

**Ancestors and
Descendants of
Henry Davis**

**who came to
Bedford County, TN,
from
Brunswick County, VA,
between 1800-1810**

The DAVIS family history

Henry Davis, who emigrated from Brunswick County, VA, to Bedford County, TN, has always been well-documented within Bedford County land and historical records. It is known that he came to TN at or about the same time as one of his brothers, Thomas Davis, during the first decade of the nineteenth century. Thomas and Henry bought property in and near Shelbyville and Fairfield, Bedford County, TN, and occasionally purchased land together. In 1819, Henry purchased a mill near present day Fairfield, Bedford County; for a time, that area was known as Davis' Mill. Henry, his son, John S. Davis, and John's son, Benjamin F. Davis, all served as post-masters of Fairfield. The Davis family remained in Fairfield until at least 1870, based on the federal census of that year. Sometime during the 1870s, my great-grandfather, Benjamin F. Davis, Henry's grandson, built the first brick store in nearby Wartrace and went into business there.

Henry and Thomas Davis have been traced back to Brunswick County, VA. They are listed in their father's will: Benjamin Franklin Davis, who died in Brunswick County, VA, in 1817. Benjamin Davis' will stated specifically that Henry and Thomas were living in "the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee." Without question, this is the same family. Even naming patterns continue to this day.

Other families related by marriage to Henry Davis and his ancestors/descendants include:

- Ballard
- Bullock
- Burt
- Collier
- Jennings
- Marriott
- Powell
- Rose
- Sims
- Swepson
- Warren

This history is in two parts; each begins with my great-grandparents, Benjamin Franklin Davis, of Wartrace, Bedford County, TN, and his wife, Margaret Anita Jennings. Part 1 begins with this couple and traces their ancestors back to 17th century Virginia and the Carolinas. Part 2 was my mother's family history project, completed in 1978, and includes all known descendants of Ben and Maggie Davis during the 100 years following their marriage. Any information about family members included in the family history was written by that person, or by a family member who knew him/her. At this time (June, 2009), none of the grandchildren of Ben and Maggie Davis are living; the youngest grandchild, Evelyn Davis Ervin, died last summer. The last page of Part 2 lists deaths and marriages since 1978 for which I have records; unfortunately not all branches of the family have remained in contact, and so this information is, of necessity, incomplete. In deference to the privacy of the living, current addresses or the names of younger descendants are not included with this document. However, if you are researching this family, you may contact me through our family history website: <http://www.a-trails.com>

The data provided here is intended only as basic information, although I do have reference copies of all data included. It is my hope that this information may assist genealogical researchers, and may help other Bedford County, TN, Davis descendants trace their ancestry.

Carolyn German Bausinger
June, 2009

Ancestors of

Margaret Anita Jennings

and

Benjamin Franklin Davis

Married on February 3, 1876

In 1978, Marguerite Howard German, a granddaughter of Margaret Jennings and Benjamin Franklin Davis, assembled a history of their descendants for 100 years following the date of their marriage, from 1876 - 1976. Copies were sent to all descendants of the Jennings-Davis family.

This supplemental document begins in 1876 and traces earlier generations of both families. A list of many sources is included. Some sources, however, are written notes based on conversations with older family members; these were written by the children and grandchildren of Maggie and Ben Davis. Only information which could be verified has been included here.

The Jennings family history is straightforward and brief. The original member of that family to emigrate from England to the colonies was John Jennings, who (it is believed) received an eighteenth century land grant in South Carolina, from King George III. The Jennings family is well-documented in South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Texas and other southern states. John Jennings is listed as a Revolutionary War patriot by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Davis family relationships are extensive, convoluted and often difficult to follow. Benjamin Franklin Davis' parents were related to each other; and members of the Sims, Burt and other families intermarried through a number of generations. Tracing them and noting these marriages has been interesting! At least six Revolutionary War patriots are known to be among our Davis ancestors: Leonard Henley Sims and Dempsey Powell of NC; Benjamin Davis, John Rose, William Burt, and Richard Swepson, Sr., of VA. It is very possible there are others, as well.

No attempt has been made to identify each generation as I, II, III, etc; the large number of overlapping generations and intermarriages would make this both difficult and confusing.

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NAME: Benjamin Franklin Davis

FATHER: John Sims Davis
MOTHER: Frances Lenoir Burt

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	5 July 1845	Fairfield, TN
DIED:	15 August 1881	Fairfield, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Susan Catherine "Kittie" Scruggs ¹	26 Dec 1871	Bedford County, TN
	2) Margaret Anita "Maggie" Jennings	3 Feb. 1876	Bedford County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Frances Eudora "Dora" ³	25 Oct. 1876	Wartrace, TN
	Benjamin Franklin "Frank" ⁴	4 July 1878	Wartrace, TN
	Gertrude (died at birth) ⁵	ca 1880	Wartrace, TN
	Sara Blanche "Blanche" ⁶	5 Jan. 1881	Wartrace, TN

- NOTES:
- 1) Ben F. Davis' first wife, Kittie Scruggs Davis, was born 26 March 1849 in Fairfield, Bedford County, TN and died 22 Jan 1875. She is buried next to Ben Davis in the New Hope Baptist Church cemetery in Fairfield; no children.
 - 2) Ben Davis appears in the 1870 census as living with his mother; in the 1880 census, as a retired merchant of Wartrace. He appears, too, in Goodspeed and other histories of both Fairfield, where he was a postmaster, and Wartrace, where he owned a store.
 - 3) Dora Davis married Thompson Allen. Dora died 16 Sept 1965 in Irvington, VA.
 - One daughter, Margaret Almira Allen (1905-1982): married Paul Jones Myatt.
 - 4) Frank Davis (B.F. Davis, Jr.) married Mary Jane Boyle on 4 April 1905. Frank died on 22 August 1943 in Wartrace, Bedford County, TN.
 - Seven children:
 - Benjamin Franklin "Ben" Davis, III (1906-1995); married Mary Frances Thompson Mary Boyle Davis (1908 - 2002); unmarried
 - Ralph Houston Davis (1910 - 1990); married Susanne Cannon Moore
 - Polly Ann Davis (1912 -1994); married Otto Charles Bohlander
 - Willellen Davis (1915-1999); married John W. Blinn
 - Robert Jennings "Pete" Davis (1922-1944); unmarried
 - Evelyn Davis (1926 -2008); married Max Gore Ervin
 - 5) The baby's name, Gertrude, was found in Dora Davis Allen's handwritten family history notes
 - 6) Blanche Davis married Frederick John Howard, 1 Nov 1909 in Birmingham, AL. Fred Howard died on 30 April 1930. Blanche married Sidney Herbert Lynn, on 2 Sept. 1932. Blanche died on 21 Dec. 1969, in Safety Harbor, FL.
 - Three children:
 - Frederick John Howard, Jr. (1912-2004); married Beulah Sellers
 - Victor George Howard (1914-1999); married Nell Fairchild
 - Sara Marguerite Howard (1916-1986); married Harold Leedom German

NAME: John Sims Davis

FATHER: Henry Davis
MOTHER: Nancy Powell Sims

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	15 Nov 1818	Shelbyville, TN
DIED:	1 Apr 1867 ¹	Fairfield, TN ²

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Frances Lenoir "Fannie" Burt ³	31 Mar 1842	Franklin County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William Henry ⁵	ca 1844	Fairfield, TN
	Benjamin Franklin ⁵	5 Jul 1845	Fairfield, TN
	Nancy ⁵	ca 1848	Fairfield, TN
	Thomas Burt ⁵	ca 1849	Fairfield, TN
	John Sims ⁵	ca 1851	Fairfield, TN
	Samuel Powell ⁵	ca 1852	Fairfield, TN
	Robert L. ⁵	ca 1855	Fairfield, TN
	Emma ⁵	ca 1858	Fairfield, TN

- NOTES: 1) John Sims Davis is buried in the New Hope Baptist Church cemetery, Fairfield, Bedford County. It is not known where Frances Burt Davis is buried; no grave stone has been found. However, there is the base of a headstone on the right of John Sims Davis' marker, and this may mark her grave; her newspaper obituary stated that she was buried in Fairfield, and this is the only logical location.
- 2) John Sims Davis is well documented in various sources within Bedford County, including:
The Bedford County, Tennessee, Family History Book (published 2002 by the Turner Publishing Co.) lists John S. Davis as a postmaster of Fairfield (p. 41). The book also indicates (p. 130) that additional land for the construction of New Hope Baptist Church in Fairfield was given by Fannie and John S. Davis.
- 3) Frances Burt and her husband, John Sims Davis were closely related through the Sims, Powell and Burt lines.
- 4) 1850 Bedford County TN census P 82b Dist 1 HH 61-61:
 John S Davis 32 M Tn Farmer \$4,000 (son of Henry Davis & Nancy Sims)
 Frances - 25 F NC (Burt, daughter of William Burt & Susanna Sims)
 Henry - 6 M Tn, Benjamin - 4 M Tn, Thomas - 1 M Tn
- 5) Wm Henry Davis did not marry
 Benjamin Franklin Davis married 1) Kittie Scruggs; and 2) Margaret Jennings
 Nancy Davis died young; did not marry; buried New Hope Baptist churchyard
 Thomas Burt Davis married Alice Finch
 John Sims Davis married Julia March; their son, Henry Davis, started the annual Wartrace Tennessee Walking Horse celebration during the 1930s.
 Samuel Powell Davis married Paralee Walker
 Robert L. Davis did not marry
 Emma Davis — no information; an E.W. D. marker is next to her father's grave.

NAME: Henry Davis

FATHER: Benjamin Franklin Davis
 MOTHER: Tabitha Rose

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1785-1790	prob. Mecklenburg Co., VA
DIED:	prior to 1839	Bedford County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Nancy Powell Sims ³	ca 1818	Bedford County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John Sims ⁴	15 Nov 1818	Bedford County, TN
	Emily M. ⁴	ca 1820	Bedford County, TN
	Sarah Ann ⁴	27 Apr 1822	Bedford County, TN
	Virginia P. ⁴	25 Oct 1825	Bedford County, TN
	Mary R. ⁴	ca 1826	Bedford County, TN
	Charlotte S. ⁴	ca 1828	Bedford County, TN

- NOTES: 1) *Goodspeed History of Bedford County* lists Henry Davis as an early settler.
- 2) *The Bedford County, Tennessee, Family History Book* (Turner Publishing Co.; 2002) lists Henry Davis as an early mill owner (1819) and postmaster of Fairfield, TN.
- 3) Nancy Sims was the daughter of John Sims [p. 43] and Charlotte Powell [p. 34]
- 4) John Sims married Frances L. Burt [p. 30]; sister of Wm. Burt, who married John's sister, Virginia Davis
 Emily Davis married George W. McQuiddy
 Sarah Davis married William T. Edmunson
 Virginia Davis married 1) Mr. Charlton (?); and 2) William H. Burt
 Mary Davis married Wiley F. Stone
 Charlotte Davis married Nathan A. Yeargin and moved to TX
- 5) Henry and his brother, Thomas Davis, arrived in Bedford County at or about the same time. The brothers bought property separately and together in Shelbyville and Fairfield, Bedford Co, TN ca. 1810-1820. They were sons of Benjamin Davis of Brunswick County, VA, and listed in his April, 1817, will, filed in Brunswick County (B.C. Will Book 8, pg. 342; B.C. Deed Book 24, pg. 52). During the resulting property settlement in Oglethorpe County, GA, where their brother, Benjamin Davis, Jr., lived, the residence of all the Davis siblings was provided: "William Davis, John Brown and Elizabeth his wife, Martha Davis and Merritt Davis of the County of Brunswick, State of Virginia, Benjamin Davis of Oglethorpe County, State of Georgia, Peter Ragsdale of Bedford County, State of Tennessee, as attorney in fact for Thomas Davis and Henry Davis of the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee, and as attorney in fact for John Davis of the County of Robertson, State of Tennessee..." (From *Emigration to Other States From Southside Virginia, Volume I*, by Katherine B. Elliott; 1966.)

NAME: Benjamin Franklin Davis

FATHER: Henry Davis
MOTHER: Mary Marriott

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		Surry County, VA
DIED:	April 1817 ¹	Brunswick County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Tabitha Rose ²	ca 1778-80	prob. Brunswick County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William		
	Elizabeth ³		
	Benjamin Franklin, Jr. ⁴	25 April 1784	VA
	Martha		
	Merritt		
	Henry ⁵	ca 1785-90	VA
	Thomas ⁵		
	John		

- NOTES: 1) *Emigration to Other States from Southside Virginia, Volume I*, includes a copy of Benjamin Franklin Davis' April, 1817 will; all living children are listed in the will. (Original is in Brunswick County, VA, Deed Book 24, page 52)
- 2) Tabitha Rose was the daughter of John Rose [p. 38] and Abigail Hicks. Tabitha Rose Davis died before 1810.
- 3) William, Elizabeth, Martha Merritt and John were living in Brunswick Co., VA, at the time their father died in 1817. Elizabeth married John Brown in Brunswick Co., VA, on 27 February 1800. (Brunswick County Marriage Records, page 119)
- 4) Benjamin Franklin, Jr., moved, first, to GA land claimed by his father for service in the GA militia during the Revolutionary War, and was living in Oglethorpe Co., GA, at the time his father died in 1817. In 1809, he sold part of that land. Later, he moved to Autauga Co., AL. He married Martha Taylor, in 1816. Martha was the daughter of Benjamin Taylor of Oglethorpe County, GA.
- 5) Henry and Thomas both moved to Bedford County, TN, about 1800-1810. When their father's will was probated, they were represented by Peter Ragsdale, a Bedford County TN attorney, and named, specifically as living in the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee." Both men are well documented in Bedford County.

NAME: Henry Davis

FATHER: James Davis, Sr.
MOTHER: Elizabeth Warren

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		Surry County, VA
DIED:	bef 17 March 1767 ¹	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Mary Marriott ²	ca 1732/33	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William		Surry County, VA
	Ann		Surry County, VA
	Hannah		Surry County, VA
	Benjamin ³		Surry County, VA
	Isham		Surry County, VA
	Randolph		Surry County, VA
	Elizabeth ³		Surry County, VA
	Henry		Surry County, VA
	Kezia		Surry County, VA
	Marriott		Surry County, VA
	Silvia		Surry County, VA
James		Surry County, VA	

- NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes a chapter on this Davis family, beginning on pg. 255. Date for his death is sometime between the date of his will (Feb. 18, 1767) and the date it was probated (March 17, 1767). The original of the will is filed in Surry County, VA—B.K. 1754-68, p.448.
- 2) Mary Marriott was the daughter of William Marriott [p. 31] and his wife, Sarah Collier. William Marriott was the son of Matthias Marriot and his wife, Alice Warren, daughter of Thomas Warren. Alice's half brother, Thomas Warren, Jr., was the father of Elizabeth Warren, who married James Davis, Sr., and was Henry Davis' mother.
- 3) Elizabeth Davis married John Rose in Brunswick County, VA, on January 28, 1775. John's sister, Tabitha Rose, married Elizabeth's brother, Benjamin Davis (pp. 8, 37 and 38).

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

NAME: James Davis, Sr.

FATHER: Thomas Davis
MOTHER: Elizabeth

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		? Surry County, VA
DIED:	1746 ¹	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth Warren ²	bef. 1704	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Thomas ³		Surry County, VA
	Jane ³		Surry County, VA
	John ³		Surry County, VA
	James ³		Surry County, VA
	Henry ³		Surry County, VA
	Robert ³		Surry County, VA
	Nathaniel ³		Surry County, VA
	Anne ³		Surry County, VA

- NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes a chapter on this Davis family, beginning on pg. 255. Date for his death is sometime after the date of his will (Sept. 4, 1746).
- 2) Elizabeth Warren was the daughter of Elizabeth and Thomas Warren, Jr (see p. 57). Mary Marriott, who married Henry Davis (son of James Davis, Jr., and Elizabeth Warren), was Elizabeth's cousin. Mary Marriott's grandmother was Alice Warren Marriott, who was the older half-sister of Thomas Warren, Jr.
- 3) Thomas Davis died 1848; lived Isle of Wight County, VA.
Jane Davis married a Warren.
John Davis may have moved to Brunswick County, VA.
James Davis died 1783; lived Surry County, VA; married Elizabeth Baldwin.
Henry Davis died 1767; lived Surry County, VA; married Mary Marriott.
Robert Davis died 1749; lived Pasquotank County, NC; married Sarah Chapman?
Nathaniel Davis may have moved to Hyde County, NC
Anne Davis married James Nicholson ca. 1740; their son, also named James, married Elizabeth Woodruff.

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

NAME: Thomas Davis

FATHER: Unknown

MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		Probably England
DIED:	Sept 1716–Dec. 1720 ¹	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth		Unknown

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	James ²		
	Elizabeth ³		Surry County, VA
	Thomas		Surry County, VA
	Jane		Surry County, VA
	Henry		Surry County, VA

- NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes a chapter on this Davis family, beginning on pg. 255. Date for his death is between the date of his will (Sept. 28, 1716) and the date it was probated (Dec. 21, 1720).
Thomas Davis was in the Surry County Militia and appeared as a tithable in 1688. His son, James, recieved a grant of 100 acres in Surry County in 1722, for impor- ing his parents many years before. Since Thomas and his wife had lived in VA for over 40 years, it is assumed they made a return trip to England.
- 2) I have assumed that James Davis was the oldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth Davis, because his father left him “all land and houses” he possessed.
- 3) Elizabeth Davis married Matthew Ellis; their children, Matthew, Thomas, Elizabeth and Isabel, were named in James Davis’ will.
All other children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

The Ballard Family

Beginning with Salumith Ballard

Wife of William Burt

[See page 21]

NAME: Salumith Ballard

FATHER: William Ballard (believed to be William Sorrell Ballard)

MOTHER: Elizabeth Clopton

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1750	
DIED:	1841	Warren County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	William Burt	ca 1780	? Halifax County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William	11 Nov 1782	Warren County, NC
	John A.	1 June 1800	Warren County, NC
	Salumith "Sallie"		
	Lucretia A.		
	Elizabeth		
	Ann		
	Harriet D.	ca 1797	

NOTES: 1) See page 21 for notes about the children of Salumith Ballard and William Burt.

NAME: William Ballard

FATHER: John Ballard — unverified
 MOTHER: Elizabeth Bland — unverified

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1715	VA
DIED:	2 Feb 1774	Halifax County NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth Clopton ²	ca 1735	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Mary ⁵	ca 1737	probably VA
	Joyce ⁵	ca 1740	probably VA
	Elizabeth ⁵	ca 1743	probably VA
	William Sorrell ⁵	ca 1746	probably VA
	Martha F ⁵	ca 1749	probably VA
	Salumith ⁵	ca 1750	probably VA
	Nancy Ann ⁵	ca 1751	probably VA
	Walter Clopton ⁵	ca 1753	probably VA
	Devereaux ⁵	ca 1756	probably VA

- NOTES:
- 1) William Ballard is often written of as Captain William Ballard or as William Sorrell Ballard
 - 2) Elizabeth Clopton is said to be the daughter of Walter Clopton and Mary Jarrat; the name, "Devereaux," is from the Clopton family, which some researchers believe can be traced as far back as the 12th century in Suffolk, England.
 - 3) A Lunenburg County, VA, deed, dated 3 Dec 1735, mentions William Ballard.
 - 4) William Ballard appears to have moved to the Scotland Neck area in Halifax County, NC, ca. 1760.
 - 5) The children of William and Elizabeth Ballard married:
 - Mary married Mr. Allen
 - Joyce married Mr. Langley
 - Elizabeth married Mr. Freeman
 - Martha married Mr. Finch
 - Nancy married General William Lenoir
 - Salumith married William Burt [p. 21]
 - Walter C. married Rebecca Taylor
 - Devereaux — no information

The Bullock Family

**Beginning with Sarah Bullock
Wife of John Sims, Jr.
[See page 45]**

NAME: Sarah Bullock

FATHER: Richard Bullock

MOTHER: Ann Henley

BORN: DATE
ca 1720 or earlier

DIED: 1766

PLACE

Granville County, NC

MARRIED: NAME
John Sims, Jr.

DATE
ca. 1734

PLACE
Hanover County, VA

CHILDREN: NAME
William
Leonard Henley
Elisha
Agness
Dorcas
Sarah
Susanna
Mary
Lucretia
Euphrates

DATE
ca. 1736
2 July 1738

PLACE

NOTES: 1) See page 45 for notes about the children of Sarah Bullock and John Sims, Jr.

NAME: Richard Bullock

FATHER: Edward Bullock
MOTHER: Sarah Dalby

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1690	
DIED:	ca 1764	Granville County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Ann Henley	ca 1710-1715	? New Kent County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Agnes	ca 1715	
	Susannah	ca 1717	
	Zachariah	ca 1718	
	Sarah	ca 1720	
	William	ca 1721	
	John	ca 1724	
	Henry	ca 1727	
	Anne	ca 1728	
	Leonard Henley	ca 1736	
	? Nathaniel		

- NOTES: 1) Ann Henley was the daughter of Leonard Henley and Elizabeth Richardson. She was born in VA ca 1693 and died ca 1764 in Granville County, NC
- 2) Some sources list all the above children as those of Richard and Ann Henley Bullock. Not all are verified, although records indicate that Sarah Bullock Sims was one of their children. Certainly, the fact that one of her sons was named Leonard Henley Sims would appear to support this.

The Burt Family

**Beginning with Frances Lenoir Burt
Wife of John Sims Davis**

[See page 6]

NAME: Frances Lenoir Burt

FATHER: William Burt
 MOTHER: Susanna Sims

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca. 1826	Warren County, NC
DIED:	6 Aug 1891	Wartrace, Bedford Co., TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	John Sims Davis	31 Mar 1842	Franklin County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William Henry ¹	ca 1844	Fairfield, TN
	Benjamin Franklin ¹	5 Jul 1845	Fairfield, TN
	Nancy ¹	ca 1848	Fairfield, TN
	Thomas Burt ¹	ca 1849	Fairfield, TN
	John Sims ¹	ca 1851	Fairfield, TN
	Samuel Powell ¹	ca 1852	Fairfield, TN
	Robert L. ¹	ca 1855	Fairfield, TN
	Emma ¹	ca 1858	Fairfield, TN

NOTES: 1) See page 6 for notes about the children of Fannie Burt and John Sims Davis

NAME: William Burt

FATHER: William Burt
MOTHER: Salumith Ballard

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	11 Nov. 1782	Warren County, NC
DIED:	31 Dec 1848	Winchester Springs, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Susanna (or Susan) Sims	3 Nov 1812	Mecklenburg County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Elizabeth Jane	ca 1813	NC
	Sally Ann	ca 1815	NC
	Harriett Amanda	4 Aug 1817	Nash County, NC
	William H.	1818/1819	Nash County, NC
	Thomas S.	1819/1820	Nash County, NC
	Susan A.	before 1824	Warren County, NC
	Frances Lenoir "Fannie"	ca. 1826	Warren County, NC
	Cassandra L.	6 Mar 1829	Nash County, NC
	John L.	21 Oct 1830	Nash County, NC
	Mary Ballard	before 1832	Warren County, NC
	Nash H.	27 Jun 1832	Nash or Warren Cty, NC
	Richard Burt	4 Nov 1836	Nash or Warren Cty, NC
	Lucy	1839	
Salumith "Luna"	1840-1842		

- NOTES:
- 1) In 1838, William and Susanna Sims moved to Franklin County, TN.
 - 2) William Burt made his will on 30 May 1848. All of the children listed above were named in the will. Additional information from his will includes:
 - Lucy and Salumith were his youngest daughters
 - Sally Ann married Peter Arrington and lived in North Carolina
 - Harriett A. married James J. Phillips and lived in North Carolina
 - Elizabeth J. married John R. Horne; Elizabeth predeceased her father; she and John Horne had three sons: Leonidas, Oscar and Clarence Horne
 - Frances L. married Mr. (John) Davis (see p. 6).
 - Susan A. married Mr. (John) Streeter
 - Thomas S. married Martha (MNU)
 - William H. Burt, his son, was one of three executors of William Burt's will, which was proved in Franklin County court on 7 Feb. 1849
 - 3) Additional marriages of interest within the Davis-Sims families:
 - William H. Burt married Virginia P. Davis, sister of John Sims Davis (see p. 7).
 - Lucy Burt married William E. Sims; parents of Luna Mildred Sims (see p. 43).
 - 4) After her husband's death, Susan Sims Burt (see Sims Family, p. 44) moved to Bedford County, TN, where she died on 1 Dec 1876. She is buried at Willow Mount Cemetery in Shelbyville, Bedford County, TN. Several of her children are buried next to her.

NAME: William Burt

FATHER: William Burt

MOTHER: Lucy (MNU)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1754	? Mecklenburg County, VA
DIED:	8 July 1823 ²	Warren County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Salumith Ballard	ca 1780	? Halifax County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William	11 Nov 1782	Warren County, NC
	John A.	1 June 1800	Warren County, NC
	Salumith "Sallie"		
	Lucretia A.		
	Elizabeth		
	Ann		
	Harriet D.	ca 1797	

- NOTES:
- 1) The Halifax County NC deed book provides the first record of William Burt in NC in Book 17, p. 442 11 June 1778. This date is more likely to be 1788, as Wm. Burt does not appear in the 1779 or 1784 Warren County tax lists. He is, however, listed on the 1790 Warren County census as having 3 white males over age 16, 2 white males under age 16, 3 white females and 20 slaves.
 - 2) Revolutionary War Records Mecklenburg County, Virginia, by Katherine B. Elliott, 1964 uses as a source, Virginia DAR Register, page 445; gives William's death as 8 July 1823, Warren County, NC.
 - 3) William Burt made his will on 10 May 1823, which was presented to the August 1823 Court (Will Book 25, page 178). All of the children listed above were named in the will. Additional information from his will and other sources:
 - Salumith married Henry Sims on 29 Nov 1813 in Warren County, NC
 - Lucretia married Martin R. Garrett on 25 Jan 1820 in Warren County, NC
 - 4) Salumith Ballard Burt made her will on 23 April 1840, which was proved in 1848. Her will adds the following information about her children:
 - John A. Burt married Emily M. Cheek on 9 Oct 1830 in Warren County, NC; died on 27 Mar 1845
 - No marriage is indicated for daughter Elizabeth; died 1852 in Nash County, NC
 - No marriage is indicated for daughter Ann; died after 1852
 - No marriage is indicated for daughter Harriet died 24 Sept 1823 in Warren Cty.
 - Salumith Sims had a daughter named Harriet William Ballard Sims and a son named Leonard S. Sims
 - Lucretia Garrett had a son named Samuel Brown Garrett

NAME: William Burt

FATHER: Richard Burt the Elder

MOTHER: Elizabeth Moody

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1700 - 1702	York County, VA
DIED:	ca 1783/1784	Greenville County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Lucy (MNU)	ca 1732	VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Mary	ca 1735	VA
	Lucy	ca 1739	VA
	Elizabeth	ca 1745	VA
	Harwood	ca 1746	VA
	William	ca 1750	VA

- NOTES: 1) William Burt's will was recorded in Book 1, pp. 32-33, Greenville County, VA and was dated 15 Oct 1782. Executors were William Burt and Harwood Burt. The will was proved on 27 Feb 1783.
- 2) Mary Burt was named in her father's will with a married name of Tooke
 Elizabeth Burt was named in her father's will with a married name of Kelbie
 Lucy Burt was named in her father's will with a married name of Haley
 Harwood Burt md. Margaret Tenham ca 1761 in VA; died ca 1803, York Cty. VA

NAME: Richard Burt (the Elder)

FATHER: ? Richard Burt?
MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1665	? VA ?
DIED:	1745	York County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Elizabeth Hansford	ca 1687	VA
	2) Elizabeth Moody ²	ca 1695	York County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	By his first wife, Elizabeth Hansford: Richard Burt (the Younger)	ca 1691	VA
	By his second wife, Elizabeth Moody:		
	Moody Burt ³	ca 1696	York County, VA
	Josias Burt ³	ca 1698	York County, VA
	Martha Burt ³	ca 1700	York County, VA
	William Burt ³	ca 1701	York County, VA
	Judith Burt ³	ca 1702	York County, VA
	Elias Burt ³	ca 1705	York County, VA

- NOTES:
- 1) Richard the Elder's father may have been named Richard Burt, too. There are records showing a Richard Burt was living in Charles River County of colonial VA in 1642 and 1649. This person was in the portion of Charles River County that later became Gloucester County.
 - 2) Some sources indicate that Richard's second wife, Elizabeth Moody, was the daughter of Josias Moody and Elizabeth Folliott; the Folliott family has been traced to the 16th century in England and show that the family came to Hampton Parish in the Virginia colony in the mid-17th century.
 - 3) Online records indicate that the children of Richard and Elizabeth Moody Burt married:
 - Josias Burt married Elizabeth Moody, daughter of Philip Moody and Elizabeth
 - Moody Burt married Elizabeth (MNU)
 - William Burt married Lucy (MNU)
 - Judith married Francis Peters
 - Elias Burt married Anne Finnell
 - Martha Burt — no information available

The Jennings Family

Beginning with Margaret Anita Jennings
Wife of Benjamin Franklin Davis, Sr.

[See page 5]

NAME: Margaret Anita Jennings

FATHER: Hasting Jennings
MOTHER: Susannah Newton

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	26 Mar 1843	Edgefield District SC
DIED:	23 Oct 1921	Chattanooga TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Benjamin Franklin Davis	3 Feb 1876	Wartrace, Bedford Cty, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Frances Eudora "Dora"	Oct. 1876	Wartrace, TN
	Benjamin Franklin "Frank"	4 July 1878	Wartrace, TN
	Gertrude	ca 1880	Wartrace TN
	Sara Blanche "Blanche"	5 Jan. 1881	Wartrace, TN

- NOTES: 1) Margaret Jennings Davis lived in a number of locations during her lifetime. She was born in the Edgefield District of SC and lived there until she was 8 - 10 years of age. Her father, Hasting Jennings, sold their land in SC and moved his family to GA during the early 1850s. Her mother, Susannah, died there in 1854. Her father, Hasting, remarried and it appears the unmarried daughters may not have gotten along well with his second wife, Nancy Anna (MNU) as the 1860 census shows both Margaret (age 16) and her older sister, Elizabeth (age 18), living with their oldest sister, Sarah Jennings Healan and her family in LaFayette, Walker County, GA. The 1870 census shows her still living in LaFayette, GA, but with another sister, Martha "Mattie" Jennings Fulmer and her children (Mattie's husband died during the Civil War). Margaret was listed in 1870 as teaching school. The book, *Documented Notes on Jennings and Allied Families*, by Beatrice Mackey Doughtie, quotes a letter from a Fulmer descendent, stating that, in 1873, Margaret Jennings was teaching school in southwest GA and living with one Tillman Jennings (who would have been her cousin). Some time between 1873 and 1876, Margaret moved to Wartrace, TN, probably at the same time or shortly after her sister's family (Sarah and A.J. Healan) moved there to open a hotel, Healan House. Based on later census data, Margaret remained in Wartrace nearly forty years before moving to Chattanooga, where she spent the last seven years of her life with her youngest daughter, Blanche Davis Howard, and her family.
- 2) Margaret Jennings Davis was well-educated. She attended Mary Sharp College, in Winchester, Tennessee, and Louisville Female College, in Louisville, Kentucky.
- 3) Margaret and Ben Davis were married less than 6 years when he died, leaving her with 3 very small children. Blanche, the youngest, was only 7 months old at that time. Although in reduced financial circumstances, Margaret saw that they had the best education she could provide, and supplemented their education at home.
- 4) Margaret is interred in Forest Hills Cemetery in Chattanooga, TN, between her sons-in-law, Frederick Howard and Thompson Allen.
- 5) See page 5 for notes about the children of Margaret and Ben Davis.

NAME: Hasting Jennings

FATHER: William Jennings
MOTHER: Nancy Dove

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	25 Jan 1814	Edgefield District, SC
DIED:	Apr 1870	Walker County, GA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Susannah Newton ²	1812	Edgefield District, SC
	2) Nancy Ann (MNU)	ca 1858	GA
	3) Sarah Elizabeth (MNU)	ca 1867	GA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	By first wife, Susannah Newton:		
	Sarah Dove "Sallie"	27 Oct 1833	Edgefield District, SC
	Mary A.	18 Jun 1836	Edgefield District, SC
	Robert William	19 Mar 1838	Edgefield District, SC
	Martha C. "Mattie"	29 Jul 1839	Edgefield District, SC
	Elizabeth Newton	10 Jun 1841	Edgefield District, SC
	Margaret Anita "Maggie"	26 Mar 1843	Edgefield District, SC
	Tyre	16 Sep 1845	Edgefield District, SC
	By second wife, Nancy Anna:		
	Richard Hasting	23 Oct 1858	Walker County, GA
Julia	ca 1860	prob. Walker County, GA	
John H.	ca 1862	prob. Walker County, GA	
Emma	Jan 1866	prob. Walker County, GA	
By third wife, Sarah Elizabeth:			
Thomas	ca 1868	prob. Walker County, GA	

NOTES: 1) Hasting Jennings did not inherit property when his father, William, died. William's will states, in part: "The remaining part of my estate to be distributed among my children in equal division, except my two sons, Tyre and Hasting Jennings who are to receive \$5 and no more on account of their misconduct to me."

2) One of Hasting's granddaughters, Bertie Healan Berry, wrote the following in 1918: "Hasting Jennings [was] a student and a dreamer, the father of a large family and was never able to maintain the financial status of his youth."

3) From the *Edgefield Advertiser*, July 20, 1854: "Died on July 11, 1854, at Roswell, Cobb County, Georgia, Mrs. Susannah Jennings, wife of Hasting Jennings, in the 43rd year of her age. She was raised, and lived, in Edgefield, S.C., until a few years back, when with her husband and children moved to Georgia. Being not permanently settled, she had not moved her membership from the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Edgefield District."

NAME: William Jennings

FATHER: John Jennings
MOTHER: Mary (MNU)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1771/1772	SC
DIED:	ca 1842	Edgefield District, SC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Nancy Dove	ca 1793	Edgefield District, SC
	2) Mrs. Eleanor Etheredge Richardson	ca 1827	Edgefield District, SC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	
CHILDREN:	By first wife, Nancy Dove:			
		Tyre	16 Sep 1794	SC
		Lucy	1795	SC
		John B.	4 Feb 1797	SC
		Nancy	1800	SC
		Elizabeth	3 Nov 1802	SC
		Mary	1804	Edgefield District, SC
		Susannah	1807	Edgefield District, SC
		Martha	1809	Edgefield District, SC
		Hasting	29 Jan 1814	Edgefield District, SC
		Letitia "Let"	1816	Edgefield District, SC

By second wife, Eleanor Etheredge Richardson:

	Lott	31 Aug 1828	SC
	Rachel	1830	SC
	Eleanor "Ellen"	1832	SC
	Frances "Fannie"	16 Nov 1834	SC
	William	1836	SC
	Philip	19 Feb 1846	

NOTES: 1) William Jennings was a planter and, by all accounts, a man of wealth. He died at home in the Edgefield District of SC.

2) A complete listing is available of the spouses and children of William's children, but it is not included here; see *Documented Notes on Jennings and Allied Families*, by Beatrice Mackey Doughtie; 1961.

NAME: John Jennings, Sr.

FATHER: Unknown
MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1740-1745	probably SC
DIED:	ca 1819	Edgefield District, SC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Mary (MNU)		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	James	ca 1765-1770	probably SC
	Lucy	ca 1765-1770	probably SC
	John, Jr.	ca 1765-1770	probably SC
	William	ca 1771-1772	probably SC
	Philip	ca 1775-1780	probably SC
	Jesse	ca 1782	probably SC
	Mary	1780-1790	probably SC

- NOTES: 1) There are records showing that a John Jennings received a land grant from King George III about 1770. Family names such as Tyre and Hasting are recorded with this John Jennings, so it is likely this record is about “our” John Jennings. John Jennings, Sr., bought land in Fairfield County, SC in 1785. At that time, he was living in Chester County, SC. He was listed in the 1790 census as living in the Camden District, Fairfield County, SC. The 1800 census indicated he was living in the Fairfield District. In 1804, he and wife, Mary, were living in Edgefield District, SC, according to land records of the county.
- 2) John Jennings, Sr., died before 15 April 1820, for on that day, William Jennings sold land on Dailey’s Creek, a branch of the Little Saluda River, to his brother, Jesse. This land had belonged to their father, John Jennings, dec’d., and had been bought by William at his father’s estate sale. In this deed, John Jennings was referred to as John Jennings, Sr. On 2 February, 1828, Jesse and James Jennings, executors of the estate of John Jennings, dec’d., conveyed 52 acres of land on the north side of Beaver Dam Creek to William Jennings. Use of the term, executors, would indicate that John Jennings, Sr., died testate but, to date, no will has been found.
- 3) John Jennings, Sr. had seven known children, those listed above, who were identified in the Philip Jennings estate file. (Apt. 60, Pkg. 2475, Edgefield County, SC) Philip Jennings died in Edgefield District, SC, on 30 May 1848. He died intestate and without issue. His estate was divided between his widow, Lucy Jennings, his brother, Jesse Jennings, and the children of his deceased siblings. John Jennings, Sr., may have had other children but no record of them has been found. If they existed, either they died young or died prior to 1848 and without issue.
- 4) John Jennings has been identified as a Revolutionary patriot of SC, based on militia duty with a Col. Anderson; SC Archives, Accts. Aud. #4027, Roll #48.79, Indent 442T; and Andrews, SC Revolutionary War Indents: A Schedule, page 33.

The Marriott Family

**Beginning with Mary Marriott
Wife of Henry Davis
[See page 9]**

NAME: Mary Marriott

FATHER: William Marriott
MOTHER: Sarah Collier

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		Surry County, VA
DIED:		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Henry Davis ¹	bef 1725 ²	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William		Surry County, VA
	Ann		Surry County, VA
	Hannah		Surry County, VA
	Benjamin		Surry County, VA
	Isham		Surry County, VA
	Randolph		Surry County, VA
	Henry		Surry County, VA
	Kezia		Surry County, VA
	Marriott		Surry County, VA
	Silvia		Surry County, VA
James		Surry County, VA	

- NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes a chapter on this Davis family, beginning on pg. 255, and on the Warren family, beginning on pg. 244.
- 2) The will of Thomas Collier, Sarah Collier Marriott's father, dated 15 February 1728, mentions "my daughter Sarah Marriott, wife of William Marriott... my grand daughter, Mary Marriott...my grandsons William and Thomas Marriott..."
- 3) Mary Marriott was the daughter of William Marriott and his wife, Sarah Collier. William Marriott was the son of Matthias Marriot and his wife, Alice, daughter of Thomas Warren. One of Alice's half brothers, Thomas Warren, Jr., was the father of Elizabeth Warren, who married James Davis, Sr., and, therefore, was Henry Davis' mother.

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

NAME: William Marriott

FATHER: Mathias Marriott
MOTHER: Alice Warren

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca. 1688 ¹	Surry County, VA
DIED:	bef. 20 January 1767 ²	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Sarah Collier	bef. Nov. 1725 ³	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Mary ⁴		Surry County, VA
	William ⁴		Surry County, VA
	Thomas ⁴		Surry County, VA
	Mathias ⁴		Surry County, VA
	Benjamin ⁴		Surry County, VA
	John ⁴		Surry County, VA

NOTES: 1) William Marriott was the only son of Matthias Marriott. When his father's will was written in 1707, he appeared to be a minor; in 1710, he proved a legal document under oath, so must have been of legal age at that time.

2) William Marriott's will was dated 20 September 1765 and proved 20 January 1767.

3) Sarah and William Marriott signed a deed together on that date, so they must have married earlier.

4) All children listed were named in William Marriott's will. His wife, Sarah, was not mentioned in the will, so it is assumed she died earlier.

NAME: Mathias Marriott

FATHER: Unknown

MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		
DIED:	bef. 2 September 1707 ¹	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Alice Warren ²	bef Sept 1670 ³	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William		
	Margaret ⁴		
	Elizabeth ⁴		
	Marion ⁴		

- NOTES: 1) Matthias Marriott's will was dated 12 June 1707 and probated 2 September 1707. Matthias Marriott and Alice Warren Marriot are included in the chapter on the Warren family in *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, beginning on pg. 244.
- 2) One of Alice's half brothers, Thomas Warren, Jr., was the father of Elizabeth Warren, who married James Davis, Sr.; Alice and Mathias Marriott's granddaughter, Mary Marriott, married James Davis, Sr.'s son, Henry Davis.
- 3) On 24 September, 1670, an agreement was signed, settling a property dispute between Jane Warren, Alice Warren Marriott's stepmother, and her husband, Mathias Marriott.
- 4) Margaret Marriott married Mr. Flake.
Elizabeth Marriott married Mr. Hill.
Marion Marriott married Mr. Chips

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

The Powell Family

Beginning with Charlotte Powell
Wife of John Sims
[See page 42]

NAME: Charlotte Powell

FATHER: Dempsey Powell
 MOTHER: Nancy [surname is believed to be Dempsey; unverified]

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	29 July 1774	Wake Co., NC
DIED:	1828 (or 7 October 1837?)	Bedford County, TN (or Rutherford Co., TN?)

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	John Sims	30 Dec 1793	Wake County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Nancy Powell	18 Nov 1794	Wake County (?), MC
	Leonard Powell	31 May 1797	Granville County, NC
	Pleasant Benton	17 Feb 1799	
	John Swepson	20 Mar 1801	
	Richard Henry	1 Mar 1803	NC
	James Lewis	11 Aug 1805	
	Sarah	12 Jun 1811	

NOTES: 1) From the family Bible of Louisa Batey Sims and Leonard Henley Sims (son of Swepson Sims; grandson of Leonard Henley Sims and Sarah Swepson):

“Leonard Sims, my grandfather, was born July 2nd, 1739, and died in 1804. Sarah Swepson Sims, my grandmother, was born October 27th, 1752, and died June 14, 1811. My uncle, John Sims, was born 1773, and died 1841. Charlotte Sims, his wife, was born July 29th, 1774, and died October 7th, 1837. I remember the last two with great fondness, having no recollection of my Grandfather and Mother. Signed: L.H. Sims”

This information was provided by George Ann Sims in May, 1999.

2) Nancy Powell Sims married Henry Davis; see page 7.

3) See page 42 for notes about the children of Charlotte Powell and John Sims

NAME: Dempsey Powell

FATHER: Nathaniel Powell
MOTHER: Elizabeth (MNU)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	2 sources: ca 1730 and ca 1740	Wake County, NC
DIED:	2 sources: 1793 and 15 Oct 1808	Wake County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Nancy (MNU); probably Dempsey 2) Pleasant Benton	ca 1765	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	By his first wife, Nancy:		
	Elizabeth	ca 1769	NC
	Chloe	ca 1770	NC
	Charlotte	7 July 1774	Wake County, NC

By his second wife, Pleasant Benton:			
	Caswell		
	Jesse		
	Patsy	ca 1780	
	Mildred	1785	Wake County, NC
	Benton		
	Dempsey	29 Mar 1802	NC

- NOTES: 1) Dempsey Powell is listed in the DAR Patriot Index as follows:
b. ca. 1730 NC; d. 1793 NC; m . 1) Nancy MNU 2) Pleasant MNU;
Private and Patriotic Service NC
- 2) *The Powell Families of Virginia and the South*, compiled by S. E. Lucas, lists Thomas Powell as the immigrant ancestor. He is said to have come to North America before 1637. His children, as listed, were William Powell, born ca 1607 and Nathaniel Powell, Sr. Nathaniel was born ca 1610 in Isle of Wight County, VA, and died ca 1678; he married Lucretia (MNU). Their son was Nathaniel Powell, Jr., who was born ca 1650 in Isle of Wight County, VA, and married Mary (MNU); and their son was Nathaniel Powell III, who was Dempsey Powell's father. Nathaniel III was born in Isle of Wight County, VA, and married Elizabeth (MNU). Their known children were Jordan, William, Shadrack, Dempsey, Nathan, Sarah, Patsy, Jesse and Willis.
- 4) Mildred, born 1785, died 1845, married John Streeter. She came to Bedford County, TN, with her children and settled on her division, which was located south of Warner's Bridge. Her son, John, married Susan Burt; her daughter, Cassie, married Henry Shapard (their daughter was Cassie Streeter Shapard).
- 3) Elizabeth married Robert Temple of Wake County, NC. They came to Bedford County and settled on her division of 201 acres which lay south of Sims Rd. near Powell Creek School. In 1817, she sold this tract to John Sims.

The Rose Family

Beginning with Tabitha Rose
Wife of Benjamin Davis

[See page 8]

NAME: Tabitha Rose

FATHER: John Rose
MOTHER: Abigail Hicks

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	Ca. 1752–1755	
DIED:	Before 1810	Brunswick County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Benjamin F. Davis ¹	ca 1778-80	Brunswick County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William Davis		
	Elizabeth Davis ²		
	Benjamin Franklin Davis, Jr. ³	25 April 1784	VA
	Martha Davis		
	Merritt Davis		
	Henry Davis ⁴	ca 1785-90	VA
	Thomas Davis ⁴		
	John Davis		

- NOTES: 1) *Emigration to Other States from Southside Virginia, Volume I*, includes a copy of Benjamin Franklin Davis' April, 1817 will; all living children are listed in the will. (Original is in Brunswick County, VA, Deed Book 24, page 52)
Benjamin Franklin Davis was the son of Henry Davis and Mary Marriott (see p. 7).
- 2) William, Elizabeth, Martha Merritt and John were living in Brunswick Co., VA, at the time their father died in 1817.
Elizabeth married John Brown in Brunswick Co., VA, on 27 February 1800. (Brunswick County Marriage Records, page 119)
- 3) Benjamin Franklin, Jr., moved, first, to GA land claimed by his father for service in the GA militia during the Revolutionary War, and was living in Oglethorpe Co., GA, at the time his father died in 1817. In 1809, he sold part of that land. Later, he moved to Autauga Co., AL. He married Martha Taylor, in 1816. Martha was the daughter of Benjamin Taylor of Oglethorpe County, GA.
- 4) Henry and Thomas both moved to Bedford County, TN, about 1800-1810. When their father's will went to probate, they were represented by Peter Ragsdale, a Bedford County TN attorney, and named, specifically as living in the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee." Both men are well documented throughout their lives in Bedford County.

NAME: John Rose

FATHER: William Rose
MOTHER: Lucy Corker

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	Ca. 1696	Surry County, VA
DIED:	1780	Brunswick County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Abigail Hicks ¹	1728	Prob. Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John Jr. ²		VA
	Amy ³		VA
	Martha ⁴		VA
	Eleanor		VA
	Tabitha ⁵	ca. 1752-55	VA
	William	ca. 1756	VA

- NOTES:
- 1) Abigail Hicks was the daughter of John Hicks and Rebekah Rebecca.
 - 2) John Rose Jr., married Elizabeth Davis on January 28, 1775 (see p. 9); Elizabeth's brother, Benjamin F. Davis was a witness to John and Elizabeth's marriage bond; John and Elizabeth Rose's son was Col. William Rose, born 1779.
 - 3) Amy Rose married Mr. Williams.
 - 4) Martha Rose married Thomas Sadler, II. Their child was William Rose Sadler
 - 5) Tabitha Rose married Benjamin F. Davis, who was the brother of Elizabeth Davis (see note 2 above; also see pages 8 and 37).

NAME: William Rose, Jr.

FATHER: William Rose
MOTHER: Ann

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	Ca. 1658	Surry County, VA
DIED:	Unknown	VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Lucy Corker ¹	Ca. 1689	Southampton County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William ²	ca. 1691	Surry County, VA
	Henry ³	ca. 1694	Surry County, VA
	John ⁴	ca. 1696	Surry County, VA
	Richard ⁵	1697	Surry County, VA

NOTES: 1) Lucy Corker was the daughter of ____ Corker and Lucy White.
2) William died 1766, Surry County; married 1) Frances Briggs, bef. 1730, Surry County; 2) Elizabeth Goodrich Clinch, ca. 1755, Surry County
3) Henry died 1751, Brunswick County, VA; married Mary Tudor Tedder in May, 1721
4) John died 1780, Brunswick County, VA (see p. 34).
5) Richard died 1765, Southampton County, VA; wife's name unknown; their children were Robert, Mary and Burrell.

NAME: William Rose

FATHER: Unknown
MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1622	England or Scotland
DIED:	ca. 1680	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Ann	bef. 1650	England

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Jane ¹	ca. 1653	Surry County, VA
	Anne ²	ca. 1657	Surry County, VA
	William ³	ca. 1658	Surry County, VA
	Mary	ca. 1660	Surry County, VA
	Richard ⁴	ca. 1668	Surry County, VA

- NOTES: 1) Jane Rose married 1) Richard Avery; and 2) Edward Booky, after 1685, in VA. Her children were George Avery, William Avery, Thomas Avery and John Avery.
- 2) Anne Rose died March 1727/28 in Surry Co., VA. She married Thomas Flood ca. 1678 in Surry County, VA. It is known that they had a daughter, Faith Flood.
- 3) William married Lucy Corker (see page 35).
- 4) Richard Rose died ca. 1736 in Surry County, VA. He married Elizabeth Sowerby ca. 1689 in Virginia. Elizabeth was the daughter of Francis and Katherine Sowerby. Their children were Richard, Thomas, Anne and Jane.

The Sims Family

Beginning with Nancy Powell Sims
Wife of Henry Davis

[See page 7]

NAME: Nancy Powell Sims

FATHER: John Sims
MOTHER: Charlotte Powell

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	18 November 1794	Wake County, NC
DIED:	18 August 1830	Bedford County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Henry Davis		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John Sims	15 Nov 1818	Bedford County, TN
	Emily M.	ca 1820	Bedford County, TN
	Sarah Ann	27 Apr 1822	Bedford County, TN ⁴
	Virginia P.	25 Oct 1825	Bedford County, TN
	Mary R.	ca 1826	Bedford County, TN
	Charlotte S.	ca 1828	Bedford County, TN

NOTES: 1) See page 7 for notes about the children of Nancy Sims and Henry Davis.

NAME: John Sims

FATHER: Leonard Henley Sims
 MOTHER: Sarah Swepson

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	1 Feb 1773	Warren County, NC
DIED:	1841	Bedford County, TN

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Charlotte Powell ⁴	30 Dec 1793	Wake County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Nancy Powell ⁵	18 Nov 1794	Wake County, NC
	Leonard Powell	31 May 1797	Granville County, NC
	Pleasant Benton	17 Feb 1799	
	John Swepson	20 Mar 1801	
	Richard Henry ⁶	1 Mar 1803	NC
	James Lewis	11 Aug 1805	
	Sarah	12 Jun 1811	

- NOTES: 1) The 1800 Warren County, NC, census shows John Sims as 1 male between the ages of 26-45, with 2 males under age 10, 1 female between the ages of 16-26 and 1 female under age 10 + 6 slaves
- 2) The 1810 Warren County, NC, ([. 314) census shows John Sims as 1 male over age 45, with 1 male between ages 26-45 and 2 males between the ages of 10-16, 2 females between the ages of 26-45, 2 females between the ages of 10-16 and 2 females under age 10
- 3) The 1820 Bedford County TN census shows John Sims with 1 male over age 45, with 3 males between the ages 16-26 and 1 male between the ages of 16-18; 1 female over 45, 1 female under age 10 + 5 slaves
- 4) Charlotte and John Sims settled on part of the Powell tract in Bedford County, TN; in later years, John bought additional land from some of Charlotte's siblings, according to Bedford County land records. Other Sims family members settled in TN during this same period of time. Sims family Bible records show that Charlotte Sims, wife of John Sims, died on 7 October 1837 in Rutherford County, TN.
- 5) Nancy Powell Sims married Henry Davis; they were the parents of John Sims Davis, who married Frances Lenoir Burt (see page 6).
- 6) Richard Henry Sims married Jane (MNU) and lived in Bedford County, TN; one of their children, William Edward "Ed" Sims, married Lucy Burt (see p. 20), a sister of Frances Lenoir Burt, the wife of John Sims Davis and mother of Benjamin Franklin Davis (see p. 5).

NAME: Leonard Henley Sims

FATHER: John Sims, Jr.
MOTHER: Sarah Bullock

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	2 July 1739	Hanover County, VA
DIED:	Nov 1804	Warren County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Sarah Swepson ³	12 Mar 1770	Mecklenburg County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Richard Swepson ⁴	4 Mar 1771	
	John ⁵	1 Feb 1773	Warren County, NC
	Swepson	16 May 1775	? VA
	Leonard Henley		
	Thomas		
	Joseph		
	Henry ⁶	1790	
	Jane Langley ⁷		
Susanna ⁸	17 Mar 1797	Granville County, NC	
Sarah			

- NOTES*: 1) Leonard Henley Sims was named for his great-grandfather, Leonard Henley (or Hendley). L.H. Sims served with the North Carolina troops during the American Revolution and bought additional property in Warren County, NC, in 1787. In both the 1790 and 1800 census of Warren County, NC, Leonard owned 36 slaves. At his death in 1804, he owned more than 1,300 acres in Warren County. He was a member of the Nut Bush Presbyterian Church.
- 2) Sims' Revolutionary service can be found in # Vol XI, Book A, No. 11 P. 1323 Currency Certificates p.43 folio 2 781 Len. Sims \$440.00 426 Len. Sims \$1486.00 and NC Revolutionary Army Accounts [Treasurer. State] Book B [Part XIII]
- 3) Sarah Swepson was the daughter of Richard Swepson of Mecklenburg County, VA (very close to Warren County, NC). She was born on 27 Oct 1752 and died on 14 June 1811. Richard Swepson is in the DAR Patriot Index: b. ca. 1735; d. before 2-?-1788 VA; m. 1) Unknown 2) Mrs. Mary Tabb; Patriotic Service VA
- 4) Richard married Rebecca Dromgoole of Brunswick County, VA, on 6 Mar 1799. He became a doctor in Brunswick County. His son, Alexandria Dromgoole Sims, was a congressman from South Carolina from 1845-1848, during the same period of time in which his cousin, another Leonard Henley Sims, was also a congressman.
- 5) John Sims, son of Leonard Henley Sims, married Charlotte [Powell] and died in 1843.
- 6) Henry Sims married Salumith "Sallie" Burt, 29 Nov 1813, in Warren County, NC; [see Burt section, p. 21]
- 7) Jane Langley Sims married her cousin, Jefferson Sims
- 8) Susanna Sims married William Burt on 3 Nov 1812; they were the parents of Frances Lenoir Burt, who married John Sims Davis [see pp. 6 and 20]

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NAME: John Sims, Jr.

FATHER: John Sims, Sr.
MOTHER: Mary Rice

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca. 1713	Hanover County, VA
DIED:	1766	Granville County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Sarah Bullock	ca. 1734	Hanover County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William ³	ca. 1736	
	Leonard Henley ³	2 July 1738	
	Elisha ³		
	Agness		
	Dorcas		
	Sarah		
	Susanna		
	Mary		
	Lucretia		
Euphrates			

- NOTES*: 1) John moved to Granville County, NC, in 1752, where his brother Thomas lived. He bought 800 acres on both sides of the Nut Bush Creek of Granville County (now Warren County), NC, on 2 July 1752. He was a blacksmith during his earlier days in Hanover County, VA.
- 2) Sarah was the daughter of Richard Bullock of Hanover County, VA, and was born around 1720. Sarah's sister, Susanna, married William Sims, son of Adam Symes and cousin of John Sims, Jr.
- 3) William, Leonard Henley and Elisha remained in the vicinity of Granville County for the rest of their lives and all three owned sizeable farms. William accumulated at least 1,168 acres in Warren County, NC, during his lifetime.

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NAME: John Sims, Sr.

FATHER: George Symes
 MOTHER: Elizabeth Sherwood

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1690	VA
DIED:	ca 1751	Hanover County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Mary Rice	ca 1712	Hanover County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John	1713	Hanover County, VA
	Thomas	1715	
	Micajah	1720	
	David		
	Sherwood	ca 1730	
	Edward		
	James		

- NOTES: 1) John Sims, with his brothers, Matthew and George, were granted 1,000 acres in New Kent County in 1704. This property was originally claimed by their father, George Symes. They were granted an additional 3,000 acres on Locust Creek on 16 January 1727. Among John, Matthew George and Edward, more than 5,000 acres near the present Hanover and Louisa County line were granted or purchased.
- 2) John Sims and his brothers names appear as as Sims rather than Symes.

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NAME: George Symes

FATHER: George Symes
MOTHER: Dorothy Everard

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1672	Antigua, West Indies
DIED:	ca 1733	Isle of Wight, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth Sherwood	ca 1689	VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Adam	ca 1689	
	John	ca 1690	VA
	Matthew	ca 1691	
	George		
	James		

NOTES: 1) George emigrated to Isle of Wight County, VA, in 1687 and also lived in nearby Surrey County. He had a land grant and was a planter.
2) Elizabeth Sherwood probably was the daughter of James and Grace Sherwood of Lower Norfolk, VA.

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NAME: George Symes

FATHER: Thomas Symes
MOTHER: Amy Bridges

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1651	Doynton, Gloucestershire England
DIED:	1688	Antigua, West Indies

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Dorothy Everard ⁴		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	George	ca 1672	Antigua, West Indies
	John	ca 1680	
	Elizabeth	ca 1682	
	Christopher	1684	
	Henry		

- NOTES:
- 1) George Symes was probably born in Doynton, Gloucestershire, England, and emigrated to Antigua, WI, in 1672, when his father received a grant of land there.
 - 2) George was granted 260 acres in Antigua in 1681.
 - 3) George was a member of the legislative assembly in 1681, and was speaker of the assembly in 1688, when he died. He was a merchant and attained the title of Captain, as did his younger brother, Henry.
 - 4) Dorothy Everard was the daughter of Thomas Everard of Meath, Ireland, who moved to St. Christopher, Kitts. After Thomas died, Dorothy's mother married John Vernon. After Dorothy's marriage to George Symes, John Vernon gave them a plantation called Wakering Hall in Old North Sound, Antigua. After George Symes died, Dorothy married Arthur Freeman, Esq. of Antigua.

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NAME: Thomas Symes

FATHER: John Symes
MOTHER: Amy Horner

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1605	Poundsford, Somersetshire
DIED:	ca 1682	Poundsford, Somersetshire

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Amy Bridges	ca 1634	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Thomas ²	1635	
	John ³		
	Edward ⁴	1645	
	Charles ⁵	1649	
	George ⁶	ca 1651	
	Henry ⁶	1653	
	William ⁷		
	Richard ⁸		
	Amy Catherine Elizabeth ⁹		

- NOTES: 1) Thomas Symes of Winterbourne, later of Poundsford, Gloucestershire, Esquire, married Amy Bridges, daughter of Edward Bridges of Keynsham, Somersetshire. Edward Bridges will is dated 7 November, proved 22 August 1639.
- 2) Thomas, Jr., matriculated from Christ Church College, Oxford, 21 April 1657. Barrister of law at Lincoln's Inn 1666. Died 22 November 1681; buried at Barwick. Married Merriel, youngest daughter of Sir John Horner of Mells, County Kent.
- 3) John Symes of Montserrat was given the title of Captain and member of council in 1678. He died in 1687.
- 4) Edward Symes was baptized 1645, Doynton, Gloucestershire.
- 5) The Rev. Charles Symes matriculated from Magdalene Hall, Oxford, on 2 March 1666. He was the rector of Compton Martin, County Somerset in 1707. He married Anne Creed of Salisbury on 21 Jan 1686.
- 6) Henry Symes was baptized 16 Nov 1653, at Doynton, Gloucestershire. He and his brother, George, both emigrated to Antigua, West Indies, and both attained the title of Captain. Henry was buried 9 July 1714 at St. John's, Antigua. He married Henrietta Yeamans.
- 7) William probably emigrated to New Kent County, VA, in 1677 and died there on 17 February 1725.
- 8) Richard Symes of Blackheath died 27 May 1728.
- 9) Elizabeth Symes of Doynton died a spinster in 1676 at Gloucester.

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NAME: John Symes

FATHER: William Symes

MOTHER: Elizabeth Hill

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	4 Mar 1571/1572	Chard, Somersetshire
DIED:	21 Oct 1661	Poundsford, Gloucestershire

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Amy Horner ²		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John ³		
	Harry ⁴	1609	
	Thomas		
	Jane		
	Susan		
	Elizabeth ⁶		
	Katherine		
	Amy ⁵		
	Elinor		
	Dorothy		
Edith			

- NOTES: 1) John Symes, Sr., matriculated at Exeter College, Oxford, with his brother, Henry, on 23 February 1588, and received his degree on 9 July 1591. He was a member of Somerset Parliament and a High Sheriff. He is buried at Frampton Cottrell Church, County Gloucester. His will was dated 5 October 1658 and proved 19 December 1661.
- 2) Amy Horner was the daughter of Thomas Horner and Amy Popham of Mells. Thomas Horner was a member of Parliament and the Sheriff of Somersetshire. His son, Sir John Horner, was knighted and was the "Little Jack Horner" of nursery rhymes, with sarcastic reference to the family having obtained lands formerly held by the Abbott of Glastonbury.
- 3) John, Jr., married Abigail, daughter of Arthur Arscott of Tetcott, County Devon.
- 4) Harry married Amy Seymour. He died 25 May 1686, Framton Cottrell, Gloucestershire. Student of Middle Temple 1628. Amy was the daughter of Sir John Seymour of County Kent.
- 5) Amy married Sir John Seymour, County Kent.
- 6) Elizabeth Symes married Nicholas Martin of County Devon.

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NAME: William Symes

FATHER: may be John Symes of Barwick
 MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1540	England
DIED:	17 July 1597	Chard, Somersetshire

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth Hill ³	ca 1570	

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	John	4 Mar 1571/72	Chard, Somersetshire
	Henry ⁴	ca 1573	
	Robert		
	William		
	James		
	Jane ⁵		
	Alice ⁶		
	Elizabeth ⁷		
	Mary ⁸		
Margaret			
Margery ⁹			

- NOTES:
- 1) William Symes, Sr., was very wealthy as evidenced by his will, which showed that he owned eight manors, a mill and other property.
 - 2) The Symes family in England can be traced by two documents: *Visitation of Somerset, 1623*, and *Oliver's History of Antigua*. The former documents the arms and descendants of William Symes of Chard down to that date, 1623, based on the visitation of Charenceux King at Arms to William Symes. The latter gives a full genealogy of the Antigua Symes family. From these two documents, we know that the Symes family had a coat of arms granted in 1591, which consisted of, "Azure, three scallops in pale, or." and a family crest of "a demi-kind, rampart and erased, or."
 - 3) Elizabeth Hill was the daughter of Robert Hill. She was born and died in England.
 - 4) Henry Symes of Poundsford matriculated at Exeter College, Oxford on 23 Feb 1588 at age thirteen; died unmarried in 1599.
 - 5) Jane Symes married Roger Howe of London.
 - 6) Alice Symes married William Hodges.
 - 7) Elizabeth Symes married William Mallett.
 - 8) Mary Symes married Robert Hendy.
 - 9) Margery Symes married Jasper Pyne of Chard, County Somerset.

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The Swepson Family

Beginning with Sarah Swepson

Wife of Leonard Henley Sims

[See page 44]

NAME: Sarah Swepson

FATHER: Richard Swepson
 MOTHER: (probably) Jane Jeffries, possibly Dandridge

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	27 Oct 1752	Amelia, VA
DIED:	14 June 1811	Warren County, NC

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Leonard Henley Sims	12 Mar 1770	Mecklenburg County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Richard Swepson	4 Mar 1771	
	John	1 Feb 1773	
	Swepson	16 May 1775	VA
	Leonard Henley		
	Thomas		
	Joseph		
	Henry	1790	
	Jane Langley		
Susanna	17 Mar 1797	Granville County, NC	
Sarah			

- NOTES*: 1) See page 44 for notes about the children of Sarah Swepson and Leonard Henley Sims
- 3) Sarah Swepson was born at Amelia Plantation in Amelia, VA.

NAME: Richard Swepson, Sr.

FATHER: Unknown

MOTHER: Unknown

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	ca 1720	? Gloucester County, VA
DIED:	ca 1788	Mecklenburg County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Jane Jeffries ⁶	ca 1746	VA
	2) Mrs. Mary Mallory Tabb	12 Apr 1779	Mecklenburg County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	By his first wife, Jane Jeffries:		
	Mary Elizabeth ⁷	31 Mar 1747	? Amelia County, VA
	Ann ⁷	22 Jan 1750	Amelia County, VA
	Sarah ⁷	27 Oct 1752	Amelia County, VA
	Richard, Jr. ⁷	7 Mar 1756	Amelia County, VA
	John ⁷	19 Jul 1759	Amelia County, VA
	Jane ⁷	14 Apr 1762	Amelia County, VA
	Thomas ⁷	25 Feb 1765	Amelia County, VA
	Susannah ⁷	19 Dec 1767	Amelia County, VA
	By his second wife, Mary Tabb:		
Lucy ⁷	19 Mar 1780	Mecklenburg County, VA	
Charity ⁷	16 Nov 1781	Mecklenburg County, VA	
William Mallory ⁷	7 Apr 1783	Mecklenburg County, VA	

- NOTES: 1) Richard Swepson resided for a time in Amelia County, Va., where he purchased 718 acres from Philemon and w/Ann Holcomb, on July 21, 1749, including all houses, etc. This plantation was on the Lower side of Briery River. He appears in the 1751, 1752, 1753 Amelia County Tax List—Nottoway Parish. In 1753-54 Prince Edward County was cut off from Amelia Co., placing his plantation, "Linden," in the newly created county of Prince Edward. He sold 318 acres of this plantation on April 14, 1761 to Thomas Carlton of Lunenburg Co, and the remaining 400 acres Richard Swepson sold to James Zachery, of Pr. Edward Co., on May 10, 1762. This plantation is located about 3.8 miles north of present day Meherrin, Va. Prince Edward County joins Lunenburg Co.
- 2) Richard's name appears on the 1752 Tax List for Lunenburg County, but he did not own any land there at the time. He purchased about 580 acres in Lunenburg Co. from Samuel and Elizabeth Phelps on July 1, 1760, located on S. Fork of Allen's Creek, and this is the land for which he was taxed in the 1764 List. On that same date, John Jeffries purchased an adjoining plantation, of about 531 acres from William and Sarah Phelps.

- 3) Richard Swepson first appears in the Lunenburg Court records in 1753, and he is mentioned often, either as a member of the Jury, as well as other miscellaneous duties, and a few times as a defendant himself. The first mention of his wife, Jane, is in the court records of 1757.
- 4) Richard Swebson (Swepson) received a Land grant on May 29, 1760 of 404 acres on both sides of Little Falling River, Lunenburg Co. (Bk 33, P 797) And he received a Land Patent of 1, 326 Acres on Feb. 14, 1761, on both sides of N. Fork of Sandy River in Lunenburg Co., for the sum of six pounds, fifteen shillings. (Bk 33, P 1000)
- 5) During the American Revolution, Richard Swepson, Sr., his son, Richard, Jr., and his son John, served their country well; Richard, Sr., by furnishing many supplies, Richard, Jr. as Captain of the 2 Btn. of Militia, and John served on the Committee of Safety for Mecklenburg Co., as well as furnishing supplies.
- 6) Richard Swepson, Sr., was married at least twice. The only primary source information known about the name of his wife before 1779 may be found in deed records and court orders. Existing court orders and deeds from Lunenburg and Mecklenburg counties between 1757 and 1774 show the given name of his wife as Jane. The maiden name of Mrs. Jane Swepson has been the subject of considerable speculation, and is often given as Dandridge or Jeffries. No substantiation for either is known, but due to the names of the descendants, it is more likely her maiden name was Jeffries. Richard Swepson's wife, Jane, apparently died between 1774 and April 12, 1779, when he married Mrs. Mary (Mallory) Tabb (widow of John Tabb) in Mecklenburg County. Mary Mallory Tabb Swepson died October, 1783 Meck. Co, Va. Ref: Tabb Family Records, W&M Qrtrly, 26-27, P 202-204
- 7) The children of Richard Swepson married:
 - Mary Elizabeth married Benjamin Whitehead on 31 Mar 1761
 - Ann married Alexander Boyd about 1766
 - Sarah married Leonard Henley Sims on 12 Mar 1770
 - Richard, Jr., did not marry
 - John is believed not to have married
 - Jane married John Young on 24 Jan 1784
 - Thomas married a Miss Davis ca 1789 (see 8, below)
 - Susannah married John Davis, Jr. on 28 Mar 1785
 - Lucy married John Speed on 26 Jan 1801
 - Charity did not marry
 - William Mallory married 1) Elizabeth Speed on 27 Mar 1807 and 2) Nancy Redd on 12 Jun 1816

Note: All birth dates for the children of Richard Swepson were taken from the Boyd family Bible record in the Library of VA manuscript collection.

There is extensive documentation and a list of sources concerning Richard Swepson online at: <http://home.inu.net/sadie/rswepon.htm>

The Warren Family

**Beginning with Elizabeth Warren
Wife of James Davis, Sr.**

[See page 10]

NAME: Elizabeth Warrem

FATHER: Thomas Warren, Jr.¹

MOTHER: Elizabeth (MNU)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:		
DIED:		

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	James Davis, Sr. ¹		Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	Thomas ²		
	Jane ²		Surry County, VA
	John ²		Surry County, VA
	James ²		Surry County, VA
	Henry ²		Surry County, VA
	Robert ²		Surry County, VA
	Nathaniel ²		Surry County, VA
	Anne ²		Surry County, VA

NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes chapters on both the Davis (beginning on pg. 255) and Warren (beginning on pg. 244) families

2) Thomas Davis died 1848; lived Isle of Wight County, VA.
 Jane Davis married a Warren.
 John Davis may have moved to Brunswick County, VA.
 James Davis died 1783; lived Surry County, VA; married Elizabeth Baldwin.
 Henry Davis died 1767; lived Surry County, VA; married Mary Marriott.
 Robert Davis died 1749; lived Pasquotank County, NC; married Sarah ?Chapman.
 Nathaniel Davis may have moved to Hyde County, NC
 Anne Davis married James Nicholson ca. 1740; their son, also named James, married Elizabeth Woodruff.

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

NAME: Thomas Warren, Jr.

FATHER: Thomas Warren.¹
 MOTHER: Jane (3rd wife of Thomas Warren)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	9 January 1659	Surry County, VA
DIED:	1721	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	Elizabeth ²		Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	William		
	John		Surry County, VA
	Joseph		Surry County, VA
	Robert		Surry County, VA
	Elizabeth		Surry County, VA

- NOTES: 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes chapters on the Warren family (beginning on pg. 244).
- 2) Thomas Warren Jr.'s will was probated 16 August 1721. (Bk. 5, p. 362)
 Elizabeth Warren's will was made in 1724, and probated in 1730. (Bk. 8, p. 80)
 All children listed above were named in both Thomas' and Elizabeth's wills,
 In addition, the following grandchildren were named in Elizabeth's will: Thomas Warren, Mary Warren and James Davis.

All children listed above were named in the will. There may have been other children who died unmarried and before their parents.

NAME: Thomas Warren

FATHER: Believed to be William Warren of Ripple Court, Kent, England ¹
 MOTHER: Believed to be Catherine Gookin

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
BORN:	1623/24	England
DIED:		Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
MARRIED:	1) Unknown		
	2) Elizabeth Spencer Shepard ²	1654	Surry County, VA
	3) Jane ³	bef. 1659	Surry County, VA

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
CHILDREN:	By his first wife: William ⁴		Surry County, VA
	Alice ⁵	ca. 1640	Surry County, VA

By his second wife, Elizabeth Spencer Shepard:
 Elizabeth ⁶ Surry County, VA

By his third wife, Jane:

Thomas, Jr. ⁷	9 Jan 1659	Surry County, VA
Allen	1663	Surry County, VA
Robert	1667	Surry County, VA
William	1669/70	Surry County, VA

- NOTES:
- 1) *Virginia Historical Genealogies*, by John Bennett Boddie, includes chapters on the Warren family (beginning on pg. 244).
 - 2) Thomas Warren's second wife was the daughter of William Spencer and the widow of Major Robert Shepard.
 - 3) Jane and Thomas Warren were married before 1659, as that is the year Thomas Warren, Jr., their oldest child, was born.
 - 4) William was granted probate of his father's will April 21, 1670; he died before 24 September 1670.
 - 5) Alice married Matthias Marriott. His will, probated 2 September 1707, listed their children: William Marriott, Margaret Flake, Elizabeth Hill and Marion Chips. Their son William married Sarah Collier before 16 November 1725; their daughter, Mary Marriott, married Henry Davis (died 1767; see page 8).
 - 6) Elizabeth married John Hunnicutt
 - 7) Thomas, Jr., married Elizabeth; they were the parents of Elizabeth Warren Davis.