

EDWARD H. BERLIN, a leading and popular photographer of Blairsville, is a son of William and Martha (Jamison) Berlin, and was born at Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, January 19, 1859. Solomon Berlin was a native of Pittsburgh, and died in 1859, in the seventy-fourth year of his age. His son, William Berlin (father), was born in Pittsburgh, in 1819, and was a marble cutter by trade. He opened a marble-yard at Mt. Pleasant and remained at that place until 1867, when he removed to Ludwick borough, adjoining Greensburg, the county-seat of Westmoreland county, where he conducted a marble-yard and shop until his death, which occurred in 1878. He was an industrious man, a republican in politics and a member of the Presbyterian church. He married Martha Jamison, a daughter of Robert Jamison, a native of Unity township, Westmoreland county, who served in the war of 1812, and who died December 26, 1886, at the advanced age of ninety-six years. The Jamison family is of Irish descent. Mrs. Martha Berlin was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died May 2, 1885, aged sixty-eight years.

Edward H. Berlin was reared principally at Ludwick, where he attended the public schools of that borough. He learned the trade of cigar-maker at Greensburg and worked at cigar making for several years. He then learned photography with a well-known photographer, M. E. Low, of Greensburg, with whom he remained for three years. In 1885 he established himself in Blairsville, where he has acquired a good reputation as a photographer and has secured a large patronage. His fine gallery is eligibly located and is handsomely furnished with an unusually beautiful display of his work as an artistic photographer and a fine line of art goods including engravings, photographs, picture frames, easels and other goods of both a useful and decorative nature.

On September 2, 1885, he married May A. Keighley, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Keighley, of Westmoreland county. They have three children: Mary J., Paul E. and Ruth.

He is secretary of the Blairsville Conclave, I. O. Heptasophs, NO. 178, and a member of Blairsville Lodge, No. 436, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a democrat politically. Edward H. Berlin has rapidly grown in favor with the public as a photographic artist and as a man who aims to give excellent work at reasonable prices.