

### **Author's Dedication (11-01-11)**

I dedicate this biography to my mother, Virginia Main Smith, who was born in Greenville, Indiana in 1908, and who imbued me with a passion for history, and to my father, Ernest A. Smith, who was born in Palmyra, Indiana in 1906, and who imbued me with a passion for disciplined, hard work. Both of them were born and raised on the Buffalo Trace which connected the Falls of the Ohio at Jeffersonville, Clarksville, and New Albany, and Vincennes, Indiana. Both of them were also excellent public school teachers. I was fortunate to have them as my parents.

*Bill Smith*