

* WORMLEY RAY

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PARENTS:
 ROBERT JEFFERSON U
 b 28 JAN 1880 (WAKE CO, NC)
 d 14 APR 1943 (RALEIGH, NC)
 (BUR.-INWOOD BAPT. CHURCH CEM, WAKE CO, NC) MD 14 FEB 1910 (WAKE CO, NC)

GRAND-PARENTS:
 BARTLE JEFFERSON U
 b 11 MAY 1841 (WAKE CO, NC) d 23 JAN 1929 (WAKE CO, NC) (BUR.-INWOOD) MD 30 SEP 1869 (WAKE CO, NC)

GG-PARENTS:
 GILBERT W
 b 1792 (FRANKLIN CO, NC) d 1845 (WAKE CO, NC)

LUCRETIA MILLS
 b 1807 (WAKE CO, NC) d 28 SEP 1877 (WAKE CO, NC)

NATHAN W
 1759 (NC) 1835 (NC)
 NARRMAN MILLS 1759 (NC) 1835 (NC)
 UNKNOWN 1758-1828
 WORMLEY
 1745-1822
 NANCY ANN GILL
 MARK GRADY
 MARTHA SHIPP

AURORA O RAY
 b 1847 (WAKE CO, NC) d 22 DEC 1904 (WAKE CO, NC)
 (BUR.-INWOOD)

BUCKNER RAY
 1818 (WAKE CO, NC) MD 12 DEC 1846 (WAKE CO, NC)

JANE C. GRADY
 1822 - 1908 (BUR.-WAKE CO, NC)

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, GREAT GRANDPARENTS, & GREAT GREAT GRANDPARENTS OF RPA

FIVE GENERATION CHART

ROBERT PHILLIP WILKINSON "PHIL"
 b 9 FEB 1928 (WAKE CO, NC)

NOTE: ALL INDIVIDUALS NAMED HERE LIVED SOME OR ALL OF THEIR LIVES IN NORTHERN, WESTERN, OR SOUTHERN WAKE CO, NC

LIVED IN NORTHERN WAKE CO, NC - BAYTON'S CREEK TOWNSHIP - ON THE HOUSE

- FAMILY NAMES OF THE ANCESTORS OF PHIL WILKINSON
1. WILKINSON
 2. MILLS
 3. RAY
 4. GILL
 5. GRADY
 6. SHIPP
 7. EDWARDS
 8. CROSS
 9. CREIGHTON
 10. BROWN
 11. CHAPPELL
 12. WARREN

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1. BIRTH CERTIFICATE
2. M.G. CERTIFICATE
3. DEATH CERTIFICATE
4. PHOTO OF TOMBSTONE

BESSIE ELENORA (EDWARDS) (CROSS)
 CREIGHTON
 b 25 SEP 1899 (WAKE CO, NC)
 d 10 MAR 1984 (RALEIGH, NC) (BUR.-INWOOD)

EUGENE D. CROSS
 b 25 APR 1855 (NC) d 25 JUN 1939 (NC) (BUR.-CREIGHTON, NC)

SILAS CROSS
 b 1828 (WAKE CO, NC) d 1878/1879 MD 29 MAY 1852

FRANKLIN CHAPPELL
 b 1826 d 1705 57KS

RICHARD CROSS 1790 - 1852 S
 REBECCA BROWN
 ?
 ?
 WELDEAS EDWARDS
 SALLY WARREN
 ?
 ?

MATTIE EDWARDS
 b JAN 1891 (NC) d 13 DEC 1918 (WAKE CO, NC)

PAULINE OR CROSS EDWARDS

W SPOUSE OF "A"
 EVA SALLAINE SLEDGE
 b 8 JAN 1926 (FRANKLIN CO, NC)

FROM: COLONIAL GRANVILLE CO, N.C. BY: WORTH S. RAY PG 271

(22) ERASTUS GILL. ERASMUS GILL (evidently the same person) married SARAH NEWSOME in DINWIDDIE COUNTY, Virginia, JUNE 8, 1786. On the records of WAKE COUNTY there is a marriage bond between one WORMLEY ROSE RAY and NANCY GILL (Daughter of ERASMUS or ERASTUS RAY) dated December 24, 1813. Both the RAYS and the GILLS lived near the falls of the Neuse in the upper part of Wake and the lower part of GRANVILLE COUNTY in what was called the "MORNING DISTRICT" of Wake County and not far from the WAKE FOREST section. They properly belong in the WAKE COUNTY Chapter of this work. However, many of the RAYS of this family settled in GRANVILLE COUNTY, and the late C. D. RAY, whom the compiler met on some of his visits to OXFORD, was of this family, coming down through WORMLEY ROSE RAY and NANCY GILL. His brother ERASMUS GILL RAY was for several years a neighbor of the compiler in DALLAS, TEXAS, prior to his death a few years ago.

(24) JAMES RAY, who lived in WAKE COUNTY belonged to the family of RAYS mentioned in the GILL paragraph above. He is said to have been a revolutionary soldier. His will and data pertaining to his family will be presented more at length in the Chapter on WAKE COUNTY which will appear later on in the "LOST TRIBES OF NORTH CAROLINA".

(28) HERBERT HIGH (pronounced HARBERT) has already been touched upon in the notes of his Great Grand-daughter HALLIE LEE (NICK) ROYSTER. He was the father of her grandfather ALEXANDER MARTIN HIGH. The HIGH FAMILY also belongs mainly to WAKE COUNTY and will be taken up in the WAKE COUNTY CHAPTER of this work.

NAMES IN ABOVE:

I - - GILL

A. ERASTUS GILL (AKA ERASMUS GILL)

md 6 JUN 1786 (Dinwiddie Co, VA) SARAH NEWSOME

I. NANCY GILL md 24 DEC 1813 (Wake Co, NC)

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

I. - - RAY

A. C. D. RAY

B. ERASMUS GILL RAY

JAMES RAY - was a
Revolutionary War
Soldier

I. HERMAN HIGH - Had a GGD HALLIE LEE HIGH who md
- - ROYSTER

A. ALEXANDER MARTIN HIGH

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

○ Records on the Family of DAVID GILL, ^{Jr} of Wake Co. NC GILL
 - A member of RPU - This is pg 2 of a 15-Page Document
 to be found in the Profile of Jesse Gill, II s/o David Gill, J
 - Rec'd by RPU in a packet 7 JUN 2011 from Mable Albert Perry

This information comes from two source documents, so to speak, neither of which are primary documents, a record Dan Olds found in the library in Macon, GA, the original Wake Co. page constructed from Mrs. Clark's book, records that I (FOC) had found, and a record in the Gill Gazette. *I emphasize again that none of these are primary records, and therefore they are prone to error in interpretation, until we get the original records from Wake Co., NC (which Dan and relatives are now getting and are on this link)*

Jesse Gill, documented in his will as a son of David Gill of Wake Co., NC. Jesse Gill b<1767, listed in 1788 will. Married Tabitha Pace. Jesse Gill of Wake Co. makes affidavit that Wm. Barler was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. 1800 Wake Co., NC census page 732, 00010-40010-04.

Fortunately much is known about the descendants of Jesse and Tabitha Pace Gill. Tabitha was the daughter of Buckner Pace. Little is known of this Buckner Pace, although some researchers think that he was the son of John and Ann Russell Pace of Brunswick County, Virginia. Jesse Gill and Tabitha Pace were married in Wake County on 26 October 1792. The reason that much is known about the descendants of Jesse and Tabitha is because Jesse left a rather large estate at his death and this estate was contested in the Wake County Courts for many years. The many papers in this file contains the names of Jesse's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. These papers also list many death dates, first and second husbands and wives, and places of residence of the different descendants. Jesse and Tabitha had the following 11 children: Nancy Ann Gill married first Rose Wormley Ray on 24 December 1815 in Wake County. They had two sons: Buckner Ray and Henry C. Ray. Henry C. Ray married Cynthia G. Bailey in 1839 and they had Mary Eliza who married James A. Alien, Cynthia Paridadi, and Sarah Anderson who married William D. Ray. Nancy Ann Gill Ray married second Edward A. Parkam. They had eight children: Edward Amacy, Caroline, Avery, John, Emeline, William W. Buckner, Obidience (Bidy.)

△ Jesse Gill and Tabitha Pace Gill had the following 11 children (and, yes, I know there is a discrepancy, I just don't know the resolution yet!):

- △△ 1. Nancy Ann Gill married first Rose Wormley Ray on 24 December 1815 in Wake County. They had two sons:
 - △ 1. Buckner Ray *
 - △ 2. Henry C. Ray. Henry C. Ray married Cynthia G. Bailey in 1839 and they had Mary Eliza who married James A. Alien, Cynthia Paridadi, and Sarah Anderson who married William D. Ray. Nancy Ann Gill Ray married second Edward A. Parkam. They had eight children: Edward Amacy, Caroline, Avery, John, Emeline, William W. Buckner, Obidience (Bidy.)
- △△ 2. Elizabeth Gill "Bensey" married 27 October 1814 in Wake County to William Shipp. (See The Shipp Family History).
- △△ 3. Agnes Gill married James Jones on 29 January 1822.
- △△ 4. Buckner Gill married in Wake County 19 August 1832 to Sarah Roberts. They had four children who all were in Tennessee by 1860:
 - △ 1. James Gill
 - △ 2. Elizabeth Gill
 - △ 3. Sarah C. Gill who married an Andrews
 - △ 4. Thomas G. Gill
- △△ 5. John Gill married Mary Reves on 2 May 1827 in Wake County. They had two children,
 - △ 1. William Gill who was born in 1844 and
 - △ 2. Elizabeth Gill who was born in 1846.
- △△ 6. Burton Gill married Barbara Ann. Her last name is unknown. Burton died before his father. Burton and Barbara Ann had nine children:
 - △ 1. Burton J. Gill
 - △ 2. Thomas Gill
 - △ 3. Lewis Turner Gill
 - △ 4. Americus Gill
 - △ 5. Caroline Gill who married Peter C. Pupree
 - △ 6. David Gill
 - △ 7. Susan Gill
 - △ 8. Joseph Gill
 - △ 9. Duncan Gill
- △ Terrell Gill was born in 1814 in Wake County. He married Elizabeth Perry on 29 January 1842. Terrell Gill married second Catharine Franks on 24 March 1852 in Wake County. Terrell Gill and Elizabeth Perry had four children:
 - △ 1. Eliza M. Gill
 - △ 2. Nicholas L. Gill
 - △ 3. Andrew J. Gill
 - △ 4. Elizabeth Gill.
- △△ 8. Mahaly Gill married Joseph Bailey on 17 August 1835 and this family went to Tennessee.
- △△ 9. Payton Gill married 5 October 1838 in Wake County to Sarah Hollingsworth and this family also went to Tennessee.
- △ 10. William Gill, son of Jesse and Tabitha Gill, seems to have left home while quite young and nothing is known about him.

Sources: Wake County courthouse records, Federal Census records.

△ Norman R. Peters

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WORMLEY ROSE RAY

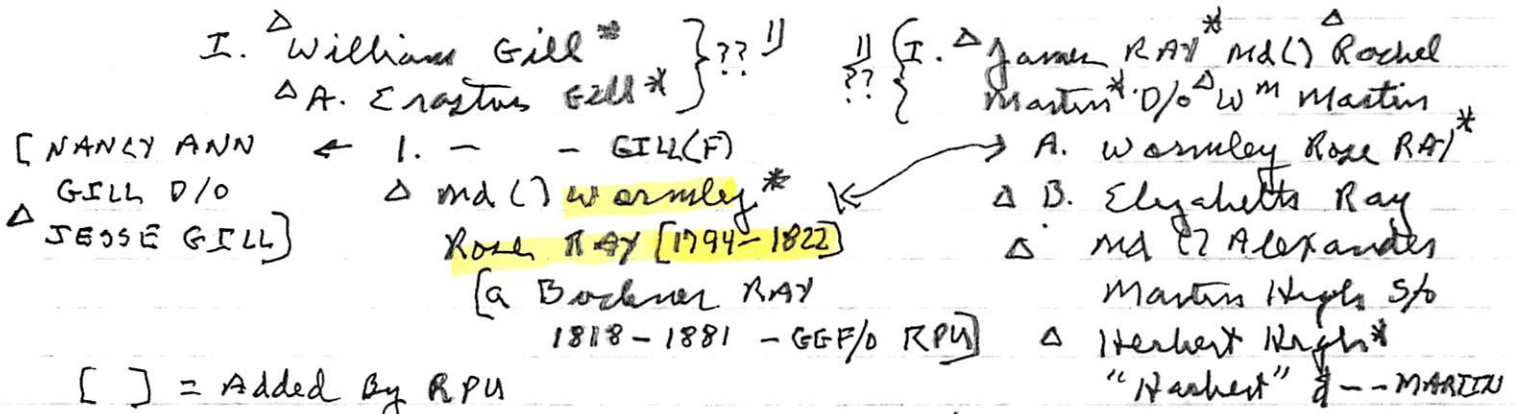
○ EXCERPT FROM LTR 3 SEP 2010 GERALD THORP LEONARD TO RPU - 8 SEP 2010

See letter for text items associated with the Book on the RAY and other Families of Colonial Granville Co, NC downloaded by Gerald. These items tie in with the Colonial Map produced by
 Δ Warrth S. Ray & Peter Buie Searcy

The two items downloaded which are of special interest to RPU are as follows:

- (20) ERASTUS GILL, son of 23 WILLIAM GILL, was the father-in-law of 202 WORMLEY ROSE RAY, who was drowned in the YORCK River, and who was son of 24 JAMES RAY and his wife RACHEL MARTIN, daughter of 20 WILLIAM MARTIN.
- (24) JAMES RAY and his wife RACHEL MARTIN had a daughter ELIZABETH RAY, who became the wife of ALEXANDER MARTIN HIGG, a son of 23 HANCOCK HIGG, whose wife was also a MARTIN.

I question the complete validity of the relationships shown but they are as follows:



[] = Added by RPU

* Their names are found on the Colonial map of old Granville Co, NC - presumably the same individuals

|| DISCLAIMER - The above conflicts with the well researched book "The Ray Family of Wake Co. NC" published AUG 1999 by William C. RAY with professional help. It shows that Wormley Rose Ray married Nancy Ann Gill D/O Jesse Gill - not a D/O Erastus Gill. Further it shows Wormley was a s/o Nathan Ray 1765-1822 and Elizabeth Kilgore not s/o James Ray and Rachel Martin - I suspect all of these people are somehow related but not as Warrth has proposed - RPU 8 SEP 2010

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

① ENLARGEMENT OF THE SW PORTION OF THE MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF HOME SITES OF COLONIAL FAMILIES IN GRANVILLE CO., NC - COMPILED BY WORTH S. RAY DRAWN BY PETER BRUCE SEARCY 1943 - OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO RPU - 7 SEP 2010 (FROM VERSION GERALD THARP LEONARD TO RPU 9 AUG 2010)



- ① AKA ERASMUS GILL
- ② WILLIAM MARTIN
- ③ PHYLIA PEARCE
- ④ VALENTINE WHITE
- ⑤ JAMES PEARCE
- ⑥ ERASTUS GILL → ELSEWHERE SHOWN AS HIS WIFE
- ⑦ WILLIAM ROCHELLE
- ⑧ WILLIAM GILL
- ⑨ JAMES RAY
- ⑩ RACHEL MARTIN
- ⑪ THOMAS WHITE
- ⑫ JOHN HIGH
- ⑬ SAMUEL HIGH
- ⑭ THOMAS NARRISON
- ⑮ HERBERT HIGH "HALDERT"
- ⑯ THOMAS RAY
- ⑰ WORMLEY ROSE RAY
- ⑱ MOSES UPCHURCH

NOTES:

- 1) NO NUMBER SHOWN FOR RACHEL MARTIN BUT 25 WOULD FIT - RPU
- 2) THE NUMBERS IN □ ADDED BY RPU AS HIS BEST IDEA OF ○
- 3) Δ = COPY OF THIS SHEET PLACED IN BDFIE OF PERSON NAMED -RPU
- 4) WORMLEY ROSE RAY 1794-1822 WAS THE GF OF AURORA O. RAY THE GM OF RPU. MY RAY ANCESTORS WERE RELATED SOMEHOW TO SOME OF THE FAMILIES LISTED ABOVE (GILL & MARTIN?) BUT THE RELATIONSHIPS PROPOSED BY WORTH S. RAY NEED CAREFUL STUDY - RPU 3 5) MOSES IS B/D NATHAN U, I THE GGF OF RPU

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

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○ From: The Ray Family of Wake CO, NC By W^m Carrall Ray 1999

I. NATHAN RAY [Head of Clan]

RAY

A. WORMLEY ROSE RAY MDC) NANCY ANN GILL Pg 27

I. BUCKNER RAY

↳ M^d (2nd) ()

A. AURORA O. RAY

EDWARD A. PARHAM

M^d () Bartley Jefferson U

◆ WORMLEY ROSE RAY AND NANCY ANN GILL ◆

Wormley Rose Ray (father of Buckner Ray) was born in 1794 in the area of Wake Forest (northern Wake County), North Carolina. Wormley married Nancy Ann Gill in Wake County on December 24, 1813. Wormley was 19 years old when he married Nancy. A copy of their Marriage Bond is reproduced on page 28. Wormley and Nancy had two sons, Buckner and Henry, during their eight year marriage.

The 1815 Tax List for Wake County shows Wormley (age 21) as the owner of a 200 acre farm. On July 25, 1817, Wormley purchased 123 ²/₃ acres on the north side of the Neuse River for \$365 (\$2.95/acre) from John Ray. On August 1, 1821, Wormley Ray purchased a 196 ¹/₄ acre parcel on the Neuse River at a sheriff's foreclosure sale for \$100 "cash in hand paid" (\$0.51/acre).

Court records reveal that Wormley and his father, Nathan Ray, both drowned in the Neuse River on or about the first of January 1822. The body of Wormley was not recovered and both men died without wills. Wormley was 27 when he drowned and his father, Nathan, was about 57 years old at the time of their accidental deaths. Wormley's son, Buckner, was only three and one half years old when Wormley and his father, Nathan, both drowned in the Neuse River. Buckner's grandfather, Jesse Gill, was appointed guardian of Buckner and his brother, Henry.

The Neuse River begins in Durham County, North Carolina at the confluence of the Eno and Flat Rivers. It flows southeast approximately 185 miles through Wake, Johnston, Wayne, Lenoir and Craven Counties before entering Pamlico Sound east of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The Neuse River was named in 1584 by Arthur Barlowe for the Neusiok Indians.

Nancy Ray filed the following petition at the May Term of the 1822 Wake County, North Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions:

"...the petition of Nancy Ray humbly showeth that her husband Wormley R. Ray departed this life on or about the 1st of the month of January last [1822] intestate [without a will] and without having made any adequate provisions for your Petitioner [Nancy Ray] & seized and possessed of a Tract of land lying in the said County on Neuse River adjoining the lands of Obediah F. Ellen, Lewis Jones & others containing 320 acres that the said dec'd [Wormley Ray] left two children to wit: Buckner Ray and Henry C. Ray both of whom are infants under the age of twenty one years..." This 320 acre tract was located on the north side of the Neuse River.

Nancy Ray's petition continues and requests that the Court divide the land into three parts separating her dower interest from the land to be inherited by her two sons. On July 19, 1822 at the direction of the court, the 320 acres were divided into three parts. Nancy Ray received 107 ¹/₃ acres including the Mansion House, out buildings and orchards.

The guardian records for Buckner and Henry C. Ray extended for years with their guardian, Jesse Gill, annually recording precise accounts.

After Wormley's death, Nancy Ann Gill Ray married Edward A. Parham on October 26, 1822 and they had eight children (Edward, Caroline, Avery, John, Emeline, William, Buckner and Obidience (Bidy)). Nancy died before 1871.

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC by WM RAY Canell Ray 1999 Pg 12

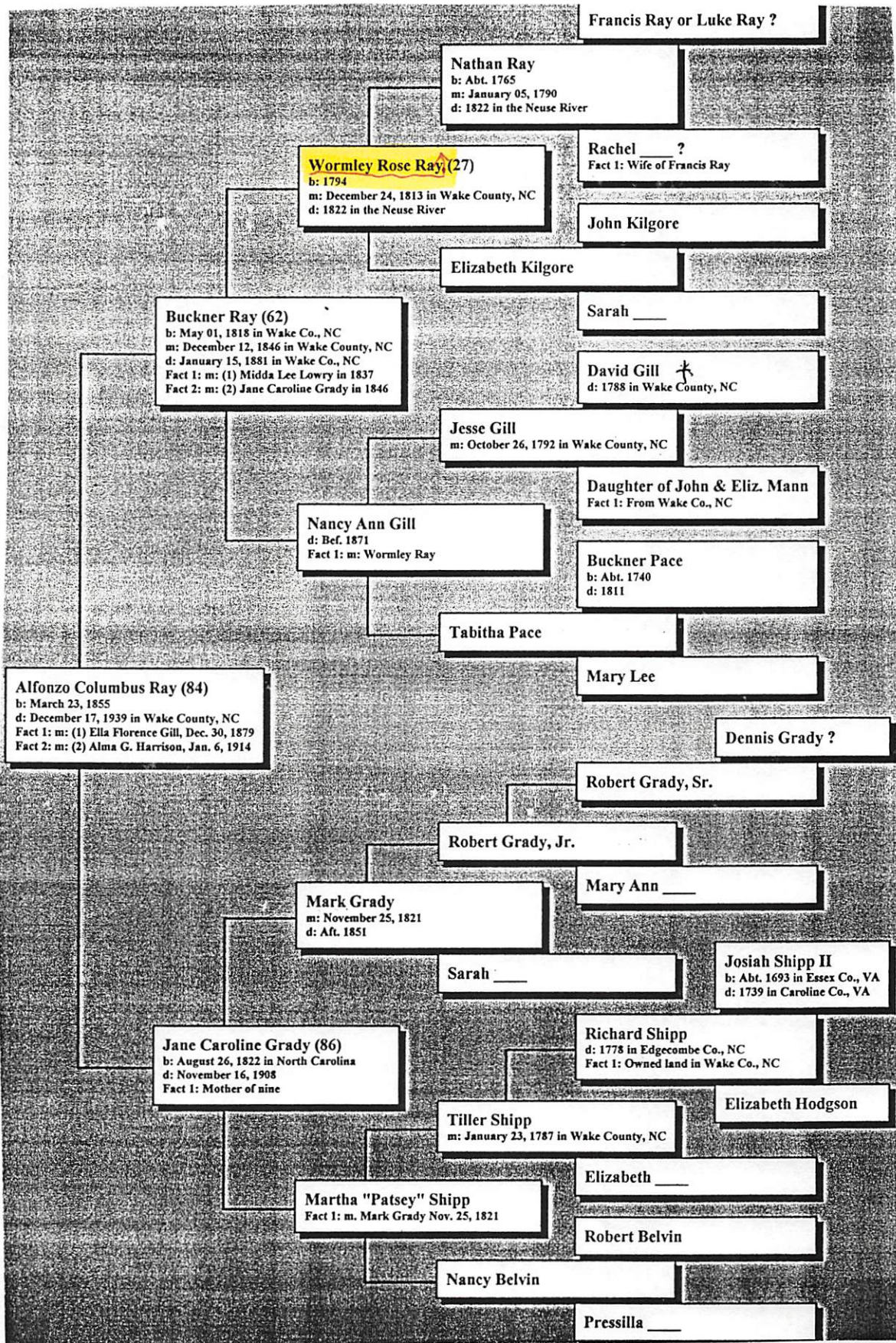
I. Nathan Ray
 A. Wormly Ray
 1. Buckner Ray
 a.

b. 2

Aurora O. Ray m d (1) Bentley Jefferson Lynch

* David Gill had a son Isaac Gill who had a son Ezra Gill who was GF of Ella Florence Gill

Jesse Gill & Isaac Gill were brothers.



WORMLEY ROSE RAY

○ From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC By W^m Cavell Ray 1999

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I. Wormley Rose Ray ↑

A. Buckner Ray

m&(1st) Midda Lee Lowery - 3 Children - shown below

m&(2nd) Jane Caroline Grady -- 9 Children (see elsewhere)

including Aurora O. (Ray) & Alfonso Columbus Ray

Buckner Ray (father of Von Ray) was born on May 1, 1818 in Wake County, North Carolina. He was named after his great grandfather on his mother's side, Buckner Pace. Buckner's father, Wormley Rose Ray,[↑] drowned in the Neuse River on or about the first of January 1822 when Buckner was only three and a half years old. Buckner's grandfather, Jesse Gill, was appointed guardian of Buckner and his brother, Henry. At the age of 19, Buckner Ray married Midda Lee Lowry on October 14, 1837. A copy of their marriage bond is reproduced on the following page. The Lowry family was among the early settlers of the area that became Wake County. They arrived prior to 1760. Buckner and Midda Lee had three children:

1. Charles W. Ray was born in 1838. On May 1, 1861 at the age of 22, Charles enlisted as a private in the Confederate Army (Company E, 14th North Carolina Regiment). This was his father's 43rd birthday and less than three weeks after cannons fired on Fort Sumter in South Carolina signaling the beginning of the Civil War. When he enlisted, Charles was issued a blanket and a pair of shoes. Pay vouchers reveal Charles was paid thirty three cents per day for his service on behalf of southern causes. He was promoted to corporal on November 13, 1861 after six and one half months of service. Military records commend Charles for his conduct in battle. Charles was 25 when he was killed on November 27, 1863 in the Battle of Silver Run near Payne's Farm in the Mine Run Campaign near Culpeper, Virginia. Charles never married.

2. Zadoc Daniel Ray was born August 10, 1840 and died at age 37 on March 8, 1878. Zadoc volunteered on his twenty-first birthday and served as a 2nd Sergeant in Company D, 30th North Carolina Infantry Regiment, Confederate States of America. Zadoc was wounded at the Battle of Cold Harbor on May 1, 1862 east of Richmond, Virginia and was captured at Kelly's Ford on the Rappahannock River near Culpeper, VA on November 7, 1863. He was imprisoned at Point Lookout, Maryland until after the conclusion of the war (June 17, 1865). Zadoc married Artelia Frances Nipper in 1868 and they had four children:



Zadoc Daniel Ray (1840-1878)

- A. Tessie Lee Ray (1871-1939)
Married Wilmer Conrad Betts.
- B. Charles Maude Ray (1877-)
Named in honor of her uncle who was killed in the Civil War. Maude married Jesse Thomas Burke. She lived until after 1963.
- C. Patrick Ray (- 1951). Married (first) Walena Atkinson and (second) Mina Williams.
- D. Hattie Ray (1875 - 1956).

3. Lee Hawkins Ray (1844 - 1878). Lee married John Allen and they had two sons, Charlie and George.

Buckner's first wife, Midda Lee Lowry Ray, and all three of their children, Charles, Zadoc, and Lee Hawkins, died prior to Buckner. Writing in the 5th Century B.C., the Greek historian Herodotus, "The Father of History" observed that "In peace sons bury their fathers and in war fathers bury their sons." This was certainly true of the impact of the Civil War on Buckner Ray's family.

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

From: The Ray Family of Wake Co., NC By Wm Canell Ray 1999

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RAY



RAY SIGNATURES



Eight generations of Ray signatures are reproduced below starting with Nathan Ray (Circa 1765 - 1822).

Nathan Ray (Circa 1765 - 1822)

Wormley Rose Ray (1794 - 1822)

Buckner Ray (1818 - 1881)

Alfonzo Columbus Ray (1855 - 1939)

Alfonso Carroll Ray (1891 - 1969)

Elmer Carroll Ray (1917 - 1989)

William Carroll Ray (1943 -)

Cleveland Carroll Ray (1972 -)



me Jane Caroline Grady

Jane Caroline Ray (1822 - 1908)

me Ella Florence Gill

Ella Florence Ray (1858 - 1910)

Berdite Nicholson Ray (1892 - 1969)

Mary Myers Ray (1918 -)

Rose Ellen Ray (1945 -)

Waverly Carol Ray (1977 -)

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

○ From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC By W^m Canoll Ray
one of Seven Ray Families - 1790 Census Pg 36 [RAY] 1799
WAKE CO, NC

5. Nathan Ray

Nathan Ray was born circa 1765, married Elizabeth Kilgo on January 5, 1790 and they had at least one child, a son, Wormley Rose Ray (father of Buckner Ray), born in 1794. Nathan and Wormley drowned in the Neuse River on or about the first of January 1822. Nathan was about 57 and his son, Wormley, was 27 at the time of their accidental deaths.

Deeds were registered in Wake County on September 3, 1793 and 1794 in which Hammon Mobley conveyed property in Wake County to Nathan Ray. The acreages and locations of the property were not stated in the court minutes. The 1793 Wake County Tax List shows Nathan as the owner of 50 acres. The 1794 Tax List shows his land holdings increased to 107 acres. In 1799, Nathan owned 182 acres located on the north side of the Neuse River. On February 18, 1800, Nathan Ray executed an Indenture to purchase a 75-acre parcel in Wake County from John Ray for 100 pounds "current money" (1.33 pounds/acre). This 75-acre parcel was located on the north side of the Neuse River adjacent to other property already owned by Nathan Ray on the river adjacent to Cedar Point. Nathan's property bordered land owned by Luke Ray, Joseph Ray, and John Ray suggesting a family relationship.

○ See Str 30 SEP 2006 marl Ellie Ray & RPA - Pg ③

WRR md 24 DEC 1813(7) Nancy Ann Gill. [This reference has WRR to 1765 which seems to be in error RPA]

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC By W^m Carroll Ray
[RAY] 1999 Pg 31

I. Nathan Ray

A. Wormley Ray

1. Buckner Ray

2. Anora O. Ray and (1) Bartley Jefferson
upchurch

◆ NATHAN RAY AND ELIZABETH KILGO ◆

(Parents of Wormley Ray)

Nathan Ray (father of Wormley Rose Ray) was born circa 1765. The place of birth is believed to have been in the area of North Carolina that became Wake County. Nathan Ray married Elizabeth Kilgo (mother of Wormley Rose Ray) on January 5, 1790 in Wake County. A copy of their Marriage Bond is included on page 32. The Kilgo family was one of the earliest families to settle in the area that became Wake County. They arrived prior to 1755. It appears that Nathan and Elizabeth had only one child, a son, Wormley Rose Ray, during their 32 years of marriage. The 1790 Federal Census shows Nathan and Elizabeth living in Wake County with no slaves. Nathan was a bondsman for the marriage of Dempsey Woodard and Elizabeth Griggs on September 23, 1787, which indicates he was an adult a few years prior to his 1790 marriage.

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Nathan Ray purchased a Negro, Caesar, at the estate sale of Mordecai Mobley on January 25, 1808. On December 27, 1814, Nathan purchased a Negro woman, Jude, a boy, Ned, and a girl, Lucey, for 225 pounds from Benjamin Allen.

Nathan and his son, Wormley Rose Ray, both drowned in the Neuse River on or about the first of January 1822. Only Nathan's body was recovered and both men died without wills. Nathan was about 57 years old at the time of his death. Elizabeth Ray received her one third dower interest in Nathan's 193-acre estate on the Neuse River and the balance of his property was divided between Wormley's minor children, Buckner and Henry Ray.

When Nathan's estate was finally settled on April 10, 1824, the first item listed as an expense was "1 gallon of spirits drank when his corpse was taken from the River" at a cost of \$1.00. Nathan's body was recovered from the Neuse River in January and his weary and distressed family and friends needed the gallon of whiskey to complete this chilling task.

WORMLEY ROSE RAY
 From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC By W^m Canell Ray
 Estate sale for Wormley Rose Ray RAY 1999 Pg 28

A Wake County will book contains a complete listing of the property of Wormley Rose Ray sold after his death to liquidate the estate on March 14, 1822 for a total amount of \$252.01½. The inventory of the personal property of Wormley Ray is restated below:

3	Negroes *	4	Water Vessels	1	Bell
4	Head of Horses	2	Cotton Wheels	2	Slates
7	Head of Cattle	2	Potts	1	Candlestick
2	Sows & Piggs	1	D. Oven	1	Weaving Loom
8	young Hogs	9	Sitting Chairs	1	Flax Wheel
½	of a Cask	6	Plates	1	Fish Gig
1	Pair of Cart Wheels	1	dish and Bread Basket	1	Bee Hive
a	quantity of Tobacco	1	Churn	1	Table
2	Feather Beds & Furniture	1	Lott of Earthen Ware	1	Flax Hackle
1	Plough Frame	1	Chest	a	small parcel Flax
1	Plough Hoe & Seeding Hoe	2	Tables	1	shaving Box
1	Shot Gun	1	Looking Glass	1	Gimble
1	Horse Collar	4	Basins	1	Bucket
1	Bull Dog & Seeding Hoe	2	Dishes	8	Casks
1	Grubbing Hoe	1	Tin Pan	1	Cupboard
1	Mans Saddle	4	Earthen Plates	1	Box
1	Hand Saw	a	Lott of Small Earthen Ware	13	lbs iron
1	Chisel	2	Jugs	1	Bit
2	Pair of Harness	1	Testament	2	Iron Pins
2	Club Axes	1	Bible	1	Bridle
1	Pair ?	1	Book, Boston's Human Nature	1	Hammer
1	Hogshead	1	Law Book	1	Calf skin
1	Wooden Vice	1	Dictionary	1	Cow Hide
1	Pair of Scales				

* On December 28, 1822, Jesse Gill, Administrator, sold the three slaves owned by Wormley Ray for \$336.50 as listed below:

1 Negro Girl	for	\$ 226.00
1 Negro Man	for	100.00
Old Negro Woman		<u>10.50</u>
"Who was likely to become a charge"		
TOTAL \$ 336.50		

The inventory of the property of Wormley Ray reveals he was a farmer with three slaves. He raised livestock (cattle, pigs & hogs) to provide meat and milk for his table. He raised vegetables, kept bees for honey and fished in the Neuse River to supplement the food supply. He was literate and had a rather large collection of books for that time (Testament, Bible, book on human nature, law book and a dictionary). Bread, butter and clothes were also made on the farm. The principal crops were tobacco and cotton.

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

From: The Ray Family of Wake Co, NC By W^m Canell Ray
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I. Nathan Ray

A. Wormley Ray md Nancy Ann Gill

1. Bolmer Ray

a. Aurea O. Ray md (?) Bartley Jefferson Upchurch

December 24, 1813 Marriage Bond for Wormley Ray and Nancy Ann Gill

State of North-Carolina, }

Wake County. }

Know all Men by these Presents That we ~~Nathan Ray~~

Wormley Rose Ray & Nathan Ray

are held and firmly bound unto William Hawkins Governour, or his Successors in Office, in the full sum of Five Hundred Pounds, current Money, to be paid to the said Governour, his Successors or Assigns, for the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our Seals; and dated this 24th day of December Anno Domini 1813

THE CONDITION of the above Obligation is such, That whereas the above bounden Wormley Rose Ray hath made application for a Licence for a Marriage to be celebrated between him and Nancy Gill of the County aforesaid. Now, in case it shall not appear hereafter that there is any lawful Cause or Impediment to obstruct the said Marriage, then the above Obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered
in the Presence of
[Signature]

Wormley R. Ray
Nathan Ray Seal

○ From Wake Co, NC Heritage Book-1983 (40, FH682)

THE RAY FAMILY

[MANCY-RPA]

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Wormly R. Ray (1794-1822), wife Nancy Gill, is said to have been the son of Nathan and Elizabeth Kilgo (kilgor) Ray. Wormly and Nancy were married in 1813 and Natan and Elizabeth in 1790. According to court records both men were reported to have drowned in the Neuse River on or about the first of January, 1822. Neither body was recovered and both men died intestate.

After Elizabeth Ray received her one third

dower in Nathan's estate the balance of his property was divided between Wormly's two minor children, Buckner and Henry C. Ray, Jesse Gill, the father of Mancy Ray, was executor of both Wormly's and Nathan's estates and was appointed guardian to Buckner and Henry.

In 1837, Buckner Ray married Midda Lee Lowry and they had three children; Zadock, Aurora (Mrs. Jefferson Upchurch) and Lee Hawkins (Mrs. John D.R. Allen). After Midda Lee's death Buckner married Jane Caroline Grady in 1846. From that union eight children survived, including; William, George W., Jimmy R., Willis, Robert, Alfonza (Von), Mary (Mrs. Eugene Penny) and Charles Buckner. The family grew up on a farm in northern Wake County where the remains of an Indian civilization were found. According to an archaeologist, many of the artifacts uncovered date back over one thousand years.



The Charles B. Ray residence, later used by Raleigh City Schools as its business office.

Charles Buckner Ray (1865-1934), youngest child of Buckner and Jane Ray married Mattie Pugh the daughter of James L. Pugh, in 1889. After farming for several years, Charles moved to Raleigh, where, he became superintendent of the Wake County Home. Later on he founded the C.B. Ray Harness and Carriage Co, which he operated until forced into retirement by the "Horseless Carriage", which, he stated was "very impracticable and just a passing fad."

During the term of Gov. Kitchen, Charles Ray's daughter, Dorothy was invited to a birthday party honoring the governor's daughter. After the party Charles sent a liveried landau carriage to the mansion to await the pleasure of Dorothy Ray and friends.

The children of Chas. B. and Mattie Pugh Ray were; Hickman, May L., Dorothy C., Willa M., Catherine S., Charles B., Jr. and Martha Pugh (Mrs. J. Julian Carr).

Hickman Ray (1889-1925) was educated in the Wake County Schools, Bigham Military Academy in Asheville, The University of North Carolina, and the University of Maryland School of Medicine. In 1917 he entered the Army Medical Corps and in 1918, prior to leaving for duty in France, he married Ethel F. Thompson of Durham. Hickman and Ethel had first met several years before while guests in the home of Dr. Sanford W. Thompson at the Falls of The Neuse.

The children of Hickman and Ethel Thompson Ray are Hickman, Jr., of Raleigh and E. Frances (Mrs. Theodore B. Pollard) of Charlotte. Hickman Ray, Jr. Received his education from the Durham Public Schools, Fork Union Military Academy and the University of North Carolina. In 1942 he entered the Army Air Force and served as a radio operator and technician in the South Pacific theatre.

After receiving his discharge in 1945 Hickman Ray, Jr. attended Kings Business College and soon thereafter, he entered the employ of R.L. Dresser, Inc. Among his many hobbies were astronomy, pipe organ building and collecting antiques.

Sources: Estate papers, court records, marriage bonds, Willa M. Ray and George W. Ray, II.

— Hickman Ray

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○ 1840 Census - Bartons Creek TSP, Wake Co, NC - Downloaded by Karen Iny Ray & sent to RPU by Maril Ellis Ray in ltr 7 MAR 2005

(No. 4.)

SCHEDULE of the whole number

Entry A for the
Buckner Ray
Household

with 2 males
ages 20-30

& 1 male 0-5
and

Entry B for the
Henry C. Ray
Household with

1 male 20-30

& 1 male 0-5

fit together as shown below

Age Under 5 5 10 15 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 and over	SEX	NAMES OF HEADS OF FAMILIES.	FREE WHITE PERSONS, M														
			MALES														
			Under 5	5 under 10	10 under 15	15 under 20	20 under 30	30 under 40	40 under 50	50 under 60	60 under 70	70 under 80	80 under 90	90 under 100	100 and over		
		Eaton Davis				1	1										
		James Grady			1		1				1						
		William Chapman	1	1						1							
		Buckner Ray	1				2										
		Andrew H. Hillard					2										
		Elisha P. Hart				1	1										
		William Harris								1							
		Wm Grady	1				1										
		Henry C. Ray	1				1										
		Georow Emory	1	1			1										
		John Gills		1	1			1									

RPU NOTES:

- I. Wormley Ray d 15 JAN 1822
 - A. Buckner Ray b 1 MAY 1818
 - 1. Charles W. Ray b 1838
 - B. Henry C. Ray b about 1819 ± 2 YRS
 - 1. William H. Ray, Sr

#1 we know that Buckner Ray married in 1839 so it is reasonable that father & son would be on the 1840 Census as shown.

#2 The 2nd male age 20-30 in the Buckner Ray Household is unknown to us. Could this be a 3rd son of Wormley Ray??

#3 we know that Henry C. Ray married and had a son as named above - which agrees with the census. From this census record we learn new information - NAMELY - that Henry C. Ray had a son (William H. Ray, Sr) born before the 1840 census and that, therefore Henry C. Ray must have married 1839 or before.

WORMLEY ROSE RAY

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F. Jesse Gill, ^I - Had 11 children - Not named in Article 303

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He and () - - MANN believed to be the D/O

John Mann & Elizabeth - - of Wake Co, NC

1. James Gill

2. Elizabeth Gill

→ He left a large estate in Wake Co, NC which was contested for years leaving detailed records
TABITHA PACE

3. Jesse Gill ^{II} md 26 OCT 1792 (Wake Co, NC), D/O Buckner Pace

who was possibly the s/o John Pace & Ann Russell of Brunswick Co, VA

a. see separate extract for children - one of whom was

4. Susannah Gill

NANCY ANN GILL who

5. Isaac Gill md () Edith Mohley

md Wormley Ray they

6. John Gill

becoming parents of

7. David Gill, III md () Sally BRICE

BUCKNER RAY - GGT

of R. P. U.

a. Francis G. Gill

b. Henry P. Gill

c. TILAS Gill

d. ELGIS Gill

e. Jane E. Gill

f. Cleophas Gill

g. Amelia Gill

h. Susan Gill

i. Anfridan Gill

j. David D. Gill

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- a. Nancy Ann Gill md (1st) 24 DEC 1813 (Wake Co, NC) Rose Wormley Ray;
md (2nd) Edward A. PARKAM [My guess = Edward A. PARKAM - RPA]
- i. Buckner Ray
 - ii. Henry C. Ray md 1839 (?) Cynthia G. Bailey
 - (I) Mary Eliza Ray md (?) James A. Allen
 - (II) Cynthia PARSONS Ray
 - (III) Sarah Anderson Ray md (?) William D. Ray
 - iii. Edward AMACY Parkam; iiii. Caroline Parkam; v. Avery Parkam
 - vi. John Parkam; vii. Emeline Parkam; viii. William W. Parkam;
 - ix. Buckner Parkam; x. Obedience Parkam "Bedy";
- b. Elizabeth Gill "Betsey" md 27 OCT 1814 (Wake Co, NC) William Stuyip
- c. Agnes Gill md 29 JAN 1822 (?) James Jones
- d. Buckner Gill md 19 AUG 1832 (Wake Co, NC) Sarah Roberts
- i. James Gill; ii. Elizabeth Gill; iii. Sarah Gill md (?) - - Andrews
 - iiii. Thomas Gill - All 4 (i → iii) in TN by 1860
- e. John Gill md 2 MAY 1827 (Wake Co, NC) Mary Renee
- i. William Gill b 1844; ii. Elizabeth Gill b 1846
- f. Burton Gill (died before his FAT) md Barbara Ann —
- i. Burton J. Gill; ii. Thomas Gill; iii. Leura Turner Gill; iv. America Gill;
 - v. Caroline Gill md (?) Peter C. PUPLEE; vi. David Gill; vii. Susan Gill;
 - viii. Joseph Gill; ix. Duncan Gill
- g. Ferrell Gill b 1814 (Wake Co, NC) md (1st) 29 JAN 1842 (?) Elizabeth Perry II;
md (2nd) 24 MAR 1852 (Wake Co, NC) Caroline Franks
- i. Eliza M. Gill; ii. Nicholas L. Gill; iii. Andrew J. Gill; iv. Elizabeth Gill
- h. MARYALY Gill md 17 AUG 1835 (?) Joseph Bailey - They went to TN
- i. Payton Gill md 5 OCT 1838 (Wake Co, NC) Sarah Holbrook - went to TN
- j. William Gill - appears to have left home quite young
- k. [The article shows 11 children for Jesse & Tabitha but Article 303 lists only 10 - RPA]