## Hello and Welcome to the Willoughby Site!

My name is Sherry and I am related to the Willoughbys via my GG Grandmother, Amanda (Willoughby) Evans. My Mother, who is still living, resided with Amanda, (or "Mama Evans" as she was known), when she was young in an extended family situation. Mother describes Amanda as one of the sweetest women to ever grace the earth! Mom lives in Eldorado, Illinois where Amanda lived, died, and is buried. I am located in Marion, Illinois, a mere 40 minutes from Eldorado.

I embarked upon my quest for more information about Amanda on January 1, 2009. I had never done any genealogy research before and became immediately hooked! At the end of January I joined Ancestry.com, and I'm so glad I did because I found way more records in one week than I had in the previous three combined! Starting out, the only info I had on Amanda's ancestry was the name of her parents and the year and place they were married. As of 4/29/09, my Willoughby Family Tree has grown to 474 People and I have 619 historical records attached to those people! Anyone wanting to view my tree may simply email me his or her address using the link provided on this site, and I will gladly send you an invitation from Ancestry.com. Currently, this is the only place I have my tree.

I created this site for the purpose of sharing resources so we may help one another in this time consuming quest for the truth. My research has taken me to many online libraries that have allowed me to download entire books and I am also able to download the records from Ancestry .com. Many of these files are much too large to email, so my sweet, technically savvy husband, Jon, purchased the "Willoughby Site" domain name and set this up for me. Now, anyone can come here and download any document they wish. I will try to keep all documents in pdf or text doc formats so that all my access them. If anyone has info in any form that they'd like to share, please email it to me and I will post it. If you have a large file, send me the link and I will download it.

Many of the file folders are currently empty as I have not begun to download any Ancestry.com records yet, but will begin that as time permits. Empty file folders do not show on the site, so there are many you are unable to see at present. As soon as I place something in them, they will show. If you see a record on my tree that you want, let me

know and I'll make it a priority. The "PDF Books & Notes" folder is quite full, as I've listed everything I have at this point. Each book has an accompanying text doc that has notes and/or source info. Also, there are problems with Google Books, so be sure to read About Google Books.

Also, while the Ancestry.com records I have will obviously be related to my line of Willoughbys, I will download books/files with good info that pertain to *ANY* W'by line. It is my goal to have resources pertaining to many lines so as to help many people. And...your help in this endeavor will be GREATLY appreciated by the many!

Check back often as the site is a work in progress and will change on a regular basis as I add and edit folders. Same goes for my personal family tree info – It is always in a state of flux.

HAPPY HUNTING, CUZZINS!!!