

HENRY TURNER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND JOSEPH BALLANFANT [BELLENFANT] OF TENNESSEE, AND THEIR FAMILIES

Also the Jean Bellenfant Family
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 2. Orange County (North Carolina) Historical Museum [permission to be obtained].
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 6. Cover of Wyatt T. Dixon, *How Times Do Change*, photograph by C. W. Rochelle [permission to be obtained].
- Figure 7. I created the chart showing the relationship between myself and Turner Whitted, using Adobe *Illustrator*.

First Generation

1. **HENRY¹ TURNER.** According to an old Bible belonging to the Belenfant^[1] family, "Henry Turner of Culpepper Va. came to Caswell Co. N.C. 1753. His sons were James, George, Henry, John & William."^[2] He married^[3] **NANCY/ANNE KIMBROUGH**, daughter of Thomas and Eleanor (Graves) Kimbrough.

In 1764 Thomas and Eleanor Kimbrough moved to Caswell Co. (the part that later became Orange Co. in 1777) from Spotsylvania Co., Va., which abuts Culpeper Co., Va.^[4] Thomas Kimbrough's will, proved 1777 in Caswell Co., states, "I give to my Daughter Nanney Turner one Negroe boy Sam and Ten pounds proclamation Money, to her Heirs and Assigns forever."^[5]

Henry Turner signed his will 9 May 1807 in Caswell Co., N.C., and it was proved in the Dec. Court 1809 there. In it are mentioned, in order, his wife, Anne Turner, his sons, John, Henry, "Billey," and Thomas Turner, his daughters, "Elizabeth Lipscomb, Frankey Martin, Milley Jones, and Nancy Kimbrough," "Salley" French, and Mary Cochran, his grand-

1. I spell this name as the family using it does, so it is sometimes Ballanfent, Bellenfant, or Bellanfent in this document.

2. "Transcription of Bellanfent Bible," *Maury County Cousins* (Maury Co., Tenn.: Maury County Historical Society, 1967-1978), 1:290-92, "Pages from Bible only. Bible is now the property of Mrs. Joseph Bellanfent and was copied by Estha Cole, August 1967." Hereafter, Bellenfant Bible. Another transcription is Jeannette Tillotson Acklen, *Tennessee Records: Bible Records and Marriage Bonds* (Nashville, Tennessee: n.p., 1933; reprinted Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1967, 1974), 316-7, "Bibles (2) owned by Joseph Ballanfent, of Culleoka. Copied by James Horton Davis for Captain Wm. Lytle Chapter," available online as a Family Book at www.Genealogy.com. Most of the entries match in the two transcriptions. This second transcription will be hereafter called Ballanfent Bible, Acklen.

3. From National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) records, as reported to the author by Dr. Mary Jo Hall, email 12 Sept. 2002. These same records have son James moving to Caswell Co. at about age 18, or about 1773-1774, so perhaps the 1753 date above should be 1773.

4. *Captain Thomas Graves, 1608 Settler of Jamestown, Virginia*, revised 11 Mar. 2002, cites the will of Thomas Kimbrough in Caswell (later Orange) Co., N.C., Wills, A:25, proved 1777; *My Southern Family*, <freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mysouthernfamily> has Eleanor⁶ (Thomas⁵, Jeffrey⁴, Jeffrey³, Thomas², Thomas¹) a descendant of Capt. Graves of Jamestown.

5. Transcription of the Thomas Kimbrough will online at *My Kimbrough Line*, <terisha4.tripod.com/colliergensite/id18.html>, cites original record on file in North Carolina Archives, Raleigh. States that Thomas Kimbrough and Eleanor Graves married about 1730.

son, “Yancey” Turner, his granddaughters, Mary “Frenzy,” and “Fanney” Turner, Delila Turner, and Nancy Turner, daughters of John Turner,” and his son, James Turner. Executors were sons James and Thomas Turner. Witnesses were William S. Webb, and M. Kimbrough. (See appendix A.)

Children, in the order presented in the Bellenfant Bible, followed by the order presented in Henry’s will:

- + 2 i **JAMES² TURNER**, born 9 Oct. 1756, Culpeper Co., Va., married (1) **LUCY PLEASANT**, and had several children, then married (2) **CATHERINE S./L. WHITE**. James was mentioned last in Henry’s 1807 will. This is Turner Whitted’s line.
- 3 ii **GEORGE² TURNER**. George was not mentioned in Henry’s 1807 will.
- 4 iii **HENRY² TURNER**. Henry and John are listed in reverse order in Henry Sr.’s 1807 will.
- 5 iv **JOHN² TURNER**. Nancy (Kimbrough) Turner’s brother, John Kimbrough, Sr., had a daughter, Sarah Kimbrough, who married a John Turner, 14 Feb. 1787, Caswell Co., N.C., who might have been John².^[6] John had three daughters mentioned in Henry’s 1807 will: (1) Fanney³ Turner; (2) Delila³ Turner; and (3) Nancy³ Turner.
- 6 v **WILLIAM² TURNER**.
- 7 vi **THOMAS² TURNER**.
- 8 vii **ELIZABETH² TURNER**, married – **LIPSCOMB**.
- 9 viii **FRANKEY² TURNER**, married – **MARTIN**.
- 10 ix **MILLEY² TURNER**, married – **JONES**.
- 11 x **NANCY² TURNER**, married – **KIMBROUGH**.
- 12 xi **SARAH² TURNER**, married – **FRENCH**, and had at least one child: (1) Mary³ French, mentioned in Henry’s 1807 will.
- 13 xii **MARY² TURNER**, married – **COCHRAN**.

6. My *Kimbrough Line*, cites John Kimbrough, Sr.’s 1817 will, with original record on file in North Carolina Archives, Raleigh. It is also mentioned that John’s wife might have been Mary Turner, but this is unproved. And it is mentioned that Sarah Kimbrough’s brother, James Kimbrough, married 1 Jan. 1788, Caswell Co., N.C., Ann B. Turner.

Second Generation

2. **JAMES² TURNER** (₁*Henry*¹) was born 9 Oct. 1756, Culpeper Co., Va.,^[7] died 21 May 1835, age 78, Williamson Co., Tenn.^[8] He moved to Caswell Co., probably County Line Creek, N.C., in about 1773 when he was about 18. He married (1) 5 Aug. 1793, Caswell Co., N.C.,^[9] **LUCY PLEASANT**. He moved to Tennessee in 1808,^[10] and married (2) 2 Sept. 1811, Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[11] **CATHERINE S./L. WHITE**.

In the Revolutionary War, Pvt. James Turner was at the Battle of Camden, South Carolina, 17 Aug. 1780, and the Battle of Guilford Court House, Greensboro, N.C., 15 Mar. 1781, shortly before the Battle of Yorktown, Sept.–Oct. 1781.^[12] He was wounded.^[13] This is his biography from his pension application affidavit, 24 Aug. 1832, Williamson Co., Tenn.:

He entered the service of the United States about April 1776 as a volunteer under the following officers—Captain George Samuel (rest of company officers not recollected) commanded by Col. William Moore and attached to the Brigade commanded by General Butler and marched over the following country from Caswell Court House he marched to Hillsboro North Carolina—to Cross Creek and to a small [river? “town” crossed out]

7. *Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Applications Files*, National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), microfilm series M804, S1881, James Turner. The very next file in the NARA records, W11573, is for James Turner from Orange Co., N.C. (widow's file for his widow Rebecca Turner).

8. DAR records; *Goodspeed's History of Tennessee* (1886), partially republished as *The Goodspeed Histories of Maury, Williamson, Rutherford, Wilson, Bedford & Marshall Counties of Tennessee* (Columbia, Tenn.: Woodward & Stinson Printing Co., 1971), 797, “A large number of the old settlers of the county took up military claims of grants made by North Carolina to her Revolutionary soldiers. . . . As late as 1832 the following Revolutionary pensioners were living in Williamson County: James Turner,” Bellenfant Bible gives his death as 1812, Williamson Co.

9. N.C. *Marriage Collection, 1741–2004*, <Ancestry.com>, James Turner to Lucy Pleasant, 5 Aug. 1793, Caswell Co., N.C., cites FHL 478484–88, and County Court Records at Yanceyville, N.C. “& Family H.”

10. NARA Revolutionary War Pension File S1881.

11. *Williamson Co., Tenn., Early Marriage Records*, 1811, <www.tngenweb.org/williamson/vitals/-marriage/1811wcmarry.htm>, “Turner James White Catherine S. 02 Sep 1811.”

12. NARA Revolutionary War Pension File S1881.

13. Bellenfant Bible. See Bible excerpt at person 15. Pension file S1881 doesn't say he was wounded explicitly but it does contain a card for James Turner entitled “Invalid.”

named Camden N.C. and was there discharged about two months after he entered the service say in June following—was in no engagements or battles nor received any discharge.

Entered the service a second time as a substitute for a person whose name he has forgotten about July 1776 under Captain Falker commanded by Col. William Moore attached to General Butlers Brigade he marched towards Halston[?] River to attack the Indians but heard that they were defeated and returned home and was discharged in September same year received a discharge but destroyed it [words off bottom of page] no value.

Entered the service a third time on the 29 day of May 1780 as a drafted militia man under the following officers Captain Robert Parks Lieutenant George Oldham and Ensign John Oldham commanded by Col. Stephen Moore Major Belfield attached to General Butlers Brigade marched from Caswell Courthouse N. C. to Hillsborough—to Chauraw Hills [probably Cheraw Hill, now Cheraw, South Carolina] to Rugeley's Mills [South Carolina] and marched again for Camden South Carolina and met the British army commanded by Lord Cornwallis at which time he was defeated together with General Gates army & returned home and immediately returned to the army again and was marched to Salisbury in North Carolina and there discharged some time in December 1780. Was only in the battle of Gates defeat received no discharge he recollects that he served with and under the following officers at Gates defeat General Gates Col. Richardson of Virginia Regulars Col. Dickson and Major Sharpe.

Entered the service a fourth time some time in the year 1781 as a volunteer[sic] under Col. William Moore and served about one month during which time he was at the battle of Guilford the other particulars relative to this campaign he does not recollect. he received no discharge.

Entered the service a fifth time as a volunteer in the fall of the year 1781 under Captain John Douglass—commanded by Col. William Oneal to Harrass and keep down the Tories and was absent about two months during which time he was in no engagements except that with Col. Tanner[?] of the Tories which as well as he now recollects was during this campaign. He received no discharge for any of the above services except on two months tour which he disposed of as aforesaid.

...

He was born on the 9th day of October 1756 in Culpepker[sic] County Virginia when he entered the service of the United States at the several times above specified he resided in the County of Caswell in North Carolina.

After the revolution he lived in the aforesaid County of Caswell until the year one thousand eight hundred and eight at which time he moved to Tennessee and has resided in Williamson County aforesaid.^[14]

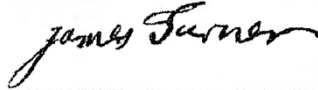
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Turner". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a long, sweeping underline.

Figure 1. James² Turner autograph, pension affidavit 24 Aug. 1832

There is a plaque in the Williamson Co. Courthouse, Franklin, Tenn., with the name of James Turner on it for his service to America's freedom.^[15]

James Turner signed his will on 13 May 1831 in Williamson Co., Tenn., and it was proved in the Oct. Term 1835 there. In it are mentioned, in order, his wife, Catherine L. Turner, his son, Josiah Turner, his son-in-law, "William S. Webb, the husband of my deceased daughter, Mildred," his daughters, Polly Nolen, Sarah "Bellyfont," Frances Hunt, Lucinda Jordan, his son, James Turner, his daughter, Nancy Vaughn, his son, William Turner, his son-in-law, Richard Vaughn, and the children of his daughter, Nancy Vaughn. His friends, John Jordan and William S. Webb, were appointed executors. Witnesses were E. Breathill(?), Jeremiah Field, and Peter N. Smith. John Hughes and Nicholas Perkins supplied sureties for the bond of the executors.

Children, in birth order when known:

- 14 i **MILDRED³ TURNER**, born 26 May 1780, married Dr. **WILLIAM S. WEBB**.
- + 15 ii **JOSIAH³ TURNER SR.**, born 18 Feb. 1782, Country Line Creek, Caswell Co., N.C., married **ELIZA ESTES EVANS**, and had 10 children. This is Turner Whitted's line.
- 16 iii **NANCY³ TURNER**, born 19 Jan. 1788, married **RICHARD VAUGHN**, and had children.
- + 17 iv **MARY ["POLLY"]³ TURNER**, born about 1795, North Carolina, married **GENERAL LEE NOLEN**, and had children.
- + 18 v **JAMES³ TURNER**, born about 1798, married **MARTHA W. NEAL**, and had children.

14. NARA Revolutionary War Pension File S1881.

15. Reported by descendant Patsy Gooch Henry via my correspondent, Mary Jo Hall.

- + 19 vi SARAH ["SALLY"]³ TURNER, born 7 Aug. 1801, Caswell Co.,
married JOSEPH BALLANFANT [BELLENFANT], and had at least one
child. Her marriage record describes her as the "fifth daughter of
James Turner."
- 20 vii FRANCES M.³ TURNER, born 27 Jan. 1804, married 30 Sept. 1822,
Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[16] Dr. JONATHAN S. HUNT.
- 21 viii LUCINDA³ TURNER, born 28 Jan. 1807, married JOHN JORDAN.
- 22 ix Dr. WILLIAM³ TURNER, married LUCIE MOORE.

16. Williamson Co., Tenn., *Early Marriage Records*, 1822, <www.tngenweb.org/williamson/vitals/-marriage/1822wcmarry.htm>, "Hunt Jonathan S. Turner Frances M 30 Sep 1822."

Third Generation

15. **JOSIAH³ TURNER SR.** (*James², Henry¹*) was born about 1780 on Country Line Creek, Caswell Co., N.C.,^[17] son of James Turner,^[18] and died 15 Oct. 1874, Mebaneville, Orange Co., N.C.^[19] He married June 1810^[20] **ELIZA ESTES EVANS**, who was born 18 Jan. 1790,^[21] North Carolina, daughter of Theophilus and Susan Carver (Grove) Evans. Josiah came to Orange Co., N.C., as a young man. He lived in Hillsborough (often Hillsboro) the last few years of his life with his daughter, Mrs. James Mebane.^[22] He was Sheriff of Orange Co. 1810–1818.^[23] Eliza was alive at the 1860 census of Orange Co.

17. Unsourced, on website, Ken Cates, *Olde Orange County Families of North Carolina*, <http://www.OrangeNC.com>, created 29 Apr. 2002. The extensive database has general URL <http://www.gendex.com/users/kcates/orange/dataview/tree/d0014/>. To this is attached the specific filename, which in this case is g0001438.htm. Only the final portion will be cited hereafter.

18. Bellenfant Bible.

19. Death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, Hillsborough, Orange Co., N.C., 21 Oct. 1874, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm.

20. Bellenfant Bible.

21. DAR records, give date as shown; Bellenfant Bible, “Eliza Estes Evans - daughter of Theopilas and Susan Evans was born Jan. 18. 1740.” 1740 cannot be right so must contain a transcription error; should be 1790 perhaps. 1792 is an estimate from the 1850 census; the 1860 census suggests 1791.

22. Unsourced, on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm, says “Mrs. Jane Mebane.”

23. Hugh Lefler and Paul Wager, *Orange County–1752-1952* (Chapel Hill, North Carolina: The Orange Printshop, 1953), 355.



Figure 2. Eliza Estes (Evans) Turner and Josiah Turner, Sr. Collection of Orange County Historical Museum, North Carolina^[24]

Theophilus Evans, born 18 Nov. 1746, North Carolina, son of Jonathan and Mary Evans, died 1822, North Carolina, married Susan Grove, daughter of Barry Grove, in Dec. 1773.^[25] Theophilus is famous as one of the 69 local patriots who, more than a year before the Declaration of Independence was signed in Philadelphia, signed June 1775 “The Cumberland Association,” later called the “Liberty Point Resolves.” In that document, they proclaimed their willingness to fight for the independence of the State of North Carolina and resolved to “go forth and be ready to sacrifice our lives and fortunes to secure her freedom and safety.” A monument to the Liberty Point Resolves stands at the intersection of Person and Bow Streets in downtown Fayetteville, North Carolina, near the Cumberland County Court House. The title line on its plaque

24. Portraits given to the Orange County Historical Museum about 1989 by the estate of great-granddaughters Louise and Bernice Crumpacker.

25. Bellenfant Bible; DAR records for Theophilus Evans. The latter list the following children for Theophilus Evans: Mary, born 23 Sept. 1774; George Washington, born 29 Sept. 1776; David, born 8 Apr. 1778; Robert, born 15 Feb. 1780; Mansley, born 15 Aug. 1782; John, born 29 Apr. 1784; Thomas, born 27 Feb. 1786; William, born 27 Apr. 1788; and Eliza Estes “Betsy,” born 18 Jan. 1790.

reads, “Declaration of Independence—June 20, 1775.” The top name in the center column of names is “Theophilus Evans.”^[26]

Theophilus Evans was a soldier in the North Carolina militia in the Revolutionary War, from the Wilmington District.^[27]



Figure 3. Monument to the Liberty Point Resolvers, Fayetteville, Cumberland Co., N.C. Theophilus Evans is listed at top center.

Susan Carver (Grove) Evans was a daughter^[28] of the Hon. William Barry Grove, born 15 Jan. 1764, Fayetteville, Cumberland Co., N.C., died 30 Mar. 1818, Fayetteville, and buried in Grove Creek Cemetery. He was a member of the North Carolina House of Commons in 1786, 1788, and 1789. He was a delegate to the 1788 convention called to consider ratification of the Constitution of the United States, and also to the 1789 convention when it was finally ratified. He was elected as a Representative from North Carolina to the Second through the Seventh Congresses, 4 Mar. 1791 to 3 Mar. 1803.^[29] He married 10 Aug. 1801, Orange Co., N.C., Sarah Sheppard.^[30]

26. [http:// www.Cumberland.lib.NC.us/ fay.htm](http://www.Cumberland.lib.NC.us/fay.htm); [http:// www.irvingink.com/ LibertyPoint/ organization.htm](http://www.irvingink.com/LibertyPoint/organization.htm).

27. *Roster of Soldiers from North Carolina in the American Revolution*, 379, cites voucher no. 4568 in Box B-1, Comptroller's Office.

28. DAR records for Theophilus Evans.

29. *Biographical Directory of the United States Congress, 1774 - Present*, online at Bioguide.Congress.gov.

30. IGI marriage record, batch no. M516017, source call no. 6330300, cites North Carolina, Division of Archives and History, *An index to marriage bonds filed in the North Carolina State Archives* (Ra-

In 1850 Josiah Turner “Sen^r,” 68, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$25,000 in real estate, resided in Orange Co., N.C., with Eliza, 58, born in North Carolina, and with the following, all born in North Carolina: Thomas, 25, a physician, Josiah Jr., 28, a lawyer, Mary, 21, and Julian, 15, a student.^[31]

In 1860 Josiah Turner Sr., 78, resided Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., a farmer born in North Carolina, with the following, all surnamed Turner and all natives of North Carolina: Eliza E., 69, Lydia, 32, John, 42, James, 34, Evans, 32, Julius, 25, Mary J., 12, deaf and dumb, George, 10, William A., 8, and Theodore, 5.^[32] The four young children were son John’s, as proved below. Lydia might have been wife to one of the sons. Son Evans was not listed in the Bellenfant Bible. This James would have been born about 1826, which doesn’t fit the James of the Bellenfant Bible listed below.

In 1870 Josiah Turner Sr., 89, resided with Evans, 44, in Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C.^[33] Also in the household was William Turner, 38, probably Josiah’s son, as was Evans.

The Orange Co. will of Elizabeth Estes is dated 26 Oct. 1841, proved “May Court 1845,” mentions: niece Catherine Evans who is left the “house on Churton Street,” Hillsborough; friend Mrs. Josiah Turner; Eliza Turner and Mary Turner, daughters of Josiah Turner; Mrs. Susan Mebane, wife of James Mebane, Jr. A codicil dated 18 Nov. 1843 mentions niece Catherine Evans, who is now the wife of John Turner.^[34]

leigh, North Carolina: North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, [1977?]).

31. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1391, family 1391, roll 639, p. 242.

32. U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1141, family 1141, roll 908, p. 238.

33. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281. Head of this household is Evans Turner.

34. Ruth Herndon Shields, *Abstracts of Wills Recorded in Orange County North Carolina 1800-1850* (originally published 1966; reprinted Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1972, as the second of two volumes), deed F:245 for Elizabeth Estes, 2:211. Will also mentions: nieces Mary Jane Evans and Caroline Evans, sister Mrs. Peggy Nash, late niece Eliza Whitted and her daughter Mary Whitted, “Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson my neice a daughter of Mrs. Mary Seawell & wife of Mr. Thomas,” and others.

Known children, in the order listed in the Bellenfant Bible, except Evans:^[35]

- + 23 i **JOHN⁴ TURNER**, born about 1818,^[36] North Carolina, married **CATHERINE EVANS**, and had children. This is Turner Whitted's line.
- + 24 ii **SUSAN A.⁴ TURNER**, born about 1818,^[37] married 27 June 1839, Hillsborough, **JAMES MEBANE, JR.**
- + 25 iii **JAMES⁴ TURNER**, born about 1818,^[38] North Carolina, married **MARY HANNAH MCMANNEN**, and had eight children.
- + 26 iv **JOSIAH⁴ TURNER JR.**, born 27 Dec. 1821, North Carolina, married **SOPHIA CHESTER DEVEREAUX**, and had children.
- 27 v **THOMAS H.⁴ TURNER**, born about 1825, North Carolina.^[39] A physician. In 1870 there was a Thomas H. Turner, 40, living in Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., who might have been this Thomas. He lived two dwellings from John and Julius Turner who would have been his brothers and near Evans, William, and Josiah Sr. But he was a farmer, a native of North Carolina with \$2,000 and \$5,000 personal and real estates. Living with him were Margaret, 80, and Betsie, 60. There were also four black Turners residing with him: Cain Bill, 35, a farm laborer, Frances, 30, a domestic, Tobe, 14, a laborer, and Vinal, 11, a laborer, all four surnamed Turner, and also Henry Burk, 55, mulatto laborer. All were born in North Carolina.^[40]
- + 28 vi **EVANS⁴ TURNER**, born about 1826, North Carolina,^[41] married **EMMA M. NICHOLS**, and had at least one child.

35. Bellenfant Bible, says they had ten children but lists only nine. It does not list a son Evans who is shown in the 1860 census.

36. U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1141, family 1141, roll 908, p. 238.

37. U.S. census, 1850, North District, Alamance Co., N.C., dwelling 149, family 149, roll 619, p. 58.

38. Mary Jo Hall email 3 Sept. 2002; U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, family 1141, implies 1826, inconsistent with 1821 for Josiah and birth order of Bellenfant Bible.

39. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1391, family 1391, roll 639, p. 242.

40. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 291, family 284, roll 1153, p. 281. Dwelling 289 is John Turner, and dwelling 281 is Evans.

41. U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1141, family 1141, roll 908, p. 238; U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281.

- + 29 vii **ELIZA ESTES EVANS⁴ TURNER**, born 13 or 18 Feb. 1827, married her cousin **JOHN BALLANFANT SR.**, and had 13 children.
- 30 viii **MARY⁴ TURNER**, born about 1829, North Carolina,^[42] married 10 July 1850, Hillsborough,^[43] **OCTAVIUS W. HOOKER**.
- 31 ix **WILLIAM⁴ TURNER**, born about 1832, North Carolina.^[44] He served in the 56th North Carolina from his enlistment 5 Apr. 1862, age 32, to 20 June 1865.^[45] He was buried in the Turner family plot. William Turner lived with his brother Evans in 1870.^[46] He later lived with his brother James, until his death about 1905.^[47]
- 32 x **JULIAN [JULIUS] S. ⁴ TURNER**, born 1833, North Carolina.^[48] Julian S. Turner, 72, an unmarried man born in North Carolina, resided in 1900 in North Hillsboro Twp., Orange Co., with his brother Josiah, 79, a widower, also born in North Carolina. Their father was born in Virginia, which is inconsistent with other sources, and their mother in North Carolina.^[49]

17. MARY [“POLLY”]³ TURNER (*James², Henry¹*) was born about 1795, North Carolina. She married 25 Apr. 1810, Williamson Co., Tenn., **GENERAL LEE NOLEN**, who was born about 1785, Virginia, son of William and Sara (Cantrell) Nolen, and died 1851, Williamson Co.^[50]

42. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1391, family 1391, roll 639, p. 242.

43. Frances T. Ingmire, *Orange County NC Marriage Records 1782–1868* (Iberian Publishing Co., 1993), vol. 2, 18, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001442.htm; marriage notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 17 July 1850, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm.

44. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281.

45. Maryjo Hall (great-granddaughter of James and Mary (McMannen) Turner), a series of research memos (hereafter “Turner Memos”), one for each member of the family of James and Mary, Oct. 2001 – Sept. 2002, sent to the author Sept. 2002. She cites the Crumpacker and McMannen files, Perkins Library, Duke University, and the work of Fran Tilley Ferrell.

46. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281.

47. Maryjo Hall “Turner Memos.”

48. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1391, family 1391, roll 639, p. 242.

49. U.S. census, 1900, North Hillsboro Township, Orange Co., N.C., enumeration district 69, dwelling 247, family 247, roll 1210, p. 13.

50. DAR records, gives marriage of Polly Turner to Generl L. Nolan; Joe Pratt, *John Nolen Pratt’s Family Tree*, Ancestry.com, unsourced, all dates, the marriage, his death, his parents. She would have been only about 15 at the marriage date given.

In 1850 General L. Nolen, 65[?], and Mary, 55[?], resided in Williamson Co., Tenn. in 1850. General is a farmer born in Virginia with real estate valued at \$2,296, and Mary was a native of North Carolina. With them were Julius [Jatur?], 26, a farmer, Eliza R., 34, John B., 22, a farmer, Patrick, 16, a farmer, Katherine, 13, and William Crown 33, a farmer. All but General and Mary were born in Tennessee.^[51]

Known children:

- 33 i **ELIZA R.**⁴ **NOLEN**, born about 1816, Tennessee.
- 34 ii **JULIUS [JATUR?]**⁴ **NOLEN**, born about 1824, Tennessee.
- 35 iii **JOHN B.**⁴ **NOLEN**, born about 1828, Tennessee.
- 36 iv **PATRICK**⁴ **NOLEN**, born about 1834, Tennessee.
- 37 v **KATHARINE**⁴ **NOLEN**, born about 1837, Tennessee.

18. JAMES³ TURNER (₂*James², Henry¹*) was born about 1798, married after marriage bond on 8 Aug. 1818, Orange Co., N.C.,^[52] **MARTHA W. NEAL**, born about 1801, North Carolina.

James Turner 52 and Martha Turner 49 reside in Orange Co., N.C. in 1850. James is a farmer born in Tennessee, and Martha was born in North Carolina. With them, all surnamed Turner and all born in Orange Co., N.C., are Lydia 23, Josiah 21, a laborer, Susan 17, and Anne W. 11/12.^[53] Although this gives James Turner's birthplace as Tennessee, it seems unlikely to be so since his father did not go to Tennessee until 1808 when he would have been about age 10.

Known children:

- 38 i **LYDIA**⁴ **TURNER**, born about 1827, Orange Co., N.C.
- 39 ii **JOSIAH**⁴ **TURNER**, born about 1829, Orange Co., N.C.
- + 40 iii **SUSAN M.**⁴ **TURNER**, born about 1833, Orange Co., N.C., married **JOSEPH H. LATTA, JR.**
- 41 iv **ANNE W.**⁴ **TURNER**, born about July 1849, Orange Co., N.C.

51. U.S. census, 1850, 4th Civil District, Williamson Co., Tenn., dwelling 353, family 353, roll 900, p. 153.

52. DAR records, James married Martha Neal; Ingmire, *Orange County Marriages*, 3:43, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001435.htm.

53. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 217, family 217, roll 639, p. 167.

19. SARAH [“SALLY”]³ TURNER (*James*², *Henry*¹) was born 7 Aug. 1801, Caswell Co., N.C.,^[54] died 10 or 18 Apr. 1876, age 75,^[55] and was buried in the Bellenfant Cemetery, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn. She married 9 or 22 Apr. 1819, Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[56] JOSEPH BALLANFANT [BELLENFANT], who was born 14 Nov. 1790, Halifax Co., Va.,^[57] son of John [Jean] and Louisa [Lucy] (Yeoman) Bellenfant, and died 9 Nov. 1869, age 79, and was buried Bellenfant Cemetery, Culleoka.^[58]

Soon after Joseph’s birth, the Bellenfant family moved to Rockingham Co., N.C., a distance of 80–90 miles, according to a deed there dated 15 Feb. 1792.^[59] Joseph and Sally moved to Maury Co. in 1824 (see quote below).

The Bellenfant **tradition** has it that Joseph’s father, Jean Bellenfant, came to America with Lafayette and fought with him in the Revolutionary War. An unpublished Bellenfant genealogy gives the details and expresses a caveat:

John Bellenfant, French soldier, was said to have come to this country with Marquis de LaFayette in 1777 and served in the American Revolution with him. One story is that John was a sailor on the ship that brought LaFayette to America and perhaps served in the Navy during the war. (So far, none of the collaborators in this project have discovered any “official” record of his service—only references in county histories, in the Bellenfant Bible, and by family tradition.) After the war was over, John (or Jean) decided to stay in America and settled in Virginia—some have said in Petersburg, others have said Fairfax County. Soon after the war, perhaps 1784/5, he was married to Louisa (Lucy) Yeomans (or Emmons)

54. Bellenfant Bible.

55. Bellenfant Bible, both dates given in different places [also in Ballanfent Bible, Acklen].

56. Bellenfant Bible: “Joseph Ballanfent eldest son of John Ballanfent, a native of France and Sally Turner fifth daughter of James Turner were married by Rev’d Garner McConnico in Williamson County, Tennessee on the 22nd day of April A D 1819;” Ballanfent Bible, Acklen, has it “by Rev. Garner Nawnnico”; *Williamson Co., Tenn., Early Marriage Records*, 1819, <www.tngenweb.org/williamson/vitals/marriage/1819wcmarry.htm>, “Bellerfant [sic] Joseph Turner Sally 09 Apr 1819.”

57. Bellenfant Bible.

58. Bellenfant Bible.

59. Communicated to the author’s mother Edith Smith by Linda C. Vernon, 1990, letter in possession of author. She also reports a deed from John Bellenfant and his wife Lucy, proved 23 Jan. 1792, in Halifax Co., Va., of 118 acres on Difficult Creek to Daniel Roberts for “6,000 pds of tobacco and 50 pds current money of Va.” [Deed Book 15, 73, 257].

of Virginia, presumably the daughter of Drewry (Drury) Yeomans, Sr. as her seven children shared, as legatees, in his estate. (Court Minutes, Rockingham Co., N.C., Nov. Term, 1804, p. 25; May term, 1805, p. 57, 60; also from papers in John Bellenfant estate file at N.C. State Archives, Raleigh, N.C. in the Rockingham Co. estate files arranged alphabetically.)^[60]

The same **unvetted** source has this to say about Joseph Ballanfant, and notes the spelling change:

Joseph Ballanfant was born 14 Nov 1790 in Halifax Co., Va., d. 9 Nov 1869. When he was very young, his family moved to Rockingham Co., N.C. where he grew up. In the May 1802 Term of Court in Rockingham Co., "Joseph Betoffen, age 12 was bound out to Z. Strong". He served in the War of 1812 for six months, beginning 28 Nov 1814. He went to Williamson Co. Tn., probably soon after this war service, where he farmed a few years, then, according to "Century Review of Maury Co., Tenn., 1807-1907" p. 112, he moved, in 1824, to Maury Co. where he lived until his death. He was one of the ones in his family who made a change in the spelling of the surname. He was m. 22 Apr 1819 in Williamson Co. to Sally Turner, b. 7 Aug 1801, Caswell Co., N.C., d. 18 Apr 1876. Sally was the fifth dau of James Turner who was in the American Revolution in the Battle of Guilford Court House. Both Joseph and Sally were bu. in the family graveyard near Culleoka. Joseph was a trustee of the first school in Culleoka in 1835. Pleasant Grove (Culleoka) Post Office was opened at the Bellenfant homestead about 1835 and continued there for about ten years. ("Century Review of Maury Co., Tn. 1805-1905", pp109-110). Though family tradition and a few histories have said that there was only one child—a son, John—the Maury County census of 1830 showed also a girl in Joseph's household—1 female under 5 yrs. She may have died young.^[61]

In 1850 John Ballanfant, 30, a merchant born in Tennessee, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with Eliza, 23, born in North Carolina, and with Josiah, 5, "Jas.," 4, Sallie, 2, and Susan, 7/12, all four born in Tennessee,

60. Mrs. J. A. Wilkinson, "The Bellenfant Family (Bellefont, Bellenfaute, Ballanfant): Johnson, Sanders, Winn, McClaran," Mar. 1981, a typescript photocopy in the author's possession.

61. Wilkinson, "Bellenfant Family." Re Lafayette: Another possibility is that Bellenfant came to America as part of the French army, under Rochambeau, that helped in the Revolution, 1780-1783. Perhaps the name "Betoffen" is a transcription error for "Beloffen."

and with John E. Amis, 15, born in Tennessee, and with Joseph “Ballantphant,” 59, a merchant born in Virginia with \$7,200 real estate, and Sarah, 47, born in North Carolina.^[62]

In 1860, Joseph Ballanfant, 69, a farmer born in Virginia, with \$12,000 personal estate, \$20,000 real estate, resided in Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., with Sarah, 58, native of North Carolina. They lived next to John and Eliza E. Ballanfant.^[63]

Sarah Ballanfant, 69, is living with her son John Ballanfant and eleven of her grandchildren in Culleoka in 1870.^[64]

Known child, of perhaps two:

- + 42 i **JOHN⁴ BALLANFANT SR.**, born 7 Mar. 1820 or 1821, married his cousin **ELIZA ESTES EVANS⁴ TURNER**, and had thirteen children.

62. U.S. census, 1850, Maury Co., Tenn., r. 890, p. 325A, dw. 1156, fam. 1156.

63. U.S. census, 1860, Culleoka PO, District No. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., dwelling 516, family 516, roll 1264, p. 336. John Ballanfant is dwelling 517, family 517.

64. U.S. census, 1870, Culleoka PO, Civil District No. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., dwelling 54, family 54, roll 1547, pp. 270-1.

Fourth Generation

23. **JOHN⁴ TURNER** (₁₅*Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born about 1818, North Carolina, died 16 Mar. 1890, Orange Co., N.C., married 11 May 1843 (bond date), Cumberland Co., N.C.,^[65] **CATHERINE EVANS**, born about 1822, North Carolina, probably died before the 1860 census.

In 1850 John Turner, 32, resided in Orange Co., N.C., a farmer native to North Carolina. With him are Cathrin, 28, Mary, 4, deaf and dumb, and George, 1.^[66]

As already shown, John 42 was living with his father Josiah Turner, Sr. in 1860 in Hillsborough, Orange Co., N.C., and so were Mary J. 12, deaf and dumb, George 10, William A. 8, and Theodore 5.^[67] Therefore the four children are John's children. Presumably, his wife Catherine died before the 1860 census.

In 1870 John Turner, 50, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,000 real and \$300 personal estates, resided in Little River Twp., Orange Co., with "Julus," 38, perhaps his brother, and with his son, "Theodore," 16, and also with three females: Sally Phillips 40, Nannie Phillips 8, and Patsie Brown 42, all born in North Carolina.^[68] Julius is probably John's brother Julian [Julius]. but if so, then his age is off by about 10 years relative other records. Nearby are John's brothers, Evans and William, in one household, and Thomas H., probably his brother, in another.

In 1880 John Turner, 70, resided in the household of his son, Theodore Turner, 27, in Durham Twp., Orange Co., N.C. [q.v.]. His son, George, 30, also resided there. James Turner, 65, resided next door.^[69]

65. N.C. *Index to Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868*, John Turner, to Catharine Evans, bonded 11 May 1843, bond no. 35599, Cumberland Co., bondsman D. Evans; Shields, *Wills in Orange County*, 2:211, will of Elizabeth Estes, proved at "May Court 1845." Catherine is unmarried in the will dated 26 Oct. 1841 and married to John Turner in a codicil dated 18 Nov. 1843.

66. U.S. census, 1850, North West Division, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1, family 1, roll 639, p. 282.

67. U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1141.

68. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., r. 1153, p. 281B, dw. 289, fam. 282. Evans and William resided in dw. 281, Thomas H. in dw. 291..

69. U.S. census, 1880, Durham Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 196, r. 976, p. 165A, dw. 126, fam. 126.

Children:

- 43 i **MARY J.⁵ TURNER**, born about 1846, North Carolina, deaf and dumb.
- 44 ii **GEORGE⁵ TURNER**, born about 1850, North Carolina.
- 45 iii **WILLIAM A.⁵ TURNER**, born about 1852, North Carolina.
- + 46 iv **THEODORE⁵ TURNER**, born 14 Oct. 1853, Orange Co., N.C., married **MARY HOOKER FAUCETT** and had four children. This is Turner Whitted's line.

24. SUSAN A.⁴ TURNER (₁₅*Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born about 1818, Orange Co., N.C., married 27 June 1839, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C.,^[70] **JAMES MEBANE, JR.**, born 22 Nov. 1812, Orange Co., N.C., son of James and Elizabeth (Kinchen) Mebane, died 2 May 1857, Alamance Co., N.C.^[71]

James Mebane (Sr.), born 1774, Orange Co., died 1857, was a North Carolina legislator. He was a member of the general assembly 1798, 1801-3, 1808-11, 1821-3, and 1828, and speaker of the house, 1821.^[72]

In 1850, James Mebane 37, resides in Alamance Co., N.C., a farmer born in Alamance Co. with \$2,000 worth of real estate. With him are Susan 32, born Orange Co., and Eliza 7, born Orange Co.^[73]

Known children:

- 47 i **MARY⁵ MEBANE**, born about 1840, died 20 Nov. 1842, Orange Co.^[74]
- 48 ii **ELIZA ["LIZZIE"] TURNER⁵ MEBANE**, born about 1843, Orange Co., died about 1899, married (bonded 11 Dec. 1866), Alamance Co., **CHARLES STANHOPE HARRIS.**^[75]

70. Ingmire, *Orange County Marriages*, 3:49, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001445.htm; marriage notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 4 July 1839, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm.

71. Bible of Alexander and Mary Mebane (grandparents); death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 6 May 1857; both cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0000940.htm.

72. Lefler and Wager, *Orange County*, 334. Deaths for both father and son in 1857 suggest that one might be an error for the other.

73. U.S. census, 1850, North District, Alamance Co., N.C., dwelling 149, family 149, roll 619, p. 58.

74. Death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 24 Nov. 1842, "only child of James Mebane," cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0000944.htm.

75. "Lost" marriage bonds of Alamance Co., N.C. state archives, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*.

25. JAMES⁴ TURNER (₁₅*Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born about 1815 or 1820, North Carolina, died about 1891. He married 16 Apr. 1863, South Lowell, Durham (now Orange) Co., N.C.,^[76] **MARY HANNAH McMANNEN**, who was born about 1839, South Lowell,^[77] daughter of Rev. John Archibald and Elizabeth (Latta) McMannen, and died 1906, age 69. Both are buried in the Turner family cemetery, on Cornwallis Road, Durham Co., N.C.^[78]

In 1870, James Turner, 50, a farmer with \$100 real estate, resides in Durham's Twp., Orange Co., N.C., with Mary H., 30, James M., 6, "Malvin," 4, and Syrena B., 2, all in the family natives to North Carolina.^[79]

In 1880, James Turner, 65, a farmer, resided in Durham Twp., Orange Co., N.C., with his wife, Mary H., 41, his sons, James M., 17, and "Malvin" H., 15, and daughters, "Liza B.," 13, Josephine, 10, Adeline, 7, and Mary V., 3. All were born in North Carolina of North Cilna natives. Next door was Theodore Turner.^[80]

lies, g0000943.htm.

76. Ingmire, *Orange County Marriages*, 3:43, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm; marriage notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 6 May 1863, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001435.htm.

77. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1423, family 1423, roll 639, p. 244, the John A. McMannen family shows his daughter Mary H. age 11. Josiah Turner Sr.'s family is family 1391.

78. Mary-jo Hall "Turner Memos."

79. U.S. census, 1870, Durham's PO, Durham's Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 58, family 58, roll 1153, p. 206.

80. U.S. census, 1870, Durham's PO, Durham's Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 58, family 58, roll 1153, p. 206.



Figure 4. Mary Hannah (McMannen) Turner portrait, in the home of and courtesy of Miriam Josephine (Burroughs) Hall, her granddaughter

Children:

- 49 i **JAMES MEBAE⁵ TURNER**, born about 1864, North Carolina, went by the name Mebane. He never married. He was buried in the Turner family cemetery, off Cornwallis Road, Durham, Durham Co., N.C.^[81]
- + 50 ii **MALVERN HILL [“MALLIE”]⁵ TURNER**, born about 1865, in the Turner family home on Cornwallis Road, Durham Co. North Carolina, married **BESSIE ALMA BLACKWOOD** and had five children.
- 51 iii **SYRENA B.⁵ TURNER**, born about 1868, North Carolina, must have died young, after the 1870 census in which she appears.
- + 52 iv **BERNICE E. [ELIZABETH] [LISA]⁵ TURNER**, born 28 June 1868, Durham, Durham Co., N.C., married **ALONZO [“LONNIE”] CRUMPACKER**, and had six children.
- + 53 v **JOSEPHINE [“JO”] STRUDWICK⁵ TURNER**, born 1870 in the Turner home on Cornwallis Road, married **HERMAN HUGHES DOWDEE** and had at least five children.

81. Maryjo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

- 54 vi **ADELIN LEE [“ADDIE”]⁵ TURNER**, born 13 Mar. 1873, died unmarried 6 Dec. 1940, age 66. She lived with her sister Daisy Burroughs and her family from 1920, and was buried in the Turner family cemetery in Durham Co.^[82]
- 55 vii **ROD[E]RICK⁵ TURNER**, born 1875, died as an infant. He is thought to be buried in the Turner family cemetery.^[83], born 22 Apr. 1781, Gloucester, Essex Co., Massachusetts.
- 56 viii **MARY VIRGINIA [“MAMIE”]⁵ TURNER**, born about 1877, died 1920 age 42, and is buried in the Turner family cemetery.^[84]
- 57 ix **DAISY MCMANNEN⁵ TURNER**, born 25 July 1880, married **FREDERICK DEROSE BURROUGHS**.^[85]

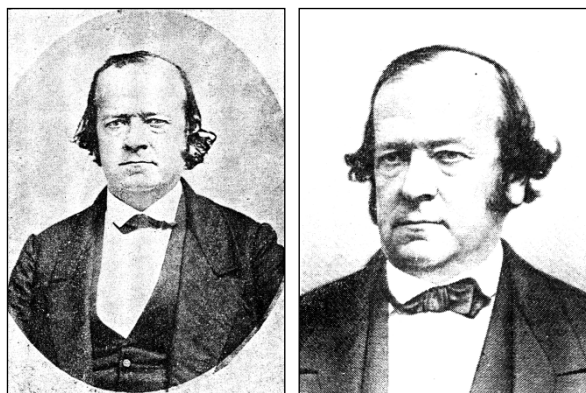


Figure 5. Josiah Turner Jr., editor of the *Raleigh Sentinel*^[86]

26. JOSIAH⁴ TURNER JR. (₁₅*Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 27 Dec. 1821, Hillsborough, Orange Co., N.C.,^[87] died 26 Oct. 1901, near Hillsborough, buried at St. Matthew’s Episcopal Churchyard there.^[88] He mar-

82. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

83. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos,” cites an entry in the John A. McMannen, Jr. Bible that is on file in the Perkins Library, Duke University.

84. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

85. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002, lists children v - ix.

86. Left: J. G. de Roulhac Hamilton, *History of North Carolina: Volume III: North Carolina since 1860* (Chicago and New York: Lewis Publishing Company, 1919), 3:131; right: Lefler and Wager, *Orange County*, photo section.

87. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1391, family 1391, roll 639, p. 242.

88. St. Matthew’s Episcopal Churchyard, *The Political Graveyard: Orange County, N.C.*, online at

ried 24 Jan. 1856, Halifax Co., N.C.,^[89] **SOPHIA CHESTER DEVEREAUX**, daughter of Thomas Devereaux.

Josiah was licensed to practice law in 1845. He was a member North Carolina's general assembly, 1852, 1854, 1856, 1858, 1860, and 1868.^[90] He was a delegate to the North Carolina secession convention, 1861.^[91]

Capt. Josiah Turner, Jr. commanded Company K of the 19th North Carolina Troops in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, starting from the first assembly of the regiment in Aug.-Sept. 1861. His first lieutenant was William A. Graham, Jr. The regiment took part in the battle of New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., 14 Mar. 1862. In an engagement with the enemy at Gillet's, in Onslow Co., on 14 Apr. 1862, "Captain Turner of Company K was severely wounded and disabled for further service in the field." A regimental roster of 1 June 1863 does not mention Josiah, and Company K is commanded by Capt. W. A. Graham, Jr.^[92]

He was a Representative from North Carolina in the Confederate Congress, 1864-5, where he served on the committees for foreign affairs and Indian affairs.^[93] In 1866 he was in Washington D. C., seeking to be seated as a U. S. Representative.

Those chosen as Representatives in Congress at the November election [1865] were ... Josiah Turner ... but Congress adopted a resolution that no member should be admitted from any insurrectionary state until Congress had declared the state entitled to representation ... they were not admitted.^[94]

He was a delegate to the North Carolina state constitutional convention, 1875.^[95]

PoliticalGraveyard.com.

89. W. A. Graham, Captain Company K, 19th North Carolina Troops (2nd North Carolina Cavalry), written 9 Apr. 1901, online at <http://members.aol.com/jweaver303/nc/19nct.htm>, 4 Sept. 2002.

90. Lefler and Wager, *Orange County*, 339.

91. St. Matthew's, *Political Graveyard: Orange County, N.C.*

92. Marriage notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 30 Jan. 1856, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm, "dtr of Thomas Devereaux."

93. *The Confederate War Department*, www.CSAWarDept.com, 4 Sept. 2002.

94. Samuel A'Corte Ashes, *History of North Carolina* (Raleigh, North Carolina: Edwards & Broughton Printing Co., 1925), two volumes, 2:1035-6.

95. St. Matthew's, *Political Graveyard: Orange County, N.C.*

He was and remains a controversial figure. The following captures the flavor of this controversy:

During the post-Civil War Reconstruction era, bitter recriminations exchanged by rival Raleigh newspapers fueled the so-called Kirk-Holden War. Josiah Turner's *Sentinel* fiercely opposed the policies of Republican governor William W. Holden and accused his administration of despotism and corruption. The *North Carolina Standard*, formerly published by Holden, defended him and accused Turner's Democratic supporters of lawlessness and of having ties to the Ku Klux Klan.

The rivalry played out during the election season of 1870 in the form of violence, widespread arrests, and martial law. The Republicans lost the election of 1870, which enabled the new Democratic General Assembly to impeach Holden and remove him from office. Ironically, without each other as foils, both newspapers failed.^[96]

In 1860, Josiah Turner, Jr. 37, a farmer and lawyer born in North Carolina, with \$5,000 in real estate value, resides in Orange Co., N.C., with Sophia C. 25, Thomas 3, and Charles 1, all born in North Carolina.^[97]

Josiah Turner 79, a widower born Jan. 1821 in North Carolina, resides in 1900 in North Hillsboro Township, Orange Co., with his brother Julian S. 72. Their father was born in Virginia, which is inconsistent with other sources, and their mother in North Carolina. The birthdate of Jan. 1821 is also slightly inconsistent with other sources.^[98]

Children:

- 58 i **THOMAS⁵ TURNER**, born about 1857, North Carolina.
- 59 ii **CHARLES⁵ TURNER**, born about 1859, North Carolina.
- 60 iii **KATHERINE JOHNSON⁵ TURNER**, born 2 Sept. 1860, Orange Co., N.C., died 12 June 1861, "at the Grove near Hillsboro, Orange County, NC."^[99]

96. *The Press in North Carolina Museum Exhibit, Virtual Tour—Panels 4-6*, www.NCPress.com, 4 Sept. 2002.

97. U.S. census, 1860, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 960, family 960, roll 908, p. 225.

98. U.S. census, 1900, North Hillsboro Township, Orange Co., N.C., enumeration district 69, dwelling 247, family 247, roll 1210, p. 13.

99. Death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 19 June 1861, "only dtr of Sophie Chester and Josiah

- 61 iv **POLLOCK DEVEREUX⁵ TURNER**, born 3 Apr. 1866, Orange Co., N.C., died 15 May 1866, "at the Grove near Hillsboro, Orange County, NC."^[100]

28. EVANS⁴ TURNER (₁₅*Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born about 1826, North Carolina,^[101] married 22 Jan. 1866, Orange Co., N.C.,^[102] **EMMA M. NICHOLS**.

In 1870, Evans Turner 44, a farmer born in North Carolina, with \$9,000 personal estate, \$2,500 real estate, resides in Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., with Emma 24, William 38, Josiah Sr. 89, Lizzy B. 3, and two laborers.^[103] William is probably Evans's brother, and Josiah their father.

Known child:

- 62 i **LIZZY B.⁵ TURNER**, born about 1867, North Carolina, buried in the Maplewood Cemetery.^[104]

29. ELIZA ESTES EVANS⁴ TURNER (₁₅*Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born 17 Feb. 1827,^[105] Hillsborough, Orange Co., N.C., and died 15 July 1903, age 76 years 5 months 2 days.^[106] She married 2 Oct. 1844, Hillsborough,^[107] her cousin, **JOHN⁴ BALLANFANT SR.** (₁₉*Sarah³, James²*,

Turner, Jr," cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm.

100. Death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 16 May 1866, "son of Sophia Chester and Josiah Turner, Jr," cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm.

101. U.S. census, 1860, Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 1141, family 1141, roll 908, p. 238; U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281.

102. Brent H. Holcomb, *Marriages of Orange County, North Carolina, 1779-1868* (Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1983), 309, "Turner, Evans & Emme M. Nichols, 21 Jan 1866; Charles R. Wilson, bm; m 22 Jan 1866 by Thomas U. Faucette."

103. U.S. census, 1870, Little River Township, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 281, family 274, roll 1153, p. 281.

104. Mary-jo Hall, "Turner Memos." She suggests that Lizzy is the woman who married a Dr. Day and had three children: Annie Morris (Day) Farthing, Evans Day, and Ruby (Day) Barfield.

105. Bellenfant Bible, "Eliza Ester Evans Turner daughter of Josiah and Eliza Turner was born Feb.-17-1827 or 9?" but in another place "Eliza EstesTurner - wife of John Ballanfamt was born on 17th of February - 1827." 13 Feb. 1827 is computed from the death information. Ballanfamt Bible, Acklen, has her "Eliza Easter Turner, ..., born Feb. 17, 1827."

106. Bellenfant Bible.

107. Bellenfant Bible, "by the Rev. Robert Burwill;" Ballanfamt Bible, Acklen, has it "by the Rev.

Henry¹⁾, who was born 7 Mar. 1820, Williamson [possibly Maury] Co., Tenn.,^[108] son of Joseph and Sarah³ (Turner) Ballanfant, and died 4 Mar. 1900.^[109]

According to John's father's family Bible:

His [John's] grandparents were all in the Revolutionary War. His father, Joseph Ballanfant, was in the War of 1812, stationed at Norfolk, Va. His grandfather on his mother's side was in the Fight at Guilford Court House and was wounded and died after the war in Williamson County, Tenn. Her [Eliza's] grandparents were in the Revolutionary War. Her grandfather, Jas. Turner, was in the Battle of Guilford Court House. His grandfather, Theophilus Evans, was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and fought in Cumberland County, N.C., in 1775 and the fight on Allamance River in 1781.^[110]

John's grandparents were John [Jean] Bellenfant and James Turner, and Eliza's grandparents were Theophilus Evans and James Turner.

In 1850 John Ballanfant, 30, a merchant born in Tennessee, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with Eliza, 23, born in North Carolina, and with Josiah, 5, "Jas.," 4, Sallie, 2, and Susan, 7/12, all four born in Tennessee, and with John E. Amis, 15, born in Tennessee, and with Joseph "Ballantphant," 59, a merchant born in Virginia with \$7,200 real estate, and Sarah, 47, born in North Carolina.^[111]

An index for the 1850 census in Maury Co., Tenn., lists a John Ballanfant.^[112]

Robert Burevill;" marriage notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 10 Oct. 1844, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001438.htm, "John Bellefant."

108. Bellenfant Bible, "John Ballanfant son of the said Joseph and Sally was born in Williamson County in the State of Tenne. on the 7th of March A D 1820," but also, in another place, "John Ballanfant was born on the 7th of March 1821." Son Josiah's death certificate gives John's birthplace as Maury Co.

109. Bellenfant Bible, "John Ballanfant died March 4th 1900. Three days of being eighty years old." So this establishes his birth in 1820.

110. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen. It appears that these notes were added long after the named events. The last two dates are from the Bellenfant Bible; they are 1875 and 1871, respectively, in the Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, which cannot be right.

¹¹¹ U.S. census, 1850, Maury Co., Tenn., r. 890, p. 325A, dw. 1156, fam. 1156. The corresponding 1850 slave schedule, p. 325, lists without names five slaves owned by John Bellanphant, next to a list of nine owned by Jos. Bellanphant.

112. U.S. census index, 1850, 6th District, Maury Co., Tenn., p. 25, index on Ancestry.com.

In 1860 John Ballanfant, 40, a merchant born in Tennessee, with \$6,000 personal estate, \$10,000 real estate, resided in Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., with Eliza E., 31, native of North Carolina. With them, all born in Tennessee, were Joseph T., 14, James W., 13, Sarah, 11, Susan M., 9, William E., 7, Elizabeth, 6, Alice M., 5, John, 3, Johnathan H., 1, and a merchant, Richard Warden, 52, with real estate worth \$4,000. They lived next to John's parents Joseph and Sarah Ballanfant.^[113]

In 1870 John Ballanfant, 50, a merchant born in Tennessee, with \$16,000 and \$3,000 in personal and real estate, respectively, lived in Culleoka with Sallie [sic] 43, Jo. T. 24, a railroad agent, Sallie 21, Sue 19, Wm 19, Eliza 17, Alice 15, male J. B. 13, male J. H. 11, male M. F. 9, female M. B. 7, Eva 2 and Sarah 69, with everyone native to Tennessee.^[114] Sarah was presumably John's mother.

In 1900 "Mat" Ballanfant, 39, single, a farmer born Mar. 1861 in Tennessee of a father born in Tennessee and a mother in North Carolina, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with his mother, [blank or illegible], 73, a widow born Feb. 1827 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his brothers, "Joe" T., 55, a widower born Mar. [sic] 1845, and John B., 43, single, born Sept. 1856, both of the same nativities as Mat, and with his niece, Vashti, 24, born May 1876 (so she was not Eliza Vashti Ballanfant, daughter of Josiah Turner Ballanfant), of the same nativities, and three black persons. The mother (Eliza) had had 13 children, with 11 surviving.^[115]

In 1910 Madison F. Ballanfant, 49, single, a farmer born in Tennessee of a father born in Tennessee and a mother in North Carolina, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with his brother, Joseph T., 65, a widower of the same nativities as Madison, and with his nephew (Joseph's son), Joe,

113. U.S. census, 1860, Culleoka PO, District No. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., dwelling 517, family 517, roll 1264, p. 336. Joseph Ballanfant is dwelling 516, family 516. The corresponding 1860 slave schedule, p. 423, lists without names 15 slaves owned by Joseph Ballanfant, next to a list of nine for John Ballanfant.

114. U.S. census, 1870, Culleoka PO, Civil District No. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., dwelling 54, family 54, roll 1547, pp. 270-1. At dwelling 60 is Ben Ballanfant and family, and dwelling 219 has T. Ballanfant and family, all black, who are probably former slaves of the Ballanfant family, judging by the common spelling of the name.

115. U.S. census, 1900, Dist. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., ED 71, r. 1271, p. 73, sh. 9B, dw. 183, fam. 183.

33, a real estate agent, and his wife of two years, Lula, 22, both born in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his nephew (son of sister Sarah), John G. "Cochran," 35, a widower farmer born in Tennessee of Tennessee natives.^[116]

The Bellenfant/Ballanfant Family

I descend from the Bellenfant/Ballanfant family. Jean/John Bellenfant is said, by family tradition, to have been born in France, come to America with Lafayette, and fought in the Revolution. See appendix B.

Children:^[117]

- + 63 i **JOSIAH TURNER ["J. T."]⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 1 Oct. 1845, Maury Co., Tenn., married **SALLIE TURNER** in Tennessee and had four children.
- 64 ii **JAMES WEBB⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 25 Dec. 1846, Tennessee, died 10 Nov. 1861, age 14.^[118]
- + 65 iii **SARAH ["SALLIE"]⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 17 Mar. 1848, Tennessee, married **W. PIKE COCKRILL** and had five children.
- + 66 iv **SUSAN MARY⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 6 Nov. 1849, married about 1873, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[119] **HENRY A. MARTIN** and had four children.
- + 67 v **WILLIAM EVANS⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 6 June 1851,^[120] married 17 Nov. 1875, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[121] **CALLIE FLEMING** and had one daughter.
- + 68 vi **ELIZA [ELIZABETH] TURNER⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 11 Mar. 1853,^[122] Tennessee, married 30 Aug. 1875, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[123] **W. P. TAYLOR** and had two sons.
- 69 vii **ALICE MEBANE⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 13 Dec. 1854,^[124] Maury Co., Tenn., died 11 May 1946, Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[125] buried

116. U.S. census, 1910, Dist. 5, Maury Co., Tenn., ED 108, r. 1512, p. 161, sh. 6B, dw. 108, fam. 111.

117. All information from the Bellenfant Bible, unless otherwise indicated.

118. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, gives age 15.

119. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, no date.

120. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits Eliza Turner Ballanfant and gives William Evans Ballanfant her birthday of 11 Mar. 1853.

121. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, "by the Rev. Wm. Stoddard."

122. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits her.

123. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, "by the Rev. Mr. Taylor."

- 12 May 1946, Ballanfant (presumably) Cem., Maury Co., married **JOHN J. WILSON** and had no children.
- + 70 viii **JOHN B.⁵ BALLANFANT, JR.**, born 2 or 3 Sept. 1856,^[126] Maury Co., Tenn., married **GERTRUDE MARTIN** and had three sons.
 - + 71 ix **JONATHAN HUNT⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 13 Sept. 1858, married 8 Nov. 1878, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[127] **IDA T[M?]. WILSFORD** and had eight children.
 - 72 x **MADISON/MATT FRIERSON⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 6 Mar. 1860 or Mar. 1861,^[128] Tennessee, died 26 Jan. 1915,^[129] Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[130] and was buried 27 Jan. 1915, Ballanfant Cem., Columbia. He died unmarried.
 - + 73 xi **MARTHA BOOKER [“PATTIE”]⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 11 May 1863, married **MELVILLE COX AKIN** and had six children.
 - 74 xii **LUCY MORESVILLE⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 9 Feb. 1865,^[131] died 9 June 1865, age 4 months.
 - 75 xiii **EVA⁵ BALLANFANT**, born 15 Dec. 1867,^[132] married (1) **F. J. MOORE**, married (2) **JOHN NELSON**.^[133] There is an Eva M. Ballanfant 50, farmer, born in Tennessee of parents native to Tennessee, living alone in the 1920 census of Maury Co., Tenn. If this is Eva⁵ then she reverted to her maiden name.^[134]

124. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, has her “Alace Mebane.”

125. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4184911, no. 10469, Alice Ballanfant Wilson, of Riverside Dr., Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn., died 11 May 1946, Columbia, aged 91 yrs. 4 mos. 28 dys., female, white, widowed, housewife, born 13 Dec. 1854, Maury Co., Tenn., father John Ballanfant, born Maury Co., Tenn., mother Eliza Turner, born N.C., informant Mrs. Susan Akin, of Columbia, buried 12 May 1946, “Family” Cem., Maury Co.

126. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits the middle initial and has his birthday 2 Sept. 1856.

127. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, “J. Hunt Ballanfant and Ida Wilsford ... by the Rev. Orman.”

128. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, has “Madersen Frierson.”

129. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, has this 1815.

130. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4183037, no. 40, Matt F. Ballanfant, died 26 Jan. 1915, Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn., aged 54 yrs., male, white, single, farmer, born 6 Mar. 1860, Tenn., father “Jno.” Ballanfant, born N.C., mother Eliza Turner, born N.C., informant James Williamson, of Culleoka, Tenn., buried 27 Jan. 1915, “Ballanfant grounds,” Columbia.

131. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits her middle name.

132. Bellenfant Bible.

133. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” both marriages.

134. U.S. census, 1920, District No. 5 (old District No. 6), Maury Co., Tenn., enumeration district 119, dwelling 183, family 185, address: farm on “Glendale & Culleoka Road,” roll 1755, p. 9. Her marital status is difficult to read, but it is not M (married) or S (single), so Eva M. must be widowed

40. SUSAN M.⁴ TURNER (₁₈*James*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) born about 1833, Orange Co., N.C.,^[135] married 9 November 1854, Orange Co.,^[136] **JOSEPH H. LATTA JR.**, born Oct. 1831, Orange Co., son of Joseph H. and Sarah (Chambers) Latta.^[137]

Joseph Latta 68, a widower born in North Carolina of parents native to North Carolina, resides alone in South Hillsboro, Orange Co., in 1900.^[138]

Child:

76 i **THOMAS HENRY⁵ LATTA**, born 18 Sept. 1855, Orange Co., N.C., died 12 Feb. 1862, Orange Co., of diphtheria.^[139]

or divorced. William E. Ballanfant, probably her brother, is at dwelling 324.

135. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 217, family 217, roll 639, p. 167.

136. Ingmire, *Orange County Marriages*, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001445.htm. Marriage license was issued on the date shown.

137. U.S. census, 1850, First District, Orange Co., N.C., dwelling 221, family 221, roll 639, p. 168, shows Joseph Latta 18, a farmer born in North Carolina, with Joseph 55 and Sarah 50, four older sisters and two younger brothers.

138. U.S. census, 1900, South Hillsboro, Orange Co., N.C., enumeration district 70, dwelling 143, family 143, roll 1210, p. 8.

139. Death notice, *The Hillsborough Recorder*, 19 Feb. 1862, cited on *Olde Orange County Families*, g0001445.htm.

Fifth Generation

46. THEODORE⁵ TURNER (₂₃John⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹) was born 14 Oct. 1853, Orange Co., N.C., died 18 Sept. 1923, Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C.,^[140] and was buried 19 Sept. 1923 in New Sharon Methodist Church Cemetery, Orange Co., N.C.^[141] He married 8 July 1876, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C.,^[142] **MARY HOOKER FAUCETT**, who was born 31 Mar. 1851 (gravestone), North Carolina, daughter of William G. and Mary R. (—) Faucett, and died 4 Mar. 1939, and was buried with her husband.

In 1880 Theodore Turner, 27, resided in Durham Twp., Orange Co., N.C., with his wife Mary, 24, son Wm. T., 4, father, John Turner, 70, and brother, George, 30, all born in North Carolina.^[143]

In 1900 Theodore 47, a farmer born 1852 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Little River Twp., Orange Co. N.C., with his wife of 23 years, M. Hooker, 49, born Mar. 1851, and with his daughter, Mary C., 16, born Sept. 1883, son, John Y., 11, born July 1889, father-in-law, "Wm." G. Faucett, 88, born Apr. 1812, a widower having been married 67 years, sister-in-law Sarah E. Faucett, 59, single, born Jan. 1841, and a boarder, James Lewis, 62, born Mar. 1838, widower married 42 years, a miller, all natives of North Carolina with all parents also natives of North Carolina. M. Hooker had had four children, with four surviving.^[144]

140. N.C. *Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, no. 423 | 545, Theodore Turner, died 18 Sept. 1923, State Hospital, Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C., male, white, married, aged 69 years, son Edward E. Turner given as correspondent, born Orange Co., N.C., parents unknown, buried 19 Sept. 1923, "Hillsboro," N.C.

141. U.S. census, 1900, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., enumeration district 71, dwelling 1, family 1, roll 1210, p. 259.

142. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, image online, Theodore, Turner, 24, male, white, to Mary H. Faucett, 24, female, white, 9 July 1876, home of William Faucett, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., his father John Turner, resident in Orange Co., his mother deceased, her parents "Wm" G. Faucett and Mary R. Faucett, both alive and residents of Orange Co., married by JP, witnesses included T. E. Turner and John B. Whitted.

143. U.S. census, 1880, Durham Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 196, r. 976, p. 165A, dw. 126, fam. 126.

144. U.S. census, 1900, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 71, r. 1210, p. 259, sh. 1A, dw. 1, fam. 1.

In 1910 Theodore Turner, 57, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., with his wife of 33 years, Mary Hooker, 59, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Edward E., 29, single, born in North Carolina, and with his sister-in-law, Ellen “Faucette,” 69, single, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Mary had had four children, with four surviving.^[145]

In 1920 “Theadore” Turner, 67, born in North Carolina of a father born in North Carolina and a mother in the U.S., resided in Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., with his wife, Mary H., 68, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his sister-in-law, Ellen “Facutte,” 78, single, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Next door was John Y. Turner, 28.^[146]

Children:

- 77 i **WILLIAM T.⁶ TURNER**, born about 1876, North Carolina. He resided with his brother John in the 1940 census [q.v.].
- 78 ii **EDWARD E.⁶ TURNER**, born about 1881, North Carolina.
- 79 iii **MARY CATHERINE⁶ TURNER**, born Sept. 1883, North Carolina, married 4 Sept. 1883 **JUSTIN L. BROWN**.
- + 80 iv **JOHN YATES⁶ TURNER**, born 19 July 1889 or 1890, Orange Co., N.C., married (1) **BERT[IE] ARSULA BROWN**, and had four children, married (2) **LULA HESTER**. This is Turner Whitted’s line.

50. MALVERN HILL [“MALLIE”]⁵ TURNER (₂₅*James⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born 1865 in the family home on Cornwallis Road, Durham, Durham Co., N.C. He married, in the parsonage of the West Durham Methodist Church, **BESSIE ALMA BLACKWOOD**.^[147]

He was named for Malvern Hill, the location of the last battle between Generals Lee and McClellan, fought beginning 1 July 1862. Lee lost the battle and over 5,000 men.

145. U.S. census, 1910, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 140, r. 1126, p. 277, sh. 8B, dw. 155, fam. 156.

146. U.S. census, 1920, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 185, r. 1314, p. 176, sh. 3A, dw. 49, fam. 51.

147. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

Children:^[148]

- 81 i GUY⁶ TURNER.
- 82 ii MARY⁶ TURNER, married — WATKINS and moved to Virginia.
- 83 iii VERA LEE⁶ TURNER, died as an infant.
- 84 iv MALVERN HILL⁶ TURNER JR.
- 85 v JESSIE⁶ TURNER, married — SHIPP.

52. BERNICE E. [ELIZABETH] [LISA]⁵ TURNER (₂James⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹) was born 28 June 1868 in the family home on Cornwallis Road, Durham, Durham Co., N.C. She married ALONZO [“LONNIE”] CRUMPACKER, born 13 Mar. 1869, North Carolina, died 5 Oct. 1944.^[149]

1920 finds Alonzo Crumpacker 50, a machinist, and his wife Bernice 51 in Petersburg City, Dinwiddie Co., Va., both natives of North Carolina. His father was born in Missouri and his mother in North Carolina; her parents are both born in North Carolina, as are all their children, residing with them: Louise 19, a stenographer; son O. Dell 18, a time keeper at a government court; Bernice 16; Mary 14; and William 12.^[150]

Children:^[151]

- 86 i ALONZO LOUIS⁶ CRUMPACKER, born 30 Mar. 1898, died 8 June 1963, North Carolina,^[152] buried Maplewood Cemetery, Durham, Durham Co., N.C., married BETTY [BESSIE] SIMPSON, born 26 Dec. 1900, died 27 Oct. 1999.^[153] They had no children.^[154]
- 87 ii LOUISE CARR⁶ CRUMPACKER, born 21 Feb. 1900, North Carolina, died 1 Apr. 1988.^[155] She did not marry.^[156]

148. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

149. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos,” “In several references the name is Lisa Bernice. However, on her tombstone at Maplewood (old section), it is Bernice E. Turner, wife of Alonzo Crumpacker. The E is most likely for Elizabeth, her grandmother McMannen.”

150. U.S. census, 1920, Petersburg City, Dinwiddie Co., Va., enumeration district 79, dwelling 331, family 248, address 310 High St., roll 1903, p. 13.

151. U.S. census, 1920, Petersburg City, Dinwiddie Co., Va., family 248, except for Alonzo.

152. Social Security Death Index, Alonzo Crumpacker, Social Security No. 244-56-5846, issued North Carolina; Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

153. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

154. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002.

155. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

156. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002.

- 88 iii **R. ODELL**⁶ **CRUMPACKER**, born 25 Oct. 1902, North Carolina, died 27 Aug. 1921,^[157] buried Maplewood Cemetery, Durham.^[158]
- 89 iv **BERNICE HELEN**⁶ **CRUMPACKER**, born 23 Nov. 1904, North Carolina, died 17 Mar. 1988, last known residence, Cape Coral, Florida,^[159] buried in Old Maplewood Cemetery, Durham, North Carolina.^[160] She did not marry.^[161]
- 90 v **MARY E.**⁶ **CRUMPACKER**, born 26 Feb. 1905, North Carolina, died 21 Mar. 1921,^[162] buried Maplewood Cemetery, Durham.^[163]
- 91 vi **WILLIAM JOHNSON [“BILL”]**⁶ **CRUMPACKER**, born 3 Mar. 1907, North Carolina, died 13 Aug. 1979, age 72, Durham, Durham Co., N.C., buried in North Carolina, buried Maplewood Cemetery, Durham.^[164] He married and had two children, living 2002, Florida.

157. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

158. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002.

159. Social Security Death Index, Bernice Crumpacker, Social Security No. 239-32-0260, issued North Carolina, last known ZIP code 33914; Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

160. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos,” quotes an obituary for Bernice Crumpacker, *The Durham Sun*, 19 Mar. 1988.

161. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002.

162. Social Security Death Index, Bernice Crumpacker, Social Security No. 239-32-0260, issued North Carolina, last known ZIP code 33914.

163. Mary-jo Hall, email 9 Sept. 2002.

164. Social Security Death Index, William Crumpacker, Social Security No. 240-01-3677, death Aug 1979, issued North Carolina, last known residence Manteo, Dare Co., N.C. 27954; North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, *North Carolina Death Records, 1979-1982* (Orem, Utah: Ancestry, Inc., 1998), online at *North Carolina Deaths, 1979-82*, Ancestry.com, gives date and place of death as shown. These two records have matching Social Security numbers.



Figure 6. Herman Hughes and Josephine Strudwick (Turner) Dowdee^[165]

53. JOSEPHINE [“JO”] STRUDWICK⁵ TURNER (₂₅*James*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 1870 in the Turner home on Cornwallis Road, married **HERMAN HUGHES DOWDEE**, son of James and Sarah (West) Dowdee. He was a member of the Durham Light Infantry of Durham Co.^[166]

Children, excluding a possible sixth daughter Sarah Grizzelle Dowdee:^[167]

- 92 i **HERMAN HUGHES⁶ DOWDEE**.
- 93 ii **JOSEPHINE MARY⁶ DOWDEE**, born 1898, married 19 Dec. 19__ **E. D. TERRY, JR.** of Rockingham, North Carolina.^[168]
- 94 iii **ELIZABETH MEBANE⁶ DOWDEE**, born 1901.
- 95 iv **ESTELLE LEGETTE⁶ DOWDEE**, born 1905.
- 96 v **EVELYN MCMANNEN⁶ DOWDEE**.

63. JOSIAH TURNER [“J. T.”]⁵ BALLANFANT (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 1 Oct. 1845, Maury Co., Tenn., died 28 Nov. 1924, Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[169] and was buried 29 Nov.

165. Cover of Wyatt T. Dixon, *How Times Do Change*, photograph by C. W. Rochelle.

166. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

167. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos.”

168. Mary-jo Hall, “Turner Memos,” an unattributed newspaper notice apparently. The wedding took place on a Sunday.

169. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4183090, no. 879 [possibly cropped on the right], Mrs. Joe. T. Ballanfant, died 28 Nov. 1924, Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn., aged 79 yrs. 1 mo. 28 dys., male, white, widower, farmer, born 1 Oct. 1845, Maury Co.,

1924 in the Ballanfent Cem., Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.^[170] He married 28 Nov. 1871, Mooresville, Marshall Co., Tenn.,^[171] **SALLIE ANN TURNER**, who was born about 1852 in Tennessee, and died before the 1900 census. **Was she a cousin? There is no evidence that she was.**

In 1860 Sally A. Turner, 8, born in Tennessee, resided in Lewisburg, Marshall Co., Tenn., in the household of Sarah L. Hurt [perhaps Hunt], 44, born in Tennessee with \$5,000 real and \$13,900 personal estates.^[172]

In 1870 Sallie Turner, 18, born in Tennessee, resided in Mooresville, Marshall Co., Tenn., in the household of Sallie L. Hurt, 56, born in Tennessee with \$1,150 real and \$1,000 personal estates, and with one other white women and two black women.^[173]

In 1880 “Jo” T. Ballanfent, 3[obliterated by ink], a dry goods clerk born in Tennessee of a father born in Tennessee and a mother in North Carolina, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with his wife, Sallie A., 28, born in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his daughter Vashti, 7, and sons, “Erral,” 6, Joseph, 4, and “Ben” B., 2, all born in Tennessee.^[174]

In 1900 and 1910 “Joe” T. Ballanfent, a widower, resided with his brother. See their parents’ sketch for details.

In 1920 Josiah T. Ballanfent, 74, a widower born in Tennessee of parents native to Tennessee, resided in Maury Co., Tenn., with his son Joseph Ballanfent, 42, a farmer born in Tennessee of parents both natives there too, and Joseph’s wife Lula, 31, born in [Kansas] of parents born in [Kansas].^[175]

Children:^[176]

Tenn., father John Ballanfent, born Maury Co., Tenn., mother “Liza” E. Turner, born N.C., informant Joseph Ballanfent, of Culleoka, [Maury Co.,] Tenn., buried 29 Nov. 1924, Ballanfent Cem., Columbia.

170. *Find a Grave*, no. 11115482, gravestone photograph, by Don Leuty, Ballanfent Cem., Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., “J. T. Ballanfent | Father | born Oct. 1, 1845 | died Nov. 27, 1924.”

171. Ballanfent Bible, Acklen, has him “Josiah P.,” marriage “by the Rev. William McKenzie.”

172. U.S. census, 1860, Lewisburg PO, Marshall Co., Tenn., r. 1265, p. 107, dw. 109, fam. 91.

173. U.S. census, 1870, Mooresville PO, Marshall Co., Tenn., r. 1546, p. 163A, dw. 66, fam. 69.

174. U.S. census, 1880, Dist. 6, Maury Co., Tenn., ED 160, r. 1271, p. 178A, dw. 39, fam. 43.

175. U.S. census, 1920, District 5 (old District 6), Maury Co., Tenn., enumeration district 119, dwelling 144, family 146, address: farm on Culleoka & McCain Road, roll 1755, p. 7. Lula’s nativity and that of her parents appear to be spelled Kannsar, Kancsar, and Kanscan, respectively, so Kansas might be a mistranscription. Indexed under Joseph Ballanbant on Ancestry.com.

176. Bellenfant Bible.

- 97 i **ELIZA VASHTI**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 6 Sept. 1872, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[177] died 28 June 1956 in California, her ashes interred at Ballanfant Cemetery, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., married **C. E. SCOTT**.
- 98 ii **ERROL TURNER** [**“EARL”**]⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 1 Jan. 1874, Tennessee, resided in California.^[178]
- 99 iii **JOSEPH**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born Nov. 1876, Tennessee, resided in Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., married about 1908 (1910 census) **LULA** —, born about 1888, Tennessee. Joseph was informant on his father’s death certificate.
- 100 iv **BENJAMIN BURTON**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 15 (Bible) or 17 (death certificate Apr. 1878, Tenn., died 20 Mar. 1942, Galveston, Galveston Co., Tex.,^[179] buried (removal) 20 Mar. 1942, Mercedes, Hidalgo Co., Tex., married, and had at least one child: (1) Richard⁷ Ballanfant (who signed Benjamin’s death certificate).

65. SARAH [**“SALLIE”**]⁵ **BALLANFANT** (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 17 Mar. 1848, Tennessee, and died 1 July 1913.^[180] She married 1 Feb. 1872, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[181] **W. PIKE COCKRILL**, who was born 24 May 1844, Tuscumbia, Colbert Co., Alabama, son of Granville LaForce Cockrill (1809-1846), son of John (1781-1841), son of John (1757-1837), son of John Cockrill, born England, died in Virginia after 1757.^[182] W. Pike died 8 Mar. 1884, Culleoka.

177. *Tenn. Delayed Birth Records, 1869–1909*, image online, no. D-349175, Eliza Vashti Ballanfant, born 6 Sept. 1872, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., white, female, father Josiah Turner Ballanfant, born Tenn., mother Sally Turner, born Tenn., signed Eliza Vashti Scott nee Ballanfant, on 18 Jan. 1949, cites family Bible record and two affidavits, witnesses included Mrs. Joseph Ballanfant, of Culleoka, Tenn..

178. DAR records for Theophilus Evans supplied by member Elizabeth⁷ (Ballanfant) D’Heur, born 5 Dec. 1900, Maury Co., Tenn., married 2 Mar. 1925, San Francisco, California, Allard F. D’Heur, born 1887. Elizabeth is daughter to Errol Turner Ballanfant [Bellenfant].

179. *Tex. Death Certificates, 1903–1982*, image online, no. 12108, Benjamin B. Ballanfant, resident of Mercedes Co. [sic], Tex., died 20 Mar. 1942, U.S. Marine Hospital, Galveston, Galveston Co., Tex., aged 63 yrs. 11 mos. 3 dys., male, white, married, WPA Construction Superintendent, born 17 Apr. 1878, Ft. Worth, Tex. [sic], father “Joe” T. Ballanfant, deceased, born Tenn., mother Sallie Ann Turner, deceased, born Tenn., informant “Patient and patient’s son, Richard Ballanfant,” of Mercedes, Tex., burial or removal 20 Mar. 1942, Mercedes, Tex.

180. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, “Sallie Cockrill.”

181. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, “by W. H. Hughes.”

182. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” cites *American Ancestry*, vol. II, p. 185.

Children, birth order only partially known:^[183]

- 101 i SUE MAI⁶ COCKRILL, married ____ LEWIS.
- 102 ii ELIZABETH E. [“LIZZIE”]⁶ COCKRILL, married THOMAS J. INGERSOLL. He was with the Louisville & Nashville Rail Road. They resided in Nashville, Tennessee and later in Birmingham, Alabama.
- 103 iii LOUISE⁶ COCKRILL, born about 1873, died 15 Sept. 1931, married WILL H. SHEPPERSON.
- 104 iv JOHN GRANVILLE⁶ COCKRILL, born 1874, died 1949, married (1) – COLLINS, married (2) – INMAN.
- 105 v GOODLOE PIKE⁶ COCKRILL, born 24 Sept. 1876, St. Francis Co., Arkansas. He never married, and was residing in Nashville, Tennessee in 1931.

66. SUSAN MARY⁵ BALLANFANT (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 6 Nov. 1849, Tennessee, died 10 Sept. 1928, Nashville, Davidson Co., Tenn.,^[184] and was buried 12 Sept. 1928, Spring Hill Cem., Nashville. She married about 1873, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[185] **HENRY A. MARTIN**, who predeceased her.

Children:^[186]

- 106 i [DAUGHTER]⁶ MARTIN, married – NEWSOM.
- 107 ii [DAUGHTER]⁶ MARTIN, married NEWTON W. MOORE, lived in Nashville, Tennessee. She was informant on Susan Mary’s death certificate.
- 108 iii ORLEANS⁶ MARTIN, a daughter, lived in Jacksonville, Duval Co., Florida, and did not marry.
- 109 iv HENRY⁶ MARTIN, born about 1881, died 1921. “Henry Martin, son, an employee of the terminals at Jacksonville, Fla. was struck by a train about 1921 in the yards and was killed instantly, at age about

183. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise indicated.

184. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4183608, no. 20821, Mrs. Susan Mary Martin, died 10 Sept. 1928, 1507 Woodland St., Nashville, Davidson Co., Tenn., aged 78 yrs., female, white, widowed, housekeeper, born 6 Nov. 1849, Tenn., father John Ballanfant, born Tenn., mother Eliza E. Turner, born N.C., informant Mrs. N. W. Moore, of 1507 Woodland St., Nashville, buried 12 Sept. 1928, Spring Hill Cem., Nashville.

185. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, no date.

186. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise noted.

40 years. His obituary said he was survived by two children and three sisters.”^[187]

67. WILLIAM EVANS⁵ BALLANFANT (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born 6 June 1851,^[188] died about 1933,^[189] married 17 Nov. 1875, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[190] **CALLIE FLEMING**, born 1851, daughter of Alfred and Tirza Catherine (Ramsey) Fleming, died 1933.^[191] “He was a farmer and a member of the Maury County Quarterly Court for 18 years. He was Vice-President of Bank of Culleoka when it was incorporated in 1904.”^[192]

In 1920, William E. Ballanfant 68, a farmer, resides in Maury Co., Tenn., with his wife Callie 68. Both are natives of Tennessee with parents all native to Tennessee. Residing with them are daughter Elizide 22[sic] and son-in-law Charles W. Dinwiddie 36, a traveling salesman born in Tennessee with parents native to Tennessee.^[193]

Child:

110 i **ELIZA⁶ BALLANFANT**, born 1889, married Oct. 1912 **CHARLES WHEELER DINWIDDIE**, born 1886, Tennessee, died 1935.^[194] They reside Maury Co. in 1920.^[195]

68. ELIZA [ELIZABETH] TURNER⁵ BALLANFANT (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born 11 Mar. 1853,^[196] Tennessee, died 10 Oct. 1934, Nashville, Davidson Co., Tenn.,^[197] and was buried 10 Oct.

187. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

188. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits Eliza Turner Ballanfant and gives William Evans Ballanfant her birthday of 11 Mar. 1853.

189. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

190. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, “by the Rev. Wm. Stoddard.”

191. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

192. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

193. U.S. census, 1920, District No. 5 (old District No. 6), Maury Co., Tenn., enumeration district 119, dwelling 324, family 327, address: farm on Scribner Mill Road, roll 1755, p. 15. Five farms away, dwelling 329, is Luttie Ballanfant, black, and his family of seven children.

194. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

195. U.S. census, 1920, District No. 5, Maury Co., Tenn., enumeration district 119, dwelling 324, family 327, address: farm on Scribner Mill Road, roll 1755, p. 15.

196. Ballanfant Bible, Acklen, omits her.

197. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4184425, no.

1934, Spring Hill Cem., Nashville. She married 30 Aug. 1875, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[198] **W. P. TAYLOR**.

Children, in unknown birth order:^[199]

111 i **ELMORE**⁶ **TAYLOR**.

112 ii **FORREST**⁶ **TAYLOR**.

70. JOHN B.⁵ **BALLANFANT JR.** (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 2 or 3 Sept. 1856,^[200] Maury Co., Tenn., died 8 June 1926, age 70,^[201] Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[202] and was buried 9 June 1926, Ballanfamt Cem., Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn. He married **GERTRUDE MARTIN**.^[203]

Children, in unknown birth order:^[204]

113 i **PAUL**⁶ **BALLANFANT**.

114 ii **LEON**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born about 1911, died about 1926, age 15, by train.

115 iii **PRESTON**⁶ **BALLANFANT**.

71. JONATHAN HUNT⁵ **BALLANFANT** (₂₉*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 13 Sept. 1858, and died about 1925, age 67.^[205] He married 8 Nov. 1878, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[206] **IDA T[M?]**.

22357, "Lizzie" T. Taylor, of Nashville, Davidson Co., Tenn., died 10 Oct. 1934, Nashville, aged 81 yrs. 7 mos., female, white, widowed, housewife, born 11 Mar. 1853, Tenn., father John Ballanfamt, born Tenn., mother Eliza Turner, born N.C., informant Central State Hospital Records, Nashville, buried 10 Oct. 1934, "Springhill" Cem.

198. Ballanfamt Bible, Acklen, "by the Rev. Mr. Taylor."

199. Wilkinson, "Bellenfamt Family."

200. Ballanfamt Bible, Acklen, omits the middle initial and has his birthday 2 Sept. 1856.

201. Bellenfamt Bible.

202. *Tenn. Death Records, 1914-1963*, Tenn. death certificate, image online, FHL 4183291, no. 37478, John Ballanfamt, died 8 June 1926, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., aged 69 yrs., male, white, divorced, farmer, born 2 Sept. 1856, Maury Co., Tenn., father John Ballanfamt, born Williamson Co., Tenn., mother Eliza Turner, born Hillsboro, N.C., informant [probably his brother] W. E. Ballanfamt, of Culleoka, buried 9 June 1936, Ballanfamt Cem., Columbia.

203. Wilkinson, "Bellenfamt Family."

204. Wilkinson, "Bellenfamt Family."

205. Wilkinson, "Bellenfamt Family."

206. Ballanfamt Bible, Acklen, "J. Hunt Ballanfamt and Ida Wilsford ... by the Rev. Orman."

WILSFORD, who was born 8 Nov. 1858, daughter of M. C. and C. E. (Morris) Wilsford of Giles Co., Tenn. They resided in Dallas, Texas.^[207]

Children:^[208]

- 116 i **JIM**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 27 Feb. 1880.
- 117 ii **LIZZIE**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 1883.
- 118 iii **FRANK**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 29 Feb. 1886.
- 119 iv **CALLIE**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born about 1889.
- 120 v **ELLA**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 21 Oct. 1892.
- 121 vi **LEE**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 27 Dec. 1895.
- 122 vii **PEARL**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 1 Apr. 1898.
- 123 viii **MYRTLE**⁶ **BALLANFANT**, born 5 July 1899.

73. MARTHA BOOKER [“PATTIE”]⁵ BALLANFANT (²⁹*Eliza Estes Evans*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 11 May 1863,^[209] died 1941,^[210] married 30 Jan. 1890, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.,^[211] **MELVILLE COX AKIN**, born 1849, died 1908. He was named for the first missionary the Methodists sent to Africa.^[212]

Children:^[213]

- 124 i **ELIZABETH [“BESS”]⁶ AKIN**, born 31 Mar. 1891, died about 1993, age 102,^[214] married **J. HARRY TANKERSLEY**. They divorced soon after, without issue.^[215]
- 125 ii **SUSAN MABINE [“SUE”]⁶ AKIN**,^[216] born 30 Dec. 1892, died 1980, unmarried.^[217] “Lived in Columbia, TN until advanced age and

207. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

208. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise noted.

209. Bellenfant Bible.

210. Email, Vida Henry, 4 and 11 Apr. 1999.

211. Bellenfant Bible.

212. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family.”

213. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise noted.

214. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise noted.

215. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family,” for all information on this family unless otherwise noted.

216. Email, Vida L. Fonseca, 2 Dec. 2008, “I’m pretty positive Aunt Sue, Susan Mabine Akin, died after 1975. [She told me she was named for the town of Mebane, NC where some of her relatives were from (one she mentioned was Lenora Corbett—I don’t know how they were related, but it was close enough for the cousins to spend summers together), but her mother spelled it in a ‘more lady-like fashion.’]. I’ll check into it. I think it was 1980.”

217. Wilkinson, “Bellenfant Family:” “Susan Mebane Akin, b. 30 Dec 1892. Still living 24 Aug

frequent floods forced her and 'Aunt Bess' to move to baby sister Eva's house - Nolensville, TN - in 1975."^[218] She was informant on her grandaunt Alice (Ballanfant) Wilson's death certificate.

- 126 iii **PLEASANT JOHNSON** [variously **SPRING**] [**"PLEAS"**]⁶ **AKIN**, born 29 Sept. 1894, died 13 Apr. 1968, married **KATHERINE** —.^[219]
- 127 iv **MELVILLE COX** [**"M. C."**]⁶ **AKIN, JR.**, born 16 June 1897, died June 1974, married^[220] **JEWEL** —. They lived in Columbia, Maury Co., Tenn.
- 128 v **TURNER BALLANFANT**⁶ **AKIN**, born 8 Feb. 1899, died Sept. 1974. He married twice.^[221]
- 129 vi **EVA MOORE**⁶ **AKIN**, born 11 Oct. 1905, married **OWEN ALLEN GOOCH**.^[222]

1975 [pencilled in: d. 10 Dec 1975] Never married. Much of the information about the Joseph Ballanfant children and grandchildren came from Cousin Susan's Little Black Book. She and sisters Bessie and Eva have been very generous and gracious in sharing their Newspaper clippings and other mementos as well as their knowledge of family history."

218. Email, Vida Henry, 4 and 11 Apr. 1999.

219. Wilkinson, "Bellenfant Family," uses middle name Johnson exclusively; email from Vida Henry, descendant, 4 and 11 Apr. 1999, uses middle name Spring exclusively.

220. Email, Vida Henry, 4 and 11 Apr. 1999.

221. Email, Vida Henry, 4 and 11 Apr. 1999.

222. Informant Vida Henry descends from this family.

Sixth Generation

80. JOHN YATES⁶ TURNER (₄₆*Theodore*⁵, *John*⁴, *Josiah*³, *James*², *Henry*¹) was born 19 July 1889 or 1890, Orange Co., N.C.,^[223] died 24 Nov. 1962, Durham, Durham Co., N.C.,^[224] and was buried 25 Nov. 1962, Maplewood Cem. Annex, Durham.^[225] He married (1) 4 Jan. 1911, Hillsboro Twp., Orange Co., N.C.,^[226] **BERT[IE] ARSULA BROWN**, who was born 4 June 1885 or 1886, Orange Co., N.C., daughter of Joseph and Julia (Cole) Brown, and died 18 Oct. 1935, Durham, Durham Co., N.C.,^[227] and was buried near her husband.^[228] John married (2) after the 1940 census **LULA HESTER**.

In 1920 John Y. Turner, 28, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Little River Twp., Orange Co. N.C., with his wife, Bert A., 32, born in North Carolina of North Carolina

223. *WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918*, image online, John Yates Turner, 26, of Hillsboro, N.C., born 19 July 1890, Orange Co., N.C., farmer, with wife and two children, registered 5 June 1917, Caldwell Pct., Orange Co., N.C.

224. *N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, image online, no. 33146, John Yates Turner, of Durham, Durham Co., N.C., died 24 Nov. 1962, Durham, in Watts Hospital, male, white, married (spouse Lula Hester Turner), caterer with Turners Barbecue, aged 73 years, born 19 July 1889, Orange Co., N.C., father Theodore Turner, mother Mary Faucette, informant Mrs. Lula Turner, of 1427 Cole Mill Rd., Durham, N.C., buried 25 Nov. 1962, Maplewood Cem. Annex, Durham, N.C.

225. *Find a Grave*, no. 63036066, no gravestone photograph, **unsourced data**: son of Theodore Turner and Mary Hooker Faucett Turner, married Bertie Arsula Brown, parents to Mary Ellen Turner Wright, Julia Brown Turner Whitted, Frances Bradsher Turner (1919–2009), and Helen Sybil Turner Smith.

226. *N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, image online, John Turner, male, white, 21, son of Theodore Turner and Mary [Y.?] Turner (both living in Orange Co.), licensed and married 4 Jan. 1911, at residence of J. L. Brown, Hillsboro Twp., Orange Co., N.C., Bert Brown, female, white, 25, daughter of Jos. Brown (dead) and Julia Brown (living, in Orange Co.), by M. M. McFarland MG, witnesses included J. F. Turner and H. H. Brown.

227. *N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, image online, no. 55 | 838, Bert Brown Turner, died 18 Oct. 1935, Durham, Durham Co., N.C., in Watts Hospital, female, white, married (spouse Jack G. Turner), domestic, aged 49 yrs. 4 mos. 14 dys., born 4 June 1886, Orange Co., N.C., father Joe Brown, born Orange Co., N.C., mother Julia Cole, born Orange Co., N.C., informant Jack G. Turner, husband, of Cole Mill Rd., Durham, N.C., buried 20 Oct. 1935, Orange Co., N.C.

228. *Find a Grave*, no. 43863863, gravestone photograph, New Sharon United Methodist Church Cem., Orange Co., N.C., “Bertie A. Brown | wife of | J. Y. Turner | June 4, 1885 | Oct. 18, 1935 | . . .”

natives, and with his daughters, Mary E., 8, Julia B., 4, and Francis B., 1, all born in North Carolina. Next door was Theodore Turner, 67.^[229]

In 1930 John Y. Turner, 40, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Durham Twp., Durham Co. N.C., with his wife, Bert "R.," 44, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughters, Mary E., 18, Julia B., 14, Francis B., 11, and Helen S., 9, all born in North Carolina. John was 21 at first marriage, and Bert was 24.^[230]

In 1940 John Y. Turner, 50, widower, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Durham Twp., Durham Co. N.C., with his daughter, Frances, 21, a registered nurse born in North Carolina, two lodgers, both registered nurses, and his brother, William T., 64, born in North Carolina. John and Frances had resided in the same house in 1935, William in Chesterfield, Va.^[231]

Children:

- 130 i **MARY ELLEN⁷ TURNER**, born 3 Dec. 1911, North Carolina,^[232] married — **WRIGHT**.
- + 131 ii **JULIA BROWN⁷ TURNER**, born 14 May 1915, North Carolina, married **HUGH EDWIN WHITTED JR.**, and had four children. This is Turner Whitted's line.
- 132 iii **FRANCES BRADSHER⁷ TURNER**, born about 1919, North Carolina, died 2009.
- 133 iv **HELEN SYBIL⁷ TURNER**, born about 1921, North Carolina, married — **SMITH**.

229. U.S. census, 1920, Little River Twp., Orange Co., N.C., ED 185, r. 1314, p. 176, sh. 3A, dw. 49, fam. 51.

230. U.S. census, 1930, Durham Twp., Durham Co., N.C., ED 24, r. 1687, p. 221, sh. 1B, dw. 21, fam. 21.

231. U.S. census, 1940, Durham Twp., Durham Co., N.C., ED 32-58, r. 2904, p. 913, sh. 63A, dw. 184.

232. N.C. *Birth Indexes, 1800–2000*, "12 3 1911 Turner Mary Ellen D-11:181."

Seventh Generation

131. JULIA BROWN⁷ TURNER (₈₀*John Yates⁶, Theodore⁵, John⁴, Josiah³, James², Henry¹*) was born 14 May 1915, Roxboro, Person Co., N.C.,^[233] died 13 Mar. 2008, Winston-Salem, Forsyth Co., N.C.,^[234] and was buried in Forsyth Memorial Park, Winston-Salem.^[235] She married 3 Aug. 1935, Danville, Va.,^[236] **HUGH EDWIN WHITTED JR.**, born 28 Oct. 1916, Durham Co., N.C., son of Hugh Edwin and Roxie M. (Riley) Whitted, and died 12 Dec. 1994, Winston-Salem, Forsyth Co., N.C.,^[237] and was buried with his wife.

In 1940 Hugh E. Whitted, 23, a survey engineer for the telephone business born in North Carolina, resided in Burlington, Alamance Co. N.C., with his wife, Julia T., 24. Hugh and Julia had both resided in rural Durham Co., N.C., in 1935.^[238]

Obituary for Julia:

Winston-Salem—Julia Brown Turner Whitted, 92, died peacefully Thursday, March 13, 2008, at the Brookridge Healthcare Center. She was born in Person County on May 14, 1915, the second daughter of Bertie Arsula Brown and John Yates Turner. Her early years were spent in Orange County and Durham, she graduated in 1933 from Bragtown High School, achieving recognition as a guard on the women's basketball team and “best

233. N.C. Birth Indexes, 1800–2000, “5 14 1915 Turner Julia Brown 2:430.”

234. N.C. Obit. Collection, 1930–2017, Julia Whitted, female, 92, born 14 May 1915, died 13 Mar. 2008, obit. 16 Mar. 2008, *The Herald-Sun*, Durham, N.C.

235. *Find a Grave*, no. 117778281, gravestone photograph, by Kathy Merris Mills, Forsyth Memorial Park, Winston-Salem, Forsyth Co., N.C., “Whitted | Hugh Edwin, Jr. | Oct. 28, 1916 | Dec. 12, 1994 || Julia Turner | May 14, 1915 | Mar. 13, 2008.”

236. Va. *Select Marriages, 1785–1940*, Julia Brown Turner, female, single, white, 21, born 1914, Roxboro, N.C., daughter of J. Y. Turner and Bert Brown, married 3 Aug. 1935, Danville, Va., Hugh Edwin Whitted Jr., 21, born 1914, Durham, N.C., son of H. E. Whitted and Roxie Riley, FHL 2048487.

237. U.S. *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, Hugh Edwin Whitted Jr., male, white, born 28 Oct. 1916, Durham Co., N.C., died 12 Dec. 1994, father Hugh E. Whitted, mother Roxie M. Riley, SSN 246–07–2484; N.C. *Death Indexes, 1908–2004*, Hugh Edwin Whitted Jr., 78, male, white, married, SSN 246–07–2484, father’s last name Whitted, born 28 Oct. 1916, resident of Winston-Salem, Forsyth Co., N.C., died 12 Dec. 1994, Winston-Salem, buried in state.

238. U.S. census, 1940, Durham Twp., Durham Co., N.C., ED 1-20, r. 2869, p. 453, sh. 21B, dw. 398.

all around” as a senior student. On August 3, 1935, she married Hugh Edwin Whitted, Jr., and they settled in Winston-Salem in 1948.

She was a devoted wife and mother and an involved member of her community, with interests that centered on our nation's history and the environment. She worked tirelessly during her 35 year membership in the Old North State Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to promote knowledge of the American Constitution. She served in a variety of offices in her chapter and at the state level, including vice-regent, regent and District IV Executive Officer.

She also served on the Forsyth County Environmental Affairs Board from 1985 to 91, and was a member of the Forsyth County Republican Party, Executive Committee, and a precinct chair. Mrs. Whitted was predeceased by her husband and her sister Mary Turner Wright.

She is survived by three sons, Hugh Edwin Whitted, III of East Bend; John Turner Whitted of Carnation, Wash.; Gordon Seeley Whitted of Burke's Garden, Va.; a daughter, Frances Whitted Dudley of Advance; five grandchildren, Christopher Turner Whitted of Carrboro; Justin Fielder Paget of Richmond, Va.; Emily Julia Whitted, Anna Frances Whitted and James Turner Whitted of Burke's Garden, Va.; and two sisters, Frances Bradsher Turner and Helen Turner Smith of Durham.

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Children:

- 134 i **HUGH EDWIN⁸ WHITTED III.**
- + 135 ii **JOHN TURNER⁸ WHITTED.** This is Turner Whitted. Turner and I are distant cousins (fourth cousins, once removed) by marriage, in two ways: (1) A sister of Turner's gggfather married a nephew of my gggmother. Details: Eliza Estes Evans Turner, sister of John Turner, Turner's gggfather, married (her cousin) John Ballanfent, nephew of Elizabeth² Bellenfant, my gggmother. (2). A sister of Turner's gggfather married a son of my gggfather. Details: Sally³ Turner, sister of Josiah³ Turner, Turner's gggfather, married Joseph² Ballanfent, son of my gggfather Jean¹ Bellenfant. (My gggfather is of the same generation as Turner's gggfather, hence the once removed.) See figure below.
- 136 iii **GORDON SEELEY⁸ WHITTED.**

239. Obit. 16 Mar. 2008, *The Herald-Sun*, Durham, N.C., transcribed by Barbara Ketchum to *Find a Grave*, no. 117778281.

137 iv FRANCES⁸ TURNER, married – DUDLEY.

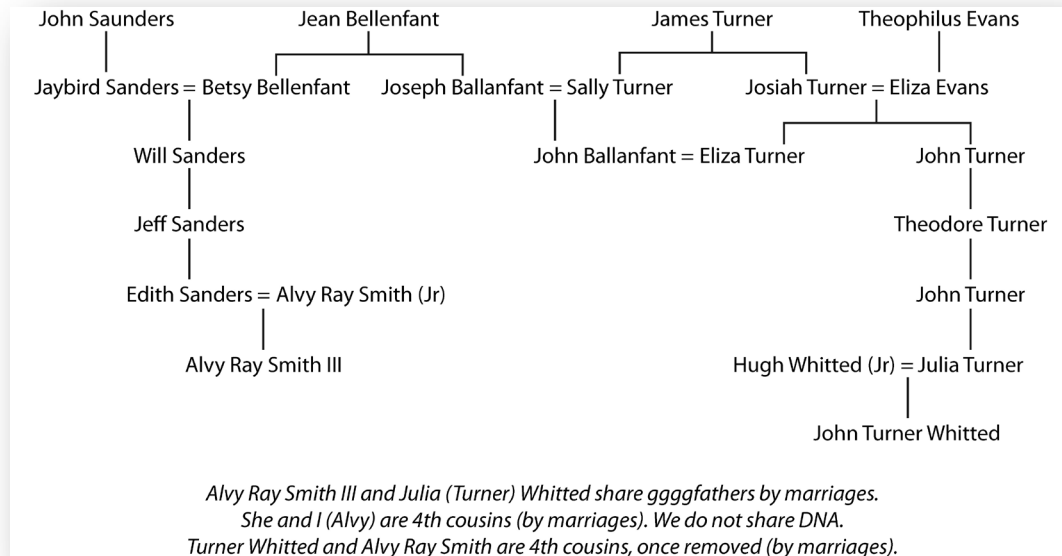


Figure 7. Relationship between Alvy Ray Smith and Turner Whitted

A: 1807 Will of Henry Turner

Caswell Co., North Carolina Wills – May 9, 1807; probated Dec. Court 1809

In the name of God Amen – I, HENRY TURNER of Caswell County, State of North Carolina, being very infirm in body, but sound in mind and memory, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament.

I give and recomment [sic] my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God and my body to the ground to be buried after Christian like burial – After all my Just Debts are paid I give to my beloved wife, ANNE TURNER, the tract of land inclosing the plantation whereon I now live, together with half the interest of the Mill, and all the household and kitchen furniture with the plantation tools of every kind; also the negroes, to Wit: Sam, Winney and Abram, two good horses, four Cows & Calves or with calf, four ewes and lambs, four sows and pigs, and a sufficient quantity of Corn and Meat or provisions for to support her & her family and Stock for the term of one year after my decease;

Also I give to my beloved wife my Cart and Steers; all which I give her during her natural life or Widowhood;

and after her death or marriage, it is my will and desire that the whole of my perishable property not specially devised to any of my children, or Grand Children, should be sold according to Law, and the money arising there from to be equally divided amongst my heirs, Excepting sons JOHN TURNER and HENRY TURNER –

Item – I give and bequeath to my son BILLEY TURNER, one hundred and sixty acres of land. It being the tract of land on which I now live, and including the tract which I gave to my son HENRY TURNER from which he purchased the same together with half [sic] the Interest of the Mill aforesaid, but not to intermiddle(?) with the Mill or plantation on the South side of the Creek (tite ?) after the death of my beloved wife ANNE TURNER; also Eight pounds Virginia Currency to be drawn out of my perishable estate, to her Heirs and Assigns forever –

Item – I give and bequeath to my beloved son THOMAS TURNER, Eight pounds Virginia money to be drawn out of my perishable estate to him and his heirs and assigns forever –

Item - I give and bequeath to my beloved daughters ELIZABETH LIPSCOMB, FRANKEY MARTIN, MILLEY JONES, and NANCY KIMBROUGH, Sixteen pounds Virginia Currency to be raised out of my perishable estate to them and their heirs forever -

Item - U guve [sic] and bequeath to my beloved daughter SALLEY FRENCH sixteen pounds Virginia Currency to her, her heirs and assigns forever -

Item - I give and bequeath to my daughter MARY COCHRAN Twenty-four pounds Virginia Currency to her and her Heirs forever -

Item - I give and bequeath to my Grandson YANCEY TURNER, eight pounds Virginia Currency to him and his Heirs forever -

Item - I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter MARY FRENCY, eight pounds Virginia Currency to be drawn out of perishable estate -

Item - I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughters FANNEY TURNER, DELILA TURNER and NANCY TURNER, daughters of JOHN TURNER, the sum of Eight pounds Virginia money equally to be divided between them, to be drawn out of my perishable estate -

Item - It is my will that my property which I have not herein divided shall be sold after my decease, by my Executors, to the highest bidder, and also at the death or marriage of my wife, the perishable property which I have devised to her should be sold, and after the several legacies are discharged which I have devised in money, it is my will that the Overplus, should be equally divided among my following children, to Wit:

JAMES TURNER, THOMAS TURNER & BILLEY TURNER, ELIZABETH LIPSCOMB, FRANKEY MARTIN, MILLEY JONES, SU-SANNAH DONOHO, SALLEY FRENCH, MARY COCHRAN, NANCY KIMBROUGH, and my Grand daughters: FANNEY, DELL-LAH and NANCEY TURNER, daughters of JOHN TURNER, which is to be drawn one share between them

Item - It is my Will and desire that my son JAMES TURNER in consequence of a purchase made by him from my son HENRY TURNER by my knowledge and consent, that the said JAMES should draw two shares in stead of one for his part -

Lastly - I constitute and appoint my sons JAMES TURNER and THOMAS TURNER, sole executors of this my last Will and Testament,

revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made. Only confirming this to be my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 9th day of May, A. Dom. 1807.

HENRY TURNER (Seal)

Signed, Sealed & Acknowledged
in presence of

W. S. Webb

M. Kimbrough

State of North Carolina

Caswell County - December Court 1809

The Execution of the foregoing Will was duly proved in open Court by the Oath of WILLIAM S. WEBB, one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, and the motion ordered to be recorded; at the same time THOMAS TURNER, one of the executors named therein, duly qualified to execute the same and Letters Testamentary accordingly.

Test.

W. E. Murphey, Cl.

Submitted June 1989 by (Miss) Jessie T. Webb, 1914 Poplar Ave., #217, Memphis, Tenn., 38104 who would like to hear from other descendants or anyone who can add additional information.^[240]

240. This was emailed to me by Walter Turner, 16 Apr. 2009, as image files which I OCR'ed into the form seen here, preserving the orthography of the image (itself a transcription into typescript).

B: The Jean Bellenfant Family

1. JEAN/JOHN¹ BELLENFANT, said to have been born in France about 1750, came to America and said to have fought in the Revolution, and died after 26 Oct. 1798 (when John Bellenfant sold land (q.v.)) and before 24 May 1802 (when a court order mentions an apprenticeship and a guardianship for two of John's children, presumably after his death). John settled in Virginia. He married (1) perhaps 1784/5 LOUISA/LUCY YEOMAN[S], of Virginia, daughter of Drury Yeoman[s]. She **might** have died about 23 Aug. 1797, when a daughter was named "Mourning." Both John and Louisa were clearly dead before May 1808 when slaves were apportioned to the "Legatees of Drury Yeomans (Orphans of John Bellanfent)" (see court order below), and also probably before 24 May 1802 (by previously mentioned court order). ***This is my line.*** See appendix C, The Drury Yeoman Family.

John married (2) presumably after 23 Aug. 1797 (**perhaps** Lucy's death) and **perhaps** before 24 May 1802 (when John's children, **apparently** orphans, appear in court **implying** his death), and before 23 May 1806 (when Sally Bellenfant appears in James Ray's will SALLY RAY, who was born about 1778 (82 in 1850 census, q.v), North Carolina, daughter of James and Betsy (–) Ray. She signed her will 20 May 1860, Rockingham Co., N.C., and it was proved Feb. 1861,^[241] This marriage is deduced from the will of James Ray, written 23 May 1806, proved November 1806, in Rockingham Co., N.C., which mentions "my beloved wife Betsy Ray," "my three daughters, Sally Bellenfant, Jinny Ray, and Ursley Ray," and "my three sons, Parram Ray, Pleasant Ray & Payton Ray."^[242] See appendix D, The James Ray Family.

241. N.C., Probate Records, 1735–1970, Rockingham Co., Wills, 1844–1865, C:351, image online, FHL, will of Sallie Bellophant, signed 20 May 1860, proved Feb. Sessions 1861, Rockingham Co., N.C., signed Sallie [her mark] Bellinophant, otherwise abstracted accurately in the next item: Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Will Abstracts, 1785–1865*, "Page 351: Sallie Bellophant. May 20, 1860. Prb. Feby. 1861. . . . engaged in suit with William Grady and his wife Sallie my niece to regain land descended to me by my father James Ray, brother Pleasant Ray and my sister Jane Ray. Friend Franklin Harris and his wife Jane. Daus of brother Peyton Ray: Dorcus Ray & Sallie Ray. Richard H. Scales & Ebenezer Carter to be paid for their expenses. Exr: Friend Richard H. Scales. Wit: R. H. Woodson, James W. Lillard."

242. N.C., Probate Records, 1735–1970, Rockingham Co., Wills, 1804–1829, A:38–39, image

Following is the received story, only some of which has been vetted:

John Bellenfant, French soldier, was said to have come to this country with Marquis de LaFayette in 1777 and served in the American Revolution with him. One story is that John was a sailor on the ship that brought LaFayette to America and perhaps served in the Navy during the war. (So far, none of the collaborators in this project have discovered any “official” record of his service – only references in county histories, in the Bellenfant Bible, and by family tradition.) After the war was over, John (or Jean) decided to stay in America and settled in Virginia – some have said in Petersburg, others have said Fairfax County. Soon after the war, perhaps 1784/5, he was married to Louisa (Lucy) Yeomans (or Emmons) of Virginia, presumably the daughter of Drewry (Drury) Yeomans, Sr. as her seven children shared, as legatees, in his estate. (Court Minutes, Rockingham Co., N.C., Nov. Term, 1804, p. 25;^[243] May Term, 1805, p. 57,^[244] 60;^[245] also from papers in John Bellenfant estate file at N.C. State Archives, Raleigh, N.C. in the Rockingham Co. estate files arranged alphabetically.)^[246]

The twins were said to have been born in Fairfax Co., Va. At least two children were born in Halifax Co., Va. where John had bought 118 acres of land on 16 Aug 1787 (Deed book 14, p. 160). Another tract was bought

online, FHL, will of James Ray, 23 May 1806, proved Nov. Sessions 1806, Rockingham Co., N.C., as above, but also mentions “Tract of Land whereon I now live Containing Two hundred acres,” signed by James Ray, witnessed by Vincent Vass Jr., Catharine Vass, and William Douglass.

243. N.C., County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Rockingham Co.), 1796–1808, FHL 19705, Nov. Term 1804, 25: “John Bellenfants Orphans | By their Guardians | vs | Drury Yeomans Ex^r } Jury sworn N^o 1 | Tho^s Winston in the Room of James Hayley | Jury impaneled as to the value of the Negroe In the Complainants Bill set forth & Says it is of the value of £83.6.8 whereupon it is devised that the Complainants Bill be taken Pro Confesso absolute | Ordered that John Lenox John Charters & Hinson Humphres be appointed a Committee to settle with Admr^s of Mary Simpson Dec^d & Report as Admr^s of George Simpson.”

244. N.C., County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Rockingham Co.), 1796–1808, FHL 19705, May Term 1805, 57: “Ordered that [R?]o. [G?]allaway Clerk pay a seventh part of the Judgement in favour of John Bellefunts Orphans vs Stokes Yeomans to James Halley Guardian for Sussannah Bellefunt &c.”

245. N.C., County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Rockingham Co.), 1796–1808, FHL 19705, May Term 1805, 60: “Ordered by this Court that the Sheriff pay forty nine pounds five shillings and 2^d pence in to this Clerk’s office which was the Balance of this money of the Sale of a Negro Sold by Virtue of an Execution in favour of Bellefunts Orphans ag^t Stokes Yeomans Executor of Drury Yeomans Sen^r dec^d &c and that the said money to be paid by the Clerk to [?] Roach in part of a Judgement obtained by said Roach ag^t said Executor &c.”

246. See partial transcription of estate paper in main sketch below.

in Halifax Co. when sold for taxes there, recorded 18 April 1788. In 1792 John bought 310 acres of land in Rockingham Co. N.C., and he may have moved there soon after this transaction. (Deed Book C, p. 147, Feb. 15, 1792)^[247]. Deed book E, p. 332 showed record of sale of this property 26 Oct 1798.^[248] There is a story that Louisa had been on a visit with her husband's people in Marseille, France and was on board ship on route home again when she died in giving birth to a daughter. The child, born 23 Aug 1727, was named "Mourning" because of this incident. Louisa was buried at sea.

There was a Sarah "Sally" (Ray) Bellerphant whose name appeared in Rockingham Co Will Abstracts - (1785-1865) - for 1805, 1846, and 1860, dau. of James Ray.^[249] There is a question as to whether she may have been a second wife of John Bellenfant. No identification for her have we found.

John Bellenfant died before May, 1802, since Rockingham Co, N.C. Court Minutes at that time, p 251-262, recorded guardians appointed for his minor orphans.^[250] Concerning John's death, there is a story that a store in Petersburg, Va., which he owned (?) and operated, caught fire and that he died as a result of injuries in fighting the fire. However, since he had resided in Rockingham Co., N.C. during the 1790's and since guardians were appointed for his orphan children in Rockingham Co., it is reasonable to think he died in that county. Another story was that John had worked at foundry in Rockingham Co. where there was a fire and that he died as result of fighting the fire.

247. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785-1800*, 38, see further details in the deed entries.

248. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785-1800*, 100, "E:332. John Bellefant to Vincent Vass Jr of Person Co for 2225 pds Va money 310 A on Adams Br & the river adj James Ray, George Peay, Covinton, Adam Tate. Oct. 26, 1798. Geo. Peay Sr, J. Campbell, Mordicai Johnson."

249. *Rockingham Co., N.C., Will Abstracts, 1785-1865*, "Page 351: Sallie Bellophant. May 20, 1860. Prb. Feby. 1861. . . . land descended to me by my father James Ray," see further details in the James Ray Family section.

250. N.C., County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Rockingham Co.), 1796-1808, FHL 19705, 24 May 1802, Wentworth, Rockingham Co., 256-257. See details below for two of the children.

On 15 Feb. 1792 John Bellenfant bought 310 acres “on River bank” adjacent James Ray (and others) for £120 from William Johnson and his wife Sarah.^[251]

On 23 Feb. 1792 Drury Yeoman bought 298 acres on Dan River for £1,000 (Virginia money) from James Grant Sr. and John Grant of Caswell Co., N.C. (This deed is recorded just after that in the preceding paragraph.)^[252]

On 26 May 1795 Shadrack Yeoman, Stokes Yeoman, legatees of Drury Yeoman Sr., deceased, sold to Samuel Calland of Pittsylvania Co., Va., 300 acres on Eagle Falls on the north side of the Dan River for £650 (Virginia money), witnessed by John Bellanfont and “Sus” Yeoman (among others).^[253]

In Nov. 1797 David Hyler sold to Thomas Peay, 100 acres adjacent to John Bellanfant (and others), for £60.^[254]

On 26 Oct. 1798 John Bellanfant sold to Vincent Vass Jr. of Person Co., N.C., 310 acres on “Adams Br & the river,” adjacent to James Ray (and others), for £225 (Virginia money).^[255]

251. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, C:147, FHL film 7517696, 15 Feb. 1792, William Johnson and his wife Sarah sold 310 acres to John Bellenfant, both of Rockingham Co., for L120, the land lying in Rockingham Co., bounded by the River Bank, James Ray’s line, George Peay’s line, the Adams branch, Covington Corner, Adam Tate’s line, witnesses: George Peay Sr., John May, and James Peay; Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785–1800*, 38, “C:147. William Johnson & wife Sarah to John Bellenfant for 120 pds 310 A on River bank adj James Ray, George Peay, Covington, Adam Tate. Feb. 15, 1792. George Peay Sr, John May, Thomas Peay.”

252. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785–1800*, 38, “C:148. James Grant Sr & John Grant of Caswell Co to Drury Yeoman for 1,000 pds Va money 298 A on Dan R. Feb. 23, 1792. Reuben Grant, Thomas Brooks.”

253. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785–1800*, 63, “D:156. Shadrack Yeoman, Stokes Yeoman, Legatees and surviving exrs of est of Drury Yeoman Sr decd to Samuel Calland, Gent, merchant of Pittsylvania Co, Va for 650 pds Va money 300 A on N side Dan R on Eagle Falls adj George Peay Sr, John May. Mar. 26, 1795. John May, Sus Yeoman, Sarah Lewis, Betsy Davis, Jno. Menzies, Robert Galloway, Jno Bellanfont.”

254. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785–1800*, 89, “E:187. David Hyler to Thomas Peay for 60 pds 100 A adj George Peay, John Bellanfant, Stephen Lephew. Nov. 1797. William T. Morton, George Peay Jr.”

255. Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Deed Abstracts, 1785–1800*, 100, “E:332. John Bellefant to Vincent Vass Jr of Person Co for 2225 pds Va money 310 A on Adams Br & the river adj James Ray, George Peay, Covinton, Adam Tate. Oct. 26, 1798. Geo. Peay Sr, J. Campbell, Mordicai Johnson.”

On 24 May 1802 a Grand Jury at Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., recorded in its minutes that Joseph “Bellofen,” 12, was indentured to Z. Strong as a carpenter’s apprentice, and that “Suckey Bellofen” chose James Haley as her guardian.^[256]

From estate papers, May–July 1808:

Ordered that Abraham Philips, Sampson Lanier, Thomas Lowe, John Low, and Adam Sharp or any three of them be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners to divide to such of the Legatees of Drury Yeomans (Orphans of John Bellanfent dec^d) as are of age the Negroe property of said Yeomans Viz. Jane, her Children, Alley, Suckey and Kate, Pat and her children Abram, Lucinda, Charles, Sam and Edmond and that they make report thereof at next August Court

May Sessions 1808 } [signed] Ro Gallaway C.

State of North Carolina
Rockingham County

In pursuance of an Order Issuing from the Worshippful Court for the County aforesaid, attested by Robert Gallaway as Clerk, and Bearing date May sessions 1808 Impowering Abraham Philips, Sampson Lanier, Thomas Lowe, John Lowe, and Adam Sharp as Commissioners to divide, to such of the Legatees of Drury Yeomans—Orphans of John Bellefan[t] Dec^d—as are of age who are Polly Johnston Betsey Sanders, and Susanna Wynn, who are of age, or [atleast?] married and there is Lucy Bellefent John Bellefent Morning Bellefent and Joseph Bellefant Minors under the age of Twenty one years. We also find for the division of the Estate aforesaid Ten Negroes (Viz) Jean and his [sic] Children Alley, Suckey, and Cate, Patt and his [sic] Children, Abram, Lucinda, Charles, Sam^l and Edmond Which we appropriate in the following manner that is to say in N^o 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

256. N.C., County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Rockingham Co.), 1796–1808, FHL 19705, 24 May 1802, Wentworth, Rockingham Co., 256–257: “Ordered that Joseph Bellofen [sic] aged twelve years be bound to Z Strong to give as [!] indentures, good app^l Carpenter trade Learning as far as Rule of practice &c &c &c” [p. 256], and “Suckey Bellofen [sic] came into court and Chose James Haley Here [sic] Guardian who entered into bond in £400 with Benjamine McFarlan Security” [p. 257].

Value		
Jean	30 years of age	\$275
Alley	13 ditto	275
Suckey	6 ditto	160
Kate	3 ditto	100
Patt	28 ditto	300
Abram	10 ditto	300
Lucinda	8 ditto	200
Charles	7 ditto	250
Sam ^l	5 ditto	150
Edmond	2 ditto	120
		\$2130

the Equal dividend of which Sum amounts to three hundred and four dollars and twenty eight cents [\$304.28] to each Legatee

We further proceeded to Class the same into Seven Lotts to Witt, Jean N° 1, Alley N° 2, Patt N° 3, Abram N° 4, Edmond and Lucinda N° 5, Suckey and Sam^l N° 6, and Charles and Cate N° 7

[Then calculations are made here so that the values of the lots are the same. For example, whoever gets Lot 1 has to pay certain cash amounts to the owners of other lots to make the valuations equal. The proprietor of Lot No. 7, say, must pay (the proprietor of) No. 1 \$29.28, of No. 3 and No. 4 \$4.28 each, and of No. 2 \$7.88, for a total outlay of \$45.72. Thus the value of Lot No. 7 (Charles and Cate) is reduced from \$350.00 to \$304.28, the calculated share per legatee.]

being duly sworn we further hereby appropriate that is to say the Lott N° 4 to Polly Johnston, the Lott N° 1 to Joseph Bellefent, the Lott N° 2 to Lucy Bellefent, the Lott N° 3 to Susanna Wynn, the Lott N° 5 to John Bellefent, the Lott N° 6 to Morning Bellefent, and the Lott N° 7 to Betsey Sanders.

The Commissioners have taken this method to divide the foregoing Slaves But the Order only Impowered us to set a part for those of age so that if the Court should not think proper to Inlarge the Order, so as to

Complete the Division, all Except the three first may be Considered as Consolidated amongst the Minors

to all which is submitted as witness our hands and seals this 9th day of July 1808

[Five signatures and seals here for Philips, Lanier, Lowe, Lowe, and Sharp]

On the Return of Commissioners, Order that, the annexed powers, in the preceding Order be only Confirmed as to those only of age.^[257]

In 1850 Sarah “Bellavont,” 82, born in North Carolina with \$1,000 real estate, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with Sarah Wilson, 22, born in North Carolina.^[258]

Children of John Bellenfant’s first marriage, to Lucy Yeoman:

- + 2 i ELIZABETH [“BETSY”] C.² BELLENFANT [twin], born 29 Mar. 1787, died 30 Dec. 1870, married WILLIAM THOMAS “BILLY JAYBIRD” SANDERS [SAUNDERS]. *This is my line*. See William Thomas Sanders’s sketch for continuation.
- 3 ii MARY [“POLLY”] JESSALINE² BELLENFANT [twin], born 29 Mar. 1787 (gravestone), died 3 Jan. 1875,^[259] buried in the Johnson-Amis Cem., Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., married 3 Aug. 1805 (bonded and licensed), Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[260] ALEXANDER JOHNSON [JOHNSTON], born 16 Apr. 1782 (gravestone), died 7 Feb. 1857,^[261] buried near his wife.

257. N.C. Estate Files, 1663–1979, Rockingham Co., N.C., probate file for John Bellanfamt, 1808, seven images online at FHL.

258. US census, 1850, Western Division, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 643, p. 77B, dw. 466, fam. 466.

259. *Johnson-Amis Cem., Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.*, gravestone photograph, by Wayne Austin, “Mary J Johnson | Born March 29th | 1787 Died Jan- | uary 3rd 1875 | Aged 87 Years | 9 Months and | 5 Days.” Note added by photographer: “There is actually an old box tomb under the base for the above stone with the vital inscription about Alexander. One can see some of the inscription in the bottom right (yours) corner of this photo.”

260. Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, FHL, image online, condition “Matrimony between Alexander Johnson and Polly Bellanfamt,” bonded and licensed 3 Aug. 1805, bond £500, bondsman Alexander McClaran, witness Jos. S. Gentry, governor of N.C. James Turner Esq^r.

261. *Johnson-Amis Cem., Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.*, gravestone photograph, by Wayne Austin, “Alexander | Johnson Born | April 16th 1782 | Died February | 7th 1857 Aged 74 | Years 10 Months | and 7 Days.” Note added by photographer: “‘He served as Magistrate in Maury Co., Tn. for many years.’ | There is actually an old box tomb under the base for the above stone with the vital inscription about Alexander. It also includes a statement that Alexander served as Magis-

- 4 iii **SUSANNAH**² [“SUSIE”] [“SUKY”] **BALLANFANT** [**BELLENFANT**], born 23 Jan. 1789 (gravestone), died 16 Dec. 1864,^[262] buried in Winn Cem., Glendale, Maury Co., Tenn., married 13 June 1808 (bonded and licensed), Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[263] **ACHILLES W. WINN** [**WYNN**], born 17 Nov. 1784 (gravestone), died 13 Apr. 1868,^[264] buried in Winn Cem.

In 1860 A. W. Winn, 75, a farmer born in Virginia with \$3,500 real and \$4,000 personal estates, resided in Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn., with Susannah, 71, born in Virginia, and with Louiza Y., 36, E. J. Caldwell, 41, female, a seamstress, DeWitt C. Winn, 15, a student, and John B. Winn, 4, all born in Tennessee.^[265]

- 5 iv **LUCY**² **BELLENFANT**, born after 9 July 1787 since under 21 on 9 July 1808. We know her from the court order concerning the division of slaves of 9 July 1808. Her birth order is unknown. The court order lists the four minors in this order: “Lucy Bellefent John Bellefent Morning Bellefent and Joseph Bellefant Minors under the age of Twenty one years.”
- + 6 v **JOSEPH**² **BALLANFANT** [**BELLENFANT**], born 14 Nov. 1790 (after 9 July 1787 since under 21 on 9 July 1808), Halifax Co., Va.,^[266] died 9 Nov. 1869, age 79, and was buried in the Bellenfant Cemetery, Culleoka, Maury Co., Tenn.^[267] married 9 (bonded) or 22 Apr. 1819, Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[268] **SARAH** [“SALLY”]³ **TURNER**

trate of the County mentioned above. Possibly the family later replaced the old box style stone with this upright stone and included Alexander’s wife Mary on the above stone on the back side or the side now turned toward the soil.”

262. *Find a Grave*, no. 42539384, gravestone photograph, by Ed Brooks, Winn Cem., Glendale, Maury Co., Tenn., “Susanna Winn wife | of A. W. Winn, born Nov. | 17th 1784, died | April 13th 1868.”

263. Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, FHL, image online, condition “marriage of Achilles Wynn to Susana Bellanfent,” bonded and licensed 13 June 1808, bond £500, bondsman Ebenezer Patrick, witness Jas. Campbell, signed A Winn.

264. *Find a Grave*, no. 42539372, gravestone photograph, by Ed Brooks, Winn Cem., Glendale, Maury Co., Tenn., “Sacred | to the memory of | A. W. Winn, born | January 23, 1789 | died Dec. 16, 1864.”

265. US census, 1860, Culleoka PO, Maury Co., Tenn., r. 1264, p. 337, dw. 523, fam. 523.

266. Bellenfant Bible.

267. Bellenfant Bible.

268. Bellenfant Bible: “Joseph Ballanfent eldest son of John Ballanfent, a native of France and Sally Turner fifth daughter of James Turner were married by Rev’d Garner McConnico in Williamson County, Tennessee on the 22nd day of April A D 1819;” Ballanfent Bible, Acklen, has it “by Rev. Garner Nawnnico”; *Williamson Co., Tenn., Early Marriage Records*, 1819, “Bellerfant [sic] Joseph

(James², Henry¹ Turner), born 7 Aug. 1801, Caswell Co., N.C.,^[269] died 10 or 18 Apr. 1876, age 75,^[270] and was buried in the Bellenfant Cemetery, Culleoka. See her sketch for continuation of this line.

- 7 vi **JOHN [“JACK”]² BELLENFANT**, born 1 Jan. 1795 (after 9 July 1787 since under 21 on 9 July 1808), died 2 Apr. 1867, married 8 Apr. 1819, Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[271] **JANE SCALES**.
- 8 vii **CORRINE MOURNING² BELLENFANT**, born 23 Aug. 1797 (gravestone), died 23 May 1881, buried Old Mount Zion Cem., Vanndale, Cross Co., Ark.,^[272] married (bonded) 20 Mar. 1815, Williamson Co., Tenn.,^[273] **FRANKLIN MCCLARAN**, born 4 Jan. 1791 (calculated), died 11 June 1853, aged 62 years 5 months 7 days, buried near his wife.^[274] If she is “Mourning” because of her mother’s death, then she must be the last child.

In 1850 Franklin McClaran, 60, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,760 real estate, resided in Franklin Co., Tenn., with “Moorning,” 53, born in North Carolina, and with Francis M., 18, male, Martha D., 14, and Julia H., 12, all born in Tennessee.^[275]

Turner Sally 09 Apr 1819”; *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780-2002*, image online, Williamson Co., 1805-1946, Grooms, “Bellenfont [sic], Joseph | m. Sally Turner | Bond: April 9, 1819”; *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780-2002*, “9 Apr 1819 Joseph Bellenfant to Sally Turner.”

269. Bellenfant Bible.

270. Bellenfant Bible, both dates given in different places [also in Ballanfent Bible, Acklen].

271. *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780-2002*, image online, Williamson Co., 1805-1946, Grooms, “Bellenfent [sic], John | m: Jane Scales | Bond: April 6, 1819 | Married: April 8, 1819”; *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780-2002*, “6 Apr 1819 John Bellenfant to Jane Scales.”

272. *Find a Grave*, no. 11853109, gravestone photograph, by Don and Pam Childers, Old Mount Zion Cem., Vanndale, Cross Co., Ark., “Mourning | [McClaran? cracked stone] | born | Aug^t. 23, 1797 | died | May 23, 1881 | McClaran |”

273. *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780-2002*, image online, Williamson Co., 1805-1850, Brides, “Bellenfent [sic], Mourning | m: Franklin M^cClaran | Bond: March 20, 1815.”

274. *Find a Grave*, no. 11853120, gravestone photograph, by Don and Pam Childers, Old Mount Zion Cem., Vanndale, Cross Co., Ark., “Franklin M^cClaran | Died | June 11, 1853 | Aged | 62 Years 5 Mos | & 7 Days.”

275. US census, 1850, Franklin Co., Tenn., r. 877, p. 327A, dw. 1288, fam. 1288.

C: The Drury Yeoman Family

1. **DRURY¹ YEOMAN**, died before Nov. or Dec. 1792, according to an estate case in Salisbury District, N.C. (recorded in Rowan Co., N.C.), which mentions a will by Drury Sr. written in Nov. or Dec. 1792 that appointed Shadrach, Stokes, and Drury Jr. (deceased) as executors, and that left “to Elizabeth Price and her children the Negro girl Charlotte.” The case, comprised of 62 pages, concerns Elizabeth Grogan and her husband Bartholomew, presumably the same person as Elizabeth Price, remarried, and an issue having to do with slave ownership. The first document in the file mentions Drury’s daughters, Elizabeth, Lucy, Nancy, and Susannah.

In 1790 “Drewry” Yeoman resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with four males over 16, three females, and 18 slaves.^[276]

Children, listed in the order presented in this first estate document:^[277]

- 2 i **SHADRACH/SHADRACK² YEOMAN**. The second document in Drury’s estate file, dated 29 Aug. 1803, is signed “Shadrack Yeoman | in right of his wife Susanna.” Could this have meant his sister Susanna? Shadrach signed his will 13 Mar. 1802, Rockingham Co., N.C. It mentions “my Nephew Hambleton Yeoman son of my Sister Susanna Yeoman,” “my Sister Elizabeth Davis,” “my Brother Stokes Yeoman,” and “my Friend Robert Gallaway.”^[278] He had died by 15 Jan. 1803 when the Rockingham County sheriff sold two

276. U.S. census, 1790, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 7, p. 533.

277. N.C. Estate Files, 1663–1979, Rowan Co., N.C., probate file for Drury Yeoman, 1792, 62 images online at FHL. The first document bears no date, but the third document appears to be a restatement of the first document, and it bears the date 20 Sept. 1800. The second document is dated 29 Aug. 1803. The fourth document in an inventory of Drury Yeoman’s estate dated Nov. Session 1796. The next document, of 18 June 1803, is an affidavit swearing that **Betsy Price was granddaughter of Drury Yeoman** and was left Charlotte, and also that Drury left slaves to two other granddaughters, Sally and Polly Price. The next document, of Mar. 1800, states that Drury’s (late of Rockingham Co.) will said this: “[?] to my Grand daughter Elisabeth Price one Negro Girl named Charlotte.” Then an inventory of Drury’s estate on 14 Feb. 1798, listing 13 slaves. The next document, of 11 June 1803, states: “this deponent was present some little time before Drewry Yeomans Se^r departed this Life & heard the said Drewry Yeomans Se^r call his son in Law John Bellenfant to him and requested him to take the Negro Girl Charlotte which he had given to his grand daughter Betsy Price, who was then living with the said Bellenfant, that the said negro might live with her.”

278. N.C. *Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., image online, will of Shadrach Yeoman, signed 13 Mar. 1802, witnesses: John Gibson, Sarah Price.

of Shadrach's slaves to raise money, presumably for settlement of the estate.^[279]

In 1800 Shadrach Yeoman resided in Salisbury District, Rockingham Co., N.C., with two boys and one girl under 10, one female 10-16, one female 16-26, one male and two females 26-45, and 26 slaves. Next to him was listed Stokes Yeoman.^[280]

- 3 ii **STOKES² YEOMAN**, married (licensed and bonded) 24 Jan. 1794, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[281] **LUCY CUNINGHAM**.

In 1800 Stokes Yeoman resided in Salisbury District, Rockingham Co., N.C., with one boy and three girls under 10, one female 10-16, one female 16-26, one male and two females 26-45, and 1 slave. Next to him was listed Shadrach Yeoman.^[282]

- 4 iii **DRURY² YEOMAN JR.**, presumably deceased before the dated document in the estate file of Drury, Sr., dated 29 Aug. 1803. He signed his will 28 Nov. 1794, Rockingham Co., N.C., which mentions "my Brother Shadrach Yeoman," "Lewis Odell," "my Brother Stokes Yeoman and my two Sisters Elizabeth Davisson & Susanah Yeoman," "my Father Drewry Yeoman Dec^d."^[283]
- 5 iv **ELIZABETH² YEOMAN**, married before her brother Drury signed his will 28 Nov. 1794 and before brother Shadrach signed his will 13 Mar. 1802, — **DAVIS[SON]**.

married (1) — **Price**, married (2) **Bartholomew Grogan**. First husband Price might have died before Drury's will of Nov. or Dec. 1792. Elizabeth Price was a granddaughter, not a daughter.

- 6 v **LOUISA/LUCY² YEOMAN**, married **JEAN/JOHN BELLENFANT** (q.v.).

- 7 vi **NANCY² YEOMAN**.

- 8 vii **SUSANNA[H]³ YEOMAN**, had a son (1) Hambleton³ Yeoman, born before her brother Shadrach signed his will on 13 Mar. 1802, in which he mentions Hambleton, his nephew.

279. N.C. *Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., image online, sale 15 Jan. 1803 by sheriff John Fields, signed 13 Jan. 1804.

280. US census, 1800, Salisbury Dist., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 443.

281. Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, FHL, image online, condition "that the said Stokes Yeoman and Lucy Cuninghame intermarry with each other as man and wife," bonded and licensed 24 Jan. 1794, bond £500, bondsman Martin Hugh Banks, witness Peter Watson.

282. US census, 1800, Salisbury Dist., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 443.

283. N.C. *Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., image online, will of Drury Yeoman, signed 28 Nov. 1794, executors Shadrach Yeoman and John Peay, witnesses: George Peay Sr., George Peay Jr., Mary Peay.

D: The James Ray Family

1. **JAMES¹ RAY**, wrote his will 23 May 1806, proved November 1806, in Rockingham Co., N.C. From the will we know that he married **BETSY** —.

Children, in will order:^[284]

- 2 i **SALLY² RAY**, wrote her will 20 May 1860, Rockingham Co., N.C., proved Feb. 1861,^[285] married **JEAN/JOHN BELLENFANT** (q.v.).
- 3 ii **JANE/JINNY² RAY**, a daughter.
- 4 iii **URSLEY² RAY**, a daughter.
- 5 iv **PARRAM² RAY**, born about 1773 (1850 census), Virginia. He may have had a daughter who married Peter Wilson (see deed reference). He was “Parham Wray,” 26–45, in the 1810 census of Rockingham Co., N.C..^[286] He was “Parham Wray,” over 45, in the 1820 census of Rockingham Co..^[287]

In 1830 Parram Ray, 50–60, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 40–50, two females 15–20, and five slaves.^[288]

In 1850 “Parham” Ray, 77, born in Virginia, resided in Sullivan Co., Mo., with the family of George Yardley, 37, born in Missouri, and Sarah L. Yardley, 37, born in North Carolina.^[289] George Yardley married 8 Mar. 1838, St. Charles Co., Mo., Sarah L. “Wray.”^[290]

284. Gunn, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Selected Deeds: Part One: Division of Lands & Slaves, 1786–1900*, 8, “Y:265 James Ray Estate 11 Jan 1825 | 252 acres, (mentions only “the river”). | Jincy Ray; Pleasant Ray (includes the interest of Peter Wilson as a legatee); Sally Bellaufant; William Ray (includes the interest of Skipworth Ray, Parran Ray & Payton Ray as legatees).”

285. N.C., Probate Records, 1735–1970, Rockingham Co., Wills, 1844–1865, C:351, image online, FHL, will of Sallie Bellophant, signed 20 May 1860, proved Feb. Sessions 1861, Rockingham Co., N.C., signed Sallie [her mark] Bellinophant, otherwise abstracted accurately in the next item: Webster, *Rockingham Co., N.C., Will Abstracts, 1785–1865*, “Page 351: Sallie Bellophant. May 20, 1860. Prb. Feby. 1861. . . . engaged in suit with William Grady and his wife Sallie my niece to regain land descended to me by my father James Ray, brother Pleasant Ray and my sister Jane Ray. Friend Franklin Harris and his wife Jane. Daus of brother Peyton Ray: Dorcus Ray & Sallie Ray. Richard H. Scales & Ebenezer Carter to be paid for their expenses. Exr: Friend Richard H. Scales. Wit: R. H. Woodson, James W. Lillard.”

286. US census, 1810, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 43, p. 204, 20010, 10010.

287. US census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 580, 020001, 1101.

288. US census, 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 124, p. 289.

289. US census, 1850, Dist. 96, Sullivan Co., Mo., r. 420, p. 311A, dw. 77, fam. 77.

290. Mo. *Marriage Records, 1805–2002*, St. Charles Co., Mo., 1838, image online, 8 Mar. 1838, George Yard[name cropped at page edge] to Sarah L. “Wray” both of St. Charles Co., by John

- 6 v **PLEASANT² RAY**. He signed his will in Rockingham Co., N.C., on
24 Sept. 1846, proved Nov. 1846. It mentions “my Sister Salley
Ballaphant.”^[291]
- 7 vi **PAYTON/PAXTON² RAY**, a son, had at least two children: (1)
Dorcus³ Ray; and (2) Sallie³ Ray. He married **ELIZABETH WETTY**,
according to the death certificate of Mrs. Eliza J. Lane, who was
born 14 Apr. 1826, Guilford Co., N.C., died 2 May 1910,
Greensboro, N.C.,^[292] and who would be a third child.

Smith JP, recorded 20 Mar. 1838.

291. N.C., Probate Records, 1735–1970, Rockingham Co., Wills, 1844–1864, C:44, image online, FHL, will of Pleasant Ray [“Wray” in title] deceased, signed 24 Sept. 1846, proved Nov. Sessions 1846, Rockingham Co., N.C., as above, but also mentions “my friend Franklin Harris, signed Pleasant Ray, witnesses Tolliver Carter, A. M. Scales.

292. *N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, Guilford Co., N.C., May 1910, image online, Mrs. Eliza J. Lane, died 2 May 1910, Greensboro, N.C., aged 84 yrs. 0 mos. 18 dys., female, white, widow, born 14 Apr. 1826, Guilford Co., N.C., father “Peyton Wray,” born Rockingham Co., N.C., mother Elizabeth Wetty, born Rockingham Co., N.C., informant Miss Mattie Hagood, of Greensboro, N.C., buried 3 or 4 May 1910, Mt. Pizgah Church, Greensboro, N.C.

E: The James Sanders [Saunders] Family

1. JAMES¹ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], according to a family Bible record (see below), was born 17 July 1716, and died at age 117 years 10 months(!) on 17 May 1834.^[293] He married ALICE —, who was born 14 Apr. 1741, and died 17 Sept. 1809 (all from the same Bible record).

As regards the variant spelling of the surname, Teresa Wilson, a seventh generation descendant from James Sanders Sr., says:

Although the Sanders [name] was spelled both ways in county records, our early Sanders family seemed to spell it Sanders and pronounce it Saunders (Sahn ders). My family eventually started spelling it Saunders.

Geographical note: In 1807 in Tennessee, Williamson County was subdivided into (a smaller) Williamson County, Maury County, and a non-county portion. In 1809 the non-county portion was subdivided into Giles County and a smaller non-county portion. This division became effective in 1810. Also, Hickman County was created (pending) in 1807 from Dickson County which lay parallel and just east of the original Williamson County. In 1807 Maury County was partially formed from Dickson County. Hickman County became effective in 1808. Hickman abuts Maury, Williamson, and was separated from Giles (after 1809) by only a small strip of non-county land.

An article by Robert W. Carter, Dec. 1979, in *The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, Mills in Simpsonville Township: Part III:

The James Saunders Mill

The Saunders Mill was located on Bold Run Creek, the largest eastern tributary of Rock House Creek. The millsite is approximately one-half mile west of the bridge on State Road #2371 (Gunntown Road). The mill dam was located one-fourth mile below the “Indian Cave.” Nearby Rock House Creek apparently took its name from this small cave . . .

293. From the *Raleigh Register* [N.C.] of 17 June 1834 under Deaths: “In Rockingham County, Mr. James Saunders, at the almost incredible age of one hundred and twenty years!” Source of the newspaper clipping was a letter from Teresa S. Wilson, 4419 Phillips, Wichita Falls, TX 76308, sent 14 Sep 1990 to my mother Edith Smith.

James Saunders settled in the area by the 1770's. Sometime prior to 1778 he purchased land from William Hill that included several acres of rich creek bottom land at the confluence of Brush Fork and Rock House Creek. On November 21, 1778, Saunders entered a claim for 500 acres of vacant state land adjacent to his deeded land. This tract of land was surveyed by Abraham Phillips on February 1, 1780, and granted to Saunders on October 22, 1782. This land lay north of Abraham Phillips' 500 acre state grant and included the millsite, and more bottom land on Rock House, Bold Run and Haw Branch.

There is no mention of Saunders Mill until 1809; however, there is a possibility it was constructed before 1781. After the Battle of Guilford Court House on March 15, 1781, General Green's men returned to Speedwell Iron Works. On March 16, Colonel William Washington and Captain Robert Kirkwood marched their troops to James Saunders' farm and encamped there on the 16th, 17th, 18th and on the morning of the 19th they marched south toward Guilford Court House. Captain Abraham Phillips accompanied the troops as guide some distance east of Guilford Court House and then returned home. Although the Saunders farm was the site of a ford across Rock House Creek and the southern part of the farm lay on a high bluff overlooking the confluence of several creeks, the site would seem more important as a campsite if Saunders had erected his mill before this date.

As early as 1786 James Saunders began selling tracts of his land. He continued selling land into the early 1800's mostly to members of his family. In 1790 he owned no slaves but in the 1810 census he is listed as the owner of four slaves. On October 12, 1810, he gave his daughter Jane two slaves. Saunders death date is unknown. He was buried on his farm in a family cemetery that continued to be used by members of his family for many years.

On November 26, 1800 James Saunders sold his son William a 363 acre farm including the mill. In 1810 William Saunders sold 200 acres of this tract to Thomas Lytle . . . (continues with various owners of the mill).

Both ends of the Saunders' Mill dam remain with the center section washed out. The millsite is approximately 200 yards below the rock dam on the south side of Bold Run. Only a small pile of rocks mark the site of the mill.^[294]

294. Robert W. Carter, Jr., Mills in Simpsonville Township: Part III, *The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, 4(2)(Dec. 1979):63-67, for the James Saunders Mill portion.

I will refer to the following as the Saunders Family Bible. The items were transcribed by a family member, Teresa (Wilson) Wiese, from the family Bible of Thomas Womack Saunders and Mary M. Hair, with pages from an older Bible belonging to James and Alice Saunders.^[295] The following is specifically the information from the pages of the older Bible:

Family Record

Births:

James Sanders senr. was born July the 17th 1716 and departed this life in May the 17th 1834.

Alice Sanders wife of James Sanders was born April the 14th 1741 and departed this life September the 17th 1809.

Elenor Sanders daughter of James Sanders and Alice his wife was born April 14th 1774 & departed this life in September the 17th day of 1794.

James Sanders son of James Sanders and Alice his wife was born the 7th of October 1768.

Isabel Sanders daughter of James Sanders and Alice his wife was born the 25th of February 1770.

John Sanders son of James Sanders and Alice his wife . . . was born January . . . 6th 1772.

Elizabeth Sanders . . . ter of James Sanders . . . Alice his Wife was bo . . . February the 6th 17 . . .

Agnis Sanders daug . . . of James Sanders and . . . his wife was born Apr . . . 9th 1778.

Robert Sanders Son . . . Sanders and Alice his . . . was born September 7th . . .

295. Source of the Bible records of the Sanders family was a letter from Teresa S. Wilson, 4419 Phillips, Wichita Falls, TX 76308, sent 14 Sep 1990 to my mother Edith Smith. The Bible cited was: *The New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ* (Philadelphia: J.B.Lippincott & Co., 1858) with the note that it contained pages from the older family Bible of James and Alice Sanders.

William Sanders son . . . James Sanders and Al . . . his wife was born
Ju . . . 15th 1783

Anna Sanders daughter . . . James Sanders and Al . . . his wife was
born . . . the 13th 1785.

On the back of the above page was the following:

Family Record

Marriages.

. . . eason C. Saunders married to mary Ann . . . omack the 29th
march . . . D. 1842

Alfred W. Saunders married to Rutha . . . ach the 27th march . . . the
year of our lord 1833^[296]

From *Find a Grave* (unvetted):

James Saunders/Sanders Sr. was born July 17, 1716 and died May 17, 1834 at the age of 117 years. He settled near Rock House Creek in Rockingham County, North Carolina by 1770 and owned and operated a mill on his land on Bold Run Creek. He was buried in the family cemetery on his farm. He and wife Alice (maiden name unknown) had at least nine children. Their children would eventually marry into the Walker, Fitts, Pirkle, Wall, Roach, and Bellenfant families of the area. Some of their children/descendants stayed in Rockingham County while others moved to Tennessee, Illinois, and Georgia. (Teresa Wilson Wiese)^[297]

Support for the biography of James Sanders Sr. above, claimed to be from a Bible record:

The Bible states: James Sanders Sr. b. 7-17-1716, died 5-17-1834, aged 117 years 10 mons, Alice Sanders, his wife b. 4-14-1741 died 9-17-1809,

296. The last two entries are for Reason C. Saunders to Mary Ann Womack and Alfred W. Saunders to Rutha Roach. Additional information from this Bible about the family of Reason and of his son, Thomas Saunders, can be found under Reason and Thomas. *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 229, “[groom] Sanders, Alfred [bride] Ruth Roach [bond date] 26 Mar. 1833 [bondsman] E(zra) Willis”; *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds*, film 7740369, Alford Saunders to Ruth Roach, bonded 26 Mar. 1833.

297. *Find a Grave*, no. 169006493, no gravestone photograph. Mentions child Elenor Sanders, 1774–1794. If William was born in 1783, then James would have been 66 at his birth.

aged 68 years, One of their sons was: William Sanders b. 12-15-1783 [sic]. This could be your Wm T. I think. (Robert T. Carter Jr.)^[298]

On 30 Aug. 1786 James Sanders [variant Saunders] of Rockingham Co., N.C., sold to Alexander McClaran of the same place 25 acres in Rockingham Co. for £40. The land was part of a 320-acre tract granted to James Simms by "John Earl Granvilles Office" in 1760. Then Simms conveyed it to William Hill, and Hill conveyed it to James Sanders, "Situate on the East Side of Great Rock house Creek and the North Side of the Bould Run" in Rockingham Co. Witnesses were George Tankersley, James Hayes, and Abner Johnson.^[299]

In 1790 James Sanders "Sen" resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with two males over 16, three males under 16, six females, and no slaves.^[300] Also Robert Sanders, 4,1,3, 0, and "Ja" Sanders "Jn", 2,0,1, 0, were listed there.

On 26 Nov. 1800, James Sanders of Rockingham Co., N.C., sold 285 acres in Rockingham Co., N.C., to Robert Sanders Jr. "in Consideration to him of the Natural Love and Affection which he beareth unto his son" and for £100, the land lying "on Both sides of Great Rockhouse Creek." The plot description mentions neighbors Abraham Philips, Stephen Sanders, James Sanders Jr. Witnesses: A. Philips and Ellarson Young.^[301]

On 26 Nov. 1800, James Sanders of Rockingham Co., N.C., sold 363 acres in Rockingham Co., N.C., to William Sanders "in Consideration to him of the Natural Love and Affection which he beareth unto his son" and for £150, the land lying "on Both sides of Great Rockhouse Creek." The plot description mentions neighbors James Sanders Jr., Benjamin Haggard, Alexander McClarron, Robert Sanders, and "the mouth of the

298. From a letter by Robert T. Carter Jr. to my mother Edith H. (Sanders) Smith, dated 12 Aug. 1990. This is probably the Bible record: Saunders Family Bible, The New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Philadelphia: J.B.Lippincott & Co., 1858, contains pages from the older family Bible of James and Alice Sanders [notes to myself about 1990, but I no longer have the Bible pages]. N.B. Carter was the author of the paper about the Saunders Mill.

299. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, A:110-111, image online at FamilySearch.org, film 7517696.

300. U.S. census, 1790, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 7, p. 536. The other items in this paragraph are from this census of 8 pages in length: Robert Sanders, p. 535; James Sanders Jr., 527.

301. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, G:122-123, no. 281, image online at FamilySearch.org, film 7517697.

Brushey Fork of said creek.” Witnesses: A. Philips, Ellarson Young, and V. Wheeler.^[302]

In 1800 James Sanders resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., 01101,21101,00, that is, with two girls under 10, one boy and one girl 10-16, one male and one female 16-26, and one male and one female over 45, and no slaves.^[303] On the same page was Stephen Sanders, 30010,10010,00.

In 1810 James Saunders “Sen”, over 45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with one female 16-26, and four slaves.^[304]

In 1820 James Saunders, over 45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., alone, with no slaves. Next to him was listed Agnes Wall.^[305]

Placeholder: In 1820 Jane Saunders, 26-45 [born 1775-1794], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with three boys under 10, one male 10-16, and one female 16-26, and three slaves.^[306]

In 1830 one male over 100 [presumably James Sanders Sr.] resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., in the household of Jane Saunders, 30-40 [born 1790-1800], with one girl under 5, one boy 5-10, one male 10-15, two males 15-20, and one male 20-30, and with seven slaves.^[307] **Jane was presumably the wife of one of James’s sons, but I haven’t found one. Or she might have been an unmarried daughter not listed in the Family Bible.**

Placeholder: In 1840 Jane Saunders, 40-50 [born 1790-1800], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with one female 10-15, one male 15-20, and with eight slaves.^[308] N.B. Combining the three censuses for Jane, she must have been born 1790-1794. Since Alice, James’s wife, was born 1741, she would have been 49-54, almost surely too old to be Jane’s mother.

From the *Columbian Centinel* of Massachusetts:

302. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, G:123-124, no. 282, image online at FamilySearch.org, film 7517697.

303. U.S. census, 1800, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 475.

304. U.S. census, 1810, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 43, p. 208.

305. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 584.

306. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 612.

307. U.S. census, 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 124, p. 333.

308. U.S. census, 1840, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 164.

Saunders, James, d. in Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 120 years (C. C. June 28, 1834)^[309]

Children (specifics from the old family Bible):

- + 2 i JAMES² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 7 Oct. 1768, married SARAH WALKER, and had at least two children. He served as bondsman for his sister Isabel's marriage.
- + 3 ii ISABEL² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 25 Feb. 1770, married JOSEPH FITTS, and had children.
- 4 iii JOHN² SANDERS, born [?]² 6 Jan. 1772.
- 5 iv ELENOR² SANDERS, born 14 Apr. 1774, died 17 Sept. 1794.
- + 6 v ELIZABETH² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 6 Feb 177[5?], married JACOB PIRKLE, and had 11 children.
- + 7 vi AGNES² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 9 Apr. 1778, married CLAIBORNE WALL, and had two children, married (2) JOHN PEAY, and had three children.
- + 8 vii ROBERT² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 7 Sept. 17[80?], married ELIZABETH ["BETSY"] ROACH.
- + 9 viii WILLIAM THOMAS ["BILLY JAYBIRD"]² SANDERS, born 15 July 1783, married ELIZABETH ["BETSY"] C.² BELLENFANT (¹Jean¹), and had **eight** children. *This is my line.*
- 10 ix ANNA² SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 13 [?] 1785. She was a witness as "Anna Saunders" to the 21 July 1802 will (q.v.) of Claiborne Wall, husband of her sister Agnes.

2. JAMES² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] JR. (¹James¹) was born 7 Oct. 1768, died **before 1850**. He married (bonded) 3 Apr. 1790, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[310] SARAH WALKER, who was born 1770–1780, and died **about 1806 (which doesn't fit for either putative child)**. James served as bondsman on his sister's Isabel's marriage bond (q.v.).

309. U.S. *Newspaper Extractions from the Northeast, 1704–1930*, Mass., *Columbian Centinel*, deaths, Roane-Stables, James Saunders, FHL 485704.

310. *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 230, "[groom] Saunders, James [bride] Sarah Walker [bond date] 3 Apr. 1790 [bondsman] Robt. Gallaway;" letter from Teresa Wilson Wiese, 30 Mar. 1996, to Alvy and Edith Smith (my parents), "m. 3 Apr 1790 Sarah WALKER Rockingham Co. N.C." Teresa is a direct descendant of James Jr. and Sarah. N.B. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., has it "Apr. 3, 1790 Saunders James S. and Sarah Walker." I suspect the initial "S." to be a misreading of "J" as I've not seen the initial anywhere else.

The following dense (and **unvetted**) genealogy is from a 1906 history of Maury Co., Tenn. It seems to be about descendents of James Sr. and Alice Sanders. The trouble is that there is no record of James Sr. having a son named Alford in 1774. In fact, he had a daughter Elenor in 1774. But the fact that this James Saunders died at 108, came originally from Rockingham Co., N.C., and had a mill seems to be more than coincidence. It is better to believe that it is about James Sanders Jr., gets Alford's birthdate wrong (but James Jr. indeed did have a son Alford or Alfred), and conflates James Sr.'s ancient age with James Jr.'s. **There's so much wrong with this account!** but let's pursue it for hints. I will place in red those items that are wrong or are probably wrong:

Cave Spring Vicinity.

... At this point is found the well-known cave spring of A. V. Scott, and ¼ m. distant on the J. L. Saunders place is a similar spring. In either of these are subterranean paths for a half mile or more, with the usual cave attractions ...

J. L. Saunders, b., Nov. 16, 47, 2 m. N. W. of Williamsport, **is son of Allen** (b. Dec. 29, 20, d. Oct. 17, 96) **and Martha** (b. June 8, 28, d. May 5, 91) **Saunders**. **Allen was son of Alford M. (1774-1865) and Sallie** (b. 1802, d. 84) **(Harris) Saunders**; Martha was dau. of Isaiah and Mary A. (b. Mar. 7, 1788, d. Feb. 24, 90) Davis. **Alford was son of James (who died aged 108) and — (Walker) Saunders**; Mary was dau. of Jas. Grimes. Isaiah was a millwright, and built the early mills on Snow, Turkey, and Leiper's Creeks. **J. L.**, June 18, 68, **mar. Annie E.** (b. June 28, 48, d. Aug. 4, 98), dau. of Robt. and Eliza (McKnight) **Jack**. Their **children**—W. P.; Martha L., wife of L. L. Simmons; Eudora, deceased; R. A., T. J.; Nancy, wife of J. W. Duncan; B. L., Malinda Jane, and Carrie Mai. Robert was son of Andy Jack. **Mr. Saunders' ancestors were from Rockingham, N. C.** In 98, **J. L. mar. Serena**, b. 62, sister of W. F. Scott, mentioned below. **Mr. Saunders owns 206 acres at Cave Springs.**

R. A. Saunders, b., May 23, 77, at Santa Fé, **is son of above. He married Lula**, b. Dec. 19, 78, dau. of P. F. and Jane N. **Lilies**. P. F. was son of Willis and Martha (Garner) Liles; Jane was dau. of W. and Nancy (Hines) Liles. **He is farming on his father's place, 2 ½ m. W. of Isom ...**

E. Saunders, b. at Water Valley, Dec. 27, 56, **is brother of J. L. Saunders**, mentioned above. In 89, **he mar. Tennie**, b. June 17, 60, dau. of H. and Mary J. (b. Feb. 26, 33, d. Feb. 19, 1900) (Grimmett) **Smith**. She later

mar. John Simmons. H. was son of Wiley and Polly (Strongfellow) Smith; Mary was dau. of Wm. Grimmitt, who fought at the battle of New Orleans, and Betsy (McInnally) Grimmitt. **Mr. Saunders is farming near Cave Springs.**^[311]

In 1790 “Ja^s” Sanders “Jn^r” resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with two males over 16 [implies James was born before 1774], one female, and no slaves.^[312]

In 1810 James Saunders, 26–45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, two boys and one girl under 10, one female 10–16, two males 16–26, and no slaves.^[313]

This was also entered in the sketch for James Sr., where it also fits: In 1820 James Saunders, over 45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., alone, with no slaves. Next to him was listed Agnes Wall.^[314]

In 1840 James Sanders, 70–80 [implies born 1760–1770], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 60–70 [implies born 1770–1780], one male and one female 10–15, one male 20–30, and one male 30–40, and no slaves.^[315]

Children (inferred from the family Bible, see father’s sketch):

- + 11 i ?ALFRED W.³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1809, North Carolina, married RUTH[A] ROACH, and had 11 children.
- + 12 ii ?REASON C.³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 18 Jan. 1818 about 1818, North Carolina, married MARY ANN WOMACK, and had at least five children.

3. ISABEL² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (,James¹) was born 25 Feb. 1770 (Family Bible), North Carolina (1850 census), and died after the 1860 census (which lists her at the improbable age of 110). She married (bond-

311. Robbins, *Century Review, 1805–1906, Maury Co., Tenn.*, 307–308. There are other Saunders facts scattered throughout the 1906 supplement. **Alas, this appears to be hopelessly wrong and not our family.** For example, our Alfred had no son Allen.

312. U.S. census, 1790, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 7, p. 527.

313. U.S. census, 1810, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 43, p. 178.

314. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 584.

315. U.S. census, 1840, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 164.

ed) 14 Apr. 1797, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[316] **JOSEPH FITTS**, who was born 1770–1780, and died before the 1850 census.

In 1830 Joseph Fitts, 50–60, resided in Crawford Co., Ill., with a woman 50–60 [born 1770–1780], and with one female 10–15, one male 15–20, and one male 20–30. Listed next was James Fitts, 20–30, with a woman 20–30, and next to them was Andrew Fitts, 20–30, with a woman 20–30. Nearby was Nathan Sanders.^[317]

Placeholder: In 1840 Joseph Fitts, 30–40 [born 1800–1810], resided in Crawford Co., Ill., with a woman 20–30 [born 1810–1820], and with two females under 5, and one male and one female 5–10. Listed next was a Saunders [first name indistinct, “Robert” perhaps].^[318] N.B. There was apparently another Joseph Fitts, 30–40, in the county.^[319]

In 1850 Isabel Fitts, 80, born in North Carolina, illiterate, resided in Crawford Co., Ill., in the household of Samuel Shoulders, 37, a farmer born in Kentucky with \$400 real estate, and with “Allsey,” 37, born in Tennessee, Aaron, 10, William, 8, Henry, 4, and Jackson, 1, all born in Illinois. Next door was James Fitts, 38, a farmer of indistinct nativity, and his family.^[320]

In 1860 Isabel Fitts, 110 [sic!], born in North Carolina, resided in Crawford Co., Ill., in the household of Samuel Shoulders, 40 [sic], a laborer born in Kentucky with \$400 real and \$200 personal estates, and with “Alice,” 43, born in Tennessee, Aaron, 19, William, 17, Henry, 12, James, 9, Andrew, 5, Samuel, 5, and John, 3 all born in Illinois. There were two Fitts families nearby.^[321]

316. N.C., *Index to Marriage Bonds, 1741–1868*, Joseph Fitts to Isabel Saunders, bond date 14 Apr. 1797, Rockingham Co., N.C., bond 119559, bondsman “Jams” Saunders, witness Peter Watson; Rockingham Co., N.C., *Marriage Bonds*, FHL 28919, film 4262177, item 3, (typed by Genealogical Society of Utah), p. 76, “[groom] Fitts, Joseph [bride] Isabel Saunders [bond date] 14 Apr. 1797 [bondsman and witness] Jams-x-Saunders, Jr. | (w) Peter Watson.” The underlined a in Isabel presumably indicates uncertainty about the letter. The x after Jams means he signed with his mark.

317. U.S. census, 1830, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 23, p. 14.

318. U.S. census, 1840, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 57, p. 286.

319. U.S. census, 1840, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 57, p. 299, 010101,101001. Might be Pitts.

320. U.S. census, 1850, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 104, p. 181B, dw. 214, fam. 214.

321. U.S. census, 1860, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 171, p. 606, dw. 1671, fam. 1671.

N.B. Samuel's wife was "Ailcy" Shoulders, 64, born in Kentucky, in the 1870 census for New Hebron, Honey Creek Twp., Crawford Co., Ill.^[322]

Placeholder: In 1850 James Fitts, 38, a farmer born in [indistinct], resided in Crawford Co., Ill., with Agnes, 38, born in Kentucky, Nancy, 19, Joseph, 17, a farmer, Isabel, 15, Samuel, 13, Robert, 11, and Angelina, 2, all born in Illinois. Next door was Isabel Fitts, 80, born in North Carolina. Both James and Agnes were illiterate.^[323]

Placeholder: Eliza "Fattz" married 15 May 1839, Crawford Co., Ill.,^[324] Samuel Shoulders Jr. See the footnote for variations on her name: Eliza Fattz, Elsy Fittz, Agnes Filts, Polly Fitts, Alcia Caroline —, A. C. Fitts, and Alsrey Fitch. Almost certainly her surname was Fitts, and she was Alsey Shoulders, daughter of the Isabel Fitts in the 1850 census.

Placeholder: Elsie C. Shoulders, born 16 Jan. 1811 (calculated), died 1 May 1877, aged 66 years 3 months 15 days, was buried in Updike Cem., Pt. Jackson, Crawford Co., Ill., married to S. Shoulders.^[325] Samuel Shoulders apparently shares the same gravestone, but the photograph

322. U.S. census, 1870, New Hebron PO, Honey Creek Twp., Crawford Co., Ill., r. 214, p. 1B, dw. 13, fam. 13.

323. U.S. census, 1850, Crawford Co., Ill., r. 104, p. 181B, dw. 213, fam. 213.

324. *Ill. Compiled Marriages, 1790–1860*, Eliza "Fattz" to Samuel Shoulders Jr., 15 May 1839, Crawford Co., Ill., FHL 1310015 [N.B., FHL 1310015 is Greene Co., Ill., Deeds, "Book V (cont'd.) 1851–1852 Book W 1852–1853 Book X 1853–1854," which doesn't make much sense]; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, Samuel Shoulders to "Elsy Fittz," 11 Apr. 1839, Crawford Co., Ill., GS film 874276; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, John Shoulders, 22, to Sarah A. Bennett, 19, 6 Feb. 1879, Ill., groom's parents: Samuel Shoulders and Agnes "Filts," bride's parents: "Ane" Bennett and Ellen Bear; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, Mary Jane Shoulders, 20, to William S. Ford, 22, 29 Mar. 1885, Crawford Co., Ill., bride's parents: Samuel Shoulders and "Polly" Fitts, groom's parents: Alfred Ford and Martha "Mccorde"; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, James J. Shoulders, 24, to Mary E. Soulders [sic], 24, 3 Jan. 1880, Crawford Co., Ill., groom's parents: Samuel Shoulders and "Alcia" Caroline, bride's parents: John Soulders and Katie Catharina; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, Samuel Shoulders, 24, to Mary E. Clark, 18, 12 Sept. 1878, Crawford Co., Ill., groom's parents: Samuel Shoulders and A. C. Fitts, bride's parents: Thomas Clark and Martha Mullins; *Ill. County Marriages, 1810–1940*, "Chas" Edward Plur, 32, to Mary Jane Ford, 31, 26 Mar. 1892, Ill., groom's parents: Samuel Shoulders and "Alsrey Fitch," bride's parents: James F. Plur and Mary E. Saulsberry.

325. *Find a Grave*, no. 102888373, gravestone photograph, by Jeff Keeler, Updike Cem., Pt. Jackson, Crawford Co., Ill., "Alcy C. | Wife of | S. Shoulders | Died | May 1, 1877 | Aged 66 Ys | 3 Ms 15 Dys."

is too dark to read. *Find a Grave* gives these: born Dec. 1800, died 15 Apr. 1876.

6. ELIZABETH² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (¹*James*) was born 6 Feb 177[5?]. She married (bonded and licensed) 3 Oct. 1796, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[326] **JACOB PIRKLE**, who was born about 1763, North Carolina.

From a 1933 genealogy of the Pirkle family (**unvetted**):

Jacob, son of John and – Dibbs Pirkle, married Elizabeth Saunders Oct. 31, 1796, Rockingham Co., N.C.

Jacob was born 1763, North Carolina. He served in the War of the Revolution. Saw service under John Pirkle, Sr.

Jacob and Elizabeth moved to Hall Co., Ga., about 1819, then to Forsyth Co., Ga., where they both died at a very ripe age.

Children: Nathaniel, born in 1815, N.C., married Elizabeth Bryant; Robert W., born 1804, N.C., married Lucind Thurmond, second Bethany Brown; John; James; Ambros^e [sic] Jacob, born in 1827 [sic], N.C., married Sarah Pirkle, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca Tanner Pirkle; Polly Ann, married Gus Bryant; Rachael, married William McKey Nov. 3, 1818, Rockingham Co., N.C.; Eliza, married Wm. Fermillion; Fannie, married John Hillhouse; Charity, married Albert Green; Haley, married Louis Phillips.^[327]

In 1810 Jacob Pirkle, 26–45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, and with two boys and two girls, under 10, and one male and one female 10–16.^[328]

In 1820 Jacob Pirkle [**Jr.?**], over 45, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, and with three boys and five girls, under 10, two

326. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Jacob Pirkle to Elizabeth Saunders, bond date 3 Oct. 1796, Rockingham Co., N.C., bondsman William Pirkle, witness Peter Watson; *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds*, FHL 28919, film 4262177, item 3, (typed by Genealogical Society of Utah), p. 204, “[groom] Pirkle, Jacob [bride] Elizabeth Saunders [bond date] 3 Oct. 1896 [sic] [bondsman and witness] William Pirkle | (w) Peter Watson.”

327. John A. Cagle, *The Pirkles and Their Descendants in the U.S.A.*, Greenville, Tex.: John A. Cagle, 1933, 107. Online at <xxx>, accessed 9 Dec. 2017.

328. U.S. census, 1810, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 43, p. 207.

males and one female 10–16, one male 18–26, and two females 16–26, and two slaves.^[329]

In 1850 Jacob Pirkle, 87 [born about 1763], a farmer born in North Carolina with \$250 real estate, resided in Hall Co., Ga., with E., 64 [born about 1786], a female born in North Carolina. Next door resided William Pirkle, 53 [born about 1797], born in North Carolina, with his family.^[330]

Children in 1933 genealogy order (**unvetted**):

- 13 i NATHANIEL³ PIRKLE, born 1815, North Carolina, married ELIZABETH BRYANT.
- 14 ii ROBERT W.³ PIRKLE, born 1804, North Carolina, married (1) LUCIND THURMOND, married (2) BETHANY BROWN.
- 15 iii JOHN³ PIRKLE.
- 16 iv JAMES³ PIRKLE.
- + 17 v AMBROSE JACOB³ PIRKLE, born 7 Jan. 1817, North Carolina, married SARAH PIRKLE, and had eight children.
- 18 vi POLLY ANN³ PIRKLE, married GUS BRYANT.
- 19 vii RACHAEL³ PIRKLE, married 3 Nov. 1818, Rockingham Co., N.C., WILLIAM McKEY.
- 20 viii ELIZA³ PIRKLE, married WILLIAM FERMILLION.
- 21 ix FANNIE³ PIRKLE, married JOHN HILLHOUSE.
- 22 x CHARITY³ PIRKLE, married ALBERT GREEN.
- 23 xi HALEY³ PIRKLE, married LOUIS PHILLIPS.

7. AGNES² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (*James*¹) was born 9 Apr. 1778,^[331] and died (probate) at or before the August Term 1847 of the court at Rockingham Co., N.C. She married (bonded) (1) 5 Feb. 1800, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[332] CLAIBORNE WALL, born 1755–1774, who died

329. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 604.

330. U.S. census, 1850, Hall Co., Ga., r. 72, p. 393A, dw. 73, fam. 73. William resided in dw. 72.

331. Saunders Family Bible, “Agnis Sanders daug . . . of James Sanders and . . . his wife was born Apr . . . 9th 1778.”

332. N.C. *Marriage Index, 1741–2004*, Rockingham Co., “Feb. 5, 18[0]0 Wall, Claiborn and Agness Sandres [sic];” N.C. *Index to Marriage Bonds, 1741–1868*, Agness Sandres, female, to Clabon [sic] Wall, male, bond date 5 Feb. 1800, no. 122153, Rockingham Co., bondsman Peter Wall, witness A. Philips; Rockingham Co., N.C., *Marriage Bonds*, FHL 28919, film 4262177, item 3, (typed by Genealogical Society of Utah), p. 267, “[groom] Wall, Clabon [bride] Agness Sandres [bond date] 5 Feb. 1800 [bondsman and witness] Peter Wall | (w) A. Philips.”

after he signed his will on 21 July 1802 in Rockingham Co., N.C. Agnes married (2) after the 1820 census and before the 1828 will for Elizabeth and certainly before the 1830 probate for Mary H. which mentions “Agness Peay” (see below) **JOHN PEAY**,¹ who had died before Agnes’s will of 1840. His name was stated in his daughter Elizabeth’s noncupative will (q.v.).

In 1800 “Clabourn” Wall, 26–45, resided in Salisbury, Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, and three slaves.^[333]

On 21 July 1802 “Claybourn” Wall signed his will in Rockingham Co., N.C. It mentions “my beloved wife Agga,” a Negro woman Sarah, “my beloved daughter Elly,” a Negro girl Eff, “the Child my wife is pregnant with,” “Fifty acres of land part of the tract possessed [sic] by Peter Wall and myself,” his wife and Moses Lomax executors, witnesses: John Wall Sr., Peter Wall, and Anna Saunders [probably Agnes’s sister].^[334]

Placeholder: In 1810 Ambrose Peay, 26–45, resided in Salisbury, Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, one boy and two girls under 10, and one female 16–26, and three slaves. Listed two removed from Peter Wall.^[335] N.B. Ambrose is sometimes given, in online genealogies without proof, as Agnes’s husband, but I’ve found no other evidence than this, and it’s not strong.

In 1820 Agnes Wall, 26–45 [born 1775–1794], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with one boy under 10 [born 1810–1820], one female 10–16 [born 1804–1810], one male 16–18 [born 1802–1804, fits Claiborne Jr.], one female 16–26 [born 1794–1804, fits Eleanor], and six slaves. Next to her was listed James Saunders (Sr., or possibly Jr.).^[336]

In 1830 John Peay, 40–50 [born 1780–1790], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with two women 30–40 [born 1790–1800, doesn’t fit Agnes], one boy under 5, and one male and one female, 15–20, and no slaves.^[337]

On 18 Apr. 1828 a noncupative will of Elizabeth Peay was recorded in Rockingham Co., N.C., and it was proved Aug. (sessions) 1830 in the

333. U.S. census, 1800, Salisbury, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 437.

334. *N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Claiborne Wall, probate 1802, Rockingham Co., N.C., inferred death date 1802, N.C., his will.

335. U.S. census, 1800, Salisbury, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 437.

336. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 584.

337. U.S. census, 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 124, p. 280.

Rockingham Co. court. The will mentions “her father John Peay,” and “her Brother George Washington Peay.”^[338]

On 29 June 1829 Mary H. Peay signed her will in Rockingham Co., N.C., and it was proved Aug. (sessions) 1830 in the Rockingham Co. court. In the will she mentioned “my beloved mother Agatha [sic, should be Agnes?] Peay,” “my two negroes Sally and her child Caroline,” “my brother George Washington Peay,” “my Brother Claibourn Wall,” “my Sister Elnor [sic] Wright and her two Daughters Ann Eliza and Mary P Wright.” Executor was “my Brother Claibourn Wall.” Witnesses were James H. May and James T. Morehead. In the 1830 probate, the executor and the two witnesses renounced administration, and “Agness” Peay was made administratrix.^[339]

On 23 Dec. 1840 “Agness” Peay signed her will in Rockingham Co., N.C., and it was proved Aug. (term) 1847 in the Rockingham Co. court. In the will she mentioned “my Grand daughter Mary [perhaps May] Ellyclett [sic, perhaps Elizabeth but it doesn’t look like the other Elizabeth mentioned in this will] Peay daughter of my son Washington,” “my Grand daughter Ruth Jane Peay Daughter of my son Washington,” “my Grand son John Turne [sic, perhaps Turner?] Peay son of said Washington,” “my Grand daughter Mary Elizabeth Wall daughter of my son Claborn Wall Dec^d,” “my Daughter Ellenor Wright until said Mary Elizabeth arrives at twenty one years of age,” “my Daughter Ellenor Wright wife of James Wright,” “my Son in Law & Executor James Wright,” “my son George Washington Peay.” Witnesses were J. M. Morehead and James T. M. Wright.^[340]

On 5 May 1848 a petition was submitted to the court of equity of Rockingham Co., N.C. by James Wright and his wife Ellenor (formerly Ellenor or Eleanor Wall, sister of Claibourn Wall), and by Mary Wall, under 21 [implies born after 1827], by her guardian William R. Walker. Ellenor and Claibourn had been tenants in common on two acres of

338. *N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Wills, 1804–1864, image online, 15.

339. *N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Wills, 1804–1864, image online, 5–7.

340. *N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Wills, 1804–1864, image online, 49–50.

land lying in Wentworth, formerly occupied by Agness Peays [sic], and also on 50 acres about a mile from Wentworth. Claibourn Wall died intestate “some years since leaving your petitioner, Mary Wall, [an?] only child and heir at law.” The petitioners seek to sell the land and divide the money, since there is no easy way to partition it. During the proceedings, which extended into 1850, James Wright became the guardian of Mary Wall.^[341] We deduce from these documents that Eleanor/Elly and Claiborne were two children of Agnes (Sanders) Wall and that Claiborne (Jr.) was born about 1802 or 1803. And that he died leaving a daughter Mary, a minor.

Children of the first marriage, to Claiborne Wall:

- + 24 i **ELEANOR³ WALL**, born 23 Nov. 1800, North Carolina, married **JAMES WRIGHT**, and had nine children.
- 25 ii **CLAIBORNE³ WALL**, born about 1803, North Carolina, died before Agnes’s 1840 will, and had a child: (1) Mary Elizabeth⁴ Wall, born after 1827 (a minor under 21 in the 1848 petition), under the guardianship of James Wright and later under William R. Walker.

Children of the second marriage, to Mr. Peay:

- + 26 iii **GEORGE WASHINGTON³ PEAY**, born about 1814, North Carolina, married (1) **HARRIET** —, and had seven children, married (2) **ELIZABETH (BLACK) SAUNDERS**, and had two children.
- 27 iv **MARY H.³ PEAY**, signed her will on 29 June 1829, and it was proved in Aug. 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C.
- 28 v **ELIZABETH³ PEAY**, had a noncupative will recorded on 18 Apr. 1828, and it was proved in Aug. 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C. We derive her father’s name from this will.

8. ROBERT² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (*James¹*) was born 7 Sept. 17[80?] (Family Bible).^[342] He married (bonded) 28 Feb. 1809, Rocking-

341. *N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, James Wright and Wife and Mary Wall, Petition to sell land, various papers, 1848–1850.

342. The family Bible entry gives his birth as “Robert Sanders Son . . . Sanders and Alice his . . . was born September 7th . . .” The immediately preceding birth year was 1778, and the immediately succeeding was 1783.

ham Co., N.C.,^[343] **ELIZABETH [“BETSY”] ROACH.** Robert Sanders Son . . . Sanders and Alice his . . . was born September 7th . . .

In 1790 Robert Sanders resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with four males over 16 [born before 1774], one under 16, three females, and no slaves.^[344]

In 1800 Robert Sanders, 26–45 [born 1755–1774], resided in Salisbury, Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, and three boys and two girls under 10.^[345]

In 1820 Robert Saunders, 26–45 [born 1775–1794], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 26–45, one boy and three girls under 10, one boy and one girl 10–16.^[346]

Placeholder: In 1830 Robert Sanders, 20–30 [born 1800–1810], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a man and a woman 20–30, and one boy under 5.^[347]

Possible: In 1840 Elizabeth Saunders, 50–60 [born 1780–1790], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with one male 10–15, one female 15–20, and two females 20–30.^[348]

Placeholder: In 1840 “Robt” Saunders, 30–40 [born 1800–1810], resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 30–40, two boys and two girls under 5, one boy 5–10, one male 10–15, and one female 15–20.^[349]

9. WILLIAM THOMAS [“BILLY JAYBIRD”]² SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (*James*¹) was born 15 July 1783,^[350] died Nov. 1874, and was bur-

343. *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 230, “[groom] Saunders, R(ober) [bride] Betsey Roach [bond date] 28 Feb. 1809 [bondsman] William Sanders | (w) Ja. Cmpbel”; *N.C. County Marriages, 1762–1975*, Rockingham Co., N.C., marriages bonds, index, licenses, 1790–1965, image online, “Feb. 28, 1809 Saunders, Robert to Betsey Roach”; *N.C. Index to Marriage Bonds, 1741–1868*, Robert Saunders to Betsey Roach, bond date 28 Feb. 1809, bond no. 121653, Rockingham Co., N.C., bondsman William Sanders, witness, “Ja Campbel”; letter, Robert W Carter Jr. to Edith H Sanders Smith, 12 Aug 1990, “When Robert Sanders married Betsy Roach soon after the bond date of Feb 28, 1809, William Sanders was the bondsman on the marriage bond.”

344. U.S. census, 1790, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 7, p. 535.

345. U.S. census, 1800, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 32, p. 464.

346. U.S. census, 1820, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 82, p. 586.

347. U.S. census, 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 124, p. 295.

348. U.S. census, 1840, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 138.

349. U.S. census, 1840, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 146.

ied in the Sanders family cemetery (on the William Thomas Sanders farm), Giles Co., Tenn.^[351] He married 26 Mar. 1806 (bonded and licensed), Rockingham Co. N.C.,^[352] **ELIZABETH [“BETSY”] C.² BELLENFANT** (*Jean*¹), who was born 29 Mar. 1787 (gravestone), Virginia (or North Carolina), died 30 Dec. 1870, and was buried near her husband.^[353]

On 28 Feb. 1809, Rockingham Co., N.C., William Sanders served as a bondsman for his brother Robert’s marriage.^[354]

On 21 May 1810 William Sanders, James Sanders, and Robert Sanders, all of Rockingham Co., N.C., sold 100 acres in Rockingham Co., N.C., to Thomas Lytle of Rockingham Co., for \$200, the land “being on both sides of the Bould Run Creek and on the East side of big Rock house creek.” The plot description mentions neighbor John Mount. Witnesses: A. Philips and Robert Martin.^[355]

On 14 Aug. 1810 William Sanders and Robert Sanders, all of Rockingham Co., N.C., sold 100 acres in Rockingham Co., N.C., to Thomas Lytle of Rockingham Co., for \$100, the land “being on the waters of Big

350. The family Bible entry gives his birth as “Ju . . . 15th 1783” and his gravestone gives it as “July 1873.”

351. Gravestone photograph, by my father Alvy Smith in June 1990, labeled on the reverse: “In family cemetery Gile Co, TN | Sanders family cemetery on Wm Thomas Sanders farm | picture 6/1990 Alvy Smith,” “In | Memory of | W^m Sanders | Born | July 17[83] | Died | Nov 1874”; *Find a Grave*, no. 46743040, no gravestone photograph, Jesse and James Abernathy Cem., Giles Co., Tenn., which is perhaps the same cemetery.

352. Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, FHL, image online, condition “Matrimony of William Saunders & Elizabeth Bellanfent,” bonded and licensed 26 Mar. 1806, bond £500, bondsman William Roach, witness J. H. Scales, signed William Sanders; *N.C. Marriage Index, 1741-2004*, “Mar. 26, 1806 Saunders, William and Elizabeth Bellanfent”; *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 229, “[groom] Sanders, William [bride] Elizabeth Bellaufant [sic] [bond date] 26 March 1806 [bondsman] William Roach | (w) J. H. Scales.”

353. Gravestone photograph, by my father Alvy Smith in June 1990, note on reverse: “Sanders family cemetery on Wm Thomas Sanders farm, Giles Co, TN | photo 6/1990 Alvy Smith,” “In | Memory of | Mrs Elizabeth | Sanders. | Born | March 29, 1787 | Died | Dec^r 30, 1870”; *Find a Grave*, no. 46743108, no gravestone photograph, Jesse and James Abernathy Cem., Giles Co., Tenn.

354. *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 230, “[groom] Saunders, R(ober) [bride] Betsey Roach [bond date] 28 Feb. 1809 [bondsman] William Sanders | (w) Ja. Cmpbel.”

355. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, N:354-355, no. 1606, image online at FamilySearch.org, film 7517698.

Rock-house Creek.” The plot description mentions neighbors Thomas Lytle, Robert Martin, Robert Sanders, — Haggard, John Mount. Witnesses: A. Philips and Pleasant Philips.^[356]

In 1830 “W^m” Sanders, 40–50, resided in Williamson Co., Tenn., with a woman 30–40, and with one boy [William Marion] and one girl under 5, two boys and one girl 5–10, and one female 10–15.^[357] [James, born 1816, doesn’t fit.]

In 1840 “W^m” Sanders, 50–60, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with a woman 40–50, and with one boy [William Marion] and one girl under 10–15, one boy and one girl 15–20, and one male 20–30.^[358] [Now James, born 1816, does fit.] Listed next to him was L. D. Sanders, and several names removed was Early Bolin.

In 1850 William Saunders, 68, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$350 real estate, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with Elizabeth, 65, born in Virginia, and with William, 21, born in Tenn., and with a black family consisting apparently of a mother and four children.^[359] He had two slaves listed in the 1850 slave schedule, next to one slave for Lorenzo D. Saunders and two for Reason C. Saunders.^[360]

According to Linda C. Vernon, a descendant and correspondent with my parents, in a letter of 1990: “[Lorenzo Dow Sanders] deeded property 31 Dec. 1859 to his ‘parents William Sanders and Elizabeth Sanders’ for use during their life. (Giles Co., Tn. Deed Book AA p. 255).”^[361]

In 1860 “W^m” Saunders, 77, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,100 real and \$1,000 personal estates, resided in Lynnville, Giles Co., Tenn., with Elizabeth, 74, born in North Carolina, and with James C., 40, a tradesman born in Tenn.^[362]

356. Rockingham Co., N.C., Deeds, N:404–405, no. 1631, image online at FamilySearch.org, film 7517698.

357. U.S. census, 1830, Williamson Co., Tenn., r. 176, p. 149.

358. U.S. census, 1840, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 523, p. 106.

359. U.S. census, 1850, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 360A, dw. 54, fam. 54.

360. U.S. census, slave schedule, 1850, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 360A, dw. 54, fam. 54.

361. In my collection of letters and papers from relatives, sent to my parents (now deceased) about 1990.

362. U.S. census, 1860, Lynnville PO, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 1251, p. 7, dw. 83, fam. 83.

In 1870 William Sanders, 87, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,000 real and \$1,562 personal estates, resided in Buford's Station, Giles Co., Tenn., with Elizabeth, 80, born in Virginia.^[363]

Known children:

- + 29 i LORENZO DOW³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 29 Nov. 1808, North Carolina, married SARAH SPIVEY, and had 10 children.
- + 30 ii LUCY E.³ SANDERS, born 25 Dec. 1808, North Carolina, married EARLY/YELLY BOLIN, and had 15 children.
- + 31 iii ELEANOR/ELLEN[DER]³ SANDERS, born about 1816 25 Dec. 1808 [sic] 1800–1810, Tennessee, married BEN FRANKLIN HARDEMAN, and had 13 children.
- + 32 iv JAMES C.³ SANDERS, born 23 Oct. 1816, Williamson Co., Tenn., married CATHARINE PARSONS.
- + 33 v WILLIAM [“WILL”] MARION³ SANDERS, born June 1827 or 1828, Giles Co., Tenn., married SARAH HARGREAVES, and had four children. *This is my line.*
- 34 vi MARY³ SANDERS, born xxx, Giles Co., Tenn., married (1) JOHN HICKS, and had one child, married (2) CLAYTON HAMILTON WITT.

11. ALFRED W.³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (²James² Jr., James¹) was born about 1809, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[364] died before the 1880 census, and said to be buried in the Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C. (where several of his family are known to be buried).^[365] He was bonded for marriage 26 Mar. 1833, Rockingham Co., N.C., and married 27 Mar. 1833^[366] RUTH[A] ROACH, who was born about 1815, Rock-

363. U.S. census, 1870, Bufords Station PO, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 1529, p. 261B, dw. 42, fam. 42.

364. Birthplace from death certificate of son Robert Turner Saunders.

365. *Find a Grave*, no. 119401215, no gravestone photograph, Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.

366. Family Bible entry (see sketch for James¹): “Alfred W. Saunders married to Rutha . . . ach the 27th march . . . the year of our lord 1833;” *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, early to 1868*, book 975.663.V25, FHL 418149, item 3, DGS 4262177, 229, “[groom] Sanders, Alfred [bride] Ruth Roach [bond date] 26 Mar. 1833 [bondsman] E(zra) Willis”; *Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds*, film 7740369, Alford Saunders to Ruth Roach, bonded 26 Mar. 1833.

ingham Co., N.C.^[367] She too is said to be buried in the Saunders Family Cem.^[368]

Geographical note: In 1967 the communities of Leaksville, Spray, and Draper in Rockingham Co., N.C., combined into the one town, Eden.

In 1850 Alfred Sanders, 41, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$624 real estate, resided in Western Division, Rockingham Co., N.C., with Ruth, 35, born in North Carolina, and with Jane, 17, James, 15, William, 13, John, 11, Letitia, 9, Thomas, 7, Alfred, 5, Robert, 3, and Elizabeth, 1, all born in North Carolina, and also Thomas Roach, 5, born in Mississippi, and one laborer, Turner Wall, 25, born in Virginia.^[369] **He is not to be confused with Alfred M. Sanders, 57, of Maury Co., Tenn., in the same census. This could be a major misidentification furthered by the printed text above from the history of Maury County.**

In 1870 Alfred Saunders, 61, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,500 real and \$300 personal estates, resided in Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., with Ruth, 55, born in North Carolina, and with Jane "Settle," 36, James Saunders, 35, a tobacco trader with \$700 real and \$250 personal estates, "Billie," 34, a farmer, Thomas, 26, "Robt.", 23, Peter, 18, Letitia A., 27, "Lizzie," 20, and Sallie, 14, all born in North Carolina.^[370]

In 1880 Ruth Saunders, 66, a widow born in Rockingham Co., N.C., of North Carolina natives, resided in Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., with her daughter, Louisa Saunders, 47, son, William, 43, daughter, Lizzie, 29, son, Richard, 27, and daughter, Sallie, 23, all born in Rockingham Co., N.C., of a father born in North Carolina, and also two farm laborers, one white one one white, and a black family of six.^[371]

Children:

367. Birthplace from death certificate of son Robert Turner Saunders and from the 1870 census.

368. *Find a Grave*, no. 119401242, no gravestone photograph, Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.

369. U.S. census, 1850, Western Division, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 643, p. 67B, dw. 316, fam. 316.

370. U.S. census, 1870, Wentworth PO, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 1157, p. 369A, dw. 62, fam. 54.

371. U.S. census, 1880, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 235, r. 980, p. 181A, fam. 42.

- 35 i LOUISA JANE⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1833, Rockingham Co., N.C., married (bonded) 21 Jan. 1858, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[372] ANDREW W. SUTTLE.
- 36 ii JAMES⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1835, North Carolina.
- 37 iii WILLIAM⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1837, Rockingham Co., N.C.
- 38 iv JOHN⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1839, North Carolina.
- + 39 v LETITIA ANN⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 3 Feb. 1842 or July 1841, Rockingham Co., N.C., married DAVID LUTHER CARTER, and had five children.
- + 40 vi THOMAS J.⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born Nov. 1844, North Carolina, married SARAH L. CARTER, and had xxx children. Sarah was sister of brother-in-law David Luther Carter, who married Letitia Saunders.
- 41 vii ALFRED TURNER⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 10 Feb. 184[6] (calculated), near Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., died 30 Nov. 1916, aged 7[0] years 9 months 20 days, "Bethlem School house," Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[373] buried 2 Dec. 1916, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C.
- 42 viii ROBERT TURNER⁺ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 1848 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 1916, buried in Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[374] married 11 Feb. 1873, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[375] SARAH FRANCES LANE [LAINE], born

372. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., Marriage Bonds, 1807–1868, image online, Andrew W. Suttle to Louisa [possibly Louiza] Jane Saunders, bonded 21 Jan. 1858, bondsman Thomas J. Jarrell.

373. N.C. *Deaths, 1906–1930*, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 282, Robert Turner Saunders, died 30 Nov. 1916, Bethlem School house, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 7[0?] yrs. 9 mos. 20 dys., male, white, widowed, farmer, born 10 Feb. 18[46?], "Country near Wentworth," father Alfred Saunders, born Rockingham Co., mother Ruth Roach, born Rockingham Co., informant Ruth Turner, of Leaksville, buried 2 Dec. 1916, Leaksville, N.C.

374. *Find a Grave*, no. 19889226, gravestone photograph, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., "Robert Turner Saunders | 1848–1916 | Sarah Frances Lane | Saunders | 1848–1895 | Asleep in Jesus."

375. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, image online, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriages, 1867–1961, 11:1301, Robert Turner Saunders of Rockingham, 23, white, son of Alfred Saunders and Ruthy Saunders, both alive and residing in Rockingham, to Fannie Laine of Rockingham, 20, white, daughter of Joseph Laine and Lucy Laine, he dead and she alive and residing in Rockingham, licensed 10 Feb. 1873, married 11 Feb. 1873, by D. E. Field MG, at Mrs. Fields in Leaksville Twp.

1848 (gravestone) or about 1843 (marriage license), died 1895, and buried with her husband.

- 43 ix **ELIZABETH A.⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born Dec. 1849 (1900 census), Rockingham Co., N.C. “Lizzie” resided, unmarried, with her brother Richard in the 1900 and 1920 censuses.
- + 44 x **RICHARD PETER⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born Nov. 1851, Rockingham Co., N.C., married **MAGDALENE/MAGGIE KEMP**, and had one child.
- 45 xi **SALLIE ELLA⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born Oct. 1855 (1900 census), Rockingham Co., N.C., died 13 July 1915, unmarried, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[376] buried 14 July 1915, Saunders Family Cem., Leaksville (now Eden), Rockingham Co., N.C. She resided with her brother Richard in the 1900 census.

12. REASON C.³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (?²*James² Jr., James¹*) was born **18 Jan. 1818** about 1818, North Carolina, and died **16 Mar. 1866, McNairy Co., Tenn.** He was bonded and licensed for marriage 18 Mar. 1842, Caswell Co., N.C.,^[377] and married 29 Mar. 1842^[378] **MARY ANN WOMACK**, who was born about 1817, North Carolina.

In 1840 Reason Saunders, 20–30, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with four males 20–30, and one free colored person, and seven slaves (one male and one female 10–24, three females under 10, one female 24–36, and one female 55–100).^[379]

In 1850 Reason C. Saunders, 32, a wagoner born in North Carolina with \$200 real estate, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with Mary A., 33, born in North Carolina, and with Rolley, 4, and Mary J., 6/12, both

376. *N.C. Deaths, 1906–1930*, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 171, Miss Sallie Ella Saunders, died 13 July 1915, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 59 yrs. 7 mos., female, white, single, “good education,” born Rockingham Co., father Alfred Saunders, born Rockingham Co., N.C., mother Ruth Roach, born Rockingham Co., N.C., informant D. L. Carter, of Leaksville, N.C., buried 14 July 1915, Saunders Cem., Leaksville, N.C.

377. *N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Caswell Co. Marriage Bonds, 1780–1884, image online, Reason C. Saunders to Mary Ann Womack, bonded and licensed 18 Mar. 1842, bondsman Lewis P. Womack, witness John K. Graves.

378. Family Bible entry (see sketch for James¹): “. . . eason C. Saunders married to mary Ann . . . omack the 29th march . . . D. 1842.”

379. U.S. census, 1830, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 138.

born in North Carolina. William Saunders, 68, and Elizabeth, 65, resided nearby.^[380]

In 1860 Reason Sanders, 43, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$2,000 real and \$3,925 personal estates, resided in McNairy Co., Tenn., with Mary, 43, born in North Carolina, and with Rolly, 13, and Mary J., 11, both born in North Carolina, Thomas, 8, William, 5, and John, 3, all born in Tennessee.^[381]

In 1870 Mary A. Sanders, 53, a widow born in North Carolina with \$500 personal estate, resided in Purdy, McNairy Co., Tenn., with Thomas W., 18, his wife, Lucretia, 18, and John B., 12, all born in Tennessee. Thomas and Lucretia were married in Sept. 1869.^[382]

Known children:

- 46 i **ROLLEY/ROLLY**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1846, North Carolina.
- 47 ii **MARY J.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1849, North Carolina.
- + 48 iii **THOMAS W.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born 19 Nov. 1852, Tennessee, married (1) **LUCRETIA E. TULEY**, and probably had one child, married (2) **MARY M. HAIR**, and had eight children.
- 49 iv **WILLIAM**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1855, Tennessee.
- 50 v **JOHN**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1857, Tennessee.

17. AMBROSE JACOB³ **PIRKLE** (*Elizabeth*², *James*¹) was born 7 Jan. 1817 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 8 Sept. 1860, and was buried in Haw Creek Cem., Cumming, Forsyth Co., Ga.^[383] He married 14 Oct. 1838, Hall Co., Ga.,^[384] **SARAH PIRKLE**, who was born 1 Mar. 1815, Georgia, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca (Tanner) Pirkle, and died 18 Feb. 1876, and was buried near her husband.^[385]

380. U.S. census, 1850, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 360A, dw. 49, fam. 49. William resided in dw. 54.

381. U.S. census, 1860, McNairy Co., Tenn., r. 1262, p. 473, dw. 1691, fam. 1700.

382. U.S. census, 1870, Purdy PO, McNairy Co., Tenn., r. 1549, p. 328B, dw. 103, fam. 103.

383. *Find a Grave*, no. 90296623, gravestone photograph, Haw Creek Cem., Cumming, Forsyth Co., Ga., "Ambrose Pirkle | born | Jan. 7, 1817 | died | Sept. 8, 1860 | . . . "

384. *Ga. Marriage Records from Select Counties, 1828-1978*, Hall Co., Ga., Record of Marriages, Book A, 1819-1870, 115, "1013 License for Ambrose Pirkle and Sarah Pirkle issued 8th October 1838 returned solemnized 14th October 1838 by D. Campbell J.P."

385. *Find a Grave*, no. 102212828, gravestone photograph, Haw Creek Cem., Cumming, Forsyth

In 1840 Ambrose Pirkle, 20–30, resided in Forsyth Co., Ga., with a woman, 20–30, and with one boy under 5.^[386]

In 1850 “Ambers” Pirkle, 33, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$1,000 real estate, resided in Forsyth Co., Ga., with Sarah, 35, born in Georgia, and with Albert G., 12, Andrew J., 10, Isaac S., 8, Mary E., 6, Jacob F., 4, and George W., 7/12, all born in Georgia.^[387]

In 1860 A. “Perkelle,” 42, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$3,300 real and \$4,181 personal estates, resided in Cumming, Forsyth Co., Ga., with Sarah, 45, born in Georgia, and with Albert G., 20, Jackson, 19, “Isac” S., 16, Mary E., 14, Jacob T., 12, George W., 10, “Ambros” L., 8, and Noah S., 6, all born in Georgia.^[388]

Children:

- 51 i ALBERT G.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1838, Georgia.
- 52 ii ANDREW JACKSON⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1840, Georgia.
- 53 iii ISAAC S.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1842, Georgia.
- 54 iv MARY E.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1844, Georgia.
- 55 v JACOB F./T.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1846, Georgia.
- 56 vi GEORGE W.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1849, Georgia.
- 57 vii AMBROSE L.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1852, Georgia. “Ambros” L., 8, and Noah S., 6
- 58 viii NOAH S.⁴ PIRKLE, born about 1854, Georgia.

24. ELEANOR³ WALL (⁷Agnes², James¹) was born 23 Nov. 1800 (grave-stone), North Carolina, died 28 Jan. 1864, and was buried in Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[389] She married (bonded) 29 Jan. 1823, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[390] **JAMES**

Co., Ga., “Sarah Pirkle | born | Mar. 1, 1815 | died | Feb. 18, 1876 | . . .”

386. U.S. census, 1840, Forsyth Co., Ga., r. 41, p. 263.

387. U.S. census, 1850, Forsyth Co., Ga., r. 69, p. 181A, dw. 497, fam. 497.

388. U.S. census, 1860, Cumming PO, Forsyth Co., Ga., r. 121, p. 400, dw. 216, fam. 216, enumerated 8 June 1860.

389. *Find a Grave*, no. 64434761, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., “Ella Wright | born | Nov. 23, 1800 | died | Jan. 28, 1864.”

390. *N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, 1807–1868, image online, James Wright to “Elly” Wall, both of Rockingham Co., bonded and licensed 29 Jan. 1823, bondsman “Clayborne” [also “Claibourn”] Wall [I could not decipher the witness names, Allaway perhaps!]; *N.C. Index to Marriage Bonds, 1741–1868*, “Elly” Wall to James Wright, bonded

WRIGHT, who was born 24 Mar. 1788 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 28 May 1876, and was buried near his wife.^[391]

In 1850 James Wright, 59, an entertainer born in North Carolina with \$2,700 real estate, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with “Ellin,” 48, born in North Carolina, and M. P., 22, E. A., 19, M. W., 17, S. L., 14, D. W., 13, N. J., 12, V. H., 10, all female and all born in North Carolina, and J. T., 22, a “Tralleman” [Tradesman?], male, born in North Carolina, and “W^m” N., 20, a farmer born in North Carolina.^[392] Note that sons were listed after daughters.

In 1860 James Wright, 69, an entertainer born in North Carolina with \$2,700 real estate, resided in Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., with “Ellen,” 59, born in North Carolina, and Mary, [35?], Newton, 30, Elizabeth, 27, Sarah, 24, Nancy, 20, and Virginia, 19, all born in North Carolina, and with Delia Johnson, 23, and [Thomas?] Johnson, 22, both born in North Carolina, and with a farm laborer and a blacksmith.^[393]

Children:

- 59 i **J. T.⁴ WRIGHT**, a son, born about 1828, North Carolina.
- 60 ii **MARY P.⁴ WRIGHT**, born 1829 (gravestone), North Carolina. See the 1829 will of Mary H. Peay. She (Mary P.) died 1904, and was buried with two sisters in Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[394]
- 61 iii **WILLIAM NEWTON⁴ WRIGHT**, born about 1830, North Carolina. [Possibly a twin?]
- 62 iv **ANN ELIZA[BETH] [or ELIZA[BETH] ANN]⁴ WRIGHT**, born about 1830 (before Aug. 1830), North Carolina. See the 1829 will of Mary H. Peay (proved Aug. 1830). Her gravestone gives her birth as 1832, but that cannot be correct, given that Ann Eliza and Elizabeth A.

29 Jan. 1823, bond no. 122491, Rockingham Co., N.C., bondsman Claibourn wall, witness “Ro Gallaway Jr.”

391. *Find a Grave*, no. 64434750, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., “James Wright | born | Mar. 24, 1788, | died | May 28, 1876. | An honest man.”

392. US census, 1850, Eastern Dist., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 643, p. 1A, dw. 2, fam. 2.

393. US census, 1860, Wentworth PO, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 912, p. 174, dw. [217?], fam. [212?], barely legible.

394. *Find a Grave*, no. 65604714, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., “Mary P. Wright | 1829–1904 | Elizabeth A. Wright | 1832–1908 | Virginia H. Wright | 1840–1911 | Daughters of James & Ella Wright.”

were the same person. She died 1908, and was buried with two sisters in Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[395]

- 63 v **M. W.⁴ WRIGHT**, a daughter, born about 1833, North Carolina.
- 64 vi **SARAH L.⁴ WRIGHT**, born about 1836, North Carolina.
- 65 vii **DELIA W.⁴ WRIGHT**, born about 1837, North Carolina, married before the 1860 census **THOMAS JOHNSON**, born about 1838, North Carolina.
- 66 viii **NANCY J.⁴ WRIGHT**, born about 1838, North Carolina.
- 67 ix **VIRGINIA H.⁴ WRIGHT**, born 1840 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 1911, and was buried with two sisters in Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[396]

26. GEORGE WASHINGTON³ PEAY (⁷Agnes², James¹) was born about 1814, North Carolina, died 1880, and was buried in Kallam Grove Christian Church Cem., Rockingham Co., N.C., with his second wife.^[397] He married (1) **HARRIET** —, who was born about 1814, North Carolina, and died after the 1850 census and before 1854, his second marriage. He married (2) 30 Sept. 1854, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[398] **ELIZABETH (BLACK) SAUNDERS**, who was born about 1825 (1860 census) or about 1820 (1870 census), North Carolina.

In 1840 George W. Peay, 20–30, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with a woman 20–30, another male 20–30, and with one boy and one girl under 5, and one girl 5–10, and with four slaves.^[399]

In 1850 George “B”. Peay, 36, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$220 real estate, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with Harriet, 36,

395. *Find a Grave*, no. 65604714, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Kallam Grove Christian Church Cem., Rockingham Co., N.C., “Peay | George Washington | Elizabeth Black | | Lelia Washburn | Jessie Carter | | Jessie Lee | Frank | Kate.”

396. *Find a Grave*, no. 65604714, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., “Mary P. Wright | 1829–1904 | Elizabeth A. Wright | 1832–1908 | Virginia H. Wright | 1840–1911 | Daughters of James & Ella Wright.”

397. *Find a Grave*, no. 100663993, gravestone photograph, Wentworth Methodist Church Cem., Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C., “Mary P. Wright | 1829–1904 | Elizabeth A. Wright | 1832–1908 | Virginia H. Wright | 1840–1911 | Daughters of James & Ella Wright.”

398. *N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Bonds, 1807–1868, image online, George W. Peay to Elizabeth Saunders, bonded and married 30 Sept. 1854, bondsman, “Ja” D. Ellington.

399. US census, 1840, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 369, p. 152.

born in North Carolina, and Mary, 15, Ruth, 13, John T. [perhaps W.?], 11, Ellen, 8, Claiborne T. [perhaps L.?], 5, James T. [perhaps W.?] S., 3, and "Infant Not Named," 3/12, female, all born in North Carolina.^[400]

In 1860 George W. "Pea," 47, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$220 real estate, resided in Pleasant Grove, Rockingham Co., N.C., with Elizabeth, 35, born in North Carolina, and John, 21, Turner, 14, James, 13, Martha, 11, Emily, 3, and "Jessee," 4/12, male, all born in North Carolina.^[401]

In 1870 George W. Peay, 56, a day laborer born in North Carolina with \$220 real estate, resided in Stonesville, Mayo Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., with Elizabeth, 50, born in North Carolina, and Emily H., 13, and Jessie, 10, male, both born in North Carolina.^[402]

In 1880 George W. Peay, 65, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Rockingham Co., N.C., with his wife, Elizabeth, 60, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Jesse, 20, born in North Carolina.^[403]

Children of the first marriage, to Harriet (for the first three, see the 1840 will of Agnes Peay):

- 68 i **MARY ELLYCLETT [ELIZABETH?]⁴ PEAY**, born about 1835, North Carolina.
- 69 ii **RUTH JANE⁴ PEAY**, born about 1837, North Carolina.
- 70 iii **JOHN TURNE [TURNER?]⁴ PEAY**, born about 1839, North Carolina.
- 71 iv **ELLEN⁴ PEAY**, born about 1842, North Carolina.
- 72 v **CLAIBORNE TURNER [or TURNER CLAIBORNE]⁴ PEAY**, born about 1845, North Carolina, married 11 Feb. 1869, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[404] **SUE SHARP**, daughter of James A. and Peggy (–) Sharp.
- 73 vi **JAMES T. [or W.] S.⁴ PEAY**, born about 1847, North Carolina.

400. US census, 1850, Western Division, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 643, p. 52B, dw. 73, fam. 73.

401. US census, 1860, Pleasant Grove PO, Northern Division, Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 912, p. 234, dw. 708, fam. 686. This census is almost illegible. I've depended here on the reading online at <Ancestry.com>.

402. US census, 1870, Stonesville PO, Mayo Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 1157, p. 306B, dw. 629, fam. 582.

403. US census, 1880, Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 231, r. 980, p. 97B, dw. 286, fam. 292.

404. *N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Licenses, 1867–1961, image online, 10:88, Turner G. Peay, son of George W. Peay and Harriet Peay, and Sue Sharp, daughter of James A. Sharp and Peggy Sharp, licensed 5 Feb. 1869, Wentworth, married 11 Feb. 1869, by D. E. Jordan.

74 vii **MARTHA⁴ PEAY**, born about 1850, North Carolina.

Children of the second marriage, to Elizabeth:

75 viii **EMILY H.⁴ PEAY**, born about 1857, North Carolina, married 22 Apr. 1879, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[405] **MAX M. MEHRMAN**, born about 1844, son of John and Caroline (–) Mehrman.

76 ix **JESS[I]E CARTER⁴ PEAY**,^[406] born **20 Apr. 1859** about 1860, North Carolina, died **21 Jan. 1909**, and buried with his father, married 28 Aug. 1883, Wentworth, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[407] **LELIA WASHBURN**, born **1861** about 1862, died **1924**, and buried with her husband.

29. LORENZO DOW³ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (William Thomas², James¹) was born 29 Nov. 1808 (gravestone) [but cf. birthdate of sister Lucy—one of them is incorrect], North Carolina, died 9 June 1894, Lee Co., Miss., and was buried in Beulah Cem., Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss.^[408] He married **14 July 1829, Maury Co., Tenn.**,^[409] **SARAH SPIVEY**, who was born **18 Nov. 1809** about 1811, Tennessee, died **23 July 1881, Lee Co., Miss.**, and was buried in **Beulah Cem., Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss.**^[410]

405. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Licenses, 1867–1961, image online, 8:925, Max M. Mehrman, 35, of Rockingham, white, son of John Mehrman and Caroline Mehrman, both living and resident in Philadelphia, Pa., and “Emma” H. Peay, 22, of Rockingham, white, daughter of “Geo” W. Peay and “Bettie” Peay, both living [but mother might be deceased] and resident in Rockingham, licensed 29 Mar. 1879, married 22 Apr. 1869, by E. P. Barnes JP.

406. His middle name comes from his gravestone. The dates in red come from *Find a Grave*, no. 100664136 100664102, but are **unsourced**.

407. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriage Register, 1867–1920, image online, “[book:page] 10-222 [date of issue] Aug 23 1883 [name and residence of man] Peay Jesse C [age] 23 [color] white [name and residence of woman] Lelia Washburn [age] 21 [color] white [name and title of minister or officer celebrating marriage] John M. Ellington JP [date of marriage] Aug 28 1883 [place of marriage] Wentworth [?].”

408. *Find a Grave*, no. 16887251, gravestone photograph, by Cindy McClure, Beulah Cem., Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss., “L. D. Sanders | Born | Nov. 29, 1808 | died | June 9, 1894 |”

409. *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780–2002*, D. L. Saunders to Sally Spivey, licensed 14 July 1829. **But there is no return recorded, his initials are reversed, and it’s a Maury Co. record. Doesn’t seem right. However, Maury Co. abuts Giles Co.**

410. *Find a Grave*, no. 16887228, no gravestone photograph, **unsourced data**: born 18 Nov. 1809, Tenn., died 23 July 1881, Lee Co., Miss., buried Beulah Cem., Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss., married 14 July 1829, Maury Co., Tenn., Sarah “Sally” Spivy, daughter of Henry Spivy and Lucy Griffis.

In 1840 L. D. Sanders, 20–30, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with a woman 20–30, and with two boys and two girls under 5, one boy 5–10, and one male 10–15.^[411] Listed next to him was “W^m” Sanders, 50–60, and several names removed was Early Bolin, 30–40.

In 1850 Lorenzo Saunders, 41, a farmer born in North Carolina with \$7,800 real estate, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with Sarah, 39, William H., 19, Robert J., 17, Ellen J., 15, George W., 13, Joseph H., 11, Airretta H., 9, Lorenzo, 7, Sarah E., 5, Salona A., 4, “Josaphine,” 2, and Robert, 28, a wagoner, all born in Tennessee.^[412]

Repeated from parents’ sketch: According to Linda C. Vernon, a descendant and correspondent with my parents, in a letter of 1990: “[Lorenzo Dow Sanders] deeded property 31 Dec. 1859 to his ‘parents William Sanders and Elizabeth Sanders’ for use during their life. (Giles Co., Tn. Deed Book AA p. 255).”^[413]

In 1860 Lorenzo D. Sanders, 55, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$6,000 real and \$9,000 personal estates, resided in Ponticola, Pontotoc Co., Miss., with Sarah, 54, Jane, 26, George W., 24, “No occupation (Invalid),” Lorenzo D., 18, “Laretta [Saretta?],” 16, and Josephine, 13, all born in Tennessee. Next door was “Ja^s” R. Sanders, 27, born in Tennessee.^[414]

In 1860 “Ja^s” R. Sanders, 27, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$3,500 personal estate, resided in Ponticola, Pontotoc Co., Miss., with Martha W., 24, born in Tennessee, and James E., 1, born in Mississippi, Joseph H., 22, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$2,000 real and \$1,500 personal estates, and Virginia T., 16, born in Tennessee. Next door was Lorenzo D. Sanders, 55, born in Tennessee. Next door was “Robt” A. Motley, 47, born in Virginia, with Elizabeth C., 47, born in Virginia, and with seven children, including Julia C., 20, born in Tennessee.^[415]

411. U.S. census, 1840, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 523, p. 106.

412. U.S. census, 1850, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 359B, dw. 46, fam. 46.

413. In my collection of letters and papers from relatives, sent to my parents (now deceased) about 1990.

414. U.S. census, 1860, Ponticola PO, Pontotoc Co., Miss., r. 590, p. 578, dw. 602, fam. 602.

415. U.S. census, 1860, Ponticola PO, Pontotoc Co., Miss., r. 590, p. 578, dw. 601, fam. 601.

In 1870 “Lorance” D. Sanders, 60 [sic], born in North Carolina with \$450 personal estate, resided in Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss., with Sarah, 60 [sic], and Sarah E., 26, both born in Tennessee.^[416]

In 1880 L. D. Sanders, 73, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Saltillo Dist., Lee Co., Miss., with his wife, “Sallie,” 72, born in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and his son [but note that Sarah would have been about 51 at his birth], J. F., 21, born in Tennessee. Also in the household were Martha James, 32, a widow born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, her daughter Lizzie, 16, and her son, “W^m” M., 13, both born in North Carolina of a father born in North Carolina.^[417]

Children:

- 77 i **WILLIAM H.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1831, Tennessee.
- 78 ii **ROBERT JAMES [or JAMES ROBERT]**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1833, Tennessee, married 10 Sept. 1857, Pontotoc Co., Miss.,^[418] **MARTHA W. MOTLEY**, born about 1836, Tennessee, and had at least one child: (1) James Edwin⁵ Sanders, born about 1859, Mississippi.
- In 1870 James R. Sanders, 38, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$4,000 real and \$800 personal estates, resided in Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss., with Martha W., 35, born in Tennessee, and Edwin, 12, Helen, 10, Lula, 4, and Gusta, 2, male, all born in Mississippi.^[419]
- 79 iii **ELLEN JANE**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1835, Tennessee.
- 80 iv **GEORGE W.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1837, Tennessee.
- 81 v **JOSEPH H.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1839, Tennessee, married 15 May 1860, Pontotoc Co., Miss.,^[420] **CLARA MOTLEY**. She was probably Julia C. Motley, who resided next door in 1860.
- 82 vi **AIRETTA H.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1841, Tennessee.
- 83 vii **LORENZO D.**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1843, Tennessee.
- 84 viii **SARAH ETTA**⁴ **SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born about 1845, Tennessee.

416. U.S. census, 1870, Saltillo PO, Lee Co., Miss., r. 736, p. 438B, dw. 13, fam. 13.

417. U.S. census, 1880, Saltillo Dist., Lee Co., Miss., ED 87, r. 654, p. 42A, dw. 42, fam. 44.

418. *Miss. Marriages, 1776–1935*, R. J. Sanders to Martha W. Motley, married 10 Sept. 1857, Pontotoc Co., Miss.

419. U.S. census, 1870, Saltillo, Lee Co., Miss., r. 736, p. 439A, dw. 18, fam. 18.

420. *Miss. Marriages, 1776–1935*, Joseph H. Sanders to Clara Motley, married 15 May 1860, Pontotoc Co., Miss.

- 85 ix SALONA A.⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1846, Tennessee.
 86 x JOSEPHINE⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born about 1848, Tennessee.

30. LUCY E.³ SANDERS (9William Thomas², James¹) was born 25 Dec. 1808 [but cf. birthdate of sister brother Lorenzo—one of them is incorrect], North Carolina. She died intestate, Stone Co., Mo., with (son) L. D. Bolen appointed administrator on 29 July 1858.^[421] She married EARLY/YELLY BOLIN [BOLEN] [BOLING], who was born 1 Sept. 1801, Virginia. He died intestate, Stone C., Mo., with (son) L. D. Bolen appointed administrator on 16 Jan. 1857.^[422]

In 1840 Early Bolin, 30–40, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with a woman 30–40, and with two boys and one girl under 5, one boy and two girls 5–10, one female 10–15, and one female 15–20.^[423]

In 1850 Yelly Bolin, 49, born in Virginia, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with “Lucey,” 43, born in North Carolina, and with “Luisa,” 19, “Susanah,” 17, “Almira” J., 15, William H., 11, Tranquilla, 9, Fountainella, 9, George W., 6, Benjamin F., 4, and John R., 2, all born in Tennessee.^[424]

421. Stone Co., Mo., *Abstracts of Wills and Administrations*, Lucy E. Bolen, died intestate, administrator L. D. Bolen appointed 29 July 1858, security W. T. Stone, J. D. Shannon, and Clemiel Davis, heirs: “Mary Jane Bolin, L. D. Bolen & Elizabeth Harrison of Texas, Elimy Rage, Louisa Wells of Tenn., Susannah Edwards, Fonntainelelor O’Neal, Franquilla Demmint, William H. Bolen, George W. Bolen, Benjamin F. Bolen, John R. Bolen, Sarah Bolen,” also “gdn. and cur. [guardian and curator] bond dated 15 June 1870, L. D. Bowlen was appt. gdn and cur. of estate of Tennessee C. Bowlen and Lucy E. Bowlen, minor heirs of Martha E. Bowlen. gdn. and cur. bond dated Mar. 1864, Mary Jane Bolen, princ. and Elighue Edwards and Robert Kizee, sec. gdn. and cur. of estate of Sarah Mae Bolen, minor under the age of 21” (p. 47). N.B. I recorded this note many years ago: “Note added after having read the original of the estate papers, rather than the transcription: I think the transcription should read ‘Elisabeth Daveson’ rather than ‘Elizabeth Harrison’. I think the author originally wrote last name ‘Bolin’ then overwrote that name with ‘Daveson’. At the very least, it makes the name difficult to read. I found ‘Harrison’ quite a stretch nevertheless.”

422. Stone Co., Mo., *Abstracts of Wills and Administrations*, Yelly Bolen, died intestate, administrator L. D. Bolen appointed 16 Jan. 1857, security Mitchel Garrison, Jos. V. Reagan, and P. C. Berry, no list of heirs, those buying at sale were L. D. Boling and Lucy Boling (p. 43).

423. U.S. census, 1840, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 523, p. 106.

424. U.S. census, 1850, Dist. 5, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 369B, dw. 35, fam. 35.

In 1860 Mary “J. Bowling,” 34, born in Tennessee, resided in Galena, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., with Benjamin F., 12, John “P.” 10, and Sarah “C.,” 9, all born in Tennessee.^[425]

A relative’s family Bible lists Yelly & Lucy’s family’s birth dates as follows:

Early[?] Bolin Sept 1, 1801
Lucy E. Bolin Dec 25, 1808
Mary Jane Bolin Nov 26, 1825
Lorenzo Dow Bolin July 28, 1827
Elizabeth Ann Bolin Sept. 22, 1829
Louiza Bolin Aug 19 1831
Susannah Bolin May 5, 1833
Elmira Josephine Bolin Nov 25, 1835
Robert Bolin Nov 15 1837
William Henry Bolin Nov 23 1839
Fountain Ella Bolin Dec 1, 1842 (twin)
Tranquiller Bolin Dec 2, 1842 (twin)
Columbus Bolin July 4, 1843
George Washington Bolin May 25, 1845
Benjamin Franklin Bolin May 18, 1847
John Robert Bolin Mar 6, 1849
Sarah Mae Bolin May 3, 1851

Another relative’s family Bible has roughly the same list as follows (this is the Jackson Family Bible, which also has details on the Jackson and O’Neil families which follow the first list):

Early[?] Bolin Sept 1, 1801
Lucy E. Bolin Dec 25, 1808
Mary J. Bolin Nov 26, 1825
L.D. (or O) Bolin July 28, 1827
Elizabeth Bolin Sept. 22, 1829
Louissa Bolin Aug 19 1831
Sussanah Bolin May 5, 1833
Almira Bolin Nov 25, 1835
Robert Bolin Nov 15 1837

425. U.S. census, 1860, Galena PO, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., r. 658, p. 568, dw. 132, fam. 132.

William Bolin Nov 23 1839
Tran. & Fount Dec 1 & 2, 1842^[426]
George Bolin May 25, 1845
John Bolin Mar 6, 1849
Ben. Bolin May 18, 1847
Columbus Bolin July 4, 1843
Sarah Bolin May 3, 1851^[427]

List 2 of the Jackson Family Bible:

T. E. Jackson August 15- 1828
F. E. Dec. 1st 1842 [appears to be Fountainella]
J. O. Oneil Mar 14- 1859
W. J. Oneil Dec 10- 1860
M. E. Jackson June-30- 1864
F. T. Jackson Apr-7 - 1866
J. A. Jackson Feb- 11- 1868^[428]
J. E. Jackson Feb-7- 1870
F.C. Jackson July- 15- 1871
G. (?)M. Jackson June- 14- 1873
M. J. Jackson Oct- 12- 1875
O. H. Jackson Nov- 25- 1877
L. A. Jackson Jan- 7- 1881
J. A. E. and Eddy Jackson- Nov-30-1882
F. M. Jackson Jan- 3- 1885

426. I inspected a photocopy of this Bible list (from Elizabeth Witt White) and read this line as shown. The online version has "Fran. & Jount Dec 1 & 2, 1842."

427. Online at *The Bolin, Jackson, Baze Family Bible*, <www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mobarry/-data/bazebib.htm>, accessed 4 Dec. 2017, submitted by Donna L. Baze, 1999, with this note: The following list of names were found in Joe and Celia B. Jackson's family bible: They were transcribed exactly as appears. They also do not appear to have been written by the same hand as other documentation in the Bible. There is also a handwritten list in the same hand which follows the listing of Bolins. This transcriber does not know how these individuals relate to the BAZE family, JOSEPH A. JACKSON family, or O'NEIL family. J.A. and C.B. Jackson's family Bible surfaced in January 1998. It appears to have been out of J.A.'s and C.B.'s hands possibly after the death of C.B.'s father in 1915. That is the most recent item in the Bible. A kind man, David Bothman, in Santa Barbara, CA, had the Bible, and made efforts to contact those the Bible would be most important to, and cherished by. David, thank you. I wish to share these lists with other researchers who may have despaired at ever finding a few answers.

428. "transcriber's note: Joseph A. Jackson, owner of the Bible"

Reverse side of list 2 of the Jackson Family Bible, titled "Deaths":

Eddy Jackson Jan-2-1882
John Jackson Apr-17-1884
Monroe Jackson Dec-13-1897
Thos Jackson Dec-23-1898
James Oneil June-2-1902

Children (cf. list of heirs in Lucy's probate file for married surnames):

- 87 i **MARY JANE[†] BOLIN**, born 26 Nov. 1825, Tennessee. Her three youngest siblings resided with her, single, age 34, in Stone Co., Mo. (see parents' sketch).
- + 88 ii **LORENZO DOW[†] BOLIN [BOLEN]**, born 28 July 1827, married **MARTHA —**, and had three children, married (2) **CASANDER H. ASBELL**, and had at least two children.
- 89 iii **ELIZABETH ANN[†] BOLIN**, born 22 Sept. 1829, married — **DAVIDSON**. Of Texas..
- 90 iv **LOUISA[†] BOLIN**, born 19 Aug. 1831, Tennessee, married — **WELLS**. Of Tennessee.
- 91 v **SUSANNAH[†] BOLIN**, born 5 May 1833, Tennessee, married — **EDWARDS**.
- 92 vi **ALMIRA/ELMIRA JOSEPHINE[†] BOLIN**, born 25 Nov. 1835, Tennessee, married — **RAGE**.
- 93 vii **ROBERT[†] BOLIN**, born 15 Nov. 1837.
- 94 viii **WILLIAM HENRY[†] BOLIN**, born 23 Nov. 1839, Tennessee.
- 95 ix **FOUNTAINELLA[†] BOLIN** (twin), born 1 Dec. 1842, Tennessee, died 18 June, 1927, buried Kings Prairie Cem., Monett, Barry Co., Mo.,^[429] married (1) — **O'NEIL**, married (2) **THOMAS F. JACKSON**, born 15 Aug. 1828 (gravestone), died 28 Dec. 1898, and buried with his wife.
- + 96 x **TRANQUILLA[†] BOLIN** (twin), born 2 Dec. 1842, Tennessee, married **H. C. DUMMIT**, and had at least six children.
- 97 xi **COLUMBUS[†] BOLIN**, born 4 July 1843.
- 98 xii **GEORGE WASHINGTON[†] BOLIN**, born 25 May 1845, Tennessee. He resided in 1860 with his brother Lorenzo (q.v).
- 99 xiii **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN[†] BOLIN**, born 18 May 1847, Tennessee.

429. *Find a Grave*, no. 8049940, gravestone photograph, by Wilma Pearson Fields, Kings Prairie Cem., Monett, Barry Co., Mo., "Jackson | Father | Thos F. | Jackson | Aug. 15, 1828 | Dec. 28, 1898 || Mother | Fountain E. | His Wife | Dec. 1, 1842 | June 18, 1927."

100 xiv JOHN ROBERT⁴ BOLIN, born 6 Mar. 1849, Tennessee.

101 xv SARAH MAE⁴ BOLIN, born 3 May 1851, Tennessee.

31. ELEANOR/ELLEN[DER]³ SANDERS (⁹*William Thomas*², *James*¹) was born 6 July 1814 (gravestone) or July 1815 (1900 census), Tennessee, died 7 Oct. 1908 29 July 1858, and was buried in Marl Bluff Cem., Sardis, Henderson Co., Tenn.,^[430] He married 7 Jan. 1836, Tennessee, BEN FRANKLIN HARDEMAN, who was born about 1816 18 Jan. 1816 1800–1810, Tennessee, died 14 Sept. 1858, age 42, and was buried in Marl Bluff Cemetery.

The 1850 Benjamin F. “Hardemon,” 34, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$1,500 real estate, resided in Giles Co., Tenn., with Ellender, 34, born in Tennessee, and with John B., 13, Mary V., 13, Cornelius G., 10, Benjamin J., 8, Newton W., 6, Jasper M., 6, Alonzo D., 4, and Eliza Ann, 2, all born in Tennessee.^[431]

The 1860 Ellen “Hardiman,” 45, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$1,000 real and \$6,000 personal estates, resided in Centre Point, Henderson Co., Tenn., with Cornelius, 21, B. J., 19, male, N. J., 17, male, Jasper, 17, Alonzo, 15, E. A., 10, female, R., 7, male, “W^m,” 4, and E. F., 2, female, all born in Tennessee.^[432]

The 1870 “Elender Hardaman,” 60, born in Tennessee with \$1,000 real and \$1,200 personal estates, resided in Lexington, Henderson Co., Tenn., in the household of William Wright, 22, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$250 personal estate, with Barbary L. Wright, 22, born in Alabama, and with Robert “Hardaman,” 17, a farmer, Elizabeth, 19, William, 14, and Faney, 10, all born in Tennessee. Cornelius, 30, resided nearby.^[433]

The 1880 Ellen Hardeman, 65, a widow born in Tennessee of North Carolina natives, resided in Henderson Co., Tenn., with her son “Rob”

430. *Find a Grave*, no. 146333031, gravestone photograph, by Alyssa King, Marl Bluff Cem., Sardis, Henderson Co., Tenn., “Mother | Ellen | Hardeman | Born | July 6, 1814 | Died | Oct. 7, 1902 | Hardeman.”

431. U.S. census, 1850, Dist. 13, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 361B, dw. 79, fam. 79.

432. U.S. census, 1860, Centre Point PO, Henderson Co., Tenn., r. 1256, p. 282, dw. 1235, fam. 1290.

433. U.S. census, 1870, Lexington PO, Henderson Co., Tenn., r. 1537, p. 116B, dw. 26, fam. 26.

L., 27, a farmer born in Tennessee of a father born in Tennessee, and with one black and two mulatto servants.^[434]

The 1900 “Ellena” Hardeman, 84, a widow born July 1815 in Tennessee of North Carolina natives, resided in Henderson Co., Tenn., in the household of her son, Robert L. Hardeman, 47, a farmer born Sept. 1852 in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his wife of four years, Gorge Ann, 38, born Mar. 1862 in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his son, Eddie V., 14, born Nov. 1885, and daughter, Claire Ruth, 2, born Apr. 1898, both born in Tennessee of a mother born in Tennessee. Ellena had had 13 children, with 8 surviving. Gorge had had one child, and it survived.^[435]

Known children, of 13:

- 102 i **JOHN B.⁴ HARDEMAN** (twin), born about 1837, Tennessee.
- 103 ii **MARY V.⁴ HARDEMAN** (twin), born about 1837, Tennessee.
- 104 iii **CORNELIUS G.⁴ HARDEMAN**, born about 1840, Tennessee.
- 105 iv **BENJAMIN J.⁴ HARDEMAN**, born about 1842, Tennessee.
- 106 v **NEWTON W.⁴ HARDEMAN** (twin), born about 1844, Tennessee.
- 107 vi **JASPER M.⁴ HARDEMAN** (twin), born about 1844, Tennessee.
- 108 vii **ALONZO D.⁴ HARDEMAN**, born about 1846, Tennessee.
- 109 viii **ELIZA[BETH] ANN⁴ HARDEMAN**, born about 1848, Tennessee.
- 110 ix **ROBERT L.⁴ HARDEMAN**, born Sept. 1852 (1900 census), Tennessee, married (1) **xxx**, and had at least one child, married (2) **GORGE ANN —**, born Mar. 1862, Tennessee, and had at least one child.
- 111 x **WILLIAM⁴ HARDEMAN**, born about 1856, Tennessee.
- 112 xi **E. FANEY⁴ HARDEMAN**, female, born about 1858, Tennessee.

32. JAMES C.³ SANDERS (⁹*William Thomas², James¹*) was born 23 Oct. 1816 (gravestone), Williamson Co., Tenn., died 13 Jan. 1902, aged 85 years 2 months 20 days, Giles Co., Tenn., and was buried in the Sanders family cemetery, Giles Co., Tenn.^[436] He married 1865 **CATHARINE PARSONS**, who was born about 1830, Giles Co., Tenn., daughter of

434. U.S. census, 1880, Henderson Co., Tenn., ED 62, r. 1262, p. 418A, dw. 185, fam. 185.

435. U.S. census, 1900, Henderson Co., Tenn., ED 52, r. 1578, p. 136, sh. 7A, dw. 117, fam. 118.

436. Gravestone photograph, by my father Alvy Smith in June 1990, note on reverse: “Sanders family cemetery on Wm Thomas Sanders farm, Giles Co, TN | photo 6/1990 Alvy Smith,” “S | Jas. C. Sanders | Oct. 23, 1816 | Jan. 13, 1902.”

James W. and Massie (Gordon) Parsons, and died 1 May 1914, aged 84, Giles Co., Tenn.,^[437] and was buried 2 May 1914 in Ocelus, Giles Co., Tenn.

Biography of James C. Sanders from an 1886 history of Tennessee:

Hon. James C. Sanders, a native of Tennessee, was born in 1816, and is the fourth of eight children born to William and Elizabeth (Bellantfant [sic]) Sanders. The parents are natives of North Carolina, and immigrated to Tennessee about 1812, locating in Williamson County, where they remained a few years, after which they permanently settled in Giles County. Here the mother died in 1872, and the father too passed from life about four years later. Our subject passed his early life on the farm and in the district schools. He lived with his father having entire control of the farm until about forty years of age. He was bitterly opposed to secession and stood firm for the Union. During the war he remained at home as quiet and peaceable as man could be under like circumstances. In 1865 he married Catharine Parsons, a native of Tennessee, born about 1830, and the daughter of James W. and Massie (Gordon) Parsons. Our subject began life a poor man, had but poor advantages for an education and yet he is a good neighbor and an energetic, industrious citizen. In 1860 he was elected to the State Legislature to represent the counties of Marshall, Lincoln and Giles. At the end of two years he returned home and confined himself to the farm until 1884, when he was again called upon to appear before the people as an independent candidate for representative, and was duly elected for the years 1885 and 1886. Mr. Sanders resides in the Twelfth District, on an excellent farm of about 500 acres, which is fairly improved.^[438]

Obituary for James C. Sanders:

Hon. James C. Sanders, of Ocellus, died Monday, Jan. 13, at 7:10 p.m.. Aged 85 years, 2 months, and 20 days.

437. *Tenn. Death Records, 1908–1958*, death certificates, Giles Co., 1914, image online, no. 136, “Katharine” Sanders, died 1 May 1914, Giles Co., Tenn., aged 84 yrs., female, white, widow, housekeeper, born Giles Co., Tenn., father Jim Parsons, born Giles Co., mother’s maiden name McNeese [sic], informant [blank], buried 2 May 1914, Ocelus.

438. *History of Tennessee, From the Earliest Time to the Present; Together with an Historical and a biographical Sketch of Giles, Lincoln, Franklin and Moore Counties; Besides a Valuable Fund of Notes, Reminiscences, Observations, Etc., Etc.*, Nashville, Tenn.: Goodspeed Publishing, 1886, 868.

On Saturday before first Monday, Mr. Sanders attempted to break a stick of wood by striking on end on the ground, but the stick was stronger than he thought, and his right hand severely bruised in the palm and his right arm severely jarred. Mr. Sanders thought nothing of the occurrence and wrapped his bruised hand in a cloth.

He came to town first Monday and appeared before the County Court to ask for a continuance of an appropriation for the relief of William Bowen and wife, an old couple in whom he took interest and secured the appropriation.

He took the cloth off his hand in a day or two and it is thought caught cold in the bruised hand resulting in blood poisoning.

Rev. B. H. Johnson conducted funeral services, and the burial was in the J. E. Abernathy graveyard Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Sanders was a member of the Legislature in 1860–72, and again in 1885. He was born in Williamson County in 1816, and removed to Giles County with his parents in 1819. He leaves considerable property and his life has been full of deeds of charity and kindness.

He is survived by his wife, and was an uncle of R. J. Sanders, Jr. of Riversburg, Mrs. James Hart, Mrs. Wiley T. Abernathy and Amos Sanders.

The Citizen extends condolence to the bereaved families.^[439]

33. WILLIAM [“WILL”] MARION³ SANDERS (William Thomas², James¹) was born June 1827 (1900 census) or 1828 (immigration record, after 9 Feb. 1828 in particular),^[440] Giles Co., Tenn., died 1903, Otero Co., N.M. Terr., and was buried in Fairview Cem., Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M. Terr. He married 1 Nov. 1855, Gundagai, NSW,^[441] registration place Tumut, NSW,^[442] **SARAH HARGREAVES**, who was born 5 Apr. 1834, baptized 8 June 1834, Keighley Green (Wesleyan), Whalley Parish,

439. Obit., James C. Sanders, *The Pulaski Citizen*, 16 Jan. 1902, online at *Find a Grave*, no. 46716364, no gravestone photograph, Jesse and James Abernathy Cem., Giles Co., Tenn.

440. NSW, *Australia, Certificates of Naturalization, 1849-1903*, image online, no. 64/23, “William M. Sanders is a native of Giles County, Tennessee, America, is thirty six years of age, and is a Miner & Farmer; and that having arrived by the ship Agnes & Emma in the year 1853 he is now residing in Adelong and wishing to hold landed property in the said Colony . . .,” dated 9 Feb. 1864.

441. *Australian Marriages, 1810–1980*, Sarah Hargreaves to William Marion Sanders, 1 Nov. 1855, Gundagai, NSW [FHL 993966].

442. *Australian Marriage Index, 1788–1949*, Sarah Hargreaves to William M. Sanders, 1855, NSW, reg. date, 1855, reg. place, Tumut, NSW, vol. V.

Burnley Twp., Lancashire, England,^[443], daughter of Henry and Susannah (Blomley) Hargreaves, and died 2 Mar. 1895 (see biography below), Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M. Terr., and was buried in Fairview Cem. there.^[444]

See my book on Henry Hargreaves and his family for full details on this family.^[445]

From a 1925 history of New Mexico, in a biography of Sarah's son, Jeff Sanders (q.v.):

His father was a gold miner in that region. William M. Sanders, his father, was born in the United States, became a British citizen in Australia, and subsequently resumed his American citizenship rights by naturalization. A native of Tennessee, he left there at the age of eighteen,^[446] and for a time was a plantation overseer at Bastrop, Texas. After the discovery of gold in California he started west, crossing old Mexico to Matzatlan in Lower California, where he took a vessel for San Francisco. He did most of his prospecting as a placer miner in the vicinity of Stockton, California. Some of his companions there were Hogan, Cassidy and Burdette, and after some months in California they all started for Australia. William M. Sanders worked in the Australian mines for several years, and then engaged in farming and ranching. He married in Australia Miss Sarah Hargreaves [sic], who was —born near the City of London, and accompanied her parents,

443. *England & Wales, Non-Conformist and Non-Parochial Registers, 1567–1970*, image online, Burnley, Keighley Green (Wesleyan), 1791–1837, [from preceding pages: “Baptisms solemnized in the Parish of Whalley, Township Burnley in the County of Lancashire in the Year 18[34],” p. 40, “[When Baptized.] Born | April 5th | 1834 | Baptized | June 8th | 1834 | No. 316. [Child’s Christian Name.] Sarah | Daughter | of [Parents Name. | Christian. Surname.] Henry | and | Susannah Hargreaves [Abode.] Burnley [Quality, Trade, | or | Profession.] Power Loom | Overlooker [By whom the | Ceremony | was performed.] Joseph Raynar.”

444. A plaque in Fairview Cem., Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M., “In Memory of | William M. Sanders | 1826–1903 | Sarah Hargreaves Sanders | 1834–1895 | Settled Tularosa 1892,” erected by my parents 4 Jan. 1988 in the Sanders plot of the cemetery. The actual graves of William and Sarah are known to be in the cemetery or just outside its present walls, but the actual locations are unknown. According to my father, Sarah was buried on the family property at her death, but she was disinterred and moved to the cemetery when William died. Their graves were marked with a simple wooden cross awaiting a more permanent marker which never materialized (hence this plaque). They are thought to be just outside the western wall of the cemetery or just across the street from it [letter from my father, Alvy Smith, 10 Jan. 1988].

445. Smith, *Henry Hargreaves and His Family*.

446. This doesn’t jibe with the 1850 census which shows him, at age 21, still residing in Giles Co., Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hargraves, to Australia, where the family became farmers and ranchers, and her parents lived out their lives near Tumut.

When Jefferson J. Sanders was still a small child his parents left Australia, embarking on the ship *British Commodore*, under command of Captain Rands, and after a voyage of fourteen weeks crossed the Pacific to San Francisco. From San Francisco they went east to Denver, then a mere village, and from there to Tennessee, the native state of William M. Sanders. His wife and children remained two years in Giles County while he went to Texas, settling in Menard County, where his family joined him later. They all remained in Menard County until 1892, when they came into New Mexico, settling in Otero County. William M. Sanders after that lived retired until his death in 1896 at the age of seventy years. His wife died the previous year, at the age of sixty-five. She was a member of the Episcopal Church. Their children were: Elizabeth, who died at Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1887, the wife of William Bruce; Alice, who married John Williamson in Giles County, Tennessee, and died at Roswell, New Mexico, in 1891; William, who died in Menard County at the age of twenty-four; and Jefferson J.^[447]

In 1880 W. M. Sanders, 53, a farmer born in Tennessee of North Carolina natives, resided in Williamson Co., Tex., with his wife, Sarah, 45, born in England of a father born in Australia [sic] and a mother in "Whales" [crossed out], and with his sons, William, 18, and "Jeffison," 16, both born in Australia.^[448]

In 1900 William M. Sanders, 72, a farmer born in Tennessee of North Carolina natives, resided in Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M. Terr. alone. He had been married for 35 years.^[449] He had actually been married 39 years in 1895 when Sarah died.

Child (of four):

- 113 i JEFFERSON ["JEFF"] JACKSON⁴ SANDERS, born 17 Jan. 1863, Adelong, NSW, Australia, registration place Tumut, NSW,^[450] died

447. Coan, *History of N.M.*, 3:31–32. This book contains many errors.

448. US census, 1880, Williamson Co., Tex., ED 161, r. 1333, p. 551B, dw. 344, fam. 344.

449. US census, 1900, Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M. Terr., ED 79, r. 1001, p. 199, sh. 15B, dw. 300, fam. 319.

450. *Australian Birth Index, 1788–1922*, Jefferson J. Sanders, born 1863, NSW, father William M. Sanders, mother Sarah, reg. date, 1863, reg. place, Tumut, NSW, reg. no. 14076; birth certificate, Jefferson Jackson Sanders, in my possession, certified copy 13 Apr. 1987, Jefferson Jackson Sanders,

9 Oct. 1939, Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M.,^[451] and was buried 10 Oct. 1939 in Fairview Cem., Tularosa.^[452] married (1) **ADA MAE WILLIAMSON**, and had five children, married (2) **HAZEL ADA SIFLETT**, born 25 Jan. 1889, Berea, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, daughter of William J. and Marguerite A. (Parrott) Sifleet, and died 15 Feb. 1924, Tularosa,^[453] and was removed for burial to Berea, Ohio, on 17 Feb. 1924, and was buried in Woodvale Cem., Berea.^[454] He had two children with Hazel. ***This is my line.***

Hazel's second child, **Edith Hortense⁵ Sanders**, born 23 Aug. 1921, died 21 Apr. 2015, Clovis, Clovis, Curry Co., N.M., and was buried in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens, Clovis, married 24 June 1942, **Alvy Ray Smith**, born 8 June 1920, Mayhill, Otero Co., N.M., died 13 Mar. 2015, Clovis, Curry Co., N.M., and was buried with his wife. They had three children. One of them is me, **Alvy Ray⁶ Smith III** (*Edith Hortense⁵ Sanders, Jefferson Jackson⁴ Sanders, William Marion³ Sanders, William Thomas² Sanders | Elizabeth² Bellenfant, James¹ Sanders | Jean¹ Bellenfant*), born 8 Sept. 1943, Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto Co., Tex. For full details see my Smith book.

born 17 Jan. 1863, Adelong, NSW, father William Marion Sanders, miner, 36, born USA, marriage date not known in Gundagai, previous issue one boy, two girls, mother Sarah Hargreaves, 29, born Lancashire, England, informant Mr. Sanders of Adelong, father.

451. Death certificate, in my possession, certified copy 6 Dec. 2000, State of N.M., Dept. of Public Health, no. 4953, Jefferson J. Sanders, of Tularosa, N.M., died 9 Oct. 1939, Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M., aged 76 yrs. 9 mos. 22 dys., male, white, widower, born 17 Jan. 1863, Sydney, Australia, father and mother unknown, spouse Ada Mae Sanders, informant Nelle Simperts, of Albuquerque, N.M., buried 10 Oct. 1939, Tularosa, N.M., resident of Otero Co. 47 yrs. 2 mos. 9 dys.

452. Gravestone photo, by me, 25 Nov. 2000, Fairview Cem., Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M., "Sanders" on one stone in the plot and another in the same plot, "Jeff | 1861 [sic] - 1939."

453. Death certificate, in my possession, certified copy 6 Dec. 2000, State of N.M., Dept. of Public Health, Hazel Ada Sanders, of Tularosa, N.M., died 15 Feb. 1924, Tularosa, Otero Co., N.M., aged 35 yrs. 20 dys., female, white, married, born 25 Jan. 1889, Berea, Ohio, father W. J. Sifleet, born Berea, Ohio, mother "Margret" A. Parrott, born Gallion, Ohio, spouse J. J. Sanders, informant Mrs. W. J. Sifleet, of Berea, Ohio, removed for burial 17 Feb. 1924 to Berea, Ohio, resident of Tularosa for 5 yrs. 5 mos.

454. Gravestone photo, by me, Woodvale Cem., Berea, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, "Sifleet" on one stone in the plot and others in the same plot, "Hazel A | 1889-1924," "Marguerite A | xx-xx," and "William J | xx-xx."

39. LETITIA ANN⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (₁₁*Alfred W.*³, ?*James*² Jr., *James*¹) was born 3 Feb. 1842 (gravestone), or July 1841 (1900 census), Rockingham Co., N.C., died 22 Mar. 1919 (21 Mar. on gravestone), aged 77 years, Leaksville, Leaksville Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[455] and was buried 23 Mar. 1919, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[456] She married about 1874 **DAVID LUTHER CARTER**, who was born 27 Dec. 1849 (gravestone), son of John and Sally E. (Wilson) Carter,^[457] and died 16 Mar. 1922, and was buried in Lawson Cem. near his wife.^[458]

In 1900 “Davis” L. Carter, 50, a hardware merchant born Dec. 1849 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C., with his wife of 26 years, “Lish” Ann, 59, born July 1841 [sic] in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with son John A., 23, born Mar. 1877, daughters, Lettie J., 18, born Oct. 1881, and Livie M., 17, born May 1883, and son, William D., 12, born Oct. 1887, all born in North Carolina. Lish had had five children, with five surviving.^[459]

In 1910 David L. Carter, 61, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C., with his wife of 37 years, “Lettie” A., 69, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with son John A., 33, daughter, May, 26, and son, William D., 22, and granddaughters, Louise Wall, 4, and Della,

455. N.C. *Deaths*, 1906–1930, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 9060 89, Letitia Saunders Carter, died 22 Mar. 1919, Leaksville, Leaksville Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 77 yrs., female, white, married (to spouse D. L. Carter), housekeeper, born 1842, Rockingham Co., N.C., father Alfred Saunders, born N.C., mother Ruth Roach, born N.C., informant D. L. Carter, of Leaksville, N.C., buried 23 Mar. 1919, Leaksville, N.C.

456. *Find a Grave*, no. 28229815, gravestone photograph, by David Clay, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., “Letitia Saunders Carter | wife of | David Luther Carter | Feb. 3, 1842 | Mar. 21, 1919.”

457. US census, 1870, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 1157, p. 369B, dw. 66, fam. 58, lists John Carter, 48, Sarah E., 45, and six children, including David L., 20, and Sally L., 18, and Sallie Wilson, 80 [presumably John’s mother-in-law], and a black servant, all born in N.C.

458. *Find a Grave*, no. 28229787, gravestone photograph, by David Clay, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., “David Luther Carter | Dec. 27, 1849 | Mar. 16, 1922.”

459. US census, 1900, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 72, r. 1215, p. 21, sh. 2A, dw. 22, fam. 22.

2, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Lettie had had five children, with four surviving.^[460]

Known children, of five:

- 114 i **JOHN A.⁵ CARTER**, born Mar. 1877, North Carolina.
- 115 ii **LETTIE J.⁵ CARTER**, born Oct. 1881, North Carolina.
- 116 iii **LIVIE MAY⁵ CARTER**, born 25 May 1883, North Carolina, died 25 Feb. 1974, Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[461] buried 27 Feb. 1974, Lawson Cem., Eden,^[462] married **WILLIAM WALTER HAMPTON**, born 29 Mar. 1873 (gravestone), died 27 Oct. 1957, buried near his wife.^[463]
- 117 iv **WILLIAM DAVID⁵ CARTER**, born 27 Oct. 1887, Rockingham Co., N.C., died 25 Feb. 1951, Durham, Durham Co., N.C.,^[464] and buried 26 Feb. 1951, Lawson Cem., Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C.

40. THOMAS J.⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (₁₁*Alfred W.³, ?James² Jr., James¹*) was born Nov. 1844 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 17 Jan. 1889, and was buried in Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[465] He married 5 Feb. 1874, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[466] **SARAH L.**

460. US census, 1900, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 153, r. 1130, p. 23, sh. 4A, dw. 59, fam. 59.

461. N.C. *Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 6872, May Carter Hampton, died 25 Feb. 1974, Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 90 yrs., female, white, widowed, housewife, born 25 May 1883, Eden, father David Luther Carter, mother Letitia Saunders, informant W. W. Hampton Jr., of Eden, buried 27 Feb. 1974, Lawson Cem., Eden, N.C.

462. *Find a Grave*, no. 28245349, gravestone photograph, by David Clay, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., “May Carter Hampton | wife of | William Walter Hampton | May 25, 1883 | Feb. 25, 1974.”

463. *Find a Grave*, no. 28245329, gravestone photograph, by David Clay, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., “William Walter Hampton | Mar. 29, 1873 | Oct. 27, 1957.”

464. N.C. *Death Certificates, 1909–1976*, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 2889, William David Carter, resident of Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C., died 25 Feb. 1951, Durham, Durham Co., N.C., aged 63 yrs., male, white, married, textiles, born 27 Oct. 1887, Rockingham Co., N.C., father David Luther Carter, mother Letitia Saunders, informant Mrs. Christine M. Carter, of Leaksville, N.C., buried 27 Feb. 1974, Lawson Cem., Eden, N.C.

465. *Find a Grave*, no. 67855128, no gravestone photograph, **unvetted information**, born Nov. 1844, N.C., died 17 Jan. 1889, Rockingham Co., N.C., buried Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.

466. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, image online, Rockingham Co., Marriage Licenses, 1867–1961, 11:1319, “Thos” J. Saunders, 30, licensed and married 5 Feb. 1874, Rockingham Co., N.C.,

CARTER, who was born 14 Sept. 1851, North Carolina, daughter of John and Sally E. (Wilson) Carter,^[467] sister of brother-in-law David Luther Carter, who married Letitia Saunders, and who (Sarah) died 3 July 1902, and was buried in the Saunders Family Cem.^[468]

44. RICHARD PETER⁴ SANDERS [SAUNDERS] (₁₁*Alfred W.*³, ?*James*² Jr., *James*¹) was born Nov. 1851 (1900 census), Rockingham Co., N.C., died 28 May 1924, aged 72 years, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[469] and was buried 29 May 1924, Saunders Family Cem., Spray (now Eden), Rockingham Co., N.C. He married 27 Feb. 1894, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., N.C.,^[470] **MAGDALENE/MAGGIE KEMP**, who was born 8 June 1871 (gravestone), died 14 Dec. 1895, and was buried in Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C.^[471]

In 1900 Richard Saunders, 48, widower, a farmer born Nov. 1851 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., with his son, Jessie, 5, born May 1895, and his sisters, Lizzie, 50, born Dec. 1849, and Sallie, 44, born, Oct. 1855, both single, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives.^[472]

to Sallie L. Carter, 22, his parents Alfred Saunders and Ruth Saunders, her parents John Carter and Sallie Carter, all parties living and residing in Rockingham Co., N.C., married at John Carter's in Wentworth Twp., by D. E. Field MG, witnesses included R. T. Saunders of Rockingham.

467. US census, 1870, Wentworth PO, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., r. 1157, p. 369B, dw. 66, fam. 58, lists John Carter, 48, Sarah E., 45, and six children, including David L., 20, and Sally L., 18, and Sallie Wilson, 80 [presumably John's mother-in-law], and a black servant, all born in N.C.

468. *Find a Grave*, no. 67855558, gravestone photograph, by Jan Bellard, Saunders Family Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., "Mother | Sarah Carter | Wife of | Thos. J. Saunders | Sept. 14, 1851 | July 3, 1902 | . . ."

469. N.C. *Deaths, 1906–1930*, image online, N.C. death certificate, no. 171, Richard Peter Saunders, died 28 May 1924, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., aged 72 yrs., male, white, widowed, farmer, born Rockingham Co., father "Alford" Saunders, born N.C., mother Ruth, born N.C., informant Jesse Saunders, of Reidsville RFD, buried 29 May 1924, Family "Cemetary," Spray, N.C.

470. N.C. *Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, image online, Rockingham Co., N.C., Marriages, 1811–1948, "[licensed] Feb. 26 1894 Saunders R. P [age] 38 [color 1=white]1 Maggie Kemp 23 1 [by] D. E. Field MG [married] Feb 27 1894 Leaksville."

471. *Find a Grave*, no. 28314516, gravestone photograph, by Julie Hampton, Lawson Cem., Eden, Rockingham Co., N.C., "Magdalene Kemp | wife of | R. P. Saunders | Born June 8, 1871 | Died Dec. 14, 1895 | Asleep in Jesus."

472. U.S. census, 1900, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 86, r. 1215, p. 303, sh.

In 1920 Richard P. Saunders, 68, widower, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., with his son, Jessie, 25, born in North Carolina of a mother born in North Carolina, his daughter-in-law, Minnie, 19, born in Virginia of Virginia natives, and his sister, Lizzie A., 71, single, with his same nativities.^[473]

Child:

- 118 i **JESSIE**⁵ **SAUNDERS**, born May 1895, North Carolina, married **MINNIE**—, born about 1901, Virginia.

48. THOMAS W.⁴ **SANDERS** (₁₂*Reason C.*³, ?*James*² *Jr., James*¹) was born 19 Nov. 1852 (gravestone), Tennessee, died 2 June 1909, and was buried in East Hill Cem., Roff, Pontotoc Co., Okla.^[474] He married (1) 2 Sept. 1869, McNairy Co., Tenn.,^[475] **LUCRETIA E. TULEY**, who was born about 1853, Tennessee, daughter of John A. and Margaret A. (Mecks) Tuley,^[476] and died **9 Mar. 1871** (apparently in childbirth).

Thomas married (2) (license) **20 Dec. 1874, McNairy Co., Tenn.**, about 1875 (1900 census) **MARY M. HAIR**, who was born 16 Apr. 1861 (gravestone) or 29 May 1859 (death certificate), Tennessee, daughter of Isabel (—) Hair,^[477] Tennessee, died 9 (gravestone) or 22 Sept. 1926 (death certificate), aged 67 years 3 months 23 days, Marysville, Cooke

7B, dw. 124, fam. 134.

473. U.S. census, 1920, Wentworth Twp., Rockingham Co., N.C., ED 227, r. 1317, p. 259, sh. 14A, dw. 239, fam. 251.

474. *Find a Grave*, no. 108037652, gravestone photograph, by Mary Rachel Bailey, East Hill Cem., Roff, Pontotoc Co., Okla., “T. W. Saunders | born | Nov. 19, 1852 | died | June 2, 1909 | . . . | Saunders.”

475. *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780–2002*, McNairy Co., 1861–1966, licensed and married 2 Sept. 1869, Thomas W. Sanders to Miss “Lucrietia” E. Tuley, married by Levi Hurst JP, bonded 2 Sept. 1869 on condition of marriage of Thomas W. Sanders to Miss Lucretia E. Tuley, bondsman G. M. Moore.

476. U.S. census, 1860, McNairy Co., Tenn., r. 1262, p. 496, dw. 2204, fam. 2209, lists John A. Tuley, 50, farmer, born Tenn., Margaret A., 40, born Ala., with seven children, including Lucretia, 7, born Tenn.; *Tenn. State Marriages, 1780–2002*, Franklin Marriages Jan. 1838–Mar. 1886, John A. Tuley to “Margreet A Mecks [perhaps Meeks],” license issued 29 July 1840, married by August Darrell, Elder in the Methodist EP Church.

477. U.S. census, 1870, Purdy PO, McNairy Co., Tenn., r. 1549, p. 326B, dw. 75, fam. 75, lists Isabel Hair, 28, born Tenn., with Mary M., 10, and Sally J., 1, both born Tenn. Next door were Haywood Hair, 35, and Lafayette Hair, 25, both born in Tenn. , with their families.

Co., Tex.,^[478] and was buried 23 Sept. 1926, Coker Cem., Bulcher, Cooke Co., Tex.^[479]

Repeated for convenience: In 1870 Mary A. Sanders, 53, a widow born in North Carolina with \$500 personal estate, resided in Purdy, McNairy Co., Tenn., with Thomas W., 18, his wife, Lucretia, 18, and John B., 12, all born in Tennessee. Thomas and Lucretia were married in Sept. 1869. This census was enumerated 1 June 1870.^[480]

In 1880 T. W. Sanders, 28, a farmer born in Tennessee of a father born in Virginia and a mother in North Carolina, resided in McNairy Co., Tenn., with his wife, M. M. H., 20, born in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his daughter, Alice, 4, and sons, LaFayette, 3, and R. L., 8/12 (born in Oct. [1879]), all born in Tennessee.^[481]

In 1900 Thomas W. Sanders, [49?], a farmer born Mar. 18[57?] in Virginia of North Carolina natives, resided in Chickasaw Nation, Indian Territory, with his wife of 25 years, Mary M., [59?!], born Apr. 1841 [sic] in Tennessee of Tennessee natives, and with his sons, "Lafayett," 24, born May 1876, and "Emit," 16, born Dec. 1883, both born in Tennessee, and John T., 14, born Mar. 1885, and Grover C., 11, born Sept. 1888, both born in Texas, and daughter, Annie B., 5, born July 1894 in Texas. Mary had had five children, with five surviving. Next door was Robert L. Sanders, 20.^[482]

Child of the first marriage, to Lucretia:

119 i ?WILLIAM E.⁵ SANDERS [SAUNDERS], born 28 Nov. 1870, died 1 Apr. 1871.

Children of the second marriage, to Mary:

478. *Tex. Death Certificates, 1903–1982*, no. 31050, image online, Mary Saunders, died 22 Sept. 1926, Marysville, "Cook" Co., Tex., female, white, widow, housewife, aged 67 yrs. 3 mos. 23 dys., born 29 May 1859 (calculated 30 May 1859), Tenn., father "Hare," his birthplace, her mother and her birthplace are "Not Known," informant [illegible], buried 23 Sept. 1926, Coker Cem.

479. *Find a Grave*, no. 81659085, gravestone photograph, by Mary Rachel Bailey, Coker Cem., Bulcher, Cooke Co., Tex., "Mother | Mary M. Saunders | Apr. 16, 1861 | Sept. 9, 1926."

480. U.S. census, 1870, Purdy PO, McNairy Co., Tenn., r. 1549, p. 328B, dw. 103, fam. 103.

481. U.S. census, 1880, McNairy Co., Tenn., ED 126, r. 1268, p. 170C, dw. 99, fam. 100.

482. U.S. census, 1900, Twp.4, Chickasaw Nation, Indian Terr., ED 175, r. 1850, p. 235A, sh. 2A, dw. 28, fam. 29.

- 120 ii **ALICE⁵ SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born **25 Jan.** about 1876, Tennessee, died **1943**.
- 121 iii **LAFAYETTE⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS]**, born 8 May 1877 (gravestone), Tennessee, died 1 July 1913, buried East Hill Cem., Roff, Pontotoc Co., Okla.^[483]
- + 122 iv **ROBERT L.⁵ SANDERS [SAUNDERS]**, born Oct. 1879, Tennessee, married **EFFIE M. —**, and had at least one child.
- 123 v **ELLA FLORENCE⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS]**, born 8 Apr. 1881 (gravestone), Tennessee, died 1 Dec. 1967, buried Nocona Cem., Nocona, Montague Co., Tex.,^[484] married 13 May 1897 (gravestone) **WILLIAM LEE MILBURN**, born 23 Dec. 1873 (gravestone), died 4 May 1964, buried with his wife. N.B. The obit. in the next item establishes that Ella was indeed a child in this family.
- 124 vi **EM[M]ET[T]⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS]**, born 3 Dec. 1883 (gravestone), Tennessee, died 6 Feb. 1966, buried in West Lawn Cem., Henryetta, Okmulgee Co., Okla.,^[485] married **PEARL —**, born 30 Sept. 1899 (gravestone), died 18 June 1980, and buried with her husband.

An obituary for Emet Saunders:

Services will be held Wednesday for Emet Saunders, 82, who died Sunday in a local rest home. Saunders, a retired farmer came to Henryetta in 1936. Surviving him are his widow, Pearl Saunders, one daughter, Oleta Alston, Henryetta, three sons, Homer Saunders, Wilson, Herman Saunders Henryetta and Verdie Saunders Henryetta, one sister Ella Milburn of Nocona, Texas, ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Services held at 2 pm at Frist Assembly of God Church with Rev Doyle Davis, Burial at Westlawn Cemetery (Wood Funeral Home). Pall Bearers Tolen Parker, Thurman Parker, Hayden Parker, Morris Parker, Sammy

483. *Find a Grave*, no. 41633978, gravestone photograph, by Mary Rachel Bailey, East Hill Cem., Roff, Pontotoc Co., Okla., "Lafayette Saunders | May 8, 1877 | July 1, 1913."

484. *Find a Grave*, no. 71809113, gravestone photograph, Nocona Cem., Nocona, Montague Co., Tex., "Milburn | Ella Florence | Apr. 8, 1881 | Dec. 1, 1967 || Married | May 13, 1897 || William Lee | Dec. 23, 1878 | May 4, 1964."

485. *Find a Grave*, no. 108422851, gravestone photograph, West Lawn Cem., Henryetta, Okmulgee Co., Okla., "Saunders | Pearl | Sept. 30, 1899 | June 18, 1980 || Emet | Dec. 3, 1883 | Feb. 6, 1966."

Parker and Billy Parker, Honorary JH Hayden, Claud Laughlin, Julian Thomas RE Wilson Fred Vancleave and Perry Palmer.^[486]

- 125 vii **JOHN THOMAS⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS]**, born 24 Mar. 1886 (gravestone), Texas, died 29 May 1931, buried Foster Cem., Foster, Garvin Co., Okla.,^[487] married **PEARL —**, born 14 July 1895 (gravestone), died 14 Feb. 1976, buried with her husband.
- 126 viii **GROVER CLEVELAND⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS]**, born 26 Sept. 1888, Texas, died 13 Jan. 1959 (her obit.), buried Memorial Gardens Cem., Wellington, Collingsworth Co., Tex.,^[488] married 1920, Wellington (obit.), **VERTIE GARDNER**, born 15 Aug. 1901 (obit.), Stephenville, Erath Co., Tex., daughter of John and Mary Lou (Wells) Gardner, and died 16 Aug. 1984, Wellington, and was buried next to her husband.^[489]

An obituary for Vertie Saunders:

Mrs. Vertie Saunders, 83, died in her sleep early Thursday morning, Aug. 16, at her home here. Mrs. Saunders was born August 15, 1901 in Stephenville, the daughter of the late John Gardner and Mary Lou Wells Gardner. She came to Wellington with her family in 1916. She was married to Grover C. Saunders in 1920 in Wellington. Not long afterward, they moved from here, living in Wichita Falls and later in Dallas, as well as in other towns where Mr. Saunders, a contractor has his business. They made their home at Mercedes about 15 years until his death in January 13, 1959. Since then she had divided her time between Wellington and Mercedes, returning here last in 1983.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Littleton and Mrs. Ruby Sanders, both of Wellington, and one brother, Floyd Gardner of Grant's Pass Oregon. Mrs. Billie Seitz and Mrs. Faye Horton of Wellington are among her nieces and nephews. She was preceded

486. *Find a Grave*, no. 108422851, obit. transcription, **unnamed** newspaper, **undated**, transcriber not named.

487. *Find a Grave*, no. 65133451, gravestone photograph, by Diane Gann, Foster Cem., Foster, Garvin Co., Okla., "Saunders | John | Mar. 24, 1886 | May 29, 1931 || Pearl | July 14, 1895 | Feb. 14, 1976 || . . ."

488. *Find a Grave*, no. 48811713, gravestone photograph, by Jeanette Perrin Coaly, Memorial Gardens Cem., Wellington, Collingsworth Co., Tex., "Grover C. Saunders | 1888-1959."

489. *Find a Grave*, no. 48811715, gravestone photograph, by Jeanette Perrin Coaly, Memorial Gardens Cem., Wellington, Collingsworth Co., Tex., "Vertie Saunders | 1901-1984."

in death by a sister, Mrs. Vera Dunlap, and a brother, Troy Gardner.^[490]

- 127 ix ANNIE BELLE⁵ SAUNDERS [SANDERS], born 5 July 1894 (gravestone), Texas, died 18 Mar. 1964, buried Rosedale Cem., Ada, Pontotoc Co., Okla.,^[491] married 15 Feb. 1913, Pontotoc Co., Okla.,^[492] HYRAM/HIRAM EDMOND SMITH, born 11 Oct. 1893 (gravestone), Kennedale, Tarrant Co., Tex.,^[493] son of Hiram and Francis (—) Smith,^[494] and died 7 June 1962, and was buried with his wife.

88. LORENZO DOW⁴ BOLIN [BOLEN] (₃₀Lucy E.³, William Thomas², James¹) was born 28 July 1827, Tennessee, died 24 Mar. 1902, Stone Co., Mo.,^[495] aged 75, and buried in the Cape Fair Cem., Stone Co., Mo. He married (1) about 1851 (after 1850 census and before birth of Alonzo in 1852) MARTHA —, who was born about 1832, Tennessee. He married (2) 10 Dec. 1865, Springfield, Greene Co., Mo.,^[496] CASANDER H. ASBELL, born about 1845, Missouri.

In 1850 L. D. Bolen, 24, a carpenter born in Tennessee, resided alone in Giles Co., Tenn.^[497]

490. *Find a Grave*, no. 48811715, obit., *The Wellington Leader*, 23 Aug. 1984.

491. *Find a Grave*, no. 110881106, gravestone photograph, by Kris Abelli, Rosedale Cem., Ada, Pontotoc Co., Okla., “Anna B. | July 5, 1894 | Mar. 18, 1964 || Smith || Hyriam [sic] E. | Oct. 11, 1893 | June 7, 1968 || . . .”

492. *Okla. County Marriages, 1890–1995*, H. E. Smith, 21, to Anna B. Saunders, 18, 15 Feb. 1913, Pontotoc, Okla., FHL 1312751.

493. *WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918*, Hiram Edmond Smith, 23, of Roff, Okla., born 11 Oct. 1893, Kennedale, Tex., farmer, near Roff, married with one child, registered 5 June 1917, Lighting Ridge Pct., Pontotoc Co., Okla.

494. US census, 1910, Midland Twp., Pontotoc Co., Okla., ED 260, r. 1270, p. 238, sh. 5A, dw. 84, fam. 84, lists Hiram V. Smith, 50, born in Tex. of La. and Tex. natives, wife of 30 yrs., Francis, 40 born in Ark. of Ark. and S.C. natives, three children, including son, Hiram E., 16, born Tex.

495. *Ernest Neill’s Burial Records*, B, <www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mostone/cemetery/neill_b.html>, accessed 4 Dec. 2017, “Bolen L D 24-Jul 1827 24-Mar 1902 75 Cape Fair Cem.”

496. *Mo. Marriage Records, 1805–2002*, image online, “Springfield, Mo. | I hereby certify that on the 10th day of December, 1865, I celebrated the rite of Matrimony between Mr. Lorenzo Dow [looks a lot like “Don”] Bolen of Green and Miss Casander H. Asbell of Dade and joined them together as husband and wife according to law and the rules of the Church | Given under my hand this the 25th day of December, 1865 | Nath^l Fisk E. [?],” filed 29 Jan. 1866, recorded 2 Feb. 1866 in book 3:49.

497. U.S. census, 1850, Dist. 17, Giles Co., Tenn., r. 879, p. 493B, dw. 1245, fam. 1245.

In 1860 Lorenzo D. "Bowling," 32, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$1,800 real and \$426 personal estates, resided in Galena, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., with Martha, 28, born in Tennessee, Alonzo, 8, born in Tennessee, "Tennessee," 4, Lucy E., 1, and James W. "Hendick," 6, all born in Missouri, and two laborers including George Bowling, 15, born in Tennessee.^[498]

In 1870 Lorenzo D. Bolen, 42, a farmer born in Tennessee with \$3,500 real and \$1,210 personal estates, resided in Galena, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., with "Cassendo" H., 25, born in Missouri, "Tennessee," 14, Lucy "C.," 11, Lorenzo D., 3, and Flora B., 1, all born in Missouri, and laborer James W. Hendricks, 15, born in Missouri.^[499]

Children of the first marriage, to Martha:

- 128 i ALONZO⁵ BOLIN, born about 1852, Tennessee.
- 129 ii TENNES[S]EE⁵ BOLIN, born about 1856, Missouri.
- 130 iii LUCY E.⁵ BOLIN, born about 1859, Missouri.

Known children of the second marriage, to Casander:

- 131 iv LORENZO D.⁵ BOLIN, born about 1867, Missouri.
- 132 v FLORA B.⁵ BOLIN, born about 1869, Missouri.

96. TRANQUILLA⁴ BOLIN (₃₀*Lucy E.³, William Thomas², James¹*) was born 2 Dec. 1842 (twin of Fountainella, date from family Bible), Tennessee, died 27 Dec. 1919 (obit.), Kings Prairie, Barry Co., Mo., and was buried 29 Dec. 1919 in the Kings Prairie Union Church cemetery. She married **H. C. DUMMIT**.

An obituary for Tranquilla:

Mrs. Tranquilla Dummit, wife of H. C. Dummit, was born in Tennessee, December 1, 1841, and died at her home on Kings Prairie at 7:05 p.m. Saturday, December 27, 1919. She had been in failing health for the past few months and on Christmas eve took ill with pneumonia which resulted in her death. Mrs. Dummit had lived on Kings Prairie for many years and

498. U.S. census, 1860, Galena PO, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., r. 658, p. 565, dw. 106, fam. 106.

499. U.S. census, 1870, Galena PO, Flat Creek Twp., Stone Co., Mo., r. 823, p. 122B, dw. 65, fam. 65.

her friends were numbered by her acquaintances. She lived on the adjoining farm of her twin sister, Mrs. Fount Jackson, who is critically ill.

All her children were at her bedside when she passed away except one son, J. D. Dummit, of Gooding, Idaho. Other children who are left to mourn her death are Mrs. C.C. Drake, C.A. Dummit, F. R. Dummit, Robert Dummit, of Monett, and Mrs. Sadie Simms, of Springfield.

Funeral services were held at Kings Prairie Union church at 2:30 p.m., December 29, Rev. J. F. King officiating. Burial was made in the church cemetery.^[500]

Children (in obituary order):

- 133 i **J. D.⁵ DUMMIT.**
- 134 ii **C. C.⁵ DUMMIT**, married — **DRAKE.**
- 135 iii **C. A.⁵ DUMMIT.**
- 136 iv **F. R.⁵ DUMMIT.**
- 137 v **ROBERT⁵ DUMMIT.**
- 138 vi **SADIE⁵ DUMMIT**, married — **SIMMS.**

122. ROBERT L.⁵ SANDERS (₄₈*Thomas W.*⁴, *Reason C.*³, *James² Jr., James¹*) was born Oct. 1879 (1880 and 1900 censuses), Tennessee. He married about 1898 **EFFIE M.** —, who was born Nov. 1833, Missouri.

In 1900 Robert L. Sanders, 20, a farmer born Oct. 1879 in Texas of a father born in Virginia and a mother in Tennessee, resided in Chickasaw Nation, Indian Territory, with his wife of two years, Effie M., 16, born Nov. 1833 in Missouri of a father born in Virginia or Tennessee and a mother in Arkansas, and with his daughter, Bertie, 1, born Apr. 1898 in Tennessee. Effie had had one children, with one surviving.^[501]

Known child:

- 139 i **BERTIE⁶ SANDERS**, a daughter born Apr. 1898, Tennessee.

500. Online at <www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mobarrry/data/obits/d/dummitTranquilla.htm>, accessed 4 Dec. 2017, obit. for Mrs. Tranquilla Dummit, "Mrs. Tranquilla [sic] Dummit Dead," published Dec. 1919, unnamed newspaper, submitted by Wilma Fields.

501. U.S. census, 1900, Twp.4, Chickasaw Nation, Indian Terr., ED 175, r. 1850, p. 235A, sh. 2A, dw. 29, fam. 30.

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