

## **James Courchene (1870-1950)**

James was born on April 22, 1870 at Stump Lake, North Dakota, the son of Francois Courchene (b. 1838) and Marie Louise St. Pierre.<sup>1</sup> Marie and Francois were married on January 10, 1860 at Pembina. James' brother, Jean Louis Courchene was born April 12, 1862 at Devil's Lake N. D. and died 1929 at Rocky Boy Reservation. He was married to Marie Alphonsine Azure in 1882 at St. Peter's Mission. James' sister Celina Courchene was married to Jean Baptiste Falcon, the son of Pierre Falcon and Marie Louise St. Pierre. Sister Marie St. Anne Courchene, born 1866 at Devil's Lake, was married to Henry McCulloch Ford in 1884 at St. Peter's Mission.

James Courchene married Emily Landry on 26 April 1893 in St. Peter's Mission, Montana, she was daughter of Moise Landry<sup>2</sup> and Philomene Laframboise. She was born 1873 in Duck Lake, Saskatchewan, and died 25 AUG 1930 in Montana. James died on 8 January 1950 in Box Elder, Montana. James and Emily had the following children:

- Mary, born 1894 in Montana.
- Alvina, born 1897, Helena, Montana.
- James, born 1899, Augusta, Montana.
- Helen, born 1901, Swift Current, Saskatchewan.
- Aloisus Louis, born 1903, Augusta, Montana.
- Delia, born 1905, Augusta, Montana.
- Mary Josephine, born 1907, Augusta, Montana.
- Leonard, born Augusta, Montana.

James and Emily Courchene were enumerated as part of Rocky Boy Band in 1917, James appears as Band member # 103, Emily as # 104 and their children are #s 105-110.

Emily Landry Couchene's grand parents were one of the original families enumerated in the 1850 census at Pembina as family # 126.

### Louis Landry and Isabelle Chalifoux

Family # 126, Louis Landrie, age 44, Male Hunter, born Red River British; Isabella, age 40, Female, born Red River British; Louise, age 17, born Red River British; Liza, age 15, Female, born Red River British; Mary, age 12, Female, born Red River British; Ann, age 9, Female, born Red River British; Moyese, age 6, Male, board Red River British; 13 September 1850.

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<sup>1</sup> Francois was the Metis son of Francois Courchene Sr, and Francoise Beauchamp. Marie Louise (b. 1838) was the daughter of Francois St. Pierre born 1801 at Pembina and Marie Laverdure born 1810 at Pembina.

<sup>2</sup> Moise Landry was born in 1846 in the Dakota Territory and died in 1947 at Round Prairie, Saskatchewan. His father was Louis Landry born in 1807 at St. Boniface (died 1880 at Duck Lake). His mother was Isabelle Richard dit Chalifoux the daughter of Michael Chalifoux and Isabelle Collin. She was born 1810 in Red River, Manitoba, and died September 13.1869 at St Francis Xavier Mission



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