

JAMES

EASLEY

WARREN/EDWARDS ANCESTORS/RELATIVES OF RPU
TO RPU FROM JAY BUCK 4 AUG 2018. EXTRACT D.4

- A. NATHANIEL WARREN JR was born about 1797 in Wake Co. He died before 1850. He married Cary Pollard on 16 Sep 1820 in Wake, North Carolina, USA. She was born about 1800 in North Carolina. She died on 07 Feb 1892 in Raleigh Wake, North Carolina.

1. SALLIE WARREN b MAY 1829

6. PAULINE EDWARDS b ABOUT 1856

1. MATTIE EDWARDS b JAN 1881

Adolphus "Dolphus" Creighton and Mattie Edwards had the following children:

- (G) MATTIE INEZ² CRAYTON (Mattie¹ Edwards, Pauline¹ Edwards, Sallie¹ Warren, Nathaniel¹ Warren Jr) was born on 30 Jan 1905 in North Carolina. She died in Jul 1981 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA. She married (1) BENNIE JACKSON BEDDINGFIELD JR on 21 Apr 1923 in Wake, North Carolina, USA. He was born about 1898. She married (2) WILLIAM ARTHUR BLAKE. He was born on 06 Oct 1897 in North Carolina. He died on 25 Feb 1957 in Durham, North Carolina, USA.

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- (A) ROGER VERON⁶ BEDDINGFIELD was born on 18 Mar 1927 in Raleigh Wake, North Carolina. He died on 01 Dec 1997.

William Arthur Blake and Mattie Inez Crayton had the following children:

- (B) VIVIAN INEZ² BLAKE was born on 10 Apr 1932 in Wake, North Carolina. She died on 08 Feb 2003.

- (C) VIRGINIA D BLAKE was born about 1937 in North Carolina.

- (H) LULA² CRAYTON (Mattie¹ Edwards, Pauline¹ Edwards, Sallie¹ Warren, Nathaniel¹ Warren Jr) was born on 19 Dec 1907 in North Carolina. She died on 28 May 1971 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA. She married Clarence Marvin Mills on 31 May 1929 in Wake, North Carolina, USA. He was born on 15 Apr 1910 in Raleigh, North Carolina, USA. He died on 20 Mar 1972 in New Bern, Craven, North Carolina, USA.

Clarence Marvin Mills and Lula Crayton had the following children:

- (A) MARVIN² MILLS.

- (B) BOBA ANN MILLS.

- (I) WILLIAM² CRAYTON (Mattie¹ Edwards, Pauline¹ Edwards, Sallie¹ Warren, Nathaniel¹ Warren Jr) was born on 26 Oct 1910 in North Carolina. He died on 17 Feb 1991 in Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, United States of America. He married Hazel Mae Cole on 30 Aug 1930 in Wake, North Carolina, USA. She was born on 06 May 1909 in Wake, North Carolina, United States. She died on 12 Oct 1963 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA.

William Crayton and Hazel Mae Cole had the following children:

- (A) PEGGY ANNE² CREIGHTON was born about 1931 in North Carolina.

- (B) WILLIAM CREIGHTON was born about 1938 in North Carolina.

- (J) HUBERT ALMSTRICE CREIGHTON was born on 18 May 1913 in North Carolina. He died on 26 May 1981 in Dade, Florida, United States.

- (K) SALLIE CREIGHTON was born on 29 Jul 1916 in North Carolina. She died on 20 Sep 1923 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina.

- (L) ELENORA² CREIGHTON (Mattie¹ Edwards, Pauline¹ Edwards, Sallie¹ Warren, Nathaniel¹ Warren Jr) was born on 12 Dec 1918 in Wake County, North Carolina. She died on 10 Dec 2001 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA. She married CHARLES NELLO EASLEY. He was born on 16 Aug 1914 in Alabama. He died on 23 Mar 1987 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA.

Charles Nello Easley and Elenora Creighton had the following children:

- (A) KENNETH ROWLAND² EASLEY SR. was born on 10 Jan 1941 in Raleigh Wake, North Carolina. He died on 05 Apr 1996 in Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, United States of America.

- (B) JAMES EASLEY was born about 1937 in North Carolina.

- (C) JEAN EASLEY was born about 1939 in North Carolina.

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EASLEY

CLOSE RELATIVES OF ROBERT
PHILIP WPCNURCH - 18 MAY 2018

I. AUNTS & UNCLES OF MINE BEING
HALF SIBLINGS OF MY MOTHER PLUS
THEIR CHILDREN (MY 1/2 COUSINS)
AND ALL OF THEIR SPOUSES - MY CLOSE
RELATIVES BY MARRIAGE

△ 1/2 AUNT

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- △ I. MARVIN⁶ MILLS
- △ II. DORA ANN MILLS

△ 1/2 UNCLE

WILLIAM⁵ CRAYTON (Mattie⁴ Edwards, Pauline³ Edwards, Sallie² Warren, Cary¹ Pollard) was born on 25 Oct 1910 in North Carolina. He died on 17 Feb 1991 in Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, United States of America. He married Hazel Mae Cole on 30 Aug 1930 in Wake, North Carolina, USA. She was born on 06 May 1909 in Wake, North Carolina, United States. She died on 12 Oct 1963 in Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina, USA

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- △ III. JEAN EASLEY was born about 1939 in North Carolina.

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JAMES N. EASLEY
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22 JUL 2002

Dear Cousin James,

I was nice to talk with you by phone on 21 JUL 02. As I mentioned I recently spelled the name EASLEY/ESLEY in an old letter and it prompted me to call you. Enclosed is a copy of the 16 FEB 1980 letter to me from James Carl Read. Maybe the reference will help you in your Easley research. Carl is descended from Lavinia Upchurch & Joseph Read, Jr. He and I are distant cousins. I suspect Carl is now deceased but I have written recently to Hays & Thistle, Ltd to see if they still exist. I suspect they had a lot of Easley records.

I was pleased to learn that you and your children are continuing to work on documenting our Edwards/Abrams/Creeghton family history. I'll try to help along the way. I am positive there are more

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facts that would interest us. Details get included in many ways and in many places. Finding them is a matter of hard work, luck, and not giving up. As one possibly one could look at the Raleigh, NC newspaper at about the time Mattie died giving birth to Elvora on 12 DEC 1918. Maybe there was an obituary.

Sallaine and I continue in good health and in retirement are busier than ever. I continue to do a lot of Upchurch research and to publish the UPCHURCH BULLETIN. Our 3 children & 8 grandchildren occupy a fair amount of our time. Our farms also take a lot of time and I really enjoy walking over the fields. In June I was elected to a one-year term as President of our church so far I am learning that church folks would rather fight than pray. Our 15 year old grandson Michael arrives today to spend a week with us - hope we survive.

As I mentioned we are expecting Sallaine's brother - Bill Guffin - to pass away in Newbern, NC anytime. We will go to the funeral & will hope to say hello to you in the process. Sincerely yours
(S) Phil Upchurch
{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

④ Obituary in Itz 31 JUL 1987 Ernestine Ray U
to RPU

CROSSFILE:

CHARLES NELLO EASLEY →
& WIFE nee
ELNORA CREIGHTON

⑤ NOTE: On 12 DEC 2001 RPU
HAPPENED TO BE IN
RALEIGH, NC & HAPPENED
TO READ THE OBITUARIES
FROM THE NEWS & OBSERVER which
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2001

included the obituary
of nee ELNORA CREIGHTON →
She was my Aunt being
the 1/2 sister of my mother.
I attended the graveside
service and met several
family members. See separate
notes. Her son James Easley ↑
was one of the children met
& he seems willing to
cooperate on family history

CHARLES N. EASLEY

Funeral for Charles Nello Easley, 72, of 6901 Buffalo Road, Lot 33, retired building manager with Professional Building Co., will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Pilot Baptist Church. Burial will be in Raleigh Memorial Park. He died Monday.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Elnora Easley; sons, James Easley, Kenneth Easley, Steve Easley and Richard Easley, all of Raleigh; daughters, Mrs. Joan Johnson and Mrs. Sandra Thomas, both of Raleigh, Mrs. Gloria Long of Rockingham, Mrs. Vickie Eddins of Rolesville; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

The family will be at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home, St. Mary's Street, from 7 to 9 p.m. today.

ELNORA CREIGHTON EASLEY

ZEBULON — Elnora Creighton Easley "Big Mama", 82, of 12399 Covered Bridge Road, died Monday, December 10, 2001 at Wake Medical Center. Elnora was born December 12, 1918 in Wake County to the late Adolphus Creighton and Mattie Abrams Creighton. Graveside service 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 12, 2001 at Raleigh Memorial Park.

Surviving: children, James Easley and his wife, Barbara of Raleigh, Steve Easley and Richard Easley, both of Raleigh, Sandra Thomas and her husband, Bobby of Garner, Vickie Eddins of Zebulon; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren.

Mrs. Easley was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Easley; children, Joan Johnson, Gloria Long and Kenneth Easley; grandson, Chad Blackley.

Family will receive relatives and friends from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2001 at L. Harold Poole Funeral Service & Crematory, 944 Old Knight Road, Knightdale, NC 27545 and other times at the home, 12399 Covered Bridge Road, Zebulon, NC 27597.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Pilot Baptist Church, 1002 North Blount Street, Raleigh, NC 27604.

○ 21 JUL 2002 - RPR called JNEA (919) 266-9002 and had a nice chat. I informed him of an Easley reference I recently encountered. He says he has been researching his Easley roots without success. He & his two children help on his family history work. They work by computer. He does not. Ernestine -- recently informed family that there might be useful (Easley?) records at Stamford Union in Germantown, NC.

James has had a total lack of success in locating death records for over GM nee Matthe Edwards but will keep trying.

James says Peggy Crighton is over 70 & still runs her own business in Raleigh & is pretty or ever.

James says his mother Elsie was never visited by her father Adolphus "Dad". James only remembers seeing Dad once. James & his brother visited Dad one December to get a Christmas tree. Dad was gruff but in a loving manner (my experience also) and helped them find and cut a Christmas tree.

James refers to me as "Buddy" which is what I assume he calls all men. He will be happy to see us when we come to Raleigh.

① NOTES OF RPU BASED ON ATTENDANCE AT THE GRAVESIDE SERVICES FOR MRS ELNORA CREIGHTON

- Δ 2:00 - 2:45 - Attended funeral of Elnora (Creighton) Easley at Raleigh Memorial Park & Mausoleum at 7501 Glenwood Ave. Met several of her children - A Δ dan Vicki with whom Elnora lived in her last years. Δ+Δ Vicki says she was in good health until a year ago Vicki remembered me as "Pessie's Boy" as did Δ some (all?) of her siblings. Met dan Sandra. Met Δ+Δ two sons Steve & Richard - one of these was ill & had a blanket [In retrospect it would appear Δ he had been in prison & was permitted to come out for the funeral. The blanket was to hide Δ dark cuffs. Two policemen stood behind him Δ his sister said "He has been a bad boy Δ but he is not going to be bad anymore." - General family members came up to hug him.]
- Δ+Δ when I told Vicki I was interested in family history & asked if there were some particular family members who might be interested she said brother James Δ would be the one; He is retired and age 63. Δ+Δ He is not there but soon arrived and I had Δ+Δ a chat with him before & after the service. He is indeed interested in family history and has Δ tried without success to learn Elnora's Δ line. He seems quite willing to cooperate and Δ we exchanged addresses. I told him of the Δ+Δ pictures I have of Elnora's parents. He is Δ+Δ interested. He does not know where Dad's Δ+Δ parents are buried. He seemed interested. Her Δ address: JAMES EASLEY, 3817 CREEK SIDE DR
RALEIGH, NC 27616 (919) 266-9002
- Some of the siblings mentioned Peggy & □ Rex Creighton but did not seem to have had □ any recent contact. None had knowledge of □ Roger Beddingfield.

② Family of nee ELENORA CREIGHTON - from RPU notes and from obituary of Charles Nello Easley and nee Elnora Creighton.

I. PAULINE ABRAMS

A. MATTIE EDWARDS

1. BESSIE ELENORA (EDWARDS) (CROSS) CREIGHTON
MD () ROBERT JEFFERSON UPCHURCH

a. ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH

2. ELENORA CREIGHTON¹¹ MD () CHARLES
NELLO EASLEY - 14 GC, 17 GGC, 26 GGC

a. * JAMES EASLEY MD () BARBARA - -
- IN 2001 LIVED IN RALEIGH, NC

b. KENNETH EASLEY d before 10 DEC 2001

c. * STEVE EASLEY - LIVED RALEIGH 2001

d. * RICHARD EASLEY - LIVED RALEIGH 2001

e. JOAN EASLEY - d before 10 DEC 2001
MD () - - JOHNSON

f. * SANDRA EASLEY MD () BOB BY
THOMAS - LIVED GARNER 2001

g. GLORIA EASLEY d before 10 DEC 2001
MD () - - LONG

h. * VICKIE EASLEY - LIVED ZEBULON,
NC 2001 MD () ROBERT EARL
EDDINS b - () d 28 JAN 1999

11 ELENORA HAD
A DAUGHTER
WHD MD ()
- - BLACKLEY
& HAD A SON
CMAH BLACKLEY
WHD d before
10 DEC 2001

* RPU MET THESE
INDIVIDUALS
ON 12 DEC 2001
AT THE GRAVE-
SIDE SERVICES
FOR nee ELENORA
CREIGHTON

③ 21 JAN 2002 RPU called JNE↑ (919) 266-9002 to thank
him for his ltr of 23 DEC 2001 and to discuss follow-
up. He says his children are helping him on family
history. He will get Mattie's death certificate. He
worked at Post office on Sunnyvale Rd.

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19 FEB 2002

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Dear Cousin James,

I was most pleased to get your letter of 12 FEB 2002 and to learn of your continued work on our ancestors. By working together and sharing our information we should be able to make good progress. I'll share some information and ideas from my side in this letter and we can proceed to the next steps.

First let me tell you, in case I did not earlier, why I may seem a little disorganized.

In APR 2001 we were on a 2-week family history trip to NC. Half way through the trip our van called to say the hot water hose on our washer had broken and flooded our house for five days. We rushed back home to find a mess and \$75,000 in damages.

Fortunately it was all covered by insurance. We are now back 100% restored except for a few of my papers that were damaged and strewn about. My Edwards papers were among those that were damaged/disturbed. It was only last week that I started to put them back in order.

So I am now in a better position to send you some details and no doubt more will be uncovered in due course. Your active interest in the subject stimulated me to be more active on the Edwards line. Otherwise I am hard pressed to keep up with all the U Church stuff.

Enclosed is a brief sketch taking your line and mine back to Charles Edwards born about 1753. As partial supporting evidence I provide herewith copies of that part of the Wake Co, NC census for 1880 and 1900 pertaining to our ancestors.

Although more support is needed I feel there is reasonable evidence to support

the brief sketch except for one item. That item has to do with Pauline (Edwards) Abrams which is the very subject on which you have been working.

The only way I can make sense out of what we know is to assume (propose) that Pauline had Mattie, Annie, and Sallie before she married a Mr ABRAMS.

She could have married first a Mr EDWARDS who could have fathered Mattie, Annie & Sallie or she could have borne these three children out of wedlock. I have no evidence but would suspect the latter.

The brief sketch is supported by a certain amount of hard evidence and also by information passed to me by word of mouth from childhood onward.

In our family Mattie was always referred to as nee Mattie Edwards never as nee Mattie Abrams. Pauline was always referred to as Pauline Adams and was said to be the mother of Mattie.

My mother referred often to her Greatgrandmother Sally Edwards as a wonderful person and called her "MUM" as did others in the family. Apparently MUM always lived with Mamma and my mother knew MUM well. I have a picture of MUM. Mother told me that MUM lived in Mississippi for a time during the Civil War and that her husband worked in a powder factory.

When I was growing up in the 1930's in the Inwood Church / Yates Mill Area of Wake Co, NC our rundown 43 acre farm had two rundown clapboard houses. I was born in one of them and I can barely remember the other being used as a dwelling before it was abandoned to become a cow barn. At some point I came to understand that Pauline lived in this house presumably in the late 1920's or early 1930's. Years later my Aunt Irene told me that her Grandmother Pauline was a very crude person in speech and action.

James there are still a lot of pieces of evidence to be uncovered about our family and I hope you will keep digging. I think Bell & Mattie were married in Durham, NC about 1904 and their marriage certificate might reveal something. We still have to work the census records for decades other than 1880 & 1900 into the picture. There are things like wills, deeds, etc, etc.

Please do let me hear from you from time to time even if you have just some efforts to report. In due course I hope we can spend part of a day together looking at some key sites and talking. I very much hope to make another trip back to NC this year but do not yet have definite plans.

My best to you & yours

Sincerely yours



Phil Upchurch

{ ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH }

A BRIEF SKETCH OF THE ANCESTORS ⁽¹²⁾ 19 FEB
OF FIRST COUSINS JAMES N. EASLEY 2002
AND ROBERT PHILLIP UPTURCH

I. CHARLES EDWARDS born abt 1753

MD abt 1775 (?) JANE LOW

A. AGUSTINOMAS EDWARDS

i. WELDON EDWARDS born abt 1830

MD (?) SARAH WARREN "SALLY" "MUM"

a. CHARLES EDWARDS born abt 1852

b. PAULINE EDWARDS born abt 1856

MD (1st) - OR HAD PARTNER

MD (?) - - ABRAMS

i. MATTIE EDWARDS b. JAN 1881

(I) BESSIE EDWARDS

(A) ROBERT PHILLIP

UPTURCH b. 9 FEB 1928

(II) RUBY ELNORA CREIGHTON

(B) JAMES N. EASLEY

ii. ANNIE EDWARDS b. APR 1886

iii. SALLIE EDWARDS b. JUN 1888

C. THOMAS EDWARDS [J. THOMAS
EDWARDS] b. 1863.

CENSUS RECORDS WAKE CO, NC 1880 & 1900
1880

1880 Wake Co. census, House Creek Twp., page 8, family 51

Name	color	sex	age	relation to head	marital status	occupation
Blake, Isaiah	w	m	45	head	M	Farming
" , Ann E.	w	f	37	wife	M	keep hse [ANN ELIZA WARREN]
" , Catherine	w	f	20	dau	S	
" , Sion	w	m	18	son	S	
" , Lula	w	f	10	dau	S	
" , Alonza	w	m	4	son	S	
" , Nany	w	f	1/12	dau	S	
Warren, Cary	w	f	75	mother-in-law	W	
Edwards, Sally	w	f	58	sister-in-law	W	[SALLY WARREN]
" , Thomas	w	m	17	(none given)	S	

Sally (Warren) Edwards, her son Thomas, and her mother living in the household of her younger sister and husband. } INFO ADDED BY ROBERT OLIVER EDWARDS
The marriage bond (Wake Co) gives the wife's name as Ann Eliza Warren.

CONCLUSIONS OF RPU

- I — — Warren and Cary — — b ca 1805
 - A. Ann Eliza Warren b ca 1843
 - B. Sally Warren b ca 1822 and — — Edwards [WELDON EDWARDS]
 - 1. Thomas Edwards b ca 1863
 - [CROSS FILE THOMAS EDWARDS & J. THOMAS EDWARDS]

1900

1900 Wake Co. census, House Creek Twp., family 30

Name	Rel. to head	C.	S.	birth mo. yr.	age	M.stat	children No.	Living
Edwards, Mattie	H	w	f	Jan 1881	19	S	1	1
" , Bessie	dau	w	f	Sep 1898	1	S		
" , Sallie	G.Mo.	w	f	May 1827	73	W	5	2 [AKA SALLY WARREN]
" , Annie	Sis.	w	f	Apr 1886	14	S		
" , Sallie	Sis.	w	f	Jun 1888	11	S		

CONCLUSIONS OF RPU

- I. Sally Warren b MAY 1827 and — — Edwards
 - X. Daughter [Pauline Edwards]
 - A. Mattie Edwards b JAN 1881
 - 1. Bessie Edwards b SEP 1898
[Bessie Elvora Edwards → Bessie Elvora Creighton]
 - B. Annie Edwards b APR 1886
 - C. Sallie Edwards b JUN 1888

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REC'D
19 FEB 2002

February 14, 02

Dear Phil,

Inclosed are the results of the past
two days of my search for information
about our Grandmother.
I hope to have something of value after
I hear again from Peggy Creighton and
will send that information to you.

Sincerely,
James

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Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Today I visited the Cooper building on the corner of McDowell and Lane St. There I was referred to Archives & Library on Jones St.

While there I was fortunate enough to have a state employee assist me however, we could find no record of the death of Mattie Edwards Creighton or Mattie Abrams or Mattie Abrams Creighton.

After this we searched the 1910 Census of Wake County and found nothing under the names of Adolphus or Mattie.

The guy assisting me was puzzled as was I and we terminated the search.

Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002

Today I returned to Sunnybrook Rd. My purpose was to search for death certificates of Mattie Crayton, Mattie Creighton, and Pauline Abrams, and Mattie Abrams. Nothing could be found.

Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002

After my visit to Sunnybrook Rd. and coming to a deadend I called Roy Creighton (cousin) Roy was no help at all except to say that Mattie was indian. He suggested I call his sister Peggy because she had done some research on the Creighton and Edwards side.

While talking with Peggy she said that our Grandmother's name (maiden) was Mattie Abrams and she first married an Edwards and they lived in the Edwards Mill Road area. Aunt Bessie was born to them and Mattie was later married to Adolphus.

Peggy is going to search her files for info and will get it to me when she completes her search. So now we know that Mattie's maiden name was Abrams and she married Edwards and later Creighton.

I hope with new information from Peggy we can get closer to some kind of ending.

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J.A.C.

JAMES N

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16 FEB 2002

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February 12, 02

Dear Phil,

It was good to hear from you in late January. I'm sorry it's taken so long to answer but we just begun to make any progress relating to the Creightons.

Having gotten copies of Mother's birth certificate and Adolphus Creighton's death certificate I was unable to locate anything relating to Mattie Edwards. As I had said before on Mother's birth certificate her ~~mother's~~ maiden name is Abrams nothing more, just Abrams. She was 38 years old was born in Wake County however, there is no death certificate of record for Mattie Edwards. (Crayton or Creighton)

Hitting this deadend I have decided to concentrate on the names Pauline Abrams & Mattie Abrams. I am going to the state office for this info. and while I am there I will attempt finding something on William Crayton + our great grand-mother Mary Carson the name on Adolphus' death certificate. So I don't believe Martha Pearson is correct, but it remains to be seen.

I also will return to the county office and see if they have a copy of Pauline Abrams on file.

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Phil

Another thing that crossed my mind is that maybe Pauline was married to an Edwards and for whatever reason was married a second time to Abrams and he adopted Mattie. (Just a thought) Apparently there is no record anywhere of a Mattie Edwards so I'll look for Mattie Abrams and Pauline Abrams.

I wish I could offer more and maybe after this next visit to vital records I can.

Again, it was good to hear from you and I'll keep you updated with any progress I have made.

Sincerely,
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27 JAN 2002

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Dear Cousin James,

It was great to chat with you by phone yesterday and to discuss how we might work together on documenting our ancestors who are of mutual interest.

The key person that gets us started is Mattie Edwards as you and I are blood descendants of Mattie, she being the actual grandmother of both of us. I have always been told that her maiden name was Edwards. What you and I both find confusing is that her mother went by the name of Pauline Abrams. I am convinced that you and I are related to the Edwards and the Abrams families but just how I am not sure. The answers are very likely

in some Wake County or State of NC record if we can locate those records. I don't think anyone has made a serious effort to look into these records.

It is great that you are willing to try to get a death certificate for Mattie (Edwards) Creighton/Crayton. Enclosed are notes I made when I visited the Human Services Department of Wake County at 10 Sunnybrook Rd.

Enclosed is a sketch of the Creighton Family I made on 18 JUL 2001 and which I promised to send to you. William & Martha would be your Greatgrandparents. Perhaps this is new information for you.

James, as we work together on this project I am sure we will make a lot of progress and gain a lot of satisfaction. I'll look forward to hearing from you.

P.S. - It is great that your children are working with you. Phil U

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

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REC'D
5 JAN 2002



12-23-01

Dear Cousin Phil,

Received your letter and was glad to hear from you. I enjoyed our brief conversation recently and to answer your question as to my interest in the Creighton family tree, you did seem interested for some time. However, being computer illiterate it has proven to be difficult for me to learn much.

I have enclosed everything I know and now that the name Abrams has surfaced I am pretty much confused.

What little I have I learned from Mother and she apparently didn't know much. Anyhow, mother's full name was Ruby Elora Creighton Casley.

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Sincerely,
James

James N. Easley

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Mother, Elvora had told me years ago that her mothers name was Mattie Edwards and she died giving birth to mother.

She also had told me that years ago the family had spelled their name Crayton and some years later Mother had changed the spelling of her name to Creighton. Whereas Uncle Delma and his family continued to spell it Crayton. Delma was the brother of Adolphus.



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Aunt Bessie and Elnora were half sisters same mother, but fathers were different. Eugene Cross - Bessie

Adolphus Creighton - Elnora

who ever the mother was she died giving birth to my mother, Elnora. According to Elnora's birth certificate the mothers name was listed as Abrams and the father, Adolphus Creighton.

Abrams was 39 yrs. old and Creighton was 43 yrs. old. Elnora - born Dec. 12, 1918

① Bessie married Robert Upchurch

② Lula married Tommy Mills one son Marvin
one daughter .?

③ William married Hazel Cole — one son Roy
one daughter Peggy

④ Hubert - never married to my knowledge

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19 DEC 2001

JAMES EASLEY
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Dear Cousin James,

It was a pleasure to meet you and your siblings on 12 DEC 2001 at the service for your mother. I know you all mourn her passing but trust you will find some peace in the knowledge that she lived a long and productive life. I met her briefly on several occasions and can only say I am sorry I did not get to know her better.

As you could tell from our brief conversation I have been involved intensely in working out Upchurch family history. Enclosed are pamphlets on this work so you can see what has been done.

It appears you have some interest in working on your line. I have given relatively little attention to my non-Upchurch lines except to collect odd bits here and there. If you are willing to collaborate I am sure

the two of us can make substantial ⁽²⁵⁾ progress on the aspects of family history that are of mutual interest. If you are willing let's start and see how it unfolds. I have quite a few reference publications for Wake Co, NC that have only been searched for church references. I could do more with them for Creighton/Crayton, Abrams, Edwards, etc

Enclosed is an extract sheet I made that is very preliminary but could give us a start. This illustrates that you and I are first cousins. The name CREIGHTON and CRAYTON seem to have been used interchangeably generation after generation. We just need to keep that in mind.

In tracing our line back we run into the puzzle you mentioned as to how the names ABRAMS & EDWARDS fit into the picture. In my mind this is quite confusing but I am sure we can make sense of this if we work on it.

My mother's name is equally confusing.

At one time or another her last name was EDWARDS, CROSS, CREIGHTON, CRAYTON before she married and became an Upchurch. Her father was definitely EUGENE D. CROSS but Mathe & Eugene never married.

you can see we have some real puzzles to solve.

It would be a pleasure to hear from you and to have your ideas on how we might proceed. Perhaps you have some organized material you could send me. Otherwise we can start from scratch in building our joint family tree.

I normally collect full names (full maiden names of females), dates of births/marriage/deaths and place of births/marriage/deaths/burial. For place I like to include town/county/state and name of cemetery. It is hard to get it all but we can try.

With All Best Wishes to you and yours for a Merry Christmas.



Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

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○ Family of nee ELENORA CREIGHTON - from RPU notes and from obituary of Charles Nello Easley and nee Elnora Creighton.

I. PAULINE ABRAMS

A. MATTIE EDWARDS

1. BESSIE ELENORA (EDWARDS) (CROSS) CREIGHTON
MD () ROBERT JEFFERSON UPCHURCH

a. ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH

2. ELENORA CREIGHTON^{||} MD () CHARLES
NELLO EASLEY - 14 GC, 17 GGC, 2 GGC

|| ELENORA HAD
A DAUGHTER
WHO MD ()
-- BLACKLEY
& HAD A SON
CINAD BLACKLEY
WHO d before
10 DEC 2001

a.* JAMES EASLEY MD () BARBARA --
- IN 2001 LIVED IN RALEIGH, NC

b. KENNETH EASLEY d before 10 DEC 2001

c.* STEVE EASLEY - LIVED RALEIGH 2001

d.* RICHARD EASLEY - LIVED RALEIGH 2001

e. JOAN EASLEY - d before 10 DEC 2001
MD () -- JOHANSON

f.* SANDRA EASLEY MD () BOB BY
THOMAS - LIVED GARNER 2001

g. GLORIA EASLEY d before 10 DEC 2001
MD () -- LONG

h.* VICKIE EASLEY - LIVED ZEBULON,
NC 2001 MD () ROBERT EARL
EDDINS b - () d 28 JAN 1999

* RPU MET THESE
INDIVIDUALS
ON 12 DEC 2001
AT THE GRAVE-
SIDE SERVICES
FOR nee ELENORA
CREIGHTON