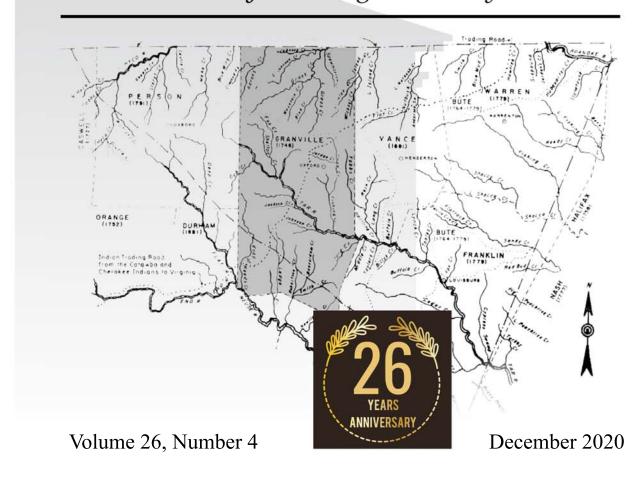
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From the President—

Well, here we are ending the most difficult year in my lifetime. I am so tired of being a homebound person, although I do have enough things in process to keep me busy. I have been blessed with a super year health wise.

Speaking of things to keep me busy, I have been doing a lot of research on my family and found an interesting newspaper article that a friend of mine had posted on Facebook on a family member. Here is the article as it appeared in the Oxford Public Ledger on 4 April 1919.

Whole Granville Family Wiped Out by Influenza It Took Only Thirteen Days to Do Its Work.

The Public Ledger is in receipt of the following information from Mr. S. M. Evans, of Oak Hill:

"On the 27th my son, Samuel H. Evans, who had lived in Durham ten years, died of flu; four or five days later his 16 year old child died of flu; a few days later his wife was taken by the same disease. The whole family was wiped out in thirteen days. My son was 33 years of age. His remains were laid to rest at the Presbyterian Church near Oak Hill. His wife and little child were laid to rest in the family burying ground near Durham."

S. M. Evans was the brother-in-law of my grandfather. He and his wife Laura Currin Evans ran a general store at Oak Hill.

You never know what you will find doing research. You can spend hours on end

searching. What a blessing that we can do this at home now.

With the Covid-19 still around, our North Carolina Room at the Thornton library has been very busy answering phone and email requests plus scheduling people during the hours of operation. The library is only open for two hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon. If you call ahead and make an appointment, they will have the books pulled for you and have them on a table waiting when you get there. The Genealogy Society members have been busy, especially Allen Dew and Mildred Goss with a donation of 55 more research books to the North Carolina Room. So that makes a total of 407 research books donated this year. A lot of these books are out of print. This was a fabulous addition to the NC Room.

Allen Dew, our webmaster has been busy adding more cemeteries to Cemetery Census. Wilson County NC is now completed with over 460 cemeteries listed. Go to the website and check out all of the additions that he is continuously adding for people to refer to. If you have family cemetery that has been catalogued including names, dates of birth, death please send them to Allen with directions to the cemetery, what county, and the GPS. The GPS can be done with your cell phone. Write it down while you are in the middle of the cemetery. Take pictures of tombstones and send them with the information. Lineage organizations will accept these as proof.

Until next time happy researching. *Mildred*

All of the books for sale by the Society. Books may be ordered from our publisher web site at: http://lulu.com/spotlight/GCGS1746

These make excellent gifts

Marriages Registers Granville County, North Carolina 1866-1894 available in Hard Cover and Paperback - by GCGS Extracted marriage records of Granville County, North Carolina 1866 through 1894. Section one, 1866-1867, is Cohabitation marriage records of freed slaves immediately after the Civil War. Section two is marriages from certificates filed in 1869 through 1894 in the Register of Deeds Office in Oxford, North Carolina. Book includes an Index of all names of Grooms and Brides.	Hard Cover - \$37.00 +Shipping Paperback - \$27.00 +Shipping
Bible Records of Old Granville County Volume 1; available in Hard Cover and Paperback Bible Records of Old Granville County North Carolina. Names, birth and death dates, marriage dates, within old family bibles. You will not find this information elsewhere.	Hard Cover - \$32.00 +Shipping Paperback - \$23.00 +Shipping
Volume 6 of our Cemetery Book 85 Cemeteries (family, public, private). Indexed by full names.	Paperback - \$22.00 +Shipping
Volume 5 of our Cemetery Book 129+ Cemeteries (family, public, private). Indexed by full names.	Paperback - \$21.00 +Shipping
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Hobgood Family of Granville County, N.C. Before 1850 - Volume 1 Hobgood Family of Granville County NC Before 1850 - Volume 1	Paperback - \$23.00 +Shipping
Hobgood Family of Granville County, N.C. Before 1850 - Volume 2 Hobgood Family of Granville County NC Before 1850 - Volume 2	Paperback - \$26.00 +Shipping
Keeping Up With the Joneses by Shirley Jones Mallard A book about the Rafe Jones Family of Granville County, North Carolina.	Paperback - \$19.00 +Shipping
Jeremiah and William Frazer - The Frazers of Granville County, NC by Phil Jones. Progenitors of Frazier families of Granville County.	Hard Cover -\$25.00 +Shipping Paperback - \$16.00 +Shipping

GCGS Deaths for September, October, November 2020

Editor's Note: This listing shows the deaths from the obituaries of three newspapers (Oxford Public Ledger, Butner/Creedmoor News and Henderson Dispatch) for the specified time. Names are listed as they appear in the papers. Their listed age, whether they were Buried or Cremated (many people would be looking for a tombstone and gravesites with burials, but with cremations they need to look for a death certificate or an obit), date of death and parents if listed. Some funeral homes do not list the parents.

Bailey, James McNeil	67	В	11/3/2020	Ed & Hallie Bailey
Bailey, Lucille Williamson	87	В	10/28/2020	Jesse James Williamson & Pattie Mae Ramsey
Bailey, Nannie Olivia Taylor	90	В	10/7/2020	Charles Taylor, Sr. & Bettie Webb Taylor
Blackwell, Eugene Beverly	73	В	11/22/2020	David Richard Blackwell & Pearl Gresham
Blevins, Betty Louise Kearney	84	В	11/23/2020	Davis Lee Kearney & Hallie Breedlove
Boyd, Franklin Roosevelt	88	C	9/29/2020	Alfred Wise Boyd & Marthenia Beaver
Boyd, Ruth Currin	83	В	9/26/2020	Lambert & Hattie Mae Currin
Brame, Harvey Thomas "H.T."	93	В	11/27/2020	Nathan Phillip Brame & Lola Faulkner
Brandon, James Thomas, Jr.	73	В	9/27/2020	James "Broach" Brandon & Louise P. Brandon
Braswell, Ronnie	72	В	11/13/2020	John H. Braswell & Dorothy Green Braswell
Brooks, Ann Rogers	84	В	9/30/2020	Alvin & Annie Averette Rogers
Brown, Ronald David	70	В	9/26/2020	Robert Brown & Mary Cheatham Brown
Callis, Roy Wayne	67	В	10/11/2020	Frank Hays Callis & Ettie Bet Preddy Callis
Cash, Bessie West	103	В	11/15/2020	William Penn Cash & Melissa Francies Redd
Cash, Jesse Jacob, Jr.	57	В	11/18/2020	Jesse Sr. & Dora Ann Morris
Chavis, Early Columbus	94	В	11/30/2020	Jim Chavis & Catherine Harris Chavis
Chavis, George Anna	86	В	11/9/2020	George & Fannie Ashe Parker
Claiborne, Jerry Leon	68	В	11/7/2020	Hildred Taylor Claiborne, Sr. & Louise Faucette
Clayton, Howard David	83	В	11/9/2020	Howard Jeffries Clayton & Pauline Ellis Clayton
Cooper, Annette	59	C	11/1/2020	Reuben Cooper, Jr. & Edith M. Kittrell
Crews, Macie Mildred	93	В	10/27/2020	Wilmont Herbert Crews & Aunie Cheatham Crews
Cummings, Lisa Wanda	53	C	8/11/2020	Carlton E. Cummings & Willa J. Hunt Cummings
Currin, Roger Albert	86		10/3/2020	Not listed
Curtis, Mary Helen	89	В	9/14/2020	Charlie Edward Curtis & Gracie Allen Curtis
Daniel, Louis Wilson	96	В	10/30/2020	Otha Allen Daniel & Carrie Elizabeth Manning Daniel
Daniels, Elizabeth "Annette" Green	67	В	10/3/2020	Willie & Alice Glenda Thorpe
Dartt, Susan Lyn	67	В	11/23/2020	William Harley Dartt,Sr. & Evelyn "Lyn" Griffin
Davis, Betsy Noell	78	В	11/1/2020	Lynwood Garland Noell & Magdalene Brame
Davis, Charlotte Meadows	88		11/8/2020	William Meadows & Vashti Williams
Dickerson, Charlotte Faye Price	78	В	9/16/2020	William Ernest & Etta Day Price
Dickerson, James Henry	80	C	11/21/2020	David Gill & Dulcie Hailey Dickerson
Eakes, Stephen Lee	34	В	10/21/2020	Calvin Thomas Eakes, Jr. & Teresa Koger Eakes
Estes, Mary Anne Carrington	89	В	9/20/2020	William Luther & Mittie B. Carrington
Evans, Ila Thornton	86	В	11/21/2020	Tom Lou Thornton, Sr. & Ethel "Doll" Hawley Thornton
Faucette, James Thaniel "J.T."	73	В	10/15/2020	Macon & Sallie Faucette
Finch, Ann Elizabeth Critcher	90	В	10/3/2020	Calvin J. & Lois Royster Critcher

George, Florence Gerlean Green	79	В	10/14/2020	Enoch & Florence Green
Gibson, Roger Lee	54	В	10/7/2020	Charles Raymond Gibson & Carol Hood Gibson
Gill, Jean Yeargin	88	В	10/27/2020	Wilbur Wright Yeargin, Sr. & Elsie Virginia Mangum
Gooch, Eugene Douglas "Doug"	75	В	9/17/2020	Lewis & Myrtie Gooch
Gooch, Lois M.	87	В	11/15/2020	Hubert L. Gooch, Sr. & Willie Ada Fleming Gooch
Green, Don Demetrius "Big Don"	53	C	9/23/2020	Gladys H. Green & George E. Green, Sr.
Green, Mary Royster	91	В	10/31/2020	John Royster & Mary Holloway Royster
Gregory, Kevin	41	C	10/10/2020	Jimmy M. Gregory & Janet Belcher Gregory
Hanks, James Anthony	41	В	10/27/2020	Melvin Hanks & Gladys Dunkins
Harris, Mildred Blackwell	92	В	11/29/2020	Norfleet Green Blackwell & Rose Edna Jones Blackwell
Hart, Terry Antoine	37		10/1/2020	Samuel Hart, Jr. & Janet Curtis Hart
Havens, Harry S.		В	8/31/2020	Parents not listed
Hedgepeth, Paul Henry	72		11/10/2020	Johnnie Frederick Hedgepeth & Lorene Marie Kearney
Henderson, Nathaniel Thomas "Skip"	84	В	10/28/2020	Nathan & Mary Ruth Hank Henderson
Hicks, Bobby Edward	76	В	9/29/2020	Edward Oliver Hicks & Martha Eakes Hicks Daniel
Hicks, Hatjana Michelle	36	В	11/20/2020	Michael & Robin Hicks
Hicks, Ruth Wheeler	91	В	10/21/2020	Ralph Elbert Wheeler & Clair Mary Wheeler
Hight, Jean O'Brian	92	В	11/4/2020	Brodie Marsh & Clara Beck O'Brian
Hilton, Boyd Franklin	82	В	9/16/2020	Roland & Ethel Hilton
Holden, Alveante Markeith	18	В	10/7/202o	Anthony K. & Gwendolyn P. Holden
Howard, Earl William, Jr. "Bill"	64	C	9/19/2020	Earl William & Juanita Callihan Howard
Huggins, Susan (Sue) Cobb Bullock	89	В	10/2/2020	John (Jack) Watkins Bullock & Susan (Susie) Pittard Bullock
Hunt, Ernest Bryant "Chuck"	74	В		Charles Bryant, Jr. & Pauline Newton Hunt
Hunt, Jean Brownley	98	В	10/25/2020	Not listed
Johnson, Janie Marie Burnette	72	В	10/7/2020	Zack Fielding Jr. & Lillie Mae Blackwell Burnette
Johnson, Jean Sherman	84	C	9/24/2020	George Thomas Sherman & Hazel Adcock Sherman
Jones, Angela Denise (Niecy)	52	В	11/30/2020	Evelyn & James L. Hester
Keith, Betty	85	В	11/25/2020	Melvin "Pete" Williams & Vera Durham Williams
Keith, Wade Eual	81	В	9/19/2020	Eual & Mildred Keith
Kelly, Beatrice Hicks	87	В	11/13/2020	John Henry Hicks & Rosa bell Hicks
King, Christopher Brian	32	C	10/30/2020	Steven Bryant King & Valarie Poe King
King, Robert Lee "Ned"	86	В	9/19/2020	Edward King & Meta Brodgen
King, Ruth Lurline Goss "Lurline"	81	В	11/8/2020	Vida Keith Goss & Aubrey Goss
Lankford, Jack	79	В	11/8/2020	Charles Nelson Lankford & Martha Tharpe
Lundenburg, Roger Richard	78	В	11/8/2020	Harold Jacob Lundenburg & Violet Rosalie Sklenar Lundenburg Meadowview
Mason, Mary Lee Davis	76	В	11/7/2020	John Davis, Sr. & Ludy Crosby Davis
Matthewa, Ralph Alps	81	В	10/10/2020	Herbert & Lessie Williamson Matthews
Maxwell, Martha Payne	75		11/6/2020	James Fred Payne & Edna Rosalee Manley
McGhinnis, Dennis Wright	90	C	11/18/2020	Doza Wright McGhinnis & Harry McGhinnis
Moon, Perry Lawrence "Rabbitt"	73	В	11/3/2020	Willie Lawrence "Dick" Moon & Gordie Virginia Canfield

Moore, Marshall Grace Hawkins	83	В	10/11/2020	Reuben Nathaniel Hawkins & Adeline Allen Hawkins
Morton, Ricky P.	63	C	10/11/2020	Paul Morton & Shirley Faye Turner MortonTingen
Neal, Ben Jones	92	В	10/11/2020	Robert Lee Neal & Amy Garrett Neal
Newell, Frank Brame III	80	В	11/7/2020	Frank, Jr. & Nelle Wilson Newell
Newton, Charles Noblin Sr.	85	В	11/27/2020	Sherman Merritt Newton, Sr. & Annie Laurie Barnette
Olivet, James Robert	52		11/21/2020	Aerial Shildrick & James Joseph Olivet
Perkins, Annie Laura Smith	92	C	9/4/2020	Brantley L. & Bertha Clark Smith
Preddy, Virginia Dare	89	В	10/9/2020	John Peyton Howell & Mary Elizabeth Moss Howell
Quick, Henry Marshall	81	В	11/3/2020	James Rowland Quick & Bessie Lenna Dickerson Quick
Ragland, Betty Ann Williams	83	В	10/18/2020	James Alson Williams & Delta Mae Strickland Williams
Reames, Martin Luther "Jack"	83	В	11/24/2020	Calvin Reames & Mattie Wilson
Reaves, Roy Leo	73	В	11/2/2020	Earl Reaves & Magnolia Eason Reaves
Riley, Johnny Ray	55	В	9/20/2020	Barbara Elliott & Ray Melvin Riley
Robertson, Larry Donnell	64	C	10/25/2020	Charlie H. & Bessie H. Robertson
Russell, Gabriel Stacy	73		11/15/2020	Junius Byron & Elizabeth Russell
Scott, Frank Paige Jr.	76	C	10/7/2020	Frank & Mary Hall Scott
Shagott, Richard John	80	C	10/1/2020	Stephen Shagott & Anna Roberts
Simmons, Tanya Whitt	44		10/29/2020	Joseph Windell Whitt & Pansy Elizabeth Whitaker
Stem, William David	67	C	10/22/2020	Eugene & Aylease Adcock Stem
Stovall, Charles Stradley	79	В	11/9/2020	Julian Baird & Frances Watkins Stovall
Strickland, Jennie Ella Overton	85	В	11/1/2020	William "Buck" Sherman & Maggie Lee Blackwell Overton
Taylor, Sylvia Tucker	74	В	10/18/2020	Robert Fred Tucker & Hilda Clayton
Thomas, Essie Sneed	90	В	10/19/2020	William "Dorsey" Sneed, Sr. & Florence Hargrove Sneed
Thomas, Michael J.	56	В	9/18/2020	Wilma Wilkerson Thomas & Willie L. Thomas, Jr.
Thornton, Otha Lee, Sr.	68	В	9/25/2020	Hannah Green Mitchell & Theodore Roosevelt Thornton, Sr.
Thorpe, Mollie Gooch	81	В	9/24/2020	Alex Gooch & Mammie Turrentine
Throckmorton, Equila	70	В	10/11/2020	Clarence & Marion Ruth Bagby Throckmorton
Tingen, Milton Clyde	76	В	10/13/2020	Perry Melvin Tingen & Novella Faulk
Turner, Kay Suitt	82	В	10/2/2020	James Forest Suitt & Alice Marion Parrott Suitt
Vaughan, David Harris	75	В	10/8/2020	Frank Spaulding Vaughan, Sr. & Ruby Claud Harris Vaughan
Watkins, Barbara Jean Jones	82	В	11/16/2020	Ezra Jones & Dezola Keith Jones
Webb, Mattie Sue	93	В	9/21/2020	Willie & Elizabeth Evans
Widner, Claude Henry Jr.	81	C	10/21/2020	Claude Widner, Sr. & Audrey White
Williams, Annie Lara Idena Peace	83	В	10/6/2020	Grant Peace, Sr. & Louvenia Lewis Peace
Wyss, Davey Lee	91		10/29/2020	Parents not listed

Dennis G. Brummitt - Ancestry

by Miss Isabel C. Brummitt

Nimrod Brummitt was born in Granville County in 1750 and died in 1823. The children from his first marriage to Sally were Piersy, William, Leroy, Penelope, Sally, Samuel, Polly, and John (1780-1857). In 1817 Nimrod married Nancy Frazier. James, George, and Nancy were the children from this union.

John married Cassandra Dement in 1805. Their children were Durell, William Lee, and John, R. (1814-1889). Margaret Bobbitt became his wife in 1843. Their children were I.O., Durell, John M., Mary, Bella, Henry, Margaret, and Thomas Jefferson (1844-1920). He married Caroline Victoria Bradford in 1875. Their twelve children were Melissa Caroline, Anna Margaret, Edgar, Thomas Barker, John Wesley, Mary Elizabeth, Otis, Oscar, Vivian Gray, Nathaniel Clay, Nora Cree, and Dennis Garfield.

Dennis G. Brummitt began his distinguished life on a Granville County farm on February 7, 1881. As he grew up, he attended public schools. At the age of seventeen, he began teaching, primarily in one-teacher schools, and was a principal for seven four-month terms in Granville County. When he was not teaching, he studied, raised tobacco, and went to college, obtaining a law degree from Wake Forest College in 1907. That same year he was to meet his future bride, nineteen-year-old Kate Hays Fleming. A recent graduate of Oxford College, she was waiting for the train that would take them both to Hester community where they would teach in the same school for two years. Years later Kate remarked, "He was sitting behind a copy of the News & Observer" and "sat behind one all his life."

During the long courtship preceding their marriage in June 1912, Kate continued her teaching career in Hester, Credle Elementary in Oxford, Penny Hill, and Elizabeth City. In order to qualify to work longer terms, she took two years off to pursue more teacher training at the Normal and Woman's College of Greensboro (now UNC-G) under a free tuition agreement. Her lifetime commitment to education was temporarily sidelined when she wed, since married women were not eligible to be employed as teachers in Oxford. During World War I when teachers became scarce, Mrs. Brummitt returned to the classroom for 4 1/2 years.

Dennis began his law practice in 1908 in Oxford. But his interest in law and current events was also to lead him into politics. He was elected as Mayor of Oxford from 1909-1913 then served on the board of town commissioners from 1913-1915. Long active in the Democratic Party, he served as secretary and chairman of the County Executive Committee and was a member of the State Executive Committee for eleven years, chairing it in 1928. He was elected to the state legislature in 1915 and remained in the General Assembly for three terms. In 1919, he was Speaker of the House. He was a Presidential Elector in 1920.

Outside of the political arena, Dennis was a lifelong Baptist church member and member of fraternal orders. He also served as a trustee of the Oxford graded schools from 1921-1925 and as a trustee of State college from 1923-1925.

Dennis assumed his last public office in 1925 when he was sworn in as North Carolina's Attorney General. Highly respected, he would hold the position ten years, dying in office from pneumonia on January 12, 1935. The first eight years as Attorney General he would be in Raleigh Monday through Thursday and in his law office in Oxford on Friday and Saturday. The third term his salary was increased from \$4500 to \$6500. Along with the raise came a prohibition on private practice which forced him to close his law firm in 1933.

While Dennis was serving as Attorney General, the Brummitts moved to Raleigh from their Hays Street

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home in Oxford. Being the educated, modern woman that she was, Mrs. Brummitt eventually became bored with the party scene. Kate enjoyed the weekly meeting of the "cabinet," a group of women married to men involved in state government living at the Sir Walter Raleigh Hotel, but found a better solution to her boredom by enrolling at State college (NCSU) as a day student. Her coursework allowed her to meet the new standards for an "A" teacher's certificate and graduate with a B.S. in Education with high honors at the age of 46. In so doing, she caught up with her husband in number of degrees, since he had received an honorary Doctor of Law two weeks prior.

After her husband's death in 1935, Kate went back to Woman's College for one term before returning to Oxford to teach second, third, and fourth grades. Upon her retirement in 1952, she had completed 26 years of teaching. She also found fulfillment as a free-lance writer, contributing feature articles to a Greensboro newspaper, the News & Observer, Oxford Public Ledger, and the Gastonia Gazette. She had personal notebooks full of creative writing, as well. Family genealogy became an interest in later years. In the community, she was an active member of the Tuesday Study Club, The Scribblers, Colonial Dames, and Oxford United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women.

After coming home from church one Sunday in 1966, a freak car accident in the garage caused injuries that restricted Kate to her Rectory Street residence for the last 14 years of her life. In a feature article written about Mrs. D.G. Brummitt when she was 91, Barbara Rogers quoted her as saying she "isn't doing anything - but being lazy now," but that must have been a reference to her sitting in front of the television a lot, for those who knew her well attested that "she has never known how to have a 'lazy' mind." She died January 9, 1980, five months after this interview.

Uncle Dennis and Aunt Kate often returned "home" to visit our family, the Nathaniel C. Brummitts, at the farm outside of Oxford. All of us children adored them and eagerly anticipated these times when they would bring us gifts and treats - usually toys or candies. I fondly remember receiving a silver dollar from them. Visiting Aunt Kate during the years she was homebound was such a joy - she was always kind and sweet, never complained. With her sharp memory, she was like a living history book, sharing stories with pleasure..

Sources: family genealogy records, obituaries and wills; Oxford Library - Hays Family Collection notebook; Oxford Public Ledger, August 27, 1979, "Woman, 91, Watched Times Change Materially," Barbara Rogers; Oxford Public Ledger, Feb. 20, 1970, "Woman Recalls Days of One-Room School," Mrs. D.G. Brummitt - reprinted Jan. 21, 1980.

Miles Wells Family

by: John B. Fox

The Wills (Wells) family had a long and prominent existence on the American scene, beginning in Old Warwick County, Virginia where the family intersected with the Cary family. The progenitor of the Cary family, Miles Cary, presented the Wills family with the given name of Miles, which has been carried down through many generations.

John Wills (Wells) was the first of our Wells line in North Carolina. He was the son of John Wills and Elizabeth Roberts Harwood of York County, Virginia; his birth listed in The Charles Parish register in York, as 29 November 1705. He appears on record in Bertie County, North Carolina in 1738. The identity of his wife is still a mystery, but she must have had connections to a Hardy family, as at least two of

John's children named sons, Hardy, the first such use of that given name in the family. John died intestate in 1760. It is believed that he had at least 10 children, among who was our ancestor, Miles.

The earliest record of note for Miles was in the Bertie County Court Records, the second Tuesday of the October Term when he was given a letter of administration for his father's estate in 1760. It is with Miles' generation that we find the spelling of the family name changes from Wills to Wells.

Miles was born ca. 1740 in Bertie County, and married around the time of his father's death to Frusanna Lee (Perry?), believed daughter of John Perry and his second wife, Sarah Moudlin (Bond). Their daughter, Frusanna, was born in 1744 in Bertie County, North Carolina.

We know that Miles and his family were in Granville County by 1765. He apparently purchased his first land in 1765 according to this land entry: 15 April 1765, James Reaves to Miles Wells, wit. Larken Johnston, Thomas (X) Morris for 250 acres on the branches of Fishing Creek. The Granville Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in 1780-1787 gave Miles permission to build a water gristmill on Cubb Creek.

According to "History and Genealogies of Old Granville County, North Carolina, 1746-1800" page 131, dated February 3, 1783, Miles was one of about thirty people who were appointed to a committee in Granville County, "to lay out a road the best and most convenient way from Shearman's Meeting House to a road laid out from Caswell Court House to Granville County line." This directive may have been the incentive for Miles to continue to investigate and invest in land in Caswell County, which he had already begun to do. The courthouse was then located in Leasburg, when the present Caswell and Person Counties were one.

There is no record of Miles having served in the Revolutionary War. There is proof that he was a patriot to the cause, as there is a pay voucher on file in the State Archives which indicates that he provided supplies to the Army. There is also a record in the North Carolina Colonial Papers noting that Miles was one of a group of Granville County folks who signed a petition against high taxes before the Revolution began. So any descendant is eligible for membership in either the Daughters of the American Revolution or the Sons of the American Revolution, based upon his patriotic service.

It would appear from deed books and court records, that Miles was quite a land speculator. He purchased his first tract of land in Caswell County long before he made the move from Granville County to Caswell County, from William Eaken of Caswell County, a tract for 100 pounds a 110-acre section near the head of the South Hico, on 2 October 1782. An additional 323 acres on South Hico were purchased 10 November 1784, which was a State Land Grant. The 13 June 1797 found Miles buying land, also in Caswell County, some 640 acres on Sandy Creek from an Edward Atkinson of Person County. On the 24 November 1797, Henry Williamson sold to Miles some 250 acres on Linch's Creek of the Hico. All in all, Miles amassed some 1375 acres of land in the Person and Caswell County area. Miles lived in the easternmost part of Caswell County, where his land bridged the line, which divided the two counties of Caswell and Person, making him a taxpayer in both counties, and active in the affairs of both. Miles continued buying land in more westerly territories, especially in Iredell County, NC, land that he included in his legacy to the children of his daughter, Elizabeth Wells Bowles.

Miles was the founder and major supporter of the Lynch's Creek Primitive Baptist Church in 1799 near his home in Caswell County, North Carolina. Several of the Wells family also was members and supporters of the Church in various ways: James, Willis, Elisha, Hardy, and Elizabeth were among some of those named.

Miles died in 1828 in Person County; his will dated 9 April 1825.

His heirs were Hardy Wells, born 1762, who married Elizabeth Parker in Caswell, 20 October 1784;

James Wells who was born 1766; Henry Wells, born ca 1767, and married Lydia Brown in 1792; Benjamin Wells, born ca. 1768, who married Nancy Eating in 1794 in Granville County; Samuel Wells, born ca. 1768 who married Elizabeth Oakley in Granville County 22 February 1794; Priscilla Wells, born 1770, who married John Mason 26 July 1792 in Granville County; Elisha Wells, born 1771, who married Elizabeth Marsh 19 October 1792 in Person County; Elizabeth Wells, born 1773, who married Benjamin Bowles 30 December 1795 in Person County; John Wells, born ca. 1775, who married Rebecca Herndon 28 March 1806 in Caswell County; Sarah Wells, born ca. 1778, who married Joseph Wilson in Caswell County; Miles Wells, born ca. 1782, who married first Parthenia Malone, and second Mary Hardy 9 February 1820 in Orange County; Thomas Lee Wells, born 1 May 1782, who married first Mary Robbards Rainey, 11 March 1809 in Caswell County, and second to Mary Davis 16 February 1829 in Tennessee; and William "Willis" Wells, born ca. 1783, who married Elizabeth Compton Herndon.

This writer's ancestries was Priscilla Wells Mason, whose daughter, Nancy Mason, born 1801, was married to William Harrison Roster, born 1795 in Person County, NC to Henry Royster and wife, Frances Draper. These Roysters were kinsmen of the Roysters who settled in Granville County. Their son, Solomon Faskin Royster, born 1834, married 1 September 1861, Sarah Jay Satterfield, born 9 September 1837 in Caswell County, NC. Solomon died during the Civil War 27 January 1865. Solomon and Sara Satterfield Royster had two children, a son, Solomon Satterfield Roster, born ca. 1865; and Rosalie Alice Royster, born 13 June 1862. Rosalie married John Younger Fox, born 16 February 1856, of Person County, North Carolina.

John and Rosa Royster Fox were my grandparents, through their youngest child, Charles Oscar Fox, born 1900, who married Claudia Hazell Graham, born 1905 in Alamance County, NC. I was born 9 February 1938 in Person County, NC. My wife, Billie Johns, was born 13 March 1938 in Durham County, NC to Jones Bryant Johns and his wife, Billie Atwater Strowd, and grew up in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. We currently reside in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where our two daughters, Elizabeth Atwater Fox Engel and Julia Bryant Johns also live. Elizabeth, born 8 August 1969, is married to Jonathan Benjamin Engle, and has a daughter, Isabel Tapscott McCauley Engel who was born 22 November 2000. Julia was born 1 May 1973 and is an Intranet administrator for RMIC Inc. based in Winston-Salem.

Nathaniel Clay Brummitt (8/13/1892 - 5/11/1983) Belle Harris Brummitt (8/28/1895 - 3/26/1989) My Grandparents

by: Nancy Lane

Nathaniel (Nat) was the 11th child born to Thomas J. and Caroline Bradford Brummitt. He is a descendant of Nimrod Brummitt who was born in 1750 and died in 1823 in Granville County. Nat was born at Clay's station where the railroad crossed Highway 96. At fifteen he moved with his family to a farm in Fishing Creek Township, Gray Rock Community. The farm, originally bought by Nat's father, Thomas, and brother, Dennis G. Brummitt1, in 1905 is still owned by Nat and Belle's children today.

Late in World War I Nat was drafted and sent to France. He landed at the time of the armistice signing so he was involved in little or no action. After returning home, he met Belle Harris who had been teaching first at Tar River, then Corinth between Oxford and Wilton. Belle had come to Granville County following her graduation from Littleton College for Women in 1916. Belle, my grandmother, was the daughter of Thomas Alston and Pattie Hamm Harris and had grown up on a farm near Warrenton. Belle

boarded with Nat's sister, Annie B. Tunstall, and she used to tell me about how Nat had a car, but she really liked it best when he would come to see her with the horse and buggy.

In 1920 Nat and Belle were married and they lived with his mother, as his father had passed away. Nat and Belle had seven children, Evelyn (1921), Isabel (1923), Nathaniel Thomas (1924), Mary Frances (1926-1927), Dennis (1927), Pat (1931), and Ann (1934). They added on a new attached kitchen and dining room to the farmhouse in the late 1920s.

On the farm they raised tobacco, cotton, wheat, rye, soybeans, and other crops. There were many hard chores for everyone and my grandfather's sense of humor was apparent when on a hot day he would send the children to the well, asking that they bring him a jug of water from the "north side of the well," inferring it would be colder! In addition to the crops, the garden and fields had to be kept clean of weeks by digging. Early in the morning the cows needed milking, then the chickens, cows, horses, and mules had to be fed; off to school, then back home to feed the animals and milk the cows again. Household duties of washing, ironing, cooking, and general house cleaning also required effort. In those days the clothes were washed in a big black pot with a scrub board using lye soap that was made at home. Grandmother would also sell butter and cakes at the curb market in town, and if she baked coconut cake, that meant cracking a coconut and grating it fresh. At Christmas time, Nat's socks served as stockings. They were filled with nuts, fruit, Martha Washington candy, and maybe a toy.

The farm had no electricity until 1941. In town, there had been electricity for a long time, but not in the county. To bring electricity into the outlying areas, the community would first garner signatures on petitions to support electrification. Belle was active in getting participants in the Gray Rock Community. Once they knew electricity would be coming in, each family would have their house wired; after that the utility poles would go up. The process took two or three years. Nat and Belle had also bought a refrigerator and an iron. Then one day in December the electricity was turned on, and so one night you were studying by kerosene lamp and the next night with an electric one. Nat was a member of the Rural Electrification Administration - Wake Electric Membership Cooperation for many years and served as Chairman of the Board.

As farmers, Nat and Belle were also involved with the county Agricultural Cooperative Extension program. Nat was active in the Triple A Farm Organization in the 1930s and 40s, and was Chairman for a while. When he was busy helping oversee the farm programs in the county, it meant someone had to pick up the slack back home. No doubt everyone had a few more chores on those days. In 1936 Miss S. Virginia Wilson came to the Granville County Agriculture office as the first Home Demonstration Agent. Belle participated in Home Demonstration for at least 40 years, even though it began after her eldest child, Evelyn, had begun college. I recall going with Grandmother to some of the meetings when I was visiting during the summers and I especially enjoyed the day we learned to redo chair seats. Grandmother would have been nearly 70, and I was about 10. We spent a few hours learning to make chair seats out of a heavy twine and many more hours that summer redoing those at the farm. Life on the farm had not slowed down very much.

Another early memory is getting my first library card. One sweltering summer afternoon we went into town and stopped by the library. Grandmother took me in to get a library card so I could check out some books. It was nearly 40 years later that I learned my grandmother had been on Oxford's first public Library Board in the 1930s. Education was also important to Granddaddy. Nat was on the School Board at Wilton for a number of years. The common memory his children have of this was, "If we got in trouble at school, we were really in trouble if Mother and Daddy found out." Even the grandchildren did not wish to be reprimanded by Granddaddy. One night my brothers were in bed in "boys room", which was above my grandparent's bedroom. They had brought some frogs into the house and had them in a basket. Well, the frogs kept jumping out, the boys kept hopping out of bed to put them back in, and Granddaddy kept bellowing for them to get to sleep.

Another very important aspect of my grandparents' lives was church. Much like Nathaniel of John 1:47, Nathaniel Brummitt was truly a man in which there was no deceit. He and Belle were faithful followers of Christ throughout their lives and instilled these beliefs in their children. They, along with Nat's siblings, were members at Corinth Baptist Church. In early years, Corinth did not have a minister every Sunday and on alternate Sundays the family went to church across the field from the farm at Gray Rock. It was at Corinth, though, that Grandmother taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for many years and worked with the Woman's Missionary Society. Nat was a deacon and was not hesitant in giving his opinion. And while he was not in the choir, he had a good strong voice and loved to sing hymns. I can still hear him humming as tune as we shelled butter beans together on the screened porch. I think my favorite memory is of one evening when we finished and Granddaddy drew me up on his lap. I was very young, and as we looked up at the stars, he gently guided me to find an airplane in the night sky.

Nat and Belle worked hard and lived a beautiful, compassionate life together for 62 years. The family tradition they established lives on in their 10 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Sources: The memories of family members.

Daniel Nethery Family

by: Frances Neathery Burger

Daniel Nethery was the first child of Thomas Nethery, Sr. (1719-1798) and his third wife, Mary Ann Baker (ca. 1765-1833). He was born in Mecklenburg County, Virginia near the present-day town of Chase City on or about November 30, 1789. Daniel Nethery and his family moved to northern Granville County, North Carolina in the Mid-1850s. They lived north of the historic Grassy Creek Baptist Church in the vicinity of the Clack, Winston, Yancey and Speed families.

Daniel Nethery's father, Thomas Nethery, Sr., was probably the son of James Nethery who was born about 1690 in Scotland. A Jacobite prisoner of war in the Jacobite Rebellion of 1715, James Nethery was exiled to the Colony of Maryland in America in 1716 along with seventy-nine other prisoners of war. It is believed that Thomas Nethery was born in Maryland and later moved with his family to Kinnett Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. He is listed on that County's tax rolls in 1758 and 1759 along with Robert, Daniel, James and John Nethery who may have been his brothers. At that time Thomas Nethery was married, had some children and was a tenant farmer.

Thomas Nethery and family migrated to Mecklenburg County, Virginia about 1760. They lived on Cattail Creek, which is a tributary of the South Fork of the Meherrin River till this very day. In August 1769 Col. Richard Witton, who was the first High Sheriff of Mecklenburg County, sold 330 acres of land to Thomas Nethery for "twenty pounds current money of Virginia." For over eighty years the Nethery family lived on this land tending the soil as farmers and witnessing the marriages, births, lives and deaths of family members and neighbors.

Daniel Nethery had eight half brothers and sisters who preceded him in age. Daniel Nethery No. 1 had died before our Daniel Nethery No. 2 was born. Then there were Robert Nethery, Mary Nethery Stone, Sarah Nethery Hagler, Esther Nethery, Thomas Nethery, Jr., William Nethery and James Nethery. Daniel Nethery's immediate siblings were Catherine Nethery (1791-ca. 1878), John Nethery (1793-1875) and Richard Nethery (1795-ca. 1879). In his will January 1798, Thomas Nethery left his lands and other

properties to his third wife, Ann, and their four children to be equally divided when they came of age. In 1819, the Thomas Nethery estate was divided with the Widow Nethery receiving her dower portion and each child receiving sixty-seven and three-quarter acres of land. None of Thomas Nethery, Sr.'s eight children by his first two wives received anything from his estate as he "had provided for them when they left me." The one exception was James Nethery who received a sorrel horse as his portion of the estate and nothing more.

Daniel and John Nethery were privates in Col. Grief Green's 6th Virginia Militia of Mecklenburg County in the War of 1812. Daniel Nethery actually pulled two tours of duty, with the second one being as a substitute for a man named "Ned Neal." Neal may have been the prominent landowner and farmer Edward Neal who lived on an adjacent farm to Daniel Nethery. Both times Nethery was stationed in and around Norfolk, Virginia. He survived the War, returned home to pursue farming and get married.

On February 14, 1816 Daniel Nethery was married to Sarah Smith (ca. 1795-1876) at "Mrs. Smith's near Boydton" by the Rev. Daniel Wade. Sarah was one of several children born to Buckner and Mavil Smith of Mecklenburg County, Buckner Smith was the grandson of Thomas Averett, Sr. of Lunenburg County, Virginia by the latter's daughter Elizabeth. Many if not most of the Averettes in Granville, Vance and Wake Counties, North Carolina and Halifax and Mecklenburg Counties, Virginia are of the Thomas Averette, Sr. line, and therefore distant relatives of Daniel and Sarah Nethery's descendants. The children born to Daniel and Sarah Nethery were: Buckner Smith Nethery (1817-ca. 1892); Edward Thomas Nethery (1819-1900) lived most of his adult life in Monroe County, Alabama and Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. Robert Taylor Nethery (1821-1864) lived in Alamance County, North Carolina at the beginning of the Civil War. A sergeant in Co. I, 8th N.C. Infantry, Nethery was captured at the Battle of Cold Harbor, Virginia near Richmond on March 31, 1864. He was taken to the Union Army prison at Elmira, New York where he died of chronic diarrhea on October 12, 1864 at age forty-three. James Henry Nethery was born and died in 1823. Richard Daniel Nethery was born and died in 1825. Mary Ann Nethery (1821-ca. 1914) was married to William Mallett in 1850 and later moved to Crockett County, Tennessee. Martha Jane Nethery (1829-1912); Henry Hodge Nethery (1832-1878); George Daniel Nethery (1834-1899), the great grandfather of this writer and the Rev. J. Marshall of Rolesville, NC and Sarah Elizabeth Nethery (1838-1901). Sarah was married to James Lewis Henderson in Granville County in 1865. Henderson was a Union soldier from Massachusetts.

In 1843 Daniel and Sarah Nethery took a mortgage on their farm of seventy-seven acres in Mecklenburg County to stand for the debt of family member whose name we do not know. The mortgage was to Finch and Puryear Company in Christianville, Virginia, which is now Chase City. The Netherys forfeited on the mortgage and lost their lands inherited from his father. Not only were their lands taken as collateral, but they lost their house, farm animals and birds, farming equipment and many of their household furnishings. All of this was taken to pay a \$333.78 debt! The purchaser of the Nethery land was William Tucker of Tucker's Mill. He was a prominent citizen and landowner in Mecklenburg County. His mill was located on the South Fork of the Meherrin River, near the crossing of Virginia Highway 49 over the South Fork of the Meherrin River at the Lunenburg-Mecklenburg County line between Chase City and Lunenburg Courthouse. In or about 1847, the Netherys moved to a farm two to three miles east of Boydton near Smith's Store where they made a modest living by share-cropping.

In or about 1853, Daniel and Sarah Nethery moved their family to northern Granville County, North Carolina. There they continued their sharecropping as tenant farmers. Four of their ten children were still at home. They were Martha Nethery, Henry H. Nethery, George D. Nethery and Sarah Nethery. Both Henry and George Nethery appear on the Granville County tax rolls in 1855 forward. Daniel Nethery does not ever appear on the Granville rolls, probably due to his age and infirmity. For a couple of years in the late 1850s, George Nethery lived with his older brother E.T. Nethery in Monroe County, Alabama where the latter was overseer on a large cotton plantation. When E.T. Nethery got married in 1860, George Nethery returned home to help take care of his aging parents.

Daniel Nethery died "at Dr. James F. Clack's" in Granville County, on December 9, 1866. He was seventy-seven years old. It is not known what caused his death, but it is believed it may have been cardiovascular in nature and possibly sudden. Daniel Nethery may be buried in the Grassy Creek Baptist Church cemetery or in a family cemetery in the area. No authentic documentation as to his burial place has been found. Memorial stones for him and his wife was erected several years ago in the Rock Spring Baptist Church cemetery north of Townsville in Vance County. This is where several of their first and second-generation descendants are buried.

Sarah Nethery lived almost ten years after her husband's death. Her address was Youngs Crossroads, then Brownsville in northern Granville. During the Civil War, Sarah Nethery was a local seamstress for some of the area men who had gone as soldiers. She is mentioned several times in this regard in letters from Henry Talley (2nd Co. G, 14th Va. Infantry) to his mother Jane who was a neighbor of the Netherys. George D. Nethery, Sarah Nethery's "seventh of seven sons", was a good friend of Talley's and in his same Confederate military unit. These letters by Talley are in the Virginia Historical Museum and Society in Richmond. Both Daniel and Sarah Nethery lived to see five of their seven sons go as soldiers in the Civil War. Only one of them did not return home. Sarah Nethery died on July 15, 1876 at her home in northern Granville County. She was in her early eighties. It is not known what caused her death. She is, more than likely, buried beside her husband with whom she spent over fifty years of marriage. Daniel and Sarah Nethery are this writer's 1 great, 2 great grandparents. "No excellence in life was their claim to fame. Tho' their descendants revere their good names."

Sources: Oral Family History and Private Records; Jacobite Rebellion of 1715 documents; Chester County, PA Tax Rolls of 1725-1765; Mecklenburg County, VA Deed Book: Witton-Nethery deed, 1769; Mecklenburg County, VA Will Book 2: Thomas Nethery will, 1798; Lunenburg County, VA Will Book: Thomas Averett will, 1757; U.S. Census Records: Mecklenburg County, VA and Granville County, NC 1840-1880; U.S. Military Records of the War of 1812, National Archives: Daniel Nethery, John Nethery; Marriage Records of Mecklenburg County, VA: Daniel Nethery to Sarah Smith, 1816; and Daniel and Sarah Nethery Family Bible.

Horace George and Mattie Mae Huff

by: Horace Huff

Horace George Huff, Sr. (March 18, 1916-October 25, 1949) and Mattie Mae West (July 14, 1916-January 6, 1996) were married on December 25, 1933 and lived in Northern Granville County. Horace and Mattie were buried in Granville County at Sharon Baptist Church. There were six children during their marriage.

Sally Frances Huff was born on October 13, 1934. She married George Washington Slaughter of Nelson, Virginia on June 19, 1951. George died on April 24, 1990 and is buried in Creedmoor, NC. They lived happily in Butner and had two children. 1) Donald Wayne Slaughter was born on April 28, 1958. He was married to Lisa Maynard of Creedmoor, NC on July 17, 1998. There were three sons from a previous marriage and a daughter and stepson from his present marriage: Bryan Donald Slaughter (born April 7, 1986); Taylor Abbott Slaughter (born May 11, 1990, died June 11, 1990, is buried in Creedmoor, NC); Nathan Wesley Slaughter (born august 23, 1991); Katelyn Gayle Slaughter (born August 30, 1999); and Corey Lane Maynard, stepson (born July 20, 1993). 2) Pamela Jo Slaughter was born September 6, 1968. She married Lewis Downey Frazier of Oxford on March 9, 1991. There was one daughter born, Jessica

Leigh Frazier (June 22, 1995).

Horace George "Junior" was born on August 5, 1936. He married Marie Nathaniel Claiborne on May 6, 1954. There were four children born. 1) Katherine Dianne was born on June 13, 1955. She married Thurman K. "Jimmy" Carroll of Warren County on October 4, 1974 and had three sons: James Robert Carroll (born June 21, 1975, married Christy Renee Latta of Creedmoor, NC on October 5, 2002); Horace Michael Carroll (born August 12, 1976, married Holly Lynn Nelson of Silver Spring, Maryland on February 26, 2000); and Benjamin David Carroll (born February 22, 1979, died of SIDS on December 4, 1979, is buried in Meadowview Memorial Garden in Oxford, NC.). 2) Wanda Kay Huff Hart was born on October 23, 1956. She has one son, Chad Anthony Hart (born March 25, 1981). 3) Horace Spencer Huff was born on September 13, 1968. He married Debra Lea King on July 10, 1999. They have two sons: Hunter Logan (born August 24, 1998) and Matthew Spencer (born June 14, 2000). 4) Shelly Rebecca Huff was born on February 25, 1970 and lives in Oxford, NC.

Inez Huff was born on April 30, 1938. She married Charles Pete Bolton of Warren County in April of 1963. There were two children. 1) Deborah Gail Bolton was born on April 18, 1962 and 2) Charles David Bolton was born on November 26, 1963. Deborah married Gilbert Elijah Woodlief on September 4, 1982. David has one daughter, Rebecca Dawn Bolton, who was born on February 14, 1986.

Julia Rose Huff was born on January 26, 1941. She married Robert Thomas Wheeler, Sr. on September 16, 1956 and had three children. 1) Donna Jean Wheeler was born March 24, 1959. She married Charles Graves Anthony, Jr. on November 26, 1988. They have one son, Charles Graves Anthony, III (born December 1, 1993). 2) Robert Thomas Wheeler, Jr. was born April 11, 1961. Tommy married Susan Gayle Harris on May 6, 1984. They have one son, Brandon Thomas Wheeler (born May 6, 1992). 3) Cynthia Lynn Wheeler was born December 3, 1962. She married Jesse Harvey on September 29, 1984. Cynthia had one daughter, Stephanie Lynn Wheeler (born January 16, 1981). Cynthia died in an automobile accident on June 16, 1987 and is buried in Norlina, NC.

Brenda Ann Huff was born on June 21, 1947. She married Payton Emory Young on April 20, 1968 and presently live in Roxboro, NC. They have two children. 1) Francs Ann Young was born October 16, 1969 in Person County. Frances married William Wheeler, Jr. March 16, 1990. They have two daughters: Christina Nicole (born March 12, 1992) and Anna Caitlin (born September 1, 1998). They are now living in Jacksonville, NC where William is serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. 2) Ronald Gregory Young was born on December 24, 1971 in Person County. He is divorced and has one daughter, Tiffany Renee Young (born October 7, 1995).

Linda Christine Huff was born August 13, 1945. She was married to Howard Reid Baird and had three children. 1) Horace Michael Baird was born June 7, 1963 and died June 7, 1963. He is buried at Mt. Zion Baptist Church cemetery in Berea. 2) Gary Wayne Baird was born August 23, 1965. He married Jennifer Long on September 10, 1973. They have two children: Austin Wayne (born December 23, 1993) and Courtney Christine (born September 23, 1998). 3) Kenneth Reid Baird was born April 22, 1968. Christine died April 16, 1987 and is buried at Mt. Zion Baptist Church cemetery in Berea.

Norman Clark Howard Family

by: Mary Smith Harris and Phillip Howard

Norman was the oldest of Lula (1883-1916) and George Clark. Lula was the youngest daughter of Barnett and Lucretia Smith Royster. Norman had two sisters: Fannie and Elizabeth, and two brothers: Charlie and Peter.

After Lula's death in 1916, George married again and had one son, Willie Clark.

Norman grew up on the farm with her parents in Northern Granville where she met John Howard, the son of Cora Peele and Junious Howard. They later married and had six children. John Jr., Cora Thelma, Christene, Mary, Emma and Nellie. They owned their own farm in the Oak Hill Community where they reared all their children.

John, Jr. married Bettie Florence Williams, daughter of Dan and Allene Royster Williams. To that union four children were born: Dorothy, Barbara Jean, Delois and Phillip. Dorothy (d) married Harvey Smith, son of James and Sue Smith. They have two children, Curtis and Karen. Curtis works for AT&T in New Jersey. He has two children Brianna and Alexis. Karen married Michael McCoullough. They have two girls. LaToshia who attends NCA&T State University in Greensboro and La Keisha who is in junior high in Durham.

Barbara Jean married Charles Caldwell (retired). She works in Electronics for a major firm in New Jersey. Delois married Wade Cotton from Chapel Hill. They have one son, Corey, who graduated from NCA&T State University, Greensboro. He is now employed at a major bank in Greensboro. Delois is supervisor for a major insurance in Durham. Wade works at Duke University in maintenance.

Phillip worked for Lead Mechanic Packaging Company until he became disabled.

Phillip was the first son in the family to have a heart transplant and it was a successful one. His wife, Shirley works as a medical secretary at a firm in Stovall and Oxford. They have a son, Jon, who attends South Granville High School in Creedmoor.

Cora (d) married Leander Smith, son of James and Susie Smith. They were farmers. They were the parents of two children: Gloria (d) and Brenda, who married Ronnie Harris and had one daughter, Rhonda. Brenda has since remarried.

Christene married Judge Morton (1914-1978); son of Edd and Dicie Beasley Morton. They are the parents of seven children: Beulah, Evelyn, Leroy, Floyd, Kenneth, John Edwards (1946-1992) is survived by one son, Troy Overby who lives in Richmond, VA and Judge, Jr. (1952-2000) is survived by his wife, Marie Taborn and two children, Lamont and Kiesha. They live in Irvington, NJ.

Christene and Judge were farmers who worked hard to take care of their family. Christene now lives in Oxford, NC.

Beulah married James Thomas, son of James and Susie Harris Smith. They have one son, Michael, who works for CED in Durham, NC. He married Ella Whitson, daughter of L.C. and Bettie Whitson of New Jersey. Beulah retired from Norvatis Pharmaceutical Company in East Hanover, NJ. James is retired from PSE&G. They moved to Durham where they purchased their home.

Evelyn married Harvey Faulcon. Evelyn works at Murdoch and Douglas, who retired from Murdoch, is a

published author of one book and is in the process of writing another one. They have two daughters. Tonia Skinner, who lives in Holly Springs, NC. She is an art consultant. Shelly Daniels, who lives in Marietta, GA, is a Social Worker.

Leroy married Pattie Robinson from Warrenton, NC. They live in Morristown, NJ and have two girls Cheryl and Vanessa.

Floyd married Corine Hayes and they live in Greensboro. They have one daughter, Keisha, who is a college graduate. They also have two foster children Dermetris and Nicolette.

Kenneth lives in Oxford, NC.

Emma married Grover C. Smith, son of Grover Lee and Sula Mae Smith and to this union three children were born, Tony, Jerry and Debbie. Tony lives in New Jersey where he is gainfully employed. Jerry lives in Rocky Mount where he is employed as a Middle School principal. Debbie married Kent McCrimmon and they have one son, James. Kent works at Duke Hospital and Debbie works at Revlon.

Mary married James Smith, son of Dock and Nettie Smith. They had two children, Anna Marie and Carolyn. James and Mary moved to Morristown, New Jersey and lived there for 17 years. The later purchased a home in Northern Granville. Carolyn (d), their oldest daughter, married Walter Medley (d). They have three children, Daryl, Patricia and Elizabeth. Elizabeth works in Durham School System. Anna is married and lives in Atlanta and has one son, Keith who lives in New York and works in payroll for a major firm.

Nellie (d) married Fred Martin, son of Hubert and Lillian Martin. They are the parents of four children, Sheila, Sharon, Sherell and Shelly. They live in New Jersey. Sheila married Benjamin Nowell and they have one son, Zaire. Sharon is married and has one child. Sherell has one daughter. Shell had twins, one survived. All of Nellie's children still live in New Jersey where she lived.

John and Norman worked hard on their farm to provide a comfortable home for their children. They joined New Grassy Creek Baptist Church and remained faithful members. All of the children joined there, also.

John loved and was a member of The Virginia Carolina singing group. All of his children inherited that talent. Their children sing with the gospel Star Stars and the Marie Coleman Singers in Morristown, NJ.

According to grandson, Norman loved to work in tobacco and loved housework. She also loved fishing as her mother did. On Sundays after every one had been to church, they would go to grandma's house where they ate and played until dark.

Daniel Ball Jr.

by: Faye Ball Edwards

Daniel Ball, Jr. was the first member of the Ball family in Warren County, North Carolina. His presence is cited in many records preserved in Warren County history. He was the son of Daniel Ball Sr. whose will is dated 1794 Granville County.

Other children of Daniel Ball Sr. were William, Osborn, James, Elijah, and Elisabeth Ball Forkner.

The Ball family owned 450 acres of land on Martin's Creek, where Granville, Warren and Franklin Counties met at a point. This accounts for the fact Daniel Ball and his descendants are often found living in Warren County, and at other times, in Granville County. Some eventually settled in nearby Franklin County. By moving as little as a quarter mile in any direction, they would be across one of the county lines.

Daniel Ball, Jr. named children James, Richard, Sally Pretty, Polly Serruggs and Nancy Rainwater in his Warren County will, dated 1822. Son James inherited most all of his father's estate. There is every indication that James and Sally were the only two legitimate children of Daniel Jr.

My family is off the line of son Richard. Richard served in the War of 1812. There is not a lot of information available on him, and what can be found indicated that he was a farm hand with little recordable assets. According to the 1850 census, other children of Richard Ball were Sallie, William, Mary and Thomas.

At this point, every generation of Ball had begun to have children named Sallie, William, Nancy, Mary, and James. For researchers, it is a nightmare that is yet to be sorted out. I do know that Richard's daughter Mary Ball was my great-great-grandmother. She and her children worked as farm hands and live-in housekeepers for various people in their community. Mary lived into her 70s, last appearing on the 1900 census living with her three grown daughters: Ludie, born May 1862; Sallie, born August 1865; and Nancy born May 1869 and five grandchildren. Mary also had one son, Thomas born in the 1860s also. It is believed that he is the Thomas Ball that married Sue Woodlief and settled on the Spring Valley Road in Henderson. This conclusion is drawn from the fact that a granddaughter of Ludie, Warren County native Mildred Miller, recollects many times as a child that her parents would take the family on the long drive to Henderson and spend the day with Aunt Sue Ball and her children over on the Spring Valley Road.

Ludie Ball died about 1913. The story goes that she laid down on a pallet on the floor to nap and never woke up. She left two children, Florence and Rosa. Florence married Dave Cooper Evans and Rosa married John Lee Owen.

Sallie Ball was known for an obvious harelip. She died November 12, 1934. She left one daughter, Lena Ball, who married Warren Abbott.

The youngest daughter of Mary Ball was Nancy Ball. She was my great-grandmother. Nancy Ball lived with her three children, Stephen, Minnie and Ollie in a small home built for her by wealthy tobacco farmer Peter Roberson and his son George. The ruins of that home still stand on Highway 39, located just diagonal from the Roberson's brick estate home at the intersection of Highway 39 South and Walter Bowen Road. Her relationship to George and Peter Roberson is not known. It is felt that she may have been a blood relative of George (local history had dictated that George Roberson was born a Faulkner, but adopted by Peter Roberson). After son Stephen left home, Nancy married for a short time to one John Robertson, but the marriage ended in divorce. She moved her children Minnie and Ollie to Rocky Ford and lived out her days in the home of Ollie and wife Dora Alston Ball. Nancy Ball died January 27, 1942.

Minnie married William Faulkner.

Nancy's son Stephen, born about 1891, was my grandfather. He worked as a tobacco farmer in and around the communities that were so familiar to his family. He married a young woman named Mamie Faulkner Roberson. She was the daughter of Litt Faulkner and Martha Anna Dickerson Faulkner. Mamie had been married to Sam Roberson and had an infant daughter, Mary Lee Roberson. I have found no record of what happened to Sam Roberson, but it is assumed that he died and left Mamie a widow. At the onset of the

marriage in 1912, Mamie's mother Martha (now married to Ruffin Pendergrass) took the infant, Mary Lee to raise. Mary Lee Roberson (Pendergrass) married Thomas Reavis, son of Eugene Reavis of the Sulphur Springs community. They had nine children: Stephen Thomas Reavis Jr. (died 2002), Doris Odell Reavis Bray, Bennie Lewis Reavis, Richard Edward Reavis, Shirley Ann Reavis Stevenson, Mary Jane Reavis Mitchell, Peggy Juanita Reavis Winstead, Frankie Hunter Reavis Gourley and Harold John Reavis. Harold John died in an accident at the age of 16. Mary Lee died in childbirth in the early 1940s. Stephen and Mamie lived near Weldon's Mill in an area known as Hoyletown. They had seven children of their own: Clarence Norman, Jesse Thomas, Martha Jane, William Henry, Hampton Elmo, Bryant O'Neal, and Annie Lee. In 1924, when Annie Lee was but nine months old, Stephen Ball died suddenly leaving Mamie alone once more, this time with seven children ranging in age from nine months to twelve years old.

She married a third time to Ed "Buddy" Coley and one by one, she found new homes for each of her children. Mamie died in the early 1950s with son Hampton at her side holding her hand, and the rest of her children close by.

Norman was taken in and raised by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry at Middleburg. He married Mary Bell Roberson, daughter of Sue and Robert Roberson. They had four children, Robert, Stephen, Thomas, and Jeanette Ball Brummitt. Norman died in 1979.

Jesse lived with a Mr. Faulkner, and in later years lived with Mr. Will Pendergrass and his wife Ida Dickerson Pendergrass. He married Mr. Pendergrass' daughter, Lennie. They had three children, Elaine Ball Mitchell, Josephine Ball Norwood and Thomas Palmer "T.P." Ball. Jesse died in 1986.

Martha Jane was sent to Oxford Orphanage. She lived there exclusively, and pursued a degree in nursing while at the Home. She married Frank Reavis, the brother to her sister Mary Lee's husband. They had three children, William Franklin Reavis, Helen Rose Reavis Tilley, and Robert Currin Reavis (died 1974). Martha Jane died in 1988.

William Henry (Bill) was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mosely. He married Mamie Fleming from Norlina. Bill entered World War II and was killed in action in Germany. He is buried in Luxembourg. He and Mamie had one daughter, Ann Mosely Freudendahl. Mamie remarried after Bill's death and had another daughter, Peggy Norwood.

Bryant was adopted by Walter and Agnes Robertson. He married Elizabeth Gupton. They had two children, Noel (died 1984) and Patricia Robertson Pegram. Bryant passed away March 1999.

Annie Lee was adopted by Luey and Pearl Hicks Finch of Oxford. Her name was changed to Mary Elizabeth Finch. She married Curtis Smith from Louisburg. In the early 1940s, as her husband left for WWII, she began to feel some disenchantment with her lifestyle. She joined the WAVEs, pinned a note to her pillow saying goodbye and disappeared in the middle of the night. She has never been seen or heard from again.

Hampton is my father. At four years old he was sent to live with Mr. Richard Short in the Afton/Elberon community. At nine years old he was sent to Mr. Tom Pendergrass' home in Vicksboro. At 14, he was moved to the East Carolina Training Camp in Rocky Mount, NC. In 1941, he married my mother Virginia Elizabeth Spain, a Warren County native and daughter of David Allen and Lena Sanford Spain (see Spain and Atkins accounts in this publication). My father served in Europe during World War II with the 9th Armored Infantry Division from 1942 until 1945. My parents have five children, Martha Frances Ball Hernandez, David Hampton Ball Sr., James Rogers Ball Sr., William Wayne Ball, and Sandra Faye Ball Edwards. My parents have 11 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. On December 29, 2001 they celebrated the miracle of sixty years of marriage. My father is the only one of his family still living. He

will be 82 years old on May 1, 2002 and still works six days a week at a local farm supply. He has lived to an older age than any other Ball in his lineage.

When Vance County was formed in 1881, the vast majority of the land that once belonged to Daniel Ball fell in the southeastern part of he newly formed county. Although still in close proximity to Warren and Franklin Counties, the Ball family was almost totally removed from any future involvement in Granville County history. Most all accounts of the Daniel Ball's descendants indicate that they lived, worked and played in the area bounded by Martin's Creek on the west, east to just past the Warren County line, encompassing Weldon's Mill, Hoyletown, Southerland's Mill, Coley's Crossroads (now known as Vicksboro) and the Shocco communities, better known as Sandy Creek Township.

Sources: Census and courthouse records, and personal knowledge.

William Jones (1724-1804)

by: J. Daniel Mahar

William Jones is the son of Col. Robert Jones and his wife Elizabeth Brereton, natives of Virginia's Northern Neck. Col. Robert Jones, son of Capt. William Jones, Sheriff and Justice of Northumberland County, Virginia, is the grandson of the original emigrant Robert Jones, a merchant who settled on Fleet's Bay. William's mother Elizabeth Brereton is a descendant of Col. Thomas Brereton (c1630-1683) Clerk of Virginia Colony from 1654 to 1661 and his wife Jane Claiborne daughter of Col. William Claiborne merchant, planter, Virginia Colony's Secretary of State and Deputy Governor. Most of Col. Robert Jones' children were born in Northumberland where William and his twin brother Thomas were baptized at St. Stephen's; their birth is recorded in the parish register as the 15th of October 1723. William's father moved the family to Cumberland Parish, Brunswick County, Virginia around 1725 and settled on a 900-acre farm worked by an enslaved labor force of about twelve people. This land later falls into the borders of current day Lunenburg County, where Robert's will is proved in 1750. At his father's death, William is found as head of the household, probably as his eldest brother returned to northern Virginia to manage his father's lands in that region. By 1754, William had married Elizabeth the widow of John Gwinn.

Elizabeth's father is believed to be John Twitty, a large landowner in Lunenburg County and a native of New Kent County, Virginia. Her mother is assumed to be Mary, who is named as John's wife at that time. John died in the state about May of 1755 and Mary died by May 1759, John Twitty acquired over 3,000 acres of land throughout the Southside of Virginia, was a surveyor, ran an ordinary, and served as a vestryman for Cumberland Parish. Elizabeth Twitty Gwinn brought to the Jones household at least one minor child John and probably a daughter named Mary (or Margaret). These children are named in the 1752 will of their grandfather David Gwin and are also found in Granville County records. John Gwin left many records in Granville and Person Counties; in the latter he married Jane Wade. Jane left legacies to John's half-siblings in his will.

Between 1758 and 1760, William Jones started acquiring land in North Carolina. Due to the common occurrence of the name, "William Jones," in records it is extremely difficult to positively identify William in the North Carolina records; however, the 1760 Granville deed to William Jones "of Lunenburg" for 350 acres on Robin's Branch of the Tar River is believed to be the son of Col. Robert. In Granville there were at least three other William Jones during this era; two are father and son and the third a son of Vinkler Jones. Some tax records use the moniker of "Big" to differentiate one William Jones from the other three; this is believed to be William, son of Robert. The one record we can positively identify as

belonging to William Jones is his will, which was written on the 10th of April 1800 and proved in November Court of 1804. William Jones' will mentions no surviving wife, but clearly lists his children. The will provides very little detail as to his land and wealth and no inventory of his estate have been discovered. The children of William Jones and his wife Elizabeth Twitty are: Brereton Jones (1755-1810) who married Martha Dianna Bressie and raised a large family in Granville County.

Leeanna Jones was born the 2nd of August 1763 and died in 1840. In 1781, she married Abraham (1759-1838), the son of William Lawrence and his wife Deborah (Spivey?). The couple lived in the vicinity of Grissom and is interred in a graveyard at the Ned York Place. It is believed they had the following children: William Twitty Lawrence who married Liddy Pruitt; Abraham Lawrence who married Lucy Chambliss; Turner Lawrence who married Pricislla M. Upchurch; and Anna Lawrence who married William Cardwell. Granville planter John P. Lawrence is a descendant of Leeanna.

Elizabeth Jones was born about 1758 and died in 1844 in Orange County, NC. Elizabeth married in 1786 to James (c1755-1810), the son of John and Margaret Patterson; of North Ireland origins who came from Pennsylvania and settled in the area of Burlington in Alamance County, North Carolina. James Patterson settled on Dials Creek near the Person County border in Orange County. Elizabeth filed a Revolutionary War Pension for her husband's service and was denied; she also provided deposition for her brother's war pension. James and Elizabeth are known to have had the following children: Thomas Bowen Patterson (1787-1847) who married Elizabeth Walker and removed to Vigo County, Indiana. James Patterson who married Elizabeth Stovall and settled in Person County. Mark Patterson who married Melinda Rose and removed to Arkansas. William Jones Patterson who married Sara Hutson and lived in Person County. Elizabeth Caroline Patterson who married Robert Lawrence and removed to Rockingham County, NC.

Margaret Twitty Jones "Peggy" married in 1783 to William Turner Lawrence, another son of William and Deborah Lawrence. Very little is known about this family. Peggy was alive in 1818. Her children may include: Peggy Lawrence who married her first cousin Bernard Jones; Henry Bassett Lawrence who married Elisabeth Prewett and removed to Benton County, Tennessee; and Mary Gwin Lawrence who married Joel Furguson.

Sources: "Robert Jones of Fleet's Bay" by Mrs. O.A. Keach published in the "William and Mary Quarterly" Series One, Vol. 3, pg. 191-262; St. Stephen's Parish Records; Northumberland, Lunenburg, and Granville County records; and Revolution War Pension #W20193.

Reaves / Reeves Family

by: James R. Smith

It must be remembered that the history of the region of which Granville Co. is a part, began in the late 1600s and early 1700s when the lands west of the Chowan River began to absorb the overflow of settlers from the North Eastern Shore of North Carolina, as well as Virginia settlers coming down the Chowan River. At that point in time, migration of people swelled to such an extent that lands west of the Chowan River were named Bertie Precinct. Many of the settlers moved across the Morattuck River where many of them turned westward seeking higher lands of the Piedmont Plateau. Ultimately, the lands west of the Morattuck River were designated as Edgecombe Precinct/County. Edgecombe Co. had no western Boundary. Still migration flowed west. By 1746 Granville Co. was created to provide for the needs of the early settlers as well as the home base for Lord Granville for his land holdings. The early name for the major river, Morattuck, was gradually changed to Roan Oake, and later shortened to Roanoke.

The first William Reaves family came down from Virginia in the late 1710s and settled in Chowan Precinct, south of the Morattuck River, where he acquired considerable land on both sides of the river. He was listed on the 1721 tax list for Chowan Co. with 130 acres and one white pole. By late 1738 he had land as far west as the Great Quankey Swamp, which is today north of the town of Halifax, North Carolina. At that time it was part of Edgecombe Co. The first William Reaves received a patent for 130 acres as recorded in Granville Patents by 1744, which he sold to Robert Hicks. By 25 March 1749 the First William Reaves had 200 acres of land on Fishing Creek of Granville Co. and by 5 November 1749 he had a patent for 400 acres in McCulloh tract Number 12.

William Reeves, Sr.'s name was on the 1750 list of taxables, with three taxables. This surely included William Sr. and two sons, but they are not named. Sons William, James, Malachi, and Isaac Reaves' names appear in land Patent or Court records prior to 1750, but sons Benjamin and Burgess Reaves do not appear in records until after 1750. Thus, they are the two sons listed with their father in the 1750 Census.

On 31 December 1750 William Reves (Reaves) sold to James Reves for 27 pounds, acreage not given, on the north side of Great Quankee swamp. Witnesses were: William Reyes, Jr. and John Reyes, Granville Co.

On 2 August 1751 William Reeves, (Sr.) wrote his will, which was proved 3 December 1751 and recorded in Granville Co. He named his wife Margaret, sons William, James, Benjamin, Burgess, Isaac, and Malichi, and daughters Mary Carpenter, Elizabeth Hodges, Sarah Hicks, and Olive and Ann Reaves. Executors were James and Malachi Reaves. Wife Margaret objected to the will because the will gave her one shilling in lieu of dower rights.

William Reaves, Sr. did not name his son William Reaves, Jr. as an executor of his will, as William Reaves, Jr. was in the process of moving to Orange County, NC. After an extensive study of the early Reaves in the above area and beyond 1800, the writer has discovered a John Reaves who I now believe was a son of William Reaves, Sr., but for some reason was not named by his father in his will. I have collected all of my notes on John Reaves, which are shown under the family of William Reaves, Sr.

Now we will cover the children of the first William Reaves and his wife, Margaret. For lack of birth dates we will use the appearance of the boys in the records as owners of land or in references in Court Minutes for they had to be 21 to qualify; thus establishing birth sequence. By tradition, most of the chain bearers for surveys were younger sons down to age 16 of the person buying the land. This helps to separate fathers and sons of same name.

William Reaves, Jr.: On 9 July 1738 he received a patent for 400 acres, which appears in the Edgecombe records of 1755. He acquired 320 acres of land in Edgecombe Co. on 6 February 1740. On September 1741 William Reaves, Jr. and wife Hardy sold 220 acres on the forks of Crockeyott Creek. Over the following years he continued to buy and sell land in Edgecombe Co. In a deed of 8 March 1748 William Reaves, Jr. and wife Hardy (Council) Reaves sold more Edgecombe land. By 1749 William Reaves, Jr. got 350 acres of land on Fishing Creek, Granville Co. He bought land and sold additional land in Granville Co. and also in Orange Co., NC. On 19 August 1751 William Reaves got a deed from Giles Hedspeth for 320 acres on the south side of Great Creek with all improvements for 60 pounds current money of VA. On 3 September 1751 William Reyes sold to Ralph Hedgepeth 220 acres in Granville Co. On 18 October 1751 William Reyes sold to Francis Myrick, both of Edgecombe Co., for 60 pounds 320 acres on both sides of Great Creek, originally patented to Ralph Hedgepeth 11 April 1745. On 1 May 1752 William Reaves got a patent for 522 acres in St. John Parish on both sides of Fishing Creek and (SCC) sworn chain carriers were Malachi Reaves and his son William Reaves. By 29 August 1754, Malachi owned the 522 acres, which he sold to his brother James Reaves. On 13 January 1753 William Reaves sold 220 acres in Edgecombe Co. on the west side of Great Creek to Thomas Tucker of

Edgecombe Co. for 20 pounds current money. In the early years of the 1750s, William Reaves' name appeared in a number of Orange Co. NC Court Minute records. William Reaves was listed on the 1755 tax list for Orange Co. with four white poles and zero black poles. Names appearing in the Orange Co. records that appear to be sons of William Reaves are: 1) William Reaves, Jr., August Court 1760 when he had Stock Mark recorded and 2) George Reaves, who got a deed for 200 acres recorded November Court of Orange Co. In 1762 a survey was made for 368 acres on both sides of Crabb Creek in Orange Co. for a William Reaves, Jr. as is recorded in Granville Land Patent books. This William Reaves is actually the III in the same family line.

James Reaves: He first appeared in May 1741 Court Edgecombe Co. as a witness. Thus he was at least 21 years old. In 1747 James Reaves got a deed for 200 acres on the south side of Great Quankey Swamp, Edgecombe Co. Recorded in May Court 1753, James Reaves and wife Millicent of Edgecombe sold this 200 acres on the south side of Quankey Creek to Bryant Edmondson. In 1754 James Reaves and wife Millicent convey 400 acres of land in Halifax Co. to John Eelbeck. On 20 August 1754 James Rives (Reaves) and wife Millicent of Edgecombe Co. and Malachi Rives sold to John Eelbeck for 60 pounds 100 acres, more or less on Great Quankee Swamp, Granville Co. On 29 August 1754 James Reaves got 522 acres from Milichi Reaves on the north side of Fishing Creek in Granville Co. In the Granville Co. tax list of 1755, James Rieves (Reaves) was listed with a son, Malichi and a total of two poles. On 30 March 1758 James Reaves and Malachi Reaves were witnesses to a deed for Jacob Perry to John Bass for 50 acres land on Fishing Creek. In November 1760 Court James Reaves and James Reaves, Jr. were named as SCC in a survey for 700 acres in Granville Co. Parish of St. John on both sides of Fishing Creek. In 1761 James Reaves was a SCC for a survey made on the north side of Fishing Creek for Thomas Bradford. In July 1761 James Reaves was a SCC for 318 acres survey for Robert Hicks on branches of Fishing Creek, Robert Hicks was an uncle of James Reeves, Jr., having married Sarah Reaves. On 9 September James Reaves and Jeremiah Reaves were witnesses to a deed for Jacob Perry to Luke Rawls for 150 acres on Fishing Creek, Granville Co. In the 1762 taxable lists. James Reaves was listed with son Jeremiah and one slave for three poles. On 7 November 1763 James Reaves and wife Milicent deed 200 acres of land on Fishing Creek to Malachi Reaves, their son. The 1764 tax list for Rowan County shows James Reaves and son William two poles. Son Jeremiah Reaves was listed separately with one pole. On 9 February 1767 James Reaves of Granville Co. sold about 200 acres on Fishing Creek to John Harris of Rowan Co. On the same date James Reaves bought from John Harris 320 acres on the south side of the Haw River. The 1768 tax list for Rowan Co. lists James Reaves, but sons Jeremiah and William are separately listed. They lived in the area that became Guilford County.

Malachi Reaves: Malachi Reaves of Granville Co. got a patent for 400 acres in St. John's Parish on Tabb Creek on 25 March 1749 he was not listed on the 1750 tax list for Granville Co. On 1 May 1752 Malachi Reaves was a SCC for a patent issued to William Reaves, his brother, who went to Orange Co., NC. On 29 May 1753 Malachi Reaves got 522 acres from William Reaves, his brother, on the north side of Fishing Creek. In 1754 Malachi Rieves (Reaves) was a SCC for a survey of 500 acres for Darwin Eelwick on both sides of Popular Creek, Granville Co. On 29 August 1754 he sold this land (522 acres) to his brother James Reaves. On the Granville tax list of 1755 Malachi Reaves was listed with son William and one slave for three poles. On 30 March 1758 Malachi Reaves was a witness with his brother James reeves to a deed for Perry to Bass. On the Granville Co. 1762 tax list, Malachi Reaves was listed with sons William and Jonathan in Fishing Creek District. Malachai Reaves, Jr., son of James was also listed in Oxford District. On 1 August 1762 Malachi Reaves got a tract of land from John Earl. The parcel of 540 acres was on both sides of Tabb Creek. Also recorded in 1762 Court records, Malachi Reaves was a SCC for a survey made for William Hicks. On the 1762 tax list for Granville Co., Malachi Reaves was listed with sons William and Johnathan in Fishing Creek District. On 25 March 1763 Malachi Reaves gave a deed to William Hicks for 293 acres on both sides of Tabb Creek. William Hicks was a witness to the will of William Reaves, father of Malachai. On 25 May 1763 Malachi Reaves' name appears in a claim of land for the Parish of Granville. Son William Reaves was a witness. On 1 November 1768 Malachi Reaves sold 100 acres to Mourning Hunt, both of Granville Co. His wife, Fourton Reaves, was examined and

released her dower. On 10 May 1773 and in the August Court 1774 Malachi Reaves was listed as a buyer at the sale of the estate of Jonathan White, who was a witness to the will of William Reaves, father of Malachi. On 2 January 1775 Malachi Reaves deeded to George Alston 170 acres on Tabb's Creek of Granville Co. Jonathan Reaves was a witness. On 7 August 1780 Malachi Reaves received a deed for a token amount from William Hicks, who was a witness to the will of his father, William Reaves, Sr. This token gift suggests that Fourton Reaves, wife of Malachi, may have been a Hicks.

Phipps Family

by: Charles William Dean

John Manley Phipps was born on January 16th, 1849 in Granville County. He was a tobacco farmer in his early adulthood. He married Delany Mildred Hall (b. 1850-d. 1923).

They had six children, Mattie Phipps (b.1880-d.1958), Cora Phipps (b.1883-d.1962), Jessie Phipps (b.1884-d.1960), Walter Phipps (b.1889-d.1926), Fred Phipps (b.1887-d.1971) & Annie Lou Phipps (b.1891-d.1988)

Mattie married Alfred Sherman Frazier (b.1876-d.1943), who was a farmer in Granville County. They had two children, Bailey C. Frazier (b.1899-d.1952) and Inez A. Frazier (b.1901-d.1988). Bailey married Mary Williamson (b.1901-d.1992) and Inez married William Hays Dean (b.1897-d.1968). Mattie and Alfred have seven grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

Cora married Algernon W. Cannady (b.1875-d.1948) a tobacco farmer of Granville County. They moved from Granville County to live in Motoaca, Virginia. They had two children, Mary Cannady (b.1917) and John Cannady (b.1921). Cora and Algernon have four grandchildren. Rosa Morris (b.1900-d.1983) was taken into the Cannady family in 1936 where she stayed and became part of the family.

Jessie married William B. Currin (b.1877-d.1954) the son of Joe Currin & Henrietta Hobgood. William was a tobacco farmer in Granville County. They moved to Lillington NC and then to Lumberton NC. Jessie and William had five children, John Albert Currin (b.1915) who married Margaret Atkinson (b1914), Rena Currin (b.1922) who married Earl Thompson (b.1925), William R. Currin (b.1913-d.1982), Quinton Currin (1919-1920) and Edward Currin (Jan.1912-Mar.1912)

Fred married Lila Eakes (b.1896). They started out in Granville County and later moved to Durham NC, then they moved back to Granville County where he was a farmer. They had two children Ella Mae Phipps (b.1915), who married Carl Obenshain (b.1913) and Fred Phipps Jr. who married Ivey Turner. Ivey passed away in 1975. Fred married second wife Frances McFadden (b.1913). Fred and Lila have four grandchildren.

Annie Lou married Charlie B. Sherman (b.1885-d.1964) He was son of Elijah Sherman and Georgianna Glenn. Annie and Charlie lived in Durham. Charlie was a salesman for a wholesale grocery company and later manager. They had five children, Elbert L. Sherman (b.1916) who married Kathleen Price (b.1991), Mildred Sherman (b.1916) who was the third child, married Hubert C. Johnson, (b.1919-d.1981). Charles N. Sherman married Josephine Patton (b.1924). Lastly, Allen P. Sherman married Olive Griffin (b.1926-d.1991) Annie and Charlie Sherman had five grandchildren.

Walter the last child of John and Delany married Lelia Wilkerson (b.1890-d.1986). He became a tobacco farmer. They had one child, Frances Phipps (b.1914) who married Andrew McAdams (b.1889-d.1972).

Walter and Lelia eventually had 2 grandchildren. Walter passed away in 1926 and Lelia later married Ira Roger.

John M. Phipps and wife Delany were active members of Enon Baptist Church in Granville County until their later years when they moved to Durham NC.

Delany passed away in 1923 and was buried in Enon Baptist Church cemetery. A short time later John married a second time to the sister of his first wife. Her name was Geneva Hall (b.1886-d.1941). John died on December 12th 1938 and is buried with his first wife. Geneva died on August 8th, 1941 and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery in Durham N.C.

Up until the adulthood of the third generation, the families of John M. Phipps family had frequent reunions, some being held at the Baptist church in Enon. Most members of the Phipps family over a period of time moved out of Granville County into neighboring Durham County. Some can be found buried in the Enon church cemetery.

Sources: Information as of 1995, by Charles Sherman (grandson).

Joseph Bernard Yeargin

by: Ruth Noblin Yeargin

Joseph Bernard Yeargin, the oldest child born to Joseph Columbus and Leah Averett Yeargin was born October 26, 1903 in Creedmoor, Granville County, North Carolina and he died April 10, 1986 in Oxford. He married Lillian Mae Belcher in Oxford on March 31, 1928. Lillian was born in Granville County June 28, 1906 and died November 16, 1990 in Durham County. They are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in Oxford.

Joseph Bernard Yeargin and his wife, Lillian, were lifetime residents of Granville County and lived their entire married life in Oxford. They loved the Lord and were long time active and devoted members of West Oxford Baptist Church. Mr. Yeargin was a deacon of the church for many years.

J.B., as he was fondly called by many, worked in his early years for Wilson Tire Company in Oxford. In 1930 he went to work for Welcome Service Station whose owner was Gulick Overton. Bailey Elliott purchased the station from Mr. Overton and he employed J.B. for more than 40 years. J.B. was a good and faithful employee.

They were the parents of one daughter, Ruth Noblin Yeargin, who was born May 19, 1931 and until recently lived in the same home, that her parents did, for 66 years. Ruth attended and graduated from the John Nichols High School at the Oxford Orphanage. She attended the Fuller Secretarial School in Oxford and has been in automotive accounting for 46 years.

<u>HOLY TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</u> (African-American)

Location - 6585 Old Roxboro Rd, Oxford NC. Coordinates: 36d 21m 41.9s N; 78d 46m 23.7s W

List of all burials provided by the church in September 2020. Survey by Allen Dew in September 2020 - December 2020.

Directions: from Oxford take Hwy 158 west toward Berea. At Berea take the right fork onto Old Roxboro Rd. Travel about 6.0 miles to the church on the left side of the road. The cemetery is behind the church.

Name Birth Death

Allen, John Edward (Minister) 24 Dec 1910 13 Oct 1966

Row-03, No-10. Husband of Mozell Lessie Allen. Son of Sam Allen and Beulah Lindsay Allen.

Allen, Lonie Lyon Abt 1932 8 May 2015

Row-03, No-11. Wife of John Edward Allen. Daughter of Ernest Lyon and Novella Lyon.

Brooks, Dominic Unknown Unknown

Row-04, No-12.

Brooks, William Clarence 14 Mar 1920 9 Dec 1986

Row-01, No-01. Husband of 1) Ruth Bursee Latta Brooks and 2) Mae Lyons Brooks. Son of Dave Brooks and Lucy Evans Brooks.

Downey, Bessie Mae John Green 16 Mar 1925 30 Jun 2000

Row-10, No-02. Wife of James Nathaniel Downey. Daughter of Oscar Green and Donia Hobgood Green.

Downey, Graham Ellis 9 Apr 1954 1 Apr 2019

Row-10, No-05. Son of James Nathaniel Downey and Bessie Mae Green Downey.

Downey, Hallie Vertilia Green 24 May 1930 28 Mar 2012

Row-04, No-02. Wife of John Henry Downey. Daughter of Oscar Green and Donia Hobgood Green. She leaves to cherish her precious memories, her children Dorothy Greene Daye (William), Durham, NC, James William Greene (Mary), Durham, NC, William Downey, Durham, NC, Joyce Hawley Danville, Va.; grandchildren, Sonia Y. Coltrane, Patrick L. Hart, Barry C. Daye (Shana), Monica Daye (Brian), Jeremy Ryan Daye (Sherika), Glynnis Thorpe (Shean), Tanisha Williams (Travis), Shomacelle Williams; great grandchildren, Alexus Pipkin,, Shean Thorpe, Jr. Jada Thorpe, Isaiah Thorpe, Travis Williams, II, Leah Thorpe, Jamal Coletrane, Jasmine Leake, Amoni Plummer, Jeremiah Brian Williams, Tahmika Atkins, Tim Jackson, Tyler Williams; one great-great grandchild, Ja'kieria Coltrane; three sisters, Beatrice Thorpe, Butner, NC and Hanna Mitchell, Stem, NC, Mamie Latta of Oxford, NC; two brothers, Bishop John Green, Stanford, Conn. and Samuel Green of Waterbury, Conn.; and a host of host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Downey, James William 1 Mar 1918 1 Aug 1995

Row-10, No-01. Son of Oscar Green and Donia Hobgood Green.

Downey, John Henry 22 Oct 1928 22 Dec 1992

Row-04, No-01. Husband of Hallie Vertilia Green Downey.

Garcia, Wanda Dalphine Downey 3 Jul 1965 27 Sep 2017

Row-10, No-04. Wife of Jose Garcia. Daughter of Nathaniel Wall and Lois Howard. On the morning of Wednesday, September 27, 2017, the Lord called Wendy Dalphine Downey Garcia to rest. She was born July 3, 1965, to the parentage of Lois Howard and Nathaniel Wall in Granville County, North Carolina. At an early age, she attended the Holy Temple COGIC. Later she joined the Millgrove COGIC in Durham, North Carolina. In recent years she attended First Pentecostal Church in Durham, North Carolina. Wendy attended Little

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth</u>	Death

River Elementary School, Chewning Junior High School and graduated from Northern High School in 1984. All in Durham, North Carolina. Wendy also attended Flight Attendant School in Florida. She was untied in holy matrimony to Jose Garcia. She was the proud owner of Garcia's Taxi, where she worked day and night to attend to her many different customers. She wanted to make sure all were taken care of when they called for her services. She leaves to cherish her beautiful memory one daughter, Mario Dove (Richard); one grandson, Noah Dove, mother, Lois Howard and step-father, Dennis Howard; father, Nathaniel Wall; three brothers, Keith Bradley Howard, Dennis Lee Howard, Jr. and Marcus Howard; three aunts, Pauline Downey, Patricia Downey Vereen, Eugenia Downey Dove who was raised as a sister (Reginald); three uncles, James N. Downey, Jr. (Guscenia), William H. Downey and Graham E. Downey; one cousin who was raised as a sister, Shomacelle Downey Williams (Lamont); special cousins she called her children, Eugenia N. Whitted, Tierriqua M. Whitted, Tahmika M. Atkins and Timijyn A. Jackson, Jr., five nephews, Devontay A. Mason, Justin T. Howard-Calendar, Jordan J. Howard, Marcus B. Howard, Jr., Markese D. Trent; a special friend, Raymond Whitley; a host of other family members and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Bessie G. Downey and grandfather, James N. Downey, Sr.

Gibson, Beulah Mae Williams

16 Oct 1945 4 Oct 2007

Row-09, No-03. Wife of Gene Gibson. Married 19 Aug 1966. Daughter of Herbert Williams and Sarah J. Williams Carroll.

Green, Oscar, Jr.

15 May 1915 20 Apr 1996

Row-07, No-01. Husband of Thela Virginia Allen Green. Son of Oscar Green and Donia Hobgood Green.

Green, Shanta Bianca

2 Jul 1994 2 Jul 1994

Row-06, No-01. Daughter of Michael A. Green and Evon Strickland Green. Green, Thela Virginia Allen

5 Apr 2001 11 Aug 1918

Row-07, No-02. Wife of Oscar Green, Jr. Daughter of John N. Allen and Mary Anna Allen.

Henderson, Thurman

Unknown

Unknown

Jones, Lillie

Unknown

Unknown

Row-01, No-08.

Row-02, No-02.

Jones, Maggie

Unknown

Unknown

Row-01, No-09.

Lassiter, Victoria Allen

6 Jul 1914

16 Apr 2000

Row-01, No-10. Daughter of John N. Allen and Mary Anna Allen.

Lawson, Archie

Lawson, Oscar

17 Jan 1937

18 Feb 1993

Row-04, No-04. Husband of May Lawson (divorced). Son of Oscar Lawson and Emma Downey Lawson.

Lawson, Emma Downey

9 Mar 1921

13 jan 1993

Row-04, No-03. Wife of Oscar Lawson.

15 Feb 1917

10 Feb 2002

Row-04, No-05. Husband of Emma Downey Lawson.

Lunsford, Dennis Paul

18 Mar 1962

29 Oct 2016

Row-01, No-06. Son of Collin Lunsford and Mae Liza Lyon Lunsford Brooks. Dennis Paul Lunsford, son of the late Collin Lunsford and Mae Liza Lyon Lunsford, was born March 18, 1962 in Granville County, North Carolina. He departed this life on Saturday, October 29, 2016 in Hock Family Pavilion in Durham, North Carolina. He attended Holy Temple Church of God in Christ and was a 1981 graduate of Person Senior High School in Roxboro North Carolina. Dennis was well-known and well-loved by his family and friends

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and was the favorite uncle to his nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, one sister, Mary Catherine "Bump" Lunsford, also preceded him in death. He leaves to cherish his memories, his mother, Mae L. Brooks of Roxboro; three step-children: Chad Raglin, Peaches Raglin and Terry Williams, all of Roxboro; four sisters, Ester Sumner (Griffin) of Durham, NC, Darlene Clayton, Stephanie Poteat (Gary) and Hannah Wilkerson, all of Roxboro; two brothers: William Lunsford (Bernice) of Oxford, NC and Stephen Brooks, also of Roxboro; a special friend, Malika Cunningham; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Lunsford, Mary Catherine "Bump"

19 Sep 1956 31 Aug 2016 Row-01, No-05. Wife of Melvin Lunsford. Daughter of Mae Liza Lyon Lunsford Brooks. Mary is survived by her mother, Mae L. Brooks of the home; two sons: Brian Lunsford and Melvin Lunsford, Jr.; four sisters: Ester Sumner (Griffin) of Durham, NC, Darlene Clayton, Stephanie Poteat (Gary) and Hannah Wilkerson, all of Roxboro; three brothers: Dennis Lunsford of the home, William Lunsford (Bernice) of Oxford, NC and Stephen Brooks of Roxboro; special friend, John Winstead of Roxboro; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Lyon, Earnest, Jr.

13 Dec 1922

Unknown

Row-03, No-04. Son of Earnest Lyon and Rosa Morris Lyon. Lyon, Earnest, Sr.

8 Feb 1903

15 Mar 1998

Row-03, No-02. Husband of 1) Rosa Morris Lyon (m.1917) and 2) Novella Lawson Lyon (m.1927).

Lyon, Henry

1 Jun 1944

25 Nov 2010

Row-03, No-06. Son of Earnest Lyon and Novella Lawson Lyon.

Lyon, Lot

1905

Apr 1991

Row-03, No-01. Husband of Viola Annabell Floyd. Son of Cornelious Lyon.

Lyon, Novella Lawson

29 Dec 1910

9 Jul 1996

Row-03, No-04. Wife of Earnest Lyon, Sr.

Lyon, Sadie Mae

29 Dec 1928

3 May 2018

Row-03, No-07. Daughter of Earnest Lyon and Novella Lawson Lyon.

Lyons, Roy David, Sr. "Ha Ha"

15 Jul 1950

8 Nov 2006

Row-05, No-03. Husband of Susie Mae Sanford Lyons. Roy David Lyons, Sr., son of the late Jewel Lyon Williams and Roy Lassiter, was born July 15, 1950. He departed this life on Wednesday, November 8, 2006, at Duke University Medical Center. He was educated in the Granville County Public School System. At an early age, he joined Holy Temple Church of God in Christ. He worked as a farmer in earlier years, then moved to Pottstown, PA, where he worked in a steel plant. While in Pottstown, he married Susie Mae Sanford Lyons on June 21, 1970. To this union two children were born. David leaves behind to cherish his memory his son, Roy David Lyons, Jr., his wife, Cherise, and daughter, Caprice Lyons; one grandson, DeMarquis Lyons and one step-grandchild, Shanell Smaw; four brothers: Elbert Lyons (Nannie), James Williams (Marvis), Anthony Williams (Hattie), and John Wayne Williams; two sisters: Martha Ann Palmer (Daniel) and Jeraldine Jackson; five nieces, ten nephews, twelve great-nieces, seven great-nephews, one great-greatnephew, and many other loving family members.

McCray, Doris Lyon

14 Jan 1938

7 Dec 2009

Row-03, No-05. Former Wife of John McCray, Jr. Daughter of Earnest Lyon and Novella Lawson Lyon. Doris Lyon McCray was born on January 14, 1938 to the late Ernest and Novella Lyon in Granville County, NC. She attended Granville County Schools and received her GED in 1993. At the age of 13, she gave her life to Christ in the home of the late Oscar and Thela Green and began a lifetime of service to the Lord and the church. She served as a Sunday School teacher, YPWW teacher, and sang in the choir. In 1968, she

answered her call into the ministry and received her license as a missionary in the Church Of God In Christ. She was later elevated to District Missionary under the late Superintendent L. F. Wrenn and continued to serve under Superintendent John Lyon, Sr. until the day of her death. She worked at JFD, Cristex, and Ideal Fastener. She even found a way to share the Good News of Jesus Christ during her years of domesticated service, with all whom she served. She was married at the age of 16 and to this union was born one son, Marvin Lee McCray. She departed this life on December 7, 2009 after a long battle with cancer. She was preceded in death by one sister: Jewel Williams; and one brother: Ernest "jolly" Lyon. She leaves to cherish her memories one son: Marvin Lee McCray (jean) of Virgilina, VA; five grandchildren: Bobby Cross of Butner, NC; Tamara "Tammy" McCray of Winston Salem, NC; Marvin "Lee" McCray of Oxford, NC; Faryl "Lynn" McCray of Oxford, NC; and Alexis Smith of Raleigh, NC; two brothers: John Lyon, Sr. (Gloria) of Oxford NC; and Henry Lyon of Pottstown, PA; eleven sisters: Sadie Lyon, Lonie Allen, Emma Lyon, and Shirley Ball (Bernard) all of Oxford, NC; Mae Brooks, Victoria Williams, Josephine Green (Larry) all of Roxboro, NC; Francis Satterwhite (David) of Timberlake, NC; Catherine Sconiers (John) of Hillside, NJ; and Ernestine Sconiers and Christine Smith (Tommy) both of Jersey City, NJ; one Goddaughter: Joyce Lyon of Durham, NC; seven great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Mitchell, Hannah Jane Green Thornton

1936

16 Jun 2019

Row-11, No-02. Wife of 1) Theodore Roosevelt Thornton and 2) Elijah Glenn Mitchell. Daughter of Oscar Green and Donia Hobgood Green.

Palmer, Arthur, Sr. "Pete"

11 Oct 1951

8 Jun 2018

Row-04, No-10. Husband of Flossie L. Palmer.

Palmer, Flossie L.

19 Dec 1953

Reserved

Row-04, No-11. Wife of Arthur Palmer, Sr.

Ramsey, Ada Allen

10 Oct 1895

3 Mar 1978

Row-03, No-14.

Sanford, Brenda Lee

23 Jul 1960

14 Aug 2001

Row-13, No-01. Daughter of John William Sanford and Lucy Mae Allen Sanford.

Satterwhite, David Lee, Jr.

25 Nov 1946

9 May 2018

Row-12, No-04. Husband of Novella Satterwhite. Son of David Lee Satterwhite, Sr. and Gertrude Satterwhite Wrenn.

Satterwhite, Lizzie "Sis"

1 Aug 1919

7 Feb 2006

Row-06, No-04. Daughter of John Satterwhite and Calley Chavis Satterwhite.

Shackleford, Hallie V. Jones

2 Oct 1938

7 Jul 2009

Row-01, No-07. Wife of Calvin Shackleford. Daughter of Cleveland Jones and Maggie Beth Jones. Hallie V. Shackleford was born October 1, 1938 in Oxfrod, NC. She was born to Cleveland and Maggie Beth Jones. Hallie was educated in the North Carolina public school system until she relocated to New Jersey, wherein she completed her education in the Jersey City school system. She attended nursing school and 1ater became a licensed beautician. Hallie worked at various jobs including Champion Catering Services and Ford Motor Company. She retired in 2000 from Grobet File Company in Carlstadt, NJ, where she was employed for nineteen years. Hallie was a prayerful fighter who knew and loved the Lord when He called her home. Hallie had the ability to light up a room with her presence and her sense of humor. But, will be remembered for her smile, kind heart, loving and humble spirit and always helping someone in need. She will also be remembered for her famous homemade cakes, apple and sweet potato pies, peach cobbler, potato salad, barbecue ribs and fried chicken. Hallie leaves to cherish her loving memory: her husband, Calvin Shackleford; daughter, Avery Scott (James); son, Anthony Shackleford, Sr. (Kecia

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> Goolsby); grandchildren, Calvin and William Scott, Anthony, Jr. and Kaneesha Shackleford; great-grandchildren, Dayshia DeVilla-Scott and Markeith Scott; three sisters, Mary B. Hicks (Edward), Della Beverett and Julia Hester (Jimmy); five aunts, Gertrude Wrenn, Lonnie Allen, Lundale Taboran, Lillie Juanita Jacobs, Betty Carol Wilcox; two uncles, Robert Allen and Mack Allen; her companion of 25 years, Marshall Alston; a very special cousin, Priscilla Butler; special friends, Judith Hannah, Joseph Reynolds and Barbara (Little Bit) VonRhein, as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and neighbors.

Thornton, Theodore Roosevelt "Slab"

20 Oct 1930 22 Jun 1998

Row-11, No-01. Husband of Hannah Jane Green Mitchell. Married in 1953. Son of William Thornton and Luella Thorpe Harris.

Thornton, Trey Devon

24 Sep 1990

25 Nov 1990

Row-02, No-01. Son of Willie Mae Thornton.

17 Mar 1901

4 Jul 1994

Thorpe, Ervin

Row-03, No-13. Never married.

Unknown, Unknown

Unknown

Unknown

Row-12, No-01. Fieldstone.

15 Aug 1949

Reserved

Webb, Catherine E. Row-12, No-09. Wife of Dea Donell Webb.

Webb, Dea Donell

17 Mar 1945

6 Aug 2012

Row-12, No-08. Husband of Catherine E. Webb.

Wilkerson, Donnie

Unknown

Unknown

Row-08, No-03.

Wilkerson, Juanita

Unknown

Unknown

Row-08, No-02.

Wilkerson, Sherri Ratliff

Abt 1965

30 Jun 2013

Row-08, No-05. Wife of Vencen Wilkerson. Daughter of Jerome Ratliff and Pearl Ratliff. Sherri leaves to cherish precious memories her husband; Vencen Wilkerson of the home; two sons, Wendell Ratliff of Manassas, VA and Eric Ratliff of Kernersville, NC; two daughters, Shana Ratliff of Greensboro, NC and Kanisha Wilkerson of Henderson, NC; four brothers, Robert Linsenby of Louisburg, NC, Michael Ratliff and Clifton Ratliff both of Maryland and Tommy Ratliff of Stafford, VA; two sisters, Kendra Watson of Chesterfield, SC and Twyla Bullock of Henderson, NC and two grandchildren; Taja O'Neal and Iryanna O'Neal and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Williams, Herbert, Sr. "Dubeset"

29 May 1926

18 Sep 2004

Row-09, No-01. Husband of Lucille Gilchrist Williams. Son of Ralph Herbert Williams and Annie Mae Solomon Williams.

Williams, James, Jr.

23 Dec 1929

1 Sep 1993

Row-05, No-01. Husband of Mae Jewel Lyon Williams. Mr. James Williams Jr. was bom Dec. 23, 1929 in Person County, North Carolina to the late James and Mary Yancey Williams Sr. of Roxboro, N.C. He departed this life quietly and peacefully on Wednesday afternoon, September 1, 1993 at Duke Medical Center. He was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church. Bro. Williams loved and was a faithful member of the Gospel Choir. On Dec. 27, 1954 he was married to Jewel Lyons. To this union were born seven children: two girls and five boys. He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife: Mrs. Jewel Williams; two daughters: Mrs. Martha Palmer of Roxboro, N.C., and Mrs. Jeraldine Jackson of Greensboro, N.C.; five sons: Elder James A. Williams of Oxford, N.C., Mr. John Wayne Williams of the home, Mr. Toney Williams of Durham, NC., Mr. Chester Lyon of Oxford, N.C. and Mr. David Lyon of Oxford, N.C.; fifteen grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three daughters-in-law: Mrs. Nannie Lyon of Oxford, N.C., Mrs. Suzy Lyons of Roxboro, N.C., Mrs. Francine Williams of Oxford, N.C.; two sons-in-law: Mr. Daniel Palmer of

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Roxboro, N.C., and Mr. Fred Jackson of Greensboro, N.C.; one sister: Mrs. Ruth Torain of Roxboro, N.C. Also left to cherish are three foster sisters: Gennette Thomas, Marv Roberson and Rebecca Bullock and one foster brother, Thomas Yancey, all of Baltimore, Md.; his father and mother-in-law, Ernes and Novella Lyon - of Oxford, N.C.; twelve sisters-in-law, three brothers-in-law, and a host of relatives and friends.

Williams, Lucille Gilchrist

18 Mar 1938

18 Jan 1997

Row-09, No-02. Wife of Herbert Williams. Married 27 May 1955 in Virginia. Daughter of Eddie Gilchrist and Carolina Rainey Gilchrist.

Williams, Mae Jewel Lyon

28 Oct 1930

28 Mar 2001

Row-05, No-02. Age 70. Wife of James Williams. Daughter of Earnest Lyon and Novella Lawson Lyon. Jewel was a member of the Holy Temple C.O.G.I.C., where she served as superintendent of the Sunday school, was on the Mothers Board and was a member of the Celestial Choir. Surviving are two daughters, Martha Palmer of Roxboro and Geraldine W. Jackson of Greensboro; five sons, Elbert C. Lyons and James A. Williams, both of Oxford, Ray D. Lyon of Roxboro, Anthony Williams of Durham and John W. Williams of Raleigh; two brothers, John Lyon of Oxford and Louis H. Lyon of Pottstown, Pa.; 12 sisters, Sadie Lyon, Emma Lyon, Shirley Ball, Doris McCray and Lonie Allen, all of Oxford, Frances Satterwhite, Josephine Green, Mae Brooks and Victoria Williams, all of Roxboro, Catherine Sconers of Hillside, N.J., and Ernestine Sconers and Christine Smith, both of Jersey City, N.J.; 16 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Williams, Robert Lee, Jr

16 Feb 1968

Reserved

Row-04, No-07. Husband of Shidine Paylor Williams. Williams, Shidine Paylor

2 Sep 1965

21 Nov 2014

Row-04, No-08. Wife of Robert Lee Williams, Jr.

Williams, Victora Lyon

15 Mar 1936

19 Jan 2015

Row-04, No-09. Daughter of Earnest Lyon and Novella Lawson Lyon.

Wortham, Lawrence L.

26 Sep 1929

29 Feb 2012

Row-06, No-05. Husband of Susie Chavis Wortham. Lawrence leaves to cherish his memories, two daughters, Mia C. Johnson (Vincent), Marvis W. Williams (James), both of Oxford, NC; sons, Xavier L. Wortham (Rita) of Youngsville, James L. Lyon (Janice) of Orlando, Fl and a young man that was like a son to him Larry Lyon (Carol) of Charleston, SC: two sisters, Sophia Obie, Jersey City, NJ and Betty Kingsberry of Oxford, NC: two brothers, Garland Wortham (Bettie) of Oxford, NC and Willie Wortham (Lunetta) of Bolivia, NC; eleven grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews and other loving relatives and caring friends.

Wortham, Susie Bell Chavis Satterwhite

7 Aug 1938

26 Sep 1999

Row-06, No-06. Wife of Lawrence L. Wortham. Daughter of Jim Chavis and Catherine Harris Chavis. Susie Wortham departed this life suddenly and quietly on Sunday, September 29, 1999. She was the daughter of the late Jim Chavis and Catherine Harris. She was born on August 7, 1938. She was a graduate of Joe Toler High School and later attended Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina. She was employed with the Granville County School System for the past 33 years. She worked at several schools within the system: Stovall Elementary, Berea Elementary, Butner-Stem Elementary and her final assignment at Joe Toler-Oak Hill Elementary School. At a very early age, she joined White Rock Baptist Church. She is survived by her loving husband, Lawrence Wortham of the home; one son, Xavier L. Wortham of Knightdale; two daughters, Marvis Williams and Mia Johnson of Oxford; two sons-in-law, James Williams and Vincent Johnson; one daughter-in-law, Rita P. Wortham; six grandchildren, Andrew, Gabriel, Michael, Maurice, Charisse and Briana; six sisters, Irene Harris of New Jersey, Lizzie Satterwhite of Durham, Oueen Satterfield of Graham, Bessie Satterwhite and Sarah

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Hawley of Oxford, and Rosetta Taylor of Richmond; three brothers, Johnnie Chavis, Nathaniel Chavis and Earlie Chavis, all of Oxford; one aunt, Maggie Lewis of Oxford, and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and other relatives.

Wrenn, Gertrude J. Allen 1 Apr 1920 3 Nov 2011

Row-XX, No-XX. Wife of Elder Lexie Fred Wrenn. Married 31 Oct 1980.

Wrenn, Lexie Fred (Elder) 4 Jun 1904 2 Aug 1998

Row-XX, No-XX. Husband of Gertrude J. Allen Wrenn. Married 31 Oct 1980. Son of Eli Wrenn and Elizabeth Cheeks Wrenn.

Dear Ancestor

Your tombstone stands among the rest; Neglected and alone. The name and date are chiseled out On polished, marbled stone.

It reaches out to all who care It is too late to mourn. You did not know that I exist You died and I was born.

Yet each of us are cells of you In flesh, in blood, in bone. Our blood contracts and beats a pulse Entirely not our own.

> Dear Ancestor, the place you filled One hundred years ago Spreads out among the ones you left Who would have loved you so.

I wonder if you lived and loved, I wonder if you knew That someday I would find this spot, And come to visit you.

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