deceased, by **Elijah Gorham** administrator. Also a sale on 14 June, and a division of land dated 24 July. The land was divided among those heirs "who had received no land from dec'd. in his lifetime." They were **Jackson Gorham** (114a), **Marthy Gorham** (157a), and William Traughber and wife Pamela (sic) formerly **Pamela Gorham** (127a). 104a including the residence laid off as widow's dower land to **Nancy Gorham**. (Logan County Will Book F, p309, p313-315)
- 14 Jun 1837 Heirs of **William Gorham** confirm the sale of 114a laid off by commissioners to **Jackson Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p255)
- 14 Jun 1837 Heirs of **William Gorham** confirm the division of 104a laid off by commissioners as dower land for **Nancy Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p256)
- 14 Jun 1837 Heirs of **William Gorham** confirm the sale of 157a laid off by commissioners to **Martha Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p257)
- 14 Jun 1837 Heirs of **William Gorham** confirm the sale of 118a and 10a laid off by commissioners to William Trobough and his wife Permelia, formerly **Permelia Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p388)

The heirs identified in these four deeds are: Alexander Gorham, William Gorham, Elijah Gorham, Jackson Gorham, Shelby Gorham, Rachel Gorham (now wife of Robert Murray), Permelia Gorham (now wife of William Traughber), and Martha Gorham.

- 8 July 1837 Heirs of **William Gorham** to **Martha Gorham**, \$390, their future interest in the dower land of **Nancy Gorham**. **Elijah Gorham** and wife Elizabeth, **Alexander Gorham** and wife Mary, **William Gorham**, **Shelby Gorham** and wife Mary Ann, William Trobough and wife **Permelia** (formerly Gorham), Robert J. M. Murray and wife **Rachel** (formerly Gorham), sell their interests (totaling 6/8 of 104a) to their sister Martha Gorham, totaling 78a excepting the shares of Martha Gorham and **Jackson Gorham**. To be effected after the death of **Nancy Gorham**, widow of William Gorham. (Logan County Deed Book V, p216)
- 18 Jul 1837 Thompson Harden and wife Margery to **William Gorham**, \$112, 16a adjoining **Shelby Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p213)
- This is the former William Gorham Jr.*
- 19 June 1837 **Martha Gorham** to **Alexander Gorham**, \$350, 70a adjoining John Boyd. Witness: **Elijah Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book V, p248)
- 28 Nov 1837 **Shelby Gorham** and wife Mary Ann to Thompson Hardin, \$255, 30a including west end of Gorhams field. (Logan County Deed Book V, p362)
- 16 Dec 1837 William Traughber and wife Permelia to **William Gorham**, 58a adjoining Martha Gorham (part of inherited land). (Logan County Deed Book V, p481)
- 16 Dec 1837 William Traughber and wife Permelia to **Martha Gorham**. \$375, 60a (part of inherited land). (Logan County Deed Book V, p510)
- 20 Mar 1838 Marriage of **Martha Gorham** (of age) and John D. Freeman, by Caleb Weedin. License dated 15 March. (Logan County Marriage Book 1, p141)
- 29 Oct 1838 **Jackson Gorham** and wife Eliza of Cape Girardeau, Missouri to **Shelby Gorham**, \$5, our 1/8 interest in dower land of Nancy Gorham, widow of William Gorham. (Logan County Deed Book W, p53) Separate deed same date for the inherited 114a, for \$800. (Logan County Deed Book W, p55) Both deeds witnessed by Key Sanford and William A. Ramey.
- 12 Nov 1838 **Shelby Gorham** and wife Mary Ann to John Freeman, \$65, our interest in the 104a tract laid off to **Nancy Gorham**, widow of William Gorham, being the portion Shelby Gorham purchased from Jackson Gorham. (Logan County Deed Book W, p69)

Martha Gorham, who had already purchased 6 of the 8 shares, has by now

married John Freeman. So she has now acquired the remaining share (plus her own share) and now holds 100% interest in the dower land, which included her father's home. Note that Shelby made a nice profit in only two weeks.

13 Aug 1839 Abner Clark of Brown County, Illinois to **Alexander Gorham**, \$24, 4a. (Logan County Deed Book W, p365)

14 Sep 1839 **Shelby Gorham** and wife Mary Ann to **Alexander Gorham**, \$132, 11a. Witness: Evan Shelby, Thomas Townsend. (Logan County Deed Book W, p424)

One wonders whether "Evan Shelby" might be a clue to the source of Shelby Gorham's name. Isaac Shelby, son of the original Evan Shelby, was the first governor of Kentucky and I have assumed that Shelby Gorham was named for the governor. However, this deed raises the question of whether there may have been some closer relationship.

22 Apr 1841 John D. P. Freeman and wife Martha to **Elijah Gorham**, \$1098, 183a adjoining Shelby Gorham, including house where Freeman now lives. (Logan County Deed Book X, p363)

15 Sep 1841 **Elijah Gorham** and wife Elizabeth to **Shelby Gorham**, \$1212, 101a including Shelby's residence. (Logan County Deed Book X, p472)

4 Mar 1845 Marriage of **George W. Gorham** and Polly Addison. License dated same day. (Logan County Marriage Book 2, p28) *Son of Joshua Gorham.*

22 Oct 1845 **John W. Gorham** and wife Lydia of Robertson County, Tennessee to Mary Burk, \$90, 10a on **William Gorham's** line. (Logan County Deed Book 32, p395)

14 Nov 1847 Marriage of **Eliza Gorham** (of age) and George P. Aingell, by A. H. Morrow, MG. License dated preceding day. (Logan County Marriage Book 2, p46)

25 Jan 1848 Marriage license: **Martha Ann Gorham** and William P. King. No return. (Logan County Marriage Book 2, p50)

25 Feb 1848 Inventory of **William C. Gorham** deceased, by Jesse Harper, James Harper, and Thomas Brothers. (Logan County Will Book H, p297)
The inventory consisted entirely of a large collection of carpentry tools.

28 Feb 1848 Estate sale of **William C. Gorham** by Michael Gilbert, administrator. (Logan County Will Book H, pp377-8.) The sale yielded \$40.27. No Gorhams were among the purchasers and the sale consisted entirely of several dozen carpentry tools.

- 9 Mar 1849 John D. P. Freeman of St. Genevieve County, Missouri to **William B. Gorham** of Robertson County, Tennessee, our interest in the dower land of **Nancy Gorham**, widow of William Gorham, including five negroes Pomp, Abraham, Daniel, Milly, and Ann., and household goods and livestock. Witness: **Sanford Gorham**, Thomas Tatum, John Proctor. (Logan County Deed Book 30, p522)
- 25 Apr 1852 Marriage of **P. E. Gorham** and Elizabeth Starks. License dated 22 April. (Logan County Marriage Book 2, p82) *Son of Joshua Gorham.*
- 22 Oct 1853 John W. Judkins and wife Eliza Ann to **Mary Ann Gorham** wife of **Shelby Gorham**, \$225, lots #55, #69, and #70 in town of Adairville. (Logan County Deed Book 33, p105)
- Note: several deeds of Shelby Gorham in this period are omitted for apparent lack of genealogical value.*
- 27 Apr 1855 Will of Frances Smith, proved 23 November 1857, leaves 1/3 of her estate to **William E. Gorham** and **Martha F. Gorham**, son and daughter of her granddaughter "Elvira" Aingell, wife of George Aingell. (Logan County Will Book I, p39)
- "Eliza" Gorham had married George Aingell in 1847, she apparently the eldest daughter of Gladden Gorham.*
- 20 May 1858 Marriage of **W. E. Gorham** and Felicia J. Barker, by Eli Bryant at Ann T. Barker's home. (Logan County Marriage Book 3, p5)
- 23 Aug 1858 Marriage of **Sylvester W. Gorham** and Sarah P. Baker, by W. J. Morton, Baptist Minister, at James T. Baker's home. (Logan County Marriage Book 3, p5) *Son of Gladden G. Gorham.*
- 18 Jan 1860 **Elijah Gorham** and wife Elizabeth to **Harvey T. Gorham**, for love and affection I have for my son, ___ acres on Little Whippoorwill adjoining William Gorham's field...Gallatin Road. Witness: **William Gorham**, L. H. Fugate. (Logan County Deed Book 37, p194)
- 29 Aug 1860 **William E. Gorham** to **Elijah Gorham**, \$200, my interest in the estate of Frances Smith, deceased. (Logan County Deed Book 37, p343)
- 6 Oct 1860 **Shelby Gorham** to William Traughber, \$100, my interest in the estate of my mother, **Nancy Gorham**, consisting of five negroes, household goods and livestock. (Logan County Deed Book 37, p387)
- 23 Oct 1860 William Traughber to **J. T. Gorham**, \$140, all my interest in the estate of **Nancy Gorham**. (Logan County Deed Book 37, p422)

20 Oct 1860 **J. T. Gorham** to **Mary A. Gorham**, my mother and wife of **Shelby Gorham**, my interest in the estate of my grandmother (Nancy Gorham). (Logan County Deed Book 37, p423)

The effect of these deeds is to transfer Shelby Gorham's interest in his mother's estate to his wife Mary A. Gorham. Were Shelby and his wife separated?