

James and Finis Bloyd  
Pioneers of 1852  
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Note: James and Finish probably came with Tigard family. The wife of Wilson Tigard was the daughter of William Yoes and Kissiah Bloyd. In the Wilson Tigard letter of November 13, 1852 to Eli and Mary Bloyd in Arkansas he states: "James Bloyed is living with me. When he got in the valley he got in with a doctor for 1 year (sic-believe this is transcription error since they had only been in territory 1 month at this point), 5 days afterward he was taken very sick and like to have died. They was all so ill that he left as soon as he could walk. He came to my house Oct. 18th looking like a corpse. He has not been able to do anything since worth mentioning until lately. James says he doesn't want any of his folks to move to Oregon till he gets back with money enough to buy him a farm. Then he says some of the prettiest girls may look out." [Note: He had returned to Arkansas by 1860 and is living with grandparents. He later married in Arkansas and remained there until his death.]

[Note: some researchers show father of these two brothers as Peter Bloyd which is an error. His father was William Bloyd who died c1843. The mother is shown as head of household in 1850 census and Peter Bloyd with wife and family are living nearby]

Finis Bloyd  
b. 16 Jun 1832  
d. 24 May 1852 on Oregon trail  
s/o William Bloyd and Cynthia Ann Wolf

1850: West Fork Twp, Washington County, Arkansas, December 3, 1850; Cynthia Bloyd, 40, \$350, TN; Finis, 18, farmer, Ark; James, 16, Ark; Nancy, 13, Ark; Cynthia, 10, Ark; Martha, 7, Ark

James B. Bloyd  
b. 22 Jul 1836 West Fork, Washington County, Arkansas  
d. 06 Dec 1906 Arkansas  
s/o William Bloyd and Cynthia Ann Wolf  
single at time of emigration

m. 21 Apr 1876 Washington County, Arkansas  
Sarah Jane Gilbreath  
b. 25 Jan 1837  
d. 12 Apr 1874

d/o Cyrus Granger Gilbreath and Sarah Craig  
m1. Eli Bloyd 01 Sep 1859 Washington County, Arkansas

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1860: West Fork Twp, Washington County, Arkansas; September 5, 1860; Eli Bloyd (sic), 73, farmer, \$2900 \$600, MD; Mary, 71, SC; James, 25, farmer, Ark; Nellie Anderson, 8, Ark