

### Winifred Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (David<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)

Winifred was the daughter of David Vawter and Mary Offill/Offott She was b. October 1755 VA and d. 2 Mar 1818 KY. She married James Dehoney b. 5 Feb 1751 VA d. 18 Sep 1824 VA. Spellings found Doughonney, Dabony and Dohoney. James parents were Thomas Dehoney and Hannah Rhodes.

(GJNote: a family connection, James' sister, Milly Dehoney m. Elijah Ballard. Elijah was the brother of Ann Ballard who married William<sup>3</sup> Vawter, (Edward<sup>2</sup>, Barth<sup>1</sup>), Thomas Ballard being the father of both Ann and Elijah also shown here.)

These tax records are for the fathers of both Winifred and James.

*Orange County Virginia, Tithables 1734 - 1782 Part One* by Barbara Vines Little. 1988, (pub. not clearly stated)

p. 84 - 85 " A list of the number of Tithes in my Percincts august 1st 1766....

David Vauter 2 [tithes] .... Richard Bruce "

p. 90 - 91 " [1767] A List in my bounds and Number of Tiths pr. me Jeremh. Bryan ....

David Vaughter 2 [tithes] Thos. Dohoney 3 [tithes] "

p. 98 - 99 " 1768 Jeremiah Bryan his List of Sucker hunting tiths ....

Thos. Doughonney 4 [tithes] David Vautor 3 [tithes] "

p. 104 [John Whites list for 1769] " David Vawter 2 tiths "

p. 108 " A list of the Tithables in the Precincts Wherein I John Griffen am Constable for the year 1769 ....Thomas Ballord 1 [tithe] William Vawters 1 [tithe] "

Heads of Families - Orange County, 1782

Name of Head of Family	White	Black
Daughoney, Thomas	11	13
Daughoney, James	5	--

Book *Marriages of VA Residents 1607-1800* by Wulfeck, pub. 1986 Vol. II, p130. Winifred m. James Dabony. Book- *Marriage Records of Virginia 1722-1850* by Terese A. Fisher, marriage shows Dohony, James & Winifred Vawter; 23 Feb 1775.

James Dehoney migrated to Scott Co., KY ca 1798 and most of his family remained there until around the Civil War when many of the children moved either to Jefferson Co., IN or Jackson Co., MO, settling in what is now Raytown, a suburb of Kansas City. Source, family notes of Homer R. Dehoney and Jean Hough.

Mary Ann, her sister, married John Gatewood and two of Winifred's sons married two of Mary Ann's daughters. (See Mary Ann<sup>4</sup> file)

Children of James and Winifred (Vawter) Dehoney:

1. Mary Elizabeth "Polly" Dehoney

2. William Dehoney b. 3 May 1778 d. 1822 m. 21 Sep 1803 Woodford Co., KY to Ellen Hancock. Noted but not proved, was Veteran of War of 1812. Listed 1807 Scott Co., KY Tax List.

3. Thomas Dehoney b. 1784 VA d. 31 Mar 1853 Jackson Co., MO m. 12 Feb 1819 to Harriet Gatewood, dau. of John Gatewood and Mary Vawter. 1782 Census Orange Co., VA shows Thomas Dehoney. Listed 1812, 1814, 1816 Scott Co., KY tax list. Had 10 children, including Marion, Wileria (Wilberia), Martila, Leander, Simeon B., Marcellus, David, and Martha Dehoney.

4. Margaret "Peggy" Dehoney

5. Hezekiah Rodes Dehoney b. 13 Jul 1786 VA d. bet. 1870-1880 Jefferson Co., IN m. (1) ca 1810 Nancy Matilda Gatewood b. 23 May 1794 VA or KY. Nancy is possibly a sister or cousin of Lydia and Harriet, parents unknown. H. R. (Rodes) m. (2) 14 Oct 1858 to Ellen Hall. Listed 1810, 1816 Scott Co., KY tax list. Moved bet. 1820-1825 to Jefferson Co., IN. He sold his land

in Owen Co., KY. Owen was formed from Scott Co., KY and he recorded the first deed in Owen in Book 1, page 1. Records of Jefferson Co., IN indicate that Thomas, James and Rodes were in Captain Thomes' Home Guards in 1817.

Nancy Matilda (Gatewood) Dehoney is bur. In Jefferson Co., IN, Wirt Baptist Cem, 7 mi. north of Madison, IN. Her inscription reads: *In memory of Nancy - consort of H. R. Dehoney*

*Born in VA May 23, 1794 age 62 years 10 months 23 days.*

*"Sleep on Nancy my beloved dear, I will be with you when Christ shall appear, I stood by you while in agony and pain, and shall soon be with you again."*

Hezekiah and Nancy had 10 children: Martha, Minerva, Mary Ann, Eliza Elimine, William S., Julia Frances, James Robinson, Frances Marion, Emily, and John Wycliff Dehoney.

6. Lucy Dehoney b. 13 Dec 1787 d. 5 Sep 1867 Jackson Co., MO m. (1) 1803 to John Stribling d. 29 Jul 1814 , children: Cincinatus Sanford Stribling, Winifred Vaughter Stribling and Julia Ann Stribling. Lucy m. (2) 4 Jan 1821 to James West d. 15 Oct 1845 Jackson Co., MO, children: Irene West, Edward West, Shelby Rufus West

Thomas T. Stribling, son of Benjamin and Ann (Tibbetts) Stribling m. Sarah Vawter d. of Jesse and Elizabeth (Watts) Vawter. Thomas and John Stribling are brothers. Thomas migrated to IN near Madison and the other Vawter families ca 1809.

6a. Cincinnatis Stribling of KY

6b. Winifred Vaughter Stribling m. Hadley A. Head. In the will of Hadley Head he lists his wife Winnifred. William C. Head and John D. Head were named as sons, and Lucy Ann Wright named as dau. Winniford was appointed exec. 22 June 1872, Jackson Co., MO

6c. Julia Ann Chisham of KS. A granddaughter of Julia's wrote a history of their family, exerpted here for space.

*"Grandma Chisham, a fearless pioneer of Kansas was the only grandparent I ever knew. She was born 9 July 1812 in Scott Co., KY when our beloved country was undergoing the 2<sup>nd</sup> war with Great Britain. Her education was received in a Catholic school, she called a monastery, although her family were staunch Baptists. Her mother Lucy DeHonney married to John Stribling. Julia Anne was 22 when she married Thomas D. Chisham of IN. His maternal grandparent was Thomas Dinwiddie of Scotland, a harness maker. When the "gold fever" raged in CA, Grandfather (Thomas Chisham) wanted to seek his fortune in the west. He let the home they were trying to pay out on, "go back", moved his family to her mother's, leaving her the team and wagon at Great Grandmother West's home 5 miles south of Independence. He became driver of an ox team (10 or 12 yoke), loaded with provisions and with the "bull train" left Westport, MO in spring 1853 for the "wild and wooly west". No railroads, mail or telegraph were available and the only way to hear from your departed was by means of the caravans coming back "light" every now and then. He sent a letter back from Salt Lake City, Utah and later on, one from Stockton, Calif. Some time later a Mr. Overton returned and Grandma sent James to go see him to learn more of his father's whereabouts. Mr. Overton told him; "When I saw your father last, he was about to start for "Mud Springs" where there was great excitement over gold and he hoped ot make his stake there". This was the last we ever heard of him.*

*Julia was slight in form and small of stature, but was unafraid of work. Despairing of never hearing from his father (Thomas) again, James went "out west" in spring of 1855 and picked a claim in Leavenworth, KS. He was only 20, grandma went out later and "pre-empted" it. She sold this claim and bought in Atchinson KS, now known as Potter. They built a log cabin with a fireplace whose chimney was made of green sticks and thickly plastered mud inside and out. Her house burned down and her cow died, but she built again and provided for the family. She would not tolerate laziness, not even the children. The girls used to knit socks for the stores and ride horseback to market their goods. She would assign so many rounds of stitches and if the girls fell asleep they were awoken with cold water. They raised hemp, flax and wool for cloth and all had "linsey-woolsey" skirts.*

*She had over 40 grandchildren before she died. When her teeth went bad she removed them with a knife and would only rest on Sunday with Bible study and letter writing. Once when staying at a hotel, she cleaned the room and made the bed so the chamber maid would not have to wait on her. She smoked a clay pipe for her health, but when getting the "grip" one winter stopped smoking after over 50 years. Frugal plains women, she like others used ravelings and basting threads to sew new garments, old almanacs were lamp lighters to save matches. She wore straight skirts that when worn were turned to make top to bottom. She would not indulge in button shoes but wore plain cloth shoes. They must be worn right foot one day*

*and left the next to keep longer. When stockings wore out they were unraveled and reknitted. She wore have red twilled flannel underwear until May 1 and then they were layed away til winter. No matter that May 1 could bring many a cold day or night. She fought tornados, drought and every prairie misery with good spirits and faith in God and weighed only 65 pounds at 75 years of age. Going to church she was thrown from the buggy but was unhurt at over 75 years old. She quilted numerous quilts and used fabric pieces that others would throw away. She died on 9 Jun 1905 just one month before her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday. "*

6d. Irene West m. Eli House. Eli d. intestate with, Jackson Co., MO. Irene House and John T. House security made bond of adm. 19 May 1862. Heirs were: widow, Irene House and children John T. House, Lucy Jane Wilson, Manfred, Sally Ann, Mary Elizabeth, Alexander, James, William, and Eleanor House, all of Jackson Co., MO. Eli was killed during the Civil War due to his "so called southern sympathies." Those known as Jennison's men burned the house, ran off livestock and left the family destitute. In the fall of 1863, Eli and Irene's son John spent some time riding with Quantrell. John T. House married at age 48 in 1886 to a 17 year old girl named Alice Moberly and had 4 children. He was 82 years old in 1920 when this information was given to Dora Childers Stanley who wrote the story of the family.

*Eli House was b. 1804 in KY and reared in Shelby Co., IN. When 18 he left home and worked around Liberty, MO and then to Independence MO where he met and married Irene West in 1836. They "entered" and improved 80 acres and replaced the old log cabin in 1856 with a big fram house. In 1861 the Union soldiers stationed in Independence came and questioned Eli about some "bush whackers" they were trailing. He had not seen them, but being a southern sympathizer they accused him and destroyed his house by burning it. They took him prisoner and shot him and took the cattle. He left 8 children age 2 to 22, John being the oldest. Son John became involved in the "war" problems and in 1856 was uged to go to Kansas and "squat" land with other Missourians to help vote the state as a southern slave state. His father Eli advised him not to accept this offer and he then joined the 1<sup>st</sup> Calvary in Jackson Co., MO for "home protection" As a confederate he fought at Rock Creek and were defeated. The soldiers headed for Arkansas but he returned to his home for protection of his family. He entered service with Col Shelby in MO., but they were defeated and ran toward Texas. Once more he returned to his home but the Federal "Order No. 11" was issued and gave only 15 days for all settlers to vacate the 4 counties bordering Kanas. This was hoped to stop the "guerillas" from their raids and end the hostility. But the opposite happened and John then joined with Quantrell. Quantrell had slipped into Virginia and received a commission from Jeff Davis and set up a troop to fight the federal troops. John wrote "they could not starve us out, as we knew the whole country by heart". They lived in the bush and rode from hiding places in all directions to strike at an appointed hour. On one raid they jumped from their horses and fought from the ground, but the memory of the loss of his father and family's life was enough to carry him through the worst. Quantrell fought for 2 years and John was one of the men who surrendered with Quantrell at Shreveport, LA.*

6e. Edward West of Jackson Co., MO

6f. Shelby R. West of Colorado Territory, m. Willina DeHoney 6 Mar 1851 Jackson Co., MO. Willina dau. of Thomas DeHoney. Shelby was listed as Adm. of Thomas DeHoney's estate, along with Willina's brother Leander.

Shelby worked for the Colorado Gold Mining Co., of Laurette, CO. He formed an Overland Freight Train consisting of 40 wagons each drawn by 5 or 6 yoke of oxen to haul machinery out of the mines at Laurette (125 miles southwest of Denver). They left Leavenworth, KS 1 Sep 1865 expecting to reach CO in 2 months but due to storms and cattle crossing did not arrive until Dec 14. They were paid for board and \$50 per month. The roustabouts who ran the freight trains were paid \$125 per month. John T. House a nephew of Shelby's became a roustabout for several years.

Lucy Dehoney Stribling West d. intestate 5 Sep 1867, Hadley A. Head appointed Adm., Heirs were Cincinnati Stribling, Winneford Head, Julia Ann Chism, Irene House, Edward West and Shelby R. West.

James West d. intestate 15 Oct 1845, Edward West appointed Adm. Heirs were Lucy West, Irene House, Edward West and Shelby West.

7. Willis Dehoney b. 6 Jun 1788 VA d. aft 1860 m. Lydia Gatewood, dau. of John Gatewood and Mary Vawter. Had 14 children or whom 9 survived: Zerelda, Merit, Malvina W., Hulda Scott, John Cabell B., Merial, Marcus Aurelius, Flavius Josephine, and Mary Dehoney.  
Daughter Zeralda Emerine Dehone m. 27 Nov 1834 to Pleasant Stribling b. 5 May 1811.  
Pleasant Stribling the son of Thomas Stribling and Sarah Vawter. Zeralda's dau. Emerine married Allen T. Corbett of Davison Co., TN.

8. James R. Dehoney

9. Merritt G. Dehoney

10. Younger Dehoney

### **Margaret Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (David<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

Margaret Vawter, daughter of David Vawter and Mary Offill/Offott b. 11 Oct 1763 VA d. 29 Apr 1813 KY. She m. Achilles Stapp and lived near Lexington, KY. Book - *Marriages Records of Virginia 1722-1850* by Terese A. Fisher, marriage Orange Co., VA --Stapp, Achilles & Margaret Vawter, d/o Mary Vawter; 27 Nov 1782. (This would indicate David, her father, is dead by 1782) Achilles Stapp m. (2) Dec 1813 Scott Co., KY to Anna Delph.

In a letter from Erma Chandler in 1980, in the possession of Carol Tikka 1998, 14690 SW 106<sup>th</sup> Ave., Tigard, OR 97224, comes this information about Margaret's sister Mary.

In 1811, Mary (Vawter) Gatewood left John and the children and in 1813 John placed son Jefferson and two daughters, Harriett and Minerva with Achilles Stapp and wife.

Why Mary Ann left John is unknown, but John was a horse trainer and was around the various race tracks, it is also noted she was the prettiest girl in the county.

The Stapp Family (Step-Step-Stepp-Stapp-Steep), the Lucas family of Lucas Creek (Blackburn's Creek) and Simms family (Sims) are all interconnected and important to the land and area of Vawter's Church. The Moss family and Brooke families are also connected to the church and area of Essex that was important to the Vawters. A study of the Stapp family has been well researched and documented in the book *Orange county Virginia Families, Vol. III*, William Everett Brockman, Minneapolis, MN Copyright 1959. A portion is shown here to explain the connections. The William Sims Bible and other important family documents still exist.

The name Step first appears in research in the Will of Robert Moss, Essex 8 Aug 1685, probate 3 Apr 1689. Half of Estate goes to wife Rebecca and legacies to dau. Dorothy, wife of Abraham Step and to Rebecca and Martha Stapp, daughters of Abraham. Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Moss, brother of Robert Moss, married (2) Edmund Crask and her will, 1683, leaves legacies to Martha Stapp.

In *Virginia Tax Rolls Annotated 1704 & 1715* it states Abraham Stapp d. 1714 married Dorothy Moss. (Note William Brown m. (1) Francis Moss and (2) Mary Allen and is connected to the lands of Thomas R. Page and William Hodgson.

*VA Colonial Abstracts* give the will of Abraham Stapp of Essex Co. dated 20 Oct 1710 prob. 8 Apr 1714. *To son Abraham Stapp all land on n. side of Rd. of "my now dwelling plantation". To son William all land of S. side of road. To son Jacob Stapp upper part of land bought of Edward Moseley and to son Joshua Stapp the lower part bordering on Mr. Robt. Brooke. To young sons Joseph and James 25 acres each of lower land. Jacob and Joshua to buy them 100 acres each elsewhere. To wife Dorothy all property during lifetime. To dau. Ruth Stapp cattle, etc. To two daus. Rebecca and Martha a shilling each. Signed Abraham Stapp. Wit: Robert Moss, Peter Hollon, Will Harte.*

8 Dec 1719, William Step and brother Joshua, appoint John Foster, attorney to acknowledge deed which was witnessed by William Mason.

16 Nov 1753, Henry Gains reports as adm. of John Step at Culpeper and makes allowances for five children who are under the Guardianship of Joshua Step and then says "paid to me 1/3 of the estate due my wife". So Henry Gains had married the relict of John Step. Joshua also is guardian to Thomas and Elizabeth Lucas, orphans of Thomas Lucas at Orange.

Will of Joshua Step of Orange mentions only his grandchildren. Prior to Joshua's death on 23 Dec 1775 he gives to granddaughter Elizabeth Sims, a Negro Ben and to son James, four Negroes. Orange Co., Will Book 3, 1778-1801, Will of Joshua Stapp  
*In the name of God, Amen. I, Joshua Stapp, County of Orange, being in perfect health.....*  
*Item: Negro man and Woman to be free.*  
*Item: Grandson, Achilles Stapp, have Negro Woman, Cate.*  
*Item: The residue of estate not mentioned be divided bet. grandson, Achilles Stapp; granddau. Lucy Willhort; granddau. Sarah Creel, and granddau. Martha Hubbard.*  
*Item: My estate by not sold but be appraised and divided according to appraisement.*

*Lastly: Grandson, Achilles Stapp, Executor dated 19 Dec 1782. Signed Joshua (mark) Stapp, Wit: John Payne, John Wayt, William Wayt.*

Presented to Orange Co. Court 27 Mar 1783 by Achillis Stapp, exec. and proved by oaths John and William Wait. Security Robert Miller £250.0.0

Joshua and wife (unknown, see below) had at least six children.

1. Anestar m. William Simms (deceased when father made will)
2. Son, who had a son Achilles. Rev. Soldier m. 1786. (our line)
3. Daughter m. Wilhout, daughter Lucy.
4. Daughter, married Creel, daughter Sarah.
5. Daughter, married Hubbard, daughter Martha.
6. James Step m. Elizabeth Lucas.

Achilles was the son of Joshua Stapp (Jr) and Hannah Durham and was b. 22 Dec 1755 Orange Co., VA d. 4 Sep 1849 Scott Co., KY. This Stapp lineage inf. provided by Eugene R. Fisher email JDDP32B@prodigy.com, whose line is through son, Elijah.

Additional information from Family Tree Maker CD file Vol. 6 #4033 clarifies the children and grandchildren of Joshua. Maria Bobo in GA was able to obtain this information to complete this line as follows:

Joshua Stapp (Sr) will dated 27 Mar 1783, Orange Co., VA m. Martha Coffey dau of Edward and Ann Coffey. Children:

John Stapp b. 1710 d. 1751 Culpeper Co., VA

Thomas Stapp b. ca 1712 d aft 1777 m. Ann Lucas

Eve Salmon Stapp b. ca 1715

Anester Stapp b. ca 1716

Elizabeth Stapp b. ca 1718

Joseph Stapp b. ca 1720

Joshua Stapp (Jr.) b. 1724 d. 1814 Adair Co., KY (father of Achilles)

James Stapp b. ca 1725 d. aft 1776

Joshua Stapp (Jr.) m. Hannah Durham, children:

Benjamin Stapp, Lucy Stapp, Agness Stapp, Sally Stapp, Betsy Stapp, Martita Stapp, Thomas

Stapp b. ca 1753 Orange Co., VA d. 1806 Green Co., KY m. 7 Jan 1779 Orange Co., KY to

Elizabeth Burgridge and Achilles Stapp b. 22 Dec 1755 VA d. 14 Sep 1849 Scott Co., KY m. (1)

Margaret Vawter and m. (2) Dec 1813 Scott Co., KY to Anna Delph.

Source: family Bible of Achilles Stapp, which beyond birth dates mainly shows his second family with Ann Delph.

Book - *Virginia Soldiers of 1776* by Burgess Vol. page 1443. Achilles Stapp served in State Line in Rev. War. Achilles married Margaret Vawter 27 Nov 1782, removed to Scott Co., KY. His brother, Thomas, also of Orange Co., VA married Betsy Burgage 1776. Another record shows Thomas Stapp m. Betsy Barbage 4 Jan 1779, removed to Woodford Co., KY

Heads of Families - Orange County, 1782

Name of Head of Family	White	Black
Stapp, Joshua	1	7
Stapp, Joshua, Junr	9	3
Stapp, Thomas	5	—
Stapp, Achilles	1	--

Achilles Stapp purchased land of James Renfro in KY. James Renfro was the second husband of Mary (Offill/Offitt) Vawter, the mother of Margaret. James Renfro had been in KY for some time and acquired land near Elkhorn where the family Vawter and Stapp families settled. The following information comes from the Renfro researchers and is also found in the notes of David Vawter.

From Dr. Donald Ott Manshardt, Renfro family papers: James Renfro bought 300 A of land 17 Apr 1781 Lincoln Co., KY on the Rockcastle River. This later became Rockcastle Co., where Renfro Valley is now located. In 1801, James Renfro granted land to Lewis Renfro for 100 pounds, both of Lincoln Co., KY. It is located where Boone's Trace crossed Renfro's Creek, crossing of Roundstone below the mouth of Renfro's Creek. Wit: Reuben and James Menefee, and Absalom Renfro. Bk D p231.

James lived in Woodford Co., KY from 1788 to 92 and Lincoln Co., KY from 1797 to 1800.

James, Reubin, Joshua and Achilles Stapp came from Orange Co., VA to Woodford Co., KY. Achilles bought land on North Elkhorn from James Rentfro of Woodford Co., KY. In 1790, Stapp sold this land on the Elkhorn to Joshua Stapp and wife Hannah and in 1792 sold the land to Joseph Anderson.

Children of Achilles and Margaret (Vawter) Stapp as found in Vawter family and dates of birth taken from FTM (family tree maker) CD Vol.1 #1048. Several of Achilles and Jesse's children married into the Branham family. Jesse was the brother of David Vawter. All of the Branhams named are children of John and Letitia Branham. E-mail of Sandy Winkler sew@goldrush.com

1. Elijah "Ely" Stapp b. 16 Oct 1783 Orange Co., VA. d. March 1843 Edna, Jackson Co., TX m. 16 May 1811 Woodford Co., KY. Nancy Shannon b. ca 1790 d. 13 Aug 1845 TX. (Elijah's date of death also shown as 21 Aug 1842)

In 1816 he moved to MO with his wife and two sons. While living there he heard stories of land and life in the Mexican Territory of TX. In 1826, he went to look it over and in 1831 he moved with his wife and six children to Jackson Municipality, in the contract colony of Green C. DeWitt. On 16 Jul 1831, he was given title to a "league of land". When the Mexican government closed Texas to further settlement of Americans he saw danger for his future. When the Consultation Convention was called at Old Washington-on-the-Brazos for 1 Mar 1836, Elijah was asked to stand for election as a delegate and was elected. The Texas Declaration of Independence from Mexico was drafted with Elijah signing as a duly elected delegate. He was also selected by the convention as one of the "Committee of 26" to draft the constitution that governed the Republic of Texas from 1836 until Texas was admitted to the Union in 1846.

When peace returned after the battle of San Jacinto, Elijah Stapp returned to his home and was elected a judge in Edna, TX in 1839. He held this position until his death in March 1843. Elijah Stapp was buried in the old Russell Ward farm outside Edna, TX. The actual gravesite is unknown, but the area is marked by a monument by the Texas Centennial Commission in 1936. Contributed by Edward M. Stapp, 109 S. Indianwood Ave., Broken Arrow, OK 74012, printed in the Vol. 8 (1983) VVV Association newsletter.

**STAPP, ELIJAH (1783-1843).** *Elijah Stapp, a pioneer settler in DeWitt's colony<sup>qv</sup> and a signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence,<sup>qv</sup> was born in Orange County, Virginia, on October 16, 1783, the son of Achilles and Margaret (Vawter) Stapp. He married Nancy Shannon in 1811 and came to Texas from Missouri, where he had encountered the empresario<sup>qv</sup> Green DeWitt,<sup>qv</sup> who wrote a letter of introduction to Stephen F. Austin<sup>qv</sup> on Stapp's behalf dated March 9, 1826. James Kerr,<sup>qv</sup> DeWitt's surveyor general, who established Gonzales in 1825 as the capital of the DeWitt colony, noted that Stapp was among the few who visited the settlement by July 1826. Having investigated the new land, Stapp brought his wife and six children to settle in the colony about 1830. Three other children were born to the Stapps in Texas. On July 16, 1831, Stapp was issued a Spanish title to a league of land now in Victoria County. Stapp provided leadership in a meeting of settlers of Navidad and Lavaca held on July 17, 1835, to discuss growing dissatisfaction with the Mexican government. He was appointed second judge of the new Jackson Municipality on December 6, 1835, by the General Council<sup>qv</sup> of the provisional government.<sup>qv</sup> He was then elected with Kerr to represent Jackson in the Convention of 1836<sup>qv</sup> at Washington-on-the-Brazos. Kerr did not attend; Stapp took his seat on March 1 and signed the Declaration of Independence. After the convention Stapp and those of his family not serving in the army were forced to flee from their home during the Runaway Scrape.<sup>qv</sup> Stapp wrote a letter of character dated April 9, 1836, to ad interim president David G. Burnet<sup>qv</sup> in defense of John J. Linn,<sup>qv</sup> who had been arrested erroneously as a spy. Stapp was elected justice of the peace of Jackson County, Republic of Texas, in 1839, and in 1840 he was postmaster at La Baca, Jackson County. That year he owned 4,428 acres in Victoria County. Stapp died on March 21, 1843,*

in Jackson County and was buried in what became known as Russell Ward Cemetery, five miles northeast of Edna. In 1936 the Texas Centennial<sup>qv</sup> Commission erected a monument in the cemetery in his honor. His son William Preston Stapp<sup>qv</sup> served in the Mier expedition<sup>qv</sup> in 1842, survived both the Black Bean Episode<sup>qv</sup> and captivity in Perote Prison,<sup>qv</sup> and wrote *The Prisoners of Perote (1845)*, an account of his experience that remains valuable for its detail and insight into the tensions between Mexico and Texas.

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Biographies here are DeWitt Colonists (surnames beginning O-Z) who were in the colony by census, land or other records through Dec 1828. Other biographies can be found at [The Battle of Gonzales-Old 18](#), [Gonzales Alamo Relief Force](#), [Land Grantees & Residents](#), [Gonzales Town Residents](#) and [Citizens-Free State of Lavaca](#).

**STAPP. Darwin Massey Stapp**, shown in the 1828 census, was the first of the Stapps to arrive in the DeWitt Colony. According to land records, he arrived as a single man on 4 Jun 1828 and received title to a quarter sitio of land on the west bank of the Guadalupe River west of Gonzales. His father, **Elijah Stapp**, arrived 20 Mar 1830 with family of 8 and was granted a sitio of land in current Victoria County. His son and brother of D.M. Stapp, **William Preston Stapp**, arrived single on 20 Feb 1830 and received a quarter sitio east of Gonzales near the Gonzales Lavaca County line. A Col. John Emison related to Victor Marion Rose for the Rose History of Victoria County, 1883 "*When I came to Mission Valley I found here Capt. Dick Powers, J. D. Gabler, Quincey Davidson, A. J. Hamilton, D. M. Stapp, Hugh Stapp, Oliver Stapp, Nat Stucks, Major Andrews, E. Parkinson, J. M. Edgar, Santiago de Leon and Patricio de Leon.*" Darwin Stapp, referred to with the title Colonel, served in numerous minuteman campaigns against Indian attacks and Mexico in 1835-36 and was member of the Texas legislature in 1850 to 1854, customs agent at Indianola from 1856 to 1864 and a member of the secession convention of 1861. Col. Stapp was an active merchant in Victoria, TX from 1866-1870. In partnership with the Hensley brothers of Lavaca, he had a large grocery business near the Victoria depot. Col. Stapp purchased the building known as the "female academy" which became the Victoria High School in 1883 (the time of Victor Rose's History of Victoria) and opened the Stapp Hotel in 1870 which he owned until his death in 1875.

Elijah Stapp was signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence representing Jackson County. He and **Major James Kerr** drew straws to see who would attend and who would stay to take care of security matters at home. Sam Houston Dixon in *The Men Who Made Texas Free* writes:

When the settlers of Navadad and Lavaca held their meeting July 17, 1835, to express their views regarding the pending questions agitating them and to arouse resistance to Mexican tyranny, Mr. Stapp attended the meeting and took a leading part in its proceedings.....This meeting was held previous to the Consultation Convention and had its influence in shaping the destinies of that Convention.....A few days before the date for the convening of this convention he joined other delegates to the convention and made the trip on horseback, going via San Felipe where he remained over night, joining other delegates there. Among these delegates was Thomas Barnett, who afterwards gained fame as a Senator of the Republic. "*On our trip to Old Washington, "* said Mr. Barnett, "*we rode leisurely, chatting though in a solemn vein. We all realized the seriousness of our mission. We were all agreed on one point, and that was that the time had come when we should declare in emphatic terms against longer tolerating Mexican tyranny. We had been advised that Santa Anna was massing his forces to invade the State and we were eager to organize to meet him. Words were cautiously spoken because none of us desired to impress upon our companions that we were blood thirsty. We had faith in the wisdom of the delegates we knew would assemble.*" On reaching Old Washington Mr. Stapp sought to meet the delegates from the different sections of the State that he might be able to learn the general character of the delegation, and to discuss with them the work before them. This is confirmed by Mr. Waller and Mr. Menefee. Regarding Mr. Stapp, Mr. Waller said: "*Elijah Stapp mingled with the, delegates as they arrived and asked many questions regarding conditions in the different parts of the State. He had an idea that a programme had been mapped out and he expressed an earnest desire to know what it was.*" Mr. Menefee said "*Mr. Stapp was an enthusiast and in mingling with the delegates he impressed all by his earnestness.*"

A Darwin M. Stapp is listed among the Texas veterans first class in *A Texas Scrapbook by Baker* as age 58, serving in the campaign of 1835 and with residence VictoriaCo. D.M and Oliver Stapp are listed on the 1840 Taxrolls of JacksonCo. Brother of Elijah Stapp, Brigadier-General D.M. Stapp from Madison, Indiana was commander of the 44th Brigade, Confederate States of America, into which the Lavaca County Militia became a part in 1860. William Preston Stapp was Private in the disastrous Mier Expedition and in 1845 wrote an extensive first hand account of his imprisonment, *The Prisoners of Perote*. His uncle Milton Stapp aided in his release.

From *The Signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence* by L.W. Kemp: **Elijah Stapp** was born in Virginia in about 1783 and came to Texas from Missouri. On March 9, 1826 Green DeWitt, in New London, Ralls County, Missouri, wrote to Stephen F. Austin:

*Permit me to Introduce to your attention Col. Elijah Stapp and Mr. William Duncan; who came to Texas for the purpose of selecting lands for a number of families; who intend to migrate from this County to that Country, they are particularly bound for the Guadalupe on San Marco, as their intention is Mills Cotton Ginns etc.*



It was not until 1830, however, that Stapp with his wife and six children came to Texas to make their home. On July 16, 1831, he received title to one league of land in De Witt's Colony, located in what is now Victoria County. The following officers were elected December 6, 1835 for the newly created Municipality of Jackson by the General Council of the Provisional Government: Patrick Usher, first judge; **Elijah Stapp**, second judge; John Alley, William Millican and **George Sutherland**, commissioners for organizing the militia. When the municipality was created December 2 from Matagorda Municipality it was provided that "*the Capitol shall be the Town of Texana, lately called Santa Anna.*" Approximately 85 votes were cast in the election held in Jackson Municipality to elect two delegates to the Constitutional Convention. At the box at the home of **James Kerr**, on the Lavaca, where **Elijah Stapp** and John Alley were the judges and Samuel A. White, the secretary, the vote was: Kerr, 29; Stapp, 27; George Sutherland, 2; and Francis Menefee White, John S. Menefee and Francis M. White were the judges at Texana. There Sutherland received 38 votes; Stapp, 26; White, 24; and Kerr, 20. Of the total number of votes cast, Stapp received 53; Kerr, 49; Sutherland, 40; and White, 40. Kerr and Stapp were declared elected. Stapp was seated at the Convention March 1. Kerr did not attend.

There is no evidence in the General Land Office that Stapp joined the army after the adjournment of the Convention. The fact that he was on the Trinity River in April is an indication, at least, that he was in the "*runaway scrape.*" He wrote a letter April 9, 1836, at "Trinity" to President Burnet in behalf of J. J. Linn. He was probably with William Menefee who also on April 9 wrote to Burnet in defense of Linn. That he had not returned to his home before June 1, 1836 is stated in a letter he wrote to Gen. Thomas J. Rusk in June 1836:

June 1836 East of Colorado River Genl Rusk When I was at the Convention with you, my family was driven from their home on the Lavaca, by the Enemy and they, the enemy, have destroyed, & driven off all that I had to Support my family; I am over here destitute of money or provisions for my family which Compels me to ask your assistance by Granting Me an order to draw from any public Stores a Sufficiency to Support on; My family that I ask for is five children, Wife and Myself--two of My Sons has been in the army almost ever Since it first commenced last fall---there is now two; In a few days I send you another which is all that I have able to do Military duty---I am doing all I can to get men to Rally to the Standard and fight the Battles of Texas; any duty that my bodily Strength Would enable me to perform either in public or private that would advance the cause of Texas I feel anxious & ever Ready to perform; as Soon as I get Shelter & Something to Support my family, I intend to pay you a Visit If health permits---Your course of procedure is approved by the people So far as I can Learn they are of opinion when you Whip the enemy that you pursue them closely across Rio grande and not permitting them to take any arms of Munitions of war With them. Respectfully yours &c Elijah Stapp

Stapp was postmaster at La Baca, Jackson County in 1840. He died in March 1843. He was buried in what later became known as the old Russell Ward Cemetery five miles northeast of Edna, Jackson County. In 1936 the Commission of Control for Texas Centennial Celebrations had a monument erected in the cemetery in his honor. Stapp was married to Nancy Shannon. Their children were **Preston; Darwin Massey; William Preston; Oliver; Hugh Shannon; Achilles; Walter; Le Grand; Rebecca;** and **Mary Stapp**, who was married to William King. **Darwin Massey Stapp**, son of Elijah Stapp, was born in 1815. He was thrice married. On November 8, 1837, he was married to Mrs. Maria O. Heard [marriage record in the earliest marriages recorded in 1837 in JacksonCo archives], who was twice a widow. His second wife was Miss Cecelia Thompson [who died along with a daughter in the epidemic of 1867] and his third, Mrs. Lulu Cunningham Robinson, a widow. There were no children by the first marriage. Children of his second marriage were Elijah, Revel and Edward Stapp. Darwin and Lula Stapp were children of his third marriage. Darwin Massey Stapp died February 28, 1875 [and his surviving widow then married a Mr. Du Vinage in 1877 and they moved to San Antonio. Stapp's son, E.M. Stapp married Miss Neelie Robson of Victoria in 1870. **Hugh Shannon Stapp**, son of Elijah Stapp, was born in Frankford, Kentucky, in 1820. On November 9, 1850, he was married to Elizabeth M. Rice, daughter of Dr. Charles Wesley and Margaret Rice. Their children were Cecelia; Callista, who was married to Isaac Newton Mitchell; Charles; Darwin; Walter; Elsie and Dalton Stapp. **William Preston Stapp**, son of Elijah Stapp, was a member of the Mier Expedition in 1842. Some of the surviving, descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Stapp in 1939 were Mrs. Callista Mitchell, La Ward, Texas; Mrs. Eunice Stokes, 745 Porter Street, San Antonio; C. S. Mitchell, Lolita, Texas; Hugh O. Mitchell, U. S. Coast & Geodetic Engineer, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Ross R. Bailey, Houston; Mrs. Lena H. Stifford, Miami, Florida; J. J. Halfin, Beaumont; Preston E. Halfin, Victoria; and G. S. Halfin, Port Arthur

- 1a. William Preston Stapp b. 12 Apr 1812 d. 22 Dec 1861
  - 2a. Darwin Massey Stapp b. 1815 Frankfurt, KY d. 28 Feb 1875 Victor, Victoria Co., TX
  - 3a. Oliver Hardin Stapp b. b. 1818 d. 1870 Bryan, Brazos Co., TX
  - 4a. Hugh Shannon Stapp b. b. 1820 MO d. 1890 TX m. 9 Dec 1850 TX to Elizabeth M. Rice b. ca 1830.
  - 5a. Achilles Stapp m. Mary Jane Taylor b. ca 1824
  - 6a. Walter Stapp b. ca 1824
  - 7a. Rebecca Margaret Stapp b. 17 Apr 1828 Palmyra, Marion Co., MO d. 12 Nov 1899 Colorado City, Mitchell Co., TX m. 30 May 1849 to Nathaniel M. Stukes b. ca 1826
  - 8a. Legrand Stapp b. ca 1830 d. ca 1830
  - 9a. Mary Jane Stapp b. 3 Jan 1837 TX d. ca 1897 Bryan, Brazos Co., KY
2. Elias Stapp b. 4 Jan 1786 VA d. 1 Feb 1867 Madison Co., IL m. Susan Branham b. ca 1788.
  3. Nancy Stapp b. 10 Nov 1788 Scott Co., KY d. 1 Mar 1848 m. Robert Branham b. ca 1786.

Robert died Jan 1860 and is buried in the Springdale Cemetery, Jefferson County, Indiana. He was married twice: (1) Nancy Stapp (2) Ann Heath

4. Milton Stapp b. Jun 1791 Scott Co., KY d. Jul 1791 Scott Co., KY

5. Milton Stapp b. 14 Jul 1793 Scott Co., KY d. 2 Aug 1869 m. 10 Mar 1814 Scott Co., KY to Elizabeth Branham b. 1792 d. 1884.

6. Silas Stapp b. 14 Apr 1795 Scott Co., KY d. 1866 m. (1) Miss Shannon m. (2) 5 Aug 1837 to Mary Carmine.

7. Mary "Polly" Stapp b. 7 Nov 1797 Scott Co., KY m. (1) William Branham, died suddenly at the age of 24 (no issue), m. (2) May 1814 Jacob Jennings Vail.  
Mary and Jacob Jennings Vail moved to Madison IN, near her brothers and sister.

8. Mariah Stapp b. 12 Mar 1800 Scott Co., KY m. Vivian Brooking.

9. Jameson Stapp b. 5 Mar 1802 Scott Co., KY d. May 1834

10. Jephtha Stapp b. 1805 Scott Co., KY d. 1806

### **Mary Ann Vawter<sup>4</sup> (David<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

Mary Ann Vawter is the daughter of David Vawter and Mary (Offill/Offott?) b. about 1769 in Orange Co., VA or Fayette Co., KY. She married about 1790 to John Gatewood who was b. 1 Sep 1765 Culpeper, VA. d. bef 13 Sep 1847 in Scott Co., KY.

Parents and siblings of John are:

Peter Gatewood b. ca 1729 Essex Co., VA d. Dec 1820 Fayette Co., KY m. ca 1764 Spotsylvania Co., VA to Sarah "Sally" Sanders b. ca 1742 Spotsylvania Co., VA d. 14 Apr 1838. Peters parents were Henry Gatewood and Dorothy Dudley. Sarah Sanders parents are Hugh Sanders and Catherine Haskins.

Children:

1. Catherine Gatewood m. 26 Jan 1784 Lincoln Co., KY to Richmond Deadman
2. John Gatewood b. 1 Sep 1765 Culpeper Co., VA d. bef. 13 Sep 1847 Scott Co., KY m. Mary "Polly" Vawter
3. Hugh Sanders Gatewood d. 24 Oct 1838 Shelby Co., IN m. (1) Lydia Sanders (2) Mary Craig
4. Elizabeth "Betsy" Gatewood m. ca 1792 Thomas S. Gatewood
5. Henry Gatewood b. 14 Nov 1772 Culpeper Co., VA d. 27 Sep 1830 Shelby Co., IN m. Sarah "Sally" Higbee
6. Peter Gatewood b. 25 Jul 1775 Culpeper Co., VA d. 16 Jul 1849 Fayette Co., KY m. Fanny Wharton
7. James Gatewood
8. Dudley Gatewood
9. Lewis Gatewood d. aft. 1827
10. Larkin Gatewood d. ca Aug 1827 Fayette Co. KY
11. Thomas Gatewood b. ca 1786 KY d. 1835 Marion Co., MO M. Hannah Lincoln
12. Sarah Gatewood b. KY d. bef. 1820

In a letter from Erma Chandler in 1980, in the possession of Carol Tikka 1998, 14690 SW 106<sup>th</sup> Ave., Tigard, OR 97224, comes this information.

John Gatewood was in Fayette through 1810 and then in Scott Co., KY. In the 1810 census it states 2 sons, 4 females (two born bef. 1800 and 2 b. 1800-1810). These daughters were Mary who married a Minor, Lydia who married Willis Dehoney, Harriet who married Thomas Dehoney and the other a daughter b. 1804. In 1811, Mary (Vawter) Gatewood left John and the children and in 1813 John placed son Jefferson and two daughters, Harriett and Minerva with Achilles Stapp and wife.

Why Mary Ann left John is unknown, but John was a horse trainer and was around the various race tracks, it is also noted she was the prettiest girl in the county.

It is stated that Minerva was four weeks short of 9 years according to the statement b. 4 Jan 1813 and Harriet was almost 14. These children were to be trained in housework, etc. by the Stapps. Achilles Stapp had married Margaret Vawter in 1782 and was Mary Ann's sister. In addition Winifred Vawter married James Dehoney in 1775 and was also a sister of Margaret and Mary Ann's. All went to the same area of KY.

There is a note in the letter that there was a Melvina Dehoney who married Wesley Seebree.

Lydia and Harriet Gatewood were listed in the 1847 Scott Co., KY extraction's from the settlement of the estate of John Gatewood.

Information on Mary Ann comes from Carol Tikka, email usfinn@msn.com. Sources: Gatewood family, by Erma Chandler, 1040 Burlington, Dallas, Texas. Peter Gatewood descendants, pp. 195-205-206; Scott Co., KY. deed book k p 89 dated 13 Sept. 1857 (?1847) (div. of estate of John Gatewood; Sanders file KY. State Historical Lib., Frankfort, KY.; Penn App John Gatewood #S-13-121; Fytt. Co., KY. Marr. Records; Scott Co., KY. 1820 Census. Also 1850 Census. Family representative for Temple Ordinance Data, Mrs. Velma A. West, Dates are from Nov. 13,

1968 to Jan. 30, 1969.

Children of David and Mary Ann (Vawter) Gatewood:

1. Mary "Polly" Gatewood b. ca 1794 Fayette Co., KY d. bef 1850 in Randolph Co., MO m. 14 Dec 1810 Fayette Co., KY to George H. Minor. Moved in 1831 to either IN or Randolph Co., MO. Had 18 children; Samuel, Joseph, John, Larkin, Mary Ann, Merritt, Eliza, Virginia, Lydia, Henry, Harriet, Haskin, Elizabeth, Cinsey, Josephine, Willis, Sally and Lewis Minor.
2. Merritt S. Gatewood b. ca 1796 Fayette Co., KY d. ca 1817 Scott Co., KY. His estate was administered 17 Apr 1817.
3. Lydia Gatewood b. abt 1798 Fayette Co., KY d. 5 Mar 1858 m. Willis Dehoney, son of James Dehoney and Winifred Vawter. Children: Zerelda, Merit, Malvina W., Hulda Scott, John Cabell B., Meriall, Marcus Aurelius, Flavius Josephine and Mary Dehoney.
4. Harriet Gatewood b. 10 Mar 1799 Fayette Co., KY d. 17 Mar 1838 m. 12 Feb 1819 Thomas Dehoney, son of James Dehoney and Winifred Vawter. Children: Marion, Wileria, Martila, Leander, Simeon B., Marcellus, David, and Martha Dehoney.
5. Thomas Jefferson Gatewood b. 16 Jul 1801 Fayette Co., KY. Thomas was taxed in 1840 Fayette Co. but not listed in father's estate in 1847, presumed deceased.
6. Minerva Gatewood b. March 1804 Fayette Co., KY. No other information available.

The Gatewood girls married in the Dehoney family of two brothers. Their parents of the brothers were Winifred Vawter and James Dehoney, Winifred being the sister of Mary Ann and daughter of David Vawter<sup>3</sup>. They were first cousins. In addition Nancy Gatewood married another son of Winifred and James Dehoney, she is thought a cousin to Harriet and Lydia but her parentage is unknown.

Found this in issue 8 of the VVV family association newsletter, published 1980.

Richard Vawter in 21 Jan 1796 Spotsylvania Co., VA witness to mortgage of Henry Gatewood, Jr. and John Lewis. Richard Vawter found as head of household in 1810 census of Spotsylvania Co.

#### David4, (David3, John2, Bartholomew1)

There is no proof that David here listed is the son of David Vawter. Evidence of his existence comes from previous Vawter research and military records. However, David Vawter3, son of John, would have been over 40 years old and too old to enlist for service for 3 years in the Revolutionary War. Young men enlisted for that length of time, while older men, including David Vawter3, served as militia or guards. This David may belong to another Vawter line and not yet placed correctly, but it seems highly probable he is the seventh child of David Vawter and Mary (Offott/Offill?).

In 1986 E.B. Vaughters, 12015 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98177 sent the genealogy of this line to be published by the VVV Association newsletter. He states:

“There is an additional child for David and Mary named David who died single, possibly from an illness during the Rev. War.

He stated that one “David Vauters” served in the Rev. War and was at Gen. Burgoyne’s defeat at Saratoga, NY, 17 Oct 1777, where Gen. Burgoyne surrendered nearly 6000 men and valuable stores.”

In the book *The Vawter Family in America* by Grace Vawter Bicknell, pub. 1905, Hollenbeck Press, Indianapolis, she lists the military records of a David Vawter. She points out that “little is known of David Vawter”, unfortunately she assumed all material on David Vawter were of the same person and combined what little was known of David3, son of John2 with any other named David.

Bicknell received a letter from the Military Secretary of the War Dept. in Washington DC, in 1905, on the service of David Vawter. The letters states “The name David Vawter, nor the name of Jesse Vawter has been found on the rolls in this office. It is shown by the records, however, that one David Vauters served as private in Captain John Camp’s Company in the First Virginia State Regiment, commanded by Colonel George Gibson. He enlisted Mar 1, 1777, to serve three years, and his name last appears on the company muster roll for February, 1778. The date of his separation from the service in not stated.”

The VA Gazette, Purdy publisher p. 3, col. 1, 4 April 1777 pushed a “Notice of Desertion, 20 shilling reward, s. John Camp, Capt.” David Vawter, described as 5’ 10”, black hair and eyes and was a deputy of Col. Barber. John Camp’s company was in the 1<sup>st</sup> State Reg. the same as William Vawter.

Nat’nl. Archives, microfilm of War Dept. Records, Rev. War. M881/roll #918

David Vauter, private, 1<sup>st</sup> Va. State Reg. Col geo Gibson – reg. John Camp l- capt.

David Vauter enlisted 1 Mar 1777 for 3 years

Pay Roll

Sep 13 to Sep 30, 1777, Oct 1777, Nov 1777, Dec 1777.

Muster Roll

1 Dec 1777 to 1 Jan 1778,

Sick at Georgetown MD 1 Dec to 22 Dec 1777

Sick and absent to 12 Nov 1777

Sick and absent at Georgetown MD, 1 Oct to 13 Oct 1777

Sick and absent 1 Jan 1778

Sick and absent 1 Feb 1778

No bounty land warrant was shown on the records and No evidence David Vauter completed his 3 year enlistment. He is not seen in any records after the Rev. War and likely was deceased.

### **Richard Vawter<sup>3</sup>, (John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

Richard Vawter was the son of John Vawter and Margaret Noel. John died between May of 1750 & Jan 1752 in Essex Co., VA. John's wife, Margaret Noel was the daughter of Daniel Noell and the granddaughter of the original emigrant Cornelius Noel. Margaret died in Sept 1756 in Essex Co., VA.

A history of the Vawter family can be found in the book *The Vawter Family in America* by Grace Vawter Bicknell, Indianapolis, Hollenbeck Press, 1905. This book has been reprinted and is found in most large genealogical libraries including the State Historical Library, Indianapolis, IN. While many errors are found in early records, it gives a good over view of the family and later records which are accurate. This Richard is many times referred to as Richard Beverly Vawter. No evidence of his middle name being Beverly exists and this probably comes from the fact that Bicknell lists him as two separate people, Beverly and Richard, with part of the children listed under each section.

Frances Towles was born on 8 May 1730 in Middlesex Co., VA as proven in the Middlesex Co. Christ Church Register and died about Dec 1811 in Culpeper Co., VA. Book- *Marriage of some Virginia Residents 1607-1800* Vol. II pub. 1986 By Dorothy Ford Wulfbeck p. 130. Richard Vawter<sup>3</sup> son of John, will dated 1803; m. Frances Towles, b. 8 May 1730, dau. of Stokeley Towles and Ann Vallott.

Stokeley Towles b. ca 1690 Accomack Co., VA d. 6 Jun 1757 in Culpeper Co., VA. He married (1) Ann (Hannah) Vallott 21 Oct 1708 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex Co., VA dau. of Claud Vallott and Ann Jenkinson. He married (2) Jane Sparks Wharton ca 1747 in Orange Co., VA dau. of John Sparks and Mary Mason. Jane married (1) Thomas Wharton and had 2 children Sarah and John Wharton.

Genealogies of Virginia Families from *Tyler's Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine*, Vol. III, Genealogical Pub. Co., Baltimore, 1981.

Stokeley Towles' children (except Oliver and Henry) went with him to Orange, or soon joined him. His wife Ann was alive there in 1742. On February 28, 1748, he made settlement at Orange of the estate of Thomas Wharton, whose widow, Jane, he had married. Jane was a daughter of John Sparks, whose widow Mary married, second, Spencer Bobo. Jane's brothers were: Zachary (whose widow Sarah married Anthony Foster), Thomas (who married Towles daughter Mary -first of that name) and William Sparks and the wife of Japser Haynes was her sister. By her first husband, Thomas Wharton, she had two children, Sarah and John.

Frances moved with her family from Middlesex (Essex) about 1737 to Orange Co., VA and located at the foot of Thoroughfare Mountain. Richard who prob. came to Orange ca 1745 would have soon after, met and married Frances in Orange. John, Richard's father received land by the "Mountain" in a patent dated July 1736. Richard and Angus who along with Ephraim Rucker divided 700 acres of John Vawter's land in Orange County and they probably went to this land as soon as they came of age or could handle the development of the property. In the will of John this land is mentioned as along "Mountain Road" and was probably near the Towles property.

The Towles and Vallot families are original emigrants to Virginia and have had considerable histories written on the families. The most complete Towles genealogy is in the *Virginia Genealogist* Vol. 8 p. 220 et. seq. and Stokeley our direct line is found thoroughly researched in *Tyler's Quarterly Historical* Vol. XIII, pub. 1932, article of *Towles and Clarks* by William Newman starting on page 23 and continuing through several volumes. The Stockley/Stokeley family lines go back to 1609 and the original immigrants of brothers Francis and John Stockley. They located on the Eastern Shore of VA in Accomack County.

Book *Virginia Revolutionary Publick Claims* by Abercrombie and Slatten, Vol. 1, Ibernian Pub. Co. p331. Essex County court held at Tappahannock 15 Apr 1782 p.6. Claim of Angus Vawter 2 beefs 500# £6-5. Claim of Richard Vawter beef 275# £3-8-9.

Book- *Genealogical and Historical notes on Culpeper Co., VA, revising the edition of Dr. Philip Slaughter's History of St. Mark's Parish* pub. 1978, Regional Pub. Co. by Raleigh Travers Green. Pages 3-5.

Culpeper in the Revolution. *Culpeper was distinguished in the Rev. war by the important service of her gallant Minute men, who "were trained in a minute, armed in a minute, marched in a minute, fought in a minute and vanquished in a minute." Immediately on the breaking out of war in 1775, Patrick Henry, summoned men for assistance. Upon his summons, 150 men from Culpeper, 100 from Orange, and 100 from Fauquier, rendezvoused here, and encamped in a field the property of John S. Harbour, ½ m. west of the village of Fairfax. An old oak marked the spot. These were the first Minute Men raised in Virginia. Their flag was inscribed "The Culpeper Minute Men", on one side and "Liberty or Death," and beneath "Don't Tread on Me". They dressed in green hunting shirts with "Liberty or Death" on the front and wore in their hats buck-tails and in their belts tomahawks and scalping knives. Their savage, war-like appearance excited terror. The religions of the area, Baptist and Methodist, were encouraged to form into separate companies and the Baptists were among the most strenuous supporters of liberty.*

In the book *"Old Churches, Ministers and Families of Virginia"* by W. Meade the following: Upon a branch of Blackburn's Creek called Church Swamp stands Vauter's Church, built, as indicated by a date inscribed upon its walls, in 1731. This church is in a good state of preservation. (GJNote: This church is still standing (2004) and is in Essex Co., VA, this is not to be confused with the two churches below in Madison Co.)

On p. 103 the churches of Madison and Rappahannock are noted. Mrs. Lewis, who is descended from the Pendletons and Gaines of Culpeper, the Vauters of Essex and the Ruckers, from her I learn that there were two churches the brick church, called F.T. which stood near what is now known as Slate Mills. It took its name from Frank Thornton on who's line (land) was the starting point of the survey and the South Church, which was about sixteen miles distant and four miles below the present site of the Madison court house. It was a frame building and stood on the land of Richard Vauter. Both buildings were old at the commencement of the Revolutionary War. The Episcopal families around these churches were the Ruckers, the Barbour, Beales, Keastleys, Lewises, Blafords, Vauters, Strothers, Thorntons, Burtons, Conways, Gipsons, Pannells, Gaineses.

The two Vauter churches are clarified by the following found information. *William and Mary College quarterly Historical Magazine* Vol. X 1901-1902. Reprinted 1966. Page 257-58. SALE OF A COLONIAL CHURCH, by Dr. Andrew G. Grinnan.

Broomfield Parish, In Madison county, VA., was cut off from St. Mark's Parish by act of Assembly in 1752; its western corner is a John Spotswood's corner, on Crooked Run, near Wayland's Mill, and the boundary line runs northeast to the junction of White Oak Run with the Robinson River, thus including what is now Madison and Rappahannock counties. (See St. Mark's Parish, page 81.)

St. Mark's Parish was taken from St. George's in 1731; Orange county from Spotsylvania in 1734; Culpeper county was taken from Orange in 1748, and in 1752 Broomfield Parish was taken from St. Mark's. In 1792 Madison was taken from Culpeper. The chief church was called Vawters, which must not be confounded with Vawter's, in Middlesex county, now Essex county. It was on the south side of the public road from Madison Court-house to Wolf Town, about four miles from Madison. It was standing in 1798, in which year the following advertisement appeared in the *Fredericksburg Herald*:

"To be Sold. - A House built for a church, the main body 26x24 feet, well framed, of white oak timber and outside of Pine plank, with feathered edges shingled with chestnut shingles, the interior adorned with pulpit, type, pews, railing, and two galleries with seats and aisles. It is nearly in the midst of the Robinson Fork. The time of payment will be agreed upon at the day of sale. (Signed by ) Richard Vawters. Madison County."

So far as the writer knows, the last rector was a Scotchman named Meldrum; he moved to Frederick county; he was one of the persons who voted for General Washington when he was a candidate for the House of Burgesses for that county. What part of church furniture is type? Note. - In "St. Mark's Parish," Slaughter says that the Vawters were a prominent family of Broomfield Parish, and while much as been said about the spoilation of colonial churches by persons outside the church, it would seem probable that Vawters Church, in Madison county, was offered for sale, or rather was advertised for sale, by one of the congregation.

The writers reference to "Spoilation" refers to the fact many English churches were torn down or destroyed after the Rev. War in protest. That the Vauter's Church of Essex remains today is no small miracle. Since Broomfield Parish was removed in 1752 and he indicates the Vawters were active members there, they must have moved in the dates indicated about of 1745-48.

*The Virginia Herald*, July 13, 1798 1:3

To be sold. To the highest bidder, on Thursday the first day of November next, (if fair, if not, the next fair day) by the subscriber, a house built for a church, and one acre of land, whereon it stands, the house is 60 feet by 26, the main body; T 26 by 24 feet, well framed of white oak timber, weather boarded with feather edge pine plank, well ceiled with the same, shingled with chestnut shingles, inwardly adorned with a pulpit, desks and type, pews below, two galleries, seats and rails, &c. The time of payment to be agreed upon at the day of sale, which will be reasonable. Richard Vawler.

N.B. It is neatly seated on the middle of my land Robinson Fork, Madison county.

GJNote: As further explanation because all people were required to attend a church for the purpose of the levy of taxes and quitrents, some of the newer parishes did not have a church convenient for travel. This was solved by the building of "A House of Ease". This was similar to a "branch church" and resolved the problem of distance or sparse population. When Madison was a part of St. George's Parish it was necessary for a "House of Ease" to be built near Wolfstown. Some years later St. Mark's Parish was formed in what is now Culpeper County. Again, after the formation of Bromfield Parish the church called "F.T." (Frank Thornton) was built. There was another Episcopal Church four miles below present Madison Court House. This was called "South Church". It was a frame building built on land owned by Richard Vawter.

*Essex Co. Deed Book 1736-1742*, pp 175-179 10 & 11 Dec 1740. Thomas Lilley of St. Ann's planter and Thomas Jameson of Parrish of Brunswick, King George Co. Thomas Lilley for the sum of 8 pounds current money of VA granted unto Thomas Jameson 70 A in St. Ann's being all that tract of land which was given in the last will and Testament of Richard Edwards late of the co. of Essex deced bearing date 13 Jun 1722 unto Thomas Lilley and now in the actual possession of Thomas Jameson by virtue of Indenture on one year. Wit: John Vawter, Bartholomew Vawter and Richard Vawter.

Richard Vawter witnessed the will of Edward Goode of St. Ann's Parish, Essex Co., VA dated 2 Mar 1744/5. Found in *VA Genealogist* Vol. 16 p. 19, Essex County Wills 1743-1747.

Culpeper Co., VA Deeds Vol. 1, pages 119-121. 13 Mar 1749/50. William Rucker of St. Thomas' Parish, Culpeper County, planter, to William Twyman of same. For 40 pounds current money. 123 acres... corner to Thomas Cofer....Philip Stockdale's corner....above the fork....courses of the run to a fork of a branch that falleth into the run.... Signed Wm. Rucker, Honour Rucker. Wit: Robt. Sharman, Benja. Powell, Richd. Vawter. 15 Mar 1749. Acknowledged by William Rucker. Honour the wife of William relinquished her right of dower.

Deed dated 8 Feb 1750. John Vawter of Essex County to Richard Vawter of Orange County. Lease and release; for the love and good will he hath for his son Richard Vawter and 5 shillings....250 acres being one-half of a tract granted unto John Vawter for 700 acres by pattent 20 July 1736 (except 200 acres which John Vawter hath already given and sold to Ephraim Rucker and Margaret his wife)... to Conway's line...line which divides this land from the other dividant which is allotted for Angus Vawter son of the aforesaid John Vawter...to Kirtley's land...to Ephraim and Margaret Rucker's land....John Vawter. Witnesses: Bartholomew



Vawter, Angus Vawter, Richard Vawter, Jr. and Augustine Vawter. 15 Mar 1749/1750. Proved by Richard Vawter, Jr., Angus Vawter and Augustine Vawter.

GJNote: In 1748 Culpeper Co. was formed from Orange Co. and in 1792 Madison Co. was formed from Culpeper Co.

In 1761 Richard and Francis sold this inheritance.

Culpeper Co. VA Deed Book Vol. II, page 524-527. 16 Jul 1761. Richard Vawter and Frances his wife of Brumfield Parish, Culpeper County, to William Stone of same. For 35 pounds current money... 250 acres in the Fork of the Conway and Stanton rivers....bounded by the lines of Francis Conway, William Kirtley and John Delaney. Signed Richard Vawter. Wit: Thos. Stanton, Timo. Holdway, Robert Appleby, jr.

16 Jul 1761. Acknowledged by Richard Vawter. A commission is awarded to take the privy examination of Francis.

This land was split up yet again as shown in the following deeds.

Culpeper Co., Deed Book Vol. III, page 304-07.

7 Dec 1763. Charles Neal and Esther his wife of Bromfield Parish, Culpeper County, to James Riddle of same. For natural love and fatherly affection to their son in law James Riddle. 100 acres in the fork of the Conway and Rappidann River....on the Conway River... by a circular line of marked trees. Wit: George Anderson, Richard Vawter, Mary Stanton

page 720-22. 14 Aug 1765. Wm. Pearce of Bromfield Parish, Culpeper Co., to Stephen Souther of same. For 21 pounds current money. 150 acres in the fork of Stanton and Conway rivers...Conway's line....a bent of a branch below the fork....Signed Wm. and Mary Pearce. Wit: Richard Vawter, Wm. Vawter, Jeremiah Pearce and James Rucker.

Culpeper Co. Deed Book Vol. 1 page 411-12. 21 Feb 1752. Bond of Thomas Rucker, William Rucker, William Offill and Shem Cook unto James Rucker and Ephraim Rucker, executors of Peter Rucker. For 1000 pounds sterling. There have been several legacies delivered out of the estate to the several legatees: To Isaac Tindsley a Negro boy names Yorkshire, to Shem Cook a Negro girl named Jenny, to Ephraim Rucker a Negro girl named Phillis. If Thomas Rucker, William Rucker, William Offill and Shem Cook agree with the delivery of the legacies without taking any rents, interest, then this obligation be void. Signed Thos. Rucker, Wm. Rucker, Shem Cook, Wm. Offill. Wit: Francis Kirkley and Richard Vawter.

Page 412. 21 Feb 1752. The subscribers hath received of James Rucker and Ephraim Rucker, executors of Peter Rucker, all of the estate bequeathed to me and my wife Margaret Tindsley by the said will, and discharge the executors of all debts, dues and demands or any legacy to me or my wife bequeathed by the will. Signed Isaac Tindsley and Margaret Tindsley. Wit: Richard Vawter and William Offill.

Culpeper Co. Deed Book Vol. 1 page 139-44. 23 Oct 1753. Michael Yager and Elizabeth his wife of Brumfield Parish, Culpeper County, to Thomas Oiner of same. Lease and release; for 40 pounds current money. 200 acres in the parish aforesaid and in the great fork of Rappahanock River. Being part of a patent granted to Martin Walk and Tobias Wilhite for 400 acres 17 Jul 1736.... On a hill side in a line of the patent near Teter Weaver's corner ....crossing some branches of Deep Run... in Colo. William Beverly's line on the south side of the German Road.... Signed Michael Yager and Elizabeth Yager, Wit: Ambrose Powell, Richard Vawter and Russil Hill.

In the early 1900's, Henry Strother, a Vawter researcher went to VA and copied from some old Order Books of Orange Co. This material was sent to William Snyder Vawter who was doing research during the 1920's and 1930's for an update on the Grace Vawter Bicknell book. His research was never published but contains more than a 2000 pages of information.

Old Order Book of Orange Co., VA (no book number)

page 375, May 1752 Richard Vawter

page 251 Aug 1756 Bartholomew Vawter

page 9 May 1763, David Vawter by his deed in 14, p. 16 conveys to McFarland 300 acres in Orange Co. in full for patent granted John Vawter and Philip Slagdale.

page 447, July 1767 David Vawter was granted a road from Benj. Head and Richard Durrett to the river at Crawford's Ford

page 48, Nov 1779 David Vawter  
page 140, Sept 1774 Richard Vawter.

The *Virginia Genealogist Magazine Vol. 1 #4* Oct-Dec 1957 p. 172. Extracts from the *Virginia Gazette 1755-1756*. Richard Vauster advertises two steers taken up by him in Culpeper Co. (28 Nov 1755:31; 5 Dec 1755:41)

Richard wit. Culpeper Co., VA the deed dated 15 May 1760 from Russell Hill to his brother in law, Jacob Ward and Ann his wife. Jacob Ward's dau. Frankey married, Richard's son, John Vawter. In addition a Margaret Vawter m. Robert Hill, but Margaret's parentage is yet unknown. Robert Hill is believed a nephew to Russell Hill.

Culpeper Co., Rent Rolls of 1764 Richard Vauters. Also listed David Vauters (brother) and Elizabeth Vauters (unknown)

The will of Mark Finks Culpeper Co., Will Book A p. 361-62 dated 17 Oct 1763, proved 15 Mar 1764. (Note: this is Mark Finks, father of Andrew Finks who married Lucy Vawter. Lucy the dau. of Richard Vawter (witness). *Mark Finks of Culpeper Co., in the Colony of VA. To my loving wife Elizabeth Finks, my bay mare and my horse Buck that I bought at David Vawter's sale. To my son Andrew Finks my small black horse named Jack.*  
Wit: Richd. Vawter, William Eastham, Michall Wilhoit.

Culpeper Co. deed book G p 36-37. 11 May 1773 between John Reynolds, planter, of Brumfield parish in Culpeper Co. & John Vawter of the same parish and county, for 40 pounds Virginia money purchased 100 acres, lying in Culpeper in the great fork of the Rapid Ann River.... Corner Thomas Portors...to line of Kilbeys....containing all houses, out houses, buildings, gardens, orchards, fences, woods, meadows and feeding ways and all water ways. Signed John Reynolds. Wit: Rich'd Vawter, Thomas Porter, Joel Wilhoit.  
(GJ Note: This is believed to be John Vawter, son of Richard (witness), however, John located to NC about this time, so final proof is unknown.)

In *Culpeper Co., VA Will Books B& C* by Dorothy Ford Wulfeck, 1965. p. 18 - Will of John Simpson of Culpeper Co., Dated 22 July 1776 Proven 16 Dec 1776. Dau: Elenor Booten and others, Wit: Richard Vawter.

1787 Census of VA Culpeper Co. shows Richard Vawter 00033, 3 horses, 3 cattle, Not tithable. Richard was probably too old for taxation by this time.

The Will of Richard Vawter found in Will Book #1, Madison Co., VA 1793-1804 p. 386.  
*In the name of God, amen, I, Richard Vawter, of the County of Madison and State of Virginia, being weak in body but perfect in mind calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, doth make this my last will and Testament revoking all others by me heretofore made. Imprimis, I bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to be decently buried in a Christian-like manner; and as to my worldly goods, I give and bequeath the following:*  
*Item, I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Elijah Wilhoit, the tract of land where he now lives on condition of his paying unto my three daughters, Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks and Tabitha Rouse the sum of \$100 each in three annual payments, the first payment due 1st. day of January after my decease.*  
*Item, It is my will and desire that the one acre of land on which the church stands in its appurtenances be sold to the highest bidder by my executor and the money be divided to my daughters Anna Vawter and Alpha Shelton, now citizens of the State of Kentucky.*  
*Item, It is my will and desire that my two sons John Vawter and Russel Vawter be satisfied with the part of my estate I have already given them.*  
*Lastly, I constitute and appoint Elijah Wilhoit, Sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament. I have set my hand and affixed my seal this first day of March one thousand eight hundred and three. Signed.*  
*Richard Vawter Test: John Bradford Whitfield Early William Early.*

*At a court held for Madison County, the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 1803, this last will and Testament of Richard Vawter, dec'd., was exhibited and proved by the oaths of John Bradford, Whitfield Early, and William Early, witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded; and upon motion of Elijah Wilhoit, the Executor, therein*

named a probate thereof in due form is granted him; he having made oath thereto and entered into bond with Security according to law. Teste, John Walker, Jr. D. M. C.  
 page 387: Know all men by these presents that we, Elijah Wilhoit and John Wilhoit, are held and firmly bound unto Merry Walker, Daniel Field, Daniel Gaines, and Joshua Leather, gentlemen Justices of the Court of Madison County now setting in the sum of two thousand dollars to which payment well and truly be made to the Said Justices or their successors for the time being; we bind ourselves and each of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seal and dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 1803, and in the 27<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth. The condition of this obligation is that if the said Elijah Wilhoit, Executor of the last Will and Testament, with the Will annexed of all goods, chattles and credits of Richard Vawter, dec'd., do make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular, the goods, chattles and credits of the said deceased which have or shall come to the hands, possession or knowledge of the said Elijah Wilhoit or into the hands or possession of any other person for him and the same so made to exhibit into County Court of Madison at such time as he shall be thereto required by the said Court and the same goods, chattles and credits do well and truly administer according to law and make a just and true account of his actings and doings therein, when thereunto required by the said Court and further do well and truly pay all and deliver all the Legacies contained and specified in the said Will as far as the said goods, chattles and credits will extend according to the value thereof and as the law shall permit him, then this obligation to be void or else remain in full force. Elijah Wilhoit, John Wilhoit. At a Court held for Madison County on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 1804, the above Bond was acknowledged and ordered to be recorded.

Page 396: Inventory of Richard Vawter - In obedience to an order of the worshipful Court of Madison County to us directed, we the Subscribers being duly sworn have proceeded to appraise the Estate of Richard Vawter, dec'd., as follows:

1 small chest, 1 small stand & old bedstead £ 1.75

1 old man's saddle & old saddle bags £ 1.00

2 jugs, 4 bottles, 1 wine glass, 1 lantern £ 1.00

1 case razor & hone, 2 books £ 3.00

Total £ 6.75 Signed John Bradford, William Early, Whitfield Early, At a court held and continued for Madison County, the 29<sup>th</sup> of Apr 1803, the account of appraisement of the Estate of Richard Vawter was exhibited into Court and ordered to be recorded. Test. John Walker Jr., C.M.C.

#### The Will of Frances Vawter

In the name of God Amen, I Frances Vawter (widow of the late Richard Vawter, deceased) of the County of Madison and state of Virginia, calling in word the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life after death dothe make and ordain this my last will and testament revoking all other wills by me before made - Insomuch to bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner and as to my worldly goods my will and desire is that after my decease my Executor sell the whole of my estate and the money arising from the sale those together with that debts as owing to me and all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children, lastly I appoint my friend Joseph Early executor to this my last will and testament. In witness where of I have set my hand and seal this 11 day of November one thousand eighty hundred and eleven. by Frances Vawter. In the presence of John Harrison Elizabeth (?) and Adam Rouse.

At a court held for Madison County the 16 day of December 1811. This last will and testament of Frances Vawter deceased was exhibited in Circuit Court and proved by the oaths of John Harrison and Adam Rouse two of the witnesses therein and ordered to be recorded and of the notice of Joseph Early Executor so named certificate of probate thereof is granted here in .....

#### The Children of Richard and Frances Vawter:

In the book *Vawter Family in America* some of Richard's children are listed under the name of Beverly Vawter. Also, the book indicates that one of the girls married a Mr. Hill, but this connection is not yet found. It also shows a son Beverly but this is believed connected to another John Vawter (see Beverly4, unknown file)

- +1. Frances Alpha and Omega Vawter m. 2 Nov 1790 to Robert Shelton
- + 2. Nancy Vawter m. 17 Nov 1795 at Madison Co., VA to Elijah Wilhoit b. 18 Mar 1775 Culpeper Co., VA. (Nancy and her sister Tabitha married together on the same day).
- + 3. Margaret Vawter m. John Breedlove
- + 4. Lucy Vawter m. Andrew Finks

- + 5. Tabitha Vawter m. 17 Nov 1795 Madison Co., VA to Adam Rouse
- + 6. John Vawter b. ca 1750 m. (1) Frankee Ward m. (2) Joanna Vernon
- + 7. Russell Vawter b. 22 Jun 1755 m. Mary Sparks (cousin)
- + 8. Anne Vawter b. 14 Nov 1758 m. 1779 Rev. Philemon Vawter (cousin)

**John Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

John Vawter was the son of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. He was b. 1745 - 1750 VA d. 1817 Elbert Co., GA. Buried at the Old Harmony Baptist Church near Elberton, GA, is John along with Johannah, William, Richard, Lindsey, Mary "Polly" Holmes and child Jesse. The Vaughter farm near the church has a small family graveyard and is now owned by the state of GA as a preserve.

In the will dated 25 Mar 1803 proved 29 Apr 1803, Madison Co., VA, of his father Richard Vawter he is found: *Item, It is my will and desire that my two sons John Vawter and Russel Vawter be satisfied with the part of my estate I have already given them.*

Some of the sources for this line are found in the book-*Early Families of the North Carolina counties of Rockingham and Stokes with Revolutionary Service*, compiled by James Hunter Chapter, DAR, Madison, NC 1977 gives many details about John. Pages 126-27 submitted by a descendant, Mrs. Hazel McCandless, PO Box 366, Cushing, TX 74760. No mention of him is given in the book *The Vawter Family in America* by Grace Vawter Bicknell, pub. 1905, Hollenbeck Press, Indianapolis. Primary records have been checked for additional proof of John's land holdings and independent research has been done by many Vawter descendants.

John m. (1) Frankee Ward of Culpeper Co., VA. Franky (Ward) Vawter d. aft. 31 Mar 1791 Proof of his first marriage is found in the will of Frankey's father. (complete will below)

*Culpeper Co., VA will Book B & C, Court Suits and Loose Papers*, compiled by Dorothy Ford Wulfeck, 1965) Dated 31 Mar 1791. Proved 20 Jun 1793 Culpeper Co., VA *Jacob Ward of Culpeper Co.*

*Legatees: Wife Anne Ward. Sons: John Ward, William Ward, Jacob Ward, Mitchell Ward. Daus.: Frankey Vawter, Judah Ward, Anne Ward, Sarah Yager. Granddau. Anne Rodifer, dau. of Sarah Yager. Executors: William Booton, Hadley Head. Wit: Mildred Head, Mary Head.*

Will of Jacob WARD of Culpeper co VA, 1791

Culpeper co VA, Will Book C, 1783-1791 (FHL Film 0030930 it 1)

[Filmed by GSUT, At VA State Lib, Richmond VA, 20 Aug 1947] p 428

In the Name of God Amen, I Jacob Ward of Culpeper County do make this my last will and Testament. Impremid I recommend my soul to almighty god hoping for Pardon and forgiving all my sins thought the morels and meditations of our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ Item I lend to my beloved wife Anne Ward my Estate both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood and after her death or marriage to be divided in th efollowing manner: Item I give to my son John Ward fifteen pound fifteen shillings in Sundry articles Item I give to my son William Ward twenty eight pounds thirteen shillings and six pence in sundry articles. Item I give to my son Jacob Ward Eighteen pounds Eighteen shillings and six pence in sundry articles. Item I give to my son Mitchel Ward ten pounds in sundry articles. Item I give to my Daughter Frankey Vawter four pounds sixteen shillings and six pence in Sundry articles. Item I give to my Daughter Judah Ward Eleven pounds seventeen shillings and four pence in sundry articles. Item I give to my daughter Ann Ward one Bed and saddle at seven pounds. Item I lend to my Daughter Sarah Yager during her life one childs part of my estate and after her death to go to her daughter Anne Rodifer. Item my will and desire is that my son Mitchel Ward shall have one Bed at seven pound piece. Item my will and desire is that all the rest of my children shall be maid equal to my son William Ward and after all my children is made Equal with William Ward then the whole of my Estate both real and personal shall be Equally divided between all my children or their legal representatives.

I Nominate and appoint William Booten and Hadley Head Executors of this my last will and testament hereby remaking all other wills heretofore by me made Declaring this only to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this thirty first day of March one thousand seven hundred and ninety one.

Jacob Ward (LS)

Signed sealed and published as my last will and testament

Wit: Mildred Head, Mary Head

Proved in court 20 June 1793

VA: Madison co 1792, Heirs of Jacob WARD to Churchell GIBBS

Madison co VA, Deed Book No.1, 1793-1796 (FHL Film 0032580 it 1)

[Filmed by GSUT at Madison co Crthouse, Madison VA 14 Oct 1949] p 150 7 Nov 1792

This Indenture made this seventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two between John Ward, William Ward, Jacob Ward, Mitchell Ward, Medley Shelton, Ephraim Yager, James Bledsoe, John Vawter and Joshua Wayland,, legatees of Jacob Ward decd of the one part and Churchill Gibbs of the County of Culpeper of the other part, witnesseth that the said John Ward, William Ward, Jacob Ward, Mitchell Ward, Medley Shelton, Ephraim Yager, James Bledsoe, John Vawter and Joshua Wayland for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty two pounds currt money of Virginia to them in hand paid by the said Churchill Gibbs at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents...hath given granted bargained sold released remised and confirmed...to the said Churchill Gibbs his heirs... one certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Culpeper adjoining the land of the said Churchill Gibbs, Thos Loyd, Richrd Vernon, Robt Beale and containing by estimation two hundred acres be the same more or less ... and all the Estate Right title Interest property claim and demand whatsoever of them the said John Ward, William Ward, Jacob Ward, Mitchell Ward, Medley Shelton, Ephr Yager, James Bledsoe John Vawter and Joshua Wayland in and to the premises aforesaid...

John Ward William Ward Jacob Ward Mitchell Ward Medley Shelton Ephraim Yeager James Bledsoe John Vawter Joshua Wayland

Sealed and delivered in presence of us, Am Bohananon, Leroy Canaday, Wm Booton, John Gibbs, Jno Bohannon, Wm Zachary, Polley Richardson

Proved at a court 27 June 1793 at the house of John Yager Jr

Proof of Frankee's mother comes from a deed of Culpeper Co., VA.

15 May 1760 Russell Hill of Brumfield Parrish Culpepper County, to Jacob Ward and Ann his wife of the same. For natural love and brotherly he doth bear unto his brother in law Jacob Ward and his sister Ann Ward wife of Jacob Ward. One negro girl nan during their natural lives and after their decease to lineal decedents (sic) of their bodies to make their children coheirs both male and female. If the one of the die and the other marry, the children begotten in this separation shall not inherit any of the estate but the children of them two only. Russell Hill

wit. Richard Vawter. 15 May 1760. Acknowledged by Russell Hill  
(see Margaret3, unknown2 file for more on the Hill connection)

m. (2) aft 1793 - bef. 1796 Joannah Vawter d. ca 1826 Elbert Co., GA  
1820 Elbert Co., Ga. Census, p. 168: Vawter, Joanna: 2 males (10-15), 1 male (26-45); 2 females (16-25), and 1 female (45+).

Book, *The third land lottery of Georgia, also Known as the 1820 Lottery* by The Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr., 1986. States that in order to file for lottery you must be a resident of the state for a minimum of three years. A married man with wife and /or minor son or dau. under 18 and US citizen would get 2 draws. You also could have not been in any previous lottery.

Vawter, Anna County: Elbert Mil. Dist. Dobbs Lot/Sect. 412/28 Drew land in Early.  
(Joanna (Vernon) Vawter wife of John Vawter decd.)

Vawter, Richard County: Elbert Mil. Dist: Smiths Lot/Sect 332/7 Drew land in Irwin.  
(son of John Vawter and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Joanna Vernon, Richard second of the name)

Vawter, Wm. County: Elbert. Mil Dist: Dobbs Lot/Sect 290/20 Drew land in Early.  
(son of John Vawter and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Joanna Vernon)

Elbert County, Georgia, Will Book "N" Old No., 1825-1829, p. 78: *Will of Johannah Vaughter Decd. 1826. In the name of [God] Amen. I Johannah Vawter of the State of Georgia and Elbert County being of sound mind, memory and understanding, thanks God for it, considering the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed once to die, and to the [that] end I may be the better prepared to leave [this] world when ever it shall please God to call me hence, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following, that is to say, I will that my just debts by me owing be first paid, and then the remainder of my estate both real and personal be equally divided between my two beloved sons William and Richard Vawter. I do make and constitute my two sons William and Richard Vawter Executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Five. /s/ Joannah (x her mark) Vawter. Signed in the presence of John Harris, William Ward, James Brown.*

On May 13, 1826, John Harris and William Ward presented the will of Joannah Vawter to the Court of Ordinary and it was ordered to be recorded on July 5, 1826.

Maria Bobo Note: The date of Joannah's will, July 14, 1805, may be a clerical error. There are a few words missing in the transcription [I put probable missing words in brackets] and it is likely (to me at least) that the clerk may have meant to write 1825. July 14, 1805 was a Sunday - not a

usual court day. Besides, in 1805 William and Richard would have been little boys - and we still have that open question as to when John Vawter and family actually arrived in Georgia (i.e., after 1805).

(GJNote: Franky Wards brothers John Ward m. Rachael Vernon and William Ward m. Sarah Vernon on 19 Dec 1792, so these families were inter connected.)

Oct 1826 Inventory of the estate of Joannah Vawter, Elbert Co., GA. Personal property consisted of 1 cow & calf, assorted household goods and ¼ interest in 3 negros, Lucy and children Winney & Jane. Total \$284.75. Signed William & Richard Vawter.

### **Chronological account of the land holdings of John Vawter**

1773 Culpeper Co. deed book G p 36-37. 11 May 1773 between John Reynolds, planter, of Brumfield parish in Culpeper Co. & John Vawter of the same parish and county, for 40 pounds Virginia money purchased 100 acres, lying in Culpeper in the great fork of the Rapid Ann River.... Corner Thomas Portors...to line of Kilbeys....containing all houses, out houses, buildings, gardens, orchards, fences, woods, meadows and feeding ways and all water ways. Signed John Reynolds. Wit: Rich'd Vawter, Thomas Porter, Joel Wilhoit.

1775 John Vawter moved to Surry Co., NC (Stokes Co. created from Surry in 1789) and is found in the Surry-Wilkes Taxables list 1771-1777.

1775 Surry Tax List John Vawter with 300 Acres of land.

1776 *Abstracts of Virginia's Northern Neck Warrants and Surveys. Dunmore, Shenandoah, Culpeper, Prince William, Fauquier & Stafford Counties 1710-1780.* Volume III. comp. and published by Peggy Shomo Joyner, Portsmouth, VA 1986. p. 63

" Culpeper County.....ADAM KILBY, 16 Mar. 1776 - 9 Apr. 1776; 42 a. in the Great Fork ca. two miles from Hazel R.; adj. John Kilby, decd., himself, John Vawter, Willm. Thompson, Jno. Reynolds. CC - Jno. Kilby & Jonathon Wall. Surv. George Hume. "

1782 John received payment from Charles Bruce and James Hunter, auditors of the Salisbury District Surry Co. in June 1782 for furnishing supplies.

*Rev Army Accts - Division of Archives & Records, Raleigh, NC Treasurer & Comptroller Records, Military Paper Vols. 40-46. NC Army accounts*

John Vawter Vol. XII, p. 45, folio 4

Vol. 40, For sundries furnished the Militia of NC, VA and SC as allowed by the auditor of the upper board of Salisbury Dist as report No. 46. #8783 to John Vaughter Voucher #3759 Specia 1.15.6.

Whorton Vorters Vol. VIII, p. 41-1, Army acct. Book E. Oct 1779 Voucher #2636 Whorton Varter 63.6.8. \$158.30.

*Index to Rev. Army Accounts Vol. I, II and III of NC.* Vol. I. John Vaughter Book A p. 277.

1782 Richard Everett whose daughter, Annie married Zachary Walls. Zachariah was from Maryland and it is documented that on Dec. 11, 1782 he bought 50 acres in Brumfield Parish, Culp Co near the Rappahanock River from John Vawter of Surry Co., NC.

1782 Surry Co., NC Tax Lists of 1782 - John Vauter 2 horses or mules, 5 head cattle and 450 A. land

1783-1784 Surry Co., NC deeds

B:279-13 Oct 1783 NC Grant James Vernon 200a adj John Robertson.

B:280,281- 13 Oct 1783 NC Grant Richard Vernon 200a adj. Charles McAnally & John Webb.

B:281 - 13 Oct 1783 NC grant James Vernon 200a Beaver Island Creek adj William Meredith on

SEB:278 - 13 Oct 1783 NC grant Samuel Shaw 400a S. ford Beaver Island Ck adj John Vawter.

C:46, 47 -5 Jul 1783 Burrell Bobo witness to deed of Frederick Green N side Yadkin River

C:32 -5 Aug 1784 Samuel Shaw & wf Mary to John Marr, Henry Co., VA 400a S. fork Beaver Island Creek adj John Vawter, incl part Shaw's improvement. Wit: William Meredith, jurat, Deverix Gilliam, Samuel Rogers. Signed Samuel Shaw, Mary Shaw.

C:38 3 Nov 1784 NC Grant Anthony Dearing 475a both sides Beaver Island Creek, in two entries adj. Guilford County line & John Vawter

C:115,116 - 3 Nov 1784 NC grant John Vawter 300a both sides S. ford Beaver Island Creek adj Shaw & incl Vawters plantation.

1784-1787 NC state census, Capt. Hickmans District  
John Vauters, males 1 age 21-60 and 3 under 21 or over 60; females - 3 all ages. Also 1 black age 12-50.

1785 Surry Co., NC, Book C. p. 336, 1785 John Vawter bought 400 Acres from Joseph and Judith Gibson

1790 Surry Co., NC, Salisbury District census 1790, John Vanter males 1 over 16 and 4 under 16. Females 4 total.

1790 Rockingham Co., NC, Deed Abstracts 1785-1800 (GJNote: This deed is open to question and may be another John)  
3 Sep 1790, Book C p. 264. Sarah Williams, Alexander Lyalls, Abraham Mayes, Joseph Williams, John Williams, Elisha Williams, John Vaughters all of Rockingham Co., NC and James McCormack of Georgia to John Hunter for 40 pounds a tract so. Side Mayo river, Wit: W. Motley, Peter Hunter, Umphrey Broockes and George Hunter.

1791 Stokes Co., NC County Court, Executive Docket 1790-1800  
1791 #4. John Vawter Vs. George Joyce 10.3.0. Satisfied the land and mill sold for 15.13.0 pounds. Receipt file for 10.3.0. after paying the clerk the balance is applied to the estate of (?)

1792 5 Nov 1792, Stokes Co., NC Deed Book 1, page 359, Richard Vernon of Culpeper Co., Va. confirmed that he had given his dau Joanna Vernon 200 Acres of land in Surry Co., NC in 1781.

1793 "*Pamunkey Neighbors of Orange County, Virginia - Lindsay, Mills, Montague, Stevens and related families and neighbors*", by Ruth Trickey Sparacio & Sam Sparacio; Gateway Press, Baltimore, 1985.

Madison Co., Va., Deed Book 1, p. 14, *To all & to whom these presents shall come. Know ye that whereas I, Richard Vernon, of the county of Madison & state of Virginia, being old & infirm cannot of course go & see to the surveying of my land in the county of Stokes and state of North Carolina. Therefore I, the said Richard Vernon, reposing great trust in my well beloved friend, John Vawter and Anthony Dearing, I do therefore by these presents make, ordain, constitute and appoint them, the said John Vawter and Anthony Dearing, my law-ful attornies, for me and on my part and behalf, & in my name to see to the surveying of the said land with the surveyors of the said county. In witness whereof I, the said Richard Vernon, have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 26 day of Sept. 1793. Richard Vernon seal.*

At a court held for the county of Madison at the house of John Yager Junr., on Thurs. the 26 day of Sept 1793 This power of attorney from Richard Vernon to John Vawter and Anthony Dearing was acknowledged by said Vernon and ordered to be recorded.

1796 On 10 Feb 1796, Richard Vernon of Madison Co., Va. (formed from Culpeper Co. in 1792) made a gift deed of 446 acres in Stokes Co., NC to his son-in-law John Vawter (Deed Book 2, page 389).

1796 Rockingham Co., NC, Deed Abstracts 1785-1800  
22 Sep 1796 Book D p. 303 Robert Crump of Stokes Co., NC to Thomas Asher for 10 pounds, 50 acres on Beaver Is. Cr. adjoining Stokes Co., line and line of Dearing, Henderson & Thomas Loven. Wit: Wm. Crump, John Vawter, and George Joyce.



17 Oct 1796 Book E p. 212. Thomas Asher to Charles Moore for 20 pounds, 50 Acres on Beaver Is. Creek adjoining Anthony Dearing, Henderson and Stokes Co., line, Wit: J. B. Pittman, John Vawter and Samuel Henderson.

1797-1799 Stokes Co., NC County Court, Executive Docket 1790-1800

1797 #18. John Vawter vs. George Joyce - Land not sold for want of a bidder.

1799 #12 The Office vs. John Vawters 2.9.1. pounds Satisfied (signed) Clerk

1800 Stokes Co., NC 1800 census John Vawter males 1 over 45, 2 age 16-26 and 1 under 10 females 1 age 26-45 (Joannah) 2 age 10-16 and 2 under 10

1802-1805 Surry Co. Court Minutes

7 Jun 1802 John Vawter appointed on Jury

Surry County Court Min. Sep 1803 to Dec 1804

1804 John Vawter, a witness for the defendant proves 4 days & 72 miles for payment

Dec 1805 Deed from Jesse Lyles to John Banks, proven by John Vawter

Book- *Stokes County, North Caroline Will Abstracts Vol. I & II 1790-1816*. Compiled by Mrs. W. O. Abshor & Mrs. Robert K. Hayes, North Wilkesboro, NC 1984. p. 38 Will of Johnathan Varnum (Vernon) p. 62 1/2 & 63. 18 Oct 1803 June Term 1805. *Wife, Rebecka: money John Terry owes me. Dau, Hanner (Hanna) Taylor: \$1.00 as she was portioned off at marriage. Son, Ebenezer: land in Virginia he lives on. Son, Jonathan: \$1.00. Dau, Irene Childers: \$1.00. Dau, Racher (Rachel) Ward: \$1.00 Excecr: Russel Vauter Wits: John Vauter, John Wright, John Terry. Signed Jonathan Vernon.*

Additional notes on Jonathan Vernon, Senr. Born 1712 PA, died June 1805 Stokes Co., NC married 1742 PA, Rebecca Worth b. 23 Apr 1723. Rebecca was a Quaker from PA and the marriage record states Johnathan Vernon was a "Godless Virginian". Johnathan's father was Thomas Vernon on Virginia. Thomas is believed the son of Robert Vernon, Quaker. The son's of Robert, Thomas and John were expelled by the Chester (PA) Monthly Quaker Meeting in 1709 for cursing, drinking and keeping bad company. There is no record of them in PA after they attended the wedding of brother Jacob on 5 Apr 1712. It is believed this is the Thomas who went to VA and had son Johnathan Vernon. Jonathan Vernon is listed under V in the Rev. accounts in the NC archives at Raleigh, NC as being paid for furnishing sundries to the NC Militia in NC

Jonathan lived for a while in Lunenburg Co., VA, then owned land and lived in Cornwell Parish in Charlotte Co., VA before moving to Surry Co., NC bet. 1773-1779. On 13 Oct 1783, Jonathan Vernon, Sr. was granted by the state of NC, 500 acres on Coleman's Creek in Surry Co. He deeded land he still owned in Charlotte Co., VA to one of his sons just before he died. The will is recorded in Stokes Co., NC will book 2, pages 62 1/2 and 63, dated 18 Oct 1803 and probated June 1805. Daughter Hannah m. 4 Jan 1773 Charlotte Co., VA to Richard Taylor. Son Ebenezer Vernon m. (1) Miss Adams. (?) ? 3 Mar 1818 Charlotte Co. VA.

From the NC Archives in Raleigh, NC.

#### List of Taxables 1790-1810

1790	John Vawter	310 A	1 white poll
1791	John Vawter	310 A	1 white poll
1792	John Vawter	310 A	1 white poll
1793	John Vawter	310 A	1 white poll
1794	John Vawter	Not shown in tax lists	
1795	John Vawter	270 A	1 white poll, 1 black poll
1796	John Vawter	546 A	1 white poll
1797	John Vawter	546 A	no poll
1798	John Vawter	346 A	1 white poll
1799	John Vawter	550 A	1 Free poll, 1 stud, Capt. Vawter's district
1800	John Vawter	550 A	no poll
1801	John Vawter	not shown on tax list	
1802	John Vawter	250 A	no poll
1803	John Vawter	250 A	no poll
1804	John Vawter	100 A	no poll
1805	John Vawter	100 A	1 black poll
1806	John Vawter	100 A	1 black poll, 1 white poll
1806	John Vawter, Jr	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)
1807	John Vawter, Sr	100 A	1 white poll
1807	John Vawter	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)
1808	John Vawter, Sr	100 A	1 black poll
1808	John Vawter, Jr	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)
1809	John Vawter	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)

Stokes Co., NC Deeds

1791, BK 1 p69, John Vorters from George Joyce  
 1793, BK 1 p362, John Vawter to John Ward  
 1795, BK 2 p270, John Vawter & wife to Nathaniel Scales  
 1797, BK 3 p113, John Vawter to Thomas Marcum  
 1797, BK 3 p130, John Vawter to John Heath  
 1800, BK 3 p335, John Vawter to Henry France  
 1801, BK 4 p 47, John Vawter to John Banks  
 1805, BK 4 p515, John Vawter to William Hickman  
 1808, BK 4 p542, John Vawter to Oley Prossers  
 1808, BK 5 p243, John Vawter to Hugh Manuel  
 1808, BK 5 p248, John Vawter to James Larrimore  
 1808, BK 5 p746, John Vawter to Francis Amos

John Vawter (d. 1817) made no sales after 1808 but there are numerous Vawter transactions through 1875. From 1857 to 1875 no recorded deed sales are found. Names of buyers and sellers were Russell, Bradford, Chadwell, Reuben G., John M., Bradford & wife, George, Elizabeth, John's heirs, John's Exec. 1854-57(son of Russell).

1809 Elbert Co., Ga., Deed Book N, 1810-1812: p. 236. 27 Sept. 1809, John Vawter to David Talley, both of Elbert Co., for \$236, on Lightwood Log Creek waters in sd. co., 275 acres, being part of tract granted to George Lumpkin, 9 Apr. 1792, deeded by sd. Lumpkin to Greenstreet & from him to R. Depriest, 5 May 1795, by Depriest to Odil, 27 Sept. 1800, & from Odil to Wm. Diffee, adj. E. by Kidd, W. by Christwell, N.W. by McDonald. (signed) John Vawter. Test: Angus McCurry, John McDonald. Proved by Angus McCurry, 27 Dec. 1811, Moses Haynes, J.P. Rec. 8 Jan. 1812.

#### Land Lotteries of GA

1805 - No John Vawter. This lottery was to settle Baldin, Wayne and Wilkinson Cos.  
 p. 357: Vaughters, Richard, blank draw, living in Screven Co. (GJNote: This is Richard Johnston Vaughter, not a child of John)  
 Vaughters, Whorton, blank draw, prize draw; living in Screven Co.

1807 - To settle Baldwin and Wilkinson Cos.;

p. 195., Varner, James, living in Elbert Co., Ga., Oliver's Militia Dist., drew lot 110, District 16, in Wilkinson Co. (202 1/2 acres) (John's son James b. 1790 could be this one, but draws generally were given to those age 20 or over. This could be another person as well)

1820 - To settle Appling, Irwin, Habersham, Early, Walton Cos.

p. 339: Vaughters, Cornelius H., living in Jones Co., Buckhalters Dist., drew lot 88, section 1, in Early Co. (son of Bartholomew of South Carolina)  
 Vawter, Anna, living in Elbert Co., Dobb's Dist., drew lot 412, sec. 28, in Early Co.  
 Vawter, Richard, living in Elbert Co., Smith's Dist., drew lot 332, sec. 7, in Irwin Co.  
 Vawter, William, living in Elbert Co., Dobb's Dist., drew lot 290, sec. 20, in Early Co.

John Vawter died 1817 leaving a large estate and without a will. John's estate settlement involved many facets of Southern life over the next 17 years. Including, the family lawsuit over leased slaves and the subsequent suit brought by one brother to free 3 slaves and winning the case. The death and guardianship of minors and Johannah and the unanswered questions as to John's children.

A clarification by James Vaughter, attorney and historian of the VVV association on wills:

When a person writes a will he names an executor to manage his estate. When he does not write a will the court names an administrator to manage the estate. John's estate was handled by Reuben Brown, Administrator, thus John did not write a will.

In an intestate situation (no will) the widow receives a specific percentage and each and every child reserves a specific percentage. The children named in John's estate are thus proven to be his children....John Sarah "Sally" and the (1<sup>st</sup>) Richard are never named and thus not proven.

Elbert Co., Courthouse, Elberton, Ga. Tax digest 1794 to 1813. page 59 Capt. McCurry's District, Elbert Co., estimated poll date 1803-1808.

John Vawters, Sr., 125 Acres, 3 negros, lightwood creek survey granted to John Bennet, land adjoining Hugh McDonalds land, tax 1.37 ½.

Listed as a poll living on the same property, William Vawter (no property)

Polls without property in Capt. Alexander's Dist. William Crump, John Vaughter

Census records would indicate John Vawter had twelve children:

Proven to date are: William Vawter, Elizabeth Vawter who m. Pleasant Duke Crump, Nancy Vawter, Frances Vawter who m. Cooper Bennet, Richard Vawter, James Vawter, Lindsey and Russell Vawter.

John Vawter and Frances (Frankey) Ward

1. Frances Vawter b. 1773/74 VA m. Cooper Bennett. Living in South Carolina at the estate settlement.

2. Son Vawter b. bet. 1774-1784 (If this is Richard Vawter of TN he was b. ca 1774-1775., he is also shown over age 45 in TN 1820 census b. ca 1775 or after.

3. Sarah "Sally" Vawter b. ca 1776 Madison Co., VA d. ca 1856 Tuscaloosa Co., AL m. ca 1793 Stokes Co., NC to William Mt. Sear Crump b. 1772 Pittsylvania Co., VA d. 31 Oct 1844 Tuscaloosa Co., AL (age 74 in 1850, unproven but probable dau. of John)

4. Son Vawter b. bet. 1774-1784 (if this is John, of TN he was b. 16 Jan 1778 according to family information)

5. William Vawter b. bet. 1774-1784 d. Bet. 11 Jan -7 Jul 1828 Elbert Co., GA

6. Nancy Vawter b. bet. 1800 -1804 according to census, her age has never been fully determined and she may be a daughter of Joannah. However, her witness to settlement was by the Ward family, Frankey maiden name was Ward.

7. James Vawter/Vaughters b. ca 1780-1790 Stokes Co., NC (noted in Family Bible) d. 2 May 1836 Franklin Co., GA m. ca 1812 to Jane (nee? Probably Medlock) b. 9 Mar 1794 d. 12 Jan 1874 Lumpkin Co., GA

1860 US census Franklin Co., GA

Jane Vawter age 65 (ca 1795)

John Vawter and Joannah Vernon

8. Richard Vawter b. ca 1800 d. bet. 1 May - 7 Jul 1856 Elbert Co., GA

9. Elizabeth Vawter b. bet 1800-1804 Stokes or Surry Co., NC d. aft 8 Sep 1823 Elbert Co., GA m. 9 May 1822 Elbert Co., GA to Pleasant Duke Crump b. bet 1795-1804 Stokes Co., NC d. poss. St. Clair Co., AL

10. Female Vawter b. bet 1800-1804 according to census records. (prob. died young, not found in estate settlement)

11. Lindsay Vawter b. 1808 Elbert Co., GA d. 1863 Elbert Co., GA m. 7 Jan 1844 Elbert Co., GA Mary (nee:McMullen) Hulme b. 1812 d. 1890 Elbert Co., GA

12. Russell Vawter b. ca 1810-1813 GA d. ca 1867 Morgan Co., AL m. (1) ca 1858 to Lucy d. bet 1862-1865 GA m. (2) ca 1864 to Lucinda b. ca 1827. (left GA as a single young man)

We have John and Richard (1st of the name) married to McGuire sisters in TN, alive in 1817 and through 1824 when the settlement was given to the children of John Vawter. They would be the right age for the missing sons above number 2 and 4. Sarah did not receive any funds in the settlement and is not proven as a daughter to John of Elbert except by location and age. James did not receive his full share of \$700. He was located in Franklin Co., (just north of Elbert) by 1808 and seen there in 1827 and after so was alive during the distribution of monies. However, William Crump received \$200 in 1827 and John Ray received \$200 in 1831, which could be monies due them from James. Also, why is James not mentioned in the wills of either Joannah or William her son? Joannah names William (from Frankey's children) and Richard (from her children) as executors of her estate in 1825. All others received full distributions by 1824.

Also located is a female L. Vawter b. VA age 76 found in Elbert Co., GA in the 1850 census living with a family named Hanks. This woman is unknown and may be long to the family of Wharton.

Distribution is as follows:

Joannah Vawter (widow)

31 Dec 1821	\$200	
24 Jun 1824	\$1000	total \$1200

Cooper Bennett (for wife Frances Vawter)

20 Jan 1821	\$45.43 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
8 Jan 1822	\$100	
24 Feb 1823	\$50	
30 Jan 1824	\$500	total \$695.43 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

Note: the early distribution dates could account for some interest not being paid

William Vawter

31 Dec 1821	\$200	
14 Oct 1824	\$500	total \$700

Elizabeth Vawter/ Pleasant Duke Crump

31 Dec 1821	\$200	
8 Sep 1823	\$500	total \$700

Note: the \$500 was issued in the name of her husband P. D. Crump on her behalf

Nancy Vawter

31 Dec 1821	\$200	
28 Jun 1824	\$500	total \$700

Richard Vawter

31 Dec 1821	\$200	
24 Jan 1824	\$500	total \$700

Joannah Vawter (as guardian of Lindsey and Russell)

31 Dec 1821	\$400	
26 Jun 1824	\$1000	total \$1400 (each \$700)

James Vawter

5 Nov 1821	\$100	
7 Feb 1823	\$147.58	total \$247.58

William Crump

22 Oct 1827	\$200	
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John Ray, as an attorney

22 Feb 1831	\$200	
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Note: the total of these three is \$647.58, with James receiving an additional \$25.75 by renting a slave. Receiving his share earlier can account for the loss of interest income to balance the rest. No notation shows Crump or Ray's connection to James, if any. William Crump could be the husband of Sarah and John Ray could be the second husband of Richard Vawter of TN wife McGuire. However, John Vawter of TN is still alive at this time and no mention is made of him.

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Estate of John Vawter 1818-1834 Elbert County, Georgia

Reuben Brown, Administrator 6 Jan 1818

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Joannah Vawter, Guardian for Lindsey Vawter and Russell Vawter 6 Jul 1818

Return made at November Term 1819

Richard Vawter, Executor Estate of Johannah Vawter 3 Jul 1826

Inventory and appraisal of the Estate of John Vawters 12 Jan 1818. Book L (1816-1821), p. 152:  
Appraise Bill of Goods and Chattels of the Estate of John Vawter late of Elbert County.  
Total Value \$3532.12 ½

Signed Moses Haynes, Angus McCurry, and David Dobbs Recorded 31 Mar 1818, Job Weston clerk

Buyers at the estate of John Vawter 1 March 1819 include: Reuben Brown, Thomas Dooly, Franky Bennett, Malcom Johnson, James Vawter, William Vawter and Joannah Vawter.

Return on the Estate of John Vawter 1819

March Term 1819, Reuben Brown makes return for the year 1818.

May 1818 Sold Property	\$81.68 ¾
Articles charged in the inventory, consumed by the family before the sale	\$68.12 ½
Articles charged in the inventory, claimed by the different distributees in their separate properties	\$184.57 ½
Cash paid to John Cheriton, John Weston, Moses Haynes, Angus McCurry, David Shockley	

do Paid Robert Maxwell (attorney at law) in South Carolina for the costs incurred in the action of Trover for the estate of said Deceased as per receipt	\$21.83
do paid Joseph Grisham, Tavern keeper at Pendleton, South Carolina for board, horse fee, while attending to the aforesaid action of trover	\$6.00
do Expended on the road to and from Pendleton, South Carolina Court house with self and horse and witness to identify the Negroes sued for in said action of Trover,	
with his horse and returning home with the Negroes obtained in the action	\$4.75
do Retained for eight days service of self and horse in attending to said writ	\$12.00
do Paid Amos Richardson for crying property at the sale in May 1818	.50
do Paid Amose Richard for crying Negroes at the hiring in 1819	.50
do Paid James Olive attyn. At law for retaining and writing for the business at the estate in court	\$20.00
do Received for Negros hire in the year 1818 (accounting)	\$178.00

Copies of Affidavits made by distributees claiming property which was appraised and inventoried

William Vawter	cows, mare, hogheads
Franky Bennett	cows and calves
Richard Vawter	steers
Nancy Vawter	saddle, bedstead, wheel, pine chest, looking glass, six table spoons (receipts)

Receipt No. 9, Reuben Brown and Others, adm. of John Vawter decd. Vs. Cooper Bennett and Frankey, his wife. Writ of Trover, Maxwell Plts. Attorney, order for bail and defendants arrested, bill of last. Attorney fees Writ \$4.29 Extra copy \$.52

Council Fee \$10.00, Notice Public Fee and Affidavits \$2.15, Clients fees signing writ \$.79, sheriff fees arresting \$3.00, Entering writ \$3.54, Dieting of Prisoners for 2 days \$.75.

Pendleton (SC) 16 Jan 1819 received of Reuben Brown adm. of John Vawter Twenty one dollars 83 cents in full of the above stated writ.

No. 10 to Joseph Grisom Jan 16 to keeping 2 horses 1 night \$1.50, 2 suppers for 1 for self and one for Wm. Vawter at 37 ½ each \$.75, 2 breakfast, one for self and one for Mr. Vawter \$.25, Boarding and keeping horses 2 days \$3.00

No. 11 James Oliver, Atty.

Joannah Vawter, Guardianship return 1819. November term. Charge by Joannah Vawter, guardian for two of the minors of John Vawter late of Elbert Count Deceased against the estate of the said dec'd.

For Lindsey Vawter, Jeans, coat, overalls, 4 cotton shirts, 5 yds homemade cloth, 1 wool hat, 2 pair woolen sock and 1 pair of shoes Total \$19.12 ½

For Russell Vawter, 3 paid ready made overalls, 3 cotton shirts, 1 Jeans coat, waistcoat, 1 wool hat, 2 pair woolen socks, 1 pair shoes, 1 coat. Total \$16.37 ½

Return of the Estate of John Vawter 1820

The said adm. charges himself or negro hire as follows:

First in 1818 hired all the negroes of the said estate to James Vawter for 1 month until a public hiring could be advertised \$9.25, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1818 at public hiring Jas. Vawter 1 boy names Squire \$16.50, Joanna Vawter 1

boy Franklin and 1 boy Jerry \$17.25, Cooper Bennet 1 girl Polly \$5.00, to William Dyde 1 woman Matilda \$80.00. To Alexander McDonald child \$80.00.

3<sup>rd</sup> 1819 Wn. Dyer, 1 boy Squire \$26.50 to Richard Ward 1 woman Lucy \$50.56 ¼

Joanna Vawter 1 boy Franklin \$12.00 to Jas. Chipman 1 boy Jerry \$115.25. to Wm. H. Underwood 1 woman Matilda \$94.00, to Bennett Dooly 1 girl Polly \$20.

3<sup>rd</sup> 1820 Wm. H. Underwood 1 woman Lucy and 2 children \$50, Richard Ward 1 woman Matilda \$53.25, to Richard Vawter 1 boy Jerry \$78.25, to John Lason 1 girl Polly \$37.25, to Jas. E. White 1 boy Squire \$50.31 ¼, to Dvd. Dooly 1 boy Franklin \$27.25 and to Joanna Vawter rent of land \$5.00.

#### Return of the Estate of John Vawter Dec 1821

The estate of John Vawter decd to Reuben Brown Adm. 1820 Mar 6th to cash paid Job Weston Clerk of Ordinary in receipt (No. 1) \$.62 ½, July 14 (No.2) \$.25, Paid Richard Shockley receipt (No.3) \$1.75

20 Jan 1821 paid tax for 1819 (No.4) \$3.86 ¾, Paid Cooper Bennett paid of his share of said estate (No.5) \$49.29 ½.

Agreeable to an order of the Honourable court the following Negro of said Estate was sold on the first day of Jan 1821. To Richard Ward 1 boy Squire \$560.00, to Joannah Vawter 1 woman Lucy and child \$835.00, to Wm. Ward 1 boy Franklin \$502.00, to Richard Vawter 1 boy Elbert \$350.00.

The following three negroes of said estate have sued for their freedom by Richard Vawter their guardian which suit prevented the sale of them under said order of court and were hired for the year 1821 as follows- to William Ward boy Jeremiah \$101.00, to Thos. Oliver girl Matilda \$57.00, to Benjamin Maddox girl Polly for \$96.00, Rent for plantation to Joannah Vawter \$5.18 ¼.

Receipt Nov. 5 Rec'd of Reuben Brown adm. of John Vawter late of Elbert Co., GA the sum of \$45.43 ¾ as part of my legace of said Estate. Signed Cooper Bennet 1821.

#### Return Estate of John Vawter Dec'd 1822

The Estate of John Vawter Dec'd to Reuben Brown admr.

No. 1 To cash paid to Joannah Vawter in part of her distributive share	\$200.00
No. 2 do paid Richard Vawter in part of his distributive share	\$200.00
No. 3 do Paid William Vawter do do	\$200.00
No. 4 do paid Elizabeth Vawter do do	\$200.00
No. 5 do paid Nancy Vawter do do	\$200.00
No. 6 do paid James Vawter do do	\$100.00
No. 7 do paid Joannah Vawter guardian of Lindsey & Russell	\$400.00
No. 8 do paid Cooper Bennett	\$100.00
No. 9 do paid tax for 1820 per receipt	4.21
No. 10 do paid Job Weston Clerk	1.12 ½
No. 11 do paid Jos. Oliver attny at Law per receipt	\$75.00
No. 12 do paid Wm. W. Bowen clerk Sup. Court	\$12.50
No. 13 do returned in my hands for a note given me by dec'd in his lifetime (R. Brown)	\$3.00

For 333 ½ lb. of seed cotton inventoried at 6 cents per hundred sold at private sale by Joannah Vawter at that price, the money paid by her to a creditor of said Dec'd, receipt taken by her \$20.00

Total \$1215.83 ½

Item 11 above. Rec'd April 3 1821 of Reuben Brown administrator at the estate of John Vawter deceased seventy five dollars for defending an action brought by Richard Vawter as guardian for Jerry, Matilda and Polly three negroes to establish the freedom of said negroes who were the property of the said Vawter in his lifetime. Signed James Olive, atty at law.

Item 12 above. 10 Feb 1822. Richard Vawter vs. Reuben Brown. The action was to try the freedom of 3 Negroes of which John Vawter dec'd died possessed of. The Losing party (Reuben Brown) in a civil lawsuit pays the costs of the winning party. Richard won the freedom of the 3 slaves.

(James Vaughter note: Superior Court records contain the jury verdict freeing the 3 slaves or in the alternative ordering estate to pay \$3000)

No. 13. By the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December next (1813) I promise to pay Reuben Brown or order the sum of \$12.50 costs for value Rec'd this 7 January 1812. Test: Job Weston. Signed John Vawter.

Rec'd of the within \$14.37 ½ 19 Feb 1817. Reuben Brown

(GJNote: this is very interesting as no deed or other legal document is yet found for this date. Two men John Vawter and Richard Vawter who married the sisters McGuire left for TN about this date. Did John

Vawter give his share of his estate to them? No proof is yet found that they are sons of John Vawter as a Wharton Vawter is also known of the area. Neither TN Vawters received anything in the estate of John Vawter and all other children are accounted for in the estate filings.)

#### Return Estate of John Vawter Dec'd 1823

Reuben Brown administrator of John Vawter Dec'd makes the following return to the clerk of the court of Ordinary 22 Aug 1823

22 Feb 1822 paid Job Weston	\$1.12 ½
24 Feb 1823 paid Cooper Bennet part of distributive share	\$50.00
15 Mar 1823 paid James Olive (attorney) for collectiong debt from James White and Angus Johnston	\$5.00
1821 paid Tax to L. McCurry	\$1.72
15 Mar 1822 paid James Olive for collecting note on Ben Mattox, Arch. Johnston.	\$5.00
15 Mar 1822 paid Henry Harper	\$.75
7 Feb 1823 paid James Vawter part of distributive share	
Test: P. D. Crump (poss. living in Franklin Co., GA)	\$147.58
Total paid \$211. 17 ½	

#### Return Estate of John Vawter dec'd 30 Mar 1824, distributive shares paid

28 Jun 1824 paid Nancy Vawter wit. Martha Ward and Wm. Ward	\$500.00
26 Jun 1824 paid Joannah Vawter for Lindsey and Russell	\$1000.00
24 Jun 1824 paid Joannah Vawter	\$1000.00
8 Sep 1823 paid Pleasant D. Crump, names wife Elizabeth	\$500.00
24 Jan 1824 paid Richard Vawter (signature no X mark)	\$500.00
30 Jan 1824 paid Cooper Bennett, Frances also signed	\$500.00
14 Oct 1824 William Vawter	\$500.00
27 Aug 1824 paid Job Weston clerk	\$1.00

#### Return Estate of John Vawter Dec'd 1825

For the appraised value of the following Negroes which were appraised & inventoried & which have received their freedom by action on the Superior Court, to wit, Jeremiah \$650.00, Polly \$350.00, Matilda \$600.00. Total \$1600.00

The same Negroes having been hired in 1821 for the sum of \$135, when they recovered their freedom the hirer having lost their services for one third of the year, a deduction was made in the superior Court of one third the amount \$45.33 1/3. Attorney and clerk fee \$31.48.

Paid to James Olive, attorney for services \$30.00.

#### Return Estate of John Vawter 21 Dec 1827, January Term 1828.

No. 1 1822 paid James Upshaw	\$.17
No. 2 1825 paid Job Weston	\$1.12 ½
No. 3 1825 paid James Upshaw	\$.16 ½
No. 4 1826 paid James Upshaw	\$.16 ½
No. 5 1826 paid Burrel Bobo	\$2.00
No. 6 1827 paid Isaac N. Davis	\$5.00
No. 7 1827 paid William Crump	\$200.00

The administrator charges the estate with 2.5% on the amount of \$1400 on account of three Negroes which were charged on the inventory of said estate and afaterward set free agreeable to the law of this state \$35.00 Total paid out 1828 term \$243. 62 ½

No. 5 above Lawsuits vs. Jesse Dobbs

No. 7 above 22 Oct 1827. Received of Reuben Brown adm. of John Vaughter late of Elbert County dec'd. two hundred dollars in full of my distributive share of the said estate. Test: John Tucker. Signed Wm. Crump

#### Return Estate of John Vawter dec'd November Term 1833

No. 1 22 Feb 1831. Rec'd of Reuben Brown adm. of John Vawter of Elbert County Dec'd \$200.00 in full of my distributive share of said Estate given under my hand and seal. Test: Ch. Gibson, signed John Ray as an attorney.

(GJNote: Again this is John Ray (of TN) married the widow of Richard Vawter of TN.

The 1850 census still does not answer all the questions as to the children of John.

The index is as follows:

Vaieter, L. Elbert p. 401 Elbert Dist.  
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 Vaughters, Hiram Franklin p. 274 32<sup>nd</sup> Dist.  
 Another index for Elbert Co., GA states the following, not all have been located:  
 VAUTERS 406A VAUTOR 365B-376A-390B-402B-403A-432A

Hanks Co., GA p. 401 A- Vautor, L. 76 (female) VA (GJ: Unknown)  
 502/502 Hanks, A. 40 male VA  
     Hanks, J. 35 female VA  
 p. 365 B- Vautor, R. 42 male GA (by himself, if this is Russell it shows the family in GA by 1808)

p. 376 A- Vautor, L. 42 male GA (Lindsey, not "S" as stated in index)  
     M. 38 f GA (Mary)  
     J. B. 6 m GA (James Benson Glenn)  
     R. J. 4 m GA (Richard Jesse)  
     F. C. 1 f GA (family states this is Laura Francene)

p. 390 B -Adams, T. V. 57 m VA  
 391/391      E. 45 f GA  
             T. F. 5 m GA  
             L. 3 m GA

    Vautor, R. 50 m NC (Richard)

This R. Vautor b. 1800 in NC and had \$2000 in real estate. He was living in the household of Thomas Ford Adams and his (2<sup>nd</sup>) wife Elizabeth (Jenkins) and sons T. F. and Lumkin A. Adams. Thomas Ford Adams was the (2<sup>nd</sup>) husband of Henarietta (Haley), widow Crawford. What relationship R. Vautor is to this family is unknown. We know Richard did not marry and given his birth in 1800 changes his mother, no earlier census matches to this age and could be reported in error.

p. 402 B- B. J. Dooly (age 28) and family with servant Jane Vawtor age 17, Black b. GA  
 p. 403 A- Mary Vawtor and family she age 40, a black family all b. GA  
 p. 406 A- J. W. Richardson and family (he age 42, b. GA) with servant T. Vauters, age 21 female, black  
 p. 432 A- E. W. Roebuck and family (he age 37, b. GA) with servant W. Vautor, age 25 male, black.

Children John Vawter and 1st wife, Franky Ward:

1. Frances "Frankey" Vawter b. 1773/74 married Cooper Bennett. John's (father) marriage is based on his land purchase in VA in 1773.

In settlement of the estate of John Vawter, 1822, p. 30: paid Richard Vawter in part of his distributive share; paid Elizabeth Vawter (ditto), paid Nancy (ditto), paid James (ditto), paid Joannah (as guardian of Lindsay and Russell); paid Cooper Bennett  
 Return made by Reuben Brown, administrator, 8 June 1824: cash to Nancy Vawter, Joannah Vawter (as guardian), Joannah Vawter (for herself), Pleasant D. Crump, Richard Vawters, Cooper Bennett, William Vawter, and Job Weston (clerk, paid taxes).  
 Cooper Bennett and wife Frances were sued by the estate of John Vawter for refusing to return slaves leased out to them in South Carolina. The trover action was brought to court in South Carolina, but is noted by costs in the settlement in GA.  
 James Vaughter note: Trover is a civil lawsuit to recover personal property. Slaves were such and this came was to recover those slaves. John's estate sued his own daughter.

1790 Pendleton Dist., SC census: Cooper Bennett 01, 01, 01, 00, 00  
 1 male less than 16, 1 male 16+, 1 female, 0 free blacks, 0 slaves



The 1800 Census of Pendleton District, South Carolina lists 3 Bennetts:

- 86. William Bennett 00001-00001-01
- 87. Cooper Bennett 21010-10010-00
- 88. Hardiman Bennett 32010-20100-00

This Cooper and his wife were age 26-45 (b. between 1755-1774). They had 2 sons and 1 daughter less than 10 years old, and one son age 10-16. The eldest son would have been born between 1784-1790. Since the children probably came one after the other - and the 3 youngest were under 10 - say the oldest boy was 12 years old, born 1788. If his mother was at least 15 or 16 when she gave birth, that would put her birth year bef. 1774... just enough time for her to fit in time wise as a daughter of John Vawter and Frankey Ward.

Anderson County SCGenWeb Project  
Will Abstracts 1789 -- 1839

Elisha Bennett, Sr. Wife: not named. Sons: John Bennett, Archibald Bennett, Stephen Bennett, Adam Bennett. Daughter: Jinny Bennett. Property to be "equally divided among the rest of my children." Exors: William Majer, son Archibald Bennett. Wits: James Majar, John Vandiver, Robert Brown. Date: 17 Sept. 1833. Probate: 31 Oct. 1833. Bk. A p. 493, Roll 18. Anderson Co, SC

William Bennett. Wife: Abegal. Bennett Sons: Cooper Bennett, Hardeman Bennett. Daughter: Delilah Johnson. Other heirs: James M. Posey. Exors: William McGreger. Wits: Benjamin Dickson, Jeremiah D. Gee, Samuel Gee. Date: 19 Nov. 1826. Probate: 4 Dec. 1826. Bk. A. p. 341, Roll 45. Anderson Co, SC.

The "other" Cooper Bennet is shown below, whether he is a son, cousin or uncle is unknown.

Will of Elizabeth Payne 30 Apr 1839 Fanklin County, GA Elizabeth Payne's will dtr. of Redbank Georgia Franklin County In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Payne of the County and state aforesaid, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, and Knowing that it is appointed for all to die. do make and ordain the following to be my last will and Testament - First of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors and friends- Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Brother David Payne all the lands I may be possessed of at my death out of which he is to pay all the demands (if Any) he or any of his family may have against me at that time- Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my three Neices to wit Rutha Ann Chatham, Mary Amanda Chatham, and Nancy Mills, daughters of two of my sisters, dec'd Rutha & Polly Chatham & of my sister Nancy Bennett, one bed and furniture each including steads and curtains the said Rutha A Chatham to have choice of said beds & furniture, This is in addition to what I give them hereafter- Fourthly It is my will that my sister Nancy Bennett [provided she is in life at my decease if not her daughters] and the daughters of my Dec'd Sisters Rutha & Polly Chathan shall have all the balance of my wearing and household cleathing (clothing?) of every description whatever, to be equally divided between them,- Fifthly it is my will that my negroes together with all the balance of my estate of every description [not other wise disposed of] be sold at public sale by my Executors, upon such credit as they may deem most advisable, and when the money is Collected, to be divided among my Brothers and Sisters and their heirs as follows - to my Brother Maxfield H Payne one fifth part. - To the Children of two sisters Rutha & Polly Chatham dec'd each one fifth part - To the Children of my brother Thomas s Payne to wit, John H Payne., William Payne, Caroline Wheeler, Harriett Segers, Sary Ann Ayres one tenth part, and the other two towit Oliver T Payne & Zebadiah C Payne one tenth part. The part coming to the two last named Children to be paid my Brother Thomas Payne in trust for them provided he is in life at that time, if not the seven last named Children are to have the one fifth part to be equally divided between them - To the Children of my sister Nancy Bennett one fifth part except one hundred dollars which is to be paid by my Executors to my said sister Nancy Bennett at such time as they may think her necessities may most require aid, this one hundred dollars to be free from the use or benefit in any way of her husband Cooper Bennett, and if she should die before she received the above sum it is to go to the Children Sixtly It is my will that when the amount of the legacies as stated in the foregoing section shall amount to the sum of Two hundred dollars Each, that my Brother David Payne shall come in for an equal share for all over that amount- Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my two Brothers Maxfield H Payne & David Payne Executors of this my last will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 30th day of April 1839. Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of Thos King Robert A R Neal Elizabeth Payne [LS] Samuel Freeman Georgia Franklin County Court of Ordinary Nov Term 1842 Personally appeared in open Court Robert A R Neal who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he saw the within named Elizabeth Payne now Dec'd sign & seal the within as her last will and Testament when in her proper mind & that he deponent subscribed the same as a witness and saw Thomas King & Samuel Freeman do so likewise. Sworn to this 7 Nov 1842 Thos King C.C.O R A R Neal Recorded 10th Nov 1842

2. Richard Vawter (unproved as son of John Vawter of Elbert Co.) b. ca 1774/75 d. ca 1827 Lawrence, TN married 11 Nov 1806 Elbert Co., GA., Cynthia McGuire. Cynthia (Cinthey) b. 9 Feb 1791 Henry Co., VA and d. ca 1860 Pope Co., AR

Marriage license located at Georgia State Dept. of Archives & History, marriage book H, rebound in Book F-L.

Williamson Co., TN Tax Book #1 1800-1813  
 1812 John Votters 10 A Sinking Creek 1 poll  
 1812 Allengany McGuire 3 slaves  
 1812 Richard Vawter 10 A Mill 1 poll (1 white 0 Black)  
 1813 John Vawter 10 A Sinking Creek 1 poll  
 1813 Allegany McGuire 3 slaves (no land)  
 1813 Richard Vawter 10 A Mill Creek 1 poll

1820 Census Maury Co., TN. Males 2 under 10, 1 age 10-16, 1 age 16-26, 1 age 26-45. Females 3 under 10, 1 age 26-45. Living next door to John Vawter and Allagency McGuire  
 Question: Who is the male age 16-26? If Noel J. was b. 1810 he would be 10 and if Richard was b. ca 1774/75 he would be 45. The other children are Lorenzo, Martha, Sarah and Asa and match with family information.

Lawrence Co., TN minute book page? 1827-1828 Monday April 1827  
 Ordered by the court that Solomon Blackwell and Cynthia Vawters by appt. guardian of the minors of Richard Vauter dec'd, who gave bond and security and was qualified.  
 Page 103, 2 Jul 1827 Minute book, Ordered by the court that Cynthia Votters be appt. Adminx. of the estate of Richard Votters dec'd who gave bond and security and was qualified, who witness ----- an inventory of the estate of the said dec'd which was ordered to be recorded and that letters of sale \_\_\_\_\_ accordingly.

Monday 1 Oct 1827 page 155  
 Cintha Vauter adminx. of the estate of Richard Vawters dec'd returns to the court the sale of the estate of the same and was ordered to be recorded.

July term court 1829. Lawrence Co., TN  
 One note for \$19.131/4 cents given 10 March and dued 2nd part 2 Dec next. One note for \$10.00 on John Ray given 24 Feb 1829 dued 25 Dec next. The above notes with several interest 5 July 1829. John Ray guardian for the heirs of Richard Vawter dec'd. 10 Jul 1829. John Ray as guardian recorded.  
 July 1829. Lawrence Co., TN a return of the notes taken, money paid, receipts taken, property paid to the heirs of the estate of Richard Vawter dec'd. To John Ray, 1 bay mare and saddle \$50 paid 28 Jul 1828, receipt for Gilford and Matilda Sep 27 in cattle and other household furniture. \$44.25 given 4 April due Dec 1829. One note of \$50 one Robert Chaffin Lerr given 24 Feb. due 25 Dec., note on Solomon Blackwell 44.50 1/2 given 9 Feb due 5 Dec 1829 and one note on James M. Millen for \$30 given 9 Jan and due 12 months after date.

Elbert Co., GA  
 22 Feb 1831 Received of Reuben Brown Adm. of John Vawter Est. of Elbert Co., GA dec. two hundred dollars in full my distributive share of said estate given under my hand and seald. Test: Chas Gibson John Ray as an attorney

State of Lawrence Co., TN  
 We the commissioners appt. to settle with administrators have this day settled with John Ray guardian of heirs of Richard Vawter dec'd find in the hands of said John Ray \$87.20 1/2. Given under our hand and seal 4 Apr 1831. Robert J. Hill and Day D. Beeler.

9 Oct 1833. Settlement with John Ray guardian.  
 We Chas. Hicks and William Ratliff, commissioners appt. by the county court of Lawrence Co., to settle with guardians of said county have this day settled with John Ray guardian of the estate of Richard Vawter, dec'd and find in land \$425. 22 1/4 cents given under our hands with date.

John Ray died 1843 owing the following Vawter children money from the estate.

The administrator of John Ray's estate pay as follows:

L. D. Vawter \$67.12 1/2 cent

Asa Vawter \$72.47

Martha W. Vawter \$76.76 1/2

Sarah W. Vawter \$92.36 1/2

Nancy M. Vawter \$133.28

Alpha F. Vawter \$102.78

State of TN, Lawrence County, Personally appeared before me Cynthia Ray formerly Cyntha Vawter and made oath in due form of law that the above settlement shows the amount that came into my hands as Adminx of the estate of Richard Vawter dec'd and also the amt. due the heirs of the said estate at the date above written to the best of my knowledge, recollection and belief. Signed Synth Ray. Sworn to and subscribed before me 15 Feb 1844, S. A. Carroll, clerk.

April term of court 1844. Cynthia Ray formally Cynthia Vawter admrx. of Richard Vawter, dec'd, makes final report to the court. To the estate 2 Jul 1844.

To amt of sale bill	\$349.86 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
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To amt of sale bill	\$85.75
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Amt. of money from GA	\$250.00
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To int. from 23 Feb on same	\$5.37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
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Credits

By this amt. pd MH Buchanan	\$2.87 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
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By services as Adminx	\$15.00
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By fees pd clerk for settlement	\$2.50
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By amt paid for going to Georgia	\$26.25
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Total due the heirs \$644.36 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

This final accounting of Cynthia Vawter Ray on the estate of Richard Vawter, the admin. of John Ray's estate, paid off the Vawter heirs with compound interest.

22 Nov 1844, Cynthia Ray sold her dowry land from the estate of John Ray to Ira C. Goff, witnessed on 20 Jan 1845

1850 Census of Lafayette Co., MS

Family #702

Cynthia Ray age 59 b. GA

Allegheny Ray 19 and Cynthia R. Ray age 16 both b. TN

Family #703

Alex Ray age 21 b. TN, Elizabeth age 22 b. AL and John M. 7/12 b. Miss.

Family #704

Alonzo Vawter age 37 b. TN, Elizabeth 29 b. AL, John R. 10 b. AL, William J. 8 b. MS, Thomas J (H) 5 b. MS, Asa M. 3 b. MS, Louisa J. 1 b. MS

Children of Richard and Cynthia McGuire Vaughter:

1b. Noel J. Vawter b. ca 1810. N.J. Vawter 1830 census Lauderdale Co AL. Living alone age 20-30. He is likely the child age 10-16 in the 1820 census with Richard, Maury Co., TN. His name is found from family information, no more is known.

2b. Lorenzo Dow Vawter b. 9 May 1812 Williamson, TN d. 17 Mar 1897 Nacogdoches, TX Bur. Linn Flat, TX Cemetery. m. (1) 17 Mar 1839 Limestone Co., AL to Elizabeth Dawson b. 27 Nov 1820 TN d. 28 Jul 1858 Nacogdoches, TX. Eliz. parents Al Ezekiel Dawson and Hannah McFaddin.

NACOGDOCHES COUNTY REGISTER OF VOTERS, 1867 (Whites only)

Lorenzo D. VAUTERS

Children of Lorenzo and Elizabeth, John B/R. Vawter b. 21 Dec 1839 never married, William James Vawter b. 5 Nov 1841 d. 17 Dec 1916 m. (1) Annie Pogue? m. (2) Carry C. Holbrooks, Thomas Henry Vawter b. 17 Nov 1844 d. Civil War not married, Asa Monroe Vawter b. 24 Dec 1846 never married, Louisa Jane Vawter b. Mar 1849 married, Julia Ann Vawter b. 12 Jul 1851 married, Robert Newton Vawter b. 8 Jun 1854 married. All children b. TN except Robert b. TX.

Lorenzo m. (2) 2 Nov 1861 Nacogdoches, TX to Frances Fasler /Fowler -McNeil.

Frances was b 1 Feb 1830 TN, In 1855 m. (2) Larkin McNeil in Nacogdoches Co., TX then called Mrs. Frances Fowler. Her first husband's first name are unknown. She married (3) to Lorenzo Dow Vawter. Family tradition states her parents died bef. she was 13 and she came by wagon train to TX. She d. 3 Mar 1915 bur. Pleasant Hill Cem. She had the following children of Larkin McNeil - Martha McNeil m. William Phillips, Oliver Cleveland McNeil m. Julia Ann Cling, and of Lorenzo Dow - Theodore Vawter m. (1) Elmina J. Bullock and m. (2) Georgia Lorene Wilburn, Andrew Donaldson Vawter d. age 3, Alpha Frances Vawter m. Marion Smith.

Mrs. Frances Fowler m. Larkin McNeil on 3 Aug 1885 by Lewis Taylor, JP. Marriage record Book B, 01 1685 Nacogdoches Co., TX. They had 2 children Martha and Oliver Cleveland McNeil. Larkin McNeil d. of Pneumonia when located in Angelina Co., TX. Frances was married first to Mr. Fowler at age ca 13. Her husband Mr. Fowler participated in the Texas Revolution and was killed, she drew a pension. She was b. 1 Feb 1830 in TN and arrived in TX with the Boyd family and lived near Douglass, TX, She was a waitress in a hotel in Nacogdoches, TX. The 1880 census states her father b. TN and mother b. VA, her maiden name is unknown.

A letter from Theodore Vawter son of Lorenzo adds more information including the maiden name of his mother. Dated May 8, 1928 from TX :

*"Dear Sir, my daughters address is Mrs. Ada Johnson, Appleby, TX , Louisa Jane Vawter had a daughter Mrs. W. J. Sealbach, Caro, TX.; Julianne Vawter has several descendants by the name of Wade living at Rockwell Texas. Aunt Alpha has a son John Trotter at Dialville, Texas.*

*My mother's maiden name was Fasler. She came from Tennessee. She was an orphan. I don't know anything about my grand parents. My mother was married three times her first husband was killed in the Mexican War. I don't remember his name. This is all I can tell you about my family. T. Vawter."*

A letter written to William Snyder Vawter in the 1920's or 30's gives some information on the family. It is not signed but he states he is a son by the second wife of Lorenzo.

*"I have given you a record of my father's first family. I am a son by his second wife. (A son), Robert Newton Vawter address is Somerton, Ariz. Is still living his wife died in 1922. He was the father of 10 children, 6 boys and 4 girls. Three of his sons served in the World War.*

*John R. Vawter and Thomas Henry Vawter and William James Vawter all served in the Civil War.*

*My father was a stage driver in his young days in Tennessee. He was stage driver seven years.*

*My father never told me but very little about his past life.*

*He had a brother named Asa and a sister named Alpha, I think she married a man by the name of Trotter.*

*William James Vawter has 4 children living, Dow Vawter, Albert Vawter, Kate Vawter McLunden, and Ole Vawter Collins." (no signature)*

A notation found on William J. Vawter and his civil war service:

Thomas B. Berryhill served as a Private in the Confederate Army, Company "B," 12th Regiment (Youngs), 8th Texas Infantry, during the Civil War. Thomas entered the service in November 1861 and stayed until he was discharged in May 1865. In

1909, he filed for a Confederate Pension from the State of Texas. Following is a statement made by two men who served with him:

We served in Co. B, 8th Texas Regiment with T. B. Berryhill from his enlistment in Nov. 1861 to the close of the War. We personally know that said applicant made a good and loyal soldier, that he never deserted or abanded his post, and that he is the identical person about whom we are testifying.

W. J. Vawter - J. M. Dawson

24th of June 1909

Dorine Vawter Clevenger has the Lorenzo Dow Bible. Dorine is the dau. of Theodore and his 2nd wife Georgia L. Wilburn and gr. dau. of Lorenzo Dow. Viewed on August 2000 and copied as follows: no page which dates the Bible but Dorine says it is likely over 100 years old. She currently resides in Florida.

(left hand page)

L. D. Vawter was born May the 9, 1812  
 Elizabeth Vawter was born Nov the 27, 1820  
 L. D. Vawter died 17th March in the year 1897  
 (written a second time)  
 L. D. Vawter departed this life March 17 1897  
 Francis Vawter departed this Life March 3 - 1915  
 W. J. Vawter departed this December the 17, 1916  
 (right hand page)  
 Theodore Vawter was born Sept the 6, 1862  
 Andrew Donilson Vawter was born January the 26, 1867  
 Alpha Francis Vawter was born Aprile the 9, 1870  
 Francis Vawter was born February the 1 1830  
 Martha McNeil was born Aprile the 22 , 1856  
 Oliver Cleveland McNeil was born July the 15, 1860  
 (next left hand page)  
 Elizabeth Vawter departed this life July the 28, 1858  
 John B. Vawter Departed this Life August the 21, 1862  
 Thomas Henry Vawter departed this Life January the 11, 1862  
 Andrew Donalson Vawter departed this life October the 2, 1870  
 Louisa Jane Hamilton departed this life July the 29 1872  
 Asa Monrow Vawter departed this life August the 29, 1875  
 (next right hand page)  
 L D Vawter and Elizabeth Dawson was maried January the 17, 1839  
 John R/B Vawter was born Dec the 21, 1839  
 Willaim James Vawter was born November 5, 1841  
 Thomas Henry Vawter was born November the 17, 1844  
 Asa Monroe was born December the 24, 184(6?) page torn  
 Louisa Jane Vawer was born March the 3, 1849  
 Juliann Vawter was born July the 12, 1851  
 Robert Newton Vawter was born June the 8, 1853

3b. Martha W. Vawter d. TN m. 4 Jan 1842 John M. Priest

"Marriages of Williamson County, Tennessee 1805-1850" by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Gen. Pub. Co., Baltimore MD 1982, page 154. Martha Vaughters to John M. Priest 4 Jan 1842 Bondsman: Jas. M. Priest

4b. Sarah W. Vawter b. 1815 TN d. 1870 MS m. Hiram Abraham Tennyson b. 1805 NC d. 1863 MS. Parents were Abraham Tennyson Jr. and Jane Adams. Sarah's & Hiram's son Hiram Franklin Tennyson was Confederate Soldier 26th MS Reg. He was b 1842 Tishomingo Co., MS d.1910 Selmer, McNairy Co., TN m. Julia Ann Deaton b. 1846 d. 1887 MS. Information submitted by H. Franklin Tennyson III email hiten@bellsouth.net.

From the book *Tennis -Tennisson - Tennyson*, by Faye Tennyson Davidson.

Sarah W(inifred?) Vawter (1815-1870) married Hiram Abraham Tennyson (1805-1863). Their son, Hiram Franklin Tennyson (1842-1910, TN) m. Julia Ann Deaton (1846-1887, MS). Hiram Abraham Tennyson was the son of Abraham Tennyson Jr. and Jane Adams

5b. Asa Spencer Vawter b 5 Jul 1814 Hickman City, TN d. 7 Oct 1874 Sarah, Tate Co., MS. Bur in the old Vawter graveyard. Asa m. 27 Oct 1835 Williamson Co., TN to Martha Maze Madden b. 27 Jan 1815 VA d. 7 Jan 1883 MS.

"Marriages of Williamson County, Tennessee 1805-1850" by Edthe Rucker Whitley, Gen. Pub. Co., 1982, Baltimore, MD, page 191 shows Asa S. Vauter to Martha Madden, Oct 27, 1835 Bondsman: Jacob Dunn.

Lived near McMinville, TN. Located in Lowndes Co., MS census 1850 and Tunica Co., MS in 1870 census.

1850 Lowndes Co., MS p. 5 Asa A. Vawter age 30 Blacksmith b. TN, Marthat 35 b. VA, Rawby A. M. 12 b. MS, Francis M. 12 b. MS, Frances M. 9 b. MS, Laura C. F. 8 b. MS, John R. M. b. AL, and Lorenzo D. 2 b. MS

William Snyder Vawter has a notation that "an old Vawter Bible is in the possession of the Dudley family of Dudley Switch, TN". He notes this Bible appears to descend through Matilda the sister of Asa and Lorenzo "Dal", a connection to the Bible exists from Aunt Martha Frances and Mrs. Pack of Crenshaw. Then another letter say Mrs. Dudley had the "old Virginia Bible of the Vawters" This letter came from Mrs. Sparkman B. Johnson of Crenshaw, Miss. Another letter by Mrs. Sparkman indicates the Bible had been destroyed in a fire.

Children: Mary Jane b. 27 Feb 1837, Roley/Rawly Alexander b. 2 Sep 1839 VA Vaughter, shown in records as Vawter, Rolly A., Private, Co. A 13 MS Infantry, killed in Civil War, Martha Frances b. 1 Oct 1840 d. 22 Jul 1929 m. a Mr. Moon, Tobe, John R. , Matilda Elivra b. 2 June 1857 d. 19 Apr 1909, plus 4 other children, Matilda stated as the youngest.

6b. Alpha Frances Vawter b. ca 1821-1825 d. bet 1870-80 m. (1) 8 Nov 1840 Lawrence Co., TN to Smith Voss (Lawrence Co., TN marriage record shows Alf Vaugter and Smith Voss, Daniel Buie, JP) d. 1848 Children: Sylvester R. Voss b.17 Aug 1841, Cynthia Voss b. ca 1842, Martha Frances Voss b. 21 Oct 1844 TN d. 1 Nov 1912 and Nancy J. Voss b. ca 1847. m. (2) aft 1848 MS to Joseph Benjamin Trotter. Children: John James Trotter b. 28 Jul 1851 MS d. 11 Apr 1855 MS, Sarah A. Trotter b. 11 Sep 1853 MS d. 22 Aug 1860 MS, Mary E. Trotter b. 4 Jan 1855 MS, George Washington Trotter b. 27 Sep 1857 MS, John W. Trotter b. 25 Oct 1862 MS lived at Dialville TX, Robert Monroe Trotter b. 5 Mar 1865 MS and Alexander Trotter b. 5 Apr 1868 MS.

Lawrence Co., TN, Plat book #446, Smith Voss 186 A range 3 section 2 on waters of Sane creek 28 Sep 1841

Lawrence County Courthouse Minute Book 1847-1851 page 83, 3 Apr 1848. Ordered by the Court that Allen Long, Jepe Renfro and John Craig be appointed commissioners to lay off one years sustenance to Alpha Vao and family, widow of Smith Voss, deceased and report to the next term of court..

7b. Nancy M/F. Vawter m. 13 Feb 1844 to Samuel Marcum. One son John Marcum. Marriage Record of Lawrence Co., TN 1818-1850, Book A page 48.

After Richard died, Cynthia m. John Ray and had 3 additional children. 1830 census of Lawrence Co., TN head of household is John Ray. In *The Ray Book*, found Russellville AR library, some information on the Vawter connection:

Lawrence County (TN) Court, 19 Jun 1844, probate proceedings of John Ray. After marriage was appointed guardian to the minor children of Cynthia, lists heirs as follows: Lorenzo D. Vawter (1812), Martha M. Vawter, Sarah W. Vawter, Nancy M. Vawter, Asa S. Vawter (1820) and Alpha F. Vawter (1825).

Children of Cynthia McGuire-Vawter and John Ray

(1) Alexander Ray b. 1829 Big Buffalo River, Lawrence Co., TN d. 1 Sep 1865 Pope Co., AR m. 20 Sep 1848 Pope Co., AR to Elizabeth Matthews

(2) Alleganey L. Ray b. 1831 Big Buffalo River, Lawrence Co., TN d. 21 Aug 1866 Pope Co., AR m. 19 Mar 1855 Pope Co., AR to Sarah Elizabeth Gideon

(3) Cynthia R. Ray b. 1834 Lawrence Co., TN m. (1) 3 Jan 1856 at the home of A. L. Ray (brother) to Robert L. Hamilton m. (2) ca 1865 to Dempsey Taylor.

3. Sarah "Sally" Vawter (not proven as a daughter of John Vawter of Elbert Co., GA) b. ca 1776 Madison Co., VA d. 1856 Tuscaloosa, AL m. abt 1793 Stokes Co., NC to William Mt.Sear Crump b. 1772 Pittsylvania Co., VA or Stokes Co., NC d. 31 Oct 1844, Tuscaloosa Co., AL. Father Robert Crump, Sr and mother Mary Parr.

1850 Tuscaloosa Co., AL, census, p. 232, house 569/569 lists Sarah Crump, age 74, b. VA, alone. She was living next door to her son, William M. Crump, age 40, physician, b. GA and his family.

William Crump was born in either Franklin or Elbert Co., Ga. His brother, Simeon V. Crump, was b. ca. 1803 in Stokes Co., NC. This timing/locals follow the same pattern as John Vawter's removal from NC to GA.

From Dave Rigg email Rigg@dc.net comes the information on the children.

- a. Mary 'Polly' Crump born about 1795, Elbert Co., GA married (1) March 05, 1811 Elbert Co. GA, to Thomas B. Tyner, (2) June 19, 1830 Tuscaloosa Co., AL to Samuel Davis, (3) September 04, 1846 to William Moore

Marriages of Elbert Co., GA 1806-1850

Tiner, Thomas B. and Polly Crump 5 Mar 1811 p. 111

- b. Robert G. Crump born 1797, Stokes Co. NC married (1) Milly T. Cason, November 05, 1818, Elbert Co. GA, (2) Martha P. Hendricks died about 1876, Hart Co. GA

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Crump, Robert to Milly Cason 5 Nov 1818 p. 306

- c. Alpha Frances O. Crump born October 23, 1799, Stokes Co. NC married Hamlett Doss, January 03, 1817, Elbert Co. GA died May 1861, Tuscaloosa Co. AL

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Ellis Doss was the son of Perry Doss (18 Apr 1844-11 Jan 1926) and his second wife, Frances Josephine Bagwell, as is proved by Perry's Alabama Confederate pension file:

From Perry's original form, dated 4 Dec. 1916:

*His age was 72 yrs., 7 mo., 16 days; he was living in Samantha Ala. He joined the 43rd Ala. Infantry in 1861 as a private; served until May 16 1864 when he was wounded in both legs in the Battle of Drury's Bluff (Va.); was at home recuperating when the war ended. He says he married first in 1868; that his wife died and he married again in 1893. His wife was then 43 years old. He listed six children:*

*Fannie V. Linebarger, age 41*

*Ellis Doss, age 26, then in the Navy*

*Lee Doss, age 23, a farmer*

*Perry E. Doss, then 21, a teacher*

*Frances Doss, 18, "single"*

*Archie Doss, 13, "cripple."*

*He was living in his own house; he refers to a pension application made five years earlier. There are several statements of his assets. The one dated 5 Dec. 1916 says he owned 279 acres of land in Tuscaloosa Co., 2 horses or mules, 4 cattle, 1 watch, clock or jewelry valued at \$2, and \$100 in household goods plus \$25 in farm implements. Another form shows his 279 acres spread over four tracts, valued at \$1400.*

*Perry was the son of Hamlet(t) Doss and Alpha Frances Crump. They moved with their parents from Elbert Co. Ga. (where they were married 2 Jan 1817) to Greene Co. Ala. in the 1820s.*

*Hamlet was the son of Joel Doss and Mary Penny. Alpha Frances was the daughter of Sally Crump, whose will is recorded in Tuscaloosa Co. Ala. will book 3, p. 10. I think I may have the father's name somewhere, but not at hand.*

*There are still Dosses in Samantha Alabama today, and I'm told one of them has Hamlet's Bible. I have the data from it, but have not seen the Bible records themselves.*

*We have a lot of information on this family. Please e-mail me at Libbie@blazenetme.net for more.*

From E-Mail sallie@usit.com. Joel Doss b.ca. 1745 in VA? m. ca. 1788 Wilkes Co., GA Mary Edwards and she may be the dau. of Isaac. d. 1835 in Green Co., Ala. Children: Elizabeth b. ca. 1800 Wilkes Co., GA m. (1) Albert Embree and had ch: Mary Ann Celete m. Daniel R. Wright and Albert m. (2) Joel Grizzle (Griswell) Mary Doss 1834 Green Co., AL, gift to her grandchildren, Mary Ann Celete Embree and Albert Embree. Other ch of Mary and Joel Doss: Hamlet; Alfred Joel; Mary Ann; and Leroy.

Robert Crump, born ca 1745, VA. Married Mary Parr, dau. of John and Miriam Parr. Roberts exact place of birth is unknown, but is believed to have been in VA.

Robert Crump is found on a Pittsylvania Co., Va. list of tithables taken by Hamon Critz, Gent., for the year 1767. The list includes: Robt. Crump, Junr. and Robt. Crump Senr. John Parr is on this list, too. [In 1767, Robert Jr. would have, probably, reached the minimum age to be counted as tithable -- hence, he may have been born ca. 1746-1751.] Robert (the son) moved into Stokes Co., NC by 1781.

2 John D. Crump b. abt 1770 probably in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Married 1) Sarah Cornelius and 2) Rebecca Thomas. John died 12/4/1848 in St. Clair Co., AL

2 William M. Crump, b. 1772 probably in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Married 1) Unknown Bennett, and 2) Sarah "Salley" Vawter. William died 10/31/1844 in Tuscaloosa, AL

2 Silas Crump, b. 1775 probably in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Married Sarah Hanna Riggs in 1795 in Stokes Co., NC. Silas administration of estate 11/17/1834 in St. Clair Co., AL

2 Charles Crump, b. 1777 probably in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Married about 1800 in Stokes Co., NC Agnes "Aggy" Vernon d. Dec 1869 of Quinsy (Hart Co., GA records, mortality schedule by Harold Travis Parker, 1984). Charles died Nov 1820 in Elbert Co., GA

2 Melissa Crump, b.abt. 1779 probably in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Married Enoch Anders 2/25/1808 in Franklin Co., GA. Died after 1850 in Franklin Co., GA

2 Robert G. (Green?) Crump, b. 1781. Married 1) Agnew "Aggie" Tyner, dau. of Richard Tyner and Agnes Daugherty, and 2) Nancy Tyner

Will of Richard Tyner 13 Sep 1824 Elbert County, GA Will Book "M" page 338,339 Elbert County Georgia WILL OF RICHARD TYNER 1824 To all whom these presents Shall Come be it known and I hereby declare and Make Known In the name of Almighty God that I Richard Tyner Sr. of the State of Georgia and County of Elbert being Very Sick and weak but in the right use of my reason and Well Knowing that it is appointed for all men to die in order to arrange my affairs as far as in my power lies I make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and Setting aside all other Wills that I heretofore may have made first I give my soul to the Almighty author of my existence and recommend that my body be buried in the Christian form by my relations and executors. And as touching my estate wherewith it has pleased god to bless me I give bequeath and demise the same in the following manner to my daughter Abigail Cridendon one dollar and no more to my son Richard Tyner Jnr I give and bequeath the land whereon I now live which contains parts of different Surveys also an equal part with the rest of my children of the part to be divided to my son Harris Tyner I give and bequeath my best bed and furniture and also equal part with the rest of my children of the property that is to be divided to my Grand Daughter Nancy Tyner I give and bequeath one of my colts for her to make choice. My children herein after named that is Samuel Tyner or his heirs Mary Ryley Tamer Hunt Joshua Tyner Frances McGuire Noah Tyner or his heirs Elizabeth Boatright Agnes Crump Martha Bird Richard Tyner Harris Tyner and the Children of Charity Bird is to have an equal part of my negroes \_\_\_\_\_ a woman Peter and Daniel men and \_\_\_\_\_ a girl stock of Every Kind with my crop that may be \_\_\_\_\_ and my furniture not already given. I will and request that the whole of the Same be sold by my executors in they way that their judgements say will be the best for the interest of my children herein after named say Samuel Tyner or his heirs Mary Ryley Tamer Hunt Joshua Tyner Frances McGuire Noah Tyner or his heirs Elizabeth Boatright Agnes Crump Martha Bird Richard Tyner Harris Tyner and the children of Charity Bird and after the payment of my just debts that the proceeds of the property to wit Negroes stocks of every Kind my crop and the furniture be by my Executors equally divided between my children just above named or their heirs. I appoint my friends William Baily Isham Fiasby & Thomas A Banks my Executors and having Carefully Considered all the different Counts in this my will I am \_\_\_\_\_ therewith and Confirm the same and in Witness thereof I have here unto set my hand seal this thirteenth day of September 1824 - Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of us Lauchlen McClurry Richard (X) Tyner James Adams His mark Nancy (X) Tyner Her mark Georgia : Court of Ordinary Sovereignty Elbert County : Term 1824 Personally appeared in open court James Adams and being duly sworn saith that he say Richard Tyner sign seal & publish the within instrument as his last will and Testament & that he signed the same as a witness in his presence that the said Lauchlen McClurry & Nancy Tyner sign the same also as witnesses in his presence that he was then of sound & disposing mind sworn to & subscribed this 11 Nov 1824 James Adams Filed John Weston C, C, O, Whereupon it was order to be Recorded the 10 November 1824 John Weston, C,C,O,

2 Dinselondy Crump, b. abt 1783, VA, Married Jonathan Bush 4/14/1816, Franklin Co., GA

2 Jane Crump, b. abt 1783, Patrick Co., VA. Married Brasel Addison 10/13/1819 in Franklin Co., GA

2 Richard Lane Crump b. 1787, Stokes Co., NC. Married 1) Elizabeth Wheeler, 10/8/1812 Franklin Co., GA and 2) Aft 1830 Elizabeth Kessler. Richard died 8/5/1853 in Franklin Co., GA

2. Ruth Crump, b. 1/1/1787 Stokes Co., NC, Married George Washington Reeve 4/10/1803 in SC. Died 3/24/1857 in DeKalb Co., AL

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- d. Simeon V. Crump born about 1803, Stokes Co., NC married Sarah Simmons Richards, June 11, 1824, Tuscaloosa Co. AL died October 1847, Fayette Co. AL



- e. William M. Crump Jr. b. about 1810, Elbert Co. GA m. Sarah Anders, December 19, 1836, Tuscaloosa Co. AL. Was a physician

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21 1268 1349 Crump Wm M 50 M farmer 2,000 14,120 GA  
 22 1268 1349 Crump Sarah 45 F SC  
 23 1268 1349 Crump Ed A 21 M AL  
 24 1268 1349 Crump Caroline C 18 F AL X  
 25 1268 1349 Crump Fannie H 16 F AL X  
 26 1268 1349 Crump Wm V 13 M AL X  
 27 1268 1349 Crump Sarah V 10 F AL X  
 28 1268 1349 Crump Nancy A 9 F AL X  
 29 1268 1349 Crump George W 6 M AL X  
 30 1268 1349 Crump Harison W 4 M AL  
 31 1268 1349 Crump H McGee 4 M AL

4. John Vawter/Vaugter b.16 Jan 1778 (Stokes NC?) d. bef Oct 1865 Marion Co., AL

Published in issue No. 7, 1978 VVW Newsletter. The following scenario of John was developed from sources: Records of Elbert Co., GA, Maury, Lawrence & Williamson Co., TN, Lauderdale Co., AL, Tish. Co., MS, History of Old Tish. Co., McQuire Family History by Duard Leon Ray, personal research of Hazel Vawter McCandless, Mary Maud Carter, Pat Pike Michel, Rev. E. M. Sharp, Jas. C. Vaugters, Bill Vawter, Charlotte Bordon, Faye Tennyson Davidson (all descendants of John) and the family Bibles of Clarice Vawter Mayer, Willard Robinson Nixon, and Matilda Vawter Reid.

John Vawter was a landowner, miller, tavern keeper, speculator and was born 16 Jan 1778 prob. in Stokes Co., NC. Generally he is acknowledged to be the son of John Vawter by his first wife, Franky Ward, dau. of Jacob Ward, Culpeper Co., VA. Jacob's wife was Anna Hill. He is, however, not mentioned as one of the heirs of John who died in Elbert Co., GA but was in close proximity to that family and particularly to Richard Vawter.

John m. (1) in Elbert Co., GA to Rhoda McGuire, dau. of Alleganey McGuire, Rev. Soldier and pensioner and Sarah Holliday. Rhoda was b. 16 Nov 1785, Henry Co., VA. Richard Vawter (brother) m. Cynthia McGuire, sister of Rhoda. Rhoda McGuire Vawter d. 28 Aug 1824, Maury Co., TN. The birth and death dates are listed in the Loving Ross Robinson Family Bible.

Found as early as 1806 Tax list of Elbert Co., GA with 50 acres.

1820 census Maury Co., TN John Vaugter (he continued this spelling) males 1 age 10-16, one age 26-45. Females 3 under 10, 4 age 10-16, 2 age 16-20 and 1 age 26-45. Living next to Richard Vawter (brother) and Allageny McGuire (father in law)

Information on the McGuire Family, furnished by Roxie E. Hensley email rhensley@intellisys.net.:

Allegania McGuire b. 6 Aug 1757 Cumberland Co., VA d. ca 1843 Jackson, Madison Co., TN m. 27 Jun 1782 Henry Co., VA to Sarah Holliday, daughter of Robert Holliday of VA.

Children:

Rhoda McGuire b. 16 Nov 1785 Henry Co., VA d. 28 Aug 1824 TN m. John Vawter

Mourning McGuire b. 20 Aug 1787 Henry Co., VA

Nancy McGuire b. 3 Jun 1789 Henry Co., VA d. 11 Aug 1828

Cynthia McGuire b. 9 Feb 1791 Henry Co., VA d. ca 1860 Pop Co., AR. M. (1) 11 Nov 1806 Elbert Co., GA to Richard Vawter m. (2) bef. 2 Jul 1829 to John Ray in Big Buffalo River, Lawrence Co., TN

Holliday McGuire b. 29 Dec 1792 d. 21 Dec 1872

Matilda McGuire b. 8 Oct 1794 d. 18 Apr 1836.

John then married (2) ca 1825-27 prob. TN to Elizabeth (nee?) They removed to Lauderdale Co., AL ca 1830 and to Tishomingo Co., MS ca 1836. According to probate records of Tish Co., AL, Elizabeth d. ca 1845 leaving two minor daughters, Elizabeth Ann and Hariett. ( A third daughter is not mentioned in this probate, Ellender)

Census 1840 Microfilm #M704-219 State Mississippi County Tishomingo District Northern  
 0-5, 5-10, 11-16, 16-20, 20-30, 30-40, 40-50, 50-60, 60-70, 70-80, 80-90, 90-100, 100+  
 239 765 Vauter A. 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 (this is son Allegany)

skip one house

239 767 Vauter John 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 0 2 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

John Vaughters m. (3) 28 Jan 1849 Tishomingo Co., MS to Peachy Hazell. He is found in the 1850 census of Marion Co., AL Dist 14 family #425, recorded 27 Dec 1850 as John Vorters age 70 m. Farmer b. NC, wife Peachy age 42 b. AL, Eliz. A. age 17 b. TN. He died sometime prior to Oct 1865 when Peachy Vauters m. John Finch in Tish. Co., AL.

John Finch b. 1808/09 KY d. Jun 1872 Prentiss Co., MS and married (1) Sarah Elizabeth Collier and (2) Pecha/Peachy Hazel Vaughter. John's parents, William Finch b. 1781 Spartanburg, SC and m. 17 Nov 1809 Caldwell, KY to Mary G. Roberts.

TN land and court records spot John in Maury, Williamson and Lawrence Co., buying and selling land, operating a mill, paying numerous fines, one for operating a tipling house. In Tishomingo Co., MS, he was appointed one of a committee of three to oversee building of the Courthouse at Jacinto, served as Ranger for the county for several years and was licensed to operate the first tavern in Jacinto. In the space of 1837 to 1845, the deed records of Tish. Co., reflect some 90 land transactions involving John Vawter. He often purchased land in the names of his minor children, requiring him to go into Court in order to sell it. In 1845, his land transactions ceased abruptly, with his property falling to trustee sale and tax sale; obviously wiped out by the collapse of the "land bubble", the bank failures and the ensuing depression of the 1840's. His one piece of property to escape execution had been purchased in the name of his dau. Eliz. Ann, and was sold by her and her husband, Hopewell Doss, in 1853, the deed being signed in Marion Co., AL. Williamson Co., TN Tax Book #1 1800-1813

1812 John Votters 10 A Sinking Creek 1 poll

1812 Allengany McGuire 3 slaves

1812 Richard Vawter 10 A Mill 1 poll (1 white 0 Black)

1813 John Vawter 10 A Sinking Creek 1 poll

1813 Allegany McGuire 3 slaves (no land)

1813 Richard Vawter 10 A Mill Creek 1 poll

Lawrence Co., TN, Occupant Entry Book !

#1311 St. of TN: John Vawter assignee 8th dist of David R. Mitchell by virtue of Rev. War warrant No. 5490 dated 20 May 1824 enters 80 poles of land in Lawrence Co., TN in range 3 and Section I at head of Buffalo River beginning 40 degree east 195 1/2 polles, etc. June 12, 1824 signed D. B. Mitchell

#109 St. of TN 7th dist. John Vawter locates 25 A on the blue water military road in range 6 and section 1, 7 Oct 1828 Samuel Blythe, locator.

#70 Merchant's Entry Book B 1812-1842. To John Vawter 1/2 acres sec. 1 range 3, Mill, RW#5490 sold by James Mitchell 10 Jun 1824

The Buffalo River makes its rise in Lawrence and Hickman counties, touching the NE corner of Wayne and passes through the E side of Perry and joins Duck River.

Lawrence Co., TN Minute BK 1822-1826 page 207. John Votters on July term of court.p. 271 John Votters called on the Venue Tuesday 5 Oct 1824

Lawrence Co., TN book A. John Vawter 25 A on Blue Water Military Road 7 Oct 1828. (blue water and Military Road runs into Lauderdale Co., AL)

Misc. court records, Lawrence Co., TN, Thursday 9 Jul 1829

William Fisher against John Vauter debt. Court had to call a jury to settle, John Ray served on this jury.

Court Minutes Thursday 5 Jan 1832 The State vs. John Vorters

Charge for keeping a tipling house, jury returned into court an indictment agst. the defendant endorsed thereon "a true bill".

Lawrence Co., TN 21 Apr 1834 Taxes on stray property that has fallen due for last month, to wit: John Vaughter 2 barron hogs at \$1.50 and \$3.75.

Lawrence Co., TN Land Records Book F. John and E. Vawter to James Sneed 23 April 1836 \$150 for 8 acres lying between the counties of Williamson and Davidson TN

John Vorters, 1 Feb 1837 license of entertainment, liquor & groceries. Fee \$30.00.

Lawrence Co., TN Book F 1836-1838. John Vawter to Francis Smith 25 April 1838 10 acres for \$500. Signed John Vawter Wit: J. W. Barns and Rayford Pearse.

By 1840 he was in Tishomingo County, MS and by 1850 he was enumerated in Marion Co., AL and stated his birth as North Carolina.

John had one son, Allegany Vawter and nine daughters, Cynthia, Mourning, Nancy, Matilda, Mary Jane, Ellender, Eliza. Ann, Harriet, and Malinda. By census figures, he may have had as many as twelve daughters. The male descendants of John Vawter left Tish Co., MS to Tippah, Union and Benton Co., MS on to AK, TX and OK. His daughters married into the Robinson, McDougal, Reid, Pike, Beatty, Gurley and Burt families, many of whom still are in the area of Old Tishomingo County.

#### Children of Rhoda McGuire

1a. Cintha (S/C) Vawter b. 12 Jan 1806 Elbert Co., GA d. 19 Jul 1890 Tishomingo Co., MS m. 8 Jan 1824 Lawrence Co., TN to Joseph R. Robinson b. 8 Oct 1802 Maury Co., TN d. 10 Nov 1865 Tishomingo Co., MS

A letter dated 29 March 1941, Inka, MS from J. T. Robinson tells of his family.

*Dear Cousin: I am 81 years old and the only one left of a family 7. My father was Jno. Robinson, grandfather Joseph Robinson. They came from Va. to Davidson Co., Tenn. Thence to Blue Water, Ala. Then to Paden, Miss. My grandmother was Cintha Robinson. She had one brother Ganie and five sisters. One married Joe Robinson, one a Tennyson, one a McDougal and one a Reid. I disremember the other. I do not remember their names except Tilda and Cyntha. My brothers are Billy, Henry, Charley & James. Joseph Robinson had 5 children, Jno. C., William, Lovin, Emitine and Sallie. I wish I could give you the desired information but never was given to me. The Robinsons, Killins and Fishers at St. Joe, Ala. Are my kin folks. I am with best wishes your cousin, J.T. Robinson.*

2a. Aligand "Allegany" Vawter b. 14 Dec 1807 GA d. 4 Jul 1876 in Union Co., MS m. 20 Apr 1830 Lauderdale Co., AL to Mary Robinson b. 23 Oct 1809 TN d. Jul 1854 in MS.  
(all 3 Robinsons are brother and sisters).

Lawrence Co., TN 1836, licenses for horses and Jacks, Allegany Vawter 10 jacks Fee \$4.00. *Alabama Records Vol. 213 Lauderdale Co., AL* by Gandrud states Vaughter, Aligand to Mary Robertson 20 Apr 1830 (return dated 1<sup>st</sup> June) by David Lancaster. Pg. 150. Children : Martha Jane, Matilda, Sarah (Sallie) Ann, John Robinson, James Newton, Mary Elizabeth, Nancy Catherine, Cynthia Caroline and William Jasper Vawter. 1850 Census Tishomingo Co., MS, A. Vawter 42 b. TN, Mary Vawter 41 b. TN, Matilda 19 b. AL, Sarah 14 b. AL, John 11 b. AL, James Newton 9 b. AL, Elizabeth F. 10 b. AL, Nancy F 6 b. MS, Mary 4 b. MS, Cynthia 2 b. MS, William Jasper 1 b. MS, W. Vanderford (male) 21 b. GA

Matilda daughter m. (1) 27 Dec 1856 to Richard Vanderford b. ca 1827 TN as shown in the 1860 Tishomingo Co., MS census. Had at least one daughter Sallie Vanderford b. 1870 MS.

(GJNote: it would seem the W. Vanderford shown in the household of Allegany was the same as Richard who married Matilda) She married (2) Mr. Williams

3a. Mourning Vawter b. 20 Jan 1810 Elbert Co., GA d. 1859 Lauderdale Co., AL m. 29 Sep 1826 Lawrence Co., TN to James Robinson b. 1 Mar 1805 TN d. 1859 near Bluewater Creek, AL. James parents were John Robinson and Martha Ray. *Tishomingo Co. Ms., Families & History* --Tish. Historical Society, pub. 1997. John & Rhoda McGuire Vawters dau. Mourning Vawter b. Jan. 20, 1810.

4a. Malinda/Melinda Vawter b. 27 Oct 1812 m. 27 Jul 1833 Robert Barnes Allen, called Burt. Family Bible record of Mrs. Willard Robinson Nixon of Luka, MS and Great grandson

Granville Allen. Marriage Record of Rutherford Co., TN shows Malinda Vawter and R. B. Allen 7 Jul 1833. Bible records state that both are buried in the Allen Cemetery in Lauderdale Co., AL.

5a. Nancy Vawter b. 1817 Maury Co., TN d. Feb 1896 Tishomingo Co., MS. Bur. Dean Cem. m. 13 Nov 1833 Lauderdale Co., AL to John Wesley McDougal III b. 1812 Cumberland Co., NC d. 6 Sep 1868 Tishomingo Co., MS. Bur. Dean Cem., Crow's Neck, Paden, MS. Children Mary Jane b. 1834, Sarah "Sallie" b. 1836, Martha b. 1837 d. 1935, John Wesley b. 1840 d. 1916, James Thomas b. 1842 d. 1931, Amanda E. b. 1844 d. 1912 and Margaret E. b. 1851 d. 1944

6a. Matilda Vawter m. 24 Feb 1840 Tishomingo Co., MS to Anderson Berry Reid d. bef 1870 Tish Co., MS. Patented Land in Tish. Co., MS in 1845 & 1847. Deed Bk X p368-9. Matilda Reid located in census of that county in 1870 and 1880. Anderson's father was Ephriam Davidson Reid. Sara Reid Hodges at email Tyler-Reid@msn.com has researched this line and sends the following:

Anderson Berry Reid and Matilda Vawter had four children:

1. Fannie A Reid, b 1840-1920 married and divorced a Whitfield then remarried JJ Moore
2. Columbus Reid b.1846 No other info
3. George Washington Reid, married Ada Lou Hubbard and had four children: Lula Pearle Reid, George Talmage Reid, Clifton Buress Reid, and John Houston Reid. John married Annie Adams and had a son Shelby Reid
4. Joseph Houston Lamar Reid b. 2/7/1842 d.10/3/1924 married Nancy Belue and had four children: Walter Houston Reid (no other info on), George Creighton Reid ( no other info on), Ada Ann Reid married a Hodges, Mary Alta Reid married John Cornelius Carmack, Edward Lee Reid married Mamie Wilkerson. Edward and Mamie had one child Herman Lee Reid who married Lillian Elizabeth Fielding. Herman and Lillian had five children:
  - a. Walter Houston m. Marilyn Hale- kids: Kim, Mike, Kris
  - b. Ernest James m. Sharon Newberry - kids: Michelle
  - c. John Lee m. Janice Stevenson - Kids: Jeff, Jamie
  - d. Susan Elaine - died shortly after birth
  - e. Sara Lynn m. Michael Hodges - Kids: Tyler

Anderson Berry was born in Lauderdale County Alabama 4/16/1821 and died 10/15/1859. His parents were Ephriam Davidson Reid 3/28/1792-10/6/1865 and Rosalinda Berry 11/6/1796-2/26/1862. I have unconfirmed info that they were both born in Lauderdale County Alabama, which would have made their parents some of the Tennessee Valley Pioneers. I'm having difficulty locating any records since Alabama was not a state at this time. I did find an Enoch Berry that would have been the right age living in the area in 1795, but do not know if this was Rosalinda's father. Anderson & Matilda's son Joseph HL fought in the Confederate army. He was in the Mississippi 26th Regiment.

#### 7a. Mary Jane Vawter

*My cousin and I have been researching this line off and on for several years. The bible spells "Tilfred" not "Tilford", therefore we do not believe that he was the son of Mary Tilford. He may have had a twin brother by the name of William Alfred but it must be proven. Unless someone comes up with a bible record, we cannot prove her maiden name. In researching, we lean more that she was a Choate but, again, we cannot prove it. Grandmother Dosh Choate was mentioned in J. T.'s Bible. This could be his real grandmother or some family member they called grandmother. We may never know the answers. Pat Michel email pjpmichel@aol.com*

James Tilford Pike, Senior b. September 12, 1819, Robertson County, Tennessee; date according to the James Tilfred Pike, Senior, and the Loving Ross Robinson Family Bible Records; place according to census records and a letter from family member in Robertson County, Tennessee; documented with the DAR.

Married: November 12, 1841 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi; date recorded in James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible and the Loving Ross Robinson Family Bible; documented with the DAR.

Died: October 9, 1887 in Prentiss County, Mississippi; buried on Gilbert Howell Place, Booneville. Later, tombstone was moved to Holley Cemetery; documented with the DAR.

Mary Jane Vawter b. May 6, 1823 in Maury County, Tennessee; date according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record; place according to Cephas J. Pike's Mississippi Death Certificate and census; documented with the DAR.

d. March 30, 1870 in Pleasant Site, Franklin County, Alabama; dated according to the James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record; buried in Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Pleasant Site; documented with the DAR.

Children:

1. John Hawkins Pike b. August 15, 1842 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi; according to the James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. Mary Frances Greenhill on November 13, 1872 in Franklin County, Alabama, according to Widow's Application for Pension. He served in Co. H, 26th Regiment, Mississippi Infantry, CSA and later enlisted in Davenport's Battalion, Mississippi State Cavalry Troop, Co. B. d. July 5, 1909 in Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas; buried in Oakwood Cemetery in the city of Corsicana, according to his bible record and cemetery records.

2. Alfred Byrd "Dink" Pike b. May 6, 1844 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. Never Married. d. June 16, 1929 in Prentiss County, Mississippi; buried in New Hope Cemetery, Booneville, Mississippi, according to Funeral Home Record. He served in Co. H, 26th Mississippi Regiment, CSA and later enlisted in Davenport's Battalion, Mississippi Cavalry State Troop, Co. B.

3. Juliann Frances Pike b. February 7, 1846 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. January 13, 1868, Tishomingo County, Mississippi to David Hunt. d. August 28, 1868 in Pleasant Site, Franklin County, Alabama, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record.

4. Rufus Pinkney Pike b. February 29, 1848 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. Ella Octavia Malloy d. October 12, 1916, in Galveston, Galveston County, Texas, according to Texas Death Certificate.

5. David Newton Pike b. May 7, 1850 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. Mary J. Cavender in 1881 in Demmitt County, Texas. d. 1915 in Kerrville, Kerr County, Texas.

6. Cephas Jasper Pike b. September 7, 1852 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to the James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible, the Matilda A. Pike Bible and the George Washington Finch Bible Records; documented with the DAR. m. #1 Martha Jane Holley on November 2, 1876, Prentiss County, Mississippi. She died May 19, 1885 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. m. #2 Matilda Ann Sims on January 5, 1886, Prentiss County, Mississippi. She died May 17, 1935 in Prentiss County, Mississippi. d. December 2, 1944 in Booneville, Prentiss County, Mississippi, according to Mississippi Death Certificate; documented with the DAR.

7. Mary Jane Pike b. January 31, 1856 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. William Stewart George on June 1, 1874 in Pleasant Site, Franklin County, Alabama. d. March 15, 1948 in Sasakwa, Seminole County, Oklahoma, according to descendant.

8. James Tilfred Pike, Junior b. November 14, 1859 in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, according to the James Tilfred Pike, Senior, Bible Record. m. Sallye Bell Watkins on October 16, 1895 in Uvalde, Uvalde County, Texas. d. March 18, 1925 in Uvalde, Uvalde County, Texas according to the Uvalde Leader News of March 20, 1925.

Children of Elizabeth (nee?)

8a. Ellender W. Vawter b. 1828 TN d. ca 1852 m. 27 Sep 1844 Alcorn Co., MS to Arthur S. Beatty b. 1825 TN d. ca 1855. Prentiss Co., MS marriage bonds index 1842-1865 lists Ellender Vawter. Since this is an index no other info. is known.

9a. Ann Elizabeth "Annie" Vawter b. 1831 Holly Springs, MS d. 8 May 1872 Tuscaloosa, AL m. 8 Aug 1851 Aberdeen, Marion Co., AL to Hopewell Doss b. 1 Jul 1829 Tuscaloosa Co., AL. A letter dated 1941 from Mary Etta Doss MacKenzie gives the family information. *"Hope Doss was the son of Hamlet Doss and Alpha Frances Crump. Alpha the dau. of Dr. William Crump and Sallie Vawter. William and Sallie emigrated into AL from GA and Carolina in 1817. Hope died in 1872 and willed the plantation to his youngest son Perry who was a minister and during the War between the States a confederate soldier. His son now lives on the estate which was bought from Martin Van Burnen the 8<sup>th</sup> president of the US. Aunt Harriet Vawter married William LaFayette Allman and lived at Cedar Springs MS and had a large family of girls and 2 boys - John Lewis Vawter and Frank Allman Vawter."* Mrs. MacKenzie continues in another letter. *"My mother's name was Ann Elizabeth Vawter born in Holly Springs, Miss in 1831, she lived there until her marriage in 1851. She had one sister Harriet who married Wm. L. Allman and lived in MS. My grandfather owned land before the civil war but as the deeds were lost and father's estate burned in AL he did not try to recover it until it was too late to do so. One of mothers aunt's either Virginia or Sallie m. Mr. Wm. Crump and lived in GA. John Lewis Vawter married Elizabeth Walker"*.

10a. Harriet Vawter b. July 1834-36 TN alive MS in 1902 m. Willis (Wm.) L. (LaFayette) Allman b. ca 1826 d. bef 1900. Willis alive Marion Co., AL in 1860. Harriet is found 1900 census Clay Co., MS, head of household with birth date as July 1838. Census of 1860 Marion Co., AL, 1870 Wayne Co., TN and 1889 Clay Co., MS shows birth bet 1834-1836 in TN.

5. William Vawter/Vaugter, Died unmarried, will 1828 Elbert Co., GA.

Elbert County, Georgia, Will Book "N" Old No., 1825-1829, p. 332: William Vauters Will 1828. *I William Vauter being in a very weak state of health but of sound mind, memory and understanding and calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die. I do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First. I will and bequeath to my beloved brother Lindsey Vawter a negroe girl by the name of Winney. 2nd. I give and bequeath to my beloved brother Russell Vauter a negroe girl by the name of Jenny. 3rd. My will is that my negroe woman and her further increase together with my mare, cows and calves, stock of hogs, and bed and furniture be sold, and out of the proceeds of the sale all my debts to be paid and the remainder to be equally divided amongst my three brothers viz. Richard Vauter, Lindsay Vauter and Russell Vauter. 4th. I hereby nominate and appoint my brothers Richard and Lindsey Vauter and Russell Vauters, my Executors. 11 January 1828. /s/ William (x his mark) Vauters. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presents of Micajah Carter, Simeon G. Glenn, J. W. Barrett.*

On July 7, 1828, Simeon G. Glenn presented and swore to the will of William Vawter at the July Term of the Court of Ordinary. The will was recorded July 9, 1828.

6. Nancy Vaugter It is unlikely that Nancy Vaugter married. She received her full share of \$700 in the settlement of the estate of her father John.

In a return on John Vawter's estate dated 1822, p. 20, paid Richard Vawter in part of his distributive share; Elizabeth (ditto), Nancy (ditto); James (ditto); Joannah (herself and as guardian of Lindsay and Russell); and Cooper Bennett.

A return dated 8 June 1824 made by Reuben Brown (p. 298/299) lists: paid cash to: Nancy Vawter (\$500), Joannah (as guardian \$1,000); Joannah (for her own \$1000); Pleasant D. Crump (\$500); Richard Vawters (\$500); Cooper Bennett (\$500); William Vawter (\$500); and Job Weston (1.12/7)

Some people believe Nancy married William Crump as he received some payment in 1827 from the estate of John Vawter.

Elbert County, Georgia, Will Book "N" Old No., p. 288: Vawter, John, dec'd. Reuben Brown, Admr. Returns for 1827 show receipt of William Crump in full of distributive share.

Maria Bobo of GA offers this possible scenario..... At that date, 1827, William Crump was living in Alabama. Did he come back to Elbert Co. to collect a long-standing debt? Of the two Crump families which did not go to Alabama (these were William M. Crump and Silas Crump's, who

were brothers), neither Richard Lane Crump nor Robert Green Crump had sons named William born prior to the 1840's. Therefore, it would seem that the William Crump who had a claim on this Vawter estate was not living in Georgia at the time of the recording of this receipt in 1827. The mystery over this appearance of William Crump in Elbert Co. in 1827 made me imagine a scenario in which William travelled back and was reunited with his nephew, the widower Pleasant D. Crump. After long discussions over the table, Pleasant is convinced to go back to Alabama with William; decides to leave his little girl, Agatha, with his mother, Agnes, and heads westward to Tuscaloosa Co. where he marries in 1828 to Nancy Hall, is widowed again, then marries Nancy Crump in 1830.

7. James Vawter/Vaughters b. ca 1780-1790 d. 2 May 1836 Old Dawson family Bible gives no birth date but does confirm the date of death.

Jane (nee? Prob. Medlock) b.2 or 8 Mar 1794 will dated 5 May 1857 died 12 Jan 1874, her tombstone reads "a model Christian gone to rest". Buried Bethel Church Cemetery, Dawsonville, GA

The will of Jane as found in "*This is My Story, This is My Song*" by Lydia Nix Massey.

George, Lumpkin County. This book found at the Jackson Co. Historical Society, GA).

*In the name of God, Amen. I Jane Vaughter, wife of James Vaughter and now a widow of said state and county being of advanced age and knowing that i must shortly depart from this world, deem it right and proper both as respects myself and my family that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind providence has blessed me. I therefore make this my last will and testament.*

*Item 1st: I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and conditions. My Soul, I trust, shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation through the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whose religion I have professed and, as I humbly trust, enjoyed for thirty years.*

*Item 2nd: I desire and direct that myself and my oldest son, William J. Vaughters, live and remain with my third son, Linzy Vaughters, enduring of our natural lives, my son William being not of sound mind. I desire that my son Linzy take care of him as long as they both live.*

*Item 3rd: I bequeath to the children of Hiram S. Vaughters, my second son, two dollars as he has had a equal portion with the balance*

*Item 4th: I bequeath to the children of Lucinda Allen, my third child, and oldest daughter, the like of two dollars. She also had a divide.*

*Item 5th: I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Ann Stone, wife of Robert Stone, two dollars. She also had a divide.*

*Item 6th: I bequeath to my daughter Delila Anderson, wife of William Anderson, two dollars. She also has had a divide. Also to Lidda Nix, wife of Thomas Nix, two dollars. She also had a divide.*

*Item 7th: I bequeath to my daughter, Jane Bennett, wife of Robert Bennett, two dollars. She also has had a divide.*

*Item 8th: I bequeath to my daughter, Eliza Blackburn, wife of Elijah Blackburn, two dollars. She also has had a divide.*

*Item 9th: I bequeath to my third son, Linzy V. Vaughters, my two lots of land Nos. 1065 and 1066 in fifth district and first Section of Lumpkin County with all the rights, members and appurtenances to said lots of land in any wise appertaining and belonging forever as be the said Linzy has the care of his brother William and myself.*

*Item 10th: I constitute and appoint my beloved son, Linzy Vaughters, Executor to this last will and testament this May 5, 1857*

*Her Jane x Vaughter mark*

*Charles G. Simonds, Wm. Burt, Clark G. Burt witnessed the will.*

1809 GA, James Vawter witness a will of Daniel Aaron in Franklin Co. (this is just north of Elbert Co., GA). Will proved 1832 Madison Co., James Vawter as witness.

1827 James Vawter shown in Franklin Co., GA

From an unbound original misc. records of the Superior Court of Frankling County, 1833.

Mathew Parr (for use of John R. Stanford) vs James Vaughters

William Allen vs James Vaughters

From the archives of Atlanta, GA, Franklin Co., GA minutes of Ordinary 1829-1844, July session of court 1836. P. 193-203. Hiram Vawter Adm. of James Vaughter. Ordered that Jane

Vaughter and Hiram Vaughter be and they are hereby appointed adm. of the estate of James Vaughter dec'd and they giving bond and security in terms of the law.

Nov. 1836. Ordered that Hiram Vaughter adm. have leave to sell the real estate of James Vaughter upon his giving the legal notice.

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James Vaughter Book BB 149 & 181-186, D p. 177, DDD pgs. 70 & 130.

Hiram Vaughter Book CCC p. 246

Hiram Vaughter Book CC p. 47-48, DD 2, 3, 30, 276, DDD 130-131 & 154

Linsey Vaughter Book D page 177

William Vaughter Book D page 177

Vawter, Hiram County: Chandler. Dist. Franklin Co., Drew #2221 4<sup>th</sup> Dist. 3<sup>rd</sup> sect. 1832 Gold lottery

Vawter, William County: Chandler Dist. Franklin Co., Drew #902 5<sup>th</sup> Dist. 1<sup>st</sup> sect. 1832 gold lottery

Power of Attorney by Wm. Vaughter to James Vaughter who sold the lot #902 drawn in the original Cherokee gold lottery of 1832 by Wm. Vaughter and sold by James Vaughter to William Burt of Halls Co. (GJNote: A William Burt was the witness to the will of Jane Vawter in 1857 and is related)

1b. William J. Vaughters b. 24 Sep 1812 d. 2 Sep 1866, retarded & unmarried.

2b. Hiram S. Vaughters b. Nov 1814 d. 6 Jul 1853 m. 23 Feb 1832 Franklin Co., GA to Elizabeth Glenn b. ca 1813 GA. Children: All born Franklin Co., GA. Catharine 1833, Samuel H. 1837, Frances 1839, Hiram 1841, Elizabeth 1843, Julia A., 1845, Lucinda 1847, James 1849, Eliza 1851, HESSIE (female) 1853.

"Deaths, Murders and Lynchings Abstracted from Lumpkin County, Georgia Newspapers, Vol. I, 1873-1900," by Jimmy E. Anderson, Wolfe Publishing Company, Fernandina Beach, Florida, (no year):

p. 134: October 29, 1886, Dahlenega Signal - "Hiram Vauters, a United States prisoner in the Atlanta jail from Dawson County, died last Friday of meningitis, and was buried in Dawson County, on Sunday last." (This is Linsey's son Hiram)

3b. Lucinda Vaughters b. 13 May 1816 Franklin Co., GA d. 13 May 1849 Lumpkin Co.,

GA m. 13 Jan 1829 Franklin Co., GA to Mathew Allen b. 1807 SC d. 11 Oct 1862 AR.

SOURCE: History of Benton, Washington, Carroll, Madison, Crawford, Franklin, and Sebastian Counties, Arkansas.

Chicago: The Goodspeed Publishing Co., 1889.

Elijah L. Allen is one of the successful farmers of Benton County, Ark., and is also engaged in grist-milling. He is of French descent, and was born in Northern Georgia July 25, 1833. His father, Matthew Allen, was born in South Carolina in 1807, and in October, 1852, left Georgia and came to Arkansas, where he died October 11, 1862. He was married to Lucinda Vaughter, who died in Georgia in 1848, having borne nine children: James (deceased); Amanda E., wife of W. E. Smith; Elijah L.; Martha J., who became the wife of Rev. Isom Hall and died in 1854; William C. (deceased); Lindsay M., who died during the late war; Catherine (deceased wife of W. P. Henderson); Hiram S., living in Arkansas, and an infant, deceased. Elijah L. Allen came to Arkansas when nineteen years of age, and for twenty-seven years was a resident of Conway County. Since that time he has resided on his present farm of 120 acres. In 1856 he married Louisa Jones, a native of Tennessee, who died in May, 1863, leaving five children: Sarah C. (Mrs. Solomon Glenn), William A. (deceased), Mary M. (Mrs. J. A. Matthews), Lindsay A. and Laura J. (Mrs. James H. Willis). Ellen A. Townsend was married to Mr. Allen September 28, 1865, and by him became the mother of seven children: Georgia A. (Mrs. F. C. Grimsley), Hiram R., Elijah H., Isom (deceased), Fannie (deceased), T. J. (deceased), and Hattie (deceased). Mrs. Allen died August 15, 1880, and two years later Mr. Allen married Mrs. Amelia C. Willis. In 1862 Mr. Allen enlisted in the Union army, and after honorable service was discharged July 9, 1865. He was at Prairie Grove, Helena, the evacuation of Little Rock and in the Camden raid. He supports the principles of the Republican party, and his first presidential vote was cast for Fremont. He is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, and belongs to the Masonic fraternity and the G. A. R. His wife belongs to the Methodist Church.

4b. Elizabeth Ann Vaughters b. 21 Feb 1818 m. (1) 31 Dec 1846 to Robert Stone m. bet.

1864-1868 and m. (2) William C. Anderson d. 15 Apr 1868.

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Vaughters, Elizabeth Stone, Robert December 31, 1846



5b. Linzy V. Vaughters b. 28 Jun 1820 GA d. 1 Oct 1866 prob. Dawson Co., GA. Married 14 May 1857 Lumpkin Co., GA to Kesiah Marinda Hicks b. 24 Oct 1835 d. 26 Jul 1926. There is an unmarked grave next to Marinda but Linzy is buried elsewhere, perhaps in Gainesville, GA.

The history of the 1<sup>st</sup> Georgia Infantry (Union), changed to the 5<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Company C and in 1865 became Company H 5<sup>th</sup> TN, received little or no attention. The north Georgia independent lifestyle of hard work and hard times did not fit with either Southern or Northern sympathies. Many home guards raided southern farms taking cattle and horses. The north Georgians helped deserters and draft evaders and fought off the home guard to protect their land and property. They were finally organized as spys and helpers to Sherman in 1864 but were never paid by the union nor formally helped after the war. On Nov. 5, 1864, Confederate Col. James Findley arrested Lindsey Vaughters, a justice of the Dawson Co. Inferior Court, along with 3 other justices and the sheriff of the county. Findley had captured a document indicating that the men were Unionists. Of the men captured, a dozen were found to be deserters from Confederate units, tried and executed in Gainesville on 7 Nov 1864, their bodies were transferred to the National Cemetery at Marietta, GA in July 1867, today buried in Section E, Numbers 6012-6023. In 1870, fellow veterans recalled "Linza Vaughters" as a private in Co. C. of the 1st GA Infantry, a federal unit. "died since war". The records are found at the National Archives on microfilm reel 279-34 at Georgia Archives.

6b. Vincy/Viny Vaughters b. 13 Aug 1823. Vincy is shown in the 1830 census of Franklin Co and 1840 Census of Lumpkin Co., GA

7b. Delila Vaughters b. 26 Feb 1825 GA d. 1902 m. William J. Anderson b. 1822 d. 15 Apr 1868, bur. At Bethel (Shoal Creek) Cemetery. A large monument states the name but no dates.

William died at a farm near Sweetwater and his body was brought home by wagon. He is shown at the son of Jan Anderson. William J. Anderson, estate papers found in Dawson Co., GA Probate Court Record Book DD pages 35 thru 44. William died in 1868 and left land valued at \$2200 and total value of \$3500, including a \$50 piano, a true luxury. This was most unusual and very large so soon after the War between the States. It was rumored that William struck it rich in the Colorado Gold fields in the 1850's. A person named William Anderson is mentioned twice in the book "Green Russell and Gold" by Elma Dill Russell Spence, however no proof is offered.

8b. Lydia "Lidda" Malinda Vaughters b. 27 Apr 1827 d. 31 Aug 1917 m. (1) 1844 to Thomas Titsworth Nix d. 1864 Battle of Atlanta, buried in the Confederate cemetery at Columbus GA. She m. (2) Walton Cicero Davis who was 20 years her junior. Apple Valley Baptist Church Cemetery Inscriptions Jackson County, GA Apple Valley Baptist Church Cemetery Harrisburg District #257 - State Route 15A Jefferson, Jackson Co, GA  
McDONALD, Edwin A. 15 Apr 1850 31 May 1932  
wife: McDONALD, Sarah Jane NIX 15 Jun 1852 27 Sep 1925 d/o Lydia M. VAUGHTERS & Thomas Titsworth NIX  
McDONALD, Inf/s of M/M H. H. McDONALD Born & died - 14 Mar 1909  
McDONALD, Thomas J., Dr. 7 Mar 1877 10 Apr 1957  
NIX, Dilmus Monroe 16 Feb 1847 30 Dec 1904 s/o Lydia Malinda VAUGHTERS & Thomas T. NIX Married: 9 July 1878  
wife: NIX, Permelia Jane MITCHELL 10 Aug 1849 3 Jul 1935 d/o William Benjamin & Nancy C. ADAIR MITCHELL  
NIX, Frances R. 6 Nov 1892 12 Nov 1895 d/o Permelia Jane MITCHELL & D. M. NIX  
NIX, Dilmus Herbert 11 Oct 1882 1 Feb 1929 s/o Permelia Jane MITCHELL & Dilmus Monroe NIX  
wife: NIX, Lillian Gertrude MALEY 23 Jul 1887 22 Oct 1952 d/o Joe H. & Sarah ALEXANDER MALEY

9b. Jane Vaughters b. 27 Apr 1829 d. 25 Jul 1912 m. 5 Jan 1847 Lumpkin Co., GA to Robert Bennett

10b. Eliza A. Vaughters b. 13 Apr 1831 m. (1) 7 Feb 1857 to Elijah Blackburn d. 2 Sep 1862 Confederate Soldier. Left 3 children. Eliza m. (2) 14 Aug 1873 to William Fouts

Children of John Vawter by 2nd wife, Johannah Vernon: Johannah was b. 1763 NC

8. Richard Vaughter (second of the name) b. 1800 NC - will 1856 Elbert Co., GA, Died unmarried

1850 Census Elbert Co., GA p. 390 B -Adams, T. V. 57 m VA, family #391/391

E. 45 f GA

T. F. 5 m GA

L. 3 m GA

Vautor, R. 50 m NC (Richard?)

This R. Vautor b. 1800 in NC and had \$2000 in real estate. He was living in the household of Thomas Ford Adams and his (2<sup>nd</sup>) wife Elizabeth (Jenkins) and sons T. F. and Lumkin A. Adams. Thomas Ford Adams was the (2<sup>nd</sup>) husband of Henrietta (Haley), widow Crawford. What relationship R. Vautor is to this family is unknown.

Family History file of Don Tucker, 103 Bluebird Drive Dothan, Alabama 36303 phone 1-334-792-3274  
Source for the copy of the will is Charles Burt of Dawsonville, GA. 1995

Will of Richard Vawter, 1856. State of Georgia, Elbert County.

In the name of God Amen I Richard Vawter of the State and County aforesaid being of advanced age but of sound mind and disposing memory deem it proper that I should make a disposition of the property with which a Kind Providence has Blessed me. I therefore make this my last will and testament thereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

1st Item: I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life. My Soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it as I hope for that rest only through the merits and attonement of the Blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

2nd Item: After all my just debts and burial expenses are paid my will is that the balance of my property be disposed of in the manner following.

Item 3rd: I give and bequeath to my brother Russel Vawter one negroe boy by the name of Elbert and fifty acres of my land where I now live also one horse worth eighty dollars.

Item 4th: I give and bequeath to James B. G. Vawter one negroe boy by the name of Esquire also I give and bequeath to Thomas F. Vawter one negroe boy by the name of Lee the said James and Thomas being the children of Lindsay Vawter.

Item 5th: My will is that the balance of my negroes that are not specifically given off be divided equally between the remaining children of my brother Lindsay Vawter and in case any of them are not willing to live in the Family I wish such to be sold and the proceeds to be divided as above.

Item 6th: My will is that the remainder of my land be equally divided between all the children of my brother Lindsay Vawter.

Item 7th: My wish is that the remainder of my stock of all kind and household and kitchen furniture be equally divided between the children of Lindsay Vawter.

Item 8th: My will and desire is I do hereby appoint my friend William M. Haslett my Executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony where of I hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 1st day of May 1856.

Richard Vawter (His Mark) Seal

Witness - Thomas Johnston, Eppy W. Roebuck, Thomas M. Hulm (Brother in law? Don Tucker's note)

Georgia, Elbert County, Court of Ordinary, July Term 1856 Personally came into open court Thomas Johnston, Eppy W. Roebuck and Thomas M. Hulm and being sworn says that they saw Richard Vawter sign the within Instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and that they signed the same as witnesses in the presence and at the request of the testator to have been of sound mind and memory at the time he executed the same.

Thomas Johnston, E. W. Roebuck, Thomas M. Hulm Sworn to in open court the 7th day of July 1856 Wm. B. Nelms, Ordinary

Georgia, Elbert County, Court of Ordinary July Term 1856

Within Will of Richard Vawter deceased having been proven at this regular term of the court on the oath of Thomas Johnston, Eppy W. Roebuck and Thomas M. Hulm the witnesses to said will it is ordered and adjudged by the court that said will be recorded. Recorded the 10th day of July 1856, Wm B. Nelms, Ordinary.

9. Elizabeth Vaughter, b. ca 1800-1804 d. aft 1823 - bef. 1828 married 9 May 1822, Elbert Co., GA to Pleasant Duke Crump.

According to census records of John and Joannah, female was b. ca 1800-1804

This line is the direct line of Maria Bobo of GA email Ronquil2@msn.com.

Pleasant D. Crump was the son of Charles Crump (d. Nov. 1820 Elbert Co., Ga.) and Agnes (or Agatha?) Vernon. His presumed daughter, Agatha Crump, did marry Robert Taliaferro Gaines.

Charles Crump left a will and devised his estate to his wife and his sons: Pleasant D. Crump and Lemuel Crump. Lemuel was out of town at that time and later received his portion of the estate - at which time he is identified as "Richard L. Crump." It appears that Pleasant D. Crump is the likely candidate to be the father of little Agatha Crump because of three things: (1) Agatha Crump Gaines was born almost exactly 9 months after Pleasant married Elizabeth Vawter; (2) she named one of her own sons, Pleasant; and (2) her (presumed) grandmother, the widow, Agnes Vernon Crump Craft (she had married (2nd) John C. Craft) is listed in the Gaines household on later census records. I believe Pleasant left his infant daughter in the care of his mother and then moved to Alabama - possibly to St. Clair Co.

Marriages 1806-1850 Elbert Co., GA

Craft, John and Agatha Crump 1 Aug 1822 p479

Gaines, Robert T. and Agga Crump 6 Jan 1842 p. 126

Indenture between William Faulkner & Asa Faulkner 21 Dec 1840 Elbert Co, GA Elbert County Superior Court Deeds Book Z 1842-1847 Page 34 Faulkner to Faulkner Georgia, Elbert County : This indenture made this twenty first day of December Eighteen hundred and forty and between William Faulkner of the one part and Asa E Faulkner of the other part both of the State and county aforesaid, Witnesseth that the said William Faulkner both for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Asa E. Faulkner the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained sold and conveyed to the said Asa E. Faulkner a certain tract or parcel of land containing one hundred and two acres be the same more or less situate in the state and county aforesaid adjoining the said William Faulkner, Robert Gaines, Benjamin Thornton and John Allman and having such four and \_\_\_\_\_ (illegible) as more fully assian? (illegible) by a plate hereunto annexed. And I the said William Faulkner do for? (illegible) defend the right and take thereof unto the said Asa E F his heirs or assigns in fee simple In testimony which I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and date \_\_\_\_\_ (illegible) \_\_\_\_\_ (illegible). In presence of David R. James, Joseph & Arnold William Faulkner (seal)

From Maria Bobo, GA email ronquil2@msn.com:

Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Vawter (*John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>*) was born Abt. 1805 in Elbert County, Georgia<sup>1</sup>, and died Aft. September 08, 1823 in Elbert County, Georgia<sup>2,3</sup>. She married Pleasant Duke Crump May 09, 1822 in Elbert County, Georgia<sup>4</sup>, son of Charles Crump and Agnes Vernon. He was born Abt. 1801 in Stokes County, North Carolina<sup>5</sup>, and died in (possibly in St. Clair County) Alabama (alive in 1837)<sup>5</sup>.

Notes for Elizabeth Vawter and Pleasant Duke Crump:

Elbert County Ordinary Mixed Records (Wills, Marriages, Estate Records): 1822-1825 Vol. M, and 1825-1829. Return on the estate of John Vawter made by Reuben Brown, administrator, on 8 June 1824, includes the following receipt which clearly identifies Elizabeth as the daughter of John Vawter: p. 298/299, Rec'd of Reuben Brown admr. of the estate of John Vawter decd. five hundred dollars in full of the part of said estate which I am entitled to in right of my wife Elizabeth formerly Elizabeth Vawter. Witness my hand and seal this 8 September 1823. P. D. Crump (seal)

This receipt shows that Elizabeth was living in September 1823. She is believed to have died shortly thereafter. Her husband, Pleasant, went on to Alabama and can be found there by 1828. Their daughter, Agatha remained in Elbert County, Georgia, and was raised by her grandmother, Agnes, and step-grandfather, John Craft. Agnes (Vernon) Crump Craft was enumerated in the household of her granddaughter, Agatha (Crump) Gaines on the 1860 Hart County, Georgia, census.

Marriage records of St. Clair County indicate that Pleasant D. Crump married Nancy Hall in 1828 and his cousin, Nancy Crump, in 1830. Pleasant D. Crump (age 20-30) and his wife (age 20-30) are recorded on the 1830 St. Clair County, Alabama, census.

"Bureau of Land Management - General Land Office Records" list two land patents dated August 1 (39.91 acres) and August 5, 1837 (40.18 acres) for land in Calhoun County, Alabama. The certificates list Pleasant by his full name, Pleasant Duke Crump. In both cases, Pleasant had purchased the acreage and sold it to Eli Moore Driver prior to the issuance of the patents. Eli is listed as the "assignee" of Pleasant Duke Crump. Pleasant was probably living in St. Clair Co., AL, at the time of these patents. Fred Crump of Fountain Inn, SC, has stated: "I heard from a Barbara Malcove years ago that indicated that Pleasant is buried on the Army Reservation of Anniston Depot, or Ft. McClelland, but I have no proof. He may have died before 1850." Burial records of cemeteries of Calhoun and Talladega Counties, Alabama, do not list a burial for Pleasant D. Crump.

Child of Elizabeth Vawter and Pleasant Crump is:

i. Agatha "Agga"<sup>6</sup> Crump, b. May 01, 1823, Elbert County, Georgia<sup>6</sup>; d. June 19, 1881, Elbert County, Georgia<sup>7</sup>; m. Robert Taliaferro Gaines, January 06, 1842, Elbert County, Georgia<sup>8</sup>; b. August 29, 1820, Elbert County, Georgia<sup>9</sup>; d. June 19, 1881, Hart County, Georgia<sup>9</sup>.

Notes for Robert Taliaferro Gaines:

Francis Gaines of Albemarle County, Va. and Elbert County, Ga. by Thomas R. Gaines, M.D.,  
pg. 68: "Robert Taliaferro Gaines was said to have been a cripple and a schoolteacher."

*Endnotes*

1. Georgene Jurgensen, Personal Files, 1997.
2. Crump Family Genealogy, Fred E. Crump, Sr., Compiler; Fountain Inn, South Carolina
3. Elbert County Ordinary Mixed Records (Wills, Marriages, Estate Records) 1822-1825, Vol. M., p. 298-299; Return on the Estate of John Vawter.
4. Elbert County, Georgia Marriages, 1805-1913 compiled by Ann C. Holloman, 1989
5. Crump Family Genealogy, Fred E. Crump, Sr., Compiler; Fountain Inn, South Carolina
6. Francis Gaines of Albemarle County, Va. and Elbert County, Ga. by Thomas R. Gaines, M.D.
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9. Francis Gaines of Albemarle County, Va. and Elbert County, Ga. by Thomas R. Gaines, M.D.

10. Female Vawter According to census material another female was born to John and Joannah between 1800-1804. This could be Nancy as her age has never been substantiated, however, her witness to the settlement was by the Ward family, relatives of Frankey. This child is unaccounted for. There are 3 females in this area which are not proved and may belong here or are connected to Wharton Vawter of GA. They are Tabitha, Elizabeth and Sarah. Since John has a daughter named Elizabeth and one named Sarah they are likely someone else's family.

11. Lindsay Vaughter, born 1808 GA d. 1863 GA m. 7 Jan 1844 Elbert Co., GA to Mary (nee: McMullen) Hulme. Buried on the Vaughter farm, near the Harmony Baptist Church near Elberton, GA. Tombstones say Linsey Vaughter 1808-1863 and Mary McMullen Hull/Hulme Vaughter 1813-1890. (Note: two other stones Richard Vawter died 1856 and Jesse 1848-1849, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Lindsay and Mary)

"History of Elbert Co. 1790-1935" (no author or date) Indicates this material is for the 1832 gold lottery.

Lindsey Vaughters (single) 1 draw Capt. Dobbs Dist.

Russell Vaughters Orph of \_\_\_\_\_ 1 draw (GJ Note: this is a brother of Linsey)

1850 Census Elbert Co., GA lists,

L. (Lindsay) Vawter 42m b. GA,

M. (Mary) Vawter 38f, b. GA,

J. B. (James Benson Glen) Vawter age 6m,

R. J. (Richard Jesse) Vawter age 4m

F. C. Vawter age 1f (Laura Francene) all b. GA.

Two children James B. G. and Thomas F. are listed in the will of Richard Vawter, brother of Lindsay. J. B. of the 1850 census being James Benson Glenn Other children were: Thomas F. b. 1852, Emmett Augusta b. 1854 and Richard Barison b. 1855.

Indian War 1815-1858 Vaughters, Lindsey, Pvt, Cleavelands Co., of Turks, 2<sup>nd</sup> GA Mil, Cherokee Wars.

The GA Military Dept in a letter dated May 18, 1931 states: Lindsey Vaughters was commissioned an Ensign of the 916<sup>th</sup> District of the County of Lumpkin on Feb 7, 1850.

McMullen family

William McMullen b. 28 Oct 1792 m. 3 Sep 1812 in Elbert Co., GA to Elizabeth Maxwell

Children:

Mary McMullen m. (1) Mr. Hulme and had a son William J. D. Hulme. She m. (2) Mr. Vaughters

Sarah McMullen m. Sam Williford

Isabiah McMullen

Jesse P. McMullen

Elizabeth Ann McMullen m. Sam Williford

William Marion McMullen m. in Newton Co., MS to Medaline Dunagin

Thomas J. McMullen

Laura Francene Vaughter dau of Lindsay wrote to Bill Vawter of TX the following family history. My grandfather was a Maxwell, she had an uncle Russell who went to Ala. The persons buried in the Vawter Cem Lot are Lindsay Vaughter , Mary (Polly Vaughter (Lindsay's wife), Jesse, inf. Bro of Laura Frances, Richard Vaughter bro of Lindsay and Uncle of Laura. Her Bible records show:

Linsy Vauter b. 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1808

Mary Vauter b. 26 Jun 1812

James B. Vauter b. 20 nov 1845

Larer F. Vauter b. 12 Jan 1849

Thomas F. Vauter b. 12 Mar 1852

Lewgustus E. Vaauter B. 12 Mar 1854

Richard B. Vauter b. 27 Sept. 1856

Deaths

Linsy Vawter June 6, 1863

Mary Vawter May 11, 1890

James Benson Vawer Oct. 5, 1912

Thomas Florence Vawter Jan 17, 1934

Laura Francina Vaughter Sanders 1945

Emmett A Vaughter 1934

Children of James Benson and Mary Beulah Sanders Vaughter are: James Swift, Frances Harrison, Mirian Opal and Smith Julian and are all descendants of John Vawter of Elbert Co., GA

12. Russell Vawter/Vaughter, b. ca 1808-1810 GA, Died 1865-1869 Morgan Co., AL.

1850 Census Elbert Co., GA page 365B, Vautor, R. age 42 b. GA, living alone.

According to family tradition, Russell became drunk at a dance, and was so shamed by his family that he left and had no further contact. In the 1950's Laura (Cato) Vawter was contacted by relatives from Elbert, GA, the first family contact in over 100 years.

m. ca 1858 Lucy/Lucinda Humphries b. ca 1828 TN

b. Francis L. (Lucy) Vawter b. ca 1862 m. 20 Jan 1876 Morgan Co., AL to Thomas H. Lynn. Marriage cert. Shows spelling as Linn, permission given by Lucinda Walker, stepmother. (GJNote: the word stepmother is likely an error by the transcriber as Lucinda had remarried)

c. John Russell Vawter b. ca 1865 d. Cullman Co., AL m. 5 Jul 1885 Cullman Co., AL to Laura J. Cato. They had at least one son Robert R. Vawter b. ca 1904 and he had a son Robert R. Vawter, Jr. b. 1943 Talledga, FL. Robert, Jr. attny. Living (1998) in Tampa, FL provided info.

Lucinda m. (2) 1 Dec 1869 Morgan Co., AL to Robert R. Walker. Robert R. Walker was the son of Robert Walker b 1794 SC - 1854 AL and Jane "Dollie" (possibly BEDFORD).

1870 Census AL Morgan Co. - #54

Robert Walker age 48 b. AL,

Lucinda Walker age 43 b. TN

Jane age 23 b. AL, James age 16 b. AL, Elder age 12 b. AL Francis age 5 b. AL, Mary age 5 b. AL and Francis L. Vawter age 8, John Vawter age 5. No additional children are known of Lucinda. An additional child named Sabrina Walker is quoted by Walker family members.

Children of Robert R. Walker

Eliza Jane b. 1814 md James Graves,

William S. b. 1815 md Elizabeth Duncan Kelly,

Nancy C. b 1816 md 1840 Robert Anderson,

John Adam Edgar b 1819 - 8/26/1895 Etowah Co AL md 1) Katherine "Katy" either BEDFORD or SIMPSON (working on documenting which one), 2) Mary Ellen Holiday;

Robert R. Vawter m (1) ca 1846 Mary Ann Callahan b. about 1830 d. ca 1869

Frances Delilah md Benjamin Bentley,  
Sarah md Wm Hampton;  
Mary M md Lafayette Furgeson; Roanna (Rueanna?),  
Joel W. 13 April 1834 - Feb 1919 md Georgia Melissa Ann Warren and  
Daniel W..

**Anne Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Barth<sup>1</sup>)**

Ann Vawter, was the daughter of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. She was b. 14 Nov 1758 who m. 1779 to Rev. Philemon "Philip" Vawter, a cousin. (See Philemon<sup>4</sup>, David<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup> file)

In the wills of Richard and Frances, Anne is noted:

Richard's will 1 Mar 1803- 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA: *Item, It is my will and desire that the one acre of land on which the church stands in its appurtenances be sold to the highest bidder by my executor and the money be divided to my daughters Anna Vawter and Alpha Shelton, now citizens of the State of Kentucky.*

Frances will 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811, Madison Co., VA: *after my decease my Executor sell the whole of my estate and the money arising from the sale those together with that debts as owing to me and all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children,*

Philemon was the son of David Vawter (brother of Richard) and Mary (Offill/Offitt?). Raised an Episcopalian, Philemon became a primitive Baptist Preacher. In 1790, Philemon and Ann Vawter migrated to Holston River Co., of Eastern TN, where they received two land grants from the State of NC. They then moved to the forks of the Elkhorn River in KY and finally to IN. A book *Forks of the Elkhorn Church* by Ermina Jett Darnell, 1946 Standard Printing Co. tells much of their history.

### **John Vawter<sup>3</sup>, unknown<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>**

That this John exists is verifiable, but where his connections are remain unclear. He would be born between 1725-1730 and is located in Caroline Co., VA. John<sup>2</sup>, son of Bartholomew is thoroughly researched in Essex Co and is deceased before some of this John's public records.

Even more mysterious is the Caroline tax records which clearly show a John Vawter with a wife Margaret. Since this is in 1789, we know that John and Margaret Noel Vawter are deceased and they had no children named John. Could this be the John and Margaret found by Grace Vawter Bicknell and her assumption of a marriage to a Beverly? We do have Beverly Vawter, a Rev. War soldier, who's heir at law was John Vawter. Grace Bicknell linked him with Richard Vawter son of John<sup>2</sup>, Barth<sup>1</sup>. But he is not the son of Richard and is not seen in any deeds or wills. A Richard Vawter does exist in Caroline and this could be where Bicknell drew her assumptions, but this "Caroline" Richard Vawter is clearly not Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Barth<sup>1</sup>.

*Caroline Co., VA Order Book 1746-1748* Abstracted by John Dorman, 1968.

14 Mar 1746/47. Suit of Attachment. Oliver Towles agt. the estate of James Baker. The Sheriff attached a book belonging to the defendant. (Oliver Towles was due money but was given the account receivable of Mr. Baker) Payment due from among others: John Vawters £0.6.2.  
(GJNote: This could be John Vawter<sup>2</sup> son of Barth as he was alive until bet 1750-52, however the location in Caroline Co. might indicate this John Vawter)

*Caroline Co., VA Order Book 1755-1758*. Part two. Abstracted by John Frederick Dorman, 1977. Washington, DC. Page 78.

10 Mar 1758. Frans. Sly, a free Negro, being committed to jail by James Jameson Gent. For hog stealing and being brought to the bar, John Vawter, John Beasley, Eliza. Beasley, and Elias Blackburn, witnesses against him, being examined and their testimony considered, it is the opinion of the Court that Sly is guilty of the fact. Ordered that the Sheriff give him 25 lashes on his bare back at the public whipping post, he failing to pay down the £10 according to law, and Sly has time till next Court to enter into bond for his good behavior, himself in £20 and his security in ten to the sheriff.

*The History of Monroe County West Virginia*, by Oren F. Morton, Reprinted, Regional Pub. Co., Baltimore, 1988, pages 68-78

RECORDS OF TWENTY YEARS Extracts from Record-books of Greenbrier and the petitions from the county to the General Assembly, particularly with that portion of Greenbrier that became Monroe.

(GJNote: This is but a small portion but interesting in it shows the inflation of food and lodging during the war and the hardships endured)

1781: Complains of heavy tax to open wagon road from Camp Union to Warm Springs, about 48 miles by measure A "hard measure to build" at our expense through other counties (Augusta and Botetourt) "more especially in this distressing time of war and carnage." A former petition for road was signed unadvisedly. County frontier runs 100 miles north and south and settlements extend 20 miles westward. Every year the settlers suffer more or less from the Indians, who are a peril to road workers. The inhabitants cannot spare crop or stock to the value of one-half the expense of road, estimated at 40 to 50 tons of hemp. Petition asks repeal of law. A road directly across Greenbrier cannot be useful to the settlers far to either side The people have enough to do to supply their families with bread. Signers from north of Greenbrier River.

FEBRUARY, 1781 William Ward, a justice, authorized to buy a "compleat Wagon and Team" for use of sheriff, and procure a driver for the same. The sheriff to collect 20,000 pounds to pay for it.

MARCH, 1781. Ordinary rates: dinner, \$25; breakfast, \$20; corn per gallon, \$10.

AUGUST, 1781 Sheriff to let contract, payable in not over 50 tons hemp, for a wagon road from the courthouse to Warm Springs. The road to be 12 feet wide in deep places, 15 feet elsewhere, and to be finished by October 1, 1782. Contractor to give bond in 5,000 pounds.

Ordinary rates: dinner, \$50; breakfast, \$40; corn per gallon, \$50; hay or fodder per night, \$50.



NOVEMBER, 1781 John Henderson to take list of tithables in Captain Wood's and his own companies, and James Henderson in the companies of Glass and Wright.

MAY, 1782

Robert Armstrong to pay John Vawter, a witness, 370 pounds of tobacco (\$12.33) for two days attendance and 80 miles travel.

AUGUST, 1783 Ordinary rates: "hott diet," 21 cents; cold diet, 17 cents; lodging, 8 cents; corn or oats per gallon, or pasturage one night, 8 cents; oats per sheaf, 6 cents; "tody made of Rum with Loaf Shugar," per quart, 25 cents; the same with brown sugar, 17 cents; whiskey per gallon, \$1.33; apple brandy, 83 cents; peach brandy, \$1.67.

MAY 1786 Ordinary rates: warm diet, 41 cents; cold diet, 33 cents; lodging, 10 cents; good cider per gallon, 67 cents; country-made beer, 10 cents; good "Shampaign," \$4.

NOVEMBER, 1786 61 persons presented for failing to give a list of taxable property, and 12 for selling liquor without a license.

JANUARY, 1793 Ordinary rates: sleeping in feather bed, 8 cents; in chaff bed, 5 cents.

Tithables, 1177. Levy, \$313.87.

OCTOBER, 1793 Sheriff allowed \$20 for building a sufficient pair of stocks.

In ca 1900 Mrs. Egbert Jones, copied some information from public records. No county or dates on some material which makes its confusing but the following is offered. Samuel and other Vawter families are found in Cumberland, Caroline and Charlotte counties so this would be the likely area.

Paid John Vawter's heirs April 5 Apr 1786

Elliott Vawter, admin for John Vawter Estate. John Vawter's children, John, Julia, Baline?, Selina. (This is John son of Samuel)

John Vawter inherits 9 Aug 1799 (This John believed the son of Samuel Vawter)

Edward Vawter, 1816 Adm. for John Vawter (This John and Edward, sons of Samuel)

Virginia Tax Payers, 1783-87

Margaret Vawter, 1 poll, Caroline Co., VA

Elliott Vawter, 1 poll, Caroline Co., VA

Caroline County Land Book Alterations for 1782-1812

1787 Edmund Vaughan trsferd to J. Martin, R. Mitchell & E. Vaughter	258A
1787 Edmund Vaughan to Richard Vaughter	133A
1787 Richard Vaughter to Edmund Vaughan	133A
1789 Richard Vaughter	133A
<u>1789 Jno. Vaughter Est. to Jno: Vaughan</u>	<u>158A</u>
1789 Margaret Vaughter	38A
<u>1789 Margaret Vaughter (to not bef. charged)</u>	<u>38A</u>

this means 1<sup>st</sup> time as widow

1790 Margaret Vaughter taxed for...	38A
1790 Richard Vaughter taxed for...	133A
1791 Margaret Vaughter taxed for...	38A
1791 Richard Vaughter taxed for...	133A
1792 Margaret Vaughter taxed for...	38A
1792 Richard Vaughter taxed for...	133A
1793 Margaret Vaughter taxed for.	38A
1793 Richard Vaughter taxed for...	133A
1794 Margaret Vaughter taxed for..	38A
1794 Richard Vaughter taxed for.	133A
1795 Margaret Vaughter taxed for...	38A
1795 Richard Vaughter Transferred to Jesse Terrell	
1795 From Richard Vawter to Jesse Terrell	133A
1796 Margaret Vaughter taxed for ....	38A
1797 Margaret Vaughter taxed for...	38A
1798 Margaret Vawter taxed for..	38A

Caroline Co. Tax Lists (different source)

1789 Margaret Vaughtere (not bef. charged)	38A
1789 Margaret Vaughter	38A

1790 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1791 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1792 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1793 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1794 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1795 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1796 Margaret Vaughter	38A
1797 Margaret Vawter	38A
1798 Margaret Vawter	38A
1799 Margaret Vawter	38A
1788 Richard Vaughton from Edmund Vaughn	133A
1789 Richard Vaughter	133A
1789 Richard Vaughter	133A
1791 Richard Vaughter	133A
1792 Richard Vaughter	133A
1794 Richard Vawter	133A
1795 Richard Vawter transfd to Jesse Terrell	(no A. Shown)

**Beverly Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (unknown<sup>3</sup>, unknown<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

The book *The Vawter Family In America*, Hollenback Press, Indianapolis, IN, 1905, by Grace Vawter Bicknell states that this Beverly was a son of Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>. However, the warrants clearly states brother, John Vawter as heir in law. John the son of Richard<sup>3</sup> was located to NC by 1775, so is not likely the brother of this Beverly. Since Richard was still alive until 1803 he would be the legal heir. The brothers John and Beverly must belong to another line.

Library of Virginia, digital library, transcribed by Joe McKee of IL. Note: page 1 is a typewritten index card, page 2 is a handwritten copy of Capt. Gillison's affidavit and page three is a copy of a memorandum from John Vauter of Culpepper Co., VA dates 26 Mar 1785.

Page 1 a card index, "Bounty Land Warrants"

Vauter, Beverly - soldier - Army

Cert., - John Gillison, Capt.

(see paper 1785)

Voucher. No date.

Page 2

Certify that Beverly Vauter enlisted in the continental Service the 1 day of Janry 1777 for the term of three years that he deceased the 6<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1777---- [signed] John Gillison Capt. 10<sup>th</sup> Virg. Regt. (Copy. Markes Vanderveck)

Page 3 Culpeper County March 26<sup>th</sup> 1785

Please send me by John Gillison the Certificate and the report for my brother now Deceased in Continental Service [signed] John Vauter (Copy. Markes Vanderveck)

In Elckinrode: 10<sup>th</sup> Va. Rgt. (Revo) W. D. 207:1 shows Beverly Vawter *Catalogue of Revolutionary Soldiers & Sailors of the Commonwealth of Virginia to Whom Land Bounty Warrants were granted for Military Services in the War of Independence*, held by NY City Library: Beverly Vawter, Warrant #3792 April 1, 1785 100 acres Pvt. Dept. Va. Cont. Line. Noted heir at law John Vawter.

Book - *Historical Register of Virginians in the Revolution 1775-1783* by John H. Gwathmey, The Dietz Press, Richmond, VA 1938; page 516 Warrantees (A-B), Bounty land warrant #3792 issued to John Vawter, heir at law for 100 acres in the Ohio Military District. This was a section of land in OH set aside for soldiers as payment for service, it was controlled by VA and certificates for the land were issued starting 14 Feb 1782. Most sold their certificates (warrants) to others who moved to the land.

Book - *Virginia Soldiers of 1776* by Louis A. Burgess, Richmond Press, VA Vol. 3 is found: Beverly Vawter, Council Chamber 5 Apl. 1785 "I do certify that the representative of Beverly Vawter is entitled to properties of land allowed a Private Soldier of the Cen'tl. Line for three years service". Patrick Henry, Gov. Warrant No. 3785 for 100 acres issued to John Vawter 1 Apr 1785. BK. II p 137 Virginia Land Office.

E.B. Vaughters in his research states that the bounty land warrant for 100A #3792 dated 1 April 1785 was sold or assigned 9 May 1788 to one Richard Parker. It then becoming part of survey #2022 in KY being part of 440A. owned by Parker. (GJNote: we know Richard Parker is connected to the Vawters in Caroline and Cumberland counties, but whether this above information is accurate, no other information is listed by EB to prove where it came from) All are land transactions except where noted, all are Cumberland Co residents except where noted. Taken from an old typed copy belonging to Eva Coe PEDEN (decd), a Barren/Monroe Co researcher whose lines crossed into Cumberland Co.

GJNote: William Snyder Vawter in his research of the family during the first part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, tried also to find the solution to this Beverly. The following letters are found in his materials. However, the Beverly given the 3 patents in KY is Beverly Vawter, son of Russell Vawter of NC who's line goes back through John to Bartholomew. It is for service in the War of 1812 and not the Revolutionary War.

Mar 24 1927  
State Land Office,  
Frankfort, KY

Gentlemen:

In the interest of family genealogy will you kindly oblige me with a reply to the following?  
I am a descendant of Beverly Vawter, killed in the revolution who was give April 1, 1785 through John Vawter, heir at law, land bounty warrant 3792, 100 acres for service 3 years as a private in Dept.: VA Cont. Line.

Information needed, location of 100 acres, relationship of John Vawter and photostats of any records,  
Wm. S. Vawter

March 28, 1927  
to : Wm. S. Vawter.....  
Dear Sir:

I have searched the records of this office for a Military Warrant or a grant of land to John Vawter or Beverly Vawter and find that only one man by that name of Vawter was granted land for service in the Revolutionary War and his given name was Benjamin.

Very truly. L. B. Addams

(GJNote: This Benjamin is Benjamin3, Edward2, Barth1)

Jun 15, 1927  
Auditor of Public Accounts,  
State of Kentucky,  
Frankfort, Ky

Gentlemen:

I thank you for the letter of March 28. My information comes from page 265 of Military Line Warrants granted by the Commonwealth of Virginia to Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution compiled by Samuel M. Wilson from records of the State Land Office of Kentucky. This volume was printed in 1913 as a part of the Society Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. It reads on page 265: Warrant 3772, Name: Vawter, Beverley (John Vawter, heir at law), 100 acres, rank: private, department: Va. Cont. Line, term: 3 years date: April 1785. In view of this information am wondering whether your record can now be located .

Very truly yours, Wm. S. Vawter

June 17, 1927  
Mr. S. Vawter  
Dear Sir:

Your letter recd. the S. M. Wilson book you referred to is not in this Office. Our Official index is by W. R. Jilson "The Ky. Land Grants" and "Old Ky. Entries and Deeds". I have made search for you in regard to Beverly Vawter and find he was given 100 acres of land on Military Warrant, I Also find 3 patents for 50, 25, 12 acres dates of two 1818 and other 1829 all of Cumberland Co. I copy a great deal of research work outside of office hours and will be glad to copy for \$6.00 the 3 surveys, without patents and the Military Warrant for \$4.00  
Yours truly Mrs. E. B. Addams, Clerk Land Office

### **Russell T. Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

Russell T. Vawter, son of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles, was born 22 Jun 1755 in Culpeper Co., VA. In Richard's will 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Book I, p. 386, Madison Co., VA 1793-1800- *Item, It is my will and desire that my two sons John Vawter and Russel Vawter be satisfied with the part of my estate I have already given them.*

The Towles family had migrated from Middlesex (Essex) county by 1737 and Richard, his father, left Essex in about 1745 for Orange Co., VA. Orange was divided into Culpeper in 1752 and then into Madison in 1792. Russell left Madison Co., VA by 1795 for North Carolina with his wife and family.

Book- *Marriage of some Virginia Residents 1607-1800* Vol. II pub. 1986 By Dorothy Ford Wulfeck p. 130 Russell m. bef. 1784, Mary Sparks, dau. of Thomas Sparks and Mary Towles who m. (2) James Smith. Mary Sparks who was born 12 Sept 1757 in Culpeper Co. (Mary (Towles) Sparks -mother of Mary, and Frances Towles- mother of Russell were sisters, so they were related on their mother's side of the family.)

A descendant of Russell's through Beverly is Mrs. W. H. Black, quite elderly but alive in the 1920's who sent information from an old family Bible over 100 years old at that time to William Snyder Vawter who was updating the Grace Vawter Bicknell book "The Vawter Family in America" pub. In 1905, Hollenbeck Press, Indianapolis, IN. She states she copied the material from the Bible. See Beverly Vawter below for additional material.

She states" Russell and Mary Spark were parents name of Nancy Vawter that in a notation in the Bible that Nancy married H. Rigg. And she was about 27 years old when she died. That the Bible was more than 100 years old. She lists the following:

Russell Vawter b. 22 Jun 1755 in VA and Mary Sparks b. 17 Sep 1757 were married 25 Jul 1779, died 18 Jan 1828 is listed, since Russell's adm. of estate is found in 1841, we assume this to be the date of Mary's death.

John Vawter b. 1 Apr 1780

Peggy Vawter b. 11 Apr 1781

Betty Vawter b. 24 Apr 1782

Beverly Vawter b. 22 Sep 1783

Nancy Vawter b. 17 Mar 1786

Bradford Vawter b. 26 July 1788

(GJ Note: she does not list Chadwell, Joseph Early, Mary (Polly), and Peachy all born after 1788. We do not know if this was the original Bible of Mary Sparks or copied into another's Bible)

*Culpeper Co., VA Will Book C.* dated 17 Oct 1785. An account report of Russell Vawter (?), guardian of Fanny Towles. (relationship unknown)

*Culpeper Co., VA Will Book C* (1783-1791) give the will of Thomas Sparks.

Dated 10 Dec 1784. Proven 19 Feb 1787.

*Legatees: Wife Mary (Towles) Sparks. Humphrey Sparks, John Sparks, James Kilby, Russell Vawter, Henry Sparks, Jacob Aylor, "after my wife's deceased or second marriage the land and plantation I now live on." " At wife's decease or second marriage equally divided among all my children namely John, Ann, Humphrey, Lucy, Henry, Thomas, Mary and Frankey".*

*Executor: Henry Hill*

*Codicil, dated 30 Dec 1785*

*Executors: Wife Mary Sparks, Adam Snider.*

*Wit.: Thomas Ward, Patty (X) Ward, George Head.*

Sent by Craig Kilby, the children of Thomas Sparks and Mary Towles (d/o StokelyTowles) married as follows:

1. John Sparks m. Phoebe Smith
2. Nancy Ann Sparks m. Jarvis Smith (Jarvis Smith is the only son-in-law who is not named in will of Thomas Sparks of 1784)

3. Humphrey Sparks m. Milly Nalle, d/o Martin & Isabelle Nalle, 8 children, one of whom was Peachy Sparks who m. John Kilby s/o of James Kilby and Lucy Sparks, #4 below.
4. Lucy Sparks m. James Kilby
5. Henry Sparks m. Lucy Clark
6. Thomas Sparks of Kentucky.
7. Mary "Polly" Sparks, m. Russell Vawter
8. Frances "Franky" Sparks m. Jacob Aylor, 9 children viz: Aaron, Merry, Ephraim, Thomas, Elzy, Nancy, Mary, Rhoda and Martin Aylor.

Jacob Aylor was left land in the will of Thomas Sparks, as were James Kilby and Russell Vawter. The Clark v. Towles suit in Madison County names these defendants as above. The Nalle genealogy also does not name the children of Martin and Isabelle Nalle as listed in Clark v. Towles. Their children were named in the deposition of Joseph Jones, at the house of Madison Sparks in Owen Co., KY, 1 SEP 1845.

1787 Census of VA Culpeper Co. shows Russill Vawter 00026 - Meaning 2 horses, 6 cattle; and Richard Vawter 00033, 3 horses, 3 cattle (Not tithable). GJNote:Richard was probably too old for taxation by this time.

Book *Deed Abstracts of Madison County, VA 1793-1904 Book 1,2,3*. By Ruth & Sam Sparacio, 1986. P. 21. Indenture pp. 189-191 17 Jan 1795 bet. Russell Vawter and Mary, his wife and Jacob Bungar of county of Orange.. for £100... sell 100 acr. ... on branches of deep run...line of Thomas Sparks, decd., corner to Jacob Aylor...Jesse Wilhoit's line.. Wit. Jno. Hinshaw, H. Hill. Recorded 26 Feb 1795.

From the NC Archives in Raleigh, NC.

#### List of Taxables 1790-1810

1795	Russell Vawter	No land	1 white poll
1796	Russell Vawter	75 A	1 white poll
1797	Russell Vawter	192 A	1 white poll
1798	Russell Vawter	192 A	1 white poll
1800	Russell Vawter	192 A	2 white polls
1801	Russell Vawter	192 A	2 white polls
1802	Russell Vawter	214 A	2 white polls
1803	Russell Vawter	214 A	1 white poll
1804	Russell Vawter	214 A	3 white polls
1805	Russell Vawter	214 A	3 white polls
1806	Russell Vawter	164 A	no poll
1807	Russell Vawter	250 A	1 white poll
1808	Russell Vawter	200 A	no poll
1809	Russell Vawter	227 A	no poll

#### Stokes Co., NC Deeds

1801, BK 4 p6, Russell Vawter to Henry Irion

1805, BK 4 p520, Russell Vawter to John Vawter (50A)

1806	John Vawter, Jr	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)
1807	John Vawter	50 A	1 white poll
1808	John Vawter, Jr	50 A	1 white poll (son of Russell)
1809	John Vawter	50 A	1 white poll

John Vawter shown with 50A above would be John M., oldest son of Russell. John Vawter, brother of Russell, is seen starting 1790 and made no sales after 1808, when he removed to GA, but there are numerous Vawter transactions through 1875. From 1857 to 1875 no recorded deed sales are found. Names of buyers and sellers were Russell, and Bradford, Chadwell, Reuben G., John M., Bradford & wife, George, (all sons of Russell), Elizabeth, John's heirs (son of Russell). John's Exec. 1854-57.

Records from the NC State Archives shown that Russell Vawter and his descendants were in the Stokes County, NC area for several generations. Some information supplied by Sally Poland, genealogist from Raleigh, North Carolina in 1985.

Early tax records of Stokes Co., NC indicate the arrival of Russell Vawter sometime in about 1795, which matches with the above sale of land in VA.

1799- Russell Vawter - Purchase of 100 acres of land. She notes there are other land records she did not include.

1800 Federal Census Stokes Co., NC Russell Vawter

1803 Russell is listed as the Excr of the estate of Jonathan Vernon 18 Oct 1803. John Vawter his brother married to Joanna Vernon, dau. of Richard Vernon. John Vawter is listed as a witness.

Stokes County Court Minutes 1803 - 1806.

Sep 1803 Russell Vawter called on Jury

Sep 1805 Russell Vawter called on Jury

Dec 1805 Court, Russell Vawter proves deed of sale from Jesse George to Geo. Taylor.

(GJNote: 22 Mar 1801 deed from Jesse George to John George proven by John Vawter)

Mar 1806 Russell Vawter qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Jun 1807 Russell Vawter one of the Justices present for the taking of the bond and the qualification of the Sheriff.

1810 Head of Household Manufacturers Census, Stokes Co., NC listed as Pussell Vaughter

1841 - Russell T. Vawter - Estate Papers, no Will. Adm: Chadwell Vawter. Stokes Co., NC.

Some of the children of Russell are seen in the 1840 census, married with families.

SOUTHFORK DISTRICT 1840 Stokes Co., NC Census.

Code: to 5, 5-10, 10-15, 16-20, 20-30, 30-40, 40-50, 50-60, 60-70, 70-80, 80-90, 90-100, 100+.

167 1 Vaughter Chadwell 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 0 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0

167 5 Vaughter George S 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

167 9 Vaughter Bradford 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 1 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

199 31 Vawter John M 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Children of Russell T. and Mary (Sparks) Vawter

1. John M. Vawter b. 1 Apr 1780 Culpeper Co., VA. will dated 23 May 1844 Forsyth Co., NC.

Married to Elizabeth (nee?) b. ca 1781 NC d. aft 1850 NC.

John M. was likely married ca 1805 when Russell gave him 50A of land.

Stokes Co., NC Deeds 1805, BK 4 p520, Russell Vawter to John Vawter (50A)

1806 John Vawter, Jr 50 A 1 white poll (son of Russell)

1807 John Vawter 50 A 1 white poll

1808 John Vawter, Jr 50 A 1 white poll (son of Russell)

1809 John Vawter 50 A 1 white poll

1810 census Stokes Co., NC, manufacturers Head of Household, John Vaughter

SOUTHFORK DISTRICT 1840 Stokes Co., NC Census.

199 31 Vawter John M 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

1 male 20-30, 1 male 30-40, 1 male 60-70, 1 female to 5, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 30-40

(Where Elizabeth is in this census is unknown as she is alive in 1850 census)

Census 1850 NC Stokes Co., Beaver Island District P.157, 12th day of Dec 1850

Family# 1221/1258 Vawter Elizabeth 69 F 500 NC

Fagg Elizabeth 15 F Indiana

Fagg Sarah J 14 F Indiana

(These are the children of daughter Tabitha)

*28 May 1844, will of John Vawter "advanced in years". June Term 1844. Wife Elizabeth, all estate during her natural life. Son James M. \$5000 and furniture, granddaughters Mary E. and Sarah Fagg, \$150.00. Children James M., Eliza Scales and Elizabeth Lasley, estate at death of wife. Executors Thomas M.*

*Scales and Wm. A. Mitchell. Witnesses, Solomon Hardy, B. Richardson and Michael (x) Powers. Signed John Vawter*

Children:

a. John Russell Vawter d. ca 1843 Switzerland Co., IN. Moved to IN ca 1838 as found in the *Vawter Family In America*, by Grace Vawter Bicknell, Indianapolis, IN pub. 1905. (Deceased prior to father's will and not mentioned)

b. James Madison Vawter b. ca 1809/10 Stokes Co., NC. Will dated 2 Feb 1872 Tipton Co., IN. Married Irena Rail b. ca 1819/20 NC. They moved to Switzerland Co., IN about 1838 and to Tipton Co., IN about 1848. Buried in the Vawter Family Cemetery, Prairie Twp., Tipton Co., IN, located on the homestead farm. S1/2 of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Sec. 8 Twp. 22N Range 3E.

1850 Federal Census Tipton, IN Family #230

Vawter Jas M. 40 M Farmer 500 N.C

Vawter Je\*\*\*\*\*a 31 F N.C. \*Ink is smeared

Vawter John 10 M Ind

Vawter James 8 M Ind

Vawter Samuel 6 M Ind

Vawter Thomas 4 M Ind

Vawter Elizabeth 3 F Ind

Vawter Mary A. 10/12 F Ind

1860 Census of Tipton Co., #1216 Prairie Twp. Dated 25 Jul 1860 lists

John M. Vawter 51 and wife Irene 41,

John R 20, James M. 18, Samuel 17, Thomas P 15, Wm. W 5, Elizabeth 13, Mary 11, Sarah 7.

*Tipton Co., IN Will Records 1847-1913 Books A, 2 & 3* by Ruth M. Slevin p. 139.

Vawter, James M. Bk 2 pp. 46-49. Dtd 2 Feb 1872 Rec 27 Apr 1872. Wife: Irena Vawter. Daus: Elizabeth, Sarah & Mary Ann. Sons: James M., John R., Thomas P., Samuel & William W. No executors, wit. Thomas M. Scales and Peter Duncan.

c. Tabitha Vawter d. bef. 1840 IN (not mentioned in father's will) m. 28 Sep 1834 in Stokes Co., NC to Charles Richard Fagg. Stokes Co., NC marriage record shows Tabberty Vawter and Chas. Richard Fagg, Bond William (Willie) Ward. Richard and family moved to IN ca 1838 but Richard returned to NC after Tabitha's death, where he enumerated with John M. in the 1840 census. By the 1850 Stokes Co. census shows the 2 daughters with their grandmother Elizabeth Vawter. Richard is likely deceased by 1850.

Found in *Heritage of Stokes Co., NC, Vol. II* 1990 by Stokes Co., Historical Society, submitted by Fred Eggleston. Family #216 Daniel Fagg.

Daniel Fagg came to Stokes from Rockingham Co. in the 1820s. He was b. Charles Co., Maryland ca 1782. Moved with father Charles Fagg to Spotsylvania Co., VA. Bound by indenture to his uncle John Fagg in 1799 for carpenter's trade. Came with John Fagg to Albemarle Co., VA and m. Polly Johnson in 1805. Served with local military unit during War of 1812. Afterwards joined his father Charles who had moved to Rockingham Co., VA about 1804. Before 1830 Daniel moved to Beaver Island distr. in Stokes and lived past 80 years. Following the death of his first wife, he married Matilda (Vernon) Gunter, dau. of Richard Vernon of Rockingham Co., in 1835.

Children: (among others)

Charles Richard Fagg m. Tabitha Vawter dau. of John and Elizabeth Vawter in 1834 and listed in taxes of Beaver Island in 1838. They had 2 dau. Elizabeth b. ca 1835 and Sarah Jane b. ca 1836 d. by 1856. They lived for a time in IN.

d. Elizabeth Z. Vawter b. ca 1819 NC m. Menoah (Menoch) Lashley b. ca 1819 NC, parents Joseph and Nancy (Gentry) Lashley.



*Stokes County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, Part 1.* Genealogical Society of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1942-1943. (FHL microfilm 422159).

p.178 Lasley, Menoch Elizabeth Z. Vanters 27 Nov. 1841 John E. Lasley, bondsman (w) J. Hill

Beverly Sparks Vawter, son of Chadwell, married Harriet Jane Lasley, father Joseph Lasley and mother Nancy Gentry. Nancy (Gentry) Lashley is seen with this family in 1850 and would indicate Joseph is deceased by this time.

1850 Stokes Co., NC Census

Family #1170/1205 Lastley Menoah 31 M Farmer 700 NC

Lastley Elizabeth 31 F NC

Lastley Eliza A 6 F NC

Lastley Sarah E 4 F NC

Lastley John W 3 M NC

Lastley Nancy 57 F 1,000 NC

Lastley Ivy W 14 M NC

(GJ>Note: This is Nancy (Gentry) Lashley and IVA her son seen in 1860 and not Ivy, as it is noted he is a male)

1860 Stokes Co., NC Census Family #371, No other Lasleys found in 1860 Stokes Co.

Lasley IVA. W. 23 M FARMER 575 225

Lasley Bettie 23 F

Lasley John 3 M

e. Elisa Vawter b. ca 1820 Stokes Co., NC d. IN. Marriage record Stokes Co. NC, 12 Oct 1835 Thomas M. Scales to Elisa Vawter. Bondsmen Ebenezer W. Ward and Willie Ward. They migrated to IN sometime after 1850 where brother, James Madison Vawter, located. Thomas M. Scales is shown as witness to the will of James in Tipton Co., IN in 1872.

1840 NC census shows 1 male age 5 or under and 1 female age 5 or under and parents.

1850 Census Stokes Co., NC Family # 1164/1198

Scales Thomas M 43 M Farmer 540 NC

Scales Eliza 30 F NC

Scales Sarah 13 F NC

Scales John R 11 M NC

Scales Elizabeth 8 F NC

Scales Samuel 6 M NC

Scales Joseph 3 M NC

Scales Eliza C 1 F NC

2. Peggy Vawter b. 11 Apr 1781 according to the old Bible records, no more is known.

3. Elizabeth "Betty" Vawter b. 24 Apr 1782 Culpeper Co., VA.

There is an Elizabeth Vawter shown in the 1810 Manufacturer's census of Stokes Co., NC as a head of household. No marriage is found for this Elizabeth. No proof is offered and no other material is found.

4. Beverly Vawter b. 22 Sep 1783 Culpeper Co., VA d. 21 Apr 1845 in Macomb, IL m. 12 Dec 1806 Stokes Co., NC to Elizabeth Hutchins. Marriage record Stokes Co., NC bondsman John Hutchens. Elizabeth b. 28 Dec 1788. Settled at Marrow Bone, Cumberland, KY and sold out ca 1836 and went to Macomb, IL.

A tremendous amount of research on this line has been done by Joe and Rebecca McKee email mckeer@pilot.msu.edu. They have completed much of their IL and NC Vawter lines.

1810 Stokes Co., NC Manufacturers census, Beverly Vaughter shown as Head of Household.

Beverly served in the War of 1812, Beverly Vauters 4<sup>th</sup> reg. (Greenhill's) VA militia - Private.

DEEDS:Abstracts from Cumberland County KY, Deed Book C (1818).  
Henry PARKER to Beverly VAWTER.  
William PARKER to Beverly VAWTER.

*The KY Land Grants Official Index* by W. R. Jilson lists Beverly Vawter 100 acres of land on Military Warrant and 3 patents for 50, 25, 12 acres date of two 1818 and other 1829 all in Cumberland Co., KY. A letter was sent to William S. Vawter concerning these warrants.

June 17, 1927

Mr. S. Vawter

Dear Sir:

*Your letter recd. the S. M. Wilson book you referred to is not in this Office. Our Official index is by W. R. Jilson "The Ky. Land Grants" and "Old Ky. Entries and Deeds". I have made search for you in regard to Beverly Vawter and find he was given 100 acres of land on Military Warrant, I Also find 3 patents for 50, 25, 12 acres dates of two 1818 and other 1829 all of Cumberland Co. I copy a great deal of research work outside of office hours and will be glad to copy for \$6.00 the 3 surveys, without patents and the Military Warrant for \$4.00*  
Yours truly Mrs. E. B. Addams, Clerk Land Office

In the 1920's a Mrs. W. H. Black sent the following to William Snyder Vawter researching the continuation of the Grace Vawter Bicknell book of 1905, she writes: Beverly Vawter b. 22 Sep 1784 Culpeper Co., VA d. 25 Jan 1845 Macomb, IL, married 13 Jan 1804 to Elizabeth Hutchins b. 28 Dec 1788.

*"I am sending for my grandfather's family dates which were written down years ago, no marriage or death on these but they are all deceased long ago and there (their) children left I am the only one of my father's family. "*

Public Land Sales of McDonough Co., IL, Price \$1.25 acre, Beverly Vawter  
13 Jun 1835 80A Sec 14  
10 Aug 1835 40A Sec 11  
20 Jan 1836 80A Sec 14

**ABTRACTS OF WILLS IN MCDONOUGH COUNTY ILLINOIS 1834 - 1857.**

Prepared by the McDonough County Genealogical Society, July 1980. p. 8.

*"page 45 - 46: Vawter, Beverly McDonough County, Illinois Dated: December 1, 1839  
Probated: April 1846 Witnesses: William Edmonston and Caroline Head, Heirs: Wife Betsey;  
sons John C., William B., Frederick H. and Allen T.: daughters Fevely P., Polly H. Pennington,  
Sally S. Pace, and Elizabeth Aman Taylor; grand-daughter Elizabeth Jane Vawter "*

*From McDonough Co., IL Willbook A. p. 45 and 46 Last Will of Beverly Vawter decd.*

*In the Name of God Amen I Beverly Vawter of the County of McDonough and State of Illinois being weak in body but sound in mind and memory do make ordain and establish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others and I hereby appoint my beloved Son John C. Vawter as my Executor to carry this my last Will and testament to execution and efect*

*First it is my will that my just debts be paid and that Suficient of my personal property be Sold for that purpose  
Secondly after the payment of my Just debts it is my will that my wife Betsey Vawter Shall be maintained out of the effects of my estate free from want during her lifetime or during her widow hood and Should she intermarry again then the maintanance to cease at the time of the Second marriage  
Thirdly I will all my land to my four Sons in the following manner twixt to my son John C. Vawter the South East fourth of the North East fourth of Section Fourteen in Township four North in Range three West of the fourth principle meridian and to my Son William B. Vawter the South West fourth of the above recited Quarter Section and to my son Frederick H. Vawter the North East fourth and to my Son Allan T. Vawter the North West fourth of the above detailed quarter Section and to my four Sons above mentioned the North East fourth of the South East fourth of Section Eleven in the above mentioned township in full equal parts and in addition all my land it is my will that my son John C. Vawter to have one bed and furniture Suitable for a bed and the three younger Sons to have a horse Saddle and bridle each and to all my four sons I will one cow and calf each and I will to my Daughter Fereby P. Vawter one horse Saddle and bridle one bed and necessary furniture for the Same and one cow and calf and to my Daughter Nancy Jane Vawter the Same as the articles given to Fireby P. Vawter and to my Daughter Polly H. Pennington I will one dollar and to my Daughter Sally S. Pace I will one dollar and to my Daughter Elizabeth Aman Taylor I will one dollar and to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Jane Vawter I will one dollar and after all and Singular the above and foregoing provisions of this my Last Will and*

testament is carried into full effect Should there be any property left I wish and will the Same to be equally divided amongst all my children  
 In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal in Presence of this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December AD 1839 Attest  
 Beverly Vawter (Seal)  
 William Edmonston  
 Caroline Head  
 [(p. 46) proved by the oath of the witnesses 27 April 1846 and 21 May 1846.]

Joe McKee, researcher of this line, found that the Vawter Cemetery in Illinois, where Early Vawter, and perhaps Beverly and Elizabeth Vawter are buried, can't be visited. It's part of a large strip mine for coal. Either it has been destroyed during mining, relocated or it is surrounding by coal pits and off limits. He is going to try and figure out what happened. His impression is that a cemetery must be relocated and can't just be destroyed, so the tombstones are probably stacked up somewhere.

Children:

- a. Mary "Polly" H. Vawter b. 14 Dec 1807 Stokes Co., NC d. 3 Aug 1840 McDonough Co., IL  
 Furnished by Marvin T. Jones, 7890 158<sup>th</sup> Ave., SE Wyndmere, ND 58081, from the book *Some Descendants of Ephraim Pennington, Rowan Co., NC, including those of Pennington Point, McDonough Co., IL* by Marvin T. Jones. Private pub.  
 Polly m. 29 Nov 1827 to Thomas Jefferson Pennington b. 10 Mar 1810 East Fork Ck, Barren Co., KY d. 27 Sep 1875 Industry, McDonough Co., IL.  
 Thomas m. (2) 15 Apr 1841, Industry, McDonough Co., IL to Mary Jane (Smithers) Rogers dau. of Thomas Smithers and Nancy Anderson. Mary Jane m. (1) 28 Jan 1835 Macomb, IL to Mr. Rogers who d. 1840 leaving her with one child Catherine J. Rogers.

Thomas was the son of John Stewart Pennington and Jemima Houser. He was but 17 when he married Polly, in 1829 they moved to McDonough Co., IL. In 1832, Thomas joined a battalion of men which was raised in the county to serve in the Black Hawk War. They marched to Oquawka and were stationed there for the purpose of guarding the frontier. "They were out eighty-six days, but performed no special service. They drew their rations regularly ate heartily, played euchre, and visited the friendly Indian camps on the opposite side of the river."

Children of Thomas and Polly (Vawter) Pennington

- 1a. John S. Pennington b. 6 Jun 1828 Monroe Co., KY d. 31 Oct 1843 IL
- 2a. William B. Pennington b. 30 Jul 1829 Monroe Co., KY d. 10 Sep 1850 IL of  
 diptheria
- 3a. Grannell N. Pennington b. 16 Jan 1831 McDonough Co., IL d. 16 Feb 1831  
 IL
- 4a. James W. Pennington b. 24 Feb 1836 IL d. 22 Mar 1874 IL
- 5a. Allen Jefferson Pennington b. 3 Aug 1837 IL d. 1928 Phillips Co., KS Called  
 Uncle Bud, Allen left the story of Thomas and Polly as a family legacy.

(Of Thomas) *"I knew Daniel Boone, personally, I thought, even as a child. He was talked about in our family and called "Uncle Daniel", long before I even suspected that he was a famous figure. He was just one of our family. As I grew older and found out what an important person he was and what lasting marks the whole Boone family has made on American history, I haved tried to learn all I could about him both fact and fiction. On 3 Aug 1837 a baby boy was born to Thomas Jefferson Pennington and his wife, Polly Vawter Pennington. This event took place on a farm near Industry, IL, in McDonough County. They named this child, the fifth and last born to this union, Allen Jefferson Pennington. Bud as he was called was the great grandchild of Richard and Hannah Boone Pennington, Hannah sister of Daniel Boone. On 3 Aug 1840, Polly died. The cause, I do not know. What a sad birthday for a dear little boy of three. Polly was only 33 years old, she having been born on 14 Dec 1807."*  
 (The balance tells of his own life and marriage and children)

Children of Thomas and Mary Jane (Smithers) Pennington

- 6a. Thomas F. Pennington b. 12 Feb 1842
- 7a. Stewart McKendra "Dick" Pennington b. 30 Dec 1843

- 8a. Nancy Jane Pennington b. 10 Feb 1847
- 9a. Jemima Pennington b. 11 Jun 1849
- 10a. Stephen A. Douglas Pennington b. 19 Aug 1852
- 11a. Charles H. Pennington b. 9 Nov 1854
- 12a. Alonzo Pierce Pennington b. 8 Nov 1858
- 13a. Isaac Morris Pennington b. 11 Apr 1860
- 14a. Ulysses S. Pennington b. 8 Jan 1864

b. Early H. Vawter b. 24 Jan 1810 Stokes Co., NC d. 9 Apr 1835 McDonough Co., IL. Rural Cemeteries of McDonough County, Illinois. Volume II Bethel and Industry Townships. Duane Lester, pub. Schuyler - Brown Historical and Genealogical Society and the Schuyler Jail Museum, Rushville, IL 1976. p. 36, 37.

VAWTER CEMETERY, Location: Bethel township; NW 1/4, section 14; seven and a half miles south of Macomb.

Early H. Vawter Jun 24 1810 - Apr 9, 1835 (note the stone is worn and should say Jan)

Illinois record archive depository in Macomb, IL, has McDonough Co. records stating, Beverly Vawter was the administrator of Early H. Vawter's estate on 26 Sept 1835 in McDonough Co. Beverly is not stated to be Early's father. Included in the papers was the appointment in March 1847, of George A. Taylor as guardian of Elizabeth J. Vawter, infant heir of Early H. Vawter. Beverly was likely the guardian of Elizabeth before his death in 1845, necessitating the appointment of a new guardian, although no final proof was located in the records.

Early H. m. ca 1832 Cumberland Co., KY to to Lucinda Nunn b. 26 Apr 1811 in Henry Co., VA. Lucinda m. (2) Thomas Ausbury and had a large family with him. Lucinda outlived Early by almost 70 years, she died in McDonough Co., IL, 22 Oct 1902.

1b. Elizabeth Jane Vawter b. 6 Jun 1833 IL d. 18 Jan 1906 Pennington Point, McDonough Co., IL. Source of her birth from the book *Greenup, Witten, Cecil* by Elise Greenup Jourdan, 1989, p.34, James Fletcher Greenup b. 6 Nov 1825 Monroe Co., Ky d. 20 Oct 1894 McD, IL s/o John Greenup and Elizabeth Harland. Married Elizabeth Jane Vawters b. 6 Jun 1833 McD Co., IL d. 18 Jan 1906. Elizabeth was the d/o Lucinda Nunn b. 26 Apr 1811 Henry Court House Henry Co., VA. At about age 16 she went to Cumberland Co., KY where she met and married Early Vawters b. 27 Jan 1810 d. 1835 bur. Bethel Tsp, McD Co., IL. Elizabeth was their only child.

Elizabeth Vawter and James Greenup are buried at Pennington Point Cemetery, McDonough Co., IL. Elizabeth's mother Lucinda (Nunn) (Vawter) Ausbury is buried a few feet away with her second husband Thomas Ausbury.

c. Sarah "Sally" Sparks Vawter b. 10 Mar 1812 Stokes Co., NC d. 11 Jul 1851 McDonough Co., IL m. 1830 Cumberland Co., KY to William J. Pace d. May 1855, son of Langston Pace. This was the second marriage for Mr. Pace, his first was to Susan Nunn ca. 1828 in Cumberland Co., KY. By this marriage there was one child, Ingram A. who was raised by William and Sarah. They came to McDonough Co., IL ca 1830 -1<sup>st</sup> staying with T. J. Pennington until they could build there own home. They came from KY by ox-team and lived for a year in a log house with an earthen floor. William walked 3 miles to borrow a plow, crossing a creek on a log and returning the same way with the plow carried upon his shoulders. It is unknown if family members took in the children as after Sarah died in early 1851 and William remarried. He then died in 1855 and his third wife Mrs. Esther Doubler (nee Adair) died only 3 months later. William I. Pace also served in a military company which took part in the Black Hawk War. He is stated as Captain of the military company and aided in the arrest of the Mormon, John Smith in Nauvoo, IL.

Public Land Sales of McDonough Co., IL, price \$1.25 acre, William Pace  
23 Mar 1836 Section 1, 38.51 Acres

1 Nov 1837 Section 1, 38.51 Acres

Child of William Pace and Susan Nunn:

1c. Ingram A. Pace b. 1829 Cumberland Co., KY d. 1881 McDonough Co., IL

Children of William Pace and Sarah Vawter:

2c. Thomas J. Pace b. ca 1831 d. aft 1894

3c. Susan E. Pace b. ca 1833 McDonough Co., IL m. William H. Dameron

4c. George Washington Pace b. 13 May 1835 McDonough Co., IL m. 5 Sep

1860 McDonough Co., IL to Sally J. Sweeney d. aft 1894.

5 c. Permelia J. Pace b. ca 1836 McDonough Co., IL m. George W. Porter

6c. Andrew J. Pace b. 5 Nov 1842 McDonough Co., IL m. 29 Feb 1872 to Mary

J. Walker

7c. Anna Ann Pace b. ca 1844 McDonough Co., IL m. Joseph T. Adcock

8c. Mary Amanda Pace b. ca 1848 McDonough Co., IL m. Henry K. Smith

Children of William and third wife Esther.

9c. Fannie Bell Pace b. 1851-55 m. Dewitt Roberts, Moved to Denver, CO

d. Elizabeth Aman Vawter b. 1 Dec 1814 Cumberland Co., KY d. 24 Mar 1880 Industry, IL m. 9 Aug 1833 Cumberland Co., KY to George A. Taylor b. 16 Jan 1809 Henry Co., VA, the son of Josiah Taylor. Josiah was the brother of Susanna and Patsey Taylor (all children of George Taylor, Sr. of Henry Co., VA) who married Chadwell and Bradford Vawter, brothers of Beverly.

Father of George: Josiah Taylor, born 2 Nov 1771, died 27 July 1862 Lawsonville, Stokes Co., NC married 12 Dec 1805 Stokes Co., NC, Elizabeth (Betsey) Harris. Marriage record of Stokes Co., NC Josiah Taylor m. Betsey Harris 14 Dec 1805 Bondsman Wm. Martin, wit. Charles Beazley. They had 11 children:

Mary "Polly" Taylor b. 25 Jan 1807 d. 22 Jul 1886 m. James A. Vernon.

George A. Taylor b. 16 Jan 1809

Patsey Taylor b. 20 Jan 1811

Nancy Taylor b. 1 June 1813 d. 29 Jul 1892 m. 5 Oct 1843 to Mirtilla Fitzhenry Knight

Sarah "Sally" Taylor b. 26 Aug 1815 d. 10 Nov 1912

Elizabeth Taylor b. 8 Dec 1817 d. 6 Mar 1836. Unmarried.

William Blagrove Taylor b. 22 Mar 1820 d. 1890. Unmarried.

Lucy Jane Taylor b. 13 Dec 1822 d. 7 Jun 1906 m. Zachariah S. Alley b. 10 Aug 1820 d. 24 Jul 1882

John Harris Taylor b. 28 Feb 1825 d. 28 Mar 1836. Unmarried.

Perlina Elinore Taylor b. 18 Oct 1827 d. 8 Apr 1909 m. George W. Martin killed in the Conf. Army on 22 June

1863.

James Madison Taylor b. 17 Nov 1829 d. 26 Mar 1836. Unmarried.

(Note: What type of epidemic took the lives of three children during Mar 1836? Typhoid, Bubonic Plague and other serious diseases were known in that area.)

1d. Lucy Jane Taylor b. ca 1835 McDonough Co., IL d. 1880 Pekin, IL m. A. C. Massey. Lucy and A. C. Massey had 5 children.

2d. Paulina E. Taylor b. ca 1838 McDonough Co., IL m. R. H. Massey

3d. Winslow H. Taylor b. 17 Aug 1843 McDonough Co., IL

4d. Thomas J. Taylor

George Taylor came to IL in the fall of 1833, a native Virginian he went to Cumberland Co., KY and married about 1833 then moved to IL. He farmed until 1850 then came to Macomb where he served as deputy sheriff and sheriff for several years. In 1865 he moved to Industry where son Winslow had a hardware and grocery business. In 1880 Mrs. Taylor died and he returned to Macomb with his son and opened a livery business still going in 1885 when this information was listed in *History of McDonough County Illinois*. 1885 p. 322-323.

e. John C. Vawter b. 28 July 1817 Cumberland Co., KY d. 14 Oct 1881 Lincoln, Washington, AR. Married 12 Nov 1840 to Lucinda A. Jeans (Janes) b. 14 Feb 1818 Cumberland Co., KY. D. 28 Jan 1890 Grayson Co., TX. Parents Walter Janes and Ardra Crook.

Census\_Year 1850 Microfilm # M432-166 State IL County McDonough Family #698/698

Vorter/Vorler John 33 M Farmer 800 KY

Vorter/Vorler Lucinda 33 F KY

Vorter/Vorler Elizabeth 9 F IL X

Vorter/Vorler Frances 8 F IL X  
 Vorter/Vorler Nancy A 4 F IL  
 Vorter/Vorler Charles F 2 M IL  
 Vorter/Vorler Mary J 1 F IL

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\*S/W- MEANS STONE WITH  
 VANTER ART 1885 1972 \*S/W- EMMA VANTER  
 VANTER EMMA 1888 1966 \*S/W- ART VANTER  
 VANTER LUCINDA FEB 14, 1818 JAN 28, 1890

Walter Janes (1787-1852) and Ardra Crook (1787-1880) were natives of KY and m. 18 Nov 1811 in Adair Co., KY. Walter served in Shirley's Co. 7<sup>th</sup> KY militia, War of 1812. The family was living in Russell Co., KY by 1828 and moved to McDonough Co., IL in 1834. Walter d. 27 Nov 1852 and Ardra d. 6 Dec 1880 in McDonough Co., IL. Both of the their sons, one of their daughters and a grand child married into the Vawter Family. Walter Jeanes (Janes) entered a Federal Land sale in McDonough Co., IL on 26 Sep 1837 for 80 acres in Section 25.

Walter and Ardra (Crook) Janes Children:

Elizabeth Janes m. 18 Nov 1830 Russell Co., KY to Green C. Lane

Maria Janes m. Mr. Danley

Lucinda Janes (1817/18 - aft. 1880) m. John C. Vawter (see above)

Jesse Janes (1820 - aft. 1885) m. F. Perlina Vawter (see below)

Malinda Janes (1822-1908) m. James H. Adkisson

Jane Janes m. Samuel Dickson

Annie Janes m. Mr. Gibson

John Janes (1828-1913) m. Nancy Jane Vawter (see below)

1e. Elizabeth A. Vawter b. 9 Aug 1841 McDonough Co., IL d. 31 Aug 1905

Grayson Co., TX. M. 25 Dec 1857 Grayson Co., TX to John A. Miller II b. 25 Jun 1834

Marion Co., KY d. 18 Apr 1883 Grayson Co., TX.

GRAYSON COUNTY TEXAS - KENDALL CHAPEL CEMETERY

MILLER ANNA MAE NOV 11, 1896 JUL 17, 1972

MILLER COTA C. 1891 1951

MILLER DORIS LAVELLE 1926 1931

MILLER ELIZABETH AUG 9, 1841 AUG 31, 1905

MILLER J. WALTER 1878 1950

MILLER LIZZIE SEP 27, 1878 APR 3, 1900

MILLER ROBERT F. MAR 17, 1900 APR 6, 1972

MILLER ROY LEE FEB 16, 1896 SEP 25, 1954

MILLER VERA MAE 1925 1925 INFANT DAU.

2e. Francis Marion Vawter b. 3 Dec 1842 McDonough Co., IL d. 31 Aug 1906

Southmayde, Grayson, TX. Married 20 Feb 1868 Grayson Co., TX to Martha Jane

Daniels. Martha b. 1 Feb 1845 Jackson Co., MO d. 14 Aug 1937 Elgin, OK

3e. Nancy A. Vawter b. ca 1846 McDonough Co., IL

4e. Christopher Columbus Vawter b. 1848

Delba Cemetery, Fannin County, TX

This Community Cemetery is located about 5 miles SW of Leonard south of Highway 78. It is abandoned and in terrible shape.

Vawter, C.C. 1848-1911

Vawter, Nannie wife of C.C. 8 July 1851-18 Jan.1900

5e.Mary Jane Vawter b. ca 1849 McDonough Co., IL

6e.Winfield Scott Vawter (also seen as Winifred Scott)

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Vawter, Colonel pg. 634 (likely John C. Vawter, but the book would need to be checked)

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- 7e. Jesse T. Vawter
- 8e. Sarah Ellen Vawter
- 9e. Emma E. Vawter
- 10e. William Allen Vawter
- 11e. Susan C. Vawter

f. Beverly P. Vawter b. 1 May 1820 Cumberland Co., KY d. bef. 1830 Cumberland Co., KY

g. William Bradford Vawter b. 21 Nov 1821 Cumberland Co., KY d. 21 Oct 1896 Industry, IL m. 22 Oct 1844 in IL to Emma Stevenson Venard, dau. of George and Francis Venard.

Census\_Year 1850 Microfilm # M432-166 State IL County McDonough

21 700 700 Vorter William 28 M Farmer 300 KY

22 700 700 Vorter Emely 24 F KY

23 700 700 Vorter George W 5 M IL

*Macomb Journal 22 Oct 1896. W. B. Vawter died yesterday at Industry. Surviving children are Mrs. Wm. Black of Industry, George Vawter of Industry, James A. Vawter of Doddsville, and John Vawter of Kansas. Survived by a brother, A. T. Vawter of Macomb.*

*Macomb Daily Journal 26 Oct 1908 - Emma S. Vawter died yesterday. Born in Harrison Co., Kentucky Married October 22, 1844 William B. Vawter. Surviving children are George W. of Industry, James A. of Macomb and Elizabeth Black of Macomb. Surviving siblings are Telitha E. Brown and Edwin Venard both of Macomb and Catherine Clark of Boswell, Missouri.*

1g. George Washington Vawter b. 19 Aug 1845 Industry, IL d. 14 Nov 1914 m. 28 Oct 1869 Macomb, IL to Rebecca Smith b. 21 Jul 1846 Westmoreland Co., PA d. 2 Mar 1903, father Samuel Smith. Children Frank Edward Vawter b. 1 Oct 1870 d. 18 Feb 1963 Macomb, IL m. 1904 Lether Utley b. 24 Dec 1872 d. 3 Jan 1952 Industry, IL, no known issue and Pearl Ina Vawter b. 17 May 1879 d. bef. 1914.

*Macomb Daily Journal 15 Nov 1914. George W. Vawter died yesterday in a fire in his Industry home. Born 20 August 1845 to Mr. And Mrs. Wm. Vawter. He married Rebecca Smith. Son Ed Vawter survives along with brother James of Industry and Mrs. William Black of Macomb.*

2g. Cornelia F. Vawter b. 6 Feb 1847 or 49 in IL d. 11 Feb 1849 Industry, IL

3g. James Allen Vawter b. 30 Oct 1850 in IL d. 26 Jun 1922 Macomb, IL m. Oct 1873 to Catherine Ring, dau. of Mykle Ring. Children: William Mekel Vawter and Charles Franklin Vawter. James operated a coal mine near Industry, IL in the 1880/s according to the 1885 History of McDonough Co. IL.

4g. Elizabeth Jane Vawter b. 9 Mar 1854 IL m. 11 Jan 1874 Macomb, IL to William Henry Black b. 28 Nov 1846 IL d. 15 Jan 1920 Macomb, IL. William son of Henry Black and Mary Allison Children Charles LeRoy Black, Betha Ellen Black, Jesse Blanche Black and Ruth June Black. (This is the writer of info. sent to Wm. Snyder Vawter during the 1920's)

5g. John Thomas Vawter b. 11 Feb 1857 in IL d. 11 Oct 1907 in KS m. 18 Aug 1879 in Industry, IL to Dora D. Wilhelm. Children: Clarence Vawter, Frederick Vawter, Mable Vawter, Edith Vawter b. 24 Feb 1888.

6g. William Bradford Vawter b. 1862 d. 1864 (also seen 18 Aug 1865 McDonough, IL)

h. Firley or Ferruby Perlina Vawter b. ca 1822 Cumberland Co., Ky d. 15 Apr 1860 Industry Twp. McDonough Co., IL. She m. 31 Mar 1847 McDonough Co., IL to Jesse Janes b. 1820 KY, son of Walter Janes and Ardra Crook.

Children of Perlina and Jesse:

- 1h. William D. Janes b. ca 1848 McDonough Co., IL
- 2h. Sarah E. Janes b. McDonough Co., IL
- 3h. Harriet J. Janes b. McDonough Co., IL
- 4h. Mary M Janes b. McDonough Co., IL
- 5h. Thomas C. Janes b. McDonough Co., IL

*History of McDonough County Illinois, 1885* p. 730. Walter Janes came in 1834 and located on section 7.... Jesse Janes resides upon section 20. Mr. Janes was born 1820 in KY, on Dec 31 1846 he married to Perlina Vanter (sic Vawter) who died April 15, 1860 Leaving him with 5 children. Mr. Janes married to Elizabeth Vail daughter of Thomas Vail and had two children. Jesse m. (2) 21 May 1861 to Elizabeth Vail, dau. of Thomas Vail. They had two children Walter V. and Luella Janes.

i. Frederick H. Vawter b. bet. 1825-1830 Cumberland Co., KY d. 29 Jul 1848, McDonough Co., IL. Frederick is named in his fathers will in 1839 and is accountable with the family in the 1830 census of Cumberland KY and in the 1840 census of McDonough Co., IL. Frederick is stated to have died intestate in McDonough Co. on or about 29 July 1848. Fredrick's siblings, stated from Beverly's will... and Elizabeth J. Vawter, heir of Early Vawter, were the heirs. It's safe to assume that Fredrick died without a widow or children. Frederick was probably between 18 and 23 at the time of his death.

j. Allan Taylor Vawter b. 15 Dec 1830 Cumberland, KY d. 4 Nov 1904 Macomb, Macomb, IL m. 4 Mar 1854 Macomb, IL to Florinda Elizabeth Kellogg b. 8 Jun 1836 in OH d. 1925 Macomb, IL. Allan ran a nursery or greenhouse in Macomb, IL

1j. Lemuel Ervin Vawter b. 11 Jul 1855 d. 19 May 1925. Located in Macomb, IL in 1905. Lemuel was in Colorado for a time but was located in Macomb in 1905, where he ran a collection agency. He m. (1) Ameila Olmstead and (2) Frances Von Valkenburg.

2j. Ada/Ida Vawter b. 1856 d. 1857 Macomb, IL

3j. George Allan Vawter b. 4 Jan 1858 Macomb, IL m. 14 Nov 1883 Cambridge, IL to Nellie Imogene (?). Shown as a doctor in Cambridge, IL in 1905.

4j. John Henry Vawter b. Jan 1859 d. 20/23 Oct 1887 McDonough Co., IL

5j. Annie/Ann Vawter b. 6 Jan 1861 d. 3 Aug 1861

6j. Thomas Vawter b. Dec 1862 d. 27 Dec 1862 Macomb, IL

7j. Harry Milton Vawter b. 1864. Shown as a doctor in Knoxville, IA in 1905

k. Nancy Jane Vawter b. 16 Jul 1833 Cumberland Co., KY d. 6 Aug 1893 Industry, IL m. 3 Jan 1854 John Janes b. 26 Oct 1828 Russell Co., KY d. 15 Jul 1913 Macomb, IL, son of Walter Janes and Ardra Crook.

*Macomb Journal Aug. 10, 1893 - Nancy J. Janes died 6 August in Industry, Illinois. Born in Cumberland Co., KY. Her maiden name was Vawter. Married John Janes in 1854. Her husband survives, also seven children. Surviving siblings are A. T. Vawter of Macomb, and W. B. Vawter of Industry. Deceased is a sister, Mrs. George A. Taylor.*

*Macomb Daily Journal 15 Jul 1913 - Janes, John. Died today at Industry. Born 26 Oct 1828 in Russell Co., KY to Walter and Ardra Janes. Married 30 Jan 1854 to Nancy Vawter who died August 1893. Children are Misses Anna Belle and Elizabeth Ardra at home. John Edgar Janes of Industry, Mrs. P. H. Greeley of Kansas City, MO, Mrs. O. E. Kinkade of Industry; six children are deceased.*

1k. Paris J. Janes b. 1854 McDonough Co., IL d. 17 May 1907 Jacksonville, IL, unmarried.

2k. Anna Belle Janes b. 26 Apr 1856 Russell Co., KY d. 11 Jun 1923 Industry, IL. unmarried.

3k. Elizabeth Ardra "Addie E." Janes 11 Dec 1858 Industry, IL d. 19 May Kirksville, MO. unmarried.

4k. William B. Janes b. 1 Aug 1860 McDonough Co., IL d. 13 Sep 1862 IL

5k. George W. Janes b. 7 Sep 1862 d. 27 May 1903 McDonough Co., IL m. Clara E. Bradford. 4 children

6k. John Edgar Janes b. 7 Feb 1864 d. 26 Dec 1936 m. 1889 to Lucy Ann Laughlin b. 17 Dec 1868 d. 29 Sep 1948, parents James & Aletta (Scudder) Laughlin, 9 children

7k. Thomas S. Janes b. 25 Dec 1866 McDonough Co., IL d. 16 Aug 1871

8k. Allen Janes b. 16 Jan 1869 d. 2 Feb 1869 McDonough Co., IL

9k. Arthur Janes b. ca 1871 d. bef. Aug 1893 McDonough Co., IL



10k. Eliza Ann "Lyde" Janes 16 Oct 1873 McDonough Co., IL d. 27 Oct 1949 Macomb, IL m. Oliver Etna Kinkade 8 Dec 1870 Industry, IL d. 23 Jul 1927. Son of James and Romancy (Butcher) Kinkade. Dau. Goldie (Kinkade) Lickey, Ina (Kinkade) Lawyer.

11k. Alice Pauline Janes b. 15 Jan 1874 Industry, IL m. Charles Walker McGaughey. Children known are Ralph Morton McGaughey, Nancy Bland McGaughey and Lela Mary McGaughey. Alice m. (2) bef. 1907 to P. H. Greeley. She was in Kansas City alive in 1924.

5. Nancy Vawter b. 17 Mar 1786 Culpeper Co., VA. Alive at home 1800 and 1810 census Stokes Co., NC.

A descendant of Russell's through Beverly is Mrs. W. H. Black, quite elderly but alive in the 1920's who sent information from an old family Bible over 100 years old at that time to William Snyder Vawter who was updating the Grace Vawter Bicknell book "The Vawter Family in America" pub. In 1905, Hollenbeck Press, Indianapolis, IN. She states she copied the material from the Bible: *"Russell and Mary Spark were parents name of Nancy Vawter that in a notation in the Bible that Nancy married H. Rigg. And about 27 years old when she died. That the Bible was more than 100 years old."*

In 1939, Miss M. Alpha Mitchell, granddaughter of Nancy Vawter Rigg, requested help from Wm. Snyder Vawter in locating her lineage. Her address at the time was 508 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Springfield, IL. She states she had material that shows Nancy was a daughter of Russell.

However, the above material is misleading as we find Nancy Vawter married to Samuel Rigg living in McDonough Co., IL in 1850, near Bradford's family and others of this line.

Samuel Rigg shown as Head of Household 1810 Stokes Co., NC Head of Household, Manufacturers census, near John Vaught, George Taylor and James Larimore. Also in the same census is John Rigg.

Nancy Vawter b. 1786 NC d. aft. 1850 McDonough Co., IL m. Samuel Rigg b. ca 1783 MD. Samuel came to NC about 1810, he left NC about 1815 moving first to Greenup Co., KY then to Sangamon Co., IL in ca 1828 then to McDonough Co., IL ca 1835. The parents of Samuel were Thomas and Sarah (Hammond) Riggs/Rigg.

Fred E. Crump Sr, email fCrump@juno.com, sent information on the parents of Samuel Riggs. His father, Thomas Riggs of Maryland m. Sarah Hammond. Their dau. Sarah Hannah Riggs m. Silas Crump. Silas Crump's brother, William H. Crump m. Sarah Vawter dau. of John Vawter of Elbert Co., GA. (John the brother of Russell). John of Elbert being the son of Richard3, John2, Bartholomew1 Vawter of VA.

There are 2 histories of McDonough Co., IL that list the Rigg family. The first states that Samuel was a native of Rutherford Co., NC the other that he was born in Maryland as does the 1850 census of McDonough Co., IL. Samuel and Nancy are buried at the Rigg Cemetery in McDonough Co. located Bethel Twnp. SW ¼, Section 1. Six miles south of Macomb. Many of their children and grandchildren are buried there. Samuel and Nancy are shown in the 1810 census with one female daughter. In 1814 Stokes Co., NC deed book (2) 20 Sep 1814, Henry Jackson to Charles Duncam, 71 A on S. Beaver Island Creek adj. Samuel Riggs, Hugh Martin, Samuel Banks; wi. Hu. Martin, Samuel Banks, Russel Vawter. DB8 p282, 24 Sep 1814 Samuel Rigg to Charles Duncan 133 A on S. Beaver Island Creek adj. Samuel Shaw's line; wit. Russel Vaught, Henry Jackson, John Vauter.

(GJNote: John Vauter is the oldest son of Russell known as John M. Vawter of NC)

By 1820 they were in Greenup Co., KY shown on the census Samuel Rigg 300010-11010 In 1828 Samuel purchased Federal Land in Sangamomg Co., IL, Land Records of State of IL, Public Land Sales, U. of IL, Chicago - Samuel Rigg, 21 Oct 1828 80 A. 1830 Census of Sangamon Co., IL Samuel Rigg is still located. By 1836 he purchased land in McDonough Co., IL, Bethel Township. (one parcel is where the Rigg cemetery is located). Four

different land deeds are located for 1836. In 1840 and 1850 they are located in McDonough Co., IL near other relatives of the Vawters and Rigg/Riggs families.

1850 Census McDonough Co., IL Family #956

Samuel Rigg age 67 b. Maryland

Nancy age 63 b. VA

Peter age 23 Farmer b. KY

Alfred age 20 b. KY

Sarah A. age 15 b. IL (thought to be a grandchild)

Children of Samuel and Nancy (Vawter) Rigg/Riggs

a. Sarah Rigg b. 1805-1810 Stokes Co., NC d. after 1840 m. 1 Jun 1825 to William Robertson Greenup Co., KY. They had 7 daughters (names unknown) and moved to Sangamon Co., IL and then to McDonough Co., IL with parents. In 1835 land deeds are found for Wm. Robertson in McDonough Co. No information is found in IL after 1840 census and they may have located elsewhere.

b. Ewell E. Rigg b. 25 Feb 1812 Stokes Co., NC d. 13 Nov 1880 McDonough Co., IL m. (1) 30 Dec 1830 Sangamon Co., IL to Sarah Kelly. He m. (2) 13 Oct 1855 Sangamon Co., IL to Sarah (Bradley) Darden. Ewell purchased land in Sangamon Co., IL in 1833. Ewell and Sarah (nee Kelly) were thought to have 9 children, 8 are known by name. If he had children of his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, they are unknown and he is not located in the census of IL after 1850.

1b. Jesse R. Rigg b. ca 1831 Sangamon Co., IL d. aft 1880

2b. John Samuel Rigg b. ca 1833 Sangamon Co., IL d. after 1870

3b. Nancy Elizabeth Rigg b. ca 1834 Sangamon Co., IL d. aft 1876

4b. Alpha C. Rigg b. ca 1835 Sangamon Co., IL m. 26 Jan 1854 Sangamon Co.,

IL to Debold Paulin.

5b. Mary Rigg b. ca 1841 Sangamon Co., IL

6b. Jonathon Rigg b. ca 1843 Sangamon Co., IL

7b. Sarah Rigg b. ca 1847 Sangamon Co., IL

8b. Joseph Rigg b. Mar 1850 Sangamon Co., IL m. 16 Sep 1869 McDonough

Co., IL to Annie Archer.

c. John Erwin Rigg b. 1814 Stokes Co., NC d. 31 Dec 1891 McDonough Co., IL m. 31 Dec 1835 Morgan Co., IL to Ailsey Cox. Purchased land in 1836 in McDonough Co., IL. Found in the 1840, 1850, 1860 and 1870 census of McDonough Co., IL. In 1880 he is shown with son, Beverly Riggs age 66 retired farmer.

*Scotland Township Cemeteries, Camp Creek 1837-1991, Craig 1847-1906, County Home 1848-1942.* McDonough Co. IL, Elizabeth Martin 1990, McDonough Co., Gen. Soc. Macomb, IL Camp Creek Cemetery p. 43

1-78 Rigg, John E. 78y 31 DE 1891

MJ 7 JA 1892

John E. Rigg died 31 Dec 1891 in Bethel Twp. Born in NC married Miss Ailsey Cox in Morgan Co., IL at age 23 years. Children are Thomas J., Ancil H., Jesse B., Martha Ellen, the wife of William R. Nunn.

1c. Martha Ellen Rigg b. 5 Nov 1837 McDonough Co., IL d. 1 Aug 1896 Macomb, IL m. William R. Nunn

2c. Thomas Jefferson Rigg b. ca 1840 McDonough Co., IL d. aft 1892

3c. John E. Rigg b. ca 1843 McDonough Co., IL

4c. Clementine Rigg b. ca 1844 McDonough Co., IL d. aft 1870

5c. Ancil Harris Rigg b. ca 1849 McDonough Co., IL d. after 1892 m. 19 Mar

1874 McDonough Co., IL to Sarah T. Neece

6c. Jesse B. Rigg b. 27 Jul 1851 McDonough Co., IL d. 14 May 1927 Macomb,

IL

7c. Beverly A. Rigg b. ca 1855 McDonough Co., IL d. 1884 m. Ellen S. (nee?)

8c. James Rigg b. Dec 1859 McDonough Co., IL

d. Mary Rigg b. bet. 1817-1820 Greenup Co., KY d. bet 1840-44 age 23 or 24 years. Mary is thought to have been unmarried or married another named Rigg, but possibly had a child, seen with Samuel and Nancy her grandparents in the 1850 census. Sarah A. Rigg shown

as age 15 in 1850. She is not found in 1860 census. A marriage license is located in the neighboring county of Schuyler, IL and may possibly be this Sarah. 2 Feb 1868 Sarah A. Riggs to Owen Rice.

e. Joseph E. Rigg b. 29 Oct 1818 Greenup Co., KY d. 18 Sep 1877 McDonough Co., IL m. 22 Mar 1848 Sangamon Co., IL to Julia Ann Park. Seen in the 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 census of McDonough Co., IL.

*Scotland Township Cemeteries, Camp Creek 1837-1991, Craig 1847-1906, County Home 1848-1942.* McDonough Co. IL, Elizabeth Martin 1990, McDonough Co., Gen. Soc. Macomb, IL Camp Creek Cemetery p. 112

4-34 MDJ 23 JA 1901

Rigg, Julia A. Burke died 26 Jan. Born 17 Apr 1829 in Sangamon Co. Married 21 Mar 1848

Joseph E. Rigg. Survived by 8 brothers and 3 sisters.

1e. James Samuel Rigg b. ca 1848 McDonough Co., IL m. 31 Jul 1871 Sangamon Co., IL to Lizzie Landgrebe. Living in Moultrie Co., IL in 1875.

2e. Thomas C. Rigg b. Jan 1850 McDonough Co., IL d. 1925 McDonough Co., IL

3e. John E. Rigg b. ca 1851 McDonough Co., IL m. 22 Aug 1874 Sangamon Co., IL to Mary A. George

4e. William Z. Rigg b. ca 1853 McDonough Co., IL m. 25 Apr 1876 McDonough Co., IL to Druzilia Jane Depoy.

5e. Robert R. Rigg b. ca 1854 McDonough Co., IL m. 7 Jan 1877 McDonough Co., IL to Rebecca Coon

6e. Leonard Monore Rigg b. ca 1856 McDonough Co., IL m. 31 Oct 1879 McDonough Co., IL to Louise Ann Depoy.

7e. Infant Rigg b. 1858 d. 20 Jun 1858 McDonough Co., IL

8e. Nancy Mary Rigg b. ca 1859 McDonough Co., IL m. 27 Mar 1883 McDonough Co., IL to Joseph Alexander Nunn

9e. Infant Rigg b. & d. 7 Jan 1860 McDonough Co., IL

10e. Henry S. Rigg b. ca 1861 McDonough Co., IL m. 25 Sep 1884 McDonough Co., IL to Annie Stanley

11e. Fannie E. Rigg b. 9 Jul 1862 McDonough Co., IL d. 16 Mar 1863 McDonough Co., IL

12e. Sarah E. Rigg b. ca 1864 McDonough Co., IL d. aft 1880

13e. George Rigg b. 8 Jan 1864 McDonough Co., IL d. 9 Sep 1864 McDonough Co., IL

14e. Benjamin A. Rigg b. ca 1868 McDonough Co., IL m. (1) 21 Nov 1889 McDonough Co., IL to Ida Horrell m. (2) 10 Nov 1892 McDonough Co., IL to Etta Hagerty

15e. Harriet O. Rigg b. Apr 1870 McDonough Co., IL d. aft 1880

f. Russell Rigg b. 7 Jun 1821 Greenup Co., KY d. 9 Oct 1892 McDonough Co., IL m. (1) Nov 1845 McDonough Co., IL to Sally Jane Venard dau. of George and Francis Venard. He m. (2) 2 Feb 1871 McDonough Co., IL to Eliza Jane Lucas. Found in the 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 census of McDonough Co., IL.

Children of Russell and Sally Venard:

1f. Jane Rigg b. ca 1846 McDonough Co., IL

2f. Mary E. Rigg b. ca 1846 McDonough Co., IL

3f. James Luther Rigg b. ca 1848 McDonough Co., IL

4f. John T. Rigg b. 1849 McDonough Co., IL m. 2 Sep 1877 McDonough Co., IL to Julia Rankin.

5f. Samauel B. Rigg b. ca 1851 McDonough Co., IL

6f. William Dudley Rigg b. ca 1855 McDonough Co., IL

7f. Ewell Rigg b. ca 1856 McDonough Co., IL m. 28 Apr 1874 McDonough Co., IL to Laura A. Hunter

8f. Andrew Nelson Rigg b. April 1860 McDonough Co., IL

9f. Sarah Anna B. Rigg b. ca 1864 McDonough Co., IL

Child of Russell and Eliza Lucas:

10f. George W. Rigg b. ca 1872 McDonough Co., IL

g. Peter S. Rigg b. 1823 Greenup Co., KY d. 1880 McDonough Co., IL m. 22 Mar 1857 McDonough Co., IL to Lucy Ann Husted b. IL. Found in the 1860, 1870 and 1880 census of McDonough Co., IL.

- 1g. Olive Rigg b. Apr 1860 McDonough Co., IL d. bef. 1870
- 2g. Samuel Allen Rigg b. 1861 McDonough Co., IL d. 1889
- 3g. Mary Martha Rigg b. 1866 McDonough Co., IL d. 1940
- 4g. Brice T. Rigg b. 1868 McDonough Co., IL d. 1945
- 5g. Phebe C. Rigg b. 1871 McDonough Co., IL d. 1940
- 6g. Rosetta Regg b. 1874 McDonough Co., IL d. 1950
- 7g. Alpha Eliza Rigg b. 1876 McDonough Co., IL d. 1952

h. Alpha O. Rigg b. ca 1827 Greenup Co., KY d. aft 1880 m. 24 Mar 1854 McDonough Co., IL to Theophilus Mitchell. Found in the 1860, 1870 and 1880 census of McDonough Co., IL.

- 1h. Cordelia Emmaline Mitchell b. ca 1856 McDonough Co., IL
- 2h. James Harvey Mitchell b. ca 1857 McDonough Co., IL
- 3h. Sarah A. Mitchell b. ca 1859 McDonough Co., IL
- 4h. Annie Mitchell b. ca 1860 McDonough Co., IL
- 5h. William T. Mitchell b. ca 1862 McDonough Co., IL
- 6h. Hanna Jane Mitchell b. ca 1864 McDonough Co., IL
- 7h. Mary Alpha Mitchell b. ca 1866 McDonough Co., IL d. aft 1939. Mary A.

would be Miss M. Alpha Mitchell who wrote to W. S. Vawter in 1939. She was living in Springfield IL at the time.

- 8h. Charles T. Mitchell b. ca 1868 McDonough Co., IL

6. Bradford Vawter b. 26 July 1788 Culpeper Co., VA d. aft. 1840 NC  
 m. (1) 30 Dec 1810 to Patsey Taylor in Henry Co., VA dau. of George Taylor, Sr. and sister to Susanna, wife of Chadwell Vawter. Patsey d. prior to 1820.  
 m. (2) 18 Apr 1820 to Catharine Redman/Redmon, Marriage records of Stokes Co., VA bondsmen George Taylor and wit. Matt R. Moore.

Wills Index Stokes Co., NC

J.P. Nippon (likely Nissen) was executor of Catherine Vawter's will 9 Jan 1845  
 Bradford M.. Vawter appointed guardian of Alpha M. Vawter, a minor 9/10/1832

War of 1812 lists of soldiers 6<sup>th</sup> Reg. 6<sup>th</sup> Co. detached from the First Stokes included Bradford Vawter.

Material on the Redman family from J. Daniel Mahar email mahard@sfcep.corp.ge.com  
 Abraham Redman 1749-1835 m. (1) Elizabeth Slater ca 1785 in Louisa Co., VA. Issue: Marieanne "Polly"  
 Redman m. Elisha Fulton  
 m. (2) Catherine Brown ca 1786 Louisa Co., VA  
 Issue:

Elizabeth Redman  
 Catherine Redman m. Bradford Vawter  
 Nancy Redman m. Samuel Fultin (Fulton)  
 John Redman

Abraham Redman was one of the founders of the Methodist Meeting House along with William McGeehee, Robert Wasley and Abraham Padget. The Redman's moved to Stokes Co., NC in 1803. Abraham is found in the 1810 Manufacturer's census of Stokes Co., NC

He married first on 17 MARCH 1785 in Louisa Co.,VA. to Elizabeth SLATER and second on 23 OCT. 1787 in Louisa Co.,VA. to Catie BROWN, she was born between 1750 & '60 and died after 30 APRIL 1835{date of Will} & before \_\_ JUNE 1835 {recording of Will} in Stokes Co.,N.C.  
 He died between 1830 Census & 1835 Will of his wife in Stokes Co.,N.C.  
 His known Children are...

- [1] Marieann "aka Polly"(14 DEC. 1785-aft. 1835)m. Elisha FULTIN.
- [2] Elizabeth "aka Nancy"(20 APR. 1789-6 APR. 1841)m. Samuel FULTIN.
- [3] Catherine (10 SEP. 1790-bef. 1847)m. Bradford Vawter

[4] John (c1796-1828)m. Catherine \_\_\_\_\_.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Abraham REDMON was a witness of the Will of William PINNEGER dated 16 NOV. 1813 & Recorded \_\_ DEC. 1813.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Abraham REDMON was the Bondsman for the marriage of Anna REDMON to William PINNAGAR on 16 MAR. 1812.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Anna REDMON PINNAGAR cannot be decisively connected to Jacob or Harmon REDMON and therefore must be a daughter of Abraham REDMON as determined from the two NOTE's above.

1840 Stokes Co., NC census Bradford Vaughter.  
Male 1-10, 1-15,1-60; Females 1-10, 2-20, 1-50. Male slaves 1-10, 1-24 and female slaves 1-24.

*Henry Co., VA, Marriage Bonds, 1778-1849* by Virginia Dodd pub. 1953, page 128, the return of marriage licenses by the ministers:

30 Dec 1810 Vauter, Bradford and Patsey Taylor. Maning Hill, Minister  
10 Oct 1816 Vauter, Chadwell, Susannah Taylor. Maning Hill, Minister

Children of Bradford and Patsey (Taylor) Vawter:

a. Reuben Taylor Vawter b. ca 1811 Stokes Co., NC d. 1862 Salem, Marion Co., IL  
m. (1) 6 Jan 1835 in Stokes, Co., NC to Harriet M. Transou of Waughtown, NC d. bet 1845-1850 TN. Harriet's parents were Peter and Ann Transou, of the Moravian community of NC. Marriage record Stokes Co., NC bondsman Bradford Vawter and wit. John Hill.

Several of the Vawter's married into the Moravian society of NC and moved to TN and IN to other Moravian settlements. The Moravian were pacifists but a few served in the Revolution and other wars and usually provided food and shelter to both sides in a conflict. They used a communal form of living and separated male and female society, called choirs, until marriage. They believed strongly in education. They had a strong belief in God and their elders made many decisions concerning their marriage, places to live and job training. By 1845 Reuben and Harriet had moved to the area of Henderson and Madison Co., TN. Harriet's parents are found in Madison Co., TN in 1850 when the 2 oldest children are shown living with them. Reuben was living with another family and the youngest child was with a third family both in Henderson Co, TN. This would indicate at least some type of Moravian settlement in that area. After Reuben remarried he reunited the children and moved ca 1850-52 to IL where there were other Vawter relatives. The confusion of the newspaper article seems to indicate that both Reuben and Harriet are deceased but they were not orphans of both parents only of Harriet who is not found in the 1850 census of either TN or NC and presumed dead after 1845 at the birth of their third child and before the 1850 census with the family split.

Found in *Marriages & Deaths in Fayetteville, NC Newspapers* (no date)

Three children Martha 14, Josephine 12, and Harriet 5 are shown as orphans of R. T. Vawter.

1850 Census TN (printed), transcribed and indexed by Byron and Barbara Sistler, Evanston, IL 1974, pub. Byron Sistler and Assoc., Evanston, IL (multi volumes)

Vol 1 p. 302 Caviness, John 40 b. NC, Mary M. 32 b. NC, Nancy 12, Susan 10, Mary J. 8, Virginia 6, John L. 4, Catherine M. 1. Also Mary Stone 13, R. T. Vawter 35, William Courtney 22, (Henderson Co, TN, family 15 p362)

Vol. 3 p. 87 Hall, Isaac C. 46 b. SC, Rebecca J. 34 b. T, Neoma L. 18, Franklin A. 20, Caroline T. 16, Frances 14, Harriet J. Vawter 5, , (Henderson Co., TN, family 86 p372)

Vol. 6 p. 238 Transon, Peter 59 b. NC, Annie 60 b. NC, Josephine 21, Martha A. Vanter 14, Josephine 12, (Madison Co., TN family 869 p553)

m. (2) bet 1850-1852 in TN to Eleanor M. Kimball b. ca 1833 NY.

After Reuben's death, Eleanor m. 15 Sep 1864 to William Metcalf d. bef. 1880. Found in IL Marriage Record Index, Dec 1996 ed. p. 28, 824. Vawter, Elinora M. (Mrs.) to Metcalf, William 15 Sep 1864 (lic. 801., Vol. D. p. 23 Marion Co., IL)

1880 census Salem, Marion Co, IL:

Category: Name; Relationship to head of household; Marital Status; Gender; Race; Age; Birthplace; Occupation; Father's Birthplace; Mother's Birthplace.

Ellen M. METCALF Self W Female W 47 NY Keeping House MA MA

Minnie METCALF Dau S Female W 14 IL KY NY

Roswell VAWTERS Son S Male W 26 IL Mail Carrier NY NY

John H. VAWTERS Son S Male W 19 IL Laborer NY NY

1870 census Marion Co, IL:

Metcalf, William, 71, b KY - land 3500

" Ellen M., 37, b NY

Vawter, Roswell, 16, b IL

" Harry, 10, b IL

Metcalf, Mary, 4, b IL

1860 Census Marion Co., IL Salem Post Office taken 10 Aug 1860 Family # 996/1032

p. 900 lines 38-40 and p. 901 line 1-2

R. S. Vawter 47 m. Merchant RE \$1500 Per. \$500 b. NC

E. M. Vawter age 27 F b. NY

Martha Vawter age 23 b. NC

Harriet L. Vawter age 14 F. b. TN

Richard R. Vawter age 7 b. IL

Children of Reuben T. and Harriet (Transou) Vawter

1a. Martha A. Vawter b. ca 1837 NC m. 6 Mar 1861 John A. Ervin. (IL m. lc. Marion Co. #230 Vol. D. p. 7)

2a. Josephine Vawter b. ca 1839 NC

3a. Harriet Lavinia E. Vawter b. ca 1846 TN m 15 Jun 1882 to James M. Bellamy. (IL m. lc. Marion Co. IL Vol. D, p. 155)

Children of Reuben T. and Elinora M. (Kimball) Vawter

4a. Richard Roswell Vawter b. 1852 Salem, IL d. 9 Mar 1923 in Pottawatomie, OK m. 22 July 1883 Cameron, TX (from the Milam Co. Courthouse) to Martha J. Lynch b. 1865 Knox Co., TN (dau of John Lynch and Sarah Cleek). Martha b. Knoxville, TN d. in 1951 in OK dau. of John Lynch. Roswell and Martha moved from Dennison, TX to Pottawatomie OK in 1896

Martha was born in Knoxville, TN, according to info from the Cooper Funeral home in Wanette, OK.

Their children were Ella B-1884 in Texas, Daniel Kendall B-1886 in Texas, Altha B-1891 in TX, Josie B-1894 in TX, Cordy Mae - B-1888 in Oklahoma, and Leonard Lewis B-1903 in Oklahoma. Roswell and Martha lived in Pottawatomie and Seminole counties until their deaths. Source: Jack E. Ford email woody@silcom.com, also the obit of Martha (Lynch) Vawter supplied by Pat Drummond of PA.

In the obit, It mentions their children, Mrs. J. B. Matthews, Wanette, OK; Cordie Ford Arvin, CA; D. K. Vawter from Tishomingo, OK; and Leonard Vawter from Cal. and a sister named Annie King from Ft. Worth, TX.

1870 Federal Census Marion Co., IL shows name as Roswell, in 1880 he is shown as Roswell, age 26 and a mail carrier.

5a. John H./W. Vawter b. 1860 Salem, IL d. aft 1908 m. 23 May 1883 Marion Co., IL to Maggie T. Garner, dau. of Albert C. Garner. (IL. Marriage lc. Vol. OD, p. 22, Marion

Co., IL shows J. W. Vawter and Maggie. T. Garner) Children: Lillian G. b. 1886, Hattie N. b. 1889, Marrietta b. 1891 and Irene b. 1901 all in Salem, IL.

A history of John H. Vawter is printed in *Brinkerhoff's History of Marion Co., IL*, by Prof. J. H. G. Brinkerhoff, B. F. Bowen & Co., Pub. Indianapolis, IN 1909 p. 443-445. He was the Mayor of Salem in 1908 and was in the hardware business.

b. Mary A. E. Vawter b. ca 1813 NC m. ca 1835 John P. Nissen b. ca 1813 NC. Philip (John P.) Nissen divided the estate of John M. Vawter with other family members and it would seem the younger children of Bradford's, Sarah and Alexander, are living with them in 1850, family names are also carried through this line.

1850 Forsyth Co., NC Census family #359/370

Philip Nissen age 37 Wagonmaker b. NC

Mary A. E. Nissen age 37 b. NC

Jane L. Nissen age 12, George E. Nissen age 10, John J. Nissen age 9, Mary A. E. Nissen age 7,

Reubin B. Nissen age 5, Christian F. Nissen age 3, Harriet Nissen age 7/12 all children b. NC

Sarah S. Vawters age 25 b. NC

Alexander L. Vawters age 20 B. NC

Warren Dyson age 15 b. NC, Bartlet T. Guyer age 19 Wagonmaker apprentice age 19 b. NC

Charles Teague age 22 Wagonmaker.

1880 US census Broad Bay, Forsyth, NC

Mary Nissen Widow age 67 b. NC

William Nissen son age 23 b. NC Wagon Mfg.

Sallie Vawter sister age 55 b. NC

Frank Banner age 21 b. NC servant

George Meckinsey age 18 b. NC servant

c. John M. Vawter b. ca 1815 NC d. 23 Oct 1874 Waughtown, Forsyth Co., NC m. 11 Aug 1834 to Mary (Polly) M. Campbell (Surry Co., marriage record, bondsman Geo. M. Campbell) Mary b. ca 1815 NC alive 1880 census.

Mary Campbell was the daughter of John Campbell (b. ca 1775 NC d. aft 1850) and Rachel Waitman (b. ca 1775 d aft. 1850)

*People's Press (Salem, NC) 1851-1892, An indexed Abstract compiled and edited by Robert M. Tomplins, Pub by Forsyth Co., Gen. Society.*

*John M. Vawter, esq., aged 59 years, 5 months and 20 days, died 23 October 1874 in Waughtown. He was much afflicted many years and was a great sufferer during the latter part of his life. He leaves a wife, two children and fourteen grandchildren. He was a useful citizen, having served as a business magistrate for a great many years. (Obituary 10/29/74)*

*Executor's notice Jan 6, 1879. W-274 page 203 probated 30 Nov 1874, dated 14 Dec 1857*

*Vawter, John M. Waughtown, Forsyth Co., NC wife Mary M. Vawter*

*3 dau. Mary A. M. wf. of William E. Spach, Nancy R., wife of Nathaniel Crowder, Sarah E., wf. of William W. Phillips, John P. Nissen, John G. Sides and Albert R. Jenkins to divide my estate, Friend Rev. William Turner, exec. John M. Vawter. Wit: P. E. Light and Edmond Longworth.*

1850 Forsyth Co., NC family #375/386

John M. Vawter age 35 Wagonmaker b. NC, Mary A. age 35 b. NC

Mary A. M. age 14 b. NC, Nancy R. age 12 b. NC, Sarah E. age 10 b. NC

1880 US census Broad Bay, Forsyth, NC

Mary Vaughter head of household widow age 65 b. NC

Louis Croden (sic: Crowder) grandson age 22 b. NC (wagon factory worker)

*Marriage of Surry Co., NC 1779-1868* by Brent H. Holcomb, 1982 Gen. Pub. Co. John Vawter serves as bondsman on the following 2 marriages. No family connection yet found.

Asa Fitzgerald to Nancy W. Foster 23 Dec 1831 John Vawter, BM

Joel Jackson to Rebecca Jessup 23 Jan 1838, John Vawter, BM

Children of John and Mary:

1c. Nancy R. Vawter b. ca 1838 m. Nathaniel Crowder. Found in the 1860 Forsyth Co., NC census family #57/53 Nathaniel age 27 b. NC occupation Trader, Nancy R. age 21, Lewis S. age 2 and James M. age 1/12. Living with them is John Ledford, farm hand age 21 b. NC.

2c. Sarah E. Vawter b. 9 Dec 1839 d. 25 Mar 1889 Winston Salem, NC m. 22 Feb 1855 Winston Salem, NC to William Walker Phillips b. 21 Oct 1832 Winston Salem NC d. 1 Mar 1907 Winston Salem, NC Father Joseph Phillips mother Rebecca Furr Wright. William married (2) to Salle Ann (Swaim) Hinsdale Children of Joseph Phillips and Rebecca Furr Wright

Children of Sarah and William.

1. Malissa Jane Phillips b. 14 Sep 1857 Winston Salem, NC d. 25 Aug 1918 m. 29 Jan 1881 to William Preston Brown
2. Larkin E. Phillips b. 9 Oct 1859 Winston Salem, NC d. 22 Dec 1859 Winston Salem, NC
3. Victoria Elizabeth Phillips b. 23 Oct 1860 Winston Salem, NC d. 26 May 1940 Winston Salem m. 14 Mar 1880 to James Monroe Vogler
4. Rufus Lee Phillips b. 31 May 1863 Winston Salem NC d. 11 Feb 1917 Winston Salem m. 15 Mar 1888 to Maggie Louisa Weavil
5. Lula Ann Phillips b. 2 Nov 1865 Winston Salem NC d. 31 Mar 1955 Rushville, IN m. 8 Mar 1885 Winston Salem to John Henry Lane. Line of Ssue Aragon email haragonzionsvillein@worldnet.att.net
6. Emily May Phillips b. 28 May 1868 Winston Salem, NC d. 28 Nov 1946 Winston Salem, NC m. James A. Nicholson
7. Franklin B. Phillips b. 26 Jan 1871 d. 24 May 1872 Winston Salem, NC
8. Mary R. (Mollie) Phillips b. 26 Feb 1876 d. 4 Jul 1887 Winston Salem, NC
9. Sidney Stokes Phillips b. 28 Nov 1877 Winston Salem, NC d. 26 May 1914 Winston Salem, NC m. 18 Dec 1900 to Maggie Huchins

Children of Bradford and Catharine (Redman) Vawter

d. Nancy Vawter b. ca 1822 age 28 in the 1850 census shown living with cousins Wyatt B. and Bethenia Vaughan. Wyatt B. Vaughan m. Bethenia Fulton, Stokes Co., NC in 1834. Bethenia daughter of Samuel Fulton and Nancy (Redman) Fulton. Nancy Redman and Catherine were sisters.

1880 US census Yadkin, Stokes, NC  
 Martha E. Pulliam widow age 45 b. NC  
 John W. Pulliam son age 21 b. NC  
 Eliza L. Pulliam dau age 19 b. NC  
 Martha S. Pulliam dau. age 17 b. NC  
 Nancy J. Vauter age 57 single b. NC

e. Sarah S. Vawter b. ca 1825 NC Alive 1860 unmarried.  
 1850 Forsyth Co., NC Census family #359/370, Philip Nissen age 37 Wagonmaker b. NC  
 Mary A. E. Nissen age 37 b. NC and children, plus Sarah S. Vawters age 25 b. NC and Alexander L. Vawters age 20 B. NC  
 1860 Census Forsyth Co., NC family #55 Broadbay District. Sally Vauter age 32 b. NC. Living with the family of Peter E. Leight age 37, wheelright of NC and Emily L. age 24 b. NC (wife).

f. Abraham Jackson Vawter b. ca 1829 Shown with sister Nancy above in the home of Wyatt B. Vaughan. Will Index of Stokes Co., NC, Samuel M. Fuller (sic) (GJNote: this is Samuel Fulton) appointed guardian of Abraham Jackson Vawter a minor 6/9/1845.



*Death Notice from the People's Press (Salem, NC) 1851-1892, An Indexed Abstract*, compiled and edited by Robert M. Tompkins, pub. By the Forsyth Co., Genealogical Society. Jackson Vawter aged 39 years and 4 months, died 9 Sep 1866 at the residence of J. P. Nissen Esq., in Waughtown. The deceased was patient and resigned, having for two years feasted upon the "bread of eternal life." Appeared 21 Sep 1866.

1850 Census Stokes Co., NC p.0133  
 Family# 992/1021 Vaughan Wyatt B 39 M Farmer 500 NC  
 Vaughan Thena 33 F NC  
 Vaughan Ann 16 F NC  
 Vaughan Wilson 12 M NC  
 Vaughan Frances 10 M NC  
 Vaughan James 4 M NC  
 Vaughan Mary 2 F NC  
Vawter Nancy 28 F NC  
Vawter Abram 21 M Farmer NC

Samuel Fulton married Nancy Redmon in Stokes Co., NC in May 1816. In Oct 1850 he married to Martha H. Hill. (Note: Martha is shown in the 1850 census living with him age 22). The Martha Vawter, below, age 14 is not yet accounted for and is not the Martha A. Vawter also shown in the 1850 census of TN with Peter Transou, who is the daughter of Reuben T. Vawter.

Stokes County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, Part 1. Genealogical Society of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1942-1943. (FHL microfilm 422159).

Martha E. Vawter m. Simmon L. Pullian (or Simeon Pulliam) 14 Aug 1852 Stokes Co., NC  
 Bondsmen William Wall & wit. Samuel H. Taylor by W. B. Vaughn, JP.

1850 Census Stokes Co., NC p. 0100  
 Family# 481/483 Fulton Samuel 56 M Farmer 2,500 No Caro  
 Fulton Francis 19 M Farmer No Caro  
 Fulton Abram 18 M Clerk No Caro  
 Fulton Nancy 26 F No Caro  
 Fulton Sanders 14 M No Caro  
 Fulton Martha 12 F No Caro  
Vauter Martha 14 F No Caro

Hill Mary 22 F No Caro

1850 Census Stokes Co finds Simeon still at home with his parents, family # 337/338

Pulliam William P 63 M Farmer Va  
 Pulliam Elizabeth 60 F Va  
 Pulliam Simeon L 18 M Farmer Va

1880 US census Yadkin, Stokes, NC  
 Martha E. Pulliam widow age 45 b. NC  
 John W. Pulliam son age 21 b. NC  
 Eliza L. Pulliam dau age 19 b. NC  
 Martha S. Pulliam dau. age 17 b. NC  
 Nancy J. Vauter age 57 single b. NC

g. Alexander L. Vawter b. ca 1830 NC d. 20 Sep 1861 as Confederate soldier m. 29 May 1851 Forsyth Co., NC to Eliza Jane Hege b. NC. Children: William T. Vawter b. ca 1852 NC and John L. Vawter b. ca 1854 NC.

1880 US census Broad Bay, Forsyth, NC  
 Bessy Hege single age 56 b. NC father b. NC mother b. NC  
 Turner Vawter nephew age 29 b. NC father b. NC mother b. NC

Marriage record found *People's Press* dated 14 Jun 1851. "In Waugh Town, on the 29th ult. by J. A. Waugh, Esq., Mr. Alexander Vawter to Miss Eliza Jane Hege". *People's Press* is on Microfilm, NC State Archives, WSPP, Reel 1 (Feb 8, 1851-Dec. 24, 1853)

1850 census Forsyth Co., shows Sarah S. Vawters age 25 and Alexander L. Vawters age 20, living with the Philip Nissen family. National archives Microfilm #M253, service records of Conf. Soldier. Vawter, Alex L. Private, Co. K 21 NC Inf. (formerly 11 NC inf. Vol.). Death notice of the *People's Press* (Salem, NC) 1851-1892, abstracted Alexander Vawter, of Waughtown, a private in Capt. Miller's company, now deceased September 20, 1861.

*North Carolina Wills; A testator Index 1665-1900* by Thornton W. Mitchell, Corrected and Revised In one vol. by Gen. Pub. Co., held by Tampa Hillsborough Public Library.  
Alexander Vawter , Stokes Co., NC WB 1 p. 188, 1861.

h. Emily L. Vawter b. ca 1836 NC m. Peter E. Leight b. ca 1823 NC. Peter was a wheelright. In the 1870 census NC they are shown living next door to John M. and Mary A. Vawter, brother. Sally living with them is Emily's older sister.

1860 census Forsyth Co., NC family #55/51

Peter E. Leight age 37 b. NC

Emily L. age 24 b. NC

Erastus M., age 3 and Sarah A age 1 b. NC

Also living with the family is Jacob Parnel age 24 b. NC, Sally Vauter age 32 b. NC and Samuel E. Nelson age 21 b. NC

1870 census Forsyth Co., NC #165/165

Peter E. Light age 47, Emily L. age 34. Erastus age 14, Sarah F. age 11 (other children may be found on the following page not copied)

John C. Jarvis (1841-1862). With the death of Elisabeth and James (parents), John C. age 9 is shown in the household of David and Nancy (Campbell) Zimmerman in the 1850 NC census. and then in the 1860 NC Forsyth Co., census with the family of John M. and Mary (Campbell) Vawter. Also in the 1860 census of John M. Vawter is Nancy R. York dau. of Regina (Campbell) and Mark York. Nancy R. York died single in the home of John M. (uncle) in 1872. John C. Jarvis m. Sarah Ann Painter (1840-?). dau. of Daniel Zimmermerson Painter and Mary M. (nee?). John C. Jarvis was killed in the Civil War 28 Aug 1862, 2<sup>nd</sup> Manassas, VA.

Catherine Leinbach is writing the History of the Waughtown Cemetery and shares this material.  
*"There was a church at this location and it was known as the Union Church circa 1780, then became Waughtown Union Church circa 1850, then became Waughtown Church until it was torn down in 1895, then became Waughtown Baptist Church and that is what it is to this day.*

*The churches that carry the name Union were churchs that were shared by several religions. The Vawters I am sure attended this church in Waughtown. What religion they practiced could very well have been Moravian. The cemetery is what remains and it is laid out in Moravian fashion, the choir system, men unto themselves, women unto themselves, single men unto themselves, single women unto themselves, male children unto themselves, female children unto themselves and a separate part for strangers or non members.*

*Emily Vawter and her husband Peter Leight are buried at Waughtown Cemetery. They owned the property next to the church cemetery and sold family plots around 1900 to the public. A lot 300 square feet (enough room then to bury 8 people) for the sum of \$11.00."*

7. Chadwell Vawter was born 14 Sep 1790 in Culpeper Co., VA and died 19 July 1843 in Stokes Co., NC. He moved with his parents Russell Vawter and Mary Sparks to Stokes Co., NC in about 1795. The first public record for Chadwell is held by the NC State Archives and lists the purchase of 100 acres of land in Stokes Co. in 1813.

Chadwell married 5 Oct 1816 to Susanna Taylor in Henry Co., VA. Susanna was b. ca 1796 and was the dau. of George Taylor, Sr. Book *Henry Co., VA, Marriage Bonds, 1778-1849* by Virginia

Dodd pub. 1953 noted on page 54. Also on page 128 in shown the return of marriage licenses by the ministers. Susanna and Patsy Taylor, wife of Bradford, who were sisters.

In 1843 Chadwell will and estate papers are filed in Stokes Co., NC.

*State of North Carolina Stokes County*

*We the undersigned being at the dwelling house of Chadwell Vawter on the 15th day of July A. D. 1843 and being at this personal request called upon he the said Chadwell Vawter did then and there inform us the undersigned that he was apprehensive that he would not see over his health again and he wished to make some arrangements with regard to his family and property be stated that he owed for his land at the land office and that it was his desire that his wife Susanna and his son William and his youngest son Josiah should apply to McShultz to verify he would not be willing to take there bond in payment thereof and if they should succeed in giving their bond as afore said that then they should have all the land of which he was then professed including the mansion house and all ----- the appurtenances thereunto belonging except on tract whereon his son Sparky now lived for which the said Sparky is to give his bond for as is generally understood and the above named Sparky is to have no more of my estate either real or personal than he has already now and all the rest and residence of his estate after paying his just debt should be divided among all the rest of his children and his wife Namely George T., William and Josiah and Polina, Matilida and Sophrona share and share alike.*

*We verify above to be the nuncupative will of Chadwell Vawter deceased (made at the above date) and that we both personally signed ----- Mr. Fochata himself. And it was made in his last suffering in his own habitation or dwelling House - where he had resided several years . Now said Vawter died date 19 July 1843.*

*Entered by county law by us. Mon 24 July 1843 X Daniel Reich X Bradford Vawter*

(Note: the above Sparky is Beverly S. Vawter)

Will Index of Stokes Co., NC. George P. Vawter was appointed Executor of Chadwell Vawter's will 6 Dec 1845.

The notice of Susanna's death is found: *People's Press (Salem, NC) 1851-1892, An Indexed Abstract*, compiled and edited by Robert M. Tompkins, pub. By the Forsyth Co., Genealogical Society.

*Susanna Vawter, nee Taylor, aged 84 years, 3 months and 9 days died on October 31, 1879 in this vicinity. The deceased was a native of Henry County VA but for upwards of fifty years resided in Forsyth County. She was a member of the Baptist Church. (Article appeared November 6, 1879)*

Children:

a. George Philip Taylor Vawter b. 4 Sep 1817 Stokes Co., NC. d. 2 Apr 1894 Tipton Co., IN. Death cert. states 76y 5m 28d. Stone says 76y 6m 23d, bur. Sandbank Cemetery, Tipton, IN.

m. 20 Feb 1840 Stokes Co., NC to Caritas Charlotte Vogler dau. of Philip Martin Vogler. b. 26 Nov 1814 in Salem, NC d. 16 Aug 1893 in Tipton Co., IN. bur. Sandbank Cemetery, Tipton Co., IN. Philip Vogler shown as Philip Fogler in the 1810 Stokes Co., NC Manufacturer's census. The Voglers were of Moravian religion. Marriage record of Stokes Co., NC bondsmen Chadwell Vawter and John C. Blum.

An account of Charlotte prior to her marriage is shown in *Moravian Records, an Authentic History* by Fries (MR) 8: 4418,4419,4421. Diary of Friedberg and Hope 1833. Aug. 25. My wife and I went to visit Phil. Vogler, whose eldest daughter Charlotte has been sick for a week with a burning fever. Sept. 13. At 11:00 o'clock p. m. we were called in all haste to the single Charlotte Vogler, who was thought to be dying. Since it seemed that the end was near, she was asked if she wished to receive the blessing of the Lord, and she replied "Yes, the blessing of the Lord." And so the blessing for her Homegoing was bestowed. Nov. 24. The single Charlotte Vogler, who is now almost recovered attended all the meetings today.

1840 Federal Census Stokes Co., NC shows George T. Vawter as m. 1 -30 & f. 1 -30.

Stokes Co., NC Deed Book 15, p. 7

15 Aug 1843. Philip M. Vogler conveyed 39 3/4 acres on the south fork of Muddy Creek to George T. Vawter for \$210.

Witness: George Fisher

Signed: Philip Vogler

Note: Philip Vogler is the father of George T.'s wife Charlotte. George Fisher is the second husband of Lorenz Vogler's wife Elisabeth, which would be Charlotte's step-grandfather or Philip's step-father.

*Moravian Records, an authentic history*, by Fries, Diary of the Congregations of Friedberg and Hope, NC. Vol. 9 p. 4813. Date May 26, 1844. Baptism of the married Br. George Philip Taylor Vawter.

1850 Federal Census Forsyth Co., NC page 204, Dwelling #1540 & Family # 1540 - 7 Aug 1850. Also, printed census by Forsyth Co., NC Gen. Soc. page 22.

George P. Vawter age 34 m. farmer Value Real Estate \$210 b. NC

Charlotte age 32 b. NC

George W. age 9 b. NC

John M. age 5 b. NC

Samuel M. age 2 b. NC

Rosalia M. age 6/12 b. NC

1a. George W. Vawter b. 23 Nov 1840 Stokes Co., NC d. 18 Sep 1887 Tipton Co., IN. m.(1) 24 Dec 1861 Tipton Co., IN to Mary E. Simpson b. 14 Nov 1839 IN d. 13 Apr 1885, bur. Kempton Cem., Tipton Co., IN. George m. (2) 16 Oct 1885 to Margaret P. Back. Children all of Mary E.: Emma C. Vawter, Samuel Taylor Vawter, William M. Vawter, Smith Vawter, Ada Ann Vawter, Ida Belle Vawter and Cora Ellen "Cory" Vawter/Kessler (adopted by aunt Rosalia and name changed at age 6) and male infant d. at birth 1885.

2a. John M. Vawter b. 28 Jan 1844 Stokes Co., NC d. 26 Dec 1883 Tipton Co., IN m. 1 Oct 1868 Tipton Co., IN to Emily F. Sallee b. ca 1851 IN. Children known: John Vawter b. 1869 d. 1883.

3a. Samuel M. Vawter b. 29 Oct 1847 Stokes Co., NC d. 2 Jun 1929 Tipton, IN. m. 15 May 1878 Tipton Co., IN to Sara E. McShane b. 16 Apr 1857 Rush Co., IN d. 2 Jun 1940. Children: Frank S. Vawter, Fred M. Vawter, Charles A. Vawter, Harold H. Vawter, Isaac Vawter, and Homer Granville Vawter

4a. Rosalia A. Vawter b. 3 Dec 1849 Stokes Co., NC d. 1928 Tipton, IN m. (1) 24 Apr 1875 to Jacob Kessler. One son, John Jacob Kessler. Rosalia married (2) 14 Nov 1888 to Joseph Taylor Goodyknoontz b. 18 Apr 1836 Wayne Co., IN d. 25 Jan 1900 Tipton C. IN. One son, Newton Joseph Goodyknoontz b. 1888 d. 1896.

5a. Emma S. Vawter b. 30 Aug 1854 IN d. 15 Dec 1930 Howard Co., IN m. 5 Apr 1882 to Silas G. Ratcliffe b. 1851 d. 12 Nov 1912 Howard Co., IN. No children.

b. Beverly Sparks Vawter b. 1 May 1819 NC d. 2 Jul 1885 Wellington, KS. Married 29 Nov 1841 Stokes Co., NC to Harriet Jane Lasley b. 3 Jun 1821 NC d. 12 Mar 1902 KS. Marriage record of Stokes Co., NC bondsmen Daniel Reich and C. H. Nelson. Harriet's mother was Nancy Gentry who descended from an old NC family and father was Joseph Lasley.

1850 census Forsyth Co., NC printed by Forsyth Co. Gen. Soc. p 84

Beverly S. Vawter age 31 m Farmer 350 b. NC

Harriet J. age 28 f b. NC

Josiah C. age 5 m b. NC

James M. age 3 m b. NC

Samuel T. age 2 m. b. NC

Henry A. age 6/12 m b. NC

Note: He was called Sparky in the will of his father, Chadwell in 1843. *the appurtenances thereunto belonging except on tract whereon his son Sparky now lived for which the said Sparky is to give his bond for as is generally understood and the above named Sparky is to have no more of my estate either real or personal than he has already now and all the rest and residence of his estate after paying his just debt should be divided among all the rest of his children and his wife Namely George T., William and Josiah and Polina, Matilida and Sophrona share and share alike.*

Book- *Forsyth Co. Gen. Soc. Journal Vol. 4* pub. 1985-86. page 9

Forsyth Co. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions Meeting. Held 16 Sept 1850, Salem, NC

Letters of Administration file X-72 of estate of Wm. Snipes a \$600 security Bond by G. W. Taylor also the estate of Elizabeth Butner \$600 Security Bond by Beverly S. Vawter.

Wellington Kansas, July 26, 1928 Dear Mr. Vawter:

The writer is the daughter of Beverly Sparks Vawter. He was born, I think in Stokes Co. North Carolina May 1 - 1819. Married Harriet Jane Lasley of the same vicinity. Who was born June 3 - 1821. Twelve children were born to them. Joseph W. died in infancy. Josiah, died in the Civil War. James Madison died on his 24<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Samuel Taylor born January 13 1850 died August 14- 1923. Henry Anderson born November 16 -1852 died May 7 -1928. Sarah Ann born February 24-1854 now living at Wellington, Kansas. Mary Jane born May 10- 1855- died October 29 - 1924. Paulina Frances born May 8 - 1856 died December 11 -1912. Emma Carolyn born March 5- 1858 living in Wellington Kansas. Elizabeth Burse born March 6 - 1860 died Dec. 8 - 1926. George Allen born March 23 - 1863. Living at Adair Ill. Susan Priscilla died in infancy. The living are Sarah Ann Moore, widow of John Keno Moore who was born in Bloomington Ill. Emma C. Rector and George Vawter. Emma Carolyn married Edward Tiffin Rector January 22 -1878. He was born at Circleville Ohio March 31 - 1850. Five children were born to us. (GJNote: only four listed) Cora Alen, Rex Tiffin Arthur, Helen Edawyn and Major Elton. Signed Emma C. Rector

Wellington Kansas dated January 1, 1930, postmarked Wichita Kansas.

I am the daughter of Beverly Sparks Vawter, he being the son of Chadwell Vawter and Susan Taylor Vawter. They moved from the state of Virginia, Cullpepper County to Stokes County now Forsythe County North Carolina. My father married Miss Harriet Jane Lasley of Virginia she being the daughter of an old and fine family of Gentrys. Her mother was Nancy Gentry. I do not remember what her father's first name was. Six children were born to my father and mother in North Carolina. They moved to Knox County Illinois in October 1853. Six children were born to them in Illinois. My father and Uncle William Vawter, his wife (Regina Roberts) and some folks came together in 1852. My Uncle William died in 1859. They rented land and farmed, had bad crops and hardships that come to everyone in a new territory but managed to live and be happy. Finally good crops brought them out of difficulties. He finally became a successful farmer and stock raiser. But while he succeeded in some things he had bad luck in others. He loved to entertain - sometimes three families spending the week at our home. Was a good provider. He loved to read. I remember one time I went to call him to dinner. He laughed and said he would rather read his paper than to eat. He sold out in Illinois in the year of 1877, came to Sumner county near Belle Plaine, Kansas. Loved by everyone he was converted at a Baptist Revival. It was the month of January and they had to cut the ice on the Ninnescah river. He lived a good christian the rest of his life. Seven years later he died very suddenly on July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1885. Buried at Wellington.

Mother was a sweet and loving mother. She was a great comfort. She passed away March 12 1902. But three of the twelve children are now living: Mrs. Sarah Moore, widow of J. K. Moore, a Civil War veteran - living near Wellington. Brother George Allen Vawter lives in Adair, Illinois and myself, Mrs. Edwar Tiffin Rector. My husband was born in Circilville Ohio. We were married January 23 1878 and celebrated our Golden Wedding anniversaary on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 1928. Our four children presented us with a lovely gold mounted Chimes Clock. We greatly appreciated it. Five childred were born to us: Clara West born August 30 1880. Our daughters Mrs. Cora Rector Ford and Mrs. Helen Edawyn Persons live in Fresno, California. Rex Tiffin Arthur Rector, State Secretary of the Kansas Retailer's aSsn'n lives in Whichita Kansas. Majaor Elton Recotr living in Wellington. My husband is a Mason and I am an Eastern Star. Born of our sons are 32<sup>nd</sup> degree mason and Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Children of Beverly Sparks Vawter:

Joseph William Vawter d. in infancy

Joseph Chadwell Vawter d. in action in Civil War (GJNote: this is shown also as Josiah Chadwell, and uncle Josiah Chadwell did die in Civil War. Whether Joseph/Josiah also died in Civil War has not been found)

James Madison Vawter d. in Illinois

Samuel Taylor Vawter d. in Kansas

Henri Anderson Vawter d. in Kansas

Sara Ann Vawter living in Wellington

Mary Jane Vawter d. in Kansas

Paulina Francis Vawter d. in Illinois

Emma Carolyn Vawter living in Wellington

Elizabeth Bessie Vawter d. in Kansas

George Allan Vawter living in Adair, Illinois

Susan Priscilla Vawter died in Illinois

Children of Beverly Vawter and Harriet Vawter and who they married.

Samuel T. married Ellen White of Rogers Arkansas

Henri A. married Sarah E. Hughes of Peck, Kansas

Mary Jane married Daniel Munson of McComb, Illinois

Paulina F. married Theodore Herndon of Industry, Illinois

Elizabeth B. married Charles H. Lovingfoss of Wellington, Kansas

Emma C. married Edward Tiffin Rector married in Wellington Kansas

George A. married Cora Smith of Penningtons Point Illinois

Children born to each son and daughter

To Samuel T. Vawter - Silois Harriet died in infancy, John married to Edna Cole in Kansas, Hattie married to George Anthony in Kansas, Nola Fern married Mr. Moordy living in Missouri.

John Vawter - One Child died in infancy,

Hattie Anthony who has six children living,

Nola Fern Moordy, five children, two living, three dead.

To Mary Jane Munson - four children:

Theodore Munson died in New Mexico

Lulu Frances (Munson) Moore living in Kansas City, MO

Gertrude Inez (Munson) Widney living in Kansas City, MO

Daisy Mae (Munson) died in New York City wife of Dr. Ames Judd, MD of New York City

To Henry A. Vawter - 4 children

Henrietta married Frank Miles living at Cunningham, Kansas, five children.

Stella married Charles Gamble living at Kingston, Kansas, two children.

Ruby married Walter Mercer living at Peck Kansas, two children.

Jewel married Albert Clugston living at Industry, Ill. One child.

To Paulina F. Herndon

Beulah died in infancy

Sturl Arthur married, lives in Industry, IL

Nola Fern died in Illinois at age 21.

To Elizabeth B. Lovingfoss

Harold H. married Fae Rash in Wellington Kansas. They have one child.

Charles H. lives at Dallas, Texas.

To George A. Vawter

Burdett (no more known)

Bertha Lorraine lives at Adair Ill.

To Emma C. Rector and Edward Tiffin Rector

Cora married Walter A. Ford in San Francisco, Cal. Lives at Fresno, CA

Rex Tiffin Arthur living at Kansas City, MO and Wichita, Kans.

Helen Edawyn married to Harry L. Persons at Wellington, Kansas

Major Elton lives at Wellington, Kansas

Signed Emma C. Rector

The children of the family were:

1b. Joseph William Vawter, died in infancy

2b. Josiah Chadwell Vawter, b. ca 1845.

3b. James Madison Vawter, b. ca 1848. died at age 24 years

4b. Samuel Taylor Vawter b. 13 Jan 1850 d. 14 Aug 1923 m. Margaret Ellen Laveta

Angretta White of Rogers, AR

5b. Henry Anderson Vawter b. 16 Nov 1852 d. 7 May 1928 m. Sarah E. Hughes of Peck,

KS

6b. Sarah Ann Vawter b. 24 Feb 1854, m. J. K. Moore decd bef. 1928. Civil War Vet.

7b. Mary Jane Vawter b. 10 May 1855 d. 29 Oct 1924 m. Daniel Munson of McCob, IL

8b. Paulina Frances Vawter b. 8 May 1856 d. 11 Dec 1923 m. Theordore Herndon of

Industry, IL

9b. Emma Carolyn Vawter b. 4 Mar 1858 (writer) m. Edward Tiffin Rector 22 Jan 1878.

Edward b. 31 Mar 1850 Circleville, OH.

10b. Elizabeth Burse Vawter b. 6 Mar 1860 d. 8 Dec 1926 m. Charles H. Lovingfoss of Wellington, KS

11b. George Allen Vawter b. 23 Mar 1863 m. Cora Ruth of Penningtons Point, IL

12b. Susan Priscilla Vawter d. in infancy.

Information on the Lasley family is found in the census records. Elizabeth the daughter of John M. Vawter also married into this line, she married Menoch/Menoah Lasley as she is seen as Elizabeth Lashley in the census of 1850 (below).

No Lasley, Lastley, Lashley found in the 1810 Census of Stokes Co., NC.

1820 Stokes Co., NC Census, only Lasley in the census is Joseph Lasley

family #355/5 Lasley Joseph 2 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0 1 0

2 males to age 10, one male 26 to 45, 2 females to 10, 1 female 26-45.

1830 Stokes Co., NC Census, only Lasley in the census is Joseph Lasley

Family #239/23 Lasley Joseph 1020001000000 - 0200010000000

One male under 5, 2 males 10-15, one male 40-50, 2 females 5-10,

one female 30-40.

1840 Census Stokes Co., NC

Family #196/5 Lastley Joseph 2010100010000 - 0002001000000

2 males under 5, one male 10-15, 1 male 20-30, 1 male 60-70. 2 females 15-20, 1 female 40-50.

Family#209/31 Lastley John E 1000100000000 - 1002000000000

One male to 5, one male 20-30, 1 female to 5, 2 females 16-20.

1850 Stokes Co., NC Census

Family # 1129/1163 Lastley John E 35 M Farmer 1,000 NC

Lastley Sarah 39 F NC

Lastley Charles 12 M NC

Lastley Nancy 10 F NC

Lastley Edwin 8 M NC

Lastley Sarah 6 F NC

Lastley Mary 4 F NC

1850 Stokes Co., NC Census

Family #1170/1205 Lastley Menoah 31 M Farmer 700 NC

Lastley Elizabeth 31 F NC (This is Elizabeth Lashley, dau. of John M. Vawter)

Lastley Eliza A 6 F NC

Lastley Sarah E 4 F NC

Lastley John W 3 M NC

Lastley Nancy 57 F 1,000 NC

Lastley Ivy W 14 M NC

(GJ>Note: This is Nancy (Gentry) Lashley and IVA the son seen in 1860 and not Ivy, as it is noted he is a male)

1860 Stokes Co., NC Census Family #371, No other Lasleys found in 1860 Stokes Co.

Lasley IVA W. 23 M FARMER 575 225

Lasley Bettie 23 F

Lasley John 3 M

c. Paulina Vawter b. ca 1820/23 NC d. 1863-1865 NC m. (2) William L. Swaim 25 Mar 1845. William was b. 10 Aug 1817 and d. 3 Jan 1914 Forsyth Co., NC. Buried Winston Salem, NC Pleasant Fork Cemetery. Parents Michael Swaim and Anna Rosina Lanus. William m. (2) Matilda Vawter ca 1865, the sister of Paulina.

Stokes County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, Part 1. Genealogical Society of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1942-1943. (FHL microfilm 422159).

Paulina Vawter m. William L. Swaim 29 Mar 1845 Bondsmen Augusta Tiech and C. H. Nelson.

Family tradition states that Paulina married a man by the name of Northern, who worked on the family farm. Paulina was 17 at the time, she had a least one child by him, Burgess P. Norman/Northern shown in the 1850 census. However, Mr. Northern was already married and his wife, who lived in MS, sent the law after him and the marriage was annulled. William Swaim raised the child and notes this in the civil war letters below. Family info. states their may have been another child called Matilda but she is not seen in any census, however, Paulina and William did have a child by that name and could be confused. Family information further states that Burgess Northern went to MS to his father's farm in 1859 but he is found in the Civil War in NC so this is doubtful. It is stated that the girl Matilda married a Herbert Jamison in 1859 and went to MS but this has never been found.

1850 Census Forsyth Co., NC Family #217/217  
 William L. Swaim age 32 farmer b. NC  
 Polena age 27 b. NC  
 Susanna E. age 3 b. NC  
 Caroline R. age 2 b. NC  
 Matilda J. age 8/12 b. NC  
 Elizabeth Butner age 76 b. NC (b. ca 1774)  
 Burgess P. Norman age 9 b. NC (b. 31 Aug 1841)

Forsyth Co. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions Meeting. Held 16 Sept 1850, Salem, NC  
 Letters of Administration file X-72 of the estate of Elizabeth Butner \$600 Security Bond by Beverly S. Vawter.

1810 Head of Household Stokes Co., NC shows Elizabeth Butner.

GJNote: Elizabeth Butner is the aunt of William Swaim, William's mother died when he was an infant and she raised William who called her "mother". Several Butner families are found in NC.

1900 census Forsyth Co., NC W. L. Swaim lists his wife as Matilda with no children and married 35 years (1865). It further states Matilda was born Aug 1825. Matilda was a sister to Paulina Vawter.

Children:

Paulina Vawter and first husband Mr. Northern

1c. Burgess P. Northern b. 31 Aug 1841 NC

Paulina Vawter and second husband William L. Swaim

2c. Susanna E. Swaim b. ca 1847 m. 17 Sep 1868 to Calvin Faw

3c. Caroline R. Swaim b. 24 Jan 1848 d. 18 May 1874 Bur. Old Dunkard Cem., South

Fork Twp. Forsyth Co., NC m. 13 Apr 1869 to David Robertson

4c. Matilda Jane Swaim b. 3 Oct 1849 d. 15 Jan 1925 bur. Pleasant Fork Cem., Forsyth

Co., NC m. 14 May 1879 Jonathan H. Enoch

5c. Thomas Swaim b. 1850 Stillborn

6c. Thomas M. Swaim b. 16 Oct 1852 d. 20 Mar 1909 m. 5 Aug 1880 to Eliza Lang

7c. Julius C. Swaim b. 16 Jul 1854 d. 16 Jan 1939 Bur. Pleasant Fork Cem., Forsyth

Co., NC m. (1) 21 Feb 1875 to Mary Jane Thomas m. (2) Dec 1878 to Julia C. Mock

8c. Samuel W. Swaim b. 20 May 1859 d. 6 Jun 1922 bur. Pleasant Fork Cem., Forsyth

Co., NC m. (1) 20 Apr 1880 to Sarah Hege m. (2) 17 Nov 1885 to Ellen Faw

The most fascinating account of this family is found in the following two letters written by William Swaim during the Civil War, the first with a spirit of optimism and the second in sense of dread that the fight would continue. A mention of the "Indiana" relatives would be some of Paulina's family who left and went "north" and fought for the northern armies and of others of the family who fought for the "south".

"Forsyth Co., N. C. March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1862

Dear Cousin

It is with great pleasure that I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. glad to hear that you were all well hoping this may find you all still in the enjoyment of the same blessing, this leaves us all tolerable health at this time, we have not had much cold this winter, but since Christmas there has been a great deal



of rain and sleet, yesterday it snowed some and then turned in to raining, there was a g large crop of wheat sowed last fall tho it looks verry sorry at this time, we are all very backward with our work this spring, nearly everything is high here. There has been abundance of corn stilled up about here this winter, every still in the country is in use, some of the large farmers on the river are running from six to seven stills, our convention has passed and ordinance prohibiting stilling after the 15<sup>th</sup> of April until the 1<sup>st</sup> of next Jan, and a tax of 30 cents on the gallon for all whisky made from now till the 15<sup>th</sup> April. The last company of our volunteers were captured on Roanoke island the prisoners to have all been discharged on parole, our boys got home last Thursday night except some 14 who were left in Elizabeth city sick, Burges Northern the boy that I raised had the mumps when he got here, he is nearly well now except a severe cough, he was in Col. Green's battalion, there were two Georgia companies with them, one of old Ashley Swaims sons was a Lieutenant in this company and he has a son a volunteer at Manassas Since the disaster at Roanoke the unionists have been crowing about Pretty strong; but there certainly will soon be a stop put to it, I dont think that our State authorities are doing right in letting those men go on as they do, tho the most of them are men of little influence or low character. There are three companies of Forsyth boys at Manassas and one at Newbern in this State. There are a number of the Manassas boys at home now on furlough all that are here now have re-enlisted during the war a good many of the Salem and Winston boys have enlisted for the war. There has been a gdraft in several joining counties they drafted in Davidson on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March. I dont know whether there will be a draft in this county or not, if we dont raise our quota of men by volunteering there will be a draft. March 6<sup>th</sup> I will now try and finish my letter, it is snowing very fast this afternoon but it melts nearly as fast as it falls I saw Adam Butner last Monday, they were all well. They send their best respects to you. His son is still in the army at Manassas, we hear little from our Indiana folks Mr. Butner recd a letter from his in the Indianas sometime since, he say corn is 10 cents per bushel, bacon \$2 per hund... he could write but little about the war. Thos Butners son is in Lincolns army Abram Butner is dead Charles Brietz of Salem had a son in Lincolns army he is dead, he also has two sons in the Southern army, old Charly is a true Southron Adam says he has been expecting a letter from you Frederick and Caty were here two weeks ago. They stayed with us from Saturday till Tuesday. They stayed longer than they expected on account of bad weather they were as well as usual. The old man is very weak both in body and mind he has got to believe that he is upwards of 90 years old Caty say he is but 83. They have no news from the west. Dausey Peddicord died about Christmas cause of his death was hard drinking. He was a singulaar character. He never spent money in company for drink or scarsely ever got drunk in company, but he would take drinking sprees at home sometimes for weeks at a time, until it finally killed him. He made a good living was very close and saving. He was owing no man at the time of his death, and no one was owing him. He left a wife & three children, two of them grown, his mother old aunt Bestsy is still living. Philip Romingers wife has been sick for several weeks, she is better now. Philip and his wife are both members of the Baptist church (missionary). Three of our children have been going to school This winter, the school is closed now as the teacher Mr. White was drafted last Saturday in Davidson They are to leave next week. A draft is expected here soon. News came to Sale the other day that Banks one of the Yankey Generals had crossed the Potmomack at Winchester and was met by Gen Jackson and entirely routed. I have heard nothing of it since but hope it may be so. I expect to go to town tomorrow. Stirring news is expected now by every mail. I have nothing more to write that would interest you but thanking you for your letter and hope you will write again soon, give my best respects to Sandford Foltz tell him that his cousin Eli Foltz (Jacobs son) was drafted last Saturday. They are all union men, old Gasper Todd is a most violent unionist. So I will close by sending my best respects to you all.

Respectfully Yours, W. L. Swaim

State of North Carolina, Forsyth Co. March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1863

Dear Cousin,

It is with the greatest pleasure that I acknowledge the receipt of your letter which was received the other day. Glad to hear from you once more, we are all well at this time for which we have great rason to be thankful, at the same time hoping this may find you and yours all well, the neighbors generally have enjoyed good health this winter. We have had some very cold weather and some snow and for the last month been very wet, we are all backward with our work this spring provision is scarce and high & so is everything else, corn is from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per bushel, wheat \$6.00 pork sold from \$25 to \$30 per hundred, flour \$30 per barrel, salt from \$10 to \$12 per bushel.... Spun cotton \$6.00 per bunch, common course leather from \$3.50 to \$4\_\_\_\_\_ per pound, and every thing else in proportion. Our county has received a full supply of salt, we had the fortune of securing the services of an able and energetic agent (Mr. E. A. Vogler of Salem) as our county salt agent, he succeeded in getting a supply partly from our state works in Virginia, and part from the coast. Wheat looks sorry. We are still in the war and God only knows when it will end, some think that it will come to a close this spring which if it should be the case will bring joy to us all, notwithstanding the many dear ones that have sacrificed their lives upon the altar of their country. I am still out of the war being over forty five years of age have a considerable family and little help. Thomas is beginning to plow - The battle of Sharpsburg and that of Fredericksburg as been felt more severely here

than any other, a great many of our neighbors were killed and wounded, Elias Butner ( son of Young Thomas) was killed at Fredericksburg he was a Captain of a company from this County, his company suffered severely, among the killed was a son of Mr. Goe. Burk who was shot in his head, Josiah Vawter my wives brother escaped unhurt, (GJNote: Josiah was killed at the battle of Chancellorsville in 4 May 1863, only 2 months after this letter) tho there was a man shot on each side of him.... I will state that Christopher Null Died of the camp colick on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August last in Orange County Virginia Caty grieves a great deal at Christopher, she wanted his body brought home for burial but that is now out of the question as they have lately learnt that he was buried without a coffin....he had some property a small tract of land, a good horse and other property They intend keeping all of his property, he had on hand some 4 or 5 boxes of tobacco, which he made year before last, that will be sold at publick sale & will pay all of his debts & more too.... I am settleing his business. Caty requested me to say to you in this letter that they were all as well as common, and are doing as well as could be expected. Frederick said I should give you his best respects \_\_\_\_? He cant get about any scarsely is rather childish is drawn quite crooked and weak.... Martin Rominger's only son was brought home from the army about 3 weeks ago, sick & died in a few days....Martins wife is also dead a great many of our neighbors have died in the army of sickness.... I saw Adam butner a few days ago, he has just reached home from Texas he had been gone three months, stood the journey well, one of his sons is in the army since the commencement of the war, his youngest son was 18 years old in December, and he left about new year, he went to his brother in the 21<sup>st</sup> N. C. Reg. Near Fredericksburg two of my sisters sons went into the army last summer They were in the battles in Marland and on the Potomack..... The youngest of the two about 18 years old died at Winchester last fall. In November I went with David Smith to see his surviving son. We found him near Fredericksburg with the army just before the fight.... We carried some clothing and provisions to our friends... they were glad to see us & to receive the articles which we carried to them & while we were out we saw a great many Georgians some from your county. I have just returned home from the eastern part of North Carolina, I went with a neighbour (Mr. Zimmerman) to see his son, we found him in Green County above Newbern, he is in a Cavalry company....we saw a good many of our neighbors. I also saw the young man that I raised, they are near Kinston, N. C. They are in a low swampy country and I think will be sickly in the summer. There have been a great many deserters here from the army this winter, nearly all the conscripts that went from about here deserted and came home, part of them were arrested and the balance surrendered, some of them have been sent back and some are still here yet sick..... I will state a sircumstance which took place a short time ago, a son of John Alspaugh who had been deranged for several years attempted to kill his father he inflicted a severe wound with a razor on the old mans throat which came very near proving fatal, his father wears a very heavy heard and it is said that is all that saved his throat. The young man is a Doctor, his mother died a few weeks before, and that appeared to make him worse.... I will also state that Jackson Stafford died last summer, at Harrisonburg, Virginia. He had been to see his son in the army and was on his way home... he died of palsy... his son was wounded in the Fredericks fight and came home and died in a few days after he reached home. So I will come to a close for expect you will be tired reading so lengthy a letter, please write again Accept my best respect yourself and family  
Respectfully W. L. Swaim"

d. William Vawter b. ca 1823 NC d. 1859 Knox Co., IL. Married to Regina Roberts. Davidson Co., NC, marriage records states: Vauter, Wm.-Roberts, Regina -13 Feb 1845, Bondsman E. G. Roberts and M. Killian  
Moved Knox Co., IL in 1852, brother Beverly followed the next year. One son known John. Civil War soldier, this John is prob. the above mentioned son, b. NC and located to IL:  
John Vawter b. ca 1844 - Age 19 Height 5'41/2", black hair, brown eyes, Native of NC, Enlisted 18 Dec 1863 Co. B 72<sup>nd</sup> Reg. of IL Vol. Inf., Mustered out 31 Jan 1864. Transferred to Co. H. 33<sup>rd</sup> Reg. IL mustered out 24 Jul 1865.  
(GJNote: many young men lied about their age to enlist so his age as stated is only an estimate, war pension records would be needed to verify his connection)

e. Matilda Vawter b. Aug 1825 NC d. Mar 1905 Forsyth Co., NC m. ca 1865 to William L. Swaim. William was alive in 1908 in NC.  
1850 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 24  
1860 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 34  
1900 census Forsyth Co., NC W. L. Swaim lists his wife as Matilda with no children and married 35 years (1865). It further states Matilda was born Aug 1825. Matilda was a sister to Paulina Vawter who married first to William L. Swaim. Paulina d. ca 1863-65 in NC.  
A letter held by the family of William Swaim dated 28 Feb 1908 states his wife Matilda died "2 years ago last March".

f. Sophronia Vawter b. ca 1828 NC  
 1850 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 22  
 1860 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 32  
 1870 Census Forsyth Co., NC as single women age 42 b. NC. Living with John Stuart and her mother Susanna Vawter.

g. Josiah C. Vawter b. ca 1830. Died in Confederate Army in the Civil War.  
 1850 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 20  
 1860 Census Forsyth Co., NC at home age 30  
 Book- John W. Moore, "Roster of North Carolina Troops in the War Between the States" Vol. III, p. 619: J. C. Vawter, Pt., Co. D, 57<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Forsyth County, NC.  
 Will of Josiah C. Vawter found at NC State Archives, Raleigh. as Forsyth Co. 1863 WB-1\233.  
*I Josiah C. Vawter of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my Last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first that my Executor here in after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expence together with my Just debts howsoever and to whom soever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate.  
 Item I give and devise to my beloved mother Susannah Vawter a life Estate in all my Lands in Forsyth County known as the place where on She now lives to have and to hold during the term of her natural life and then her right to cease.  
 Item 2 I give and devise to my beloved Sister Matilda Vawter all that tract where on my Mother now lives except the life Estate of my Said Mother devised in a former Item on this my will to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee Simple for Ever  
 Item 3 My will and desire is that my personal Estate shall all be sold and the debts owing to me collected and if there should be any surplus shall be equally divided and paid over to my Mother and all my Sisters in Equal proportion Share and share a like to them and Each and every of them their Executors administrators and assigns absolutely for Ever  
 And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend George N. Burk my lawful Executor to all intent and purposes to Execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the Same. In every part and clause there of thereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other will and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness where of I the Said Josiah C. Vawter do here unto set my hand Seal this 22th day of October AD 1863. Witnesses J. E. Munn, Jurat and Leanster C. Burk*

8. Joseph Early Vawter b. 19 Feb 1793 Culpeper Co., VA d. 1861  
 m. (1) 15 Sept 1812 Mary (Polly) Larimore, b. 1 Feb 1795 Bondsman Geo. Taylor.  
 Stokes County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, Part 1. Genealogical Society of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1942-1943. (FHL microfilm 422159).

m. (2) ca 1838/39 in KY Nancy Smith d. 1878  
 Book- *The Vawter Family in America*, pub. 1905 by Grace Vawter Bicknell, p. 373 tells of the naming of Joseph Early. "Jesse Vawter, son of David (bro. of Russell), in his account of the journey westward, speaks of one Joseph Early. One of Russell Vawter's children is named Joseph Early, probably for this same man."  
 Book- *Early Families of the NC Counties of Rockingham and Stokes with Rev. Service*, pub. 1977 by James Hunter Chapter, DAR, Madison, NC p. 65-67 gives the story of James Larimore, b. 18 Apr 1759 SC, d. 16 Sept 1842 Stokes Co., NC; m. (1) 1782, Caty Morgan, b. 1760 d. 1815 Stokes Co., NC (2) 25 May 1823 Stokes Co., NC, Leanne Southern/Sothorn, b. ca 1797, d. aft 1855. Enlisted in the Orange Co., NC Military and saw action with several Regiments. Was wounded in the battle of Briar Creek. Received a pension from his disabilities. His widow, Leanna was allowed pension 25 Sept 1853 in Forsythe Co., NC (File #W-5312) and granted 160 acres in Stokes Co., NC (warrant #26421) on 3 Mar 1855. James Larimore is seen in the 1810 Head of Household Manufacturers census in Stokes Co., NC

In 1938 the Larimore Family Bible was published and child #7 (of 18 children) was Mary (Polly) Larimore, b. 1 Feb 1795; m. Joseph Early Vauter, son of Russell and his wife Mary (Sparks) Vauter, b. in Culpeper Co., Va. They moved to Kentucky.

Children of Joseph Vawter and Mary "Polly" Larimore:

1. Washington S. Vawter b. 29 Jul 1813. Was a physician
2. Thomas S. Vawter b. 17 Aug 1815 d. 1854 near Hillsboro, IL m. Nancy A. Chapman b. 9 Feb 1820 d. 30 Dec 1873.
  - a. Martha Vawter d. 1861
  - b. William M. Vawter b. 27 Nov 1842, Monroe Co., KY m. 10 Jan 1864 to Nancy Jane Burk b. 12 Jun 1846 Walshville, IL
3. Edith P. Vawter b. 9 Nov 1817
4. Patsy A. Vawter b. 19 Mar 1820
5. Joseph Monroe Vawter b. 8 Sept 1822 d. 1903 Brookville, IN m. 8 Sep 1822 to Mary Louise Furgeson b. 1844 VA.
  - a. Trueman Carpenter Vawter b. 1875 m. 1897 to Myrta Bourne
  - b. George Early Vawter b. 1877
  - c. Ray Partee Vawter b. 1879 m. 1902 to Rose Smith
  - d. Anna Mae Vawter b. 1884
6. Nancy Ann Vawter b. 2 Jan 1825 m. Charles Richard Wilson
7. James J. Vawter b. 4 Jan 1827 m. Susan Hollandsworth b. 11 Apr 1832 Marrow Bone, KY
  - a. Joseph T. Vawter b. 10 Mar 1852 m. Bedie Dewbre b. Marrow Bone, KY
  - b. Allen V. Vawter b. 27 Apr 1855 d. 18 May 1882
  - c. Mary J. Vawter b. 3 Jul 1858 m. Jame Hagan
  - d. Amanda S. Vawter b. 8 May 1862 m. Joseph M. Sympson/Simpson
  - e. Nancy W. Vawter b. 16 Jun 1865 d. 8 Feb 1866
  - f. Mintie B. Vawter b. 4 Jun 1867 m. Benjamin G. Hardin
  - g. Julia A. Vawter b. 23 Dec 1871 m. Ansel S. Palmore
8. William DeWitt Vawter b. 9 Mar 1829 Monroe Co., KY d. 30 Oct 1920 Burlington, KS m. Ermin Elizabeth Lane b. 22 Jun 1836 McDonough Co., IL
  - a. Cholston Bross Vawter
  - b. Joseph Damon (Butler) Vawter
  - c. Frank Brennan Vawter b. 25 Apr 1858 in McDonough Co., IL
  - d. Mary Leather Vawter b. 5 Jul 1860 in McDonough Co., IL
9. Catherine "Katy" A. Vawter b. 5 Mar 1831 d. 1904 m. James Allen Hollandworth b. 1829 d. 1890
  - a. Mary Jane "Polly" Hollandworth b. 1851 d. 1941 m. Thomas New Barnes b. 1844 d. 1919
  - b. Thomas J. Hollandworth b. 1852
  - c. Nancy Ellen Hollandworth b. 1855
  - d. James W. Hollandworth b. 1857 d. 1937 m. Mary Hammer
  - e. July M. Hollandworth b. 1859
  - f. Manda Susan Hollandworth b. 1861 d. 1929 m. Labron Pitcock b. 1861 d. 1952
  - g. Saria Catherine Hollandworth b. 1864 d. 1866
  - h. Jennie Hollandworth b. 1866 d. 1944
  - i. John Logan Hollandworth b. 1869
  - k. Samuel Moore Hollandworth b. 1870 d. 1928
  - l. Joel Nunn Hollandworth b. 1872
10. Amanda J. Vawter b. 13 Apr 1833.  
 VITAL STATISTICS - Deaths: 1870, Monroe County, KY  
 Note: Flux was running rampant .. this is a "milder" form of cholera and was sometimes called the summer cholera. PRECINCT#4: (among others)  
Amanda J. VAUGHTER, 37, f, w, KY, Apr. consumption.
11. Sallie K. Vawter b. 11 Jan 1835
12. Allen Vaul Vawter (twin) b. 18 Jul 1837 Monroe Co., KY. Left KY and moved near Columbia, MO where he was killed 12 May 1888. He m. Elizabeth Sinclair b. 1855 Providence, MO d. 25 Feb 1894.

- a. Joseph Thomas Vawter d. ca 2 years of age.
- b. Margaret E. Vawter b. 24 Sep 1880 m. 8 Jun 1903 to W. A. Reynolds b. 10 Feb 1877.
- c. Walter Allen Vawter b. 24 Dec 1882 near Columbia, MO
- d. Josephine Allen Vawter b. 30 Sep 1884 near Columbia, MO m. 7 Apr 1903 to O. L. Settle b. 31 Oct 1884.

13. Mary P. Vawter (twin) b. 18 Jul 1837 d. Feb 1923 m. to Theodore Tooley b. 1 Apr 1829 d. 1890. (This info. From descendant Diana Sue Bible email dsparker@iupui.edu)
- a. James Tooley
  - b. Theodore Tooley
  - c. Joseph Tooley
  - d. (male) Tooley
  - e. (female) Tooley
  - f. Sarah Tooley b. 1867 d. 1927 m. Gideon "Doc" Gregory b. 1857 d. 1935. Buried at Crawfordsville, IN.
  - g. Lucy Ann Tooley b. 27 Aug 1877 d. 12 Feb 1950 m. 16 Apr 1907 to Albert S. Pitcock b. 10 Oct 1871 d. 29 Jun 1944. They lived around Crawfordsville and Waveland, IN

Children of second wife Nancy Smith:

14. John E. Vawter b. 18 Jul 1840
15. Josephus R. Vawter b. 9 Jan 1842 Monroe Co., KY d. 3 May 1882 to Mary J. Williams b. 4 Apr 1849 Monroe Co., KY
- a. Leona Vawter b. 23 Mar 1868 d. 1 May 1897
  - b. Nancy Adalaide Vawter b. 5 Apr 1869 Monroe Co., KY m. 19 Jan 1888 to Peyton Lacy Cook b. 12 Apr 1861. Moved to Cordell, OK Terr.
  - c. Margaret Vawter b. 12 Oct 1870 d. Nov 1870
  - d. Leighton Vawter b. 21 Jul 1872 d. Jul 1873
  - e. Bennie B. Vawter (twin) b. 21 Aug 1874 Monroe Co., KY m. 25 Dec 1895 to Valera A. Crawford b. 3 Jun 1878 TN. Moved to Cordell, OK Terr.
  - f. Minnie Vawter (twin) b. 21 Aug 1874 d. 12 Nov 1875
  - g. Edgar S. Vawter b. 22 Dec 1876 Monroe Co., KY m. 15 Oct 1899 to Melissa E. Crawford b. 6 Feb 1882 Johnson Co., TX. Moved to OK Terr.
  - h. Melissa H. Vawter b. 4 Jan 1879 Monroe Co., KY m. 25 Sep 1898 Tarrant Co., TX to Robert John Briggs b. 14 Mar 1871 Canada.
  - i. Infant b. and d. Feb 1880.

16. Beverly P. Vawter b. 3 Oct 1844 m. 7 Nov 1867 Scottsville, IL to Maria L. Graves who d. 10 Mar 1904.
- a. Alice Vawter b. 1878 d. infancy
  - b. Frederick D. Vawter b. 1880. Physician in Gessie, IN.

Many of the dates published in *The Vawter Family in America* by Grace Bicknell Vawter pub. 1905, Indianapolis, IN. Most of the children were still living at the time and provided information. Also, the Joseph Early house in KY still stood at that time.

9. Mary "Polly" Vawter b. 20 Aug 1796 Prob. Stokes Co., NC. At home 1800 and 1810 census Stokes Co., NC. No husband is known of Mary but she may have married another named Vawter but the children are likely hers as an unmarried woman  
*Will of George Taylor 30 Apr 1832 - June Term 1832 page 233 is found. George leaves his estate to Polly S. Vawter's children as follows:*  
*To two daughters of Polly S. Vawter, Julia Madison and Alpha Monroe Vawter, balance of estate after debts paid reserving half land where house and plantation in which we now live to Alpha Monroe Vawter and both girls to maintain Their mother as long as she is single. Executors Bradford Vawter and Daniel Reich. Witnesses Nathaniel Alspaugh and John M. Vawter. Signed George Taylor.*

Who this George Taylor is remains a mystery. Several George Taylors are known. The material below may lead us to the correct Taylor line. The George who left his estate to Polly's daughters is likely connected to the several Taylors who married into this line.

1810 Stokes Co., NC Head of Household Manufacturers Census shows George Taylor  
The 1820 Census index (1974 by Dorothy Williams Potter) Name: Taylor: Stokes County  
page 69 George J., page 70 Eliza, George S., Hiram, Josiah, Thomas. This could indicate a George Sr and Jr but does not mean father and son. The Vaughters (Vawter) families are all generally found on page 72 of the 1820 census so were close by.

1830 Census NC, Microcopy 19, roll 125, 5<sup>th</sup> Census of US, Stokes Co., p. 271  
George Taylor, 1 male age 15-20, 1 male age 50-60. One female 10-15, one female 15-20, one female 30-40 and one female age 50-60. This could be the George Taylor that leave his estate to the children of Polly. The ages of the females would work for Polly and the 2 daughters. The male, age 15-20, is unknown. This is the only George Taylor in the 1830 census and on page 272 we find Bradford and Chadwick (Chadwell) Vaughters who are brothers of Polly.

Living in Henry Co., VA near the family of George Taylor, Sr. were other Taylor families, likely related. One was a George Taylor who could be the father to this George Taylor connected to Polly. No proof is found to connect any of these George's.

Book *Marriage Bonds of Henry Co., VA 1778-1799* by Douglas McDonald, Seattle, Wash. lists several Taylor marriages in Henry Co., VA.

24 June 1779 Taylor, George and Hannah Jennings

A George Taylor, Jr., son of George Sr. (of Henry Co., VA) left for TN before 1830 and Josiah Taylor (found in NC), son of George Sr had a son George but he is found later in IL, married again into the Vawter family. George Sr's daughters married into the Vawter lines in NC.

Children of Mary (Polly) S. Vawter.

a. Julia Madison Vawter b. ca 1815 NC m. Daniel Reich b. 14 Feb 1813 near Salem, NC. Daniel was the son of Johann Ludwig and Magdalena (Tesch) Reich. Children of Johann and Magdalena were Johannes, Anna Paulina, Anna Dorthea m. Noah David Speck b. 10 Aug 1799 Stokes Co., NC, Christian Ludwig, Mary Magdalena and Daniel Reich.

Note: Daniel Reich was a witness in the will of Chadwell Vawter. They sold land in Stokes Co., NC in 1845.

1850 Census Forsyth Co., NC Family #212

Mary Vawter age 53 b. NC.

Living with the family of Daniel Reich age 36 b. NC and wife Julia age 35 b. NC.

Children: George F. 16, Emily R. 14 (m. William Jarvis), Mary S. 12 (m. John R. Harper d. bef. 1874), John L. 10, Alpha Jane 6 (m. Reubin Carter), CC Columbus 5 (m. Lutitia John b. ca 1847), and Martha E. 1 (m. J.W. Woolsey). Born later was Ellen V. Reich (m. Jacob Waggoneer).

Note: Emily R. m. William Jarvis (1833-1894) William, son of James and Delphia (Cheshire) Jarvis. Children of William and Emily R. (Reich) Jarvis:

James Monroe "Plough Boy" Jarvis b. 1857 m. Augusta Jones

Francis Jarvis b. 1860

Sarah Ann Jarvis b. 1860 d. 1935 m. Alexander Patterson b. 1858 d. 1940

J. M. "Plough Boy" of the Clemmons community produced Jarvis' Golden Prolific seed corn, known throughout the SE. He pursued breeding corn until the mid 1930's when he was too old to continue. His name is synonymous with good farming development and practices.

b. Alpha Monroe Vawter b. ca 1818 m. 24 Nov 1833 to Christian David Seitz b. 1805 d. 1879 Forsyth Co., NC. The Seitz/Sides name is of Moravian descent. Marriage bond Stokes Co., NC Alpha Vawter m. Christ D. Sides 21 Nov 1833, bondsman Daniel Reich and John M. Blum.

Christian David Seitz parents Johann George Seitz and Catharina Claus. George Sides shown as head of household in 1810 Stokes Co., NC

Book *Records of Moravians in NC*, 11 vol. Salem Record 1833 page 4068 Item:

Nov. 30. Personal Note: Married Nov 24, in Friedland, the single Br. Christian David Seitz and the single Alpha Vawter of Hope and joining the church there.

Page 4643 Hope Record 1841, Two adult person were baptized, viz. the married Sr. Alpha M. Seitz and the single Sr. Lucinda Elizb. Cook. Also, confirmed the married Br. Chr. D. Seitz. Also noted One child from Friedland came to live with our Br. And Sr. Seitz, viz. John Bevel.

From The Seitz Family Genealogy Page email Dan Stevenson

Dan\_Stevenson@lajolla.sparta.com, listed the children of Christian and Alpha Seitz

- 1b. George Michael Sides b. ca 1834
- 2b. John Philip Sides b. ca 1836
- 3b. James Henry Sides b. ca 1838
- 4b. Maria Rebecca Sides b. 1840 d. 1914 m. Amos Faw b. 1838 d. 1883, a  
Dunkard Clergyman
- 5b. Maria Catharine Sides b. ca 1843
- 6b. William Francis Sides b. ca 1845
- 7b. Christian Parmelio Sides b. ca. 1848
- 8b. Levi Herman Sides b. ca 1850
- 9b. Ambrose Edwin Sides b. ca 1852
- 10b. Elizabeth Jane Sides
- 11b. Rosa Sides

10. Peachy Vawter b. 10 Aug 1798 Prob. Stokes Co., NC d. 1804. (Note: Peachy is a nickname generally for Susanna)

### Frances Alpha and Omega Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)

Frances Alpha and Omega Vawter was the daughter of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. She m. 2 Nov 1790 to Robert Shelton, found in the marriage records of Culpeper Co., VA, minister William Carpenter (Lutheran). Robert died in Woodford Co. KY in 1835 during a cholera epidemic. Information from a book on deaths in Woodford Co. KY (unnamed).

Robert's parents were Reuben Shelton and Priscilla Medley. Robert also had a brother named Medley, so the name can get confused in records.

On the family of his father, Reuben Shelton, Reuben requested Lewis Montague be appointed his guardian. He was the beneficiary of the will of his wife's (Priscilla Medley) bachelor brother named Robert Medley with Reuben's inheritance to descend to the eldest son, Thomas Shelton, should Reuben pre decease Robert Medley.

Reuben Shelton was the son of Thomas Shelton and Mary Probert of Middlesex Co., VA. They seemed to have sons Thomas b. 1755, Medley and Reuben Shelton.

Medley Shelton b. 1762 Middlesex Co., VA d. 1839 Carroll Co., KY. Rev. War vet lived in Culpeper Co., VA, Scott Co., and Gallatin Co., KY. His wife was Elizabeth Ward (dau. of Jacob Ward). Children were Jacob W. Shelton (b. 1794 m. Mary Tandy all left for Jefferson Co., IA in 1835), Ann Shelton (m. Zachariah Bledsoe and George Collins), Mary (m. William Whitehead and Jacob Blessing), John B. Shelton (m. Malinda Craig, left for Jefferson Co., IA ended up in Knox Co., MO) and Medley Shelton, Jr. (m. Nancy Chadwell, ended up in MO)

In the wills of her parents Richard and Frances Vawter, Frances Shelton is noted:

Richard Vawter will 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA: *Item, It is my will and desire that the one acre of land on which the church stands in its appurtenances be sold to the highest bidder by my executor and the money be divided to my daughters Anna Vawter and Alpha Shelton, now citizens of the State of Kentucky.*

France Vawter will 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811, Madison Co., VA: *after my decease my Executor sell the whole of my estate and the money arising from the sale those together with that debts as owing to me and all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children,*

Robert d. ca 1835 and in 1836 his land was sold in Woodford Co., KY to a Mr. Filson. All the children were listed in this deed and are shown below. Alpha O. F. Shelton relinquished her dower in the track of land. Source located in LDS Library film #252298 Book O (end of book) pages 284-286. (provided by Shirley Gregory)

Children:

1. Col. Medley Shelton m. 24 May 1813 in Woodford Co., KY to his cousin Malinda Wilhoit. Medley was the owner of a famous Old Tavern of Versailles. Within his tavern such men as Henry Clay, the Crittendens, the Breckinridges and other luminaries of that period were entertained. It was one of the most popular hostelrys in Central KY.

They were located in Woodford Co., KY in the 1836 deed of land.

He was popular and a clever politician. Col. Medley represented Woodford Co. in the KY Legislature of 1842. He was a colonel in the war of 1812 and went by the name Col. Medley ever after. He and Malinda eventually moved to Jackson Co., MO.

2. Frances Vawter Shelton b. 3 Dec 1798 m. 9 Apr 1816 to Elijah P. Dale b ca 1793. Marriage bond held in clerk's office Versailles, Woodford Co., KY. Permission to marry by Robert Shelton, witnessed by Samuel Tillery and Medley Shelton. Medley Shelton signed the



marriage bond with Elijah Dale. They moved to Rocheport, MO in 1821 to (now) Jasper Co., MO in 1838, just before the Civil War they were located on Dale Prairie (just west of the present city of Joplin). Elijah died Nov. 1, 1865 and is buried in Old Salem Cemetery, Moniteau Co. MO. Frances Shelton Dale died Sept. 28, 1882 in Sarcoxie, Jasper Co., MO.

Her tombstone is located in Sarcoxie, MO cemetery as reads:

"Frances V. Shelton born Bradford Co., Ky 3 Dec 1798, married E. P. Dale 10 April 1817 Immigrated to Boone Co., Mo in 1821. United with Baptist Church about 1830. Immigrated to Jasper Co., Mo in May 1838. Died 28 Sep 1882".

(GJNote: there is no Bradford Co., KY but there is a Woodford Co., KY and the Vawter and Dale families are noted in Woodford county in the 1810 census. This is an error on the tombstone.)

Elijah P. Dale and Frances V. Dale were living in Boone Co., MO when the 1836 deed was signed. Children:

3a. Alfred Dale b ca 1818. Family lived in Indianapolis, IN area. Children known: Frankie Dale m. a Hinton, Malinda Alpha Dale married Dr. Griffith who was killed in the Civil War, Robert Dale, Granville Dale, Will Dale and Emma Dale.

3b. Robert Jesse Dale b 15 Mar 1820 d. 20 May 1910 m. Jun 1843 to Olive Cox of Flinn's Lick, TN b. 5 Jun 1822 d. 6 Feb 1897. Children George Fielding Dale b. 24 Jul 1844 d. 13 May 1940 m. Sue Harris, Henry Clay Dale b. 6 Apr 1848 d. 26 Dec 1919 m. Emma Barker., Mary Molinda Dale b. 1 Mar 1846 d. 1875 m. Robert Hughes, Ann Frances Dale b. 24 Mar 1851 d. 31 Jul 1943 m. Andrew M. Wise, Permelia Branch Dale b. 24 Feb 1854 m. Thomas H. F. Howard, Martha Jane Dale b. 2 Apr 1857 d. 30 Nov 1835 m. Rice Johnson and Olive Canzade Dale m. b. 17 Feb 1861 d. 13 Aug 1896 m. Turner Hine. Also children Dave and Elijah who died young.

3c. Permelia Dale b. ca 1822 d. ca 1895 San Antonio, TX married Abner Holleman. Children known: Tom Line Holleman d. San Antonio, TX ca 1890-1895. Laura Holleman m. a Carlisle, lived in TX. And Hattie Halleman married a Latimer.

3d. Medley Vawter Dale b. ca 1824 Medley Dale built the first brick house in Westport (Kansas City), went to TX bef. the Civil War. 3 children Thomas Dale, Henry Dale and Fannie Dale Smith b. 1862 whose widow was living in Hearne TX in 1927 with numerous children and grandchildren.

Mary E. Dotson b abt 1829 AL/MS. She married #1 Timothy Holmes b AL and #2 Medley Vawter Dale found in 1860 Holmes Co MS Census. Two of their children, (1880) Frances 18 and Henry 16 in Burleson Co TX in home of their half-sis Bettie Coffee Holmes. There was also a son Thomas in the home of Henry W & Mattie Dotson in the above 1880 TX Census. Robertson Co TX fits because that is where Frances Dale Smith raised her family, and that would put her near Henry W. Dotson.

3e. Mary Adeline Dale b. ca 1830 d 2 Apr 1864 married David Sundry/Sunday. Mary Adeline died 2 Apr 1864 and David Sunday died 5 Feb 1866. David Sunday was the brother of the famous Billy Sunday. The 6 Sunday children ranged from age 14 and younger in 1866, Ada aged about 7 or 8 went to live with her aunt and uncle Martin (see census below). Two children were alive in 1944 as noted by Dale researchers, they were Frank Sunday of Texas and Ada Hackney, Ponca City, OK.

3f. James M. Dale b. ca 1832 married Martha Snyder moved to TX in 1870, a son J. R. Dale was a Baptist preacher and a dau. Sarah Frances Dale was b. ca 1854.

3g. Rebecca Dale b. ca 1835 m. Lewis Martin b. ca 1821, Rebecca was Lewis second wife based on census below. Dale researchers state: 3 children were born to Rebecca. Charles who died in 1902, Amelia Hawkins b. 1875 moved to Austin Texas and had 3 children, (Lillie) Belle Boucher b. 1877 died 1917 leaving 3 children Marguerite, Lucille and Dale.

Census information

1820 KY Woodford Co., Elijah Dale

1830 MO Boone Co., Elijah Daley

1850 MO Center Twp., Jasper Co., Elijah P. Dale (55), Frances V. (50), Mary A. (20), James M. (18) and Rebecca (16)

1860 MO Sarcoxie Twp. Jasper Co., E. P. Dale (65), Francis V. (61), Rebecca (25)

1880 MO Sarcoxie Twp. Jasper Co., Lewis Martin (59) and wife Rebecca (45), James (13), Franklin (13), Charles (6), Amelia (4), Lillie (2), Adie Sundy (18) and Frances Dale age 84 (mother in law).

Note: Frances Dale and the other children of the Sunday's are not found in 1870 census and their whereabouts are yet unknown.

Shirley Gregory who supplied information on the Dale line adds this: "Elijah Dale's parents were Robert Dale and Mary Baskett Johnson (her first husband died). We are still searching for written proof that she is mother of Elijah Dale, as he is not mentioned in her father's will but marriage and birth dates indicate she is the mother.

Elijah served with his brother Jesse Dale in the War of 1812 and they were captured by Indians. They were forced to run the gauntlet but came through without serious injury and somehow survived captivity. Elijah Dale moved to MO as his father had before him. Robert Dale, his father, was a Baptist circuit rider.

It is a matter of record in Jasper Co. MO, that the first Baptist Church ever organized in Jasper Co. was organized in the small pioneer home of Elijah P. Dale."

3. Permelia Shelton b. 10 Apr 1797 m. 31 Aug 1813 Woodford Co., KY to Francis Hawkins b. 24 Feb 1785 Culpeper Co., VA. In the 1836 deed living in Mercer Co., KY.
  - a. Florella Hawkins b. 8 Jan 1826 Mercer Co., KY (not shown in the 1836 deed)
  - b. Sheridan Hawkins, 1836 living in Anderson Co., KY
  - c. Livingston Hawkins, 1836 living in Anderson Co., KY
  - d. Granville Hawkins, 1836 living in Anderson Co., KY

4. Nancy Shelton m. Benjamin Wickersham  
Living in Woodford Co., KY 1836 at the time of the deed of land sale.

Much of the information was provided by Shirley Gregory email oldshoesac4@juno.com, the book *The Vawter Family in America* by Grace Bicknell Vawter and other family members.

### **Nancy Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)**

Nancy Vawter was the daughter of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. She m. 17 Nov 1795 at Madison Co., VA to Elijah Wilhoit b. 18 Mar 1775 Culpeper Co., VA.. (Nancy and her sister Tabitha married together on the same day). Marriage reported by Rev. William Carpenter.

In the wills of her parents is found:

Richard Vawter will 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA: *Item, I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Elijah Wilhoit, the tract of land where he now lives on condition of his paying unto my three daughters, Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks and Tabitha Rouse the sum of \$100 each in three annual payments, the first payment due 1st. day of January after my decease.*

Frances Vawter will 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811, Madison Co., VA: *after my decease my Executor sell the whole of my estate and the money arising from the sale those together with that debts as owing to me and all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children,*

From *History of Woodford County* by Wiliam E. Railey. The Taylors and Strothers were from Orange Co., VA. Col. Richard Taylor and his brother Hancock had been to the Kentucky territory earlier and had surveyed Fayette, Woodford, and Franklin Counties. Col. Richard Taylor was President Zachary Taylor's father and they settled in KY when Zachary was one year old.

Alpha Vawter/Robert Shelton, Anna Vawter/Philemon Vawter, Jesse Vawter/Elizabeth Watts and William Vawter/ Mary Rucker had all migrated to KY during the first decade of the 1800's. Woodford Co., KY is the location of these families, near the forks of the Elkhorn River. This was near Frankfort, KY.

About 1814, Nancy & Elijah moved to Woodford Co., KY and bought the farm of Col. Richard Taylor who inherited by Col. Taylor's wife from her father, William Strother. The farm adjoined Thomas Colman, whose wife was a sister of Col. Taylor's wife and had inherited her estate from the same source.

Shortly after, on 1 Oct 1815, Elijah Wilhoit died. Nancy married (2) Mr. Hawkins.

Elijah's father was John Wilhoit b. 1745 Orange Co., VA d. bef. 13 Mar 1813 Jefferson Co., KY. Heads of Families - Orange County, 1782

Name of Head of Family	White	Black
Wilholt, John	8	--

About 1768 he m. in Culpeper Co., VA to Elizabeth Blankenbaker b. ca 1753. Elizabeth's father was Michael Blankenbaker b. ca 1730 d. bef. 21 Jun 1790 Culpeper Co. VA and Elizabeth's mother was Elizabeth Barbara Gaar b. 11 Feb 1729/30. John Wilhoit and Elizabeth Blankenbaker had 11 children. The name is also found spelled Wilhoite or Willhoit.

Children:

1. Aaron b. ca 1767, this son was from a 1<sup>st</sup> wife of John's named Sarah ?. The other 11 children are of Elizabeth.
2. Lewis (Dec. 26, 1768-May 28, 1859, age 90) (Married Miss Hollenbeck, then Rebecca Netherton Kellar)
3. Mary (Dec. 17, 1770-April 10, 1838, age 67) (Married Adam Miller) (ten children)
4. Anna (March 5, 1775) (Married William Roebuck on Feb. 18, 1805, in Madison County, Virginia) (William was previously Married to Sarah Wayland) (Anna remarried to Adam Shrader on Jan. 17, 1815)
5. Elijah (March 18, 1775-Oct. 1, 1815, age 40) (Married Nancy Vawter) (five children)

6. Simeon (Nov. 8, 1777-Nov. 1826, age 48 or 49) (Married Mary Finks) (eight children)
7. Elliott (Jan. 8, 1780-Dec. 17, 1846, age 66) (Married Julia Ann Finks) (five children)
8. Elizabeth (Sept. 5, 1782) (Married William Broyles)
9. Rhoda (May 22, 1785) (Married William Hardin) (nine children)
10. Julius (Dec. 13, 1787) (Married Lucinda Yewell) (lived in Edgar County, Illinois) (eight children)
11. Abraham (Feb. 5, 1791-Sept. 19, 1838, age 47) (Married Martha Mosby, then Frances Powell Mosby)
12. Lucy (Jan. 8, 1793-July 5, 1876, age 83) (Married Jonathan Hardin) (eight children)

Children of Elijah and Nancy (Vawter) Wilhoit:

1. Malinda Wilhoit b. 11 Oct 1796 Madison Co., VA d. 7 May 1885, m. Medley Shelton 24 May 1813 in Woodford Co., KY, cousin and son of Alpha Vawter & Robert Shelton.  
(See Frances Alpha & Omega Vawter4 file)

2. Hiram Wilhoit b. 22 Jan 1798 Madison Co., VA d. 18 Aug 1876. Married (1) Mary Hobson Mosby and m. (2) Sophia Thornton. Sophia was the granddaughter of Thomas Coleman and Susanna Strother Hawkins (widow of Capt. Moses Hawkins). They had several children of whom one was Judge James T. Wilhoit, early postmaster of Versailles, KY. Hiram as the eldest son cared for the other children when his father died at an early age.

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*Judge James T. Wilhoit*

*Important offices were filled by Judge James T. Wilhoit, whose spirit was of that vital and forceful nature which finds its highest expression in public service, and an unblemished record won for him the unqualified respect and confidence of the citizens of Versailles. He was known and honored throughout Woodford county and his demise on the 18th of June, 1923, was the occasion of deep and widespread regret.*

*Judge Wilhoit was born January 10, 1853, on a farm near Mortonsville, Kentucky, and was a son of Hiram and Sophia (Thornton) Wilhoit, the latter of whom was related to General Zachary Taylor through the Strother family. The paternal grandparents, Elijah and Nancy (Vawter) Wilhoit, settled on a farm near Mortonsville in 1814 and the former died in 1815, while his widow passed away several years later at Jacksonville, Illinois. When seventeen years of age Hiram Wilhoit took charge of the homestead, which he subsequently sold to a son, and purchased a tract of land on the Kentucky river. There he followed the occupation of farming and also operated a sawmill, converting the logs that came down the river into commercial lumber. He built up a large industry, which he continued until after the Civil war, and then sold the business. He was a democrat of the Jackson type and served as a magistrate under the old constitution. He filled the office for many years and died at the age of seventy-nine. His commission was preserved by the subject of this sketch, who was also the possessor of other interesting documents, dating back for a century or more. One was a letter written by his grandfather in 1812 and he also had an old account book that belonged to Richard Vawter, the father of his grandmother, Nancy Vawter. In this book mention is made of transactions between Richard Vawter and Henry Field, Jr., of Madison county, Virginia, during the year 1792. It also refers to a stock of rum or brandy and a large yardage of "nigger cotton."*

*James T. Wilhoit was reared on the river farm and attended the public schools of that locality. At the age of nineteen he entered Kentucky University at Lexington but soon afterward returned to the homestead and followed agricultural pursuits until appointed deputy sheriff under Robert H. Stout. Mr. Wilhoit was elected sheriff January 1, 1898, and was the first incumbent of the office under the new constitution, serving for one term. When Judge Stout was called to the state bench Mr. Wilhoit was chosen by Governor Beckham as his successor in the office of county judge and filled out the unexpired term. He was then elected for the regular term of four years and his just and impartial administration of the law won for him high commendation. On May 16, 1914, he was appointed postmaster of Versailles and acted in that capacity until 1922, discharging his duties with characteristic efficiency and fidelity. The business of the office was greatly increased during that period, requiring the services of three clerks and six rural delivery carriers. He was a good citizen, a devoted husband and father and a loyal, steadfast friend, always following the course dictated by conscience and honor.*

*In 1874 Judge Wilhoit married Miss Alice Bohon, a native of Missouri and a daughter of George and Susan (Gray) Bohon. She was a child when her father died and her mother returned to Kentucky soon afterward.*

To Judge and Mrs. Wilhoit were born six children. John T., the youngest, was in the employ of the Standard Oil Company at Henderson, Kentucky, and died September 12, 1925. The others are: Martha, the wife of Wallace Johnson, who is engaged in farming in Woodford county; Hiram, who acts as cashier of the Woodford Bank & Trust Company; James C., who is a well known attorney of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Sophia, the wife of Victor Bradley, a successful lawyer, practicing at Versailles; and George B., a clerk in the local postoffice.

Note: Judge Wilhoit was related to both Wilhoit and the Strother families of Carter Co., Ky.

3. Eleazar Wilhoit b. 27 Mar 1800 Madison Co., VA d. 8 Mar 1880 Platte Co., MO. He m. (1) 21 Sep 1820 in Woodford or Trimble Co., KY to Nancy Connell b. 20 Jan 1803 d. 8 Jan 1827 Trimble Co., KY and m. (2) 15 Mar 1827 Clark Co., KY to Agnes "Addie" Connell. Both wives were the dau. of Jesse Connell & Elizabeth "Betsy" (Cotton) Gray.

4. Emily Tolls (Toles) Wilhoit b. 17 Dec 1806, Madison Co., VA d. after 1850 in MO or KS. She m. 15 Jan 1822 Woodford Co., KY to Merritt Scott Johnson and had at least one son, Hiram Willhoite Johnson.

5. Ansel Vawter Wilhoit b. 4 Aug 1812, Madison Co., VA d. 6 Jul 1858. He m. 1 Dec 1834 to Lucinda Rucker of Woodford Co., KY.

This information was found in the Tampa FL Public Library, Family history of *Henson and others* by Kirby Wilson. Related through Emily Tolls Wilhoit. No date or address found in these papers. Email for Kirby Wilson is kirb@gte.net. Also family history of Wilhite/Wilhoit by Ronald E. Cornwall, Stanford Place, Edwardsville, IL 62024, dated 1985. Information by E. B. Vaughters, 12015 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. NW, Seattle, WA pub. 1985 Winter VVV Association Newsletter.

Other information from: Johni Cerny and Gary J. Zimmerman, *Before Germanna: The Ancestry of Johann Michael Willheit and Anna Maria Hengsteler*, No. 1 January 1990 (American Genealogical Lending Library Publishers, Bountiful, Utah)

### Margaret Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)

Margaret Vawter was the daughter of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. She m. John Breedlove of whom little is known except one deed so far found that may indicate they were selling their property in VA.

Book- *Deed Abstract of Madison Co., VA 1793-1804 Books 1, 2, 3*. Abstracted by Ruth & Sam Sparacio, 1986, NC State Library. P. 41. Deed book 1, pp. 383-384. Indenture 2 Feb 1796 bet. John Breedlove and Daniel Holenbeck of Frederick Co.....for £60....sells 100 acrs. in Madison Co. formerly conveyed by Deed from John Vawter to said John Breedlove...bounded lands of Richard Vawter, John Bradford, William Walker, Ephraim Rucker and the legatees of Joseph Earley, decd....Presence of John Wright, Alexr. Hunton, Robert Field Jr., John Walker Jr. Signed John Breedlove. Rec. 29 Apr 1796.

In the will of her father Richard Vawter, 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA, she is noted: *Item, I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Elijah Wilhoit, the tract of land where he now lives on condition of his paying unto my three daughters, Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks and Tabitha Rouse the sum of \$100 each in three annual payments, the first payment due 1st. day of January after my decease.*

In the will of her mother Frances Vawter she is not mentioned. 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811 Madison Co., VA, she or her husband are not noted: *all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children*

The following lineage material done entirely by other Breedlove researchers and no primary evidence is offered for accuracy.

1. Charles Breedlove b. bet 1668-1685 Old Rappahannock Co., VA d. aft 21 Feb 1758 VA m. 2 May 1724 VA to Mary Parr. Mary the dau. of Philip Parr and Judith Allaman. The earliest deed known for Charles is, 9 Sep 1708 Charles Breedlove, witness. On 11 Jul 1710 shows payment by Charles Breedlove to Edward Mosley.  
*10 Jun 1701 Will of Phillip Parr, dated 30 Dec 1699 Essex Co., VA to eldest dau. Judith Parr lands in Middlesex formerly given to her by her grandfather Thomas Allaman. To dau. Mary parr ---- plantation. To dau. Constance Parr and to wife Judith Parr all the rest of my land. Exec. Father in law Thomas Allaman, brother in law Richard Covington.*

That Charles was located near the Vawter family is shown in the following tax information. Old Rappahannock county became Essex in 1791.

A Poll of Freeholders for Electing Burgess in Essex County taken 15 Jan 1752/53.

Thos: Newman	Bartho: Vawter	Thos: Tinsley	Charles Breedlove
Ambrose Vawter (prob. Angus)	Danl. McBenn	Edward Vawter	

- a. Thomas Breedlove b. ca 1730 d. ca 1795 Fredericksville, Albemarle Co., VA m. to Sarah Broadus, Virginia. Sarah dau. of Richard Broaddus and Bridget Vaughan.
  - 1a. Kindness Breedlove b. Albemarle Co., VA m. 22 Jan 1785 William Stembridge, Albemarle Co., VA
  - 2a. Nathan Breedlove b. after 1750 Albemarle Co., VA m. S. J.
  - 3a. John Breedlove b. 5 Apr 1752, Albemarle Co., VA (This is believed to be the John Breedlove who married Margaret Vawter). In 1782 John was located in Culpeper Co., VA and located in OH in 1833.
  - 4a. Thomas Breedlove b. ca 1754, Albemarle Co, VA

- 5a. Charles Breedlove b. ca 1756 Albermalre Co., VA m. (1) Theodosia Clevenger m. (2) Sally Fletcher 14 Feb 1774, VA. Rev. War soldier under Col. Francis Taylor's Company.
- b. Nathan Breedlove d. will filed 31 Oct 1774 Essex Co., VA
- c. Allaman Breedlove b. 1713 d. ca 1774
- d. Phillip Breedlove b. ca 1715, fought in French & Indian War. Land warrant 1774, Culpeper Co., VA
- e. James Breedlove b. 1717 d. ca 1785 Albemarle Co., VA
- f. Charles Breedlove b. 1719
- g. Kindness Breedlove b. 1721
- h. Mary Breedlove b. 1723 m. Peter Tribble.

One reference to a John Breedlove is found in Charlotte Co., VA. It is unknown if this is the correct John. 5 November 1787 At a Court for Charlotte County, the 5th day of November, in the fifth year of the Commonwealth, and the year of our Lord God 1787, Page 128 Sackville Brewer, Foreman, Francis Barnes, William Callicott, William Dabbs, Richard Watkins, John Richarson, William Marshall, Thomas Smith, Henry Madison, John Spenser, John Nash Read, William Johnston, Thomas Payne, John Breedlove, Burwell Brown, John Haynes, John Sandefur, William White and Francis Thorton were sworn in a Grand Jury and returned the following presentments:.....

1782 Census of Charlotte Co., VA shows a John Breedlove with 8 members in the household and a Benjamin Breedlove with 10 members in the household.

Because John has not been located in Ohio yet, this material is located on another John Breedlove. Additional research needs to be done.

A John Breedlove is found in 1829 as the exc. of the estate of Nathan in GA. Again, no proof this is our John Breedlove as several families of Breedlove's exist.

JONES COUNTY GA Will Abstracts -pub. "GEORGIA PIONEERS GENEALOGICAL MAGAZINE" A Quarterly; Mary Carter, Editor Vol.XX May 1983 #2

BREEDLOVE, Nathan w/s Feb. 1829 p/ 6 July 1829 children Leonard P. John W. Nathan W. Martha F. Adaline F. Mary E. Ann McDonald exrs; John Breedlove; James Lamar wit; Farnell Jones; Thomas J. West; Mary Ellis Lamar

1830 Census of Morgan County Alabama (no ages on this index so no proof this if our line) Wm Breedlove, Benjamin Breedlove, John Breedlove, Thomas Breedlove

### Lucy Vawter<sup>4</sup>, (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Bartholomew<sup>1</sup>)

Lucy Vawter d. bef 1845, was the daughter of Richard Vawter and Frances Towles. She m. Andrew Finks, son of Mark Finks of Culpeper/Madison Co., VA.

In the will of her father Richard Vawter, 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA, she is noted: *Item, I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Elijah Wilhoit, the tract of land where he now lives on condition of his paying unto my three daughters, Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks and Tabitha Rouse the sum of \$100 each in three annual payments, the first payment due 1st. day of January after my decease.*

In the will of her mother Frances (Towles) Vawter, 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811, Madison Co., VA, she is not mentioned by name: *all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children*

*Tylers Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine* by Lyone G. Tyler, Vol. XIII, Richmond, VA 1932. Towles and Clark Families by William B. Newman, Washington DC page 23 et al. The reference to Lucy comes on page 29.

X (10) Frances, daughter of Stokeley and Ann, married Richard Vawter, who's will, dated March 1, 1803, named son in law Elijah Wilhoit, daughters Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks, Tabitha Rouse and Ann Vawter and Alpha Shelton. Frances Vawter's will dated November 11, 1811, named daughters Alpha Shelton, Ann Vawter and Nancy Wilhoit. From the decree in Clark v. Towles it appears that Richard and Frances had two sons, John and Russell; that the former was living in 1845; that Russell married his cousin, Mary Sparks, and died without issue: (GJNote, Russell did have children, he died 1841 and his son died 1843, but there were other surviving children in 1845, possibly they could not be found); that the husband of Margaret, Alpha, Ann and Tabitha were, respectively, John Breedlove, Robert Chilton(sic), Philemon Vawter and Adam Rouse; and that Lucy, wife of Mark Finks, left nine children: Elbert, William and Paschal Finks, Tabitha wife of Joel Grayson, Julia wife of Elliot Wilhoit, Judith Wayman, Ann Broyles, Lucy wife of Abner Berry, and Polly Wilhoit.

The two decrees used by Mr. Newman are:

1. decree in chancery Madison, VA 1820 case of Boughan et al. v. Beckham et al.
2. decree in chancery Madison, VA 1845 Clark's Admr. v. Towles' Executors.

Betsy Jo Jones, descendant, 14238 Sand Ridge Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402 and email nixe@bright.net has found other information that shows Lucy married Andrew Finks, son of Mark Finks. Mark Finks (Sr) also had a son Mark (Jr) but he married Eve Fisher/Fischer. The following primary documents are used to support Andrew as the husband of Lucy and the Tyler's Quarterly does contain some errors and is considered secondary reference information.

The will of Mark Finks (Sr) Culpeper Co., WB A p. 361-62 . 17 Oct 1763, proved 15 Mar 1764. *Mark Finks of Culpeper Co., in the Colony of VA. To my loving wife Elizabeth Finks, my bay mare and my horse Buck that I bought at David Vawter's sale. To my son Mark Finks my yallow bay horse named Prince. To my son John Finks my black horse branded JW. To my son Andrew Finks my small black horse named Jack. To my daughter Mary Finks one cow and calf. To my daughter Hanah Finks one cow and calf. To my loving wife Elizabeth Finks all the rest of my estate both real and personal during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided among all my children (that is to say): Catharine Crigler, Christian Blankenbeker, Elizabeth Weaver, Mark Finks, John Finks, Mary Finks, Andrew Finks, Hanah Finks and James Finks. Provided also that if my wife Elizabeth Finks raise a colt from my bay mare that she give the said colt to my son James Finks as a legacy equal to the legeses above given to my son Mark, John and*



*Andrew Finks, if not that my son James Finks have six pounds more than the rest of my children out of my estate in order to buy him a beast with.*

*My son Mark Finks have my silver seal after my wife's death. I constitute and appoint my loving wife Elizabeth Finks and James Archer executrix and executor. Mark Finks Wit: Richd. Vawter, William Eastham, Michall Wilhoit.*

15 Mar 1764. Exhibited to the court by Elizabeth Finks & James Archer. Proved by the oaths of Richard Vawter, William Eastham and Michle Wilhoit.

Mark Finks, brother of Andrew, married Eve (Eva) Fisher/Fischer. Found in the *Hebron Church Register 1750-1825* by George M. Smith Vol. One, page 13.

Marus Fincks, wife Eva. Jacobus or James born 29 Feb 1776, Bapt. 3 Mar 1776. Nicolaus Wilheil, Johs Fincks, Eva Fischer, Maria Wayland. Also found *the Germanna Record, Second Germanna Colony of 1717* page 81, #23 Mark Finks ... Of the sons, Mark, married Eve Fisher, dau. of Lewis Fischer and granddaughter of Balthazar Blankenbaker the 1717 colonist, they had 7 children.

Andrew married prior to Lucy Vawter to Sara (nee?). Found in the *Hebron Church Register, 1750-1825 Madison, VA* by George M. Smith, Vol. One, Shenandoah History.

Page 17. Andreas Fincks, wife Sara. Johannes born 4 Nov 1777, Bapt. 17 Nov 1777. Markus Fincks, Catharina Gricklet, Christina Blanckenbucher.

Found in the book, *Hawkins & Allied Families*, Mark Finks, Sr. & Family page 401 & 429.

Andrew Finks, b. bef. 1750 Culpeper Co., VA. Father Mark Finks - Mother Elizabeth. Married (1) Sarah (nee?) and (2) Lucy Vawter.

Children of Andrew and Lucy (Vawter) Finks:

1. Elliott Finks b. ca 1777-1779 m. Frances Berry. Elliott's will, Madison Co., VA WB 11, p 610. Will written 8 Dec 1852. Probate 30 Oct 1865. Bequeath to son Paschal M. Finks, bequeath to son William E. Finks, bequeath to wife Frances Finks. Legacies already given to beloved daughters (not named). (Shown as Elbert in Tyler's Quarterly)

From the original death register of Madison Co., VA 1865 #13. Elliott Finks died Aug 1865 of Flux age 90 years. Parents were Andrew and Lucy. Was a farmer, married, reported by his doctor.

Another printed record seems to be in different than the above will and is likely copied wrong. Madison County, VA Register of Deaths for an Elliott Finks, age 96, died November 1866 of old age, parents Andrew & L or S Finks, farmer, married, wife giving the information of death.

2. William Finks d. ca 1865 m. (2) 9 Dec 1818 Madison Co., VA to Ann Banks. The marriage records indicate they were widow and widower. Williams first marriage unproved by noted in "Early American History: Hume and Allied Families" William Everett Brockman Minneapolis, 1926 p.53. William Finks and (1) Jane Hume dau. of George Hume performed by Minister Joshua Letherer 7/18 Oct 1805 in Madison Co., VA.

From the History of the Hume Family. "George Hume married Susannah Crigler, who had by him ten children, the oldest of whome was Jennie (Jane?) who married her cousin William Finks in 1802. Mr. Finks was older by some years than his wife and was a prosperous merchant in the village of Madision Court House, VA. To this union were born 3 children, Early the oldest born in 1803, Louisa 1805 and a third child born in 1807 died in the first hours of its existence as did the mother. William Finks started in a "gig" across the mountains in 1807 to take the motherless children to their grandfather's home in Kentucky, he having moved to that state and settled in Madision County in 1802. The children remained in Kentucky until Early was 16 and Louisa 14 years old, when they again made the long trip across the mountains to their old home in Virginia. Early entered College in Staunton, Virginia."

Tyler's Quarterly historical and Gen. Mag. Vol \* p. 104 "Adam Banks of Stafford County. Gerard James Bank m. in Orange Co., VA 17 Jan 1805 Ann Davis and d. prior to 1818 for on 9 Dec 1818, his widow, Ann Banks m. in Madison Co to Wm. Finks. The division of the estate of

Gerard J. Banks Madison Records WB 4 p. 42, 21 Aug 1820, shows that one lot fell to Wm. Finks and Ann his wife, "formerly the relict of Gerard J. Banks" and the other to Linn Banks as guardian for Robt. Alexander Banks, "an infant of tender years."

An affidavit found in the pension records of Mark Finks, Jr. at the National Archives, states "as a magistrate of the Court of Madison County, William Finks certified the 8 Oct 1834 Affidavit of John Finks attesting to the death of his father, Mark Finks, Jr.

Children:

1. Early Finks b. 1806-07, noted by family died while in college at Staunton, VA of typhoid fever, unmarried.
2. Louisa J. Finks b. ca 1809 VA married Robert A. Banks m. 26 Apr 1847. The Hume book states her age approximately 46 at her marriage and died of apoplexy early in the Civil War. The census and parents marriage license would indicate her marriage at age 36. No children.

Robert A. Banks b. 1806 d. at his home Feb 1869 Madison Co., VA. He m. (1) Louisa Finks and (2) Narcissa Long. He represented Madison Co. in the House of Delegates 1839-1847 and 1850 and 1874-75. He was a general in the Confederate Army.

1850 US Census Madison Co., VA p. 72A # 254, national archives microfilm M-432.

Robert A. Banks age 43 Farmer \$60,000 real estate

Louisa J. Banks 41 b. VA

Williams Finks age 69 Merchant b. VA

William's Will dated 15 Oct 1865, Madison Co., VA WB 12 page 312. I William Finks make my will and testament as follows....I give to my servant Tener and her daughter Catherine my house and lot at Madison. The balance 1/3 I give to the heirs at law of my brother Elliot Finks, 1/3 I give to the heirs at law of my sister Tabitha Grayson and 1/3 I give to my sister Lucy Berry who is yet alive, and if she dies to her heirs. Presented in court 26 Apr 1866.

Estate settlement Madison Co., VA WB 13 pgs. 426, 427, 428, 429, gives his estate to his siblings. Dated 22 Jul 1868. Paid on the 27 Apr 1868 as follows 1/3 shared to Lucy Berry, 1/3 share to Elliot Finks descendants. 1/7 of the 1/3 to each namely, Mary Huffman, Paschal M. Finks, Lucy Crigler, Jno. M. Dulaney in right of his wife, Ephraim Dulaney guardian of his 3 children George J., James and Harvey Dulaney, Jas. S. Kemper guardian of the children of W. E. Fenkade?, Joseph B. Weaver in right of his wife Louisa?; and 1/3 to heirs of Judith Grayson - cash to B. F. Grayson for himself, A. F. Grayson, W. F. Grayson, Jno. W. Prentz and David Varner and Joel Koontz and himself Elijah P. Connelly.

3. Paschal Finks, alive 1868 at the settlement of estate of William Finks

4. Tabitha Finks m. 14 Mar 1804 Madison Co., VA to Joel Grayson. Marriage records indicates she is the daughter of Andrew Finks

Grayson Family Bible from the GSPC (Gen. Soc. of Page Co., VA) Newsletter Vol. 7, No. 2, Spring 1996

The following Family Bible records are contained in the GSPC Pamphlet File. There is no cover sheet attached to the photocopy of the Family Records that were found in this Bible, also there is no information contained on the sheets that would indicate the current owner of the Bible or the date that the photocopy of this information was made. All data is typed exactly as found on the original document, no attempt has been made to correct or add to the material.

Andrew F. Grayson and Juliana Kite were married on Thursday, October 17th 1833. He, the son of Joel and Tabith Grayson, and she, the daughter of Jacob C. and Mary Catharine Kite.

Joel Grayson was the son of William Grayson who was the son of Ambrose Grayson who came from England to America before the Revolutionary War. Joel was born July 23rd 1777.

Tabitha Grayson was the daughter of Andrew Finks and was born May 14th 1783.

Jacob C. Kite was born on the 17th day of July 1793 and was the son of Martin Kite who was the son of William Kite.

Catharine Slagle, the wife of Jacob C. Kite, was born Jan. 20th 1798 and was the daughter of George Slagle who was the son of Henry Slagle.

Philip Hutchinson and Clarinda Ann Grayson were married Nov. 8th 1855. He, the son of John and Elizabeth Hutchinson and she, the daughter of Andrew F. and Juliana Grayson.

Andrew Finks Grayson was born on Friday, April 24th 1807.

Juliana Kite was born on Friday, July 3rd 1818.

Clarinda Ann Grayson was born on Monday, March 16, 1835.

Ada Livia Grayson was born on Friday, May 21st 1852.

Philip Hutchinson was born March 5th 1856.

William Faulkner Hutchinson was born September 23rd 1856.

John Andrew Hutchinson was born May 1st 1859.

Elizabeth Florence Hutchinson was born December 26th 1861.

David Herbert Hutchinson was born February 15th 1864.

Edward Leeander Hutchinson was born August 3rd 1866.

Ira Allen Hutchinson was born January 23rd 1869.

Eudora Bell Hutchinson was born December 21st 1871.

Myra Catharine Hutchinson was born November 5th 1875.

Lena Virginia Hutchinson was born June 7th 1877.

Andrew Finks Grayson died Sept. 28th 1878 aged 71 yrs. 5 mos. and 5 days.

Juliana Grayson died Oct. 12th 1879 aged 61 yrs. 3 mos. and 9 days.

Joel Grayson died on Tuesday, August 30th 1859 aged 82 yrs. 1 mo. and 7 days.

Tabitha Grayson died on Saturday at 1 a.m. Nov. 28th 1863 aged 80 yrs. 6 mos. and 14 days.

Elizabeth Florence Hutchinson died August 23rd 1863 aged 1 yr. 7 mos. and 28 days.

Myra Catharine Hutchinson died June 18th 1876 aged 7 months and 13 days.

Lena Virginia Hutchinson died December 6th 1879 aged 2 yrs. 5 mos. and 29 days.

Clarinda Ann Hutchinson died July 16th 1884 at 3:30 p.m.

5. Julia Ann Finks b. 16 Nov 1787 d. 16 Nov 1857 age 70 years. m. 8 Oct 1807 Madison Co., VA to Elliott Wilhoit b. 8 Jan 1780 Culpeper Co., VA d. 17 Dec 1846 age 66. They moved to Oldham Co., KY ca 1809. In 1827, they moved to Montgomery Co., IN.

Children:

- a. Paschal Finks Wilhoit b. 30 Aug 1808 d. ca 1889 m. 30 May 1839 to Margaret Ann Ruffner.
- b. Jamison Vawter Wilhoit b. 29 Jul 1811 d. ca 1881 m. 1 Apr 1834 to Rachel Enlow
- c. Lerilla Ann Dawson Wilhoit b. 26 May 1814 d. ca 1892 m. 20 May 1830 Jacob Stilman Riddle.
- d. Mary Ellen Wilhoit b. 11 Jul 1820 d. ca 1880. m. 2 Apr 1845 to James Bell Scott.
- e. Catherine Jane Wilhoit b. aft 1820

Much of the Wilhoit data is found by Paul E. Lawrence, Fairfield Glade, TN 38558 email lawrpaul@multipro.com

Other information from: Johni Cerny and Gary J. Zimmerman, *Before Germanna: The Ancestry of Johann Michael Willheit and Anna Maria Hengsteler, No. 1 January 1990* (American Genealogical Lending Library Publishers, Bountiful, Utah)

6. Judith Finks b. abt 1786 Madison Co. Va m. 4 Jan 1808 Madison Co. VA to Henry Wayman, Jr. b. 25 Jan 1790 Madison Co. VA. Married Bond placed by Henry Wayman Sr. and Andrew Finks for Henry Wayman, Jr and Judith Finks.

Three children known.

- a. Finks Wayman b. 1810 Never married
- b. Ansel Kirtley Wayman b. 10 Jan 1820 m. 28 May 1844 to Frances Blakenbaker
- c. Martha Ann Wayman b. 7 Aug 1822 m. 30 Oct. 1839 Madison Co., VA to Joel E.

Batten/ Battern b. 30 Nov 1812 - Madison Co. VA.

Children:

- 1c. Julia Ann Batten b. 8 Oct 1840
- 2c. Howard Wesley Batten b. 26 Aug 1842
- 3c. Joel Richard Batten b. 18 July 1844
- 4c. Martha Cordela Batten b. 30 May 1847

- 5c. Nelson William E. Batten 21 Oct 1849  
All those 5 were born in Madison Co. VA
- 6c. Alfred Franklin Batten b. 26 Nov 1852, Darke Co. OH
- 7c. Lydia Batten b. 1853
- 8c. John Ames Batten b. 4 Feb 1858
- 9c. James Jesse Batten b. 21 Nov 1860
- 10c. unnamed child

This material on the Batten lines comes from Bonnie Sutherland email [bonnies@gte.net](mailto:bonnies@gte.net).  
"Joel E. Batten of Madison Co. VA. helped build the Mt Carmel Church at Madison Va. I have the history of the members. Going back to the Vawter- they are not listed as church members at that time, but some Rouse, Tanner, Broyles were members. Bonnie"

7. Ann Finks m. John Broyles, father Benjamin Broyles, mother unknown.

Children of Benjamin Broyles are:

1. Julius (Feb. 28, 1787, Madison County, Virginia-Oct. 21, 1832, Posey County, Indiana, age 4) (Married Sarah Yager) (six children)
2. John (Married Annie Finks on Nov. 20, 1809, in Madison County, Virginia) (had son Eliot and probably Thomas Broyles)
3. Larkin (died about 1866, probably in Page County, Virginia) (Married Sarah Berry) (five children)
4. Jemima (Married Reuben Berry on Sept. 19, 1816, in Madison County, Virginia)
5. Lucy (Married James Nevil Rosser) (six children)
6. Maleva "Leva" (Married George Colvin before June 24, 1825)
7. Mary "Polly" (Married James Hurt)
8. Alpha (Married John Thomas)
9. Fannie (Married John Martin)
10. Benjamin (born about 1800) (Married Sarah Thomas) (six children)

8. Lucy Finks m. Abner Berry. Marriage bond 29 Dec 1810 marriage performed by William Carpenter, 3 Jan 1811. Bond signed by Abner Berry and Andrew Finks.

9. Mary "Polly" Finks m. 11 Feb 1800 Madison Co., VA to Simeon Wilhoit. Parents were John Wilhite and Elizabeth Blankenbaker This was John's second marriage. Bondsman were Lewis Deer and William Finks, contains a letter by Andrew Finks for the marriage of his dau., wit: Lewis Deer and William Finks.

Elizabeth Blankenbaker was the daughter of Elizabeth Barbara Gaar and Michael Blankenbaker, who was the son of John Nicholas Blankenbaker. Children are:

1. Aaron b. ca 1767
2. Lewis (Dec. 26, 1768-May 28, 1859, age 90) (Married Miss Hollenbeck, then Rebecca Netherton Kellar)
3. Mary (Dec. 17, 1770-April 10, 1838, age 67) (Married Adam Miller) (ten children)
4. Anna (March 5, 1775) (Married William Roebuck on Feb. 18, 1805, in Madison County, Virginia) (William was previously Married to Sarah Wayland) (Anna remarried to Adam Shrader on Jan. 17, 1815)
5. Elijah (March 18, 1775-Oct. 1, 1815, age 40) (Married Nancy Vawter) (five children)
6. Simeon (Nov. 8, 1777-Nov. 1826, age 48 or 49) (Married Mary Finks) (eight children)
7. Elliott (Jan. 8, 1780-Dec. 17, 1846, age 66) (Married Julia Ann Finks) (five children)
8. Elizabeth (Sept. 5, 1782) (Married William Broyles)
9. Rhoda (May 22, 1785) (Married William Hardin) (nine children)
10. Julius (Dec. 13, 1787) (Married Lucinda Yewell) (lived in Edgar County, Illinois) (eight children)
11. Abraham (Feb. 5, 1791-Sept. 19, 1838, age 47) (Married Martha Mosby, then Frances Powell Mosby)
12. Lucy (Jan. 8, 1793-July 5, 1876, age 83) (Married Jonathan Hardin) (eight children)

Children of Simeon and Mary (Finks) Wilhoit:

- a. William Wilhoit b. 18 Nov 1800 d. 1876 m. 3 Oct 1822 Jefferson Co., KY to Mary Miller
- b. Andrew Finks Wilhoit b. 10 Aug 1807 d. 1856 m. 14 Mar 1831 Montgomery Co., IN to Mary Ellen Crane
- c. Lucy Wilhoit b. 18 Aug 1809 d. ca 1853 m. 17 Oct 1827 Montgomery Co., IN to William Woods Galey
- d. Catherine Wilhoit b. 14 Dec 1811 d. ca 1873 m. 10 May 1827 Montgomery Co., IN to John Mack
- e. Frances Matilda Wilhoit b. 10 Jul 1814 d. ca 1862 m. 5 Jul 1832 Montgomery Co., IN to Ira Crane.
- f. Owen Goffney Wilhoit b. 20 Apr 1817 d. ca 1893 m. (1) Minerva Wealthy Halleton and m. (2) 1 Apr 1839 Montgomery Co., IN to Elizabeth Hoagland Babcox.
- g. Eleazer A. Wilhoit b. 1 Jan 1820 m. (1) 9 May 1846 Montgomery Co., IN to Ada Jan Blankenship and (2) 24 Dec 1860 to Mary Margaret Holloway.

**Tabitha Vawter4, (Richard3, John2, Bartholomew1)**

Tabitha Vawter m. 17 Nov 1795 Madison Co., VA to Adam Rouse. Adam b. 1763 d. by 28 Jan 1847, Madison Co., VA (this information is from a Rouse descendant)

In the will of her father Richard 1 Mar 1803 - 24 Mar 1803, Madison Co., VA, she is noted: *Item, I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Elijah Wilhoit, the tract of land where he now lives on condition of his paying unto my three daughters, Margaret Breedlove, Lucy Finks and Tabitha Rouse the sum of \$100 each in three annual payments, the first payment due 1st. day of January after my decease.*

In the will of her mother 11 Nov 1811 - 16 Dec 1811, Madison Co., VA, she is not mentioned by name: *all the money I have in hand be divided in the following manner first pay to my daughter Frances Alpha and Omega Shelton thirty six pounds lawful money of Virginia and the balance to be equally divided between by three daughters Francis Alpha and Omega Shelton above mentioned. Ann Vaughter and Nancy Wilhoit and their lawful heirs- I leave my estate in this manner for my conviction that my children herein named have received less from there Father Richard Vawter dece'd than my other children*

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John Rouse obtained a patent for 610 acres of land in 1728 on White Oak Run, a tributary of the Robinson River. (For a map showing the location, see the Broyles Family Web pages which George W. Durman maintains. Main Land Patent Map, showing Germanna 1 and Germanna 2 land holdings, and Supplementary Land Patent Map, showing land holdings of later German immigrants.) John Rouse's origins in Germany are unknown, though there has been speculation; apparently he came as a young man without any children.

John Rouse appears in the Hebron Church records of 1733. By 1739, there were two tithables, so one son (presumably) was born by 1723. John Rouse was never naturalized and, when he died, his wife Mary petitioned the Proprietor of the Northern Neck for a transfer of his land to his sons Martin, Matthais, and Adam. This petition was made 7 Mar 1747 and the land was granted as a life interest to Mary, with the sons as residual heirs. (In 1728 the land had been considered a part of the Crown's lands, so the deed was issued as a patent. By 1747, the land was considered to be a part of the Northern Neck, owned by Lord Fairfax. When he issued a deed in response to the petition, it was called a grant.)

In 1764, Matthais Rausch and his wife Elizabeth transferred the land to Martin Rouse, so Mary must have been dead by then. Since Adam did not participate in this, it is presumed that he was also dead. From the petition, the known children of John and Mary ( ? ) Rouse are:

1. Martin,
2. Matthais
3. Adam.

These were probably all of the sons. There may have been daughters.

Martin Rouse and his wife Elizabeth deeded land in 1762 and 1772. In 1793, Martin and his wife Elizabeth communed at the Hebron Lutheran Church. His Madison Co., VA, will, dated 11 Jul 1802, which was probated 26 Jan 1809, names four children:

1. Elizabeth Rouse, m. John Loyd,
2. John Rouse, no known heirs,
3. Adam Rouse, m. 1795 Tabitha Vawter, d. 1847 in Madison Co.,
4. Samuel Rouse, d. 1817 in Madison Co. and left his property to his brothers John and Adam.

The information on the Rouses comes from an article by Mrs. Robert (Nancy E.) Rouse, in *Beyond Germanna*. She is the author of "*John Rouse of Virginia and His Descendants, 1717-1980*," a 250 page hardbound book, published in 1982.

Children of Adam and Tabitha (Vawter) Rouse:

1. William V. Rouse d. by 18 Dec 1848, Hardin Co., KY m. 27 Oct 1815 Madison Co. VA to Frances (Fanny) Carver. Children: Martha M., Granville V., James Albert, Eliza, William Jamison, Tabatha, Mollie, Omega, Reuben, Noah Curtis Rouse b. 1840.

2. Alpha Rouse

3. Jameson Rouse

4. Harriet Rouse m. William Collins

5. Thomas Rouse

The names of the Sparks, Bobo, Haynes and others are connected to the line of Richard Vawter. Whether the Rouse name is connected is unknown and placed here for further research.

Court papers in the Circuit Court for the City of Fredericksburg are from the following courts: Hustings / Corporation Court for the Town / City of Fredericksburg (1782-1941) District Court for the Spotsylvania District (1789-1808) Superior Court of Law for Spotsylvania County (1808-1831) Superior Court of Chancery for the Spotsylvania District (1814-1831) Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Spotsylvania County (1831-1851) Circuit Court for Spotsylvania County (1852-1889) Circuit Court for the City of Fredericksburg (1889-current)

STYLE : Chapman vs Bruce PLAINTIFF(s) : George Chapman

DEFENDANT(s) : John Bruce

DEPONENT(s) : William H. Territt; Spencer Bobo; William Bledsoe; John Zachery; William Sparks; James Rucker; Lewis ; Cuthbert Bullitt (49); Constant Chapman; Henry Field; Jasper Haynes; Frances Rouse (63);

PLACES MENTIONED : Culpeper; Madison; Augusta; Orange; Prince William; UK (Scotland); Albemarle; KY; MD (Charles Co.); MD (Baltimore Co.); Alexandria; Fairfax; Stafford; Mecklenburg

REMARK(s) : Birth - Alexander McDaniel - 15 March 1747 Birth - Alexander Rouse - 14 March 1747 Birth - Matthew Rouse - 1 March 1749 Birth ref. - John Bruce, age 19 in 1764 Deed - Constant Chapman to George Chapman - Culpeper - 1774 @ Grant to John Bruce - 400 acres in fork of Robinson River, Orange - 1735 Grant to John Bruce - 400 acres on Dark Run, Orange Co. - 1735 Iron ref. - Accokeek Iron Works Marriage ref. - Dr. John Hunter -mr- Elizabeth Chapman, dau. of Constant Marriage ref. - John Bruce -mr?- Margaret Frazier Marriage ref. - Samuel McNeese -mr- Martha Bruce, dau. of John Bruce Marriage ref. - [?] Weems -mr- [?] Chapman, dau. of Constant Mortgage - John Bruce to Augustine Washington & Co. - Stafford - 1742 Northern Neck Grant to Constant Chapman, formerly John Bruce's - 1772 Plat - grants to John Bruce in 1735 - land in Robinson Fork on Dark Run Slaves - Bob and his wife Nanny, property of Constant Chapman Weaver - Samuel McNeese Will - Constant Chapman - Fairfax - 1768/1798 CITATION : Chapman vs Bruce / 1798? / CR-DC-V / 558-144

**Bartholomew Vawter4/5 (unknown)**

This Bartholomew Vawter is not Bartholomew son of John2. At over 50 years old, Bartholomew3 would not have been a soldier. Evidence now supports that Bartholomew, son of John2 left ca 1760 from VA to South Carolina, where he owned considerable land and was a vintner. After the original and full inventory was found on this Bartholomew Vawter, it shows probably a single man with little possessions and no property. Certainly Bartholomew, son of John, would have accumulated household goods, perhaps slaves as he owned land and other items found on a man of over 50 years of age. This Bartholomew seems young by his possessions. He died during the Revolutionary War, whether in battle or not is unknown.

Book- Index to Revolutionary War Service Records

Vauter, Bart, Pvt., 7<sup>th</sup> reg.

Vauter, Bartholomew, Private, 1<sup>st</sup> VA State Regt.

Found in SAR/DAR records. -- Vauter, Bart "Private" 7th Va. Reg. Son of John Vawter {Killed in Battle} (GJNote: Many DAR records are inaccurate and can not be used as fact)

Book, *Virginia Wills and Administrations 1632-1800 an index*, compiled by Clayton Torrence pub. 1972, Gen. Pub. Co., gives a list of the wills or inventories of many early Vawters. Bartholomew Vawter inventory of estate is found in 1777 in Culpeper Co., VA.

*Culpeper Co., VA Will book B* page 231, Recorded 20 Oct 1777 (from original copy)

Inventory and Appraisal of Estate of Bartholomew Vawter, dec'd.

We the subscribers being first sworn to value and appraise the Estate of Bartholomew Vawter deceased do appraisal the followeth, to witt.

One Bow (or Bell?) Collar and buckle	0.6.0
One Shaving Glass Razor and Sope	0.1.0
1 Parcel Saddlers Tacks	0.1.3
One Ink pot & rum cock	0.4.0
1 parcel of shoe souls and other ???	0.2.6
1 saddle wallet	0.10.0
1 old saddle	0.10.0
1 Mare and Bridle	10.0.0
1 Old Blanket	0.1.6
Total	11.19.3

Signed Michael Gaar, Lewis Gaar, James Archer. Oct 20 1777, returned to the court and recorded.



**Wharton Vawter/Vaughters4, (unknown)**

Roster of Soldiers from North Carolina in the American Revolution. publ. North Carolina DAR 1932. p. 593.

A LIST OF VOLUNTEERS AND DRAFTED MEN, HALIFAX (NC) RETURNS, MCH 1779 ....  
Drafted men ....Walton Vaughters ....Here returned by me Jas. Allen, Colo. Co.

*Rev Army Accts - Division of Archives & Records, Raleigh, NC Treasurer & Comptroller Records, Military Paper Vols. 40-46. NC Army accounts*  
Whorton Vorters Vol. VIII, p. 41-1, Army acct. Book E. Oct 1779 Voucher #2636 Whorton Varter 63.6.8. \$158.30.

John Vawter Vol. XII, p. 45, folio 4

Vol. 40, For sundries furnished the Militia of NC, VA and SC as allowed by the auditor of the upper board of Salisbury Dist as report No. 46. #8783 to John Vaughter - Voucher #3759 Specia 1.15.6.

The Reconstructed 1790 Census of Georgia. Substitutes for Georgia's Lost 1790 Census. comp. Marie De Lamar & Elizabeth Rothstein, Genealogical Publ. Co. Baltimore 1989.

p. 1 Headright grants Burke County in the Years 1790 through 1795: p. 6 " Vaughter, Whorton "  
(this area became George Parish, Jefferson, Screvens, and Jenkins Co.)

"Records of Effingham County, Georgia," Southern Historical Press, 1976, p. 42: Deed Book C-D (p. 5), Richard Albritton to Wharton Vaughter, both of Effingham County, deed dated December 26, 1792, for 100 acres on east side of Horse Creek, being part of 200 acres granted grantor January 15, 1785. Witnessed by Benjamin Richardson, J.P.

Screvens county tax records Wharton Vawter- 1791, 200 Acres and 1796, 400 acres.  
Whorton Vaughter had 200 acres Screven Co. plat joined Edward Hill on one side and own land on one side and on one side vacant land. Surveyed 1795.

From *GA Genealogical Magazine, July-April 1968-69. Vol. 29-32 p2017.*

Deed BK C/D p. 5. Richard Albritton to Whorton Vaughter both of Effingham Co., GA deed dated 12/26/1797 for 100 acres on east side of horse creek being part of 200 acres granted grantor on 15 Jan 1785. Wit: Benji. Richardson, J. P.

Screvens Co., GA DB A pg 232-233 1800-1802.

Whorton Vaughter bought land from John B. Deveuax, Adm. for Ann Deveuax. Witness Richard Johnston Vaughter, Recorded 1802.

Richard Vawter thought to be connected to Wharton, charged the Robert Holliday estate for mving them from Henry County, VA to Georgia ca 1800. Henry county is just north of Stokes Co., VA.

1805 Georgia Land Lottery. Transcribed and indexed Virginia S. Wood and Ralph V. Wood. The Greenwood Press Cambridge GA 1964. p. 357

Richard Vaughter drew blank, Screvens Co., GA (he had to be at least 20 to draw so b. bef 1785)

Whorton Vaughter drew blank and prize. 2021/2 acres in Wilkerson Co., GA, NE by lot N. 141. NW by lot N. 123. SW by lot N 115. SE by Lot N 125.

(GJNote: to draw 2 times you must be married with wife and/or minor children. This would mean Wharton had married by this time.)

Screvens Co., GA, Whorton Vaughter sold to Jack Dunn a parcel of land 300 acres in 1806. Deed recorded 1813. Wit: W. Coldwell, Signed Whorton Vaughter.

*The Republican & Savannah Newspaper Ledger 1809-10. P. 865.* Screvens Co., GA, Whorton Vaughter, adm. of Nathaniel Parkard Est. applies for leave to sell a lot of land in 24<sup>th</sup> Dist of Wilkerson Co., drawn by the deceased. Notice dated 1808.

Hazel McCandless, PO Box 366, Cushing, TX and Bill Vawter, 3019 Conway St., Houston, TX, compiled some deed information. Bill took a long genealogical trip in the late 1970's and recorded many deeds on Vawter/Vaughter throughout the south. They never were able to prove the relationship of John4 and children.

### **Tabitha Vaughter**

Franklin Co. GA 1827 Land Lottery

Tabitha Vaughter, illegit. Capt. Edwards District, drew #57-22-2 Muscogee Co.

1827 Effingham Co. GA Court Records, (just south of Screven Co., GA) Tabitha Vaughter, (rest missing)

Generally to draw you must be one of the following:

- a. Free white male, bachelor, over 20 years, resident of GA 1 yr., US citizen - 1 draw.
- b. Free white male, married, with wife and/or minor children, resident of GA 1 yr., US citizen. - 2 draws.
- c. Widow w. minor child, one year residence in GA - 2 draws
- d. Minor orphan, or family of minor orphan - 1 draw

(GJNote: Since Wharton was married by 1805 and Tabitha received only 1 draw it would indicate she was a minor orphan and if she is the daughter of Wharton he would be deceased by this time.)

**Phillip Vawter.** Little is known of Phillip and may be two different Phillip Vawters, but he is connected to Elliot (son of Edward2) and to Wharton.

Orange County Virginia, Tithables 1734 - 1782 Part One. by Barbara Vines Little. 1988, (publisher not clearly stated)

p. 32 - 33 " County court Judgements February 1754, box 25 .... Elliot Vuorter 4 [tithes] "

p. 100-101 " County Court Judgements November 1769 , Box 37 ...

William Prics list for the yr 1769 ....Phillip vawters 1 [tithe] "

1800 Tax List of GA (he would be over 16, likely at least 21)

Lincoln Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Vaughter

1801 Tax List

Lincoln Co. \_\_\_\_\_llip Vaughter

### **Moriah Vawter**

Likely another daughter of Whorton is found in this marriage record of Effingham Co., GA Allen Box married Moriah Vawter on 2/15/1813. No additional information.

### **Elizabeth Vawter**

Cornelius son of Bartholomew of SC was in GA after 1817 and Wharton is known of GA by 1801 so it is likely this is a daughter of Wharton.

Bulloch Co., GA Marriage records:

Vaughter, Elizabeth      Williams, Anderson      20 Nov 1812

Hugh Williams a descendant at email pioneer@pioneerrealtync.com has some information.

Anderson Williams born ca 1784 in South Carolina. Anderson Williams shows up on the 1850 Effingham Co., GA census as being 66 years old and born in SC, it appears that his wife has died by this time. He is living next to a James Williams (presumably his son) and his family. James and his family are all shown as having been born in Ga. and are shown as follows:

James 38 b. GA

Elen 27

Tabetha 13

Henry 6

Arthur 4 (Hugh Williams ancestor)

Joseph 3

Effingham Co. borders Bulloch County, GA. Anderson was born in SC but the location and his parents name are unknown.

Account of Sale of Perishable Property of the Estate of Hezekiah Parrish decd.  
Settlement of Hezekiah Parish Estate 10 Jan 1860 Bulloch Co., GA  
1 Gun to James Williams

### **Sally Vaughters**

Probably another daughter in this line located in the same area as Whorton, Sally married Peter Burkhalter.

Sent to us by Kathleen Burkhalter-Bell email kburkhalterbell@post.harvard.edu, her direct line is Peter. John Michael Burkhalter (Sr.) is shown as an original resident of Effington Co., GA

Children:

1. John Michael Burkhalter (Jr) b. ca 1780 d. 1845/15 Bullock County, GA
2. Margaret Ann Burkhalter b. ca 1781/82 m. Etheldred Hagin d. after 1850
3. Peter Burkhalter b. 1783 d. after 1850 Tattnall Co., GA m. Sally Vaughters
  - a. Vaughters Burkhalter
4. David Burkhalter b. ca 1785 present in Bullock Co., GA in 1814 but removed by 1820.
5. Sarah Burkhalter b. ca 1790-94 d. aft. 1830 m. Absalom Hagin
6. Jesse Burkhalter b. 1795/99 d. bet. 1815-1820 when his estate was adm. by Etheldred Hagin

Another connection is thru possibly son David above. Unknown, (prob. David) Burkhalter m. Christiana (nee?). David d. and Christiana m. (2) Simon Whitehurst.

Children known:

- a. William b. 1811 m. 25 Sep 1835 Montgomery Co., GA to Ann Clements
- b. Elisha m. Jane Phillips
- c. Mary Martha b. ca 1815 m. 25 Jun 1835 Telfair Co., GA to Abraham Powell
- d. Jephtha H. Burkhalter b. 1818 d. 1878 m. 10 Jun 1847 Telfair Co., GA to Ellender Purvis. Children: John M. (1848), Sarah (1850-1890 m. Thomas J. Driggers), Richard (1854), Henry(1856), Nancy (1856 m. Bryan White), Nellie (b. 1868?) and
- e. Henry Burkhalter m. Jane Phillips.

An article called "The Burkhalter Families of Tattnall County" by Joseph E. Spann 1987

We start with John Michael Burkhalter Senior who was a resident of the original Effingham County. His children were:

John Michael Jr. b. 1780 d. 1814/15 in Bulloch county. Margaret Ann b. 1781/2 married Etheldred Hagin d. after 1850. Peter Burkhalter b. 1783, married Sally Vaughters d. after 1850 in Tattnall County.

David Burkhalter b. about 1785, present in Bulloch County in 1814, but had removed before 1820. Sarah b. 1790/4 married Absalom Hagin, died after 1830, and Jesse Burkhalter b. 1794/9 died after 1815 before 1820, estate administered by Etheldred Hagin.

Georgia Dept of Archives & History, Atlanta, GA. Warrant files reflect various preliminary stages in granting of headright land.

1783-1909

Buckhalter: Names are Jacob, John, Joshua, Micajah, Michael, Vaughter, William

1783-1909

Vaughter: Names are Whorton and Hiram

1783-1909

Maguire: Name is Alligany

Tattnall-Liberty County GaArchives Deed.....Burkhalter, Vaughters - Waters, William August 2, 1850  
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<http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/ga/gafiles.htm>

19 acres, originally part of 200 acres granted to William Ellis Written: August 2, 1850 Recorded: November 7, 1850

Georgia, Tattnall County. This indenture made and entered into this second day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty between William Waters of the one part and Vaughters Burkhalter of the other part.

Witnesseth that the said William Waters for and in consideration of the sum of ten dollars cash to him in hand paid at and before the signing sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained sold and conveyed unto the said Vaughters Burkhalter his heirs and assigns nineteen acres of land more or less it being a part of a tract of land granted to William Ellis said tract of land containing two hundred acres of land in Liberty County when surveyed but now Tattnall and on the waters of Beards Creek said granted being dated February 13th, 1806 as a plat of the same do represent. To have and to hold said tract or parcel of land unto him the said Vaughters Burkhalter her heirs and assigns together with all and singular the right members and appurtenances belonging thereto to his own use benefit and behalf forever in fee simple and I the said William Waters for myself my heirs and assigns the said bargained premises unto the said Vaughters Burkhalter his heirs and assigns will warrant and forever defend the right and title thereof against themselves from ever laying any

manner or claim to the above mentioned premises in witness wharof the said William Waters hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed sealed and delivered in presents of Benj. F. Dowdy, Josiah Grooms Signed William Waters (L.S.) Georgia, Tattnall County

Personally appeared before me Charles Blount one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of said county Benj. F. Dowdy and after being duly sworn deposed and said that he saw William Waters sign seal and deliver the within deed and he also saw Josiah Grooms signs as a witness and the he signed as a witness also. Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 18th of Oct. 1850., Charles Blount J.I.C.

Recorded this 7 November 1850, James B. Smith Clerk

1850 Census Tattnall County Georgia, the page number was not given in this reference.

**BURKHALTER John M. 25 1825 M w Farmer Scriven**  
Elisabeth 20 1830 F w Tattnall

GROOMS Benjamin 43 1807 M w Farmer S.Carolina  
Lucy 41 1809 F w Bullock  
Mary 15 1835 F w Tattnall  
John 13 1837 M w Tattnall  
HesterAnn 10 1840 F w Tattnall  
Eli 6 1844 M w Tattnall  
Luranie 3 1847 F w Tattnall  
Benjamin 3m 1850 M w Tattnall

**BURKHALTER Peter 67 1783 M w Farmer Bullock**

**BURKHATTERS Vaughters 38 1812 M w Farmer Scriven**

Lucy 37 1813 F w N.Carolina  
Milly 13 1837 F w Tattnall  
Peter 12 1838 M w Tattnall  
Julia 9 1841 F w Tattnall  
Bryant 8 1842 M w Tattnall  
John 7 1843 M w Tattnall  
Sarah 4 1846 F w Tattnall  
Willam 3 1847 M w Tattnall  
Vaughters 2 1848 M w Tattnall

*Source for the following information is found at:* Title: Pioneers of Wiregrass GA Vol. IX, Huxford Gen. Soc. Inc. (Georgene Note: I do not know where this book can be found, perhaps some of our Georgia researchers can let us know)

- Name: **Peter BURKHALTER** <sup>1</sup>
- Sex: M
- Birth: ABT 1783 in Burke Co GA

- *Death:* 1851 in Tattall Co GA
- *Reference Number:* 13200
- *Note:*

Peter was born in that part of Burke County, Georgia which became Screven County in 1793. He served as an executor of his father's estate in 1808 in Bulloch County. He inherited his father's Bulloch County properties, which he sold to Etheldred D. Hagin (his brother-in-law) in 1810. Peter moved from Screven County in 1840 and settled in Tattall County that same year. He purchased 500 acres on Beard's Creek in Tattall County. Peter's estate was administered by his son, Vaughters.

*Father:* John Michael BURKHALTER , Sr., RS b: 1755 in Savannah GA

*Marriage 1* Sally VAUGHTERS ABT 1807 in Probably Screven Co GA  
Children

1. Lucy BURKHALTER b: ABT 1809
2. Vaughters BURKHALTER b: ABT 1813
3. Hester Ann BURKHALTER b: ABT 1818
4. Margaret Ann BURKHALTER b: ABT 1823
5. John Michael BURKHALTER b: 27 FEB 1825 in Scriven Co GA
6. Mary L. BURKHALTER b: ABT 1828

Georgene Note: This genealogy taken from the web has not been proven and used for reference only. It is noted by Burkholter genealogists that Whorton Vaughter was the father of Sally. From Richard Blalock, email [richard@olivetree.net](mailto:richard@olivetree.net)

Generation No. 10---- PETER10 BURKHALTER (JOHN MICHAEL9, RUDOLPH8, MICHAEL7, RUDOLPH6, RUDOLPH5, JAKOB4, BENEDIKT3, CHRISTIAN2, BURKHALTER1) was born 1783 in Burke Co, GA, and died 1851 in Tattall Co, GA. He married SALLY VAUGHTERS Abt. 1807, daughter of WHORTON VAUGHTERS. She died Abt. 1835 in Screven Co, GA.

Children of PETER BURKHALTER and SALLY VAUGHTERS are:

- i. LUCY11 BURKHALTER, b. 1809. m. Benjamin Grooms
- ii. VAUGHTERS BURKHALTER, b. 1813.
- iii. HESTER ANN BURKHALTER, b. 1818, Screven Co, GA; m. MALACHI J. HAGIN, December 23, 1840, Tattall Co, GA; b. 1817, Bulloch Co, GA.
- iv. MARGARET ANN BURKHALTER, b. 1823.
- v. JOHN MICHAEL BURKHALTER, b. February 27, 1825, Screven County, Georgia; d. January 08, 1863, Tattall Co, GA.
- vi. MARY L. BURKHALTER, b. 1828.

Submitted and not verified by Richard M. Medders, 5604 S. Thor, Spokane, WA  
Peter Burkhalter and Sally Vaughters parents of Vaughter Burkhalter. Vaughter b. 1813 Screven Co., GA d. Apr 1857 Tattall Co., GA. He m. 3 Feb 1836 Lucrecia Waters, Bulloch Co., GA

A Genealogy found on the web, not confirmed or verified gives some dates not found elsewhere.  
Vaughters Burckhalter b. 1813 Screvens Co., GA d. Apr 1857 Tattall Co., GA

Lucrecia Waters b. ca 1813 NC m. 3 Feb 1836 Bulloch co., GA

Children:

Milly Burkhalter b. 10 Oct 1836 Tattall Co., GA  
Peter Burkhalter b. ca 1838 Tattall Co., GA m. 2 Dec 1858 Bulloch Co., GA to Sarah M. Brannen  
Julia Burkhalter b. ca 1841 Tattall Co., GA  
Bryant Burkhalter b. ca 1842 Tattall Co., GA  
John Burkhalter b. 28 Feb 1843 Tattall Co., GA  
Sarah Burkhalter b. 3 Jan 1846 Tattall Co., GA  
William Burkhalter b. 16 Feb 1848 Tattall Co., GA d. 9 Dec 1923 GA bur. Harmony United Methodist Church Cemetery, Tattall Co., GA. William m. 1867 Charlotte A Bacon b. 3 Aug 1843 GA  
1880 census Tattall Co., GA

William Burkhalter age 33 b. GA farmer  
Charlotte age 34 b. GA  
Ersula dau. age 12 b. GA  
Emely A. dau. age 10 b. GA  
Cleon son age 8 b. GA  
Melton W. son age 6 b. GA  
John H. son age 6 months b. GA  
Vaughters Burkhalter b. 4 May 1849 m. 20 May 1878 Tattnall, GA to Mary C. Barber  
Lucretia Burkhalter b. 15 Jan 1851 Tattnall co., GA  
Epsey Burkhalter b. 4 May 1854 Tattnall Co., GA