William Allen, Jr., was born about 1760 in Rockingham County, North Carolina, and died September 1823, in Carroll County, Virginia. According to J. Sidna Allen, William's father was William Allen, Sr., and this is believed to be the William Allen, Sr., who married Agnes Scales and who had land on Chestnut Creek near Cliffview and Blair's Forge, in the Galax area and also on Meadow Creek and Crooked Creek. In 1805, William Allen, Sr., and Agnes deeded land to William Allen, Jr., as witnessed by Joshua Allen, Henry H. Dean, and Phillip Beamer.

From The Carroll County Heritage, Vol. II, we find that William Allen, Sr., is believed to be the son of Joseph Allen from Rockingham County, North Carolina. Joseph's will, dated 1770, lists a son named William. Records show that his son William, who was married to Agatha Scales, deeded his land to Joseph Allen, Jr., in 1796 and then moved to Grayson County, Virginia. Later he moved to Lawrence County, Tennessee, where other members of Joseph's family lived.

William Allen, Jr., fought in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse (March 1881, North Carolina). The American Army under the command of General Nathaniel Greene was defeated by Lord Charles Cornwallis. William was married to Ann Stuart, and their children were John, Carr, Mary, Robert, William III, Bailey, James, Nancy, Henry, Isaac, Anna and Samuel. William Allen, Jr., received a grant of 400 acres in 1791 on Paul's Creek and the Goodspur. In 1810, he deeded 40 acres each to his sons Carr and John. These two sons left Carroll County and moved their families to West Virginia. Their sister Mary married Dudley McMillian and moved to West Virginia, also.

- Mary "Polly" Allen was born about 1790 in Grayson County, Virginia and died after 1870 in Wyoming County, West Virginia. She married Dudley McMillian on May 9, 1821 in Surry County, North Carolina. Dudley was born about 1794 in Grayson County and died after 1870 in Wyoming County. They had eight children.

- Carr Allen was born January 17, 1786, in Grayson County, Virginia, and died in 1868 in Raleigh County. He married Temperance Daniel, daughter of Nehemiah Daniel and Anna Lyon, on March 10, 1815, in Patrick County, Virginia. They are living in Raleigh County by the 1860 census, and they had nine children.

- John Allen, Sr., was born about 1784 in North Carolina and died June 26, 1877, in Wyoming County, West Virginia. He married Nancy Daniel, daughter of Nehemiah Daniel and Anna Lyon, on December 26, 1805 in Patrick County. In 1831, they left Patrick County and settled on Laurel Creek, Wyoming County, Virginia.