

To our best knowledge, the farm was originally owned by the Cornell family and then sold to John Smoot. It is our understanding that John Smoot built the original log and chinking portion of the farm house in 1850. We've been told John Smoot's headstone is located in the cemetery on the hill across the road from the farm. Amos & Bessy Holsinger purchased the property in the early 1900's. Amos was a school teacher and circuit riding preacher. This was the beginning of our family's ownership. My grandfather Robert Riffle, Sr., was an orphan and was adopted by the Holsinger's. Upon their passing the property was passed to Robert Riffle, Sr. and, upon his passing, the farm was passed to my father and his 3 brothers. We are the current owners of the remaining farm. The original log and chinking portion of the farmhouse includes the living room, bedroom above the living room and office area. The current sitting room was the original porch that has since been closed in with a bathroom addition. In the early 1900's the existing stable located on the farm was attached to the original log and chinking farmhouse. The stable portion of the farmhouse would include the kitchen and 2 upstairs bedrooms. The mudroom entrance, bathroom and sunroom were all later additions. The home was completely re-done in 1980 to include electric, plumbing, heating, etc. The sunroom addition is the newest addition and was completed in the 2000's.