

Abraham Lincoln was born Feb. 12. 1809, then in Hardin, now in the
now vacant, former county of Lewis, Kentucky. His father, Thomas, &
grand-father, Abraham, were born in Rockingham county Virginia, whic
This lineage has been traced no further back than this -
that their ancestor had come from Berks County, Pennsylvania. The
family was originally Quakers, though in later times they have
fallen away from the peculiar habits of that people. The
grand-father Abraham, had four brothers - Isaac, Jacob, John &
Thomas. So far as known, the descendants of Jacob and John
are still in Virginia. Isaac went to a place near Shenandoah
Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee, now; and his descen-
dants are in that region. Thomas came to Kentucky,
and after many years, came there, where his descendants
went to Missouri. Abraham, grand-father of the subject
of this sketch, came to Kentucky, and was killed by an in-
dian about the year 1784. He left a widow, three sons
and two daughters. The eldest son, Mordecai, remained
in Kentucky till late in life, when he removed to Wash-
cock County Illinois, where soon after he died, and
where several of his descendants still reside. The
second son, Josiah, removed at an early age to a
place on Blue River, now within Harrison County, Indiana;
but no recent information of him, or his family, has been
obtained. The eldest sister, Mary, married Ralph Wilson

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