Charity S Upchurch XID – 48487

**(1)** Input from email 10 Mar 2013 Rita Fullerton to RPU – RPU extract 18 Mar 2013

Descendants of Charles Upchurch

Generation 1

Charles Upchurch was born on 11 Feb 1755 in Granville, North Carolina, United States. He died in 1842 in Henry, Georgia. He married Mary Gay, daughter of John Gay and Martha Elias Harper about 1779 in Franklin County, North Carolina. She was born in 1752 in Franklin, North Carolina. She died in 1799 in Putnam, Georgia.

Charles Upchurch and Mary Gay had the following children:

1. **Charity Upchurch** was born in 1795 in Wake, North Carolina. She died in 1880 in Marshall, Alabama. She married Hughy Russ. She married an unknown spouse on 05 Jan 1837 in Upson, Georgia. [Wrong statements about marriages – RPU 19 Mar 2013]

The above shows:

\*I. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan

born 11 Feb 1755 (Granville Co, NC) died 1842 (Henry Co, GA)

\*married Mary Gay born 1752, daughter of John Gay\* and Martha Elias Harper\* (Franklin Co, NC) died 1799 (Putnam Co, GA)

\*A. **Charity Upchurch** born 1795 (Wake Co, NC) died 1880 (Marshall Co, AL)

\*Married 5 Jan 1837 (Upson, GA) Hughy Russ [Wrong – see below]

Note: Rita issues a disclaimer as she got this from the Internet. I will enter the items marked \* as tentative pending further proof – RPU

Comment [RP1]: I started here because this information is shared with many other trees and I have done little direct research from this point back.

**(no number)** Records for James Monroe Upchurch, II born 1834 (Henry Co, GA) [son of Charity S Upchurch and grandson of Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan] and his wife Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch born 1838 (Henry Co, GA) [daughter of Claburn Upchurch, I and granddaughter of Richard Upchurch, III, Head of Clan] 1850 – 1920 – RPU 7 Jun 2011

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| 1850 Census – GA, Henry Co, District 42 | | | |
| **C Upchurch** | 1798 | 52 | NC |
| M Upchurch | 1831 | 19 | GA |
| J Upchurch | 1834 | 16 | GA |

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| 1860 Census – Clayton Co, GA, Northern District – PO Jonesboro | | | |
| J M Upchurch | 1834 | 26 | Farmer, $100 |
| S E Upchurch | 1838 | 22 |  |
| J C Upchurch | 1854 | 6 |  |
| W J Upchurch | 1857 | 3 |  |
| A L Upchurch | 1859 | 1 |  |

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| 1870 Census – Clayton Co, GA | | | |
| James Upchurch | 1833 | 37 | Farmer, GA |
| Elizabeth Upchurch | 1843 | 27 | female, GA |
| William J Upchurch | 1856 | 14 | male, GA |
| Annie L Upchurch | 1858 | 12 | female, GA |
| Charity M Upchurch | 1861 | 9 | female, GA |
| Martha Upchurch | 1866 | 4 | female, GA |
| Robert Lee Upchurch | 1869 | 1 | male, GA |

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| 1880 Census – Marshall Co, TX | | | |
| James M Upchurch | 1834 | 46 | head, GA |
| Elizabeth Upchurch | 1839 | 41 | wife, GA |
| William J Upchurch | 1859 | 21 | son, GA |
| Charity M Upchurch | 1864 | 16 | dau, GA |
| Matta B Upchurch | 1867 | 13 | dau, GA |
| Walter J Upchurch | 1874 | 6 | son, AL |
| Robert L Upchurch | 1868 | 12 | son, GA |
| Elizabeth Upchurch | 1871 | 9 | dau, GA |
| Thomas S Upchurch | 1875 | 5 | son, GA |
| Doney Upchurch | 1879 | 1 | son, GA |

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| 1900 Census – Cass Co, TX, Justice Precinct 4 | | | |
| Sarah E Upchurch | Oct 1824 | 65 | head, GA, widow, [12, 12] |
| Georgie C Upchurch | Nov 1878 | 21 | dau, GA |
| Daisey Upchurch | Oct 1882 | 17 | dau, AL |
| Jessy M Upchurch | Nov 1884 | 15 | son, AL |

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| 1910 Census – Cass Co, TX, Justice Precinct 4 | | | |
| Sarah B [E] Upchurch | 1842 | 68 | head, GA, widow |
| Jesse Upchurch | 1885 | 25 | son, AL |
| Reuben Hemperly | 1882 | 28 | sil, AR |
| Daisy Hemperly | 1887 | 23 | dau/wife, [0, 0], AL |

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| 1920 Census – Cass Co, TX, Justice Precinct 4 | | | |
| Reuben Hemperly | 1887 | 33 | head, AR |
| Daisy Hemperly | 1883 | 37 | wife, AL |
| Willie V Hemperly | 1912 | 8 | son, TX |
| James Hemperly | 1915 | 4 9/12 | son, TX |
| Martha A Hemperly | 1918 | 2 1/12 | dau, TX |
| John H Hemperly | 1919 | 9/12 | son, TX |
| Sarah E Upchurch | 1838 | 82 | widow |

I. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. **Charity S Upchurch** born 1798 (Franklin Co, NC) died after 1880 (no known marriage)

1. John Michael Upchurch “Dump” born 1 Jul 1829 (GA)

2. James Monroe Upchurch, II CSA born 16 Jan 1834 (Henry Co, GA) died 13 Dec 1892 (Cass Co, TX)

married 28 Sep 1852 (Henry Co, GA) Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch born 11 Oct 1838 (Henry Co, GA) died 18 Dec 1925 (Cass Co, TX)

a. James Columbus Upchurch born 26 Mar 1854 (Henry Co, GA)

b. William Jasper Upchurch born 4 Aug 1857 (Henry Co, GA)

c. Annie Lavonia Upchurch “Amey” “Vonnie” born 1 Feb 1859 (Clayton Co, GA)

d. Charity Medora Upchurch born 27 Nov 1861 (Clayton Co, GA)

e. Martha Belzora Upchurch born 6 Apr 1866 (Clayton Co, GA)

f. Robert Edward Lee Upchurch born 27 Apr 1871 (Clayton Co, GA)

g. Leora Elizabeth Upchurch born 27 Apr 1871 (Clayton Co, GA)

h. Walter Jackson Upchurch born 16 Feb 1873 (Sand Mtn, Clay Co, AL)

i. Thomas Simms Upchurch born 8 Mar 1876 (Sand Mtn, Clay Co, AL)

j. Georgia Caldonia Upchurch born 23 Nov 1878 (Sand Mtn, Clay Co, AL)

k. Daisie Ardell Upchurch born 7 Oct 1882 (Sand Mtn, Clay Co, AL)

married ( ) Reuben Hemperly born 18?? (AR)

i. Willie V Hemperly born 1912

ii. James Henmperly born 1915

iii. Martha Hemperly born 1918

iv. John Hemperly born 1919

l. Jessie Monroe Upchurch born 22 Nov 1884 (Sand Mtn, Clay Co, AL)

m. no further issue (12 children)

**(5)** See letter 9 Sep 1986 Edna Marie Brown to RPU

[The author of this paragraph asked that it not be published – CJM 4 Dec 2020]

**(6)** 1850 Census – Henry Co, GA

C Upchurch 52 f born NC [**Charity S Upchurch**]

M Upchurch 19 m born GA [J Michael Upchurch]

J Upchurch 16 m born GA [James Monroe Upchurch]

**(7)** 1880 Census – Marshall Co, AL

Michael Upchurch w m 51 born GA [J Michael Upchurch]

Matilda Upchurch - wife 40 born GA

+ 6 children

+ Charita Upchurch mother 82 born NC [**Charity S Upchurch**]

**(1)** Charity Upchurch, per 11 May 1961 letter from Mrs Charles W Tidd – was living in GA in 1821 with Thomas Gay Upchurch (born 1797), Charles (born 1755), Eaton (born 1784), Keaton (born 1790).

**(2)** See letter 2 Feb 1978 Elna E Burkhalter to RPU

A. James Monroe Upchurch was the son of Charity – one of her illegitimates – was she the daughter of Charles Upchurch? Her oldest son was named William Green (not Upchurch). Another son was J Michael “Dump”. He married Matilda D, daughter of Lunsford Upchurch (son of Claburn Upchurch). [I assume Charity in (2)A and (1) are same – RPU]

**(3)** See letter 10 Jul 1980 Elna Era Burkhalter to RPU

Page 16: “I found Michael Upchurch [J Michael Upchurch] in Randolph Co, AL in 1860 Census and his mother Charity, age 66 with him. The 1850 Census Co, Henry Co, GA shows a son as M [Michael] age 21. In 1860 AL Census he is age 30.”

Page 2: [author asked for this not to be published – CJM 4 Dec 2020]

**(4)** See letter 18 Jun 1988 Virginia Diann Kenney to RPU

Michael Upchurch 30 M Farmer born GA [J Michael Upchurch]

Georgia A M Upchurch 19 F housewife born GA

Charity S Upchurch 3 F born AL [Charity Serena Upchurch]

Mary D Upchurch 6/12 F born AL

**Charity S Upchurch** 66 F born NC

**(no number)** Census Records – 1830 – Henry Co, GA

Charity Upchurch Family

M 0 – 5 (born 1825 – 1830) [son J Michael Upchurch – age 1)

M 5 – 10 (born 1820 – 1825) [son William Upchurch – age 7]

F 20 – 30 (born 1800 – 1810) [**Charity S Upchurch** – age 23]

**(no number)** Census Records – 1840 – Henry Co, GA

Charles Upchurch Family

\*M 5 – 10 (born 1830 – 1835) [son James Monroe Upchurch, II – born 16 Jan 1834 – age 6]

\*M 5 – 10 (born 1830 – 1835) [son J Michael Upchurch – born 1 Jul 1829 – age 11]

\*M 15 – 20 (born 1820 – 1825) [son William Upchurch – born 1823 – age 17]

M 80 – 90 (born 1850 – 1860) [Charles Upchurch born 11 Feb 1755 – age 85 – pensioner]

F 20 – 30 (born 1810 – 1820) [**Charity S Upchurch** – born 1798 – age 23]

\*Children of **Charity S Upchurch**

**(no number)** From letter 12 Oct 1980 Ben Lane Upchurch, Sr to RPU

[Mattie Lou Upchurch – nee Martha Lucy Upchurch was the key Upchurch Family Historian in the 1950 – 1980 era – RPU]

Mattie Lou was of the opinion that **Charity** was a daughter of Charles, and Eaton and Keaton were sons. I believe she hoped to prove that Gay Sr was a nephew rather than his son. However, as far as I know she was never able to document any relationship.

I. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Eaton Upchurch

B. Keaton Upchurch

C. **Charity Upchurch**

D. Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr

1. Jethro Wilson Upchurch

a. Willie Gay Upchurch

i. Martha Lucy Upchurch

A-14 In 1827 while living in Greene Co, GA the illegitimate children of **Charity Upchurch** were awarded a Land Grant – Lot 124, District 17 in Muscogee Co, GA.

**(no number)** Info in letter 12 Oct 1980 Ben Lane Upchurch, Sr. to RPU – He found Land Grants in GA to Upchurches as listed below. The Gold Lottery Grants were in North GA. A mint was established in Lumpkin Co, GA at Dahlonega. Ben reports Mattie Lucy info correct.

\*Gold Lottery \*\*No. Year Name County

1 1821 Eaton Upchurch Houston County

2 1821 Eaton Upchurch Monroe County

3 1821 Keaton Upchurch Monroe County

4 1821 Gay Upchurch Henry County

5 1821 Charles Upchurch Henry County

6 1821 Charles Upchurch Monroe County

7 1827 **Charity’s Illegitimates** Muscogee

8 1832 Abner F. Upchurch Cherokee

9 1832 Claiborne Upchurch Cherokee

10 1832 Claiborne Upchurch Cherokee

11 1832 Lunsford Upchurch Cherokee

\* \* 12 1832 Britton Upchurch Cherokee

\* \* 13 1832 Britton Upchurch Forsyth – Cherokee

\* \* 14 1832 Camp A. Upchurch Lumpkin – Cherokee

\* \* 15 1832 Eaton Upchurch Forsyth – Cherokee

\* \* 16 1832 Eaton Upchurch Gilmer – Lumpkin – Cherokee

\* \* 17 1832 Heaton Upchurch Cherokee

\* \* 18 1832 Henderson Upchurch Cherokee

\* \* 19 1832 Gay Upchurch Forsyth – Cherokee

\* \* 20 1832 Harbird Upchurch Union – Cherokee

\*\* Nos. added by RPU

[Note: Of the 12 recipients I am able to identify 10 as descendants of Richard Upchurch, II as shown below. Abner F. Upchurch has long been sought as to parents. Harbird Upchurch is a new unidentified Upchurch. At this point I speculate that Abner & Harbird were both sons of Eaton Upchurch. Slots are available for both and they would have been old enough to have been awarded Land Grants in 1832. Note that Camp A. Upchurch named as son Harbird Upchurch possibly after his Brother – RPU 16 Feb 2004]

I. Richard Upchurch, II Land Grants

A. Richard Upchurch, III – Head of Clan

1. Claburn Upchurch, I 9, 10

a. Lunsford Upchurch 11

2. Britton Upchurch, I 12, 13\*\*

B. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan 5, 6

1. Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr. 4, 19

2. Eaton Upchurch 1, 2, 15, 16

a. Henderson Upchurch 18

b. Camp A. Upchurch 14

3. Keaton Upchurch 3, 17

4. **Charity Upchurch** 7

**(no number)** Notes from RPU/ SSU visit on 5 Apr 1996 in Cass Co, TX with Morris Sheppard Upchurch re: information handed down in the family about the presence of early Upchurches in Cass Co, TX.

Inspected the land originally purchased in 1885 by James Monroe Upchurch, II when he and Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch moved to Cass Co, TX. Morris said his older brother told him that a brother of James Monroe Upchurch, II was already in Cass Co, TX in 1885 – that he owned adjoining Upchurch land that he was called “Dump” but that his real name was John Upchurch. This person soon moved about 70 – 80 miles west to Mt Vernon, TX. Morris does not recall if John Upchurch had issue. Morris is aware of the connection of his ancestors to **Charity Upchurch** and that the Green family was also involved.

Morris recalls that his Grandmother, sister Charity Ann Lavenia Ann (Upchurch) Ballard visited them. He does not recall if they had children and is not aware of her husband being buried in Cass Co, TX. However, he says there are Ballard family members in the county today, and there is some interest in family history. There is also interest in Olive family history.

Much of the Upchurch land from 1900 is still in the family. This land is located along both side of County Road 3548 just before it enters County Road 3546. This rolling land was originally cleared and farmed to cotton and peas. It is now all in pasture or pine woodland.

Originally the Upchurch family attended church at Courtland which is on County Road before 1850. James Monroe Upchurch, II and his wife are buried there (inspected the monuments). The church is currently active. When Morris first married he adopted his wife’s church at Antioch as they had a more active program.

I. Richard Upchurch, III – Head of Clan

A. Claburn Upchurch, I

1. Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch

married ( ) James Monroe Upchurch, II

a. Walter Jackson Upchurch

i. Morris Sheppard Upchurch

2. Charity Lavonia Ann Upchurch

married ( ) Phillip Ballard

I. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. **Charity Upchurch**

common law husband = --- --- Green

1. John Michael Upchurch “Dump”

2. James Monroe Upchurch, II

3. William Lewis Green [AKA William Lewis Upchurch]

**(no number)** Conclusions/ Assumptions regarding the family of **Charity S Upchurch** – 27 Apr 2002 – RPU

There is strong circumstantial evidence that Charles Upchurch, Head of Upchurch Clan No 2 had 3 sons (Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr, Keaton Upchurch, Eaton Upchurch) and two daughters (Susan Upchurch, **Charity S Upchurch**). It is likely that all 5 children were born in Franklin Co, NC or possibly just across the county line in Wake Co, NC. Some of the children married and possibly had issue in NC prior to the time in the early 1800s when Charles and all five of his children moved to GA. They may not have all moved at the same time or to the same place in GA. Charles also had other close relatives who moved from NC to GA in the early 1800s. See Biofiles of all for more details except for **Charity S Upchurch** on which note the following:

**Charity S Upchurch** never married but had 3 children possibly by more than one man, one of whom is presumed to have been a Mr Green. The three were [William Jesse Upchurch AKA – VOID 9 May 2002 – RPU] William Lewis Huston Green born 1823, J Michael Upchurch “Dump” born 1829, and James Monroe Upchurch, II born 1834. There are appropriate slots on the 1830 & 1840 census for the 3 children. Details regarding the child born 1823 may be found in the William Lewis Huston Green Biofile.

**(8)** See letter 1 Apr 1989 Virginia Diann Kenney to RPU

1827 Land Lottery

Charity Upchurch [**Charity S Upchurch**] Greene Co

No. 124, District 17, Section 2

**(9)** See letter 6 Aug 1985 Elna Era Burkhalter to RPU

“You write up Charity Upchurch in the Upchurch Bulletin (daughter of Charles Upchurch). You could string the boys out and scatter them along and it won’t be so noticeable. The oldest boy went by the name of William Lewis Green. Charity was with the 3rd son, Michaels in the 1880 Census.

Charity Upchurch born 1798 (Franklin Co, NC), died > 1880 (AL). [She listed her age as 52 on 1850 Census]. At this point, Elna lists four sons:

1. William Lewis born 1825 (Hancock Co, GA)

\*2. J Upchurch “Dump” born 1 Jul 1929 died 3 Mar 1903 (Willington, TX) married Matildy D Upchurch [daughter of Lunsford Upchurch] in Henry Co GA

\*3. Michael Upchurch born 1831 married Georgia Ann M---.

4. James Monroe Upchurch born 16 Jan 1834 (Henry Co, GA)

[\*My presumption is that these two are the same – RPU]

**(no number)** From letter 8 Mar 1960 Martha Lucy Upchurch to Alice Brown Gray

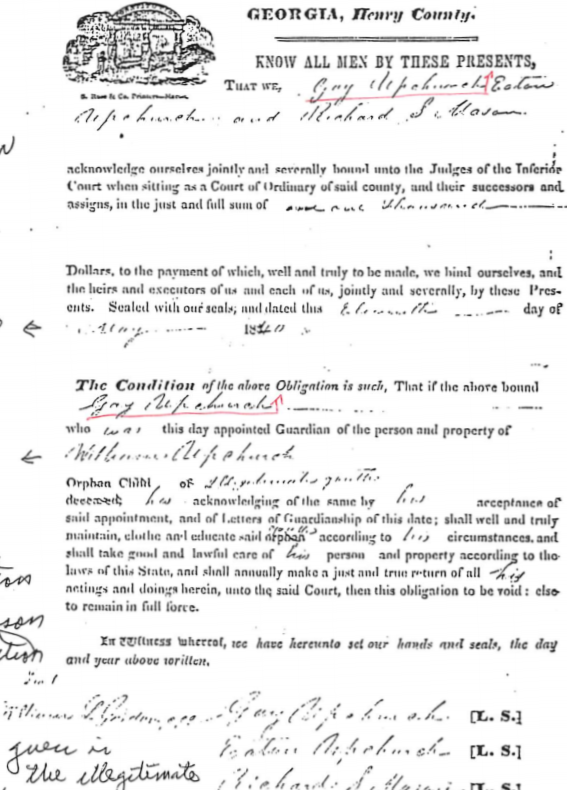
I was amused at the statement, "I would take it for granted that you would delete any chance remark that would reflect on the high standing of the Upchurch Clan". Almost the first thing that I found on the Land Grants was Charity 1827 living in Greene drew land lots in Cherokee for her two illegitimate children under ten years of age (no names given).

[Note: The “statement” appears to have been made by Donnah Carlton Upchurch – RPU]

**(no number)** Received in letter 6 Aug 14 Katherine Ann McGee to RPU

[Names noted: Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr, Eaton Upchurch, Richard S Mason, William Upchurch – CJM 28 Nov 2020]

(see document below)



[Note: The role or Upchurch connection of Richard S Mason in this transaction is not clear. Gay & Eaton are brothers. A best guess is that William Upchurch, the illegitimate youth, is a son of a female Upchurch. Gay would not have had daughter old enough to have had such a son. Eaton Upchurch did have daughter old enough to have had such a son. However, the best guess is that this William Upchurch is William Green Upchurch, the illegitimate son of **Charity Upchurch**, a sister of Gay and Eaton.

**(no number)** Records for Charity C Upchurch 1798 – 1880+, daughter of Charles Upchurch, Head of Clan and her son John Michaels Upchurch “Dump” 1829 – 1903 – RPU 7 Jun 2011

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| 1850 Census – GA, Henry Co, District 42 | | | |
| **C Upchurch** | 1798 | 52 | NC |
| M Upchurch | 1831 | 19 | GA |
| J Upchurch | 1834 | 16 | GA |

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| 1860 Census – AL, Randolph Co, Southern Division PO = Louina | | | |
| Michael Upchurch | 1830 | 30 | GA |
| Georgia A M Upchurch | 1841 | 19 | GA |
| Charity S Upchurch | 1857 | 3 | AL |
| Mary D Upchurch | 1859 | 6/12 | AL |
| **Charity Upchurch** | 1794 | 66 | NC |

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| 1870 Census – AL, Randolph Co, Louina | | | |
| Milon Upchurch | 1829 | 41 | Farmer, $150/ 100 |
| Georgia A M Upchurch | 1840 | 30 |  |
| Charity S Upchurch | 1857 | 13 |  |
| Mary D Upchurch | 1860 | 10 |  |
| William Upchurch | 1863 | 7 |  |
| Marion Upchurch | 1865 | 5 |  |
| Gere Ann Upchurch | 1869 | 6/12 |  |
| **Charity Upchurch** | 1791 | 79 |  |

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| 1880 Census – AL, Marshall Co | | | |
| Michal Upchurch | 1829 | 51 | GA |
| Matilda G Upchurch | 1840 | 40 | GA |
| William M Upchurch | 1863 | 17 | GA |
| Franklin M Upchurch | 1867 | 13 | GA |
| Vice G Upchurch | 1869 | 11 | GA |
| Ulas F Upchurch | 1872 | 8 | GA |
| Martha M Upchurch | 1876 | 4 | GA |
| Miney A Upchurch | 1868 | 2 | GA |
| **Charita Upchurch** | 1798 | 82 | NC |

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| 1900 Census – TX. Cass Co – Justice Precinct 6 | | | |
| Michael Upchurch | Jul 1828 | 71 | GA |
| Matilda Upchurch | Se[ 1838 | 61 | AL |
| John S Upchurch | Aug 1885 | 14 | AL |

I. Charles Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. **Charity S Upchurch** 1798 – 1880+

married ( ) – none found

1. **James Monroe Upchurch, II**, CSA born 1834 (Henry Co, GA) died 13 Dec

**2**2nd 1892 (Cass Co, TX)

cousins married ( ) Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch 1838 – 1925, daughter of Claborn Upchurch, I and granddaughter of Richard Upchurch, III – Head of Clan

32nd 2. John Michael Upchurch “Dump” born 1 Jul 1829 (Henry Co, GA near Hancock cousins Co, GA) died 3 Mar 1903 (Wellington, Collingsworth Co, TX)

once married 1856 (Henry Co, GA) Georgia Ann Matilda D Upchurch born 22 Feb removed 1840 (Henry Co, GA) died 22 Jan 1921 (Wellington, TX), daughter of Lunsford Upchurch, granddaughter of Claburn Upchurch, I

a. Charity Serina Upchurch born 12 Jan 1857 (AL)

b. Mary Delaney Upchurch born 6 Dec 1859 (AL)

c. William Michael Upchurch born Sep 1862

d. Marion Franklin Upchurch b ---

e. Georgia Ann Lavicie Upchurch born 7 Dec 186

f. Eula Falby Upchurch born 7 Nov 1872

g. Martha Missouri Upchurch born 7 Aug 1875 (Marshall Co, AL)

h. Minnie Anigene Upchurch born 1 Jun 1878

i.1 La Murse Upchurch (Lemorse?) born 7 Oct 1882 (AL)

j. John Sherman Upchurch born 4 Aug 1885 (AL)

1La Murse born after 1880 and left the home before 1900 hence does not appear in her parents home on either the 1880 or 1900 Census.

2The Master Outline for the couple maintained with the Richard Upchurch, III/ Claburn Upchurch, I Sub-clan – Sarah Elizabeth Upchurch Line

3The Master Outline for this couple maintained with the Richard Upchurch, III/ Claburn Upchurch, I Sub-clan – Lunsford Upchurch line.