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21 APR 1995

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Dear Cousin Cleo,

Your letter of 18 MAR 1995 has now been received fully and I want to tell you how much I appreciate it. You are one of my most regular and productive correspondents. If we had more like you our family records would look even better than they do. However, you and I live family history - not everyone does.

I really appreciated your write-up "I remember Mama". How I wish more people would write such articles. The farm see mentioned in connection with Yates Mill was known to me as I grew up in that community. I in fact, his son and I were in school together. There is an Association to restore Yates Mill and each year I make a small donation to help with this project.

Enclosed is a list of questions about

what is still missing on your mother's family. Please don't feel obligated to pursue there in any way. For most of the questions you have already made several efforts to get the answer. Sometimes we just have to settle for what we have - which in the case of your mother's family is a lot. I submit this list just in case you might come upon some easy answer at some point in the future.

Your new computer project is exciting.

We are just now equipping a small office I rented in Lake Saint Louis. Yesterday we brought peripherals. Now we have to buy an upscale computer. All of that will supplement what we have at home. I now must learn to use the computer. This is a shock for me as I have resisted it for so long. Keep your fingers crossed for me. I know you will enjoy your new computer.

With All Best Wishes.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH }

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY 20 APR 1991  
OF META ELEANOR (LUPKURUN) BEARD

- 1) For Meta Eleanor & Husband - All OK
- 2) For Susan Mable Beard
  - a) where was George Edward Stearns, Jr born?
  - b) For Jacquelin Yvonne Stearns
    - i) when and where was Leon Jay Bowdy born?
    - ii) Did she have only three grandchildren?
    - iii) when and where was Sam Arthur Arnold, III born?
  - c) For Donald Edward Beard
    - i) what is the full maiden name of Harriett Coker and where was she born?
    - ii) Did he have only one grandchild?
    - iii) when & where did Thomas Edward Stearns marry?
    - iv) what is the full maiden name of the wife of Thomas Edward Stearns & when & where was she born?
    - v) what is the full maiden name of Brenda Crawford and when and where was she born?
    - vi) when and where did Bobby & Jana marry?
    - vii) what is the full maiden name of Jana Alnery and when & where was she born?
- 3) For Robert Bruce Beard, Jr & wife - All OK
- 4) For William Wright Beard - All OK
- 5) For Cleora Maxine Beard & Husband - All OK

## 5) For Marjorie Eldora Beard

## a) For Marjorie Maxine Masters

- i) where was James Thurston Walton, Jr born?
- ii) Did she have only one grandchild?
- iii) When did her name Marjorie Walton marry the 1st and 3rd times and when in NOV 1979 did she marry the 2nd time?
- iv) where did she marry the 3rd time?
- v) what is the full name of her 3rd husband and when and where was he born?

## b) For William Wellington Masters, III

- i) when and where was Sarah Emily Marie born?
- ii) Did he have only three grandchildren?
- iii) what is the full name of Anthony Chausonne (Joanne's husband) and when & where was he born?
- iv) where was Anthony Grayson Chausonne born?
- v) what is the full maiden name of Debra Weaver and when & where was she born?

## 1) For Annie Eleanor Beard

- a) where were her 2nd, 3rd & 4th marriages?
- b) when was her 2nd & 4th marriages and when in AUG 1945 was her 3rd marriage?
- c) when was Rexie born, when & where did she die & when buried?
- d) when & where was John born? still living?
- e) when & where was Frank born & when buried?
- f) For Helen Louise Barras

- i) when & where was Timothy Lee Thornhill, Jr born?
- ii) what is the full name of Sarah Thornhill & when & where was she born?
- iii) when was Jackson Strong Prouty born and where in NH was he born?

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

REC'D  
20 MAR 1995



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18 March 1995

Dear Cousin Phillip;

I will right to you one more time on this computer (Tandy) Next week I am going to buy a bigger one. This one was good for what I bought ot for. I need to learn more. I am not sure at all that I can do it. I am buying a Packerp-Bell. It has the xfeatures I want. Prody and CD Ron and lots of other programs. I have some one lined up tp help me. As soon as I lesrn to work the new computer, I will write you. Say a prayer that it won't take me long. Someone saisd to me that I was foolish to spend that much money at my aga (73) Being house bound I need to eep my mind occupied.

Now for your questios. I am sending you a copy of George Stearns death Certificate. I am sorry about the poor copy. I will explain later. He was buried in St. Augustine, Florida not Jacksonville. He had bween dead for two days before he was found and had to be ocremented. In life he was a bad seed. I was there to say a prayer for him. His childernhad disowned him.

I have fianlly closed my upchuch file. My research is done as far as I can tell. Eventually I might write a profile on WCU 1.

Thomas Stearns married. That is all I know at this time. That part of the family does't speak to me. Bobby Stearns divorced Brenda and remarried. He has one girl the last I heard. Lorraine Walyon divorced Fred Bullet and married Jin Hotling and divorced him. She is now married and living in South Carolina. Bubba, Wilber W. 3rd was born in ulm Germany. Buddy WWM@ was in the army at that time.

[WALTON]

Annie Eleanor Beard (my sister and Helen's mother was married 3 times 1- Rosco Anthony 2- John Davies 3- Frank Sanders. Her Daughter, Barbara was the daughter of Joshua Coty (not married\_ Roccoe was born in Reddick, Florida and is now deceased. John was from New York and Frank was from Oklahoma That is all I know right now. Just close the file on me and mine. Sarah Prouty is still single but living wirh her boyfriend in Albany, NY. Terri Lynn is now divorced.

I am getting some papers together for my nephew Buddy (WWM 111. He is the ony one im the family to ask for info. I am sending data on the UPchurch and BEard family. He has retired to FAYetteville, NC. As soon as I get his address I will send the packet to him. He wants to research his wife, Sarah) family. He wil be in NC and I hope at some point to get him to go to some of the places the I can't. I will be able to anwere your questions then.

The weather here is so nice. Cold nite and warm days. I am going to close now. I will write when I learn on the new computer.

I am giong to send you what has been written about Mama. I had hoped that Helen would write something but I guess not. FILED UNDER

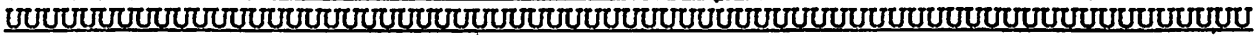
META ELEANOR U.

Tim and Susan Thornhill welcomed their first child, Clayton Edward. He was born on 2 February 1995 at the Arnold Palmer Women's Hospital in Orlando, Florida. Clayton weighed in at 7 pounds and 1 ounce. Susan is the daughter of the late Clarence Edward Miller, Sr. and Helen Miller Wingate. He is the son of Tommy and Ann Thornhill of Houston, Texas. Tim and Susan and Tim's daughter, Sarah, have recently moved to Lake Wales and bought a home in Country Oaks.

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11 FEB 1995

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Dear Cousin Cleo,

Many thanks for your letter of 7 FEB 1995 and for the "Happy Birthday". We will celebrate it tomorrow (Sunday) when our son and daughter and their families join us for lunch. I have now spent 5 days in school on a 9 day real estate sales course. I take the examination on 18 FEB 1995 for the sales license. Keep your fingers crossed for me. It's been a long time since I have been a student.

Thanks for the details on Clayton Edward Thornhill. I have given him XID-36021 which will appear in the next U.S.. The next time you write you might let me know where he was born. The other details you provided have also been recorded in the proper place. I am sorry that Helen is having a difficult time and trust all will work out for the best.

You mentioned the prospects of sending some additional data and anything you send will be appreciated. However, don't take on a big burden. On some lines we get a certain amount and then can't go further. That is alright. An important thing I remember and take pride in is the tremendous amount we have accomplished together. The Nathans, I/Barter & Subclass outline has been improved an exceptional amount by your efforts.

You mentioned the cold weather. We are being tested right now. In the next day or so it is supposed to get down to zero. So far our house is nice and warm. We are heating up under the winter but will be happy to see spring come.

I'll look forward to hearing from you in due course. My regards to Helen.

☺ sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
10 FEB 1995

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7 February 1995

Dear Cousin Phillip;

I guess you thought that I wasn't going to answer your letter. I have been waiting to be sure of some data.

First-- Helen's daughter Susan (Suzi) Gave birth to a babe boy, Clayton Edward Thronhill. He weighed 7 pounds and 1 ounce. Birth date is 2 February 1995. When she went for her checkup her blood pressure was so high that they put her right in the hospital. They were going to induce labor as soon as her husband could get there but it wasn't necessary. She was to come home Sunday but they were afraid to let her out of the hospital.

Terri Lynn divorce from Clinton Turnbull will be final on the 9th, so you can close that file. In fact-- Atrer I have answered your question, I suggest you close Helen's file and mine too.

I will answer all your questions in detail later. About Buddy Masters III. He has just retired to Fayattville, North Carolina on the 1st of this month. I saw him last September when we went to Jacksonville. He told me that he wanted to research his wife Sarah's family. (Morris) Someone has done the Masters and I have done the Beard and Upchurch line. As soon as I get his address, if I do, I will send him the lineages.

I am ready to close the Upchurch files. I still have to do a printout on the Upchurch descent tree. I worked real hard to get everthing right. I ran into a problem with children of our Colonial Upchurch ancestors. I looked and looked for them and could find them. I have done the best that I can do with what I had to work with.

My sister, Margie and her husband are in bad shape. Shoud she die before I do, I will not go back to Jacksonville again. Helen and I have no commucationm with the Jacksonville part of the family. I might get a birthday card or Christmas card. Maybe.

I will close for now. I will write later. I have look up some data that you want. I am going to try to answer the questions you asked Helen. She is having a husband problem right now.

I hope you aren't as cold as Florida. January, February and March are usually cold months.

Sincerely;

*cleo*

*Happy Birthday!!!*

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18 JAN 1995  
5:20 AM

Dear Cousin Cleo,

At last I am getting to the backlog of family history correspondence which has received scant attention for the last eight months. We are quite well settled in our new home although there are still a few things to be done.

I have now fully processed your letters of 11 AUG 94, 26 SEP 94 and 8 NOV 94 and want to thank you for them and for the enclosure and sentiments. It was nice of you and Helen to send a card of congratulations regarding our new home. We are extremely pleased with it. Thanks also for your card about my retirement. We had a wonderful 19 1/2 years in Arizona and have many fond memories of that part of our life. We will be back in Tucson 25-29 JAN 95 for a visit with Nelda and her family and for me to participate in the Advisory Board for the Desert Legend Program.

It was so nice that you had a great visit with Barbara and Helen. Such gatherings are really joyfull.

The profile on John William U, Sr is really fine. I have placed a copy in his Biofile but have also made a copy and cut it up in sections to provide a basis for entering each section in the BiFILES of his various children. Also I have compared the details of that Biofile with my Master Outline and have made a number of additions/condensations. I wish more family members would prepare such profiles on their families. These are extremely valuable. I'll cite you as a good example when I am trying to encourage others to prepare similar profiles.

The information Helen sent was very helpful and led me to recopy the entire Master Outline for your mother's family, a copy of which outline is provided herewith for your use. I count that this has included 73 people over all time including the baby expected in March 1995. The outline is in

very good shape. Still there are a number of missing items - some of which may never be available. Even so, I will appreciate any answers you or Helen have or can get. A list of missing items is enclosed.

For simplicity in mailing I have included a packet for Helen in this letter and trust you will give it to her at the next opportunity.

We have now set a pattern to travel two weeks the last half of each MAY and two weeks the first half of NOVEMBER in the US primarily for genealogical purposes. This fits into the farming schedule. In MAY we will do NC & TN. Next NOV we will do TX, Sallorne and I have talked about a trip to FL in the winter months. At the earliest this would put us in FL in late 1995 or early 1996. I am anxious to get to FL to explore all the Upchurch ramifications. It would be great to meet you & Helen. It will happen - it's just a matter of how soon.

P.S. I had a nice letter from Buddy Phil 4

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY  
OF META ELEANOR (UPCHURCH) BEARD

1) For Meta Eleanor U & Husband - All OK

2) For Susan Mable Beard

a) For George Edward Stearns, Jr

i) when was he born?

ii) where was he born?

b) For Joquelin Young Stearns

i) Does (did) she have just three grandchildren?

ii) when and where was Leon Jay Dewdy born?

iii) when and where was Sam Arthur Arnold, III born?

c) For Donald Edward Stearns

i) Does (did) he have just one grandchild?

ii) what is the full maiden name of Harriett  
Coker and where was she born?

iii) Did Thomas Edward Stearns ever marry/have  
children? If so, details?

iv) when & where did Robert Lee Stearns marry  
the second time?

v) what is the full maiden name of Brenda  
Cramford and when and where was she born?

vi) what is the full maiden name of Jana  
Almery and when & where was she born?

3) For Robert Bruce Beard, Jr & wife - All OK

4) For Marjorie Eldora Beard

a) Her husband William is still living - right?

b) For Marjorie Maxine Masters.

i) Does (did) she have just one grandchild?

ii) where was Homer Thurston Walton, Jr born?

iii) For Linda Luille Walton - All OK

iv) when did Fernaine Marjorie Walton marry the 1st time and when in NOV 1979 the 2nd time?

v) Full name of Fred Bullett and when & where was he born?

vi) when and where was James Neil Hotaling born?

c) For William Wellington Masters, III

i) Does (did) he have just three grandchildren?

ii) when and where was Sarah Emily Morris born?

iii) what is the full name of Anthony Chouanne (hus of Joanne) and when & where was he born?

iv) when was Anthony Grayson Chouanne born?

v) where in Germany was William Wellington Masters, III born?

vi) what is the full maiden name of Debra Mealer and when & where was she born?

5) For William Wright Beard - All OK

6) For Clara Maxine Beard & husbands - All OK

7) For Anne Eleanor Beard

- a) where did she marry 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> times?
- b) when did she marry 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> times?
- c) when in AUG 1945 did she marry?
- d) when and where was Roscoe Valiant Anthony born?  
still living?
- e) when and where was John Andrew Davis born? still  
living?
- f) when and where was Frank Samuel Sanders born?

8) For Helen Louise Barnes

- i) Does she have just nine grandchildren including  
the one due in March?
- ii) when and where was Timothy Lee Thornhill, Jr  
born?
- iii) where in Oklahoma was Clinton Devlyn Turnbull  
born?

9) For Barbara Ann Davis

- i) when was Jackson Strong Prouty born and  
where in New Hampshire was he born?
- ii) Is Sarah Jackson Prouty still single? If  
married & with children - details?

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
15 AUG 1994

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11 August 1994

Dear Cousin Phillip;

I know that I have taken a long time to write. I worked so hard to get thru with mu prfile on Grandpa John. I am enclosing it now. I am sendingf this to you. I hope you like it. Youcan file away or do whatever you want. I am not going to try and publish it..

I am also enclosing the info that you asked Helen for. She has had a houseguest all week and she is going to make a quick trip to Texas this coming. Her stepmother is very ill. I doubt that she will even know that Helen is there. On the last day of the month Helen;s sister, Barbara is coming home for a visit. I am walking on air. For awhile I will have my two girls together at the same time. We are going to Gainesville and to Jacksonville. By the way When we sent you Helen's parents we didn't know how to spell her father's first name. We had copied from the marriage record. The name is spelled ULYSSES. He was mamed a Gen Grant, one of his brothers was named after General Lee.

The idea you had about writing an in depth profile on WCU 1st was good one. I don't have too much on Adeline. They had twelve children. I had a terrible time with Graandpa John's ten children. I amwilling to try later. I am not sure I have too miuch on the children.

I wanted to get this to you before you moved. I heard from Buddy. He has just become a grandfather. He wants a copy of my profile. When Helen visited with Annie Laurie she had a delightful time. Annie Laurie took them thru the candy company. She still keeps the books. She wants a copy of this profile. You might try calling her at the shop. She does't write leeters and she is supposed to have private phone number. She and Helen got along together great.

I hope you moving goes OK. I am glad it is not me. I just really don't think I could handle moving.

Have a goosd summer. It is almost fall, isn't it?

Be happy  
clea



CLEORA MAXINE BETHUN

XFD-4751

REC'D  
28 SEP 1994

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26 September 1994

Dear Dr. Cousin;

Thank you for sending the invitation. I am so proud of you. I am sure you will enjoy your retirement knowing your service was appreciated.

I will give you my news in short order. I heard from Annie Laurie Upchurch. I had sent her a copy of my Upchurch profile as she asked Helen to do. She liked it tho there were some things to be corrected. I had told all of you to do the same. I had also sent one to Buddy. I haven't heard from him in a long time.

My niece, Barbara (Helen's sister) is here. she goes home thursday. I have enjoyed her being so close. Helen, Barbara and I went back to Gainesville for a sentimental journey. We found out the my sister, Margie, had fallen and broken her hip--- again. We went to Jacksonville and then back to Gainesville. It was so nice to have both of my girls alone. We almost had a family reunion in Jax.

I will be praying for you on your moving. That is a big job but you can do it. Don't worry about the research for now. Just get you moved safely.

Your Cousin

Cleo

Dear Philly

You may be retiring  
from work,  
but you'll never retire  
from being  
the special person  
you are.

CONGRATULATIONS  
AND BEST WISHES

Cleo Gill

ON YOUR  
RETIREMENT



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XJD-4751

REC'D  
8 NOV 1994

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(Besides, I thought you might enjoy  
opening something besides a cardboard box.)

We wish you happiness in your new life.

Cousin Helen  
Cleo



① See Notes of RPA 25 FEB 1980 Phone Call to Maime U  
(XID-1096)

Cleo Beard ↑ is dau of John William U & gd of  
William U, I of the Nathan U, I / Burtis U subclass.  
Cleo mtd 1st — Folger; (no issue). She mtd  
2nd —

② T Note: Above is in error — Cleo Maxine Beard  
is dau of Meta Eleanor U & gd of John William  
U, Sr of the Nathan U, I / Burtis U subclass  
— RPA

③ Notes of RPA Call 8 OCT 1989 to Cleora Maxine Beard.  
Her no = 813-676-5793

This was RPA's first call to Cleo. Called to  
thank her for her letter of 1 AUG 89. We chatted  
she and Helen will try to come to Atlanta  
Uplunch lecture. Cleo says John William U, Jr  
is buried in Green Acres Cem., in Scattsdale,  
AZ. Cleo is looking for more details on  
her Uncle Wright U.

④ Notes of RPA Call 5 SEP 1992 to Cleora Maxine Beard  
Cleo ↑ says she is now recovering following  
a fall in which she hurt her leg. How-  
ever, she feels her traveling days are mostly

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ones. I thanked Cleo for her two most recent letters and especially for the details on the Royal-Whitcomb sold in Jacksonville, FL. Cleo indicated that her niece Helen will dispose of her genealogical holdings and that they will probably go to the library in Orlando. She said the Whitcomb materials might come to me. Cleo is somewhat hard to understand but her mind seems good and her thought processes rational.

⑤ Notes of RPH call to Cleora Maxine Beard on 13 MAR 1994 (813-676-5793). [I called because I had just rec'd a nice letter from Buddy H, the gr of her Uncle Wright. & because I had not heard from Clea since Fall of 1992] [I first called her niece Helen & got a recording of a man's voice]. Cleo is still fairly hard to understand but seems upbeat about genealogy but still expresses a feeling of being persecuted. She says she has recovered from her leg injury but was ill last summer and thought to have stomach

⑤ MAR 1994 - CONTINUED

career but this proved not to be the case. She says she may have to go into a nursing home and in preparation for that she wants to extend the U B details relevant to her and then place her U B copies in a library. She said she also got a nice letter from Buddy U last week and has sent material to him. She wants me to send Buddy a copy of the Upchurch lecture (Atlanta) video at her expense.

Cleo says Helen's husband objects to genealogical work and in fact to "anything that we enjoy". Cleo is looking for the location of her parents on the 1910 census & wants Helen to take her to a library for the search. She contacted Nam U in this regard in St Augustine. She said he seemed more interested in her line than her.

Cleo says she had had two family documents published in 1993 (not Upchurchs). She is working on biographies for her U grandparents although she is unwilling to include some facts she has. She did not reveal the facts but I gather from her comments that they relate to excessive drinking by her GF Upchurchs. She recalls visiting her GM on Morgan Street in Raleigh, NC

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after her GF had died.

Cleo said her Uncle Willie did not like her (the persecution complex again). She said Uncle Willie came for a visit to her home in 1930 to comfort her mother (his sister) after the death of her father. Cleo recalls that he overstayed his welcome and was there about 3 months. He did no work and just sat on the front porch. She recalls her mother crying about his extended stay and saying she wished he would leave. Cleo says her mother had no job, no skills and no money and the burden of raising a crippled child (Cleo). Cleo recalls that her Uncle Willie would come by for a visit to their home in FL on his way to the beach to visit his girlfriend. Cleo alluded to Uncle Willie having several "girlfriends" over the years.

Cleo made no reference to her failures to renew on U<sub>2</sub> for last year or so. She said she had planned to write to me prior to my call to her.

⑥ 24 JUL 94 - RMA called CMB to get address for Helen Louise Barras. Helen had a nice visit with Annie Laurie Dickson in Phoenix.

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17 JUN 1994

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Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thank you for your nice letter of 13 JUN 1994. The death certificate for Charles David U, Sr is now in my files and I am pleased to have it.

You asked about the will of William Clinton U, I. I have searched my files and find no reference to this. It must exist. However, if he did die intestate there would be a report of his estate distribution. His estate papers would make interesting reading. I agree with you that an article on William Clinton U, I would be very interesting. It would be nice to go beyond what you have already published in Wald Treasures on him. He was one of the pioneers in Raleigh, NC and has never been given adequate credit for his early contributions to the city. I do dream of writing something more comprehensive on some of our ancestors but right now that is



not possible, when we move to Missouri I hope to have more time to spend on family history. If my plan work out I will have some people hired to work with me on various enterprises and I hope some of these hired people can give me a hand with family history. They could at least help me with some of the record keeping on the family which now takes a lot of time. We will have to wait and see.

You are definitely related to the PHARES YATES who acquired the old mill from her father-in-law James Penny. My records show:

I. William Yates, Sr b 1727 d 1808

A. William Yates, Jr b 1762 d 1827

1. Eli Yates b 1790

a. Phares Yates "BOSH"

B. Margaret Yates (XFD-81) b 1780 d 1858 and 1808 Burton Blumch

1. William Clinton U, I

a. John William U, Sr

1st Cousin

2nd Cousin

Thus your Grandfather John William U, Sr was a second cousin of the Phares Yates who gave the old mill its present-day name.

Our project to move to Missouri is picking up steam. Enclosed is a copy of an announcement I released on 10/5/09. Now it is widely known that we are leaving. It is most likely that we will move in September or October. As it turns out we have obligations in both AZ and MO over the next six months so there will be a certain amount of going back and forth. Three weeks from today we leave for a week in MO to inspect our new home in person. It should have the dry walls up by then. We will have to go back again in August for the closing. In the meantime we have to put our Townhome on the market here in Tucson. We are now planning for it to go on the market 19/5/09. We are afraid if we put it on the market sooner it may sell quickly and we'll be out on the street.

That's my report for now - Til next time.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XIP-4751

REC'D  
15 JUN 1994

13 June 1994

Dear Cousin Phillip;

I had intended to write a long letter but I was fouled up on my weekend. I ended up doing nothing. During this week I am slated to have an eye exam and then on to the MD. I am feeling fine tho I could do with some energy. I thing the energy I was supposed to have been born with was saved for Helen to come along. Besides it is HOT!!! here. So much for my complaints.

This project of mine is taking too long. I am just now getting Anunt Eva in the computer. Aunt Marie is next. I had a bright idea but I think I have talked me out of it. I thought that it would be nice if one of us could write a profile on WCUI. I am not sure that I have enough on his children and on Adeline Royster. I will have to check. May after you read this profile on Grandpa John you can tell me what you think. I know you are getting ready to move so you can't write it. So just think about this. Can you send me a copy of WCUI will?

Thank you for the material of the mill. Wouldn't it be great if this was connected to Margaret Yates, wife of Burtis U.? Mama would be so pleased that it was being saved.

I am sending you a copy of Uncle Charles' death certificate and a enlarged copy of the mill I have. Mama's picture didn't come out well. I am having copier trouble. I might have to buy a new one.

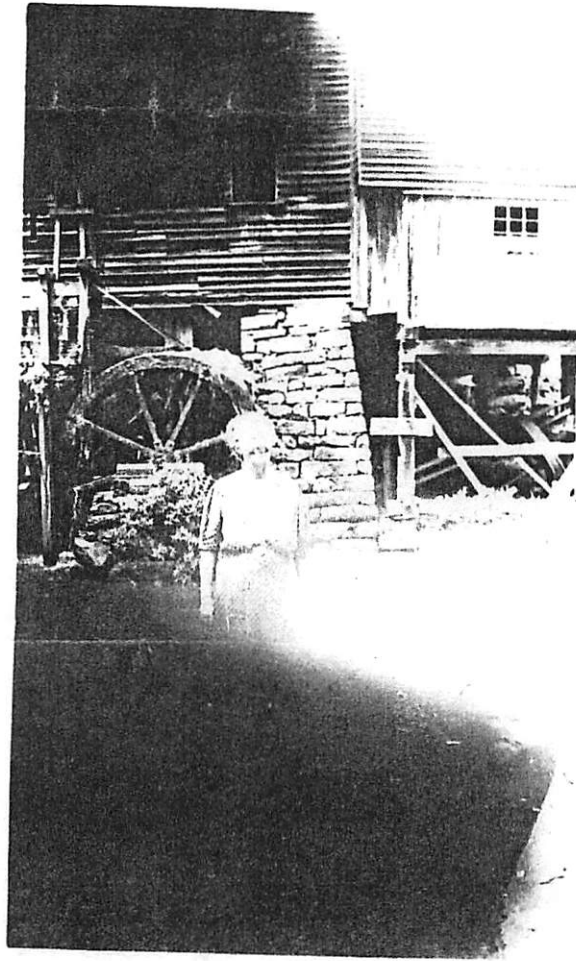
Helen said she would be in today and I want to get this in the mailbox before she gets here. Will write more later.

Have a good summer and enjoy packing to move. It can be exciting experience.

*cleo*

*Placed in  
Profile of  
Charles  
Rowd  
U, 51*





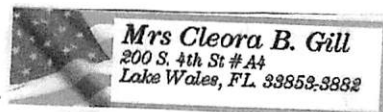
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Mama at the  
Old Mill Raleigh, N.C.  
1941

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

REC'D  
23 MAY 1994



200 S. 4th St. #4  
Lake Wales, FL. 33853-382  
20 May 1994

Dear Phil;

I am so sorry to have taken so long to answer your letter of 1 May. I really have no good excuse. I keep getting side-tracked. My project has sorta snowballed. I have just put Uncle Henry's bio in the computer. I am not half done and I have over 1100 words. Uncle Charles is next.

Do you have a copy of Charles' death certificate and pictures of him and Annie? Didn't Ann Smart send you a copy. She gave me one but I can't find it. I am finding out that I have a lot of work to do before I close the Upchurch files. Do you know why Uncle John, Jr died. I tried to get a copy of his death certificate but neices aren't close family.

Helen and Gil are going to Pheonix in mid July for a Lions Convention and she will try to call Annie Laurie

Thanks for all the info. I need all I can get on John, Sr. I am not going to write an Upchurch family history. Better writers than I am have already done it. I haven't heard from Buddy. I don't know if he got the last things I sent or not. I will wait until I hear from him to send more. I am not sur just what he wants.

Before I close, let me clear up a misunderstanding. I an not a detail person and I sometimes get into trouble because of it. Mama and Daddy had two sons. Bobby (RB, Jr.) is buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Gainesville, Florida. (Alachua County) William Wright - (Billy) is buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Jacksonville, Florida (Duval County)

I have started writing down the things Mama told Helen and I as we were growing up. Do you know anything about a grist mill near Raleigh. She seemed to have enjoyed going out there. I have also made a List of the causes of death of John's family and it proved very interesting. I will send you a copy of Aunt Marie's D/C. Maybe you will know what the letters stand for.

I will close for now. Thanks again. I am still losing weight. I will go back to the Dr. soon.

Take care;

*Cleo*

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

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4 JUN 1994

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th ST #A4  
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Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thanks for your letter of 20 MAY 1994 and for the contents. The reprint on William Clinton II, I was not in my file so it is a nice addition.

About your Aunt Marie's death and the letter ASCVD - I think this stands for

ARTERIOSCLEROSIS CARDIO-VASCULAR DISEASE

I do not seem to have a death certificate for your Uncle Charles. Enclosed is my three page biofile for him (14 items). You will notice that I do have some photos. Also enclosed is the four page (13 items) biofile for your Uncle John. I do not know why he died. The items I reference to cancer and 34 years is not correct about the 34 years & maybe not about the cancer.

About the grist mill I would be almost certain they refer to YATES MILL POND which is about one mile or

2-  
beyond Ironwood Church on the same  
side of the road. Endorsed in a newspaper  
article concerning Yates Mill. It is now  
in the hands of Yates Mill Associates  
of which I am a charter member. I  
have not been back to look at the  
Mill since restoration started. While  
growing up I visited the Mill numerous  
times.

Our plans for moving to Missouri are  
becoming more firm. The basement for  
our Missouri home was dug on 25 MAY 94  
and it is supposed to be ready for us  
to move in by 1 SEP 94. I think we will  
probably move in SEP or OCT. Within the  
next few weeks we will place our  
Tucson Townhouse on the market. on  
10 JUN 94 I met with my group at the  
University to tell them I will be leaving.  
It is an exciting time for us.  
I am glad you are writing down  
the things your mother told you. Can  
you let me have a copy?  
☺ sincerely yours  
Phil Yehuda  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPENUKER]



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
9 MAY 1994

Mr Cleora B. Gull

200 S 4th Street Apt 4  
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5 May 1994

Dear Phillip;

Please my apology for not answering sooning. I am ashamed of myself. You gave me some good advice and some good ideas. I will incorporate them in my profile as best as I can. My project seems right now to be bigger than I thought. Things and ideas keep cropping up.

I had left George out of the prontout I sent to you. Thank you for calling it to my attentio. I see now that I have a lot of work to do before I close the Upchurch file. I am going to wait till the very last to print the Upchouvh descent tree. I only have one child for Micheal and I know that is not right. All I have on George C. Upchurch is that he was born in 1848 in Raleigh and he was the fifth child. (John W. was the 8th child) George was married to Medora Smith. When I get the chart recopied I will send you a copy. Maybe I can find more as I go.

I am satisfied about the Store now. I always had the impression that John was wealthy man, acording to what mama had said. She didn't even have to come her hair. Some maid did it. Yet in the picture I have, the store looks like a mom and pop store. I remember all sorts of things on the sidewalk.

I haven't heard anymore from Buddy. Have you? Helen is supposed to be in Pheonix some thime in July. I want her to call but her husband is so!! tight. I have a few more things to send Buddy.

I had better close for now. I know there is something else that I wanted to tell you. Oh, well, I will write you again later.

Take care;

*Cos Cleo*

P. S. My WCU chart shows him with 12 children

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

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1 MAY 1994

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
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LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cleo,

Thank you for your letter of 22 APR 1994 and for all the contents. I picked up several new prints. The bird's look fine. Two minor corrections are shown in red on the enclosed copies.

You asked about my Great Uncle George U. He was William George U. A copy of the master outline sheets covering him and his grandchildren are enclosed. He was a brother of my G.F. Bartley Jefferson U. They were sons of Gilbert U who was a brother of Beatrix U, the father of William Clinton U, I. There is a great deal more that I need to dig out about my Great Uncle George.

Enclosed is a copy of the picture and the article on W.C. U, I. It appeared in U.S. Val 3 No 2 Pg 45 and took up only one page. Of course one could write much more about him. I think we now have him placed in Raleigh, NC as early as 1835.

Buddy did send me an outline for his family and I have written and asked for more information. Hope he will respond. He seems quite interested.

As far as I know Anni Lavinia Upchurch still lives in Phoenix. I have had no contact with her in several years. I would bet in her name one and she was quite cordial. Later on we interacted by mail. I think she was planning a trip to England.

You asked about packing up my Upchurch papers. If you mean to move to Missouri I think that will be about next September. However, we will be in Missouri 3-9 MAY and hope to push plans along for our house there. If you mean pack up for good I would say in about 20 years. Well before then I hope to have the Upchurch endowment started so all we have gathered will not be lost.

writes soon!

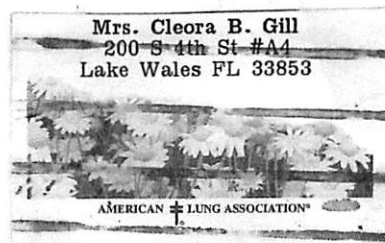
☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XJD-4751

REC'D  
25 APR 94

200 S, 4th St. Apt 4  
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22 April 1994



Dear Cousin Phil;

I am sorry that it has taken me so long to answer your letters. I didn't answer the first because I knew that our letters had crossed paths.

Your very informative was just what I needed to complete John's bio. Buddy calls my paragraphs bios. I like that term. Anyway at some point I would like to write a small bio on Micheal. Buddy wants to know more about him. I am looking for the article you wrote on WCU with the picture. I underestimated the time it would take me to close my Upchurch files. It will probably take me into the fall. When I realised that Helen would not know how to use a computer disc, I had to think of something else.

The George you were talking about, I can't find him. Since I want to get this is the mail today, I won't take the time to search now. I checked my program and nowhere is there is a George. The name does ring a bell tho. This has shown me that I have alot of work to do. After I am satisfied that I have done all I can do and to the best of my ability, I will print out the entire Upchurch ancestry. I only have one child for Micheal. He had more that that.

I heard from Buddy. He thanks us for the tape and I do too. Did he send you a printout of his family? If not I will make you a copy. One more thing before I close for now. Does Aunt Annie Laurie still live in Phoenix?

When do you think you are going to pack up your Upchurch research papers.

Sincerely

*Clea*

*Details on meta Eleanor U placed in her Biofile*

*Details on Wright Elbert U placed in his Biofile (Two items)*

*Redundant  
R.W.  
1 MAY 194*

ELDORA KENDALL WRIGHT  
married  
JOHN WILLIAM UPCHURCH  
26 December 1878  
Thomasville, N.C.  
at the WRIGHT FAMILY home



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

ATD-4751

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31 MAR 1994

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
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Dear Cousin Clea,

It was great to talk to you on 13 MAR  
and I was pleased to learn that you had  
already had a letter from him. He ordered back  
copies of the U B which we sent promptly. However,  
I have been rather pressed at work so my  
genealogy has continued to suffer. I am  
taking today & Friday off to have a 4 day  
period to catch up on genealogy. So far  
I'm making good progress.

I have just written to Buddy U and  
have sent him a copy of the recording  
of the Atlanta Lecture. I told him it was  
a gift from you - but don't send me  
money. It was an extra. It is great to  
have Buddy show interest in the family  
and I hope it continues.

I was pleased to learn that you had  
two family history articles published last  
year - even if they were not on the  
Upchurch side. You have really been  
active on all parts of your family history  
and I really appreciate what you have  
done in documenting Upchurch heritage.  
There is a lot of stuff in my files that  
came from you.

You indicated you may be moving.  
We are planning to do the same thing -  
we are having a house built in Lake  
Saint Louis, Missouri and it should be  
ready in late summer. We will sell  
our Town Home in Tucson and move  
to Missouri sometime in AUG or SEP.  
It will be a big step for us. I look  
forward to being close to my family.

So let me hear from you

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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19 SEP 1992

MRS CLEORA B. GILL

200 S. 4th ST. #4

LAKE WALES, FL 33853-3882

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Your nice cheery letter of 15 SEP 92 arrived a couple of days ago. It is nice how we seem to keep each other going in an upbeat fashion.

Re Upchurch in Randolph Co, NC I don't have anything specially organized on that location, but I turned to a listing of Upchurch and found six with the address in Ashboro, NC which is in Randolph Co, NC. See enclosed list. I have never had any contact with any of the six.

However, I know that Joseph D. U. is in fact

Joseph Daniel U, Sr, <sup>→ (XFD-1474)</sup> son of Joseph Baxter U, Sr of the Jubal U / Calvin U Sublan. Further,

William H. U. is William Howell U (XFD-9036), son of

Thurman Howell U, gr of Anna Mermon U & gr of Rufus Mermon U of the Nathan U, I / Baxter

U Sublan. You may or maynot wish to contact these people.



It is nice to hear that Susan is getting married. I'll look forward to the details when they are available.

I have not heard from Mary U in Hawaii for several years except in 1991 she sent me the newspaper marking the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor. Even then there was no note. I sent her a thank-you letter but got no response. The storm was not on her island.

Congratulations on getting the family program on your computer. I am still doing all of my outlines and biographies by hand. We do turn out the U B on the computer.

Do take care of your leg and drop me a note now and then.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA

MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

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15 September 1992  
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REC'D  
17 SEP 1992

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
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Dear Cousin Phillip;

You have done it again. I feel as if I had hit the jackpot. It will keep me busy for awhile. Thank you so much. I enjoyed talking to you. We must do it more often. Next time call collect. Everyone else does. After you hung up I thought of several things I wanted to ask you.

Since I can't do much at one time yet, this will have to be short. I will have to write several short notes. First, Do we have any UPCHURCH's in Randolph County, NC. It would be nice to get one of them in the Heritage book. I am going to try to write up my Kendall lieage. Hopedfully I can do one page Eldora's father.

I asked my brother-in-law, Wilbur, about the Dyal in the Dyal- Upchuch building. He thought the Dyal was a doctor. Since Wilbur's stroke his memory is as good as it once was. Wilbur used to be able to remember everything. Margie remembers nothing. I don't think she wants too. She has always been ashamed of her background.

Helen's oldest daughter. Susan, is getting married 3 October 1992 in Orlando. As soon as I can, will send you the names. She has been living with the guy for three years.

Have you heard from Mary Upchurch in Honolulu lately? I hope she came thru the storm OK.

THanks again. Will keep you posted. My leg is telling me to go and lay down.

Sincerely;

*Cleo*

P S I have the LDS Genealogical program in my computer. It is called Personal Ancestral File. (PAF) I have my basic Beard and Upchurch lineage in it right now. I have another genealogy program too. It is called Family Tree Maker (FTM)

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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200 S. 4th St. Apt 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853-3882  
30 March 1994

REC'D  
7 APR 1994

Dear Cousin Phil;

It was so nice to talk to you again. I don't get a chance to talk research any more with anyone. Helen had to give up her research because her husband made it hard for her. He doesn't like anything we like. He can't stop me tho.

I am sending a rough first draft of my grand parents. I haven't proofed it at all. I will do that when I put it all together. I wish I had more on grandpa John. If you have any suggestions let me know. I am useing your notes to help me and if you will look at the sources you will see that I gave you credit.

Would you write down what you told me about the fire that you said happened in your family? I am glad that you are telling your children the truth about your family. I just don't understand why children are;t told the truth. It seems to me that if Grandma Upchurch got that brown streak in her hair, it would have growm out sooner or later.

Don't do anything about Eldora's "diary". The Upchurch part seems to be all right but she was wrong about some of her lineage. I want to write a commentery to go with it. There was no McDougal but there was some Garner's

Thanks again for calling. I hace a packet ready to send Buddy. This going to take longer than I thought. All of my Upchurch charts have to be rewritten.

*Take care*

*Cousin Clea*

*Note - This letter contained blots for Eva Melusia U & Ruby Margarto U but they were already on hand.*

JOHN WILLIAM UPCHURCH

and

ELDORA KENDALL WRIGHT

John William Upchurch was the seventh of eleven children of William Clinton Upchurch and Adeline Susan Royster. He was born on 3 March 1855 in Raleigh, North Carolina. (Wake County) His father was one of Raleigh's oldest citizens. William Clinton Upchurch opened a merchantile store in 1840. He married Adeline Roster that same year. John went to work in his father's store at the age of fifteen as a clerk. When John went to visit his sister, Virginia and here he met Eldora Kendall Wright. They were married on 26 December 1878. The wedding took place at the home of Dora's father. They farmed briefly in Thomasville, North Carolina (Davidson County) They gave some land to the Fair Grove Methodist Church in Thomasville. After her father died, they moved back to Raleigh. Here they lived and raised ten children. John was the proprietor of the D & U Grocery Store at 16 Haggerty Street in Raleigh. This he did until he retired in 1934. (ca) Family history says that John was crosseyed and that he drank excessively. John died at the age of 80 of a heart condition on 30 May 1935 after being ill about three months. He and Eldora are buried in the Inwood Baptist Church Cemetery in Raleigh. They were members in good standing. John was baptised on 1 February 1874. John's funeral was a large one as he was a respected business man.

## ELDORA KENDAAL [WRIGHT] UPCHURCH

Eldora (Dora) Kendall Wright was born on 18 October 1859. It is not known whether she was born in Darlington County, South Carolina or Randolph County, North Carolina. In the 1860 census of Randolph County census, she is shown with her parents, Isaiah Lafayette and Cynthia Kendall Wright. Eldora was educated at Thomasville Female College near Lexington, North Carolina. (Davidson County) She graduated at the age of nineteen and she was Valedictorian. It was here that she met John William Upchurch while he was visiting his sister, Virginia, who was attending the same college. Dora and John were married on 26 December 1878 in Thomasville, North Carolina. (Davidson County) in the home of her parents. They had ten children. It is said that Dora married beneath her. After they moved back to Raleigh, North Carolina, (Wake County) John became the proprietor of his own business. Eldora died peacefully at the age of 83 of cardiac arrest. She is buried with her husband and one of her sons, William Clinton 2nd in the cemetery of the Inwood Baptist Church in Raleigh, North Carolina. Eldora had long white hair with a dark brown streak down the middle. During her later years, Eldora learned to smoke and she had the curious habit of keeping the cigarette in her mouth until it was gone.

UPCHURCH SOURCES

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R. Phillip Upchurch, Editor

Courthouse Records, Thomasville, North Carolina

Davidson County

1900 Census; Wake County, North Carolina

William A. Mitichner; CG

North Carolina Archives

North Carolina Vital Statistics

Oral Family History

Headstone Photo

Personal Knowledge

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10 APR 1994

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th St #4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo

Thanks for your letter and enclosure which arrived 7 APR 94. It appears our letter crossed in the mail. I have gone over your article on John William U and find nothing fundamentally wrong with it. However, I will offer some comments and you can do with them as you please. They are:

1. I cannot verify from my records that he was the 7th of 11 children. I actually have 12 children. Two of them (Apolwan Clinton U & Annie Shuman U died as infants. I show them as the 1st & 9th children but have no dates to back this up). I have no birth date for George C. U. (shown as #5 in my records). I show John William U as child #8 but cannot verify this because of missing birth dates on the three children mentioned above. If you have more data bearing on this matter it would be a valuable addition to my file.

2. I have an observation about the D & U Grocery store and 16 HARGETT Street but no facts that would necessarily change your article. William Clinton U, the father of John William U, opened his grocery/merchandise store at 16 HARGETT Street in Raleigh, NC in 1835 according to his obituary. I have no information about the name of this store nor do I have any information that John William U was ever in business with his father. I do know from personal experience that your Uncle Willie operated the D & U Grocery Store on South Street in Raleigh, NC about 1938 (when I was 10 yrs old) - how long before & after 1938 he operated this store I am not sure. I have no evidence that John William U was ever involved in this D & U store.

3. John William U was baptized on 1 FEB 1894 in the First Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC (My wife was a member there when we resided in 1947-1948).

Regarding the statement in the Eldora Kendall Wright article that "It is said that Dora named her" I have some



comments. I don't know that I would change the statement because some family members believed this statement to be true. It is my conviction that John William II had opportunities to be a more successful person and he did not seize these opportunities. Probably excessive use of alcohol was a significant factor in this regard. Several references I have shown him to be a witty and very personable individual. The evidence is that he was charming. There is no question that Dora's family was more educated than John's family. However, in the 1850-1900 era only a few families had the opportunity to gain an education. The Upchurch family into which Dora married was not an "educated" family. However, they were at the time and for the last half of the 19th century considered to be among the first families in Raleigh, NC (my conclusion) Let me cite a few facts.

- William Clinton II, I was probably the most respected citizen of Raleigh, NC

at the time of his death and for his lifetime

- John's sister Roxey was married to the Mayor of Raleigh and they owned the Todd-Hurdale House of present day historical fame. They were noted for their church work.
- John's sister Marka married my great uncle G. W. U. and together they became outstandingly successful as business people in Raleigh, NC
- John's brother Charles D. U. was Clerk of Court in Wake Co, NC
- John's sister Florence married John C. L. Harris, Sr - one of the most outstanding lawyers in Raleigh, NC (I had lunch with her grandson recently)

Some of John's siblings did not do so well as those listed above. It is to Aera's credit that she stuck by him and I feel that she is the one who nurtured their children and helped them get a start in life

You asked me to comment on the buying of the house and I will do so with the help of the attached road map of a section of Wake Co, NC having number in red. The Road marked with

red 0's is today called Lake Wheeler Road (It is also known as Ramkat Road). The road marked in red X's is today called Tryon Road (originally called Holly Springs Road).

Red ①. This is the house that burned about 1935  $\pm$  2 years (my memory). It belonged to my Uncle Frank II and he had recently moved into this house from another house he owned on the plantation. It was in this house that my parents were married on 14 Feb 1920. At that time John William II was living in the house.

Note: All four corners of this crossroad were owned by my Uncle Frank & better. They are still owned by Frank's children.

Red ②. This is the location of a country store called Upshund's Store (and other names). I was told my Grandfather built it for my Uncle Malcolm to run as he somehow was not suited for outside work. (I have no evidence that Uncle Max actually operated the store). In a 1978 visit my Aunt Edna (wife of Uncle Frank) told me that John William II rented and operated this store from about 1913 - 1919.

Red 3. This was the homeplace of my GF Budley Jefferson II. He owned about 1000 acres in the area. My father was born here in 1880.

Red 4. This is where I was born in 1928. I lived in the community full time until 1944 and afterwards rented out.

Red 5. Ironwood Baptist Church. This was formed in 1877. John William II is buried here as are many descendants of my GF.

Red 6. About 1940 my Uncle Gertie and I happened to walk by this spot. At the time there were remnants of an old house & barn all abandoned and overgrown with weeds. Uncle Gertie told me that John William II lived in this house with Nora and that their children were teen agers at the time.

Note that Lake Trojan on this map was earlier and is now called Yates Mill Pond. In its earliest days it was called Penny's Mill Pond.

Cleo, I hope you will find some of this interesting or entertaining. You can tell it is of a great interest to me and possibly of some interest to

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you. I am anxious to get back to  
NC to walk over some of the sites  
again. We were last there in 1989.  
It has been too long! Perhaps in  
retirement I can travel more - and  
who knows - we may even get  
to Lake Wales, FL !!

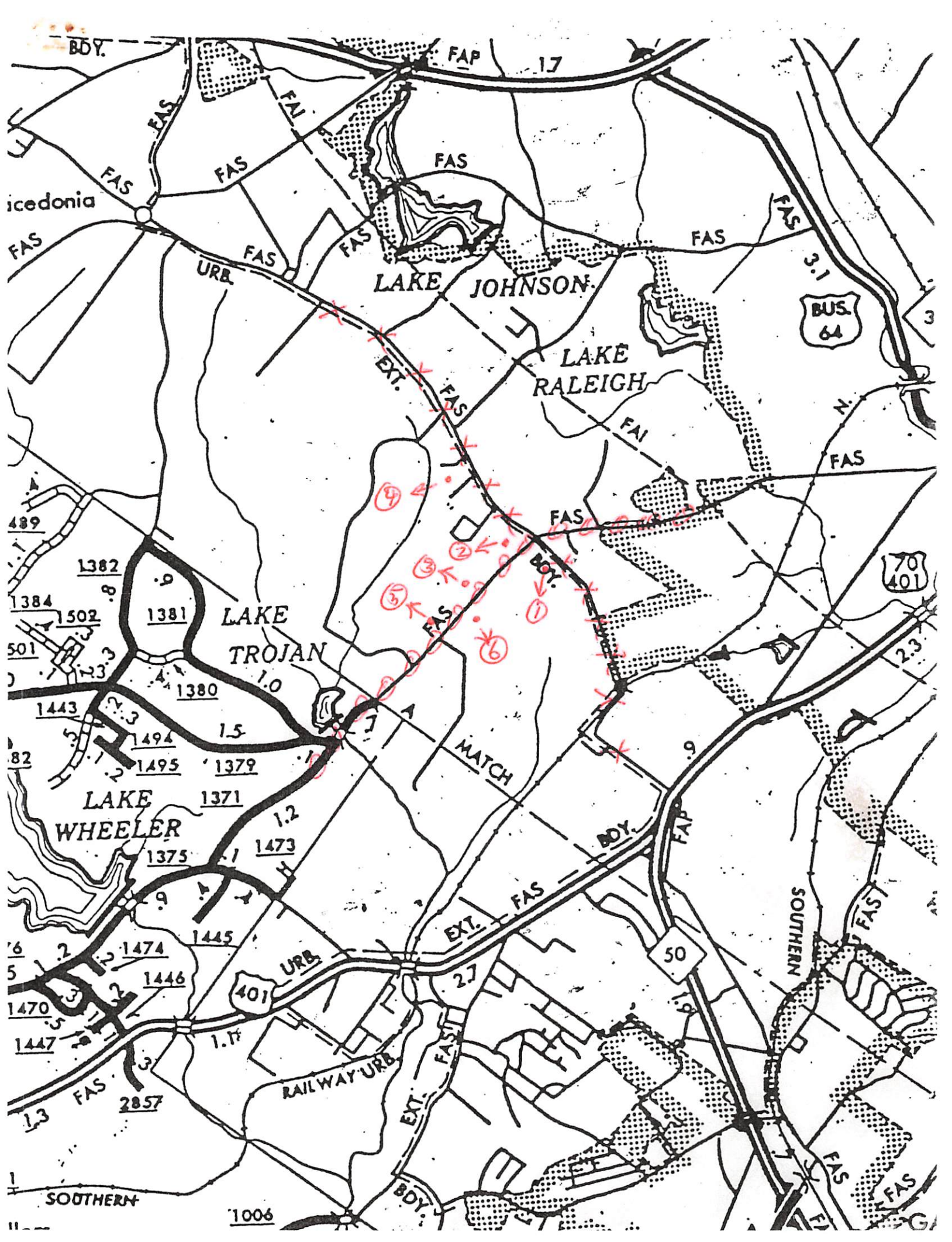
Cleo, it is always so nice to hear  
from you and to have your expressions  
of interest in our mutually shared  
family history. We are certainly kind  
spirits.

With all best wishes!



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



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5 SEP 1992

MRS CLEORA BEARD ELL

200 S. 4th St. #4

LAKE WALES, FL 33853-3882

Dear Cousin Leo,

It was great to talk to you this AM and to learn that you are on the road to recovery. I have now fully processed your letters of 22 JUN 92 and 18 AUG 92 and thank you for them and for all of the attachments. I was especially pleased to get the details on the Dyal-Whitcomb Building in Jacksonville, FL. For the first time I now have enough detail on this venture to prepare an article for the U B. Don't know exactly when that will be. I do hope you will be able to travel to Jacksonville to see your sister and that you will be able to visit the Dyal-Whitcomb Building

At some point it would be nice to know more about Mr Dyar. At this point we don't even know his first name or initials.

You mentioned you did not have details on the children of your Aunt and Uncle. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the one sheet master outline for John William U, Sr (your GF) and his children plus the several yellow-on sections for his children and their descendants. Please let me know if you have any additions or corrections for these outlines.

Well, it's great to have your continued interest in family history. I think we are kindred souls in this matter.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Dyar

{ ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH }



C. LEORA

MAXINE BEARD

XID- 4751 ①

REC'D  
20 AUG 1992

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill

200 SOUTH FOURTH STREET APT. 4  
LAKE WALES, FLORIDA 33853

18 August 1992

Dear Cousin Phillip;

Enclosed find some thing that I recieved from the St. Augustine (FL) Historical Society. I doubt I will get anything else. If I do I will send it to you.

I am having to pit my researh on the back burren for awhile as I am haveing some physical problems.

If you come across ant thing on Uncle Henry's wife Adelia Oeanse, I would appreciate. I don't have any children for my aunts and uncles.

I have to close and get back to bed.

Thank you for all your help in my researh. I could not have gooten so far without you.

Sincerely;

*Cler*

Mrs. Cleora Beard Gill

The new U.S. Highway 17 passed through about 1950, leaving Lake Como on the old highway, and the town became a quiet, peaceful village with mostly retired citizens. The old Emporium was closed in February of 1974.

### POMONA PARK

The area around Lake Broward was settled sometime after the War Between the States by former Union soldiers and their families from New England. They homesteaded property and planted orange groves in this most bountiful area. The town was named Pomona, after the ancient Roman goddess of fruit trees, who was usually depicted as holding fruits and a pruning knife.

One of the first accomplishments of these early settlers was the founding of The Pilgrim Congregational Church. Its origin dates back to 1881 when the Rev. Moses C. Welch, a Yale graduate from New Haven, Connecticut, came to Pomona in pursuit of better health and, gaining strength, began ministerial labors. The few families composing the settlement in its beginning, though formerly of different denominations, united in the maintenance of Christian worship and the beginning of a union church. An organizational meeting took place in 1882 in the home of E.B. Olmsted, with Dewitt Markham chosen as moderator and the Rev. M.C. Welch as clerk. The membership sought Congregational recognition and was united with the Florida Congregational Association in 1884, becoming the fourth Congregational Church in Florida. Services first took place in the school house, which later became the Town Hall. The church was built in 1884 from the virgin longleaf yellow pine with only the heart timbers used. It was modeled from the architecture of New England on land donated by Mr. Morrison, who lived next door. In 1947 the church merged with another church and became the United Church of Christ.

Webb, in 1885, described Pomona as a small settlement of seventy-five families, containing the church with Rev. M.C. Welch, pastor; C.A. Knowlton, postmaster; and W.H. Cook as the owner of a fine orange grove in the town. In 1887 Ed Rumley wrote that the railway brought two mails from the north; the town had three churches (Congregational, Free Baptist and African Methodist), three schools, one store of general merchandise, a public hall, a library association, and a saw mill with new machinery and an engine of 70 horsepower. The greater part of Pomona was rolling high pine land, and partially enclosed Lake Broward.

George Main of Sisco stated that in an 1850 survey map by Benjamin A. Putnam, Lake Broward was not named. The map was "shot on transverse" but was not accurate due to the thick growth around the lake and had mistakes up to one-half mile in places. Thus when people built on the lakefront, they were on state land. This was remedied in 1946 when Captain S.H. Fortune, a surveyor, drew an accurate map with the proper upland riparian rights, and the residents were given the right to purchase for approximately \$7.00 per acre the land they had thought was theirs.

An election on May 19, 1894 took place at Pomona Hall for the purpose of incorporating the Town of Pomona with forty-six qualified voters residing within its territorial limits. Thirty-three were present and the "Corporate seal was adopted as follows: A seal with an orange tree for emblem and with the legend 'Town of Pomona' *Deo Duce* 1894." Town officers chosen were W.H. Cook, Mayor; Geo. F. Burrell, Clerk; Geo. W. Otterson, W.C. Learned, E.U. Bowie, T. Eames, E.B. Olmsted, W.J. Keown, and J.E. Eames, aldermen; and J. Browning, marshal. In a letter written in 1964, W.S. Middleton, Jr., wrote, "The first Town Marshal was a big colored man whose name was Jack Browning. The jail was a one-cell wooden structure used mainly to lock up drunks and those convicted of fighting and stealing chickens."

Citrus growing was the main business, but it was brought to a sudden halt by the big freeze of 1894-95, causing many settlers to leave, abandoning houses, barns, and farming equipment. Main stated that many of these settlers were so heartbroken that they walked out leaving dishes on the tables after having their last meal in their homes, leaving everything but personal belongings. Some of English descent went to the Bahamas, while others returned to the north.

Some stayed on, setting out new groves, of which some were still present in the 1960s. A man from Georgia moved into Pomona and started the turpentine business, and the lumber business soon became an important part of the economy of the town, with two sawmills in operation.

W.D. Middleton, an agriculturist and merchant, settled at Shell Bluff where he and his sons engaged in the turpentine business in 1897. A year later, his son, William Spencer, decided upon an independent career and moved to Pomona where he became a successful businessman in the turpentine business and part owner of C.A. Knowlton & Co. He was connected with the sawmilling business and was a cattle-raiser, a real-estate owner, and one of the most extensive orange growers and shippers in this locality, having a modern packing house located at the railroad station to facilitate the transportation of his fruit. Others in his family later came to Pomona to make their homes. W.S. Middleton became actively involved in public affairs, serving on the county board of county commissioners and in both the State House of Representatives and in the State Senate. C.C. Middleton served as a county commissioner and R.C. Middleton, a resident of Crescent City, served also in the Florida Legislature.

Pomona Landing is on Lake Crescent about four miles east of Pomona. Ships came from the St. Johns River through Dunn's Creek into Lake Crescent, bringing mail, passengers, and supplies. They were met by horses and buggies or, if not, they walked. The late Mrs. Evelyn Beardsley said her house had been built in 1865 by A. Knowlton, who had homesteaded the property and had also built the house known as the old Main-Proctor house. The first post office was in that building, and the room

*copy made for Putnam Co, FL Geographical File*

Upchurch, John Jones, Sr.

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John Jones Upchurch Lumber Co. Headquarters in Upchurch - Dyal Bldg. in Jacksonville at foot of Main st. Bridge. Mr. Upchurch built this building after 1901 Jacksonville fire.

J.J. Upchurch Lumber Co, had large timber holdings (and/or leases) in S. Georgia and N. Florida, across state to Chiefland. Had many acres in St. Johns Co. in The Du Pont Center area (c. 1912-1917)

J.J. Upchurch, Sr. was father of Frank D. Upchurch, Sr.

(Information from Hamilton D. Upchurch, grandson of J.J. Upchurch, Sr.)

Copy placed in Biopile of John Jones U, Sr.

# Family Record

Relationship of  
Husband to person  
filling out form

**HUSBAND** (name in full) Wilbur Wellington MASTERS, Jr. Husband's Occupation Electrician

Born 28 April 1907 Place (town, county, state or country) Jacksonville, Fl. Duval Co.

Christened May 1907 Place Jacksonville, Fl. Grace Memorial Church

Married 5 June 1927 Place Jacksonville, Fl. Franklin Street Baptist Church

Died \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_ Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_

Buried \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's Father Wilbur Wellington MASTERS, Sr. Husband's Mother (maiden name) Charlotte Hull

Husband's other wives (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

**WIFE** (maiden name in full) Marjorie Eldora BEARD

Born 11 May 1908 Place (town, county, state or country) Rocky Mount, N.C.

Christened 1920 Place Jacksonville, Fl. Franklin Street Baptist Church

Died \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_ Cause of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Buried \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's Father Robert Bruce BEARD Wife's Mother (maiden name) Meta Eleanor UPCHURCH

Wife's other husbands (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of  
Wife to person  
filling out form

Sex of Child	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth	WHEN BORN Day Month Year	WHERE BORN			Date of first Marriage To whom	DEATH DATE Place of death (not burial)
			Town	County	State or Country		
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Marjorie Maxine	10 Mar. 1929	Jacksonville,	Duval	Fla.	<input type="checkbox"/> 27 Sept. 1947 Homer T WALTON	
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilbur Wellington 3rd	28 April 1933	Jacksonville	Duval	Fla.	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Sept. 1954 Sarah Emily Morris	
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4							
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Name and address of person filling out this form \_\_\_\_\_

*Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853*

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meeting of board  
must be given

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References:

Duval County Courthouse

Personal Knowledge

Beard Genealogy p. 41

Ruth Lindenberger

**FAMILY GROUP NO.** Husband's Full Name Oscar Louis Ansley

This information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	5	12	1919	Wausau	Washington	Florida	
Chr'nd							
Mar.	28	5	1960	St. Augustine	St. Johns	Florida	
Death	15	2	1988	Jacksonville	Duval	Florida	
Burial							

Places of Residence Jacksonville, Fla. since July 1957  
 Occupation Real Estate Investigator Church Affiliation BAPTIST Military Rec. 7/40-10/66 Pvt. to 1st Lt  
 Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.  
 His Father Benjamin Randall Ansley Mother's Maiden Name Eudora Varnum

Wife's Full Maiden Name Jacqueline YVONNE STEARNS Ansley

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	14	3	1928	Jacksonville	Duval	Florida	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler Jacqueline YVONNE STEARNS Ansley Places of Residence Jacksonville, Duval, Florida  
 Address Jacksonville, Duval, Florida Occupation if other than housewife Real Estate Investigator Church Affiliation BAPTIST  
 City, State Jacksonville, Florida Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.  
 Date 1988 Her Father George Edward Stearns Mother's Maiden Name Susan Mabel Stearns

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Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
Δ	1 Julie Luana Ansley Dowdy	Birth	28	3	61	JACKSONVILLE	DUVAL	FLORIDA	
	Full Name of Spouse* <u>Leon J. Dowdy</u>	Mar.	19	6	82	"	"	"	<u>DECEASED</u>
		Death							<u>OVER</u>
		Burial							
Δ	2 Debra Charlene Ansley <u>ARNOLD</u>	Birth	13	6	1963	JACKSONVILLE	DUVAL	FLORIDA	
	Full Name of Spouse* <u>SAM ARTHUR ARNOLD III</u>	Mar.	15	6	1985	"	"	"	
		Death							
		Burial							
	3	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	4	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	5	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

\*If married more than once No. each mar (1) (2) etc and list in "Add. Info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information

Julie's Children

AMANDA YVONNE DOWDY

December 23, 1984  
JACKSONVILLE, FLA

□  
- BIRTH  
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DANIEL LOUIS DOWDY

JANUARY 6, 1987  
JACKSONVILLE, FLA

□  
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Handwritten notes and scribbles at the bottom of the page, including the word "BIRTH" and other illegible markings.

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name

Homer Thurston Walton, Jr.

This Information Obtained From:

Marjorie Maximo Walton

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	3-18-26	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		
Chr'd	None - Baptized	ab-12	Jan	meth.			PEELER meth
Mar.	9-27-47	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence Sanford + Jan. Fla., Washington D.C., Charleston S.C.  
 Occupation Accountant Church Affiliation Meth. Military Rec. World War II  
 Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.  
 His Father Homer Thurston Walton Sr. Mother's Maiden Name Lucile Long Staff Sergeant

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Marjorie Maximo Mrs. J.A. Masters

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	3-10-28	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		Born in Duval
Chr'd	3-24-28	Jan	Fla.	Duval	meth. Church		Jan. Birth
Death							Rec'd death by fire -
Burial							

Compiler Places of Residence Jan. Washington D.C. Charleston S.C. approx 1990s  
 Address Occupation If other than housewife Artist Church Affiliation Meth.  
 City, State Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.  
 Date Her Father William W. Masters Jr. Mother's Maiden Name Marjorie Elora Beard

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
Δ	Linda Lucille Walton	Birth	1-14-50	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.	6-12-71	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		
□	<del>David Edward Williamson</del>	Burial	1-3-49			Greenville	S.C.		Born
Δ	Sorraine Marjorie Walton	Birth	1-4-52	Jan	Fla.	Duval	Fla.		
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.	11-79			Dallahassee	Fla.		
□	<del>James Neil</del>	Death							
	Full Name of Spouse	Burial							
	HOTALING	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
	Death								
	Burial								
	4	Birth							Δ Linda +
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							Δ Sorraine are now divorced no det
	Death								
	Burial								
	5	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
	Death								
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	6	Birth							
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	Death								
	Burial								
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
	Death								
	Burial								

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ITEMS INCLUDED IN LTR 22 JUN 1992 CLEORA  
MAXINE BEARD & DISPOSITION OF SAME.

1. Marriage license William Clinton U, I - Destroyed - Had copy
2. P on Susan Mahle Beard - Destroyed - Had cy from 11 MAY 92 Cleo Str
3. P on Margone Eldora Beard - " " " " " " " " " " " "
4. Three pages on Robert Bruce Beard, Sr - Placed in his Biogfile.
5. Marriage license Margone Eldora Beard - Placed in her Biogfile.
6. Marriage license Robert Bruce Beard, Sr - Placed in his Biogfile.
7. Marriage license Susan Mahle Beard - Placed in her Biogfile VS Mahle E. Beard
8. Death Certificate - Henry Todd U - Destroyed - Had copy
9. Death Certificate - Redly Margarita U - Destroyed - Had copy
10. Death Certificate - Eda Melvina U - Destroyed - Had copy
11. P on Meta Eleanor U - Destroyed - Had cy from 11 MAY 92 Cleo Str.
12. Death Certificate - Marie Thayer U - Destroyed - Had copy
13. Item on John Jones U, Sr in Memoirs of Georgia - Placed in his Biogfile.
14. Article on the John Jones U Gunley Co - in Footprints  
 section of JUN 1992 issue of Florida Living - based on  
 info from Cleo. - Copies placed in files for:  
 John Jones U, Sr St. Augustine, FL. Hist Soc  
 Dyal - Upchurch Bld Putnam Co, FL
15. Ltr 28 MAY 1992 Arden Brugger - of Jacksonville, FL  
 Public Library - Re Dyal - Upchurch Bld. Copies  
 Placed in files  
 John Jones U, Sr Delmer D. U  
 Dyal - Upchurch Bld Noble A. U  
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30 March 1992  
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Dear Cousin Phillip:

Boy, have I got a surprise for you. I am still in a state of shock. Recently I wrote to a magazine called FLORIDA-LIVING. It it they have a column called FOOTPRINTS This is a genealogical and research column. I was called last Thursday and was told that The John Jones Upchurch was a real place. I was also asked if I would like to talk to the great-grandson of John Jones Upchurch. I was given a phone number(business) But since it was quitting time, I waited till Friday Morning. I not only talked to him once that day but twice. The afternoon mail brought your letter mentioning John Jones U. but Nathaniel. I got so excited that I called him again. His name in Hamilton Upchurch. The address is P. O. Box 3007, St Augustine, FLorida 32085 The phone number is 1-904-829-9066. This is a business phone. When I called th second time I asked for Mr. Upchurch and the sevretary asked which one. I think he is the brother of Frank Upchurch, I forgot to ask. Any way he wanted a copy of your letter to me. I sent that Sat. I was to find out how we are connected but it looks as if he is closer to you than me. He knows about you and get the UB.

I have written abad letter but overlook it this time. I want to tell you about Hamilton and forgot to make paragraphs I thought I had ordered the Wake County Marriage book but didn't. YET

You gave me an idea about my paragraphs on my famile. I will redo some of them and put the whole version in the computer. I will write a smaller version later. I doubt that I could get a 1400 ward paper published.

Will write about Uncle Willie later. Here come Helen. Keep me posted

Sincerely

Clea

Will send H Reomb address later

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22 MAR 1992

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Dear Cousin Cleo,

I am gradually digging my way through a backlog of 57 packets of mail which have accumulated while my priorities were elsewhere for several weeks. It is a joy to get the mail and a joy to get it processed. I have your letters that arrived 20 FEB 92 and 2 MAR 92 and will respond to both herein.

Thanks for the letters. I have processed, arranged XFD's, etc. It is great that you are preparing the write-ups. Wish more people would do this.

I don't think I have a reference to Brent Rozambler's book on Managers of Wake Co, NC. Could you send me an address / price / etc. It sounds too good to resist.

Now to comment on the Store Business as it relates to William Clinton U, I; John William U, Sr and William Clinton U, II. From my records it is clear that W.C.U. I lived at 107 S. Wilmington St which is just across the street from the Capital Bld and I am pretty sure where the

2.  
State Highway Building now sits. His store  
was in the same place at 13/16 HARGETT  
Street which is one block south of where  
W.C.U, I lived and a little to the west.

Hargett Street is one block south of the Capitol.

According to the obit of W.C.U, I he had  
turned his store over to his grandson

Barley W. U. several years before W.C.U, I  
died in 1906. However, note that Barley  
W. U d 25 SEP 1905. It is always possible that

J. W. U Sr got to run the store after  
1905/1906 - but we have no evidence for that.

I do know that J. W. U, Sr ran the  
Uphurch store in Rauhatts for the period  
1913 - 1918 and maybe longer. He lived at two  
places in that community that I know of.  
My parents were married in his home  
in that community on 14 FEB 1920.

W.C.U, II lived in FL for 20 years and  
then returned to Raleigh, NC. I can recall  
his store on South Street in Raleigh starting  
about 1937 when I was 9 years old. He could  
have been there several years before. He kept  
the store for many more years - probably  
until he died in 1963. This store was  
at South Street & Saunders Street about  
2 miles SW of the heart of downtown where

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The store of W. C. U, I was located. The store of W. C. U, II was definitely called the D & U Market. I remember visiting the D & U Market many times and seeing "Mullie" there and also Mr. Daniels a swarthy looking man. From other records we know his name was HUNTER DANIELS. I know nothing more of him. I do hope you will uncover more details about these three stores. There is certainly more to be learned.

I have gone over each of the units you have prepared and think you have a great start. When you have them in final form I want to put a copy in each of the Biopiles for the individuals involved. I especially like the personal aspects you have been able to enter so far. The more of this you can do the better. I am not sure how you can use these documents but if copies are in my files they will always be available for anyone who is interested. All of my files will eventually belong to the Upchurch Endowment which will be a perpetual repository

It is interesting that your folks were in Jacksonville, FL for a time. It is possible that they had some associations with other Upchurch relatives who had come down earlier. The first Upchurch to go to FL was Nathaniel Smith U. He was a brother of my GF Bartley Jefferson U and hence my Great Uncle. These two had another brother William George U who married Eleanor Marks U who was a sister of your GF J. W. U Sr. N.S. U was in FL before the Civil War and he and his children became wealthy based on the lumber business some of which was in South GA. They also cut a wide swath in Jacksonville FL. N.S. U died there in 1913 shortly after your folks got there. The first big success story surrounds John Jones U, Sr a son of N.S. U. W.C. U, II worked for John Jones U, Sr. For his 2nd wife John Jones U, Sr took Belle Williamson U, a niece of your GF J. W. U, Sr. Sooner or later I hope we can uncover more of the Upchurch story in Jacksonville, FL

for the period 1850 - 1950. It may be that it is in a local library. I suspect the Jacksonville, FL Newspapers would help tell the story. I have always been fascinated by this part of our history. I have a gold medal that belonged to Nathaniel Smith, U and a gold headed cane inscribed with the name of John Jones U, Sr. Maybe when I retire I'll go to Jacksonville, FL and snoop around.

Cleo, if you need any of my Mother's Outlines for your work or copies of any of my Biographies just let me know. It is easy enough to make copies now that I have a nice copier right at my side. I think you have most everything, but don't hesitate to ask.

Thanks for the picture of your parents. Hope to hear from you again soon.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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Dear Cousin Phil;

I hope the enclosed helps answer some of your questions. When I sent you the paragraphs, they were unproofed. I found the errors when I put the profile in the computer and corrected them. Most were typo's. I am going thru my records and updating them. I have just finished putting my Beard's and Upchurch's in the genealogical program in my computer. Am sending you a sample. I still don't have the kind of program I want. I will have to retype all of my group sheets. I have to cut back on expenditures for awhile but this project will keep me busy for awhile.

About the D & U Grocery Store. I had some research done but nothing really showed up. All I know is what Mama told me. She said her father worked for his father in the store and later took over. What Uncle Willie did I don't have a clue. I did go in a grocery store once when I was a young girl and was told the it was Grandpa's store. The next time i saw Grandpa and Grandma they were living onthe edge of town. I think it was supposed to be a farm. The was a small wilted garden and lots of cages with Lots of brown rabbits in them./ There was an outhouse and lots of flies. Grandma churned some butter. The next time I saw Grandma, she was living on Margon St in an apartment. Grandpa had died. Uncle Willie came by for breakfast every morning. I don't know whta he did for a living. This was about 1936 or 37. When it looked as if war was coming we had to stop making trips. All I know about the Upchurch's is what I have read in your UB's. Don't you think the Jacksonville Library would be a good place for your bound copies of the UB? I will let you know if I hear from the St Augustine Historical Society.

If you don't want to keep the enclosed papers, throw them away. I have the originals. Outside of my sister, Margie, I have no contact with the rest of the family in Jacksonville. Helen and Gil are going to take me to see my sister sometime this summer. If Margie should die before I do, I will never go back to Jacksonville, One more thing. Mama had always told me that Frank and Delmar Upchurch were cousins of ours. Have a nice summer and take care.

Sincerely yours;

Cleo

Mrs. Cleora Beard Gill



Ancestors of Meta Eleanor Upchurch

Parents

Grandparents

Great-Grandparents

Burtis Upchurch  
born: 1781  
in Franklin City, North Carolina

William Clinton Upchurch  
born: February 14, 1813  
in Green Level, North Carolina

Margaret Yates  
born: 1788

John William Upchurch  
born: March 3, 1855  
in Raleigh, North Carolina

Adaline Royster  
born: July 3, 1820  
in Raleigh, North Carolina

Meta Eleanor Upchurch  
born: November 17, 1879  
in Raleigh, North Carolina

Isaiah Lafayette Wright  
born: 1830  
in Darlington, South Carolina

Eldora Kendall Wright  
born: October 18, 1859  
in Darlington, South Carolina

Cynthia Kendall  
born: September 22, 1830  
in Ashboro, North Carolina

*Sample  
from  
my Computer  
Program*

Ancestors of Burtis Upchurch

Parents

Grandparents

Richard Upchurch  
born: 1725  
in Brunswick, Virginia

Nathan Upchurch  
born: 1759  
in Brunswick, Virginia

Burtis Upchurch  
born: 1781  
in Franklin City, North Carolina

Mackey Louise Johnson  
born: 1780  
in Moccasin Creek, North Carolina

Ancestors of James Upchurch

Parents

Grandparents

Micheal Upchurch  
born: 1620  
in England

Richard Upchurch  
born: 1725  
in Brunswick, Virginia

Frances Delke

James Upchurch  
born: 1685

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Dear Cousin Cleo,

I have been making splendid progress in the last week or so in "catching up" on genealogy and have just finished processing your letter of 21 MAY 1992 with the personal histories of your family. These are just great and I wish more people would do this. The names and dates are valuable but the aspect of what they did and their special interests, etc adds a very nice touch.

I have gone over each of the records you provided and checked them against my Master's outline or it now stands. There were three sheets on which questions were raised and they are returned here with along with notations.

• For Susan Mable Beard I show she married in Jacksonville, FL rather than Folkston, GA. which is correct? I show she is survived by 4 ggs rather than 3.

• For Maryoie Eleora Beard I show she married 5 JUN 1927 rather than 3 JUN 1927. I show her daughter Maryoie Maxine married 27 SEP 1947 rather than 27 NOV 1947 I show William Wellington Masters, III married on 5 SEP 1957 rather than 5 SEP 1952. Can you check these dates.

For Meta Eleanor (upwards) heard the only issue is about her father being owner of the D & U grocery store in Raleigh, NC. This could be true but my knowledge of the D & U market on South Street in Raleigh, NC is that this was owned by Mr Daniels and your Uncle William Clinton U, II "unthe". We do know that John (Meta's father) was in the grocery business in the Raleigh, NC area and I presume this was for all of his life. If John U owned the D & U market on South Street it was before my time and outside of any knowledge that has come to me. Of course there could have been an entirely different D & U Grocery. We know that John's father (William Clinton U, I) was in the grocery business all his life in Raleigh, NC from about 1840-1900. John's son John Jr who moved to Arizona was also in the grocery/candy business. This line of work seemed to run in the family.

The note that your father worked for the John Jones U Lumber Company is of special interest to me. I am pleased to have this little bit of documentation. I keep collecting little bits of information showing connections between the NC & FL Lumber. If you have

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or get any other details on this connection I would be pleased to have it.

You should have U.B. Vol 13 No 2 along about now. It is all based on trying to locate any ancestor land in the Mecklenburg Creek Area of present day Franklin Co, NC. The consultant I have hired has already reported some progress by phone and his written report is in the mail. My expectations are high and at present we plan to go to NC in November and with any luck we will know where Upchurch land was located by that time.

Cleo, it is always good to hear from you and to take a few more steps forward in documenting our family history.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751<sup>①</sup>

REC'D  
14 MAY 92

200 S. 4th St. #4  
Lake Wales, FL. 33853-3882  
11 May 1992  
(813) 676-5793

Dear Cousin Phil;

I am sorry for taking so long to answer you but I have a good reason. I had to send my copier to be cleaned. Lake Wales is a small town and it take forever to get something done. I wanted to send you a copy of my Upchurch death certificates with these paragraphs. I don't remember what you have.

I sent a set like these to Barbara (Helen's sister in Houston) for her to correct the grammer and I have not talk to her. Today is my sister, Margie, 84th birthday and my brother, Bobby, would be 86 today too. Helen and I are going to call my sister this afternoon. I will call Barbara later on the week. Barbara told Helen that she questioned some of the data.

I haven't had any further contact with Hamiton Upchurch and don't expect to. My query come out in next month's issue of FLORIDA LIVING. I'll send you a copy. I am lost without my copier.

Thanks for the info. Mama always said that Frank Upochurch was a "cousin".

Will write more later. Thanks agian.

Sincerely;

*Cleo*

Mrs Cleora Beard Gill

*Profile info on the following individuals in this letter were placed in the respective profiles as follows:*

*Meta Eleanor Upchurch  
Robert Bruce Beard, Sr  
Susan Mahle Beard  
Robert Bruce Beard, Jr  
Maryone Eldon Beard  
Annie Eleanor Beard  
William Wright Beard  
Cleora Maxine Beard*

SOURCES

North Carolina Vital Statistics

Florida Vital Statistics

Beard Genealogy by Ruth Lindenburger Page 41

Some Quaker Families by James E. Bellarts, RCGC FACB page 4

William A. Mitchner, CG North Carolina Reseacher

Headstone Photos

Family History

Personal Knowledge



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

Cleora Maxine was born on 13 October 1921 in Jacksonville, (Duval County) Florida. She was the sixth and last child of Robert Bruce Beard, Sr and Meta Eleanor Upchurch. During a difficult birth, a mild case of Cerebral Palsy developed. She moved with her family to Gainesville, (Alachua County) in 1928. Cleo went to the Gainesville public schools and graduated from Gainesville High School. She married twice, first to William Marvin Collier, Jr in Gainesville, Florida on 15 November 1943. Then to Chalmer Wylie Gill in Jacksonville on 3 September 1961. Cleo enjoys reading, crocheting and genealogy. she belongs to several genealogical societies including The Daughters of the American Revolution, United Daughters of the Confederary, the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, The National Society Colonial Dames 17th Century, and National Society Descendants of Early Quakers. She is, also, a Notary Public. Cleora took Bible courses with the Seminary Extension Department in Nashville, Tennessee. She has received several diplomas and certificates. She moved to Lake Wales, (Polk County) Florida in 1978 and still resides there. She has no children.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. BOX 35804  
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85740

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4 APR 1992

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th St. Apt 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853-3882

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thanks for your letter which arrived  
1 APR 1992. The death certificate for your Uncle  
Willie is a welcome addition to his Biofile. It  
lists him as a Real Estate salesman. This is a  
surprise to me as I assumed he stayed with  
the D & U Market until the end but I guess  
not.

It is exciting that you have been in  
touch with Hamilton Davis U - but I wonder  
if it is SR or JR. I think they are both  
in the law firm. Endorsed in my Master's  
Outline Sheet (15A) on the Frank Drew U, Sr.  
Family. I carried on quite a correspondence  
with Frank Drew U, Sr prior to his death in  
1986. I enclose herewith a copy of my Biofile  
on Hamilton Davis U, Sr. He seems to have  
made quite a name for himself. My friend  
Jes Aufmuth, who lives just a few doors  
from had business dealings with Ham Sr.

H. D. U, Sr would be the grandson of John Jones U, Sr and H. D. U Jr would be the greatgrandson of John Jones U, Sr. One has to be careful because there was a John Jones U, Jr; John Jones U, III and John Jones U, IV. The descendants of John Jones U, Sr tend to be quite prominent citizens in FL - Judges, Lawyers, etc. John Jones U, Sr must have been quite wealthy for his day and age. He died in 1933 at about age 70.

I will await with interest to see if you have any further information on this particular part of the family. Please let me know if you have questions

Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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Note: When Cleo  
upgrades the allocated  
units - you need  
to copy for respective  
Profiles - RPH  
23 MAR 92

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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2 MAR 1992

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Take care and have good summer.

Sincerely;

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Picture of Robert Bruce Beard, Sr & wife Meta Eleanor  
U designated Photo File 92-10

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no children

204 words

321 words <sup>24</sup>

META ELEANOR UPCHURCH BEARD

Meta Eleanor (Upchurch) Beard was born in Raleigh, North Carolina (Wake County) on 17 November 1879. She was the first child of John William Upchurch and Eldora Kendall Wright. John Upchurch was the proprietor of the D & U Grocery Store in Raleigh. Eldora was the daughter of Professor Isaiah Layf<sup>st</sup>atte Wright and Cynthia Kendall of Thomasville, North Carolina. The Kendall's had a rich Quaker heritage. Isaiah was a professor of Greek at Trinity College in North Carolina. Trinity College later became Duke University. Meta's grandfather was William Clinton Upchurch. He was one of Raleigh's oldest citizens. Meta was educated at Meredith College in Raleigh. Here at a friend's wedding she met Robert Bruce Beard. They were married on 31 May 1904 in Raleigh. Meta was a pianist, preferring classical music. She was also an expert horsewoman. Her husband her to shoot and she was adept at this when she had to be. Meta and Bruce moved to Kernesville, North Carolina after their marriage. Meta was a quiet and reserved woman who loved her family very much. Meta and Bruce had six children <sup>FRom</sup> ~~from~~ their marriage of twenty seven years. They were Susan Mable, Robert Bruce, Jr., Marjorie Eldora, Annie Eleanor, William Wright, and Cleora Maxine. In 1910 the family moved to florida. In 1916 they settled in Jacksonville, Florida (Duval County) There she worked with the League of Women Voters. She was active in the Camaign of Gov. Sidney J Catts. They lived in Jacksonville until 1928 and moved to Gainesville, Florida (Alachua County) When Bruce died in 1930, Meta opened a rooming house. She worked hard at this until her first stroke in 1944. She was bedridden until she had her third stroke. From this stroke she died on 1 January 1948 at the age of 68

3rd Paragraph

SUSAN MABLE BEARD STEARNS

Mable was the first child of Robert Bruce Beard and Meta Upchurch. She was born 13 December 1904 in Kernesville, North Carolina (Forsyth County). Mable weighed only two and a half pounds at birth and was carried around on a pillow by her mother. All of her life she was small and frail. At the age of fifteen she went to work for a Jacksonville, Florida newspaper and worked at this until she retired from the classified ad department of the Jacksonville Journal in 1970. On 28 April 1924 she married George Edward Stearns in Folkston, Georgia. They had two children, Jacqueline Yvonne and Donald Edward Mable and George later divorced. Mable died on 1 May 1970 of congestive heart failure at the age of sixty seven. Mable is buried in Arlington Memorial Cemetery, Jacksonville, Florida (Duval County). Besides her two children, she is survived by four grandchildren and 3 great-grand children.



META ELEANOR UPCHURCH & ROBERT BRUCE BEARD  
married-- 31 May 1904

CHILDREN

SUSAN MABLE	Born-- 13 December 1904	Kernesville, NC
ROBERT BRUCE, JR.	Born-- 11 May 1906	Rocky Mount, NC
MARJORIE ELDORA	Born-- 11 May 1908	Rocky Mount, NC
ANNIE ELEANOR	Born-- 3 October 1909	Raliegh, NC
WILLIAM WRIGHT	Born-- 13 January 1916	Watertown, FL
CLEORA MAXINE	Born-- 13 October 1921	Jacksonville, FL

Family Burial Lot

Evergreen Cemetery, Gainesville Florida

Lot N.W. ¼ Block 47 Section 4

Bought on 28 April 1930 by Mrs. R. B. Beard, Sr. for \$ 31.25

Entered in Record Book A at Folio 16

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5 Feb 1992

Page 1 of 2

HUSBAND Robert Bruce BEARD-3

LDS ORDINANCE DATA

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BORN: 21 Mar 1874 PLACE: Kernesville, North Carolina, Forsyth County  
 CHR.: B: PLACE:  
 DIED: 28 Apr 1930 E: PLACE: Gainesville, Florida  
 BUR.: 30 Apr 1930 SP: PLACE: Gainesville, Florida, Alachua County  
 MARR: 31 May 1904 SS: PLACE: Raleigh, Wake Co., NC  
 FATHER:  
 MOTHER:

WIFE Meta Eleanor UPCHURCH-4

BORN: 17 Nov 1879 PLACE: Raleigh, North Carolina, Wake County  
 CHR.: B: PLACE:  
 DIED: 1 Jan 1948 E: PLACE: Gainesville, Florida  
 BUR.: 3 Jan 1948 SP: PLACE: Gainesville, Florida  
 FATHER:  
 MOTHER:

CHILDREN

1. NAME: Susan Mable BEARD-13  
 ---- BORN: 13 Dec 1904 PLACE: Kernesville, Forsyth Co., NC  
 F CHR.: B: PLACE:  
 DIED: 1 May 1972 E: PLACE: Jacksonville, Duval Co., FL  
 BUR.: 4 May 1972 SP: PLACE: Arlington Cem., Jacksonville, Duval Co., FL  
 SPOUSE:  
 MARR: PLACE:  
 SS:

2. NAME: Robert Bruce Jr. BEARD-14  
 ---- BORN: 11 May 1906 PLACE: Rocky Mount, Edgecombe Co., NC  
 M CHR.: B: PLACE:  
 DIED: 3 Dec 1958 E: PLACE: Gainesville, Alachua Co., FL

BUR.: Dec 1958

PLACE: Evergreen Cem., Gainesville, Alachua

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SPOUSE:  
MARR:

PLACE:

SS:

3. NAME: Marjorie Eldora BEARD-15

---- BORN: 11 May 1908

PLACE: Rocky Mount, Edgecombe Co., NC

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F CHR.:

PLACE:

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DIED:

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SPOUSE:

MARR:

PLACE:

SS:

4. NAME: Annie Eleanor BEARD-16

---- BORN: 3 Oct 1909

PLACE: Raleigh, Wake Co., NC

B:

F CHR.:

PLACE:

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DIED: 18 Feb 1964

PLACE: Lake Wales, Polk Co., FL

SP:

BUR.: Feb 1964

PLACE: Evergreen Cem., Gainesville, Alachua C

SPOUSE:

MARR:

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Check one option for all individuals on this form: !

Relationship to

[ ] 1. I will provide proxies for [ ]Bap [ ]End [ ]Seal !

Husband

at the \_\_\_\_\_ temple. !

Wife

[ ] 2. Please provide all proxies at any temple. !

[ ] 3. Send all names to the Ancestral File. !Phone:

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5 Feb 1992

Page 2 of 2

HUSBAND Robert Bruce BEARD-3

Yr of Birth 1874

WIFE Meta Eleanor UPCHURCH-4

Yr of Birth 1879

CHILDREN (continued)

5. NAME: William Wright BEARD-17

---- BORN: 13 Jan 1916

PLACE: Watertown, Columbia Co., FL

B:

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M CHR.: PLACE:  
 DIED: 19 Jul 1917 E: PLACE: Jacksonville, Duval Co., FL  
 BUR.: Jul 1917 SP: PLACE: Evergreen Cem., Jacksonville, Duval Co  
 SPOUSE: PLACE:  
 MARR: SS: PLACE:

, FL

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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-475①

MICHAEL ENTERPRISES

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6 JUN 1991

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th St. Apt 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

I was pleased to get your letter yesterday and to have the pictures. They make nice additions to my Photo File. In the case of the sheet with multiple people I am returning a copy with letters A-G entered. Could you identify these individuals by letter so I can be sure I have them correct. I could probably come close but don't want to make a mistake. I am sorry to learn that your meter is failing.

Your continued effort at researching and publishing is impressive. We don't have very many people with your ability and willingness to follow through. The new Wake County Quarterly looks great. Hope you can put something in it.

I have made fair progress on the Patten Abine W, I Master outline recently and am sending you a copy along with follow-on sections 40, 49, 80, 81.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Dunning

[ROBERT PHILIP WPCATHURCH]



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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
2 MAR 1992

200 S. 4th St. #4  
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27 Feb. 1992  
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200 S. 4th St. #4  
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18 Feb. 1992  
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REC'D  
20 FEB 1992

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill ...  
200 S. 4th St. #4  
Lake Wales, FL. 33853-3882

Dear Cousin Phillip;

I am sorry I took so long to answer but I was waiting to get the rough draft written on Mama. I looks as if it will be awhile yet. I read the page you sent several years ago and it needs up dating as my files do. I have Daddy's written but Helen hasn't had time to proof it yet. I am still in the dark about their early years in Florida. I know what I have been told but I can't rely on the info. I am going to try to track down the lumber company that Daddy worked for. I don't have any little stories to put in so i will deal with names, dates and places etc. It will be as correct as I can make it.

Enclosed ia a copy of the query I will send to the Wake Co Gen Soc. and Wake Treasures. Lynn Belvin really did me bad. In 89 I ordred some 100 year certificates for Mama, Grandpa John and Ggg William Clinton. I ordered a set for both of us. (Helen and I) She cashed my ckeck but I haven't reieved anything. We are both angry. I have written several times and now Helen is going to write. I either want my cetificates or my money.

The enclosures you sent are great. You are doing a fine job. Do you have a copy of Brent Hocombe's book on Marriages of Wake County? As soon as my cash flow problem lets up some I want to get it.

In Lousiana the county is called Parish. Helen's research is there. I still think the Uncle Wright middle name is supposed to be Albert and some one wrote it down wrong. I guess the only way I can solve the problem is to get a birth certificate.

I will close for now and will write again soon as I get Mama's paragraph written. I am writing a paragraph for each person. Hopefuly I will end up with 700 words

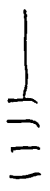
Sincerely  
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D & U GROCERY STORE

Need any kind of information on the D & U Grocery Store that was on Haggerty Street in Raleigh, North Carolina. (Wake County) Ca 1870 to 1935. John William Upchurch, owner. Who was the D in the D and U Grocery Store? John W. Upchurch was my grandfather. Anything on this store will be appreciated.

Mrs. Cleora Beard Gill, 200 S. 4th Street, Apt 4 Lake Wales, Florida 33853-3882



1991 Babies

△ LEILA NICHOLE STEARNS --- Born 29 March 1991

△+△ Parents-- Bobby Stearns and Jana Alverez

Jacksonville, Florida (Duval County



□+□ Bobby is my sistee's (Mable) grandson



ERIKA HAYDEN TURNBULL--- Born 30 December 1991

△+△ Parents-- Terri Lynn Miller and Clinton Turnbull

Born in Jacksonville, North Carolina



□+□ Terri Lynn is Helen's daughter

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20 JAN 1992

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
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LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

It was good to get your letter of 9 JAN 1992 along with the enclosures. I really appreciated them. The photos of your family have been made a part of the permanent archive or Photo File 97-7

I am pleased to have the marriage record for your Uncle Wright. This definitely fixes his marriage date. The listing refers to the marriage in New Orleans and in Jefferson Parish. I looked on my map to see if I could understand the situation. It seems that Jefferson Parish lies on the west side of the Mississippi River just west of the city of New Orleans. However, I suppose that the city may extend across the River and occupy part of Jefferson Parish. Thus it could be correct that he married in New Orleans and in Jefferson Parish. The marriage record shows CROX for the spelling of his wife's name. Also, it shows him as W. A. U. whereas we sometimes show his middle name as "E" for "ELBERT" - or "A" for ALBERT. We will just

have to keep placing details in the file as they surface and hope that over time we can get the story more and more correct. Anyway, you have done a lot to move it along and I appreciate. Recently his law-in-law Mary from Hawaii send me a packet of newspaper issued on 7 DEC 91 - but no letter, I have written to her recently.

I am certainly curious as to what has happened to your personal situation and would like to know but only if you wish to tell. Anyway, I am pleased that you propose to do more writing. You have my formal approval to use anything in the Upchurch Bulletin that would be useful in your writings. I have copies of the Wake Co, NC Genealogical Society Newsletter and also of Wake Treasures so you need not send copies of items in them. I am quite impressed with these two documents and urge you to publish in them. We need more about our ancestors in print.

Do send me the information about the new babies, marriages, etc in your family when you get time.

Also, I am sending herewith copies of two documents which I propose to publish in the U.B. in due course. Please let me know if you have any reactions to either of these. My proposal on Abel U, so would make him a brother to our ancestor Nathan U, I. I am quite anxious to find a few more bits of information on the Abel U, so some of this influences several thousand members of our extended upchurch family.

I am now looking forward to retirement in about three years and hope that will free me up to do more genealogy including some travel. It would be nice to project some genealogical travel within the next three years but at this point my hands are rather full with the University, the U.B., the farm and other miscellaneous items. All this keeps me busy and out of trouble. So let me hear from you!!

Sincerely yours  
Philip Church

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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9 January 1992  
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REC'D  
13 JAN 92

Dear Phil;

I am almost ashamed to write. I should have written along time ago but my world turned up side down for awhile. I am OK now but am going to make some small changes. I resigned as registrar of the Colonial Dames and will stop going to most of the lineage meetings.

I have gathered some things together you might or might not be interested in.

During 1991 there were two new babies born in my family. My nephew, Donald became a grandfather and Helen got a new son-in-law and a new granddaughter. Will send data later if you want.

I didn't send Christmas cards but I recieved one from Ann Smart. Will write to her later.

This coming year I want to do some writing. Some lineage articles. Wake County Genealogical Society promised to publish any thing I write. Did you see the one on William Clinton UPCHURCH? If you didn't, I'll send you a copy. I am going to start with Mama and Daddy's family. Then I would like to do one on Grandpa and Grandma UPCHURCH. I need your written permission to use some of the material that you have sent me over the years. I can then use you and the UB as a source.

Helen had a couple of articles published in the Rown County (NC) Heritage Book. It was on her COWAN ancestors.

Will write more next time and thanks for the info. I am sorry I took so long to answer you.

Sincerely;

*cleo*

MRS CLEORA B. GILL

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**Colonial Dames**  
*13 June 1971*  
**Officers Named**

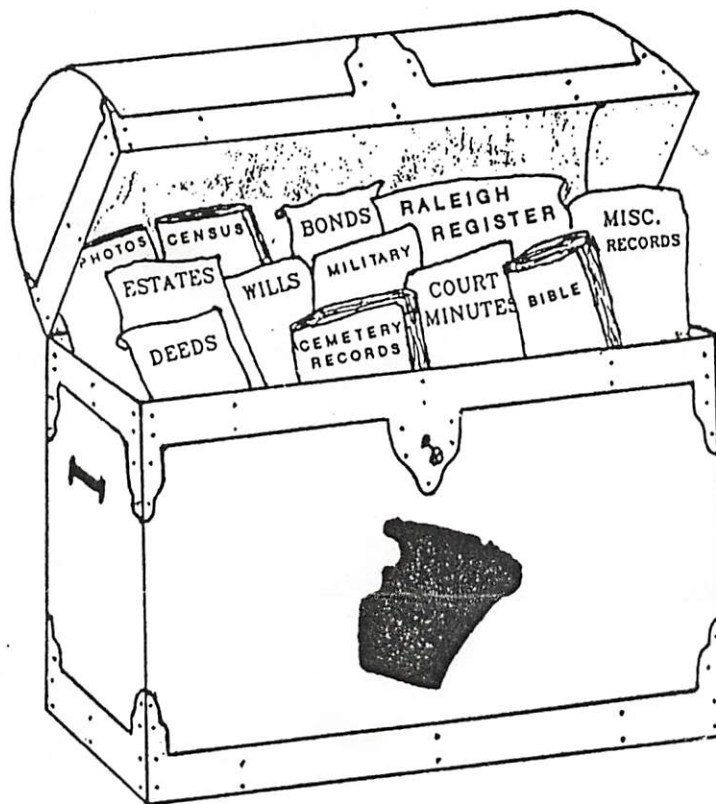
A slate of officers for the Colonial Dames of the 17th Century will be installed at the first meeting of the club year October 9.

The 1991-92 year will be led by Mrs. Albert Snapp, president; Mrs. Roger Macnamara, first vice president; Mrs. E.B. Scott, chaplain; Mrs. R.G. Wingate, recording secretary; Mrs. Kitty Hunt, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Clair Cowell, treasurer; Mrs. Cleo Gill, registrar; Mrs. Ernest McGuire, historian, and Mrs. H.E. Anderson, librarian.

The May meeting was in the home of Mrs. Ernest McGuire, who reported on the National Convention she attended recently in Washington, D.C. She announced that the President General's theme for the coming year is "Building Three Ships: Friendship, Membership, and Scholarship".

*I resigned 7 January 1992  
Personal reasons*

# Wake Treasures



Volume I, Number 3

Fall, 1991

## Wake County Genealogical Society



Post Office Box 17713  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27619

Customers of William Hill's General Merchandise Store

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BROWN, James  
ATKINS, Josiah  
BLAKE, Asa  
BEASLEY, James  
BEASLEY, Daniel

Jan. 18, 1807  
HILL, William  
MARSHALL, John  
NUTT, John  
MASSENGALE, Henchen

Jan. 19, 1807  
WHITAKER, Wesley  
BLAND, Henry  
MARSHALL, John  
DANIEL, William  
WHITAKER, Westley  
MARSHALL, John

Jan. 20, 1807  
RHODES, Wills  
NUTT, Robert  
PARISH, Charles  
HAYWOOD, William H.  
MARSHALL, John  
MABRY?, Mrs Jane  
HAYWOOD, William  
Henry  
PARISH, Charles  
NUTT, William Sen.  
VANDERGRIF, Archibald  
TEMPELL, Jesse  
PARRISH, Charles  
DUPREE, Peter  
SUGG, John

Jan. 22, 1807  
NUTT, Robert  
PARISH, Charls  
SUGG, Moses  
UTLEY, Jonathon  
COPE, Thomas  
ATKINS, Charles  
JACKSON, William  
NUTT, Elhannan  
HILL, William  
COOK, Henry H.

Jan. 23, 1807  
MOSS, Willie  
HILL, William

PARISH, Charles  
BURTT, John  
DUNN, David  
TEMPLE, Jesse

Jan. 24, 1807  
ATKINS, Charles  
REEVES, Hartwell  
HOUSE, Sherrod  
MASSENGALE, Huchen  
LEWIS, Hardy  
HUBBARD, Willie  
ROBERTSON, Willis  
KIMBROUGH, John  
MOORE, John<sup>21</sup>  
HARRESS, John  
ROBERTSON, Willis  
HILL, William  
NUTT, Cader  
GREEN, Hill  
PAIR, Mial  
DUPREE, Haley

Jan. 26, 1807  
MARSHALL, John  
HOLLOMAN, Lewis  
LANE, Edmond  
BEASLEY, Daniel  
DAVIS, James<sup>22</sup>  
GUTHRIE, Saml  
TEMPLE, Jesse  
HARRESS, William  
BEASLEY, Daniel  
BOND, Southy  
BEASLEY, Daniel  
WHITAKER, Westley  
DELK, Joseph  
HILL, William  
TURNER, Simon  
LASSITER, Moses  
NUTT, Robert

Jan. 27, 1807  
PEARSON, Simon  
MARTIN, Woody  
HAYWOOD, Henry  
LASSITER, Moses  
MCGUFFEE, Hardy  
WHITAKER, Westley

Jan. 28, 1807  
SMITH, William A.  
FERRELL, Briant  
JONES, Ting?all  
BEASLEY, Daniel  
DILLARD, Willie  
SMITH, William A.  
NUTT, Robert  
PARRISH, Charles  
MARTIN, Woody  
ATKINS, Charles  
HUNTER, Anderson  
MARSHALL, John  
ROGERS, Aaron  
BURTT, John<sup>23</sup>  
MASSENGALE, Henchen

Jan. 29, 1807  
NUTT, William Jun.  
COPE, Thomas  
JACKSON, William

Jan. 30, 1807  
TEMPLE, Jess  
PARRISH, Charles  
DUNN, David  
VICK, B.  
BOND, Southy  
REAVES, Hartwell  
HAYWOOD, Wm. Henry  
TEMPLE, Henry  
HILL, William  
TEMPLE, Henry  
REAVES, Hartwell  
CLIFTON, William  
DUNN, Drury  
NUTT, Robert  
NUTT, Crader

Jan. 31, 1807  
HAYWOOD, Wm. H.  
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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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5 JUN 91

200 S. 4th St. Apt 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853  
3 June 1991  
813-676-5793

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
200 S. 4th St. #5  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

Dear Phillip;

I thought i would touch base with you and send you the enclosed. The picture page are my siblings. The picture of mama taken when she was twentieth five years old in 1904. That was the year that mama and daddy were married.

The researcher I hired to look for Uncle Wright didn't do anything. She said she couldn't find him. As soon as I find another researcher in that area, I'll try again.

I has some research done on Grandma Eldora's family, WRIGHT, in the Darlington SC. area. The suname MCDOUGAL was lost. Dianna WRIGHT father was Absolum GARNER not Absolum MCDOUGALL. I am glad that is setteled.

I haven't seen Ann Smart in over a year and haven't heard from heard since Christmas. I guess she is still there.

Friday I wrote a short article on Mama and Daddy on the aniversity if their 87th wedding. I will write one for publication later. When that gets written I'll send you a copy. I think Wake County Genealogical Society is interested. I wrote one for Helen and it is going to be published in the Rowan County Heritage book.

I just wanted to let you know that I am still here. We went to Jacksonville in April to see my sister. They are failing fast. I broke my heart. I hope you have a good summer

Take Care;

Cleo

Two pictures included;

1. <sup>Δ</sup> meta Eleanor - Same as Photo File: 91-7 - but with added info - taken 1904 at age 25, the year she was mar-nd

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AUG 1938

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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30 JAN 1991

MRS CLEORA B. BEARD  
200 S. 4TH STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thanks for your letter of 25 JAN 1991, which  
arrived yesterday. It has been promptly extracted.  
In the spirit of "cuddling up" I am processing  
your letter immediately so I don't fall behind.  
Congratulations on the computer. I'll look  
for your first letter produced from it. Wish  
I was smart enough to have a keyboard.

I'd be happy to have your 177 name  
chart when it is available. Sounds like a  
big job.

I don't know where Bartine & boy are buried.  
I know where several of his sons are buried and  
where they lived - some in the country & some  
in Raleigh. I think I know where Bartine had  
his farm but am not absolutely sure. He  
could have been buried there. Another possibility  
is that he could have been buried at the  
homeplace of his father Waldron II, I - at Green Level.  
We know the boundaries of Waldron's 1000 acres  
at Green Level and I have speculated on it

where the Walters & I have could have been. Also, there is a small grave just behind this supposed house site. I speculated that this little grave was originally a family graveyard. If so, I presume Walters & I, his wife & several of their children and grandchildren would be buried there. There are no markers there at present. I think our Walters descendants should buy an acre or so at this site. A good place for the federal marker would be on the green level burial cemetery (if they would let you put it there) which is on property owned by Walters & I and only about 100-200 yards north of the above mentioned grave. It is fact that you and Helen are thinking about this

Re the 1840 article - why haven't we then taken on the 1840 article for the house of Walter & Helen. The picture of your mother is great! I am glad to see you working on the Tate line

Congratulations on your upcoming assignment as reporter of the 1840 census. It is a lot of work to get the job done.

Must away, and make an accurate copy records - ugh!

Robert Philip Upchurch

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
29 JAN 1991

MRS. CLEORA BEARD GILL  
200 S. 4th Street Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, Florida 33853  
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25 January 1991

Dear Phil;

I thought that i was going to write this letter on my compiter but it didn't work out. I need to practice more. Maybe next time.

I am sending some things I thought you might be interested in. I try to keep you up on my findings.

About Grandma Eldora's diary. You can disregard the sunames McDOUGALL and WORTH. I just had some research done in the Darlington, SC area. It looks as if the name replacing McDOUGALL is GARNER. I can find no connection between the KENDALL's and WORTH's except by a second marriage of Nathan KENDALL and only thru a step child. I will eventually try to research again later. I can't find Addison worth anywhere. These people were Quakers. Cynthia's mother was Sarah HALE. Grandma must have been misinformed about some things. However the name of ADDISON came from somewhere.

I am updating my big chart( 127 names) and when I get that done I will send you a copy.

I had some research done on Uncle Wright but nothing showed up. I am going to table that project for awhile.

Helen and I are thinking about putting in a memorial marker for Jubal U. But I don't remeber where Bertus and Diicy are buried. The VA doen't do that anymore. I haven't heard from you Col U. yet

Remeber Kay Kyser, the band leader? I found him in the ROYSTER lineage.

I want to get this in todays mail. I almost forgot. I have been asked to be the registrar of THE COLONIAL DAMES next year. That makes me registrar othe UDC and CD. I am thinking about going at large in the DAR.

I got a Tandy 1000RL Computer. I will write more later. Hopefully on the computer.

Sincerely;

**Clea Gill**

See photo file 91-7 for picture  
of meta Eleanor U, MOT of cmbr  
William Yates, Sr. h 1727 Article placed in his Profile  
Photo of Judith Ann Hanner placed in her Profile

MARGARET YATES UPCHURCH

Born- 1788; Franklin County North Carolina  
Died- 18 October 1857, Wake County, North Carolina  
Parents; William Yates (Yeates) / Mary TAPP?  
Married Bertus (Burtus) UPCHURCH 1808 ?  
Need names of siblings and proof of marriage.

Mrs Cleora Beard Gill; 200 S. 4th Street Apt 4 Lake Wales,  
Florida 33853

*This is a guess in putting out*

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751①

29 DEC 1990

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
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LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Leo,

The pressure of several types this fall has caused me to set aside things that needed more careful study. Among these are your letters of 27 SEP, 5 OCT and 20 OCT. Now with the holiday season I am taking a few days off (don't had to go in for 6 hours today) and am beginning to get my head above water. It is nice to have the time to go over your letters carefully so as not to miss anything and so as to get everything extracted.

First, let me tell you that I had a nice Christmas card from Mary U in Hawaii. I had not heard from her in about four years. The contact now is no doubt because you have been writing to her. I wrote to her and mentioned how helpful you have been in genealogical matters. I know you enjoyed her phone call mentioned in your letter of 27 SEP.

Thanks for the diary of Eddra Kendall (Wright) U. It really makes interesting reading. I am so glad she wrote it when she did.



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Please let me know if you find mistakes in it. She refers to her mother's brother as Addison Wright Wright when I think she intended to say Addison Wright Kendall. Do you agree?

Mary's story of why your Uncle Wright left NC could easily be correct. It would be interesting to know if was one of those things that get blown out of proportion in the telling of if the issue was more serious.

I have spent several hours extracting details from the Payter article included in your letter of 5 OCT 90. For the first time my Payter Biopic make some sense. This is important because the Uphursher & the Payters were heavily involved in Raleigh, NC in the period 1870 - 1900 and beyond. Also I have just written a long letter to Susanne. Hope she will respond.

The abstract of William Underhill, I provided in your letter of 7 OCT 1990 was most welcome. It is now a part of my Biopic. I enjoyed reading it as I did Susanne's letter of 8 OCT 90. Thanks for sending it. It helps to round out the picture. However, I think she and I will have a lot more to share if she is willing. She and I grew up in Wake Co, NC in the same era. We must be about the same age.

Cleo, it really feels good to be "catching up" on genealogy. Maybe I can sort of keep up with the game in 1991. I don't like to let letters lay for weeks and months unprocessed and unanswered. However, as you know, a genealogist never gets caught up because every turn in the road brings a new flood of information. The year 1990 has been a little tough on me as I assumed some new responsibility at the University last April and it has taken a while to get the people part sorted out. I still have to deal with a new Administrative Assistant who is bright but from the 60's generation. Salanne says I have been spoiled by having good support people and this is true. You might say they are making me earn my pay. I enjoy it and want to pull my full load for the University and do - but family history is my first love. I am so grateful to have good interactions with so many cousins such as yourself.

Let me know if you get the computer. I am hoping for a copy in the next few weeks.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD XFD-4751

REC'D  
1 NOV 1990

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
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20 October 1990

Dear Phil;

Just a quick note. I recieved the enclosed on Oct 13. It made my birthday. I thought it would be better if I just copied the letter than to try and tell you about it.

My copien is a small one and I didn't have time to fool with it. That is the reason I am sending W.C. U. obit in two pieces. I think I will ask my Raleigh reseancher to try and get a better copy of it.

I think you and Susanne would enjoy writing to each other. She has a lot of onfo. I am sending frances a copy of my D.A.R. application and a copy of Pattie Aline U. Moring's application. I did not have to have Buntis and Mangaret's marriage certificate. I don't think there is one. I am going to try one more time to get it.

I got a birthday card from Ann Smart. She was in Wilmington, NC. She was going to try to find out about the SILVA's

My Wnght reseanch has taken a interesting turn I have three Wwright contacts now.

I am sending your address to Susanne. I hope that is OK. I have heard from you Upchunch Col non have I heard again from Many Upchunch. I'll let you know when I do. I thnk I'm about to get my computer.

I'll go now. I want this to go out in today's mail Florida is about to play ball.

As Even

Cleo

It's 8 OCT 1990 Suzanne  
William Park to Cleora  
Maxine Beard placed in  
Profile of SWP  
obit of William Clendenen, I  
placed in his profile

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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REC'D  
9 OCT 90

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5 October 1990

Dear Phillip;

Just a quick note. I want this to go out today. I recieved the enclosed in the mail not too long ago. I thought that it would be easier to just send you a copy of the whole thing then try to tell you about. I had only sent the queny to one newsletter so far. We will have to change my charts and add to them. Am sending you a copy of my queny.

I don't know if I have enough info on Mangret YATES for me to write a queny on not. When I was first researching the UPCHURCH's I should have done more researc on the spouses. I thought I had Mangret's parents but now I'm not sure. Next time I come across the info, I'll send it to you and see what you think.

I still haven't heard from your Col. UOCHURCH yet. Perhaps I won't. At least I tried.

My brother-in-law Wilbun fell and broke his wrist and hit is head. Now he is bed with a blood clot on the brain. After my Doctor's appointment on the 12th, Helen and I are going up there as soon as he feels up to company. At any rate, I am going to spend a few days with Helen.

Will keep you posted. I almost forgot. The picture of Mama that Mangie has is dated 1904 and is supposed to be her wedding picture. Mangie says that I can have it. I will wait till I have it in the house.

Take Care

*Cleora*

Cleora Gill

Its 26 SEP 1990 Susanne Williams  
Parks & Cleora Maxine Beard  
placed in Biopill of SWP.  
wrote up an Royster Family  
dated 5 OCT 1990 & placed  
in Royster File.

# Queries

by Janice Still



## PARKER

JOHN PARKER, d. 1806, Wake Co. seems to be agreement her fath named dau. CHLOE PARKER in wil PARKER? Was JONAS' wife WINNE showed female on JOHN PARKER o issue of JONAS and WINNEFORD a periods as JOHN and CHLOE PARK two families?

Marie H. Kuhlman, 11208 Sageco

Several months ago I sent this to Wake county Gen. Soc. If took several issues before Publishing

CHLOE. There ER, d. 1814, ents of JOHN ? The 1800 census WAS LASSITOR. Also along same date twice and have

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## BEARD

Does anyone have a completed copy of THE BEARD GENEALOGY by RUTH LINDENBERGER? I need several pages including picture Pages to add to mine. Will pay for copies and postage.

## ROYSTER

ADALINE SUSAN ROYSTER, Born 3 July 1820 in Raleigh, North Carolina (Wake Co.), died 18 April 1894 Raleigh, NC (Wake Co.) Need information on her parents and siblings. Who were her grandparents? Buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Raleigh, NC. Married WILLIAM CLINTON UPCHURCH 15 September 1840.

Mrs. Cleora Beard Gill, 200 South 4th Street, Lake Wales, Florida 33853

## SMITH, STROUD

Information wanted - DURHAM HALL SMITH, my grandfather living and farming (1850 census) in Johnson Co., NC with WILLIAM HALL & wife LUCY, next door to MATTHEW HALL and CYTHIA. They had sister MARGRET married \_\_\_\_\_ COOK.

Also - WILLIAM SMITH III, from England, son of LORD WILLIAM SMITH

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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Rec'd  
29 SEP 1990

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
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27 September 1990

Dear Phillip;

I had the nicest surprise last night. I had <sup>R</sup>written to Mary Upchurch in Honolulu. Last night she called me from Honolulu. Itn't that great. I can't tell Helen. She is in Denver.

Mary and I must have talked a good 45 min. Uncle Wright was her father-in-law. She is sending some things I might be interested in. I am interested in anything about Uncle Wright. She is in her eighties and her birthday is the third of October.

I am going to send here two family group sheets. If she can fill them out it would be great. Aunt Carrie's name was Caroline Krone. I think Mary is going to send me a pictures of her.

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Mary told me why Uncle Wright <sup>→ [WRIGHT ELBERT W]</sup> left NC. She said that Uncle Wright said that an uncle made him worked like a slave and mistreated him. Another uncle found about it and sent him to Louisiana to stay with someone. There he met the Krone family and later married Aunt CARRIE. Aunt Marie had told me that the family had never met CARRIE. Wonder who that Uncle was? Don't print any of this yet. Let me see if I can comfirm. I know Mary wouldn'y lie to me but I might have misunderstood. I forgot to tell her that I am having some research done on Uncle Wright in LA. <sup>→ PLACED IN BIOFILE OF ELDORA KENDALL WRIGHT</sup>

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Enclosed find a copy of Grandma's "Diary". The first section I am having trouble proving. In Fact the names in the whole thing are mostly right but the info I can't prove-- yet.

I will type up what Aunt Marie told me about Eldora' and John's wedding. I have the Bracelet that he gave her that day. I also, have a gold wedding band that Mama always told me that was my grandfather's. She just didn't tell me which one. I just assumed that it was her father's. I don't remember which of John's sisters was going to the Thomasville Female College where he met Eldora.

Wouldn't it be nice to hear from Aunt Annie laurie?

This letter reads choppy os overlook. I'll keep you posted.

I haven't heard from the Col. yet,

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Mama is Dearwah

□ Uncle Wrights 23 25 26  
□ Cox named Eldora

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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16 SEP 1990

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4TH STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Your letter of 10 SEP 1990 is at hand along with the enclosures which are much appreciated. I am sorry to learn about your fall and hope it does not happen again. The lifetime program sounds like a good idea.

I do have the picture of William Clinton U. I. The screen print (if I had one made) does not appear in my regular files. The picture appears in U. I. Vol 3 # 2 and looks as good or better than the original. Please take a look at that issue and see if it is satisfactory. If so I could cut out a copy and send to you. Alternatively, if I made a screen print and can find it we can have a copy made from that. If I did not have a screen print made one costs about \$10 and I am sure one can make copies from screen prints. The idea of a picture page sounds interesting.

I have changed my mind to show that Eldora Kendall Wright was born in Ashboro, NC.

Ann did send me pictures of her parents and photo for Ruby & Eva. Thanks for the offer I cannot find any evidence of the diary of Eldora Kendall Wright. I would love to have a copy and would recognize that not all the details are correct.

I was especially interested in the club for John William W. Sr. I was age 7 when he died and lived in the Inwood Church Community where he had lived earlier and where he is buried. I do not remember him or his funeral but I was told about him by my uncle Gattor of the pallbearers I personally knew of Hunter Daniel (Partner of your uncle Willie in the D & A worked on South Street), R. W. King (Large apple orchard owner - I was in same class as his son Dewey), Paul Smith (he clerked at the local store), Alton King (My 1st cousin) Frank W (My uncle) & Baxter Johnson. The son of Charles W. Hanner (Charles W. Hanner, Jr. the son) is a wealthy retired Episcopal Minister who lives parttime in the Phoenix area. I have met him.

Hope to hear from you soon about the pictures  
Sincerely yours Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



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REC'D  
12 SEP 1990

10 September 1990

Dear Phillip;

I had intended to write back sooner but I fell. It has taken awhile to get back to feeling better. When I fall I can't pick me up. I think that I am going to get the Lifeline program from the hospital. I will wear something around my neck, thereby getting me help faster.

As you see I was able to get Grandpa's obit. You need to check your records. (as I do mine) I agree that we need to get as connect record as we can.

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The picture of my family. Bobby and Mable are in front of Daddy and Margie and Annie in front of mama. Annie is the baby. The ostrich famn in the other picture was in Jacksonville, FL The picture was taken ca 1910. Helen talked to Margie and Wilber not long ago. Wilbur remembers the picture. We are supposed to go to Jax for my birthday. They have a picture of Mama taken when she was 25. I want to make a picture page. it will be 4 gen for me and 5 for Helen. So if you have a clean picture of William Clinton I.

Thanks for the info on Uncle Henry. I can't get Aunt Delia's death Cent. now. NC Vital Stats. has closed thien records. Maybe I can get her obit.

I am enclosing the entire letter I received from Mitchiner. I was afraid that I wouldn't copy it right. I thought you might be interested in my Quaker Certificate. Daddy non his father were Quakers but his grandfather on back were. It was a very interesting research.

The copy of Jubal's record is what I recieved when we first started researching for the U.D. Helen and I have our UDC Lapel ribbons but have not recieved our Ancestor Bar (Jubal Upchurch) yet. It will be very small but i will try and get a picture for you. → [ELDORA KENDALL WRITENT]

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You can't depend on the info on death cent. It depends on what the informant thinks. Uncle Willie has grand ma born in Thomasvill. Aunt

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Manie said she was born in Darlington, SC I found her in Ashboro, NC in

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1860 at the age of ten months along with a brothere James}. Ann Smart

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agrees with me that was where she was born. Next time I go to the library

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I'll check. I am working on her family. If you will go back and read her "diary", you will see the name Absolum Mc DOUGALL. He is nowhere to be found.

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Oh, I almost forgot. Grandma, Eldora's mother was Cynthia KENDALL, not Lucy. Lucy might have been a nickname. I have that documented. There are several errors in her "diary" so don't print it as the final word. I am checking it out. I wish I had someone I could talk to but all are dead.

Did Ann send you pictures of her parents and the obit of Ruby and Eva?

If not I will.

I will concede that there are good Brunswick Stews but Uncle Dick's was not. At least to me. I will write to those addresses. Thanks.

Will write when I have more, I think I have forgotten something.

Take care

Cleo

Cleo

check Grandpa John  
Death date in your file

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-47510

14 AUG 1990

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thank you for your letter of 2 AUG 1990 and for  
the pictures. I am pleased to have them for the  
permanent Wahneema Lubiano archive.

The Wahneema Lubiano of recognition for federal U is  
also appreciated. Thank so much killed at  
Ballysherry and hope you will know for sure  
in due course. I attended W.C. State with a  
descendant of federal - George Atlas U. He is now  
a retired Col living in San Diego, CA He met  
me last year.

I have sent William Van Gundy a list of  
material and he is pleased although this did  
not solve his name problem. It is nice to  
know that someone is working on the  
Delbe family.

I don't have much on Perry Odd U. A copy  
of my two page biographical on him is enclosed. It would  
be nice to know more about him and his descendants.  
It was known if you want a copy of the Wahneema  
outline for him. It is one page and sketchy.

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If you want to make any further developments I'll be glad to offer my assistance. I am sure he is the individual who ran a meat stall in the city market in Raleigh, NC in the 1940's. I was a teen-ager at the time and remember him clearly. My mother ran a stall in the same market for a while in the 1940's - those were tough times.

I do hope you can find more on your Uncle Dwight. Enclosed are copies of Bufile Files 85-3 through 85-24 (excluding 85-23 which is a different case). You may keep these for your files. The originals were given to me by Mary U, daughter-in-law of your Uncle Dwight as a result of my visit with her in Hawaii in 1985. She and I corresponded quite a bit for a while but I have not heard from her in a couple of years. Note that each profile has individual pictures identified by a letter (A, B, C, etc) and within each picture the people are numbered. Some individuals are not identified. If you recognize any of the unnamed ones please let me know. I have planned for several years to take a set of these to your Uncle John's widow in Phoenix to see if she can help with identifications but have not yet done so.

Sincerely yours  
Paul DePuech  
[ROBERT PHILIP DEPUCH]

It's good to hear from you.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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6 AUG 6 1990

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
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2 August 1990

Dear Phillip;

A quick note. I thought you might like the enclosed. Mildred Hall went to Phoenix to visit her son, David. She looked for Uncle John for me. She took some extra pictures on you.. I am very thankful for this. Now I know where he is.

Your video was excellent but next time could you have the camera on you and your chant. You look like the Upchurch's. We will live a long time. By the way-- The fat man is William Connad.

Thank you for answering William Vail. I don't have much on the DELKE's. Tho I could have a supplementary application for the Colonial Dames for Roger Delke but not right now. I am thinking of dropping out of the lineage groups.

Do you have any info on Uncle Henry? Like a marriage date. I know he had a summer place in Wilmington but I don't know how to find Aunt Delia. We are still trying to find out more on Uncle Wright. We might have to look for the KRONES.

Have a good summer.

Regards;

Cleo

Cleo Gill

Did Grandpa John Sr have a will or estate?

Photo of tombstone for John William U, Jr and of his candy store in Phoenix, AZ placed in his profile.

Certificates of Recognition for Jubal U (son of Bartow U) placed in his profile

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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11 APR 1970

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LAKE WILCOX, FL 33453

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Thank you for your letter of 5 APR 1970, for the enclosure and for the order for the video tape. The tape is being mailed to you now. Enclosed are copies of some of the material used with the lecture. Hope you enjoy it. The tape is being sent to Helen's address as you requested.

If you do buy a computer I am sure you will enjoy it. It would be useful to you in genealogy and in helping with your work with VBC & Colonial Banners. I understand Ann Smart was working on the census so she must be busy. She was to travel to me this spring or summer.

I am glad to have the advice on Wright A, your Uncle. There still seems to be confusion about her middle initial and name. We have several references to Albert as a middle name and several to Elliott (which I now use). The burial notice you sent gives F as a middle initial. I have also seen P. Eventually we will settle on it. Love from you  
ROBERT PHILIP ALEXANDER

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751(2)

Rec'd in Ft 10 SEP 1990 Cleora Maxine Beard DRP4



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Cleora Beard Gill

a descendant of

Richard Beard, Jr. 1718-1776

is a life member of the National Society  
Descendants of Early Quakers, in  
conformity with the articles of the  
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Seraldine Hartsorn Wheeler

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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-475①

2 SEP 1990

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
300 S. 4TH STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

Your nice letter of 27 AUG 1990 is at hand and  
thanks to the help which you are rendering  
through many letters I appreciate all the details you  
sent and have cross-referenced them and  
filed as appropriate. I have some questions but  
first the address you requested:

MART S. ARCHBOLD (Cousin of your 1st Cousin  
1020 GREEN STREET - RT <sup>105</sup> ~~106~~ <sup>Alton U.</sup>  
HONOLULU, HI 96822

This was as of 13 SEP 1985. I have not  
been in touch since then.

COL GEORGE ATLAS UNKOVICH (Ret.) [Not Alton]  
10771 DEL MTN RD SP 173  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92126

The birth certificate for father with name  
Thayer & Henry had to put in line. [For name you  
sent an original and a copy; the original is returned recently]

For ruling in the death certificate change M = MARGARET  
whereas I have elsewhere M = MARGUERITE. Also subjects  
shown also were born 7 AUG 1902 (whereas I have 7 AUG 1899)

For son of the subjects shown M = MELVINA,  
elsewhere I have M = MELVA. (I have not yet checked the other I)

For Edora Kendall (w/ght) if the certificate shows born Thomasville, NC whereas elsewhere I have been Oakington, SC.

Can you offer any advice on this alone. There are not major items but we might as well be as correct as possible. I understand that death certificates are only as correct as the knowledge of the informant and sometimes they are off in middle names, birth dates, etc.

Thinking for the 1912 picture of your family. I'm sure. Photo take 90-70 for me. I can clearly identify your MAM & PAT and baby but am not sure of the girls. Here in the way I have listed them:

- on right hand of Mema - Margorie
- on left hand of Mema - Anne
- on left hand of your PAT - Mabel

Are these listings correct? In the past I have used Mable rather than Mabel which is correct?

Included in the one page photo album are you and Perry Todd W. I believe in his death certificate his dau name is spelled with one R not two. Her address in your old death certificate for her PAT. Don't suppose she is there now. I just listed my 1937 Raleigh, NC phone book - was in one volume living on a

Shepherd Street) I have many Alford in my files as they are listed in the Salisbury, NC newspaper and I copied all deaths etc from the Salisbury papers for my files I copied I could find William Alford (hus of Margaret W) - did find a William but not



The right one. I have the name of two or three people who work on the Alford Family in case you want to write to them.

I do hope you can find Jubal's burial place. It would even be nice to have solid information that he was actually at Collingsburg.

It is too bad your Uncle Dick doesn't give you a slab recipe of Brunswick Steer. He must have made a bad batch. I ~~will~~ always enjoyed it. It is commonly available at outdoor gatherings as well as especially prepared meat and it is normally available in the barbecue places. However, I am so partial to the NC pork barbecue that I have to pass up the steer. My wife makes an excellent steer which is "sort of" like Brunswick Steer

I have a copy of the will of your Uncle Arthur (well as Uncle A. H.) Thanks for the offer.

A cousin from VA called recently and was excited about joining the DAR. I referred her to you. Hope you don't mind.

Hope this finds you in fine health.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Church

(ROBERT PHILIP WOODRIF)

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751 (4)

Death certificates for the following  
Placed in their biopler

1. John William U, Sr
2. Marie Thayer U
3. Ruby M
4. Henry Dodd U
5. Eldora Kendall Wright

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
200 S. 4th STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FLORIDA 33853

REC'D  
31 AUG 1990

27 August 1990

Dear Cousin Phil;

I was really gld to get you last packet. I reconized one of the pictures but had to wait until Helen got back in town to see what she thought. We dug out the family pictures and compared it with the enclosed. The picture of the foun children at the Ostrich Farm are my sisters and brothen; 1-Robert Bruce Beard, Jr. (Bobby) 2- Susan Mabel ( called Mabel) 3- Manjonie Eldona (Called Mangie) 4- Annie Eleanor (Helen's mothen)

The enclosed picture is the one I have on my family wall. It is Mama and Daddy and the kids. Your picture puts them in FL. two yeand before I figured. They must have left Raleigh soon after ANNIE was bonn. (1909). We are going to Jacksonville in October but I doubt that Mangie remembers anything. I remember an Ostrich Farm but don't

Remmben where it was. I am GOING TO TRY AND FIND OUT. That was before My time

Do you have the address of the widow of Wright Allen?

I am sending you the death Certifaciates of Grandpa John Sn. I suppose that Ann sent you Uncle Charlie's I have Grandma Eldona's obit but can't get Grandpa's..

Can you send me George Allen Upchurch's address? If we even find where Jubal is buried, we are going to put a UDC manken on it

Thank you for Uncle Henny's info. I would appreciate your sending a copy of your master outline on him. I have no idea where to start looking for Aunt Delia. I need some manniage dates.

I had forgotten what Uncle Dick Weaver looked like. Helen was too young to remember him. Tho we both remember the awful Brunswick Stew he made in a big iron washpot in the front yard. We still can't eat Brunswick Stew. Helen saw Grandma Eldona chunn some butten once and she still doesn't like butten.

I still have some questions but me and this machine are not working togethen today. Just over look ths mistakes and go on. Thanks agian. I'll keep you posted on Bill Vail.

Sicenely

Cleo Gill

PHOTO FILE 90-20

I have a copy of Uncle W. Allen's will Do you want a copy?

REC'D  
24 MAR 1986

My relatives are:

3-21-86

- John William Upchurch
- W. Eldora Kendra Wright

- John Upchurch was a grocer and
- We believe his father William Upchurch

- So anxious to receive your book
- My mother was Meta Eleanor Upchurch
- M to Robert Bruce Beard.

Sincerely, Cleo Hill

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

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200 S 4th ST

apt H

Lake Wales, Fla 33853

April 6, 1985

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REC'D  
10 APR 1986

MRS. CLEO M. GILL  
200 S. 4TH ST. APT. 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Philip:

I wanted to answer your letter because

- I was waiting to get Grandmaadora +
- Grandpa John U. death certificates. They
- haven't arrived yet.

My niece, Helen (my sister Annie's oldest daughter) usually does my writing for me.

I thought I'd try this time. My arthritis is giving me more trouble right now than the Cerebral Palsy. C.P. was caused by a birth injury.

Maybe during the next few months you can help straighten me out on who was Great <sup>now</sup> <sub>many</sub>

- Grandfather Burtis' father. I have a copy
- a will of Nathans Uphurch dated 1835 Burtis
- is supposed to be his son.

□ I have an Aunt Marie W. Weaver (about 92 yr)

□ living in Raleigh now. She says that Burtis' father was married from England

□ Helen and I are going on a research

- tour of N.C. + S.C. in late June. We hope

- to get to Kernersville + Raleigh. My father's

- family was from Kernersville N.C. I want

- pictures of Headstones among other things

This Aunt you mentioned in Phoenix. Would  
 her name be Aunt Lizzie my records show  
 that that Uncle John was married. All I  
 remember is Uncle John + Aunt Annie Lewis  
 I talked to my sister, Margie Friday +  
 she remembers Uncle John He was a salesman  
 for Toris Peanuts -

Margie is having a family get together  
 on April 2<sup>nd</sup> honor her husband 79<sup>th</sup> birthday.  
 It is also her son, Buddy's, 53<sup>rd</sup> birthday also.  
 Helet + I are going to Jacksonville for that  
 weekend

When we were in Jacksonville in Jan  
 I was given the bracelet that John gave  
 Eldora + Grandpa + Grandma on their  
 wedding day. I have their wedding  
 Certificate

parents

Now for the info you wanted  
 Meta Eleanor Upholt Beard  
 Born Nov. 17 1879 Raleigh NC  
 Died - Jan 1 1948  
 in Gainesville Fla  
 Buried Gainesville Fla

Robert Bruce Beard  
 Born - March 31 1874 Wriston Salem NC  
 Died - April 28 1930 Gainesville Fla  
 Buried - Gainesville Fla

me

- Cleora Maxine Beard
- Born - Oct. 13, 1921
- △ I married William Maurin Collier on
- Nov 15, 1943 He died Jan 20, 1955
- △ I married Chalmer Wyle Hill on Sept 3, 1961
- He died on April 28, 1966
- Collier was born in New Haven Conn
- Hill was born in Philadelphia Pa

I have to close for now. My hands  
are hurting

- This Cousin Wright Allen, was
- his father + mother, Wright + Carrie Upchurch?
- I will writ soon again. I'm trying
- to find a typewriter.
- Am looking forward to my material from
- you. Take care

Sincerely yours  
CWB

- + □ I have William & Upchurch + Adline
- Register Wedding Certificates

REC'D  
10 MAY 1986

MRS CLEO M. GILL  
200 S. 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

May 8, 1986

Dear Philip -

Just a short note I it is my job  
to plan the route for our trip,

I am missing a UB.

Where is Jubal (Burlinson) buried?  
Do you have a military outfit for Jubal  
and one for Nathan <sup>at</sup>

I don't have time to go into detail  
I'm trying to be the postman. On p 25  
Vol 3 #1 you have some date errors  
If you received my last communication in  
large manila envelope you have the  
correct dates

We are going to Kernersville + Winston -  
Salem to do so research of the Beards.

After that we will concentrate on  
Mama's family I want to get pictures  
of headstones family home + business.

I was glad to find my Revolutionary War  
and Civil War people among the Upshures

I hope I can document them by Feb  
Helena's birthday

You mentioned the Denis of V.C.  
 Several times in L.B. My Uncle  
 Lower Beard was Deans Pharmacy  
 at Chapel Hill during the 30's & 40's

If you have any documents or  
 papers that would help me. I'll pay  
 for the copies. This would deeply  
 appreciated

To give the short note. If you could  
 answer soon it would help.

We can't leave until after June 22 this  
 is Helen's oldest daughter Suzie 21<sup>st</sup> birthday

Sincerely  
 Les

Helen didn't hear from Annie Lowell  
 My sister Margie says she saw Uncle John  
 once.

Does the Uphams have a coat of  
 arms?



REC'D  
2-5 APR 1986

April 22, 1984

Dear Philip

After I wrote you the first letter,  
your books arrived in the PM mail.

I was glad to see you had published  
as I was having trouble reading the  
photocopy of it. I haven't had time to  
read completely.

Would the Williamses, that witness  
the Nathan U. would be Margaret Yates,  
widow of Beatis, father?

Have you heard anything about  
Benjamin Franklin being an ancestor.  
Mama always told me this.

I see that Nathan U fought  
in the Revolutionary War. Do you have  
the outfit he was in? I have to  
document this for Helen to join the  
D.A.B. I'd appreciate an help  
Take care

CMB

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD XID-47510

13 APR 1986

MRS CLEO M. GILL  
200 S. 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo & Helen

Thank you for your letters of 2 & 6 APR 86. The  
UB for 1980 & 1985 are on the way to you except one  
issue which has to be reprinted. All the details  
you sent have been entered in the files and are  
much appreciated.

First let me sketch your line and mine:

Michael U I (original immigrant)

↓  
Richard U I

↓  
James U I

↓  
Richard U II

↓  
Nathan U I (Head of clan)

↙  
Burtis U

← BROTHERS →

↘  
Elliott U

↓  
William Clinton U I

← 1ST COUSINS →

↓  
Bartley Jefferson U

↓  
John William U, Sr

← 2ND COUSINS →

↓  
Robert Jefferson U

↓  
Meta Eleanor U

← 3RD COUSINS →

↓  
Robert Phillip U = ME

↙  
Anna Beard

↘  
Cleo Beard

← 4TH COUSINS →

↓  
My children (3)

↓  
Helen Miller

← 5TH COUSINS →

↓  
My GC (2 1/2)

So Cleo & my children are 4th cousins, Meta and  
I are 3rd cousins while Cleo and I are 3rd cousins  
once removed. Helen & my GC are 5th cousins while  
Helen and I are 3rd cousins twice removed!

Your Aunt Marie in Uruguay - Barbara was the son of Nathan & I who descended from Michael & I as shown on the previous page. I have talked by phone to your Aunt Marie. She gave me some information but was not enthusiastic. I suspect she has reservations because her father John William U. Sr. took to the bottle too much. That is regrettable but we have to rise above that part of our history. My father had the same difficulty. Maybe you can get your Aunt Marie to help us recall some missing items when you visit.

Your Aunt in Phoenix is Annie Lavin (Dixon) U. She runs the wholesale Upchurch Candy Co which your Uncle started. He was not first to cross Estelle Barnes of Rocky Mount, NC.

The father of my Aunt Allen U was Wright Albert U & Allen's mother was Caroline Elizabeth Kross (Carrie).

Your GF Nell in Clinton U I has her picture in Vol 3 (1982) of the Upchurch Bulletin. Your Aunt Marie told me her name was across from its Capital Square in Raleigh, NC and that she sat on his lap and watched parades go by. He was a prominent lawyer in Raleigh and his children even more so. one of his dau and the Mayor of Raleigh (Dodd). A picture of their house is in the U B. Another dau (Eleanor Marks U) w/c my Gr. & Uncle (William George U) and they cut a great swath in Raleigh.

Your Uncle Charles U worked for Yater Dairy in the Inwood Church Area & my sister knew her

children. your Uncle Henry ran a meat shop in the City Market and I recall seeing him there in the 1940's. your Uncle Willie ran the D & U Market on South Street and my family grew & shelled peas & butter beans for sale in his store. of all your Uncles & Aunts he is the one I recall best.

Your GF. J W U Sr & his wife lived in the Inwood Baptist Church Area and they are buried in the Church Cem there as is your Uncle Willie & my parents & grandparents & my Aunt & Uncle. your GF lived across the street from the present day parsonage. He ran The Uphurch Grocery Store which was established by my GF.

Perhaps you could write me a page or two on what you know or have been told about the Uphurches and then we could go from there.

In the meantime could you send me a list of your brothers and sisters and their spouses and their children. Dates of birth, marriage & death and place of birth, marriage, death and burial would be helpful if available.

Hope to hear from you soon. Sincerely yours  
 Phil Uphurch  
 [ROBERT PHILIP UPHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751①

29 MAR 1986

MRS CLEO GILL  
200 SOUTH 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

I was overjoyed to receive your note of 21 MAR 1986. The first issue of the 1986 Upchurch Bulletin has been sent to you under separate cover and the other 3 issues for 1986 will be sent to you as they appear. Some order blanks for back issues are enclosed. Why don't we settle on \$8.<sup>00</sup> per year for the back issues in your case. I think that is fair all around.

I have long wished to have an interested correspondent who is a descendant of John William U, Sr (XID-623). As time goes by I will explain in more detail why I have such an interest in this person and his family. Among other things my parents were married in his home on Valentine's day 1920 and he and his wife and some of his children are buried in Inwood Baptist Church Cemetery in Wake Co, NC where my parents are buried.

I know personally several of your Upchurch  
Aunts & Uncles. In fact you have an Aunt  
who is now living in Phoenix and I  
have visited in her home. She is the widow  
of your late Uncle John William U, Jr.  
This past summer in Hawaii I visited with  
the widow of your first cousin Wright Allen U.  
I am sure we will have good firm  
exchanges of details and I am anxious  
to hear from you. As a starter could you  
provide me with the following:

1) For your parents:

- a) when was Meta Elanor U born, when &  
where died and where ~~was~~ buried.
- b) when and where married?
- c) ~~Full name of~~ when and where was  
Robert Bruce Beard born, when & where  
died and where buried?

2) For yourself

- a) Full maiden name, when & where born?
- b) when & where married 1st & 2nd time?
- c) Full name of your husband, when & where  
born, still living?
- d) Details on your children & grand children, if any.

I will hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
{ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD XID-

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26 MAY 1986

MRS CLEO M. GILL  
200 S. 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cleo & Helen,

I have just finished processing your letter of 21 APR 1986 having spent about 12 hours on it yesterday and today and want to answer some of your questions and ask some while the matter is fresh. It does not seem that it would take so long but there are three basic place things have to be recorded and all the checking and cross-checking takes time. The information you sent fits beautifully.

We hope to get UB Vol 4<sup>II</sup> 2 off to the printer tomorrow and into the mail the first week in June as usual. Your copy should reach you before you leave for NC on the 22nd.

You asked about the DAR. I am not too familiar with their procedure but I know that descendants of Nathan U I have used his Revolutionary War service as a basis for acceptance into the DAR. So you and Helen should have no difficulty getting in. To help you on this and other matters I am sending you herewith a copy of my 19 Page Profile (43 items) on Nathan U I. Hope you

could find a lot of things that interest you in  
the packet.

I do not ~~believe~~ believe the William Yater who witnessed  
the will of Nathan U I is the father of the Margaret  
Yater who m'd Buster U. The ages do not fit.  
Nathan U I wrote his will 26 FEB 1835. My  
records show that Margaret Yater b 1788 d 13 OCT 1857  
(W. Va Co, NC) [XFD-81] was the daughter of  
William Yater b 1727 (VA) d 1808 (W. Va Co, NC). This William  
Yater m'd 1748 Mary — b 1732 d 1812. However, now  
that I look at these records they don't fit either.  
William Yater b 1727 and wife Mary b 1732 would have  
been too old to have been the parents of  
XFD-81. This William Yater b ~~1727~~ 1727 did have a  
son William Yater b 1762 (W. Va Co, NC) d 1827 (Montgomery Co, GA)  
m'd 1793 Mary (Polly) Wumberly b 1764 (NC) d 1852 (Chatham  
Co, NC), dau of James & Martha (Barbee) Wumberly.  
This William Yater could have been the father of  
XFD-81 — but if he died in 1827 he could not have  
signed Nathan's will. My records on the  
Yater family are sketchy and I have never  
concentrated on getting them highly organized.  
Don't let me lead you astray:

I have not heard anything about Benjamin  
Franklin being an ancestor, nor have I heard  
the Indian Princess story. I am sure there is  
Indian blood along the way and it has been  
documented for some Upchurch line but not  
for Nathan U I & her descendants. I am always  
pleased to learn of our lines whatever the nature.



my records do not show where federal U(XFD-1225)  
is buried nor do I have a record of the outfit  
he served with in the civil war. ~~My~~ My  
records show he died in the war so probably  
he is buried at the site of the battle in  
which he was killed. These records are probably  
available. Let me know if you find  
anything.

Don't worry about the cost of any of the records  
I send you these things usually balance out.

You asked about me. I was b 9 FEB 1928  
in the Inwood Church Area of Wake Co, NC and raised  
on a small farm there. I went to Hugh Mason  
High in Raleigh (2 yrs) and Ed Cary High (1 year)  
but never graduated from High School. I got  
my BS & MS degree in Agronomy from N. C.  
State Univ in 1949 and my PhD in Plant Physiology  
from the Univ of California at Davis in 1953. I  
was on the faculty at N. C. State as a Professor  
of Agronomy (Crop Science - Weed Control) 1953-1965  
except for 2 years (1955-1959) served in the  
Air Force at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.  
I was in Research & Development in Agricultural  
Chemicals with Monsanto Co in St Louis 1965-1975  
and since 1975 have been with the Univ of  
Arizona - Coll of Agriculture - first as Head of the  
Plant Science Dept & now recently as Associate Dean.

on 21 AUG 1943 in Raleigh, NC I had Sallwine  
Sledge, formerly of Nash Co, NC. We have three  
children Nelda 32, Betty 29 and Barry 26. Nelda  
& Betty are married but Barry is still single.

Could you give me a little sketch  
on your father and what he did. Why  
did he move to Florida. Did it have  
anything to do with the fact that  
there were already Lynchmores there?  
Was it your father or your mother  
that had an association with a  
Gainesville newspaper and what  
was the nature of the association?

Are there any special events about  
the descendants of John William W. S.  
& his wife Eldora that you would like  
to mention. I found the roundup by  
Eldora fascinating and have extracted  
all the <sup>names</sup> ~~pages~~ for my files.

Missing items are shown on the  
attached list. Hope you can supply  
some of them.

Sincerely yours  
Orel Lynchmure

{ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

sent  
card

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MISSING ITEMS FOR JOHN WILLIAM U, SR (XID 623)  
AND HIS DESCENDANTS -

1) For John William U, Sr

a) where did he die?

b) when did he & Eldora marry?

c) For Eldora Kendall Wright

i) what was the name of her mother?

ii) was she born 15 OCT 1859 or 15 OCT 1860?

iii) when was she born?

iv) when did she die?

v) when in 1943 did she die?

2) For Meta Eleanor U - no questions

3) For Wright Elbert U

a) where was he born?

b) when in New Orleans, LA did he die?

c) when in New Orleans, LA is he buried?

d) what were the circumstances surrounding his death?

e) when and where did he marry Caroline Elizabeth Krou?

f) when & where did his wife die & where buried?

4) For Henry Dodd U

a) where born?

b) when and where married?

c) Full maiden name of Andelia Pearce, where was she born and who was her father & mother?

5) For Charles David U, Sr

a) where was he born?

b) when & where died & where buried?

c) when and where married?

d) Full maiden name of Annona Selway, when & where born, when died & where buried?

6) For William Clinton II

- a) where was he born?
- b) where did he die?

7) For Eva Melman II

- a) was she born 20 SEP 1891 or 26 SEP 1891?
- b) where born?
- c) when & where died & where buried?
- d) when & where married?
- e) what does the J. inf. Pollard Jones, Sr stand for, when & where born, when & where died & where buried?

8) For Marie Thayer II

- a) when & where married 1st & 2nd times?
- b) For James T. McKelvey
  - i) what does the "T" stand for?
  - ii) when & where born, when & where died?
  - iii) where buried?
- c) For Mrs Richard Wilcox, Sr
  - i) where born?
  - ii) where died?

9) For Birdie Garner II - no questions

10) Ruby Marguerite II

- a) where born, when & where died where buried?
- b) when & where married 1st & 2nd times?
- c) For George H. Whitaker
  - i) what does the "H" stand for?
  - ii) when & where born, when & where died?
  - iii) where buried?
- d) For Patrick Taylor
  - i) what in his full name?
  - ii) when & where born, when & where died?
  - iii) where buried?

- 7 -  
11) For John William U, Jr.

a) where is ~~was~~ he buried?

b) when and where was Annie Fannie Dickson born?

[THE ABOVE COVERS THE CHILDREN OF JOHN WILLIAMS U, SR - NOW FOR DESCENDANTS OF META ELEANOR U

12) For Susan Mable Beard

a) where did she marry?

b) when & where was George Edward Stearns born

c) Of her 4 granddaughters please give details on any marriages - when & where, names of spouses etc.

d) Assume she has only 1 ~~ggc~~ ggc - Amanda - who are parents of Amanda?

e) For Jacquelin (maison) Stearns

i) where was she born?

ii) when & where married?

iii) when & where was Oscar Lewis Anusky born?

iv) when were her two children born?

f) For Donald Edward Stearns

i) when was he born?

ii) where was he married?

iii) Full maiden name of Harriett Coker and when & where was she born?

iv) when were her two children born?

13) For Robert Bruce Board, Jr.

a) where did he marry?

b) For Louise Sara Powell where was she born and where did she die?

14) For Maxene Eldora Beard

a) when and where was William Wellington Masters, Jr born?

b) For her 4 grandchildren please give details on any marriages?

c) Assume she has only one ggc - Julie - who are the parents of Julie? + full name of Julie & when & where born?

d) For Margorie Maxene Masters

i) where born?

ii) when & where ~~born~~ married?

iii) Full name of Homer Wilborn + when & where born?

iv) when her 2 children born?

e) For William Wellington Masters, III

i) where born?

ii) when & where married?

iii) Full maiden name of spouse & when & where born?

iv) when were her 2 children born?

15) For Anne Eleanor Beard

a) when & where married 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> time?

b) For Eulice Floyd Barras - when & where born, when & where died & where buried?

c) For John Danier - Full name, when & where born, when & where died, where buried?

d) For Frank Sanders - Full name, when & where born, when & where died, where buried?

e) For Helen Louise Barras

i) where born?

ii) when married?

iii) For Clarence Edward Miller, Sr - when & where born, where died?

iv) when & where were her 4 children ~~born~~? Details on marriages, if any?

15) - continued

- 9 -

f) For Barbara Ann Damer

i) when and where born?

ii) Full name of Jackson Prouty and when & where born?

iii) For Sarah Jackson Prouty - when & where born? - Details if married?

16) For William Wright Beard - no questions.

17) For Cleora Maxine Beard

a) where married 1st & 2nd times?

b) For William Marmen Collier - when died, where buried?

c) For Chalmer Wyle Gull - when born, when died, where buried. Is middle name spelled WYLE or WYLIE?

d) ~~where~~ were there any children?

The above seems like a lot but it seemed best to get a full set of questions out on the table. Along the way we will need to address details on the 1st cousin of Cleo - that is the grandchildren of John William A, Sr.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID - 4751

REC'D  
25 APR 1986

EXTRACTION  
COMPLETED  
26 MAY 1986  
RPU

April 21, 1986 (1)  
MRS CLEO M. GILL  
200 S. 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Philip:

As always it was exciting to get your letter.

I reread Nathan W's will and found your Gilbert + my Burtis W. In another document #546 for the court by Margaret Yates on behalf of her children, among <sup>sons</sup> William C. I found a Jubal + Abel.

I received Grandma and Grandpa W.'s death certificates on Friday. Uncle Willie put Grandma's mother as Lucy Kendall. It was Cynthia & I have their wedding certificate.

I'm a trying to document each generation. Mama always to us we were eligible for the DAR. I'm not a joiner but Helen think she might like it. I'd like to be able to give her a choice. So far so good. Not even the Civil War.

This weekend we are going to Jacksonville for my brother-in-law's 79th birthday party. Both families will be there. I don't like large family gettogethers. We go up on Sat and come back Sun.



Mama didn't talk much about her family and almost nothing about the Beards. Except to say that Daddy was "strayed" by his family because he worried her. It seems that the horse raising or racing was preferable over the grocery business.

I haven't found any evidence of horses yet. In fact I am at a dead end in my Beard research. Helen + I are going to Kernersville + Winston Salem, NC on our trip.

Mama also told me that Benjamin Franklin was my ancestor and I had an Indian Princess for a <sup>2</sup>grandmother. I haven't found them yet.

Grandma told me that I got my impression nature from my <sup>2</sup>western blood

→ [WILLIAM CLINTON II]

△ I remember Uncle Will the most too. He came to stay with us awhile after Daddy died. I wasn't impressed by him but then I'm not easily impressed in the first place.

as soon as I get these two trips paid for, I'll get the rest of the U.S.

Helen wrote to Aunt Annie Laurie. Helen has a friend who has a son, David, who lives in Phoenix. David is going to call Aunt A.S. David is coming home in July, I hoping he could bring me some candy.

We were surprised that Aunt Mame told you anything. She and my sister Margie are so much <sup>able</sup> you know the type. What will people say or not wearing the same dress twice - picking up the right fork. Mama was not like that. I am more like mama. I'm short & fat.

I have a genealogist doing some research in South Carolina for me now. I'm not doing any more until I get back from our trip.

Helen has sent for Vol 3 from you. I hope I get it before June.

Will close for now

Can you tell me more about you?

Sincerely  
Ade

Mable #1

(4)

Robert Bruce Beard Sr + Meta Eleanor Lynch.

1- Susan Mable

Bn - Dec. 13, 1904 - Kernersville N.C.

Died - May 1, 1972 Jacksonville, Fla.

Buried + Died in Jacksonville Fla.

Married George Edward Stearns - April 28, 1924

George died Feb. 20, 1975 - Jacksonville Fla.

Buried in St. Augustine, Fla.

2 Children

1- Jacqueline L'wonne (Jackie)

Bn - March 14, 1929

Married Oscar Louis Ausley

Jackie + Low had 2 children

(a) Julie Luana Bn March 28, 1961

(b) Debra Charlene Bn June 13, 1963

Jackie has one grandchild - Amanda

2- Donald Edward Barn - Sept. 7, 1931

Married Harriett Carter March 4, 1955

2 Children

(a) Thomas Edward Barn. Nov. 26, 1956

B. Robert Lee " July 14, 1960

Bobby # 2

(5)

Robert Bruce Beard Jr -

2- Bobby Born May 11, 1906 Rocky Mount N.C.

Died Dec. 3, 1958. Gainesville, FL

Cancer of brain

married Louise Sara Powell Oct. 6, 1929

No children

Louise Born Feb. 14, 1908

Died Aug 27, 1961

Bobby and Louise are buried in  
Evergreen Cemetery Gainesville, FL -

# 3 child

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Marjorie Eldora (Morie)  
Bn - May 11, 1908 - Rocky Mount, N.C.  
Married Wilbur Wellington Mastus Jr -  
June 5, 1927 in Jax.

2 Children

(1) Marjorie Maxine Bn. March 10, 1928

Married Homer Walton - 2 children

(a) Luida Lucille Jan - 10, 1950

(b) Lorraine Marjorie Jan. 14, 1952

Maxine has one grandchild - Julie

2. W.W. III (Buddy) Born - April 28, 1933

Married Sarah -

2 Children

a - Susan Joanne - Bn May 26, 1960

b - W.W. IV (Bubba) Bn. Oct. 20, 1957

Joanne has one child

Bubba has one child

#4 Child

(7)

Annie Eleanor

Annie = Raleigh N.C. Born - Oct. 3, 1909

Died Feb. 18, 1964 - Gainesville Fl.

lung cancer - buried Evergreen Cemetery Gville Fl.

married three times.

△ Eulice Lloyd Barras (Helms father)

△ John Davies

△ Frank Sanders

△ 2 children Helms Louise Barras - Feb 10, 1926

△ married Clarence Edward Miller Nov. 23, 1947

△ Barbara Ann Davies married

△ Jackson Prouty - Jax - Feb. 18, 1966

△ + △ Barbara has one child Sarah Jackson Prouty

□ Helms has four children

△ Clarence Jr -

△ Gerald Robert

△ Susan Patricia

△ Terri Lynn

□ + □ Helms + Ed have four grandchildren

△ Ed died - Oct. 4, 1985 - buried Lake Wales Cemetery

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(8)

William Wright (Bully)  
Born - Jan. 13, 1916. Watertown Fla.  
Died July 19, 1917 Jacksonville Fl -  
Calitis 1870 -  
Buried Evergreen Cemetery Jacksonville

# 6 Cleo

Cleora Maxine  
Cleo - Born Oct 13, 1921 Jacksonville Fl.

Married William Marvin Collier Nov. 15, 1943  
" Chalmer Wife Sept. 3, 1961  
↳ vs WYLIE?

Bill Collier died Jan. 20, 1955  
Born - March 23, 1921 New Haven Conn.  
died of heart disease -

Chal Bill died April 28, 1966  
Heart attack

Due to birth injury, Cleo has cerebral  
palsy -  
Graduated High School Public school

→ [WRIGHT ALBERT W]

Wright was a Civil Engineer working on the Mississippi river he was hit by a concrete column and died, Buried at New Orleans.

→ [ELDORA KENDALL WRIGHT]

Mama passed away suddenly with Angina at 83 yrs. Had not been ill.

→ [JOHN WILLIAM W, SR]

Pappa was ill about 3 months heart condition at 80 yrs.

Δ + Δ

Both lived very well all the time.

→ [WILLIAM CLINTON W, II]

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Willie was with them in town.

We are all English from Mama's and Pappa's families.

Written by Marie H. Weaver



Sept 1980 (16)

- + □ Meta - Bruce Beard
- + □ Wright - Carrie ---
- + □ Henry - Andelia Pearce
- + □ Charlie - Annie Silva
- + □ Willie - never married
- + □ Eva - Pollard Jones
- △ + △ { Marie - James T. McKelvey (deceased)
- { O. Richard Weaver -
- △ + △ { Dudley - George Whitaker -
- △ { Patrick Taylor
- + □ John - Grace -
- Annie Laurie Dickson

△ { 2 things meta knew all these  
 She came to visit from Fla -  
 and she & mama wrote to each  
 other, the never saw Carrie from  
 New Orleans. They lived there <sup>(except the 1st 2 weeks)</sup>  
 ever -

[WILLIAM CLINTON U, II]

[CAROLINE ELIZABETH KRON]

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DOCUMENT WRITTEN BY ELDORA KENDALL  
(WRIGHT) WPCURCH - WIFE OF JOHN WILLIAM  
WPCURCH, SR.

Diary - Page 1

My Great-Grandfather was -

△ + □  
△ + △ + △ Absolum McDoughall and Hettie McDoughall was his wife. She lived to be 106 years old. They had three daughters, Anna, Hettie, and Susan. He died and she remarried John Chapple. They were from Scotland and came over here and took up 200 acres of land between Darlington and Sumter, S. C. They did not pay much for it in those days (land grants). There his children were born. He fought in the Revolutionary War. My Grandfather, James W. Wright, came over here from England and settled 7 miles from Darlington now known as Hartsville, S. C. He took a big grant of land near the McDoughalls. Both bought Negroes by the score to work on the farms-in times of slavery Negroes were bought and sold same as cotton. He put him a little hut and first house he built was a cotton gin house. He sold several hundred bales a year. Negro houses all over the farm (cabins) they called them, and next he built his house - big 2-story house with great big dining room, and a kitchen was a house by itself with great big closets and pantrys and wide porches finished off with great big white columns and marble steps, and door and window sills white marble and a long jockey board on the porch to ride on. And then he went over to his neighbor McDougall and married his daughter Anna and took her home. Then they made a wide walk to the front gate with a row of Cape Jessamines on each side to the front-gate. Then from his front-gate he continued the wide walk to the road that goes to Darlington and Hartsville, and on each side of the broad walk he planted four rows of Elm trees extending to the road and made a beautiful avenue. He was a good religious man. Next thing he built was Damascus Church with front doors exactly opposite to the avenue and his front gate and hall doors. He had the same big white columns on the vestibule of the church he had on his front porch. Its a flourishing church now, and in the cemetery beside it he and Grandma and my Great-Grandpa and Ma are resting in the shade of the trees. He had four sons and four daughters - William Wright, Edward M. Wright, Issah Lafayette Wright, and Joseph Wright. He sent them all to school and went as high as they could go and then sent them to N. Carolina to Trinity College to complete their educations, and he sent his girls to Philadelphia and New York to complete. Julia married a lawyer, and her children are in Little Rock, Arkansas. My Father, Issah Lafayette Wright, won the highest honors as a debater and on scholarship the college could give and on graduating he delivered the Valedictory address-between 12 o'clock and three o'clock he was called to a committee meeting of the Trustees and was elected to a teacher in the college, and

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△ Prof. I. L. Wright held it for 41 years of his life. The societies presented him with a gold medal for Debating and the college gave him a gold watch with his name on it. He was the Greek and Latin Professor for 41 years of his life. Six years after graduating he married my mother (Cynthia Worth Kendall). My Grandfather, Nathan Kendall, came from England and bought him a big farm near Asheboro, North Carolina. In these days there were no railroads and no way for transportation - only by stage coaches and wagons. He started him a big tannery - curing hides of cattle and animals by digging big vats in the ground and putting water and a solution on them, and keeping them under water until all the fur and hair came off, and then shipping them to Philadelphia to be finished off into leather and sold. He took them to Fayetteville and there put them on a steamer or big boat down the Cape Fear River to Wilmington.

△ It was on one of these trips down the river he met my Grandmother, Irene Worth,  
 △ for her, Father, Captain Addison Worth, ran the steamer from Fayetteville to  
 Wilmington. He was my great Grandfather on my mother's side. They were married  
 and lived on their farm - Grandma wanted to come up near the central part of the  
 State, and Grandpa wanted to build a big store so they bought 500 acres of land  
 near old Fair Grove Church in Davidson County. He built them a 2-story house  
 with ten rooms and wide porches and Negro cabins all about the farm for he  
 bought him 100 Negro families to run the farm and had the house full of servants.  
 Then he built his store long with a wide porch in front for the customers and  
 doors and windows had 10-penny nails all through them and big orn bars dropped  
 across them and locked. He painted the store house red in the lower corner of  
 the yard. Then his 2 big barns across the road and his tannery down on a hill-  
 side. He had about 60 vats for his hides enclosed by a high fence and a lot of  
 bulldogs tended by one man. Thus they were living when my Father and Mother  
 were married. They had 2 children--a boy and a girl: MY Mother - Cynthia  
 Kendall Wright and Addison Worth Wright. He graduated Ma at Salem Female  
 College and Uncle "Ad" at Randolph Macon, Virginia. Then the Southern Railroad  
 was chartered and built and the first railroad cars were built at Camp Shops  
 (now Burlington, N. C.). My Mother had three children - 1 boy and 2 girls. My  
 brother graduated at Trinity. Then went to Vanderbilt University to finish in  
 Denistry. He located at Wilson, N. C. and married Alice Barnes, daughter of the  
 president of the First National Bank. Kate, my Sister, married W. M. Curtis,  
 Treasurer and Secretary of Greensboro Female College. John's mother was a  
 sister of Dr. Vermont Royster of Raleigh and daughter of David Royster - a  
 good woman if ever one lived. Adelaide Williams Royster and his father, W. C.  
 Upchurch had four girls and four boys. The boys were Charlie, Reid, George,  
 and John. The Girls were Rox, Florence, Mox, Pattie and Jenny (and Betty  
 who married Carter of N.C.) Grandpa Upchurch had the first grocery store in  
 Raleigh. No churches here, no Capitol, and no street-cars. They held their  
 prayer meetings over Alf, Williams' Book Store. Delmer Upchurch is the son  
 of Sia Mox - married her 2nd cousin W. G. Upchurch who built Caraleigh and  
 gave the land to it. Florence married Logan Harris, a lawyer and only of the  
 children living.

△ Written by Eldora K. Upchurch for my darling boy

□ John W. Upchurch and  
 □ his wife Annie Laurie Upchurch

1) Should be Addison Worth Kendall - RPU  
 2) Should be she - RPU

NOTE - This and page 13 appear  
 to be in the handwriting  
 of Marie Hayes U - RPU  
 26 MAY 1986

[JOHN WILLIAM U, JR]  
 Copy  
 John has original copy  
 John is deceased now.  
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OVER

- The family of John William Upchurch, ...
- Eldora Kendall Wright Upchurch, Raleigh, N. Car.
- Meta Eleanor born Nov. 17, 1879. Died Jan. 1948
- △ Wright Elbert - May 29, 1882
- Henry Dodd Aug. 15, 1883
- Charles Dodd, Mch. 11 1885 -
- William Clinton Dec 7, 1888
- △ Eva Melvina - Sept. 26, 1891
- △ Marie Thayer, July 29, 1894
- △ Birdie Garner - 1897. (Lived only 10 days)
- △ Ruby Marguarite, Aug 7, 1899
- John William June 15, 1905 -

Fam. M. and W. Weaver Aug - 1980

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- △ Grand Pa Upchurch, <sup>→ [JOHN WILLIAM U. SR]</sup> Wilmsyt St Raleigh NC  
- born Mch 3, 1855 - (my Dad)
  - △ Eldora K. Wright Upchurch (mama)  
- born Oct 15, 1859.

Michael Upchurch

THIS IS NOT CORRECT  
RP4 26 MAR 1986

My Great Great Grandparents on my Dad's side  
Came from N. West London Eng - to N. Carolina near Asheville  
His son Brutis Upchurch my Grandfather's Father  
from this community Greensboro near Asheville NE  
near Raleigh. Grand Pa <sup>→ [WILLIAM CLINTON U.]</sup> raised his large family  
- in Wilmsyt St. 400 ft from Capital Square 12 minutes  
his Grand Ma died 1894 but lived 100  
↳ [ADELINE SUSAN ROYSTER]

3500 Lake Wheeler Rd.  
Raleigh, N.C. 27603

(14)

Dear Mrs. Dill,

I'm sorry we've been so long answering your letter. I'm not sure how long it stayed around the Church before it was turned over to me to answer.

I asked one of our members to make pictures of the tombstones sometime ago. He told me this past Sunday that the delay in getting the prints was due to the fact he had not finished up the roll of film. When I get them I will send them to you.

Mr. John Upchurch and his wife have a double tombstone. The inscription reads:

John W. Upchurch 1855-1935  
Eldora Kendal Upchurch,

~~1860~~ 1860-1943.

The stone for William C. Upchurch

rests

(15)

William Clinton Upchurch, son  
of John W. and Eldora K. Upchurch,  
Dec. 7, 1888 ~~to~~ Ap. 22, 1963.

There are two children buried  
on the same lot.

□ Beidle Upchurch May 6, 1897-  
May 16, 1897.

△ O. Richard Weaver, Jr.

Sept. 21, 1918 - Aug. 12, 1919.

If there are any other graves  
on the lot they are not marked.

If I can be of any more  
help please let me know.

Sincerely,  
Jon Guene Deese

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m (16)  
NOTE: THIS  
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15 SEP 1978.  
IT SEEMS  
TO BE  
THE SAME  
- RPU  
26 MAR 1986

UPCHURCH BIBLE - Including NORRIS BIBLE

Printed by William W. Harding, 326 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, 1869.  
Original Owner: Eleanor M. Upchurch, wife of William G. Upchurch, Raleigh, North Carolina, great grand mother of owner in 1963. The Bible carries the inscription: "Presented to Eleanor M. Upchurch from her husband W. G. Upchurch."  
Owner in 1963: Mrs. J. Alvin Register Jr., 4618 Apache Ave., Jacksonville 10, Florida.

MARRIAGES

Wm. G. Upchurch and E. M. Upchurch married Dec. 24th 1863.  
Sam'l B. Norris and Minnie F. Upchurch married Feb. 23rd 1887.  
H. C. Upchurch and Anna S. Thomason married April 14th 1895.  
Jno. J. Upchurch and Belle W. Upchurch married Feb. 13th 1897.  
Delmer D. Upchurch and Cosie R. Dunn married Feb. 20th 1900.  
William G. Upchurch Jr. and Rebecca Pearle Hawkins married June 17, 1902.  
James Hix Pollard and Eulah G. Upchurch married Dec. 17th 1902.  
John Harry Holcombe and Sadie Rowena Upchurch married Jan. 2, 1904.  
Eulah U. Follard and Francis D. Hessey Feb. 21, 1918.

BIRTHS

Wm. G. Upchurch born Dec. 22nd 1837.  
Eleanor M. Upchurch born Nov. 28th 1844.  
Minnie F. Upchurch born Sat. Oct. 12th 1867.  
Harvey C. Upchurch born Mon. Nov. 1st 1869.  
Delmer D. Upchurch born April 12th 1873.  
Belle W. Upchurch born June 22nd 1875.  
William G. Upchurch born February 7th 1878.  
Eulah G. Upchurch born Wed. July 27th 1880.  
Sadie R. Upchurch born Tues. May 22nd 1883.  
William Harry Norris born Thurs. April 4th 1889.  
Delmer Monroe Norris born Thurs. Oct. 8th 1891.  
Frank W. Norris born Thurs. April 25, 1894.  
Samuel Royall Norris born Sat. Feb. 7th 1897.  
John Upchurch Norris born Sat. Nov. 10th 1900.  
Frances Norris born Sunday Oct. 20, 1929.  
John Harry Holcombe Jr. born Oct. 8th 1904.  
Susie Eleanor Upchurch born Jan. 7th 1898.  
Garland Lang Upchurch born Dec. 31, 1898  
Eulah Bell Upchurch born Dec. 13, 1900  
Northern Elder Upchurch born Nov. 11, 1901  
Bruce Royster Upchurch born March 14th 1903, Sat. P.M.  
James Hix Pollard Jr. born Thursday Oct. 8th 2:40 P.M. 1903  
Minnie Eleanor Upchurch Monday Jan. 2, 1905.  
Martha Trezerant Pollard Monday June 26, 8 A.M., 1905  
Robert Carlton Pollard Tuesday Dec. 31, 2 P.M., 1907  
Marion Florine Upchurch Mch. 1st, 1 A.M., 1908  
Eulah Cleo Pollard Tuesday June 28, 1910, 8 A.M.

UPCHURCH BIBLE - Page 2 - NORRIS BIBLE

BIRTHS Continued

Louisa Ribidere Pollard Mon. Mar. 30th, 5:30 A.M., 1914.  
Frances Dodson Hessey Mar. 12, 1919, Melbourne, Florida  
Jean Upchurch Augur July 25th 1928  
Thomas Fortson Murray Jr. Dec. 8th 1931  
Cafole Putnam Augur Jan. 26, 1934  
Louise Pollard Murray Jan. 31, 1934

DEATHS

William G. Upchurch October 13th 1895, Sunday 5:45 A.M.  
Eulah Belle Upchurch Dec. 15, 1901  
Northern Felder Upchurch July 23, 1902  
James Hix Pollard Aug. 18, 1915  
Francis Dodson Hessey Aug. 16, 1918.  
Eleanor M. Upchurch Oct. 4th 1927.  
Samuel Basil Norris Oct. 13th 1944.  
Harry C. Upchurch July 21, 1947.  
Samuel Royall Norris Sept. 21, 1950  
William Garland Upchurch Nov. 28, 1950  
Delmer D. Upchurch March 19, 1955

Pages from a Bible at one time owned by Samuel Basil Norris, grand father of the owner of the Upchurch Bible in 1963, had been inserted in the Upchurch Bible. These pages were given to the present owner of the Upchurch Bible by her grandmother, the wife of Samuel B. Norris of Jacksonville, Florida, and earlier of Raleigh, North Carolina, where their children were born. William Henry Norris, the father of Samuel Norris, and his wife Mary J. Yates were probably the first owners of the Bible from which the sheets had been taken.

MARRIAGES

Wm. Yates and Delilah Boothe were married Decm. 3rd 1816.  
William H. Norris and Mary J. Yates were married December 21st 1848.  
Matthew Tyson Norris and Cornelia Allice Norris were married Sunday Sept. 3, 1876.

BIRTHS

William Yates was born March 31, 1795.  
Delilah Yates was born May 27th 1794.  
William Henry Norris was born January the 14th 1823.  
Mary Jane Yates was born Nov. the 29th 1823.  
W. T. Norris son of Wm. and Mary Norris was born Wed. Decm. the 19th 1849.  
Wm. C. Norris son of Wm. and Mary Norris was born July 2nd 1852.  
Samuel B. Norris son of Wm. and Mary Norris was born  
James Monroe Norris son of Wm. and Mary Norris was born July the th 17th 1856.  
Joseph Yates Norris son of Wm. and Mary Norris was born Saturday the 16th of Oct. 1858.



**BIRTHS Continued**

Sarah Carlyle Norris daughter of Wm. and Mary Norris was born Friday July the 6th 1861.  
 Lewis Anthony Julie Child was born March the 19th 1859.  
 Elic Julie Child was born Saturday Morning June the 22nd 1860.  
 Tom Julie Child was born Decm. the 3rd 1862.

**DEATHS**

Samuel P. Norris died February the 20th 1856.  
 Wm. Yates died July the 10th 1866.  
 Elizabeth Norris died July the 5th 1867.  
 Martha Norris died July the 9th 1867.  
 Delila Yates died July the 23rd 1867.  
 Joseph Y. Norris died Saturday night 10 minutes after 12 o'clock in the morning of August the 18th 1877  
 Jessie Alexander Norris daughter of W. T. and C. A. Norris died Saturday April 16, 1881.  
 James H. Norris died in Wichita, Kans., Oct. 25, 1906.  
 Mary Yates Norris died June 22, 1902.  
 Wm. H. Norris died Aug. 23, 1905.

On extra pages added to the Upchurch Bible were the following:

**MARRIAGES**  
 William Harvey Norris to Julia Elizabeth Iwanoski Feb. 9th 1914, in Jacksonville, Florida.  
 Delmer Monroe Norris to Mary Audrey Moore Nov. 23, 1920, Jacksonville, Florida.  
 Frank Wisconsin Norris to Pearle Frances Hawkins June 18, 1921, Jacksonville, Florida.  
 William Harvey Norris to Minnie Louise Carter April 18th 1925.  
 Samuel Royall Norris to Johnnie Daniel O'Neal May 16, 1925.  
 Samuel Royall Norris to Waldo Latham Unsworth March 15, 1937.  
 William Harvey Norris to Marbrey Thompson Eugg May 27, 1950, Folkston, Georgia.  
 Frances Norris to Joseph Alvin Register Jr., June 17th 1950, Jacksonville, Florida.

**BIRTHS**

Frances Norris Oct. 20, 1929, daughter of Pearle Hawkins and Frank W. Norris.  
 Joseph Alvin Register III April 28th 1951, son of Frances Norris and Alvin Register Jr.  
 Gayle Royall Register July 15th 1953, daughter of Frances Norris and Alvin Register Jr.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751 (1)

2 JAN 1989

CLEO BEARD GILL  
200 S. 4 ST., APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

It has taken me some time to process your letter of 5 NOV 1988 but I have finally finished and as usual with your letters it led me down some interesting paths. All the details and enclosures and your contributions to the Upshunks Research Fund are appreciated. As you requested I have sent a packet of materials to Ann Swart. I am indebted to you for getting her interested. She is now quite active. I am trying to keep her interested as I know you are.

I have written to Mrs Marie Fleisher on the chance that she may be willing to respond.

The big news is about your Aunt Ruby Marganto. As I processed your letter last night it occurred to me to call her daughter Mrs Betty Baymell. Sure enough I found her phone no in the Raleigh, NC Phone Book (I have a copy). She answered the phone and we had a delightful 30 minute conversation. She is recovering from a stroke and has to proceed slowly but is

conferencing with the help of her husband Perry. She provided me many details and I have written her a follow-up letter. She seems to have real interest in Upchurch history. She had some notes she referred to. Apparently a uncle in Richmond, VA has a Bible which truly Margantto kept. We need to get a copy of what is written in it. Mrs. Boyzwell (Eldora) read from her notes that her GM Eldora Kendall Wright was born at Trinity College. (Trinity College was founded in Randolph Co, NC and later moved to Durham Co, NC and still later became Duke University). Randolph Co, NC has a little town called Trinity (I presume that is where Trinity College was). Just a few miles west in Davidson Co, NC is Thomasville. My records so far show that Eldora Kendall Wright was born in Darlington, SC or Thomasville, NC. Now we have Trinity College as a third option. Mrs. Boyzwell said something about Eldora Kendall Wright's father teaching at Trinity College. Maybe you can make something of this.

You asked about Alfred W. He was a brother of William Charles W, I. Both were in business in Raleigh, NC in the early days. My profile on him (2 sheets) is enclosed. He seemed to be <sup>quite</sup> successful in his own line of business so I doubt he was in the grocery business.

I appreciate the detail in the original version of the 1841 return you sent. I must have the details included to compare with what I already have. Some questions arise as follows:

- 1) were you married the 2nd time in Jacksonville, FL or Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2) was Charles Wylie Gull born 26 NOV 1819 or 23 NOV 1817.
- 3) was Robert Love Gull born in Winston Salem, NC or Kernersville, NC?

I think I spot some error in the information entered on this form - maybe items entered on the wrong line. If you so desire I'll go over this again and send you my opinion. Then again, it might not make any difference since you and Helen have already been accepted.

The details you are getting from Raleigh seem quite interesting. It is too bad some of it is hard to read. Someday I hope to dig deeper into the Raleigh scene for the last 200 years.

I hope you are well on the arrival, with some of our ailments it pays us just to say busy even if it is just staying busy mentally. Now again you need good medical help from time to time and sometimes a friend. Please count me as your corresponding friend. It is always good to hear from you even if I am sometimes slow to respond.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
(ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH)

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD R.F.P. 2 1989 XID-4751

Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

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Rec'd 740689-ck # 2299 \$20  
for check signed Cleo Gill  
Cleo Gill & Helen Miller Wingate  
200 S. 4th St., Apt 4

REC'D  
740689

August 1989

Dear Phillip;

I bet you thought you were rid of me, you know about the bad penny.

I thought I'd bring you up to date. Due to a cash flow problem this year, I am busy typing up forms & reorganizing our files. I did buy a copier in April. I don't know how we lived without it.

As you see from the enclosed, we have found Uncle Wright. I haven't had time to write letter to the people mentioned. I have death certificates for Mamma's family except Wright & John. Do you know where John is buried?

Ann Smart spent the day with me in May. We really had a good time. She is an Upchurch. When Helen & I go to the Orlando library, she meets us there. She has the makings of a good researcher.

I am disappointed in the material you sent me. You stopped at William C. you sent me papers all the way back to Michael U. (By the way Helen & I were accepted into the Colonial Dames 17th Century I went back to Michael.) Enclose find a check to cover copying. If it isn't enough let me know.

When I hear more about Uncle Wright I'll let you know.

Have a good summer  
Cleo

Upgraded by of Photo File  
88-6 Rec'd - sent on  
to Grace (Williamson) Turner.

Helen & I were married 19 Nov 1988 in Lake Wales at Bob Tower. They are now living in a beautiful new home.

721 Barracks Street  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
24 July 1989

Dear Mrs. Wingate:

Your note received. Glad you are enjoying your Genesis. Your mention of illusive relative W. Upchurch intrigued me, so I decided to check him out in the hopes of sending you a little something. He proved a bit more difficult than I anticipated but I found a bit on him at the Library today.

I checked the Index to Orleans Parish Death Records for the entire period around his approximate date of death.

Vol 13 (1905-1907) No UPCHURCH listed

Vol 14 (1908-1910) "

Vol 16 (1914-1916) "

However, in Vol 15 (1911-1913) there was one reference, to a P. UPCHURCH. I checked out that reference in the microfilm, Vol 155, folio 80, and, although the handwriting is poor, could make out that he was native of New Orleans and that cause of death was "Fracture \_\_\_\_\_ of skull". Age 31 years. Died 30 May 1912.

From here I thought it would be an easy thing to find an obituary in the newspaper, but there I was mistaken. I checked the Daily Picayune, the New Orleans States and the New Orleans Item, to no avail.

Just as I was about to abandon the effort, I noticed a small news item in the Item for Friday, 31 May 1912, Section 2, pg 16, col 4. (bottom of page)

GRETNA

The funeral of W. F. (or P.?) Upchurch of Berwick, (La.) who died in New Orleans Thursday will take place Friday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, from the residence of A. Souiant, a brother-in-law of the deceased. Mr. Upchurch was married to Carrie Krone, of Gretna, and besides her he leaves three small children. Interment will be in the Catholic cemetery, Father Steumans officiating.

That appears to be the extent of it. A careful check of all the papers for the week or so preceeding the date of death might furnish an article on the accident itself, but I was running out of time at that point. I imagine that the "Catholic cemetery" referred to is St. Joseph's in Gretna. Gretna, by the way, in case you are not familiar with it, is a small community on the west bank of the Mississippi across from New Orleans. It lies in Jefferson Parish and it is possible that other records on the Upchurch marriage, etc. would be found there. Since the bride was from Gretna the marriage may well have taken place at St. Joseph.

Hope this will be of some help to you when you get around to working on that line. Best regards.

*Jack Belson*  
Jack Belson

COPIED ESSENCE FOR  
AWRIGHT ELBERT

THE  
FOGARTY  
YEARS

*A History of the A.O.U.W.*

*America's First Fraternal Life Insurance Society*

By KEITH L. YATES

ILLUSTRATED

Note from Cleo in "This copied from a book Ann Smart loaned to me".

Pgs 21, 327, 328 destroyed as I have a copy of the book - RPH  
8 OCT 89





Same as  
Photo File  
'88-6

John William Upchurch Sr

I'm having a negative  
made so I can have  
reprints made



Raleigh, N.C.



Same as  
Photo File  
89-16

Dec 1942

Left to right  
 Charles D Zychurch  
 Wm. C. " 5  
 John " 5  
 Henry " 5  
 Grandma in center

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-4751 ①

22 JAN 1971

Dear Mother,  
I have just finished processing your letters  
I had a lot of fun doing you for them.  
I hope you will be able to  
I love you both,

I have just finished processing your letters  
I had a lot of fun doing you for them.

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...the first ... the storm in  
... I see Cousin Henry ... was  
... and there looking over things just as  
... a good major should. My sister was in the  
... broad path of the line of destruction but  
... her name was, fortunately, not damaged.

I hope this finds you feeling better  
and that your knee is improved. My  
father had trouble with his knee.

It seems that there is no end to what  
can be learned in genealogy. I see you  
have several projects outlined for 1939.  
You will naturally make progress on some  
of them. It seems that I just sit still  
and wonderful things come to me. There  
are several new cooperators and I have  
to thank just to stay up with them.  
I was so excited today that I got up  
at 4:00 AM and started to work on  
genealogy. I must be a little "touched"  
in the head - but it is fun.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Johnson

[ROBERT PHILIP UPENHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-4751 ①

4-9-12 Sent video to  
Hill 70 Helen.  
Wangate.  
Living at Mat Home.

Rec'd 9 APR 1990 Ch# 2501 for 20  
signed 5 APR Cleo Gill  
\*T Cleo Gill / Helen Miller Wangate

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
200 S. 4th St. A4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

5 April 1990

Dear Phil

My typewriter ribbon just ran out and I  
don't expect to see Helen till Monday. I wanted  
to get this off soon.

I am enclosing a check for \$20 for the video  
tape mentioned on page 30 of the January issue  
of UB. I need for you to send it to Helen. Her  
address is Mrs Helen M. Wangate 3468  
HURLOCK CIRCLE, Lake Wales FL 33853.  
I have to have book & packages sent to her. I can't  
left packages out of mail box any more.

I'm thinking about buying a computer but  
haven't decided yet. I really don't have much space.  
Haven't heard from Ann & Matt since Xmas.

I have been asked to be Regular for UDC. I am  
Insignia Chairman for Colonial Dames 17th Century.  
When they get to me, they are at the bottom of the B card.

Will write more next time. Have a good  
summer

as ever

Cleo

Article on weight sheet is placed in his profile.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

4 Jan 1990  
XID 4751

Dear Phil:

MRS CLEORA  
BEARD GILL

PHOTO  
FILE  
90-2  
JOHN  
WILLIAM  
W, SR.

I found this photo of Grandpa John W. 2<sup>nd</sup> son about the dinner. My Copier needs a new cartridge and I can't change it alone. Helen lives in Texas. Any way I'm going to take it to the studio & have copies made. The picture is very dark & old. It has mama's writing on it. I have another picture of a young boy. Mama has written on it "Daddy about 2 1/2 year a studio in Wintona - Salem, N.C. took. I thought it was a picture of my daddy but Helen thinks it is Grandpa John W. This picture too is dark. I found two tins of film. I'll take all of them with me and see what a professional says. I'll keep you posted. Mama didn't have any pressed pictures outside of Daddy.

Thank you for the picture. Wouldn't it be great if the 3<sup>rd</sup> man could be identified & I will write Grace Turner soon. am enclosing an extra picture if you want to send it to her.

I think I have the names of Margaret Yates' parents. I'll send you a copy later & see what you think.

I'm sorry that we didn't get to Atlanta. Problems arose.

Enclosed find a check for \$20 as a memorial for Meta Lynchurch Beard. As you & she has been gone 42 yrs.

Will write more next time

TSSU says she did not pay UB 89. Name of searched UB 90-75 UMF #5

B4-90  
MF P1, 19

Rec'd 8 JAN 90 Ch # 2409 for 20 signed  
4 JAN Cleo Gill T Cleo Gill, Helen Miller  
Wingate - 2005. 4th St, Apt 4, Lake Wales FL

Sincerely yours  
Cleo 33853

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751 (1)

23 JAN 1950

MRS. CLEORA MAXINE BEARD  
474 STREET, SPT 1  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Leo,

After some weeks in the East in December  
we had a bit of sailing up to do when we  
got back to Tucson on 20/12/49, however, though  
we had no air even here, we were very  
to miss you in Atlanta in my paper and  
up to it for mail to there, incidentally I'll  
plan a re-organized trip to Florida, we'll get  
to meet you.

Thanks for the contribution to the upland  
records and a message to your mother I'm  
sure you'll be glad to see. The picture of your  
family has a good look and will be even better  
if you can get the photographs to make copies.  
What a business you want to see a  
mountain and a small herd as we share  
independence in the future.

With regard to your additional work  
on uplands you long and can't thank you  
enough for all your efforts & expense and  
I'm sure you'll be very pleased.  
Sincerely yours  
Robert Mitchell  
(ROBERT MITCHELL WENTWORTH)

TEN GENERATION DESCENT CHART  
FAMILY

Surname Reference: UPCHURCH

References

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born 1620  
where Little Gidding, Eng  
died 1681  
where Surry Co, VA.
- 2 RICHARD  
born 1650  
where Brunswick Co, VA  
died 1700  
where Butte Co, NC
- 3 JAMES  
born 1685  
where Brunswick Co, VA  
died 1765  
where Brunswick Co, VA
- 4 RICHARD  
born 1725  
where Brunswick Co, VA  
died 1795  
where Moccasin Creek, NC
- 5 NATHAN  
born 1759  
where Green Level, NC  
died 1835  
where Green Level, NC
- 6 BURTIS  
born 1781  
where Franklin Co, NC  
died 10 Oct 1845  
where Morrisville, NC
- 7 WILLIAM CLINTON  
born 14 Feb. 1813  
where Green Level, NC  
died 16 Feb. 1906  
where Raliegh, NC
- 8 JOHN WILLIAM  
born 3 March 1855  
where Raliegh, NC  
died 30 May 1935  
where Raliegh, NC
- 9 META ELEANOR  
born 17 Nov 1879  
where Raleigh, NC  
died 1 Jan 1948  
where Gainesville, FL
- 10 CLEORA MAXINE BEARD  
born 13 Oct 1921  
where Jacksonville, FL  
died  
where

- FRANCIS DELKE  
born  
where Virginia  
died 1691  
where Surry Co, VA
- UNKNOWN  
born  
where  
died  
where
- ELIZABETH  
born  
where  
died  
where
- UNKNOWN  
born  
where  
died  
where
- MACKIE LOUISE JOHNSON  
born 1780  
where  
died 1831  
where Green Level, NC
- MARGARET YATES  
born 1780  
where  
died 1859  
where
- ADELINE SUSAN ROYSTER  
born 3 July 1820  
where Raliegh, NC  
died 18 June 1894  
where Raliegh, NC
- ELDORA KENDALL WRIGHT  
born 18 Oct 1859  
where Darlington, SC  
died 17 August 1943  
where Raleigh, NC
- ROBERT BRUCE BEARD  
born 21 March 1874  
where Kernesville, NC  
died 28 April 1930  
where Gainesville, FL
- WILLIAM M. COLLIER, JR.  
born 23 March 1921  
where New Haven, CT  
died 20 Jan 1955  
where Middletown, CT

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1900 Census  
Headstone Photo
- Fl Vital Statistics  
NC Archives  
Headstone Photo  
Personal Knowledge
- Original Records  
Military Records  
Personal Knowledge

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-47512

2 DEC 1939

100 S. 4TH STREET  
MAYNARD, MISSOURI 65853

Dear Cousin Cleo,

I am writing you a number of your letters & I am glad to think you for it. I was very glad with your letterhead. Very creative? I think I have all the letters of your letters & I have put them in the letter files. I am going to send you about your mail weight in due course.

The photograph picture you sent appears in my permanent photo file in photo file 33-6. I sent a copy of this to Mrs. Grace Turner (nee Grace Williams) in Dallas, TX. Mrs. Grace Turner is a niece of the Grace Estelle Barker who was your Uncle John Williams' s. p. I am sending you a copy of her letter of NOV 1939 to me along with three photos of her Aunt Grace that she sent to me. As you can see she thinks that the female in the grocery store picture is indeed her Aunt Grace. Furthermore, she would like a letter copy of the



lecture. I have written her that I would  
ask you about the prospect of getting a  
better copy. Your names can be sent to  
her through me or you may contact her  
directly - Mrs Grace Turner, 600 LYNNWOOD  
AVE, WILSON, NC 27893

I do hope you may come to the  
Atlanta lecture. It is certainly an  
interesting venture for me. If it turns  
out well other such lectures could be  
scheduled in other parts of the country.

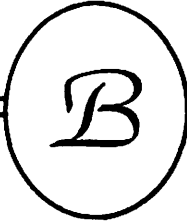
With your blessing. If you collect  
some details on the Taler and Royster  
families I would be happy to have copies.  
These two families were involved with  
the Upshaws family in various ways  
in Wake Co, NC

All the Best!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH

P.S. Congratulations on  
your progress in the  
ministry field and on  
getting an item in  
the Wake Genealogical  
Society Newsletter  
Phil U



*Mrs. Lynne White Belvin  
Professional Genealogist  
1523 Beichler Road  
Garner, North Carolina 27529*

Dear Mrs. Gill,

Enclosed is your WAKE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY pin. Wear it proudly!

I am going over your Ancestral certificate papers in my SPARE !?! time but they look very good. As soon as I finish I will letter them in calligraphy and send them to you.

I will also write up a story for the newsletter about your ancestor , William Clinton Upchurch and send you a copy for your approval for printing. Since yours is the first to be submitted I think that the newsletter coverage will spur the others on who have not completed their applications.

I am newsletter editor and was in charge of the workshop on Military records in Sept. as well as try to work for clients doing research in genealogy. I am taking a computer class 2 nites a week also so bear with me, I will get your certificates to you as soon as I can.

Sincerely,

Lynne White Belvin

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**BEATITUDES OF A FAMILY GENEALOGIST**

**WILMA MAUK**

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**BLESSED ARE THE GREAT GRANDFATHERS,  
WHO SAVED EMBARKATION AND CITIZENSHIP PAPERS,  
FOR THEY TELL WHENCE THEY CAME.**

**BLESSED ARE THE GREAT GRANDMOTHERS,  
WHO HOARDED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AND OLD LETTERS,  
FOR THESE TELL THE STORY OF THEIR TIME.**

**BLESSED ARE ALL GRANDFATHERS, WHO FILED EVERY LEGAL DOCUMENT,  
FOR THIS PROVIDES THE PROOF.**

**BLESSED ARE GRANDMOTHERS, WHO PRESERVED FAMILY BIBLES AND DIARIES,  
FOR THIS IS OUR HERITAGE.**

**BLESSED ARE FATHERS, WHO ELECT OFFICIALS THAT ANSWER LETTERS OF INQUIRY,  
FOR --- TO SOME --- THE ONLY LINK TO THE PAST.**

**BLESSED ARE MOTHERS, WHO RELATE FAMILY TRADITION AND LEGEND TO THE FAMILY,  
FOR ONE OF HER CHILDREN WILL SURELY REMEMBER.**

**BLESSED ARE RELATIVES, WHO FILL IN FAMILY SHEETS WITH EXTRA DATA,  
FOR TO THEM WE OWE THE FAMILY HISTORY.**

**BLESSED IS ANY FAMILY,  
WHOSE MEMBER STRIVES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF RECORDS,  
FOR THEIR'S IS A LABOR OF LOVE.**

**BLESSED ARE THE CHILDREN, WHO WILL NEVER SAY,  
"GRANDMA, YOU HAVE TOLD THAT OLD STORY TWICE TODAY."**

(The above was taken from the St. Louis Genealogical Society Journal)

Submitted by: Violet M. Sink Stokes

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Fulton, Mervyn S. PM

Wright, Lon D. GM

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## FLORIDA

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Gill, Cleo M. GM

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Eitel, Alta W.

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Arp, Hoyt

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Clowers, Richard

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Sok, Mary Heekeum CM

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Christian, Lloyd BS

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PM Freeney, Ananias Jr. PM

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PM Pope, Horace BS

Roark, John GM

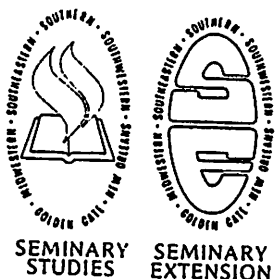
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200 S 4TH ST APT 4  
LAKE WALES

FL 33853

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4756

REC'D  
20 JAN 1989

MRS CLEORA B. GILL  
200 S. 4th St. Apt 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

17 Jan 1989

Dear Phil

Just a quick note. Enclosed  
is a copy of my Colonial Dames  
Certificate.

I just wrote Ann I haven't  
heard from her for awhile.

I'm having a problem with  
my left knee. As soon as it get  
better Helen and I are going to the  
Orlando library.

Suzie is typing up my ancestry  
chart. I'll send you a copy.

Take Care

Clea

I was told I was eligible for  
Daughter of the Colonies We  
turned it down

25423  
National Number



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# The National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century

*By virtue of the power bestowed on us as National Officers:*

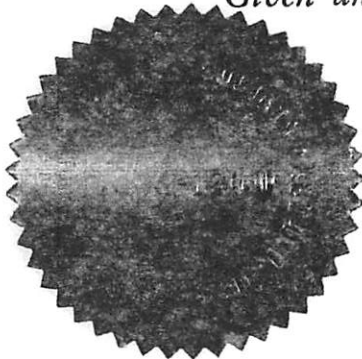
*We hereby declare* *Cleora Beard Gile*

*A Member of* THE COLONIAL DAMES XVII CENTURY

*She is entered on the Books of the National Society as a descendant of*

*Michael Upchurch of Virginia*

*Given under our hands and seal this* *28* *day of* *September*, 19*88*



*Bobbie R. Harkins*  
*President General*

*Dorothy T. Volentzen*  
*Registrar General*

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751C

30 OCT 1961

CLEO BEARD HILL  
200 S. 4 ST., APT. 7  
LAKE WALEY, FL 33353

Dear Cousin Cleo,

It was good to talk to you by phone today. I do hope you & Helen will be able to come to the Atlanta uplunch lecture. It would really be nice to meet you in person.

It was taken me some so long to get to your letter which arrived NOV 31. I seem to get it all done eventually. It just takes a while. Anyway, what you said in most appears to be I have always been curious about your uncle Wright and hope we can get the full story. His middle name continues to be a puzzle - was it ELBERT ALBERT, or something. It seems that the death date of SIMATHIE is firm. Hope you can find something more.

I have sent a copy of the Grocery Store lectures with of W U 34 for and another man and a lady to Grace (Mullison)



Time of ~~birth~~ <sup>birth</sup> of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> Turner was the  
wife of the 1st wife of John William Upchurch.  
It and my guess is that the lady in the  
photo is the first wife

John W. Upchurch, known by Keith & later  
titled "The Fogarty Team". The ~~name~~ <sup>name</sup> of  
the farm garden Upchurch or vice. The  
A.O.W. number a great story for our  
Upchurch Family.

I really can understand how you  
like your copies. We have been talking  
about getting one after the first of the  
year but will have to wait and see

It is always great to hear from  
you. After all, I don't have too many  
correspondents in the Nathan Upchurch,  
I can and treasure each one of them.  
I am proud of what you continue to  
do in gathering details on our  
family.

See you in Atlanta

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XIO-4751 (1)

UPCHURCH  
KENDALL  
WRIGHT  
WORTH  
UNDERHILL  
RUDDUCK  
GARNER  
ROYSTER

BEARD  
PHILLIPS  
PEEBLES  
HENLEY  
TYNER  
HUBBARD  
YATES

MRS CLEORA BEARD GILL  
200 S. 4th STREET APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FLORIDA 33853

REC'D  
12 NOV 1989

5 November 1989

Dear Phillip;

I had planned to write you a long letter but I'll have to do it another time. I wanted you to have the enclosed before I lost them. Helen and I are going to Gainesville Tuesday and I am going to spend the nite with her. Gil is going to St. Petersburg.

I really enjoyed talking to you. We must do it more often. Let me know when it is a good time for you. I am having to type my letters now and as you can see I haven't gotten the hang of it yet. Just overlook the errors and pray I get better. I had a good medical check up. I need to lose 10 more pounds. It is hard to lose weight when you are on Meals on Wheels but the doctor was pleased.

When Helen and I go to the library, I have a spiral notebook to make note in. That way I don't have to look up anything. I came across a very ~~xx~~ interesting notation. I don't remember where I got it. It tells me that Uncle John's 1st wife was Grace Estelle Barnes. I haven't had time to confirm this yet. I think Grandma U. Eldora had a sister that married a Dentist or a Doctor that lived in Wilson, NC. I have written to the church that Uncle Wright was buried but I haven't had time to hear back. Will keep you posted.

I was given a microfiche reader but it is so old and so big I doubt I can use it here. My apartment is so small.

I haven't heard from Ann Smart in a long time. I am sending her some of what I'm sending you. I'll call her soon.

Phillip. I just don't have what it takes to recopy this letter. If you will overlook the errors, I will try to do better next time. I don't know yet if we will get to Atlanta. Will write more next time. Have a special Holiday.

For photo of m/m John William U, Sr see  
Photo File 89-22  
For photo of John William U, Jr see  
his profile.

As ever  
Cleo

18 September 1989

PEDIGREE CHART

DATE

Mrs. Cleora Beard GILL

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING CHART  
200 S. 4th Street #4

STREET ADDRESS

Lake Wales, Florida 33853

CITY

STATE

NO. 1 ON THIS CHART IS  
THE SAME PERSON AS NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ON CHART NO. \_\_\_\_\_

△

2 Robert Bruce BEARD

BORN 21 March 1874  
WHERE Kernesville, NC  
WHEN MARRIED 31 May 1904  
DIED 28 April 1930  
WHERE Gainesville, Fl.

4 James William BEARD

BORN 4 April 1841  
WHERE Midway, NC  
WHEN MARRIED 24 Feb 18  
DIED 1897  
WHERE Kernesville, N

5 Susan Jane PHILLIPS

BORN 17 July 1850  
WHERE Jackson, NC  
DIED 16 Jan 1922  
WHERE Morgantown, NC

1 Cleora Maxine BEARD

BORN 13 Oct. 1921  
WHERE Jacksonville, FL  
WHEN MARRIED 15 Nov 1943

DIED

WHERE

William M. Collier

NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE

6 John William UPCHUR

BORN 3 March 1855  
WHERE Raleigh, NC  
WHEN MARRIED 26 Dec. 1  
DIED 30 May 1935  
WHERE Raleigh, NC

3 Meta Eleanor UPCHURCH

BORN 17 Nov. 1879  
WHERE Raleigh, NC  
DIED 1 Jan. 1948  
WHERE Gainesville, Fl

△  
7 Eldora Kendall WRIGH

BORN 18 October 1859  
WHERE Darlington, SC  
DIED 17 August 1943  
WHERE Raleigh, NC

GIVE HERE NAME OF RECORD OR  
BOOK WHERE THIS INFORMATION  
WAS OBTAINED. REFER TO NAMES  
BY NUMBER.

Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

REC'D  
12 JAN 1989

9 Jan 1989

Dear Phillip:

I was good to hear from you, I'm due to go to a D.A.R. meeting this afternoon. I have been trying to write to you for a month but I have not been up to par, will start now.

All the death certificates I have of Daddy's family say Kernersville N.C. Mama told me that Daddy was born in Winston-Salem. The family business & home was in Kernersville N.C.

I was married to Charles on 3 Sept 1961 in Goshensville. The Charles W. He still was born on 23 Nov, 1899 in Pittsburg PA. He was a postman. When we got married I was 39, he was 61.

I'm sure there were errors on the CD form but we are in no right not don't worry about it correct it on your form I'll fix mine later. There is a CD meeting on the 11th.

10 Jan 1989

Will try to finish this today. My left knee is giving me a fit, so I can't sit too long. We went to the D.A.R. meeting yesterday. I used the wheelchair for I could not have walked the distance. We had to leave before it was over. It was about 4:30p when Helen got me home. Next month they will have the

essays read by the school kids. Last year  
 the meeting was still going on at 5 pm Helen left.

When I got home my Colonial Dames  
 Certificate was in the mail. Helen got hers also.  
 It was dated 29 Sept 1988. My National  
 number is 25423. It has Michael  
 Upchurch's name on it. I'll send you a  
 copy as soon as I can.

I'll look with Cousin Marie. She  
 did send me her family group sheet. She is  
 from June to Oct. older than I am.

I'm glad or better yet, thrilled over  
 your news about a Ruby's dau. Would  
 you send her my address or send me hers?  
 Do you think she could fill out a family  
 group sheet or maybe Berry can?

I had ~~see~~ 2 researchers and myself  
 doing Wright research. I wrote to Drake Univ.  
 and have J. Dray's Wright's record.

Grandma Eldera was ~~not~~ born in  
 Thomasville, NC. She married John Upchurch.  
 A. Marie said Grandma was born  
 in Darlington, SC. I have her at 10 1/2 months  
 old in Asheboro, NC. Didn't I send you  
 a copy of her "diary"? Just don't print  
 any of it. I have found some probably  
 errors. I have the ~~the~~ ~~the~~ covered pretty well.  
 They were Quakers I can't connect

- the Kendall & Wootts at all, except  
 - by a step child. This is my '89 project  
 - along with finding my grandfather Phillips  
 - & Helen's grandfather Sam Cowan

My Grandfather Prof J.L. Wright  
 taught Greek & Latin at Wake College for  
 over 25 years. He & his wife Cynthia Kendall  
 are buried in Fair Grove Methodist Church  
 Cemetery at Thomasville N.C. I have snapshots

Thank you for the info on Alfred &  
 Ann for sending Ann's the ring packet. I  
 didn't tell her & asked you to do that. I  
 haven't heard from her since a Christmas card.

I have to go I think I have forgotten  
 something important.

By the way I have found me a Scottish  
 lineage & Helen an Irish one.

Have a good year

Cousin "Cled"

Sheet on Reginal Gilbert Wrigate placed in  
 his profile - Entry 9 JAN 1982

If you have these disregard  
my aunts Upchurch  
Weaver

2+ Δ 1

Mavis U. O. Richard  
B - July 29 1894 Raleigh N.C. B - Sept 10 1909 #  
D - June 20 1988 " D Dec 7 1967 Raleigh N.C.  
(DC) Have death certificate  
Buried Epworth Baptist Church, Cary N.C.  
Have picture

Δ 2

Ruby Margaret Taylor 15 yr at death  
B - 7 August 1902 Raleigh N.C.  
D 30 Nov. 1967 (cardiac arrest) Richmond VA  
private nurse  
Have death cert.

My 1900 Census list her birth as 18 Aug 1899  
Husband Patrick Taylor was alive at her death

DC doesn't give place of burial says name Mavis  
↳ IMMACULATE CEM RICHMOND, VA

Δ 3

Eva Melvina Jones  
B - 26 Sept 1891 Raleigh N.C.  
D 9 May 1981 Richmond VA (Cancer)  
Have death certificate

Husband P John Polard was deceased at the  
time of Eva's death. She was in a  
nursing home

She is buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery  
Henrico Co VA

Muller Twins

parents Jerry + Soris Histon Miller

B - 13 December 1988

#1 William Hunter (called Hunter)

B - 2:37 AM. 16" long 3lb 9g

Brown hair

#2 Andrew Barras called Drew

B 2:38 AM 17" long 3lb 9g

Brown hair

Born at Lakeland Medical center, Lakeland Fla  
by 'B' section

They are identical twins



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

①

Rec'd 23 JAN 87 - CR # 1728 for #25. for UB84 and URF10

Signed 17 JAN Cleo Gill / Cleo Gill & Helen Mully PO BOX 246  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

Jan 17, 1987

Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

Dear Coy Phillip,

I have been waiting to write you.  
I was waiting for the new baby to arrive.  
He was supposed around the first of the year.  
I still haven't heard. I'm sure he is here  
and sooner or later I'll hear.

I want to thank you for the Upchurch  
paper. You are doing an excellent job.  
Before I start researching the VA Upchurches  
I want to try to get a document on two more  
on W.C. & Buckle U. ↳ document

Our applications to the D.A.R. + U.S.C.  
with my check has been sent in. I wish  
it would come thru by Helen's birthday  
in Feb. I really don't expect to get  
excepted on the first try.

I am sending you a couple of family  
group shots. These aren't our  
permanent shots. Helen will duplicate them on  
acid-free sheets. If you find any errors  
or can add anything on John W. Sr. feel free  
to tell me. My brother Bobby was managing  
Editor of "The Gainesville Sun"

From your shot on grandpa John W. Sr., I  
get the impression he wasn't well liked.

When Aunt Marie found out I was researching

1984-88-8  
Sent 1-30-87  
10.00  
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P. 2. 87

the Kendall surname, she denied knowing about the Kendall connection yet she told you her mother's name was Eldora Kendall Wright. I have proof of the connection Aunt Marie doesn't like me.

I'm not going to tell her yet about the D.R. She thinks that Michael is your Auntie's father. Talk about the "Upchurch's Stubbornness" She + my sister have the most of it.

Am sending you a picture of mama + Helen's mother Annie.

Something very interesting happened. Some time ago Helen had written to Aunt Anne Laurie in Phoenix. Months later the letter ended up in the hand of a John W. What surprised us most was the he said that he could not find any info on the Upchurch's and asked for our help. Helen has asked me to answer it. She hasn't brought me the letter. I am going to send him your address. If he is of the same clan I can send him what family group sheets I have.

One more thing before I quit. In the James L I papers I see where you visited the Colonial Domes 17<sup>th</sup> Century

Office. Does that mean you found James W. I. there. Do you have the address? Helen & I can't find it.

Enclosed is a check for \$25.00. \$1.00 for your research fund + \$2.00 for 1984 U.B. is. This catches up me up with you. I am so glad you copywrote the U.B. It was a great help in the D & R papers.

I found a nice picture of grandpa John L. I am going to try and get a negative made.

Have a good year.

Sincerely  
Ed

I need to know where Uncle Wright L. is buried in New Orleans Helen is going to be in July.

# Family Record

**HUSBAND** (name in full) John William Upchurch Husband's Occupation Greer

Born 3 March 1855 Place (town, county, state or country) Raleigh N.C.

Christened Rip 9 FEB. 1874 Place H. Baptist, Raleigh, N.C.

Married 26 Dec. 1878 Place Thomasville, N.C.

Died 3 May 1935 Place Raleigh N.C. Cause of death: Heart attack

Buried Inwood Cemetery Place Raleigh N.C.

Husband's Father William Clinton Upchurch Husband's Mother (maiden name) Adeline Susan Royster

Husband's other wives (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Husband to person filling out form  
**Grandfather**

**WIFE** (maiden name in full) Eldora Kendall Wright

Born 18 Oct. 1859 Place (town, county, state or country) \_\_\_\_\_

Christened \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

Died 17 Aug. 1943 Place Raleigh N.C. Cause of Death CARDIAC ARREST

Buried Inwood Cemetery Place Raleigh N.C.

Wife's Father Issiah Lafayette Wright Wife's Mother (maiden name) Cynthia Kendall

Wife's other husbands (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Wife to person filling out form  
**Grand mother**

Sex M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN			Date of first Marriage		DEATH DATE
		Day	Month	Year	Town	County	State or Country	To whom	Place of death (not burial)	
F	1 <u>Meta Eleanor</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>1879</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>31 May 1904</u>	<u>Robert Bruce Beard</u>	<u>1 Jan. 1948</u> <u>Greenville, S.C.</u>
M	2 <u>Wright Elbert</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>1882</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Carrie</u>		<u>New Orleans, La.</u>
M	3 <u>Henry Dodd</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>1883</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Andelia Pearce</u>		
M	4 <u>Charles Doud</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>1885</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Annie Silva</u>		
M	5 <u>William Clinton</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>1889</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Never married</u>		<u>23 April 1863</u> <u>Raleigh N.C.</u>
F	6 <u>Eva Melvina</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>1891</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Pollard Jones</u>		<u>Richmond Va.</u>
F	7 <u>Marie Thayer</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>1894</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>O. Richard Weaver</u>		
F	8 <u>Birdie Garner</u>	<u>Lived today</u>		<u>1897</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>			<u>1897</u> <u>Raleigh, N.C.</u>
F	9 <u>Ruby Margaret</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>1898</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Patrick Taylor</u>		
M	10 <u>John William Jr.</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>1905</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>Annie Laurie Dixon</u>		

[DICKSON]

(F)

Footnotes =

Maries' 1<sup>st</sup> Husband - James T. McKelvey □

Ruby 1<sup>st</sup> Husband George Whitaker □

John's 1<sup>st</sup> wife Grace □

Homeplace 107 S.W. Livingston, St. Raleigh, N.C. } [Purchase Home Place?]

# Family Record

1904

Relationship of  
Husband to person  
filling out form

PARENTS  
Father

**HUSBAND** (name in full) Robert Bruce BEARD Husband's Occupation Engineer  
 born 21 MARCH 1874 Place (town, county, state or country) WINSTON SALEM (Forsyth) N.C.  
 christened \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 married 31 MAY 1906 Place RALEIGH (Wake) N.C.  
 died 26 April 1930 Place GAINESVILLE (Alachua) FL Cause of death Hodgkin's Disease  
 buried 29 April 1930 Place Evergreen Cemetery Gainesville, FL  
 husband's Father James William BEARD Husband's (maiden name) Mother Susan Jane Phillips  
 husband's other wives (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of  
Wife to person  
filling out form

Mother

**WIFE** (maiden name in full) Meta Eleanor LIPCHURCH  
 born 17 Nov 1879 Place (town, county, state or country) Raleigh (Wake) N.C.  
 christened \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 died 1 JAN 1948 Place GAINESVILLE (Alachua) FL Cause of Death PNEUMONIA  
 buried 3 JAN 1948 Place Evergreen Cemetery  
 Wife's Father JOHN William LIPCHURCH Wife's (maiden name) Mother Eledora Kendall WRIGHT  
 Wife's other husbands (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth	WHEN BORN Day Month Year	WHERE BORN			Date of first Marriage To whom	DEATH DATE Place of death (not burial)
			Town	County	State or Country		
F	1 <u>Susan Mable</u>	<u>13 Dec 1904</u>	<u>KERNESVILLE</u>		<u>N.C.</u>	<u>26 APRIL 1927</u> <u>George Stearns</u>	<u>1 MAY 1972</u> <u>Jacksonville, FL</u>
M	2 <u>Robert Bruce Jr.</u>	<u>11 MAY 1906</u>	<u>Rocky Mount</u>		<u>N.C.</u>	<u>6 Oct 1929</u> <u>Louise Powell</u>	<u>3 Dec 1958</u> <u>GAINESVILLE, FL</u>
F	3 <u>Marjorie Eldora</u>	<u>11 MAY 1908</u>	<u>Rocky Mount</u>		<u>N.C.</u>	<u>5 June 1927</u> <u>W.W. Masters, JR.</u>	
F	4 <u>ANNIE Eleanor</u>	<u>3 Oct 1909</u>	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>Wake</u>	<u>N.C.</u>	<u>20 April 1925</u> <u>U.L. BARRAS</u>	<u>18 Feb. 1964</u> <u>Lake Wales, FL</u>
M	5 <u>William Wright</u>	<u>13 Jan 1916</u>	<u>Watertown</u>		<u>FL</u>		<u>19 July 1917 (18mo)</u> <u>Jacksonville, FL</u>
F	6 <u>Cleora Maxine</u>	<u>13 Oct. 1921</u>	<u>Jacksonville</u>	<u>Duval</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>15 Nov 1943</u> <u>William COLLIER Jr.</u>	
	7						
	8						
	9						
	10						

Name and address of person filling out this form Cleora Beard Gill 200 So. 4<sup>th</sup> St. A4 Lake Wales (Polk) FL 33853 (5)

1. <sup>□</sup> Cleora married <sup>□</sup> Chalmer Wylie Gill 3 Sept. 1961
2. <sup>□</sup> Father educated A+M College, Raleigh N.C. - worked as Engineer
3. <sup>△</sup> Mother educated Meridith College was a pianist AND Home maker

<sup>△</sup> Meta Upchurch BEARD was bedridden for over three (3) years due to a series of strokes (3).

She died 1 JAN. 1948 of PNEUMONIA - during her illness she was bedridden.

The liver ailment was MIS information to you.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD XID-4751 (1)

REC'D 2 MAY 14 87 Ch # 1781 for ID for 1/2 554 <sup>1987</sup> P.2-RF  
54.

RAF signed Cleo Gill

Cleo Gill & Helen Muller  
PO BOX 246  
Labe Waler, FL 33853

Cleo Gill  
200 S. 47th St  
Labe Waler, FL 33853

Letter processed  
in detail &  
answered  
3 MAY 1987

April 29, 1987

Dear Phil,

Just a quick note for an update. Helen was notified last night that her DBR membership came thru. I don't have her number yet. I'll send it later.

I was notified the last of March that our U. D. E. membership was granted. We will be presented our certificates at a luncheon at the country club May 27.

Wonder if anyone else has gone in on Jubal W. record.

We have always felt right about using the Upchurch lineage. I did not realize how lucky we were till last month.

The problem I had in my Beard research suddenly resolved itself. My Beard & grandfather on both were Quakers. I'm hoping for a Mayflower connection.

I need to verify my Upchurch Colonial. I need more info on the Rykers and Yates, get



I hope you + yours have a nice summer.

You dont have to answer this as I'll work again when we get our certificates.

△ ( Did you ever hear from John R. Upchurch in Phoenix. I sent him one of your letters

Take care  
Coy Cbs

P.S. I tried to get a copy of Burtis U military record but the Archives say its lost. Do you have a copy

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-4751 (6)

MAILED

140 ...  
... ST ...  
... FL 32533

Dear Mrs Clea

I am glad for your letter of 27/1/54 and for the  
 information of the upland research fund. It is  
 very good to hear you are now OAC. I would  
 like to see members when it comes. You get  
 some efforts at getting into both OAC and OOC will  
 be done for the time being. I will be sure  
 to do so the OAC including your members. And you  
 do the OOC in public records? I have always been  
 interested in the gene and history since because they  
 are so important in upland history but now seem  
 to have any systematic research on them. I suggest you  
 will find a family history on one or both families  
 if you start to work on them. I would also like  
 to have a copy of one or found even if it has to  
 be copied. I am not sure how far back it of them  
 but hope to hear from you for sending him the flyer  
 about the upland history for 1781 & 1815. I was  
 born in 1815 and was too young for the Revolution  
 I had before the Mexican War & the Civil War. This  
 became only the War of 1812 and only a few served in  
 that war. One who did was Suffered, a 1st cousin of yours.  
 I am glad your recent letter prompts me to go back  
 and to answer your letters since I had not done so

I am trying to do what I can  
 to get a list of other subjects who would not be in the  
 list. I suppose to do and may see  
 of them from all my correspondents but we have  
 to rely on whatever information is available to the  
 presence of the movement. All information is given  
 unless indicated by

NOV 1976

John Williams (A-104) died 20 MAY 1976  
 in Kansas in Kansas was known that he  
 was in Kansas in 1975 in Raleigh,  
 NC.

My best information, which is reliable, is that  
 your uncle Dwight Albert (A-471) was killed  
 in New Orleans LA in an accident in DEC 1911  
 or 1912.

No further information is available on the wife  
 of Richard II (A-104)

No details are available on the name for federal (A-104)  
 was never for me they describe the circumstances  
 of federal (A-104) as quite reliable.

NOV 1976

Your list of names which suggest Peter (A-8) was  
 born in 1910 and never my records show she was born  
 in 1911 and died in 1948 in Williams (A-104)  
 in Kansas, MO and 1948 May — b. 1912 A-12. I hope  
 you can find more on this family. Thank you for  
 the contribution to the Oklahoma Research Fund as  
 a memorial to your mother. A note of this has  
 appeared in the U B.



in the summer of 1911, the following items were  
 found in the files of the FBI in Washington DC on FEB 11 1931 I did not  
 record an address. I had a card in your file  
 the address of J. Kelly in Texas who would know  
 what was passed with you 37 AN 1130. He is

NOVELLA McCAULEY  
 102 VILLAGE DRIVE  
 MORRISVILLE, VA 24553

There is a number of the National Republican Digest of  
 the National Bureau of the Seventeenth Century of  
 Louisiana, Paris

My plane goes to New Orleans in July and has time  
 it would really be great if she could go to  
 the library or archives or wherever else she  
 might find the copies of newspapers for past  
 years if she could scan the newspapers  
 and especially the obituaries starting in November  
 1911 I think there is an excellent chance she  
 could find something on Wright that I  
 including where he is buried. My understanding  
 is that he was killed in an accident so  
 there might be a news item as well as  
 an obituary.

As to the other items in the data sheet you  
 applied some of the items are different from what  
 I had on hand and I shall be asking some  
 questions below about these and also about  
 some other missing items. How are the questions:

- 1) ... name, line - ...
- 2) ... date 22 APR 1872 ...
- 3) ... date 23 APR ...

Melina ... date 20 SEP 1871 ...

- 1) ... name ...
- 2) ... name spelled ...

- 1) where was ...
- 2) where was ...
- 3) where was ...
- 4) where was ...
- 5) where was ...
- 6) where was ...
- 7) where was ...
- 8) where was ...

- 1) What is the full name of Harriett Coker and where was she born?
- 2) What is the full name of Brenda Crawford and where was she born & where born? Did they have any children?

11) name Elizabeth

- 1) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
- 2) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
- 3) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?

- 4) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
- 5) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?

- 6) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
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- 8) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
- 9) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?

- 10) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?
- 11) What is the name of her husband and where was he born?

It is just to catch up with our correspondence. I will try best to be sincerely yours,  
 Robert Phillip Upton  
 (ROBERT PHILIP UPTON)

CLEO MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

(1)

Proven Fully  
& answered  
3 MAY 1987

REC'D  
13 MAR 87

March 10, 1987

CLEO BEARD GILL  
200 S. 4 ST Apt 4  
Lake Wales, FL  
33853

Dear Phillip

I thought I had better bring you  
up to date.

I haven't heard from you lately.  
I hope you are just busy, not ill;

I have a new & grandnephew

△ Daniel Louis Dowdy born B - Jan 6, 1987  
parents Julie Ansley & Leon Dowdy. The  
grandparents are Jackie Stearns & Louis  
Ansley. Jackie is my niece. I don't have  
handy the XID numbers you gave them;

Well my Upchurch research paid  
off. Thanks to you and the U. B.'s  
I loved me lots of time.

As of 6 Feb. 1987. I am co member  
of the D.A.R. my number is 706 421

We had an interesting development  
with Helen's application. Hers was  
returned with a copy of Raths U. Mornings  
application. Instead of the ancestor  
being Nathan Upchurch, it named  
William Yates. It had Raths's  
same number. We had applied thro  
Nathan U. Mine went thro in about



2 mo. It took a year for aunt Patti's application 1 year to be approved.

You might be interested to know that, since I didn't have much on Burt's U I used the UB you had printed an outline of the Burt's family. It carries his line all the way down to mama. I copied that along with the title page. Luckily you put the copy <sup>sent</sup> on the same page. It would not have been accepted with out the copy ~~sent~~ right. The cost was \$38

We didn't get our U.D.C. applications in until after the Christmas. It is going to be a interesting year. I was given the official Card on Jubal U. If you want a copy let me know.

I haven't started my Colonial research yet

Take Care, Coy  
Cleo.

P.S. I didn't get the Jan 87 issue of U. B.

Did you have a nice birthday? Would like to talk to you some time. Could you send me a copy your membership letter?

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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

Processed in detail  
and answered  
3 MAY 1987

Nov. 22 1986

Dear Coy

I have been trying to write to you  
for days.

Enclosed find a check for \$30.  
15 of which is for my membership dues.  
The other \$15 is for a memorial for mama  
Meta Eleanor Upchurch Beard. Her  
birth day was Nov 17. She would have been  
107 years old. She died on Jan. 1, 1948,  
38 years ago.

I have been going thru the past U B's  
making note. My Upchurch <sup>research</sup> has hit a snag.  
Do we know who Richard II wife is,  
As soon as I can get a copy of the  
article in which Helen + I were voted in  
the UDC (United Daughters of the  
Confederacy). We havent been accepted  
by headquarters yet. The same goes for  
the D.A.R.

Do we know where Margaret ~~Gates~~  
was born?

Hope you have a special calendar  
after the first of the year I'll get the  
1984 U.B. 2

Sincerely  
Ole 24

CLEO MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

12/14/57

Mr. Cleo E. ...  
...  
...

Dear Mr. Cleo,

I have been so busy and to let you know  
I have slipped off the mail bag I have  
not responded to recent letters from you  
and when last my schedule have Christmas  
has been rather tight. I have had to work at  
the office quite a few weeks end. Then plus  
the planning and getting and U.B. Vol 11 have  
left me with a backlog of letters to work over.  
I will always have for time in the future - but  
today is indeed Tax Day - the 15th 1957  
I have been working in general since

It was really you & I learn about your  
message in getting into U.B. and Helen get in  
it. The U.B. is always available in the third month  
of the quarter (and so on in March, etc). Trust  
you will come by now.

More later

Sincerely yours  
Paul Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

...  
...  
if you need more.

letter received  
in default answered  
3 MAY 1987

REC'D  
23 OCT 86

CLEO BEARD GILL

200 S 4th ST

①

apt #

Lake Wales Fla 33853

Oct 20, 1986 [20 OCT 1986]  
↓  
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Dear Phil.

I guess you had given me up. I was waiting for some info to come in before I wrote you. I am enclosing some info I didn't know whether you had this or not.

Our application papers are in to the D.A.R. + U.D.C. (Daughters of Confederates). I hope I have done the right thing. I would like to withdraw my application but Helen says that she won't do in if I don't. I didn't realize the petty politics + jealousies among the different chapters. It is hard for me to tolerate pertness without picking.

My Upchurch research is at a slow point right now. I have been going through the back issues of UB page by page. I am hoping to find a death date for Uncle John + Uncle Wright. Uncle Wright was killed in New Orleans.

It would help if I had John's marriage date to Annie Lawrence Dixon. I am trying to do Grandma Elora's diary. Did I?

your one? I have found several errors in Ch  
 "Mary" Her grandmother was not Irene Worth  
 but Sarah Hale. Would it be something if  
 Sarah H. was a descendent of Nathan Hale?

I found my "Quaker blood" that grandma <sup>U</sup>  
 told me about. Nathan Kendall + his father  
 John were; tho not very good ones.

In Vol 3 Jan 1982; you had a real  
 good outline of the Buatis family. We made copies  
 of that and submitted it with the rest of the  
 papers for the D.A.R. + the U.D.C. If they accept  
 this it sure would help and save some time.

I was going to ask you about Richard U. L.  
 Nathan U. father. My mind is a blank  
 right. After the first of the year would you  
 help me - Who was Nathan U. I. mother?

Thank you for putting your permissions  
 in writing. I'm sure I'll be needing it

I have resumed my seminary course  
 present I am studying Hebrew. My study  
 days are Tuesday & Wednesday. I got 100 AT  
 on my first test.

Hope all is well with you & yours.  
 My yearly physical exam came on my birthday  
 Dr says I'm in good health.

Helen came thro her first year of  
 widowhood fine. She is a private person

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She like me, doesn't get lonely or need people  
around all the time. I would have rather  
have her busy than sitting around on my  
your remark about WC that being a  
pillar of society reminded me of something  
Mama said to me once, She said that Daddy's  
family had kicked him out for marrying  
beneath himself. It seems that money or  
fortune made from horses was more  
respectable than money from groceries -  
I have not found any horses yet. In fact  
I have hit a brick wall in my Grand  
research,

Florida finally got some cool weather  
Feels great Take care

Sincerely yours  
Ceb

How about a picture

I almost forgot to tell you Injan is going to  
get a great great nephew.

^ Jubal Upchurch

muster roll - Jan - Feb. 1863  
present

muster roll Jan Feb 1864  
absent

Payt paid by Capt. Thomas April 30 1863

wounded at Gettysburg July 1 1863

not heard from since

appeared on Honor roll Volunteer

His outfit was:

Co E 47th Infantry Private

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Upchurch				
Δ Charles	ne	S	16562	} (note)
Δ Moses	ne	S	7774	
Δ Nathan	ne	S	7773	



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-4751

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6 FEB 1951

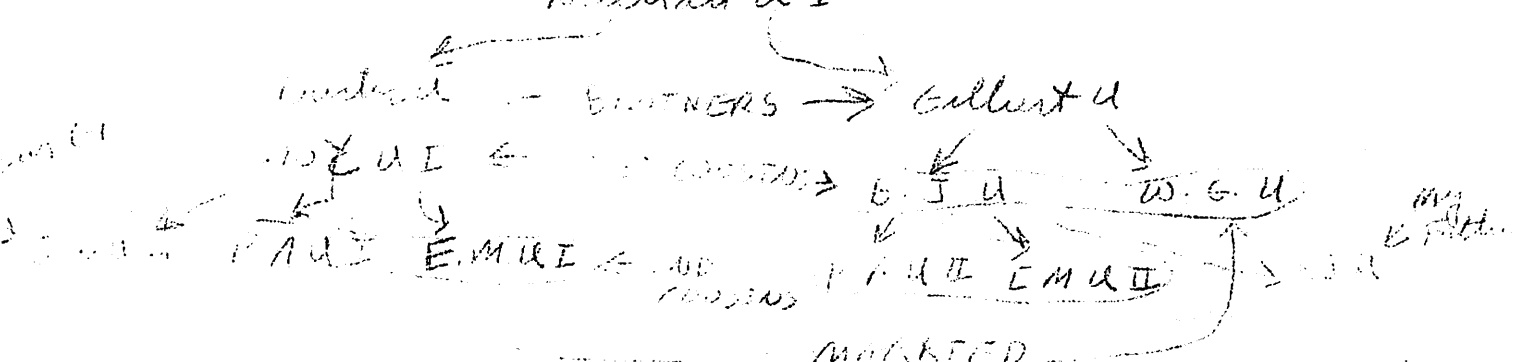
MR. MAX BEARD  
1000 4th St. Apt 4  
LAKE WALKER, LA 70553

Dear Cousin Cleora,

Your letter of 1/20/51 arrived promptly but  
during the past few September may or more delay. Time  
has led to me getting more behind on genealogy  
than is respectable. I'll have to take a week  
off and catch up!

I'm glad for the pictures. I'm proud of  
the big white stone for our parents. The stone  
for the 1st of 1870 for my Aunt Patsie.

Alma & E. XED-116, dau of Montley Jefferson U.  
My Aunt Patsie was a member of Patsie Alma U II  
XED-626, dau of William Clinton U, I. In fact +  
my Aunt's name came after dau of W.C. U. I. My  
Aunt's name was because of their name, but  
much younger. Here is a sketch



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F. A. U. I. and E. M. U. I. were elegant ladies of society in Raleigh, NC and my GF B. J. U. who farmed in the country, no doubt looked upon her 1st cousin W. C. U. I. as being a pillar of society. They were all tied together because W. G. U. (my GF's brother) and E. M. U. I.

I think the DAR will accept the records of Pathe Aline U. I. because I am fairly sure they have done so before. You may take this letter as my full permission as editor and owner of the Upchurch Bulletin to use anything in the Bulletin to establish your membership in the DAR.

I have checked my files and do not have a copy of the death certificate for W. C. U. I.

The Upchurch family does not have a family crest. There are some floating around but they are fakes. Don't buy one.

I hope you are feeling better now and that Helen is over her rough period. Let me hear from you all.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

P.S. I trust you got UB 1983

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751 ①

REC'D 15 AUG 86 ch  
# 1631 for 12.50 signed  
13 AUG 86 Cleo Bull  
PO Box 246  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

sent 8-18-86

200 S 4th St apt 4  
Lake Wales FL 33853  
August 13, 1981

B-8-83

Dear Phil.

I'm sorry to keep you waiting. I was hoping that Nathan Co. service record would come in. The Archives has cashed my check.

I have several questions for you and some things to tell you but I don't think I'm up to a long letter today. I have a medical problem minor tho it may be, I feel wiped out. As soon as the infection clears up I'll have some minor surgery in the Dr's office.

about the enclosed picture of Patti W, the date don't go with Patti A. W. Moroy's date. Is this another one?

Phil, I thought you might like the <sup>the</sup> one after I got home I went back and read your article on Avery C. Upchurch. I realized we did belong. I'm a devout Edward I can't tell Aunt Marie. She thinks

Michael T is Beatie's father. As soon as I can I'll send you a picture of Aunt Marie I have only grandpa + grandmas I want you to have.

If I told you I had a picture of W & B and his son in the grocery store.

I was wrong. It is Grandpa John + his son John I will try to get a copy for you as soon as I can

School is about to start and Helen is busy trying to get things done. She is her last year to drive the school bus. When school start she is very busy the first 3 weeks.

I have our application to the D.A.R. and U.D.C. I'm busy getting together our Documents I hope they will accept Aunt Pathe Moring's application as part of our needed papers. Do you have W.C.W.I. death certificate?

Do I need permission for you to make copies of many pages of the U.B. Can I say that they can be proved? I know as they can but do I need you to tell me?

It is time for me to go and get under the heat pad. Do the Upchurches have a family crest?

Love  
Cebra

P.S. Sanding 1983 U.B.

Please excuse mistake I'll feel better soon

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

ALV-4751

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30 JUL 1956

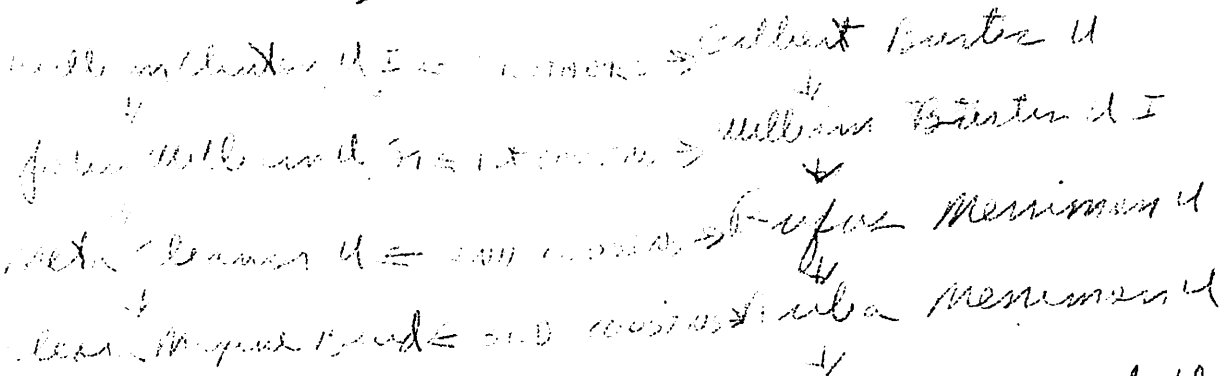
MRS CLED GILL  
P O BOX 246  
LAKE WALES, FL 33553

Dear Cleo,

It was good to get your letter of 17 JUL 56 and to learn that you and Helen had a nice trip. The 1931 issue of the U D are on their way to you and should have arrived by now.

As you & the Mayers - two in the relationship

Barter U



So you and the Mayers father are 3rd cousins. You and the Mayers are 3rd cousins once removed. Your GGF and the Mayers GGGF were brothers. Those are the facts no matter what Cousin Maie may say! I am sorry she is so negative

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but I am glad you and Helen went to see her. Maybe it helped her to express her feelings. I have never met her but did talk to her on the phone. She did give me some information but with some reservation.

I am anxious to hear from you again and to learn any additional detail you may have picked up. If you have a few key pictures you could loan me I would be sure to return them. The old picture of W C U I + her son in the grocery store sounds great. I'd love to see it can you at least send me a xerox copy.

Thanks for reporting that I used the wrong address for you and Helen. I am sorry about that. I do seem to make my share of the error. I have made a note to enter a correction in the next

U B.

All my best to you + Helen  
Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
{ ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH

T Reid 17 JUL 86

T Reid Ch #1617 for \$12  
signed 14 JUL Cleo Call

T Cleo Call / Helen Mullis  
PO Box 246, Lake Wales, FL  
33853

200 5 1/2<sup>th</sup> St apt 4

Lake Wales Fla 33853

July 14 1986

U.S.-1981

Sent 7-18-86

B-10-81

Dear Phil,

I wanted to write you. I was waiting for the pictures Helen took to be developed. Helen got busy. I thought I'd go ahead + write now.

For us, our trip was a success. For you, I'm afraid I didn't do so well. Our visit with Aunt Marie wasn't very enlightening. I knew she had something against me and within 10 min of our arrival she told me. Helen and I talked about it later. If I had done it I was 10 years old. If it made her feel better to reprimand me after 50 years - maybe I'll tell you later. Aunt Marie is a negative person. I let Helen talk to her. She was afraid I was going to pay the Mayor a visit so she let me know just quick that he didn't belong to us. However the visit wasn't a total loss. I have a picture of a family home. We thought it was the Beard home in Kernersville NC then I thought it might be the Lyschunch home on Raleigh, but it turned out to be

the Wright home in Thomasville N.C. We found it.

By the way, Aunt Marie's husband's first name is Odis not Otis

I have a picture of Grandpa John C. in the grocery store. She pointed out to Helen Grandpa + Uncle John. She seemed upset that I had inherited the picture or anything. We were only there about 1 1/2 hours. I didn't realize that her daughters lived so far away. One lives in Phoenix. One had just lost her husband, Aunt Marie told us you were best. (She didn't like you either)

We found all the headstones I wanted to except Buster's. We found Jubal's wife Dickey.

I didn't know that W. C. U. I. T. Adkins Ryzler were buried on the Dodd lot.

When we got to Atlanta we went to the archives. I found Jubal's outfit. I guess you have that.

I'll probably think of things later. I found a cousin in Thomasville of the Nathan Kendalls.



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We were gone 10 days and enjoyed it  
very much. We only had to use the wheel chair  
twice

You will probably hear from Helen.  
She was upset when you printed that  
we were from Laimville. She says  
no one could find us -

Am enclosing a check for \$2,000  
for the 1981 U.B.

I am writing a day by day journal  
of our trip.

It was nice to find a letter from  
you upon arrival. Thanks

Sincerely  
Cleo

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

27 JUN 1936

MRS CLEO GILL  
240 S 14 ST APT 4  
LAKE PALM, FL 33532

Dear Cousin Clea,

Your letter of 12 JUN 1936 arrived last Monday and I have spent most of today extracting the details and recording them on the master outline and in the various Biopiles. This really makes an improvement and I appreciate the effort you have taken. Naturally there are additional things to add.

I know you and Helen will be on your NC trip when this arrives but I just want you to know this note of appreciation when you return. I assume you will write to me when you get back and let me know what you have learned. In due course I will have more questions about some conflicts in dates, missing items you might know about, etc. In the meantime I'll be waiting for a letter from you.

All the Best!  
Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH

MRS CLEO GILL

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REC'D  
16 JUN 198620054<sup>th</sup> ST apt 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853  
June 12, 1982

Dear Phil,

We enjoyed hearing from you as always. I wish I could share you with my sister. Mama + daddy did not raise a close family. Helen + I try but —

Helen + I are about ready to take off. She is so — busy now. Her 4<sup>th</sup> son, Eddie is back from Calif. That's 5 more people. We are going to enjoy to enjoy our trip. I havent been to H.C. since mid 30's. Helen has been several times in the last few years. I think well buy a wheelchair instead of renting one. That way Ill get out more. I can walk with help but Im slow.

Im going to take your U.B. Vol E #2 with me. It has Aunt Marie in it I want her to see it.

That D.A.R. number you have for Patti A.K. Moring is correct. Help wrote the D.A.R. headquarters they found Aunt Patti. I have sent for a copy of her application (\$400). Helen + I drove a lawyer about how much this will cost me. She says

\$25 I say \$300 Well see I keep your  
Pater.

Thank you so much for the Nathan L.  
info. Some day I want to go back home  
to Richard to Michael & England.

I dont have anything except Grandpa  
John L's death certificate to connect  
him with Wm C L. Do you have anything  
a will or deed.

When we glanced at the picture of Wm  
C. L. we saw my brother Bobby & the  
fact that Bobby is almost a twin of  
Daddy. By the way Bobby was a Chief  
Petty Officer in the Navy.

I saw your ad in the "Genealogical  
Helper". Helen is going to put up a  
ad. She is having good luck in her  
research of the Barrow family. Her  
cousins did not know she existed.

I know you are into Lynch  
research but I am coming up with some  
interesting thing in Thomas Adore's  
"Diary" I cant find where Nathan Kendall  
had a wife named Irene Worth Helen  
+ I are going to Thomasville N.C. I  
think that Adore has some sisters +  
brothers buried there. The Fair Grove Church

is expecting me. We want to worship with them.

It has been a long time since I have seen a story in any thing, but I came across something very interesting. Last week I got my grandmother's (Susan Beard) death certificate. The cause was a surprise. I think I'm going to investigate. With your connections in N.C., do you know anyone in authority at the State Hospital at Morganton N.C.?

I have tried to answer your question the best I could at this time.

Margaret Walters are moving out of their home of over 45 years into an apt. I'm afraid if I ask questions now, I'll be told to mind my business.

Will write when I return. Stay a prayer for us.

I know your family is proud of you. I am.

Ed

P.S. I think there should be another 7 on Nathan U. Per. Dir. obituary (page 2) don't change it till I'm sure. Helen found #5 7777 at the library -

△ Susan Mable Stearns

△ + △

Mable married George Edward Stearns

- in Jacksonville, Fla on April 4 1924

- I dont know at this time when or where

△ George Stearns was born He died 20 Feb. 1975

- Mable grand children

△ 1 Julie Luana b 25 March 1961

△ + △

Julie married Leon Jay Dowdy

- June 19 1982

△ They are the parents of Amanda (Mandy)

- Yvonne

△ 2. Debra Charlone - B - June 13 1963

- Debbie got married not to long ago

- but I dont have any info on him yet.

△ 3 Thomas Edwards b - Nov 26 1956

- not married

△ 4 Robert Lee b - July 14, 1960

△ m - Brenda Crawford Dec 3 1980

- Now divorced

△ Jacquelin Yvonne Stearns

- b. March 14 1929 in Jacksonville, Fla

△ + △ Jackie married Oscar Lewis (Lew)

- on May 28 1960 in St

- Augustine Fla. All I know about

△ Lew is he is 10 years older than

△ + △ Jackie Their 2 children Julie +

△ Debbie were born in Jacksonville Fla

Δ Donald Edward Stearns b. 6 Sept 1931  
 Δ married Harriet Coker on 4 March 1955  
 Δ Harriet was a couple of years  
 Δ + Δ younger than Don. I think she was  
 - born in Jacksonville Fla. Their 2  
 Δ + Δ children Tommy & Bobby, were born  
 Δ + Δ in Jacksonville Fla. Don and Harriet  
 - were married in St Augustine Fla.  
 Δ Donald was a Marine in the Korean War.

Δ Robert Bruce Beard jr (Bobbie)  
 Δ m. Sarah Louise Powell in  
 - Jamesville Fla on Oct 6 1929, they  
 - had 3 children  
 Δ Louise was born in Thomasville Ga  
 - on Feb 13 1908. died Aug 27 1961  
 - in Jamesville Fla of Hepatitis and  
 - is buried in Evergreen Cemetery.  
 - I will > ?

Δ Majorie Eldora Beard  
 Δ (Walter) is 79 years old I think  
 - he was born in Jacksonville  
 - Grand children > ?

Δ 1 Susan Joanne b. May 26 1966  
 Δ m. Anthony (Chavone) Sept 15 1982  
 Δ one child Anthony (Bryson) > ?  
 - b. May 1985

Δ 2 Wilbur Wellington Masters III (Buddy)  
- b Oct 20 1957 in obb Germany  
- m - Debra - July 24 1982

Δ They have a son Samuel Morris Masters  
- b April 9, 1985 in Swingston Ala.

- The above grand children parents are  
Δ + Δ W W III Buddy + Sarah Morris

Δ 3 Linda Luella Walton b - Jan 10, 1950  
married David Williamson m -

Δ 4 Lorraine Majorie Walton b Jan 4 1952  
- married twin ?

Δ 1st (Fred) Bullat (no info)  
Δ 2nd (Jim) Hotaling (no info)  
Δ 1 child Julie Elizabeth Hotaling  
- b - Jan 19 1981

□ + □ Linda + Lorraine parents are  
+ □ Maxine's Maxine + Homer Walton  
Δ an artist Magorie Maxine Masters Walton

- b March 10 1928 Jacksonville Fla  
Δ Sept 1947 married Homer Walton b Jacksonville Fla  
□ (as I find out about Homer I'll let  
- you know)

Δ Wilbur Wellington Masters III (Buddy)  
- b April 28 1933 in Jacksonville  
- wife Sarah Morris

Δ + Δ children born in Jacksonville  
- Fla



- △ Annie Eleanor Beard
- △ m - Eulice Lloyd Barnes April 20 1925
- one child Helen Louise Barnes → ?
- △ m John Andrew Davis August 1945
- △ Frank S. Sanders
- △ Roscoe Valaint Anthony Aug 15 1929

- △ +△ Ann and Eulice B were divorced May 28 1929
- △ Eulice died July 31 1980 in Oregon
- △ and was cremated He wanted his ashes
- thrown out over the Gulf of Mexico. We
- don't know if this was done.
- △ Frank died on Sept 26, 1983
- △ Where John Davis is now no info
- △ Roscoe is still living in Seaside OR
- △ Frank Samuel Sanders is
- buried in Okla.

△ Helen Louise Barnes b - Feb 10 1926  
 Jacksonville Fla

- +□ Parents Annie E Beard + Eulice L Barnes
- m - Clarence Edward (Ed) Miller Nov 27 1941
- in Tolbaton La.

at this point I know nothing about  
 Arthur Raymond Miller except he is  
 Ed's father and is Ed's father  
 Ed was born on May 26, 1924

- +□
- △

in Lakeland Fla d - Oct 4 1985 in  
- Lake Wales, Fla cardiac arrest - buried  
- in Lake Wales

□ + □ Helant Eds childrens (4)  
△ 1 Clarence Edward (Eddie) b onland  
△ m Janet Lynn Davis Nov 30, 1974  
- 3 childrens

△ Megan Feb Jan 27 1976  
△ Gillian Lorene Jan 17 1979  
△ Derlyn Marie Oct 9 1982

△ 2 Robert Gerald (Jerry) Dec 25 1958 Lake Wales  
△ m - Lora Huston Sept 10 1985  
△ 1 child Matthew Huston Miller

- B - March 31 1984  
△ 3 <sup>Suzo</sup> Susan Patricia b June 22 1965 Lake Wales  
- Not married

△ 4 Teron Lynn b - August 11 1967

△ Barbara Ann Davies  
- b. August 26 1941 Gainesville Fla  
△ Sarah Jackson Prouty b Aug 8 1950  
- in Westchester NY Not married

□ Cleora Maxim Beard  
- b - Oct 13 1921 in Jacksonville FL  
△ married William Marvin Collins Jr Bill  
- Nov 15 1943

Δ in Gainesville Fla Bill was in the  
 - two zones

Δ Bill died in a hospital in Middlesex  
 - Conn and is buried in Clinton Conn  
 - cremated. He died of a hemorrhage  
 - 2nd marriage

Δ m - Chalmer Wylie Hill Sept 3, 1961  
 - to Philadelphia Pa Nov 23, 1999  
 - D April 28, 1966

Δ Chalmer had a daughter born  
 - Nov 1921

Δ Chalmer died suddenly of a heart  
 - attack.

△ Robert Bruce Beard Sr  
 - called Bruce

- Born - March 21, 1874

- Winston Salem N.C.?

- Died April 26, 1930 Gainesville Fla  
 - buried Evergreen Cemetery Gainesville Fla

△ Parents James William Beard

△ Susan Jane Phillips Beard

- (Buried in Waverlyville N.C.)

△ He was educated at A + M College in

△ Raleigh He took a mechanical course

△ + △ He married Meta Eleanor

- Upchurch on May 31, 1904 They had  
 - 6 children.

△ He worked for the Seaboard Airline

△ Railroad as Engineer. This he did

△ for years. He worked as city engineer

- for 11 years in Jacksonville Fla.

- The earliest that I can put them

- in Fla in 1912. Did not get to Jacksonville

- till ca 1916 He had 2 children after

- getting to Fla.

△ He contracted Hodgkin's Disease

- and moved to Gainesville Fla in 1928.

△ Bobby was already working in

- Gainesville on a local newspaper,

- △ Laines with Daily Sun<sup>12</sup> When Bobby died
- in 1958 of cancer, he was managing
- estate.
- △ When daddy died he was working
- in the barroom of the Thomas Hotel.
- This was a easy job. He could rest
- as needed. He worked up to 2 weeks
- before he died. He died peacefully.

△ John William Upchurch

- B - 3 March 1855 Raleigh NC?

- D - 30 May 1935 3:50 PM Raleigh NC

- Heart condition at age 80

△ M. Eldora Kendall Wright on 26 December

- 1878 in Thomasville NC. in a home  
- ceremony

△ Eldora Kendall Wright

- Her death certificate say she was

- born on 15 October 1859. Her headstone

□ reads 1860-1943 Her Daughter Marie say

- Eldora was born in Darlington S.C.

- death cert. says Thomasville NC

- Both are buried in the Inwood

- Baptist Church Cemetery.

△ Eldora died on August 17 1943 at 4.15 AM,

- of Coronary Thrombosis She was 83yo.

△ Grandma always fixed breakfast for

△ Uncle Willie. This day she did that and

- laid down to wait for him to arrive

- When Uncle Willie got there, she was

- dead. How long I dont know

△ William Clinton Upchurch

- B 1888 D 20 April 1963 age 74 (single)

□ He died of a brain cancer I think they

- only knew about it 2 weeks.

Δ at this time my sister Annie had  
- just be operated on for lung cancer and  
- was told she had 10 mo. to live. We did  
□ not tell her about Uncle Willie till much  
- later.

Δ I assume he was born in Raleigh N.C.  
□ His is buried in the Inwood Cem.  
-

Δ Eva's gone!

□ I don't know much about Aunt Eva  
- She lived in Richmond, Va. She died  
□ of Cancer of the Rectum after I moved  
- to Lake Wales in 1928. I think in '80

□ + Δ I met Aunt Duke T once + liked  
- her very much. But that is all I know  
- about her  
-

Δ Aunt Marie's address is

- Mrs O.R. Weaver  
- 320 Barot's gone Road  
- Raleigh N.C. 27606  
-

□ + □ She would tell you more than I can get  
- this time  
-  
-

Written by  
Aunt Maria Beard

September 1980

Note - This had come  
into RPA hands  
earlier - RPA  
2/30/86

- Meta - Bruce Beard
- Wright - Carrie -
- Henry - Andelia Pearce
- Charlie - Annie Silva
- Willie - never married
- Eva - Pollard Jones
- { Marie - James T. McKelvey (deceased)
- O. Richard Weaver -
- { Dudley - George Whitaker -
- Patrick Taylor
- John - Grace -
- Annie Laurie Dickson

I think Meta knew all these  
 She came to visit from Fla -  
 and she & mama wrote to each  
 other, she never saw Carrie from  
 New Orleans, they lived there <sup>(except the 1st</sup> <sub>year -</sub>  
 saw.



Wright was a Civil Engineer  
working on the Mississippi river  
he was hit by a concrete column  
and died, Buried at New Orleans

Mama passed away suddenly  
with Angina at 63 yrs. Had not  
been ill.

Papa was ill about 3 months  
heart condition at 80 yrs.

Both lived very well  
all the time.

Willie was with them in town  
we are all English from  
Mama's and Papa's families.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD XID-4751

REC'D  
21 MAR 1988

Review for useful  
information complete

4 JUL 1988 - RPH 18 March 1988

Dear Phil,

Just a short note I want to spend  
next week studying. I did tell you I was  
taking seminary extension courses.

I thought you might be interested  
in the enclosed.

I don't know if I have contacted  
Richard that you are or if I have  
proved Michael wrong in the Bacon  
Rebellions.

Helen said she had asked you  
for those 20 pages from the West book  
but she hadn't received them yet. She  
even sent you a check.

I hope you can read this. I have  
a blinding headache.

Will write more next time  
Take care,

Sincerely  
Cle

Don't glad Florida University doesn't play  
Oregon. We'd get clattered.

I don't have time to remind the  
forgive me.

CLEO BEARD GILL  
200 S. 45th, APT 4  
LAKE WALES, FL 33853

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The Capt. John Smith Chapter  
of the

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Mrs. Cleora Hill

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Feb 1957

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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFN-4751

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Your cousin Cleo,

when I last wrote to you I thought all your recent letters had been covered. A few days later I found your letter of 13 NOV 1993 in a special file. It was about the film upchurch in Germany and I had set up a project to contact him and see the details you provided. Just last Wednesday I was finally able to reach him after quite a few tries. He is quite interested and had some data. He could only go back to his GI on his upchurch side. I was immediately able to take him back 3 more generations to Joseph U b 1775 (VA). Unfortunately we do not yet know the father of this Joseph's father & plan to get together.

Thank you for helping me get in touch with yet another great cousin.

Keep you & Helen as warm as good summer!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
(ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH)

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
200 S. 4th St. A4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

REC'D  
21 JUN 88

18 June 1988

Dear Phillip:

Just a quick note. I just received the  
LB yesterday, April issue. On page 77 you  
are looking for John Upchurch of Horace  
Mann Insurance Co. In case you haven't  
found him, here in what info I have.

- Last Jan '87 Helen wrote to Aunt
- + □ Annie. John R. U. ended up with the letter
- △ and answered it. He was interested in
- Upchurch family history. I sent him your
- name and I think I sent you his. Anyway -
- △ + □ John said his grandfather was Francis
- Upchurch who went to Texas in 1899 - might
- have been from Alton, Illinois.
- His address The Horace Mann Companies
- 2102 W. Indian School Road Suite 12
- Phoenix Arizona 85015
- phone II (602) 266-3251
- △ Maybe you could call him (John R. Upchurch)

Have a good summer

Sincerely  
Clea

Aunt Annie says did not answer Helen's letter.

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CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XED-4751

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5 JUL 1933

Mrs. C. M. Gill  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

Dear Cousin Cleo

Over the past weekend I made a special attempt of yours, and your letter was the first of the year to me to have such list of information was properly recorded, I will now comment on each of these letters in turn.

2 FEB 1933. How was your response to my list of questions dated 15 JAN 33. I appreciate all of the data you provided as you know that remains a few unanswered questions for the family of Helen's death in U.S. I hope you will continue to be alert to collect the small details which it is possible to do so. Still - we have a very nice outline. How is your sister's marriage following her fall on 3 JAN? Sam Arthur Arnold, Jr is XED-20777. What was he doing? We do not know the name of the boat or where in U.S. I arrived. It would be handy to me to know. Thanks for the alert for your letter's father.

18 MAR 1933 I am pleased to know that you are following the extension course, the along with your interest in the DAR and the colonial banner must have no longer existed, the information needed

To give them a signature is quite a job but  
you do prefer the cause of family history or  
your activity will make it easier for others  
who wish to join.

10 JUN 1955 I'd no news about your application  
to the columns James. I hope they accept both  
you and Helen very soon. About the death  
of A. A. Ashley, who did he die and where is  
he buried? From Mother's Column in XTA-20713.  
I'm sure you saw in the recent Enveloped Help  
about the \$10 price on the U B in old information  
the price has been \$15/year for several years now  
(\$2 for back volume). I wish it were possible to  
lower the price. As it stands I have about  
\$4,000 in bills each year to pay each year on the  
U B and the subscriber always numbers less  
than 200 which brings in less than \$3,000  
subscriptions and back issue sales help some but  
most year I have to supplement the U B out  
of my own pocket. Not counting the large  
numbers I have my wife and I put in.  
Still it is a thing I do by choice and it brings  
me great satisfaction. It is my golf & fishing.

10 JUN 1955 your letter was the first news that came  
to me about the death of your Aunt Anne. My sister  
is diligent usually makes clippings from the newspaper  
for me and I hope she will in this case. Thank for  
establishing the memorial in her honor. This was  
most thoughtful of you. It will appear in the  
next U B. The pictures are quite interesting and  
the one of J. W. D. by himself might be suitable

for publication in the U.S. We would need to get  
 a return print made from the original which  
 would be done at your cost or mine. When  
 would you give the picture over? The  
 picture in the store is even more interesting  
 but under your enlargement scheme it is  
 afraid it would not show up so well in the  
 U.S. I assume J.W.U. is the man with the nest  
 and is the one in the white shirt without  
 a coat or vest. Is this true? Any idea of when  
 the war taken or who the other man and the  
 woman are? Is my store in the D & U Grocery  
 what is your base for this? I don't doubt it  
 but want to get my mind straight. In the 1940s  
 I know the D & U Grocery on South St at  
 Chandler Street in Raleigh and the U at that  
 time was your Uncle Duke. The D was a Mr  
 Hambley. Maybe your Uncle Duke took over the  
 store from J.W.U. Of course J.W.U. is also  
 near the apartment store in Charlotte for a time  
 whether store in my mind, looked like the  
 one in the picture. It is really nice to have  
 copies of these old photos. When you were  
 in NC did you get to see where J.W.U. is in  
 Lenoir (I know church) or where his father  
 is buried (in Oakwood Cem)?

It seems to me with you and I have been  
 very productive in our family history work  
 we both seem to go off in different directions  
 from time to time and so work on



CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFO-4751 (1)

I Paid 14 OCT 88 ch # 2088  
for 25 for manual to  
John W. & S.

REC'D  
14 OCT 1988

Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

Oct 1988

Dear Phillip:

I have been trying to write you for ages.  
So this letter will be kinda disjointed. I  
suggest you get comfortable. I have a surprise  
for you I'll leave it till toward the bottom of  
the letter.

My family + Helen. I saw my sister Margie  
last week. She is a little better but I doubt if  
she will ever get around very much. I know  
my long distance traveling days are over I  
now have a wheelchair of my own now.

Sam Arthur Coward II was born in  
Jacksonville Fla.

Helen is going to be a grandmother of  
Twins in Feb, hopefully Feb 10. Helen is  
getting married on Nov 19 to Gil  
Wingate at Bok Tower at 11 A.M. Will  
send details later.

We took off on a research tour in  
N.C. Helen found her Coward's in Salisbury NC.  
We ~~we~~ went there had great success. Since my  
Beards were Quakers we went to Greensboro  
NC. We didn't get to spend as much time  
at the ~~the~~ Guilford College Library as we  
wanted but I am always write. We got to  
visit some battle grounds. I'm glad I

did because my long distance traveling days are over. I now own a wheelchair but it is heavy for Helen. Anyway my research expenses have got to be cut back in '89.

I have a negative of Grand ma + Grandpa U. The next time I come across it I'll have copies made. In Jan I'll start straightening out my files etc. The enclosed pictures were taken in June (last part) 1986

I was notified on 2 Oct that Helen + I have been accepted into The Colonial Dames 17<sup>th</sup> Century. We go to a luncheon on Wed 12<sup>th</sup> to be inducted. Did I send you a copy of the application? The lineage goes from me to Michael U.

Now for the surprise!!!

I sent a memorial contribution to Aunt Marie's Church and got a nice 'thank you' note from the pastor. I didn't think any more about it. About 2 weeks later I heard from Marie (She lives in New Britain, CT)

She sent me the following dates

- Aunt Eva → LEVA MELVINA U. D 26 Sept 1891 D-9 May 1981
- △ Uncle Henry → HENRY DODD U. B. 15 March 1883 D - 20 Feb 1955
- Uncle John → JOHN WILLIAM U, JR. (Dn) 20 May 1971

A +

a. Evadied of Colon cancer Uncle Henry died of Cerebral Hemorrhage Uncle John of lung cancer  
 I was able to get A. Evan + U. Henrys death certificates I couldnt get U. Johns D.E. Arizona has closed its Vital Statistics to all but close relatives. a niece is not a close kin.

verato  
 to my  
 15 OCT 88

Now for the Big surprise. Maria also sent me the address of Uncle Charles youngest daughter Ann Smart P O Box 140 921 ORLANDO, FLA 32814 We have been in contact by mail. Her children wanted her to research the Upchurches. I sent her some material I have including the latest U.B. I havent heard from her yet. She probably thinks I'm still gone. Anyway I wrote her today. I'd like her to come over here to look at my Upchurch files. She said that she didnt know much about her father and his family as she was raised by her mother's family in Wilmington, N.C.

I'll keep you posted.

wrote & ordered one for 1st N.C. Regt 15 OCT 88 from John W. Walter

We have had good luck with the Capsule Histories.

I'll get the pictures copied as soon as possible

11 Oct 1958

I have now ~~had~~ had my annual physical check up. Outside of being obese I'm fine. I could be Williams Conrad's twin sister.

To get back to Mrs Smart. If she shows any real interest at all in the Upchurch research, I'd like for you to send her a packet of papers like you sent me. They were so helpful in my research I'll send you so many at the proper time.

One more thing - Half  
 A friend in <sup>Half</sup> Madras has a son David that lives in Phoenix Ariz. I had asked David as he went in the grocery stores to check see if he could find any Upchurch Candy. ~~It~~ <sup>all</sup> I wanted was a wrapper. He decided to get me a case for my birthday. He started to ask questions. There is a building with the name Upchurch Candy on it but there are bars to the window. It is a bad part of town that you wouldn't want to linger at all. There is a telephone listing but nobody answers. One man suggested that it would appear along drop. I'm going to have to let go of this idea. I can't impress on David any longer.

- Did you ever meet with John R. Lynch
- △ O.S. (Low) Ansley died in Jacksonville Fl. and
- buried there → [OSCAR LEWIS ANSLEY]
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Will keep you posted. Have a good winter.

Sincerely  
Cleo

I turned my living room into a research "office" Some day I'll type you a letter  
By this time next year I want to own a Copying Machine of some kind

PHOTOS FILED

- ① Stone for William Clinton U I & wife - In his Profile
- ② Stone for Afalwan Clinton U - In his Profile
- ③ Stone for William Clinton U, II - In his Profile
- ④ Stone for John William U, Sr - In his Profile
- ⑤ Photo of Marie Thayer U - In her Profile  
(Also details of her demise)
- ⑥ Photo of John William U, Sr - In his Profile

appreciate along time  
let you know when I can  
my time

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

25 MAR 1953

1000 ...  
...  
... FL 3333

Dear Mrs. ...

I was quite a bit behind in my ...  
... at the office has  
... the last week I would  
... and most Saturdays being spent  
... There is a shame in that I would  
... like to spend more time on genealogy.

Your letter of ... and one from  
Helena ... on hand to be processed. I had  
hope to work on them yesterday but after 14  
... of steam - so got up this AM  
... at work for a 7:30 AM meeting  
and took a quick look at them. As a guide  
response I am loaning you a copy of  
the ... book. Please copy or mail or  
you would like and return it so I can  
loan to others.

Sincerely,  
Phil

Sincerely yours,  
Phil ...

P.S. Please share  
with Helena Phil

[ROBERT ...]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

M.F.P. 1

Rec'd 30 JUN 1988 # 20.00  
Ch # 2039 signed 25 JUN  
Cleo Gill for Memorial  
to Marie U. Weaver  
Cleo Gill / Helen Miller

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
200 S. 4th St. A4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

25 June 1988

Dear Phil

A friend of mine took some pictures of my pictures so I could get a negative. They came back quicker than I thought they would. I want to get some enlargements.

[MARIE THAYER U]

I guess you know by now that Aunt Marie (Upchurch) Weaver died early this week. Aunt Marie's youngest daughter, Marie, called my sister, Margie, in Jacksonville Wed, June 22 1988. Margie didn't ask any questions so I don't know any detail. If you find out any thing let me know.

Enclosed is check for a memorial for Marie Upchurch Weaver

Take care + have a good summer

Cleo

In the above picture John is wearing a mustache

See Photo File 88-6 for photos of John & William U.S. & J.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XIP-4751

(1)

Mrs. Cleora B. Gill  
200 S. 4th St. A4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

REC'D  
13 JUN 1988

10 June 1988

Dear Phil

Just a quick note to bring you up to date for the summer. Helen said that she had returned the Book you sent I thank for sending it. Helen copied the Goshawk English history. On May 11 I turned in our application along with a \$40 check from both of us, to the Colonial Dames 17<sup>th</sup> Century. As soon as I hear anything I'll let you know. Suzi (Helen's class) typed the form. This gives me a lineage from me to Michael L. Helen copied it so I have a typed Goshawk lineage. I hope to do the same for my BEARD lineage by Xmas. At the present time my Jacksonville family just aren't interested but I'll be ready when they are. On April 23 we went to Jacksonville for a weekend. My niece, Jackie's, husband O.P. (How) Ansley died suddenly of heart attack on April 15. → OSCAR LOUIS ANSLEY

On April 7, 1988 a son was born to Joanne Masters & Tony Charonne. His name is Tyson Masters Charonne. He was born in Fayetteville N.C.

I finally got a copy of Curtis L. Wang's 1812 military record.

I saw in the latest Genealogist



(2)

13 March 1988

Helped your out. It great that you  
dropped your price to 90 a year

I still don't have a copy of Michael G. military  
record yet. I think I have found Adeline  
Register G. parents. Someday I'll track  
down these loose ends.

Have a good summer and thanks  
for all your help

Sincerely  
Cles

Pat  
Kil

Jan  
Kil

I have more of the records than  
you do.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751

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15 OCT 1953

MISS MARY ANN GILL

103 S. 414 ST, APT 4

MIAMI BEACH, FL 33153

Dear Miss Ann,

Thank you for your very nice letter which  
I received yesterday. The pictures in the  
envelope that you sent me are very  
interesting. The first picture is  
important in showing me the procedure  
of the work.

The pictures in the envelope I refer  
you to are of a child and other  
pictures and all my close relatives are  
in a family group.

I am the first of the stone for Afalwan  
and you have any data for me? I can't  
find the pictures of the stone if they  
are not. Perhaps you copied the data when  
you were there.

Thank you for the copy of the original pictures.  
I am ordered and in a test case and based  
on your experience will anticipate good results.

... as important event. Please do write me the details so I can get everything properly recorded in the Minutes outline I made for the very best in this new meeting. Also the details on the house will be appreciated when they arrive.

The neighborhood candy store in Phoenix on the ... by your uncle John Williams II, for it is still run by his widow Anne Laurie (Noyan) II. I stopped by there about ten years ago and never and finally found an employee present. I think Anne Laurie quit years or sometimes. It is on a part of town which is not the best but then I don't recall it being terrible. I judge that they do not make candy but rather just wholesale candy products. I was with an Anne Laurie's home and plan to go back some day.

I was recently gotten in touch with John Head II in Phoenix and he wanted me in Tucson. He is quite interested in our family history. I was able to take him both seven generations beyond what he knew but then we are stuck on finding the father of his mother for 1775 (VA) will help working on it. Thanks for helping me get in touch.

I would say files and did not find a copy  
 of your application to the school board of the  
 1970s. A copy would be appreciated as it  
 would give me an idea of what is involved  
 or some others ask for advice. Also the picture  
 of your grand parents would be welcomed.

I'm really glad that your board may have  
 some interest in her Updowns heritage lets do  
 everything we can to encourage her. I will drop  
 her a note in a week or so I promise this letter  
 to you my records on your Uncle Charles &  
 family are quite good and Ann could help  
 a lot.

It also appears that your cousin Marge was  
 it would be interesting what do you think?  
 If you will send me her address I'll  
 give her a nudge from this end.

It's good to know that you physical  
 come and Ok. We will have to fight the weight  
 battle. I weigh every Monday and keep a chart  
 of how I am doing. How much do you have  
 to use the wheel chair?

I know what you mean about the  
 paper we want are badly too. We have something  
 to copy almost every day. We did get a computer  
 but spray and are still getting into it.  
 It's always great to hear from you.  
 Sincerely yours  
 Phil Updowns  
 [ROBERT PHILIP UPDOWN] ]

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XEP-4751 (1)

Rec'd 10 NOV 88 Ch# 2102 for \$10.<sup>00</sup>  
For Upchurch Research Fund - signed  
1 NOV Cleo Gill

R.F. 1988  
p. 3

Cleo Beard Gill  
200 S. 4 St., Apt. 4  
Lake Wales, FL 33853

REC'D  
10 NOV 1988

5 Nov 1989

Dear Phillip

Just a quick note to bring you up to date. I have heard from Ann again.

She sent me some family group sheet one for Mr Charles. He was in the construction business + helped build the Pentagon. I asked her to send you a copy.

Aunt Ruby Whitaker Taylor ship in Richmond VA on 30 NOV 1967  
1st Husband - George Whitaker  
Ma Patrick Taylor

Survivors

Patrick A Taylor

Mrs B.B. Bagwell (Eleanor) Raleigh

Joseph E Durr (William) Richmond

J R Devinton (Ruth)

S.M. Kolombats Carline

Jim (Ann's brother) told her that Marie said that William + Ruth are deceased.

Ann is going to send Jim's group sheet later. Ann was excited to hear from you. She + her children (3) are going to get the B, 1/2 B's.

Do you remember the Elizabeth Paper Packet that H. had had you send me a couple years ago?

[MARIE L. WEAVER]

Will you send someone to Ann. S. starting with Grandpa or John S. Enclosed find check (Will send more later.

Marie's address -> Mrs Marie Fleisher 72 West End ave, New Britain, CT 0605. I haven't heard any more from her + don't expect to. I'll send her a Xmas card.

I send you the photo of Afabian Clinton U. hoping you would not know. Helen + I have learned how to set visit eumentaries.

A couple cypth months ago I had my Raleigh researcher do some research on Wm C. U. properties. I was trying to get a deed to the grocery store. I got a deed to some property dated 1847. I can hardly read it. There are several names listed. Who is Alfred Upchurch 1859 + wife Adeline? are they connected to the grocery store? He also sent me 3 maps of Raleigh 1847, 1851, + 1867. I notice that the lot of D (David?) Rogers is not far from Wm U. lot. These maps are a little larger than 2 of these pages side by side. I have to use a magnifying glass.

Grandma died on Morgan St. Wonder if this was owned by W.C.U.?? (1841)

Helen + her friend Mildred Ballou going to Tallahassee, Fl on Nov 10 to the Slavery Genealogical Society.

- These Mabel + her children will get Florida
- Pioneer certificates for her + her children. Helen
- will get certificates for her children. Helen want
- them on the surname Hollingsworth.

I don't use the wheelchair much except when the walk is long. Libby's Mall - est. The Dr wants me to go outside home now. Despite the fact that my vent is going up 3 times in 4 months it is an easy apt. for me. I was a walker. Is going to give up some genealogical memberships + newsletters. I should be fine by May.

Have a good holiday + keep me posted.  
 Give John R. the my best

- Ed

- During the week I'll send for a Ruby's death
- certificate. That will leave U. Wright's death
- date



THE NATIONAL SOCIETY  
COLONIAL DAMES XVII CENTURY

Cleora Maxine Beard Gill  
IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

Capt. John Smith  
CHAPTER

25423  
NAT. NO.

Lair C. Anderson  
TREASURER

1989  
YEAR



THE NATIONAL SOCIETY  
COLONIAL DAMES XVII CENTURY

Helen Louise B. Miller  
IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

Capt. John Smith  
CHAPTER

25422  
NAT. NO.

Lair C. Anderson  
TREASURER

1989  
YEAR

NOTE: Some of the details  
in this file are recorded  
in the wrong place.

12 Oct. 1988



National No.....

State No.....



NATIONAL SOCIETY COLONIAL DAMES  
XVII CENTURY

Application for Membership

STATE Florida.....

CITY Lake Wales.....

CHAPTER Capt. John Smith.....

(Miss or Mrs.) Cleora Beard GILL.....  
(Maiden Name in Full plus Present Surname)

Wife or Widow of Chalmer Wyle GILL.....  
(Use Husband's Name in Full)

Residence 200 South 4th Street Lake Wales Florida 33853.....  
(Number) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

DESCENDANT OF

Michael UPCHURCH..... who resided in America ca. 1654-1681.  
(Name of Ancestor) (from - to)

in the Colony of Surry County Virginia

The undersigned have investigated and approved the applicant and her application.

.....  
(Chapter Registrar) (Chapter President)  
..... 19.....  
(Address) (Date)

For National Headquarters Use Only:

Please do not write in this space

Application Examined By.....  
Date Approved

Registrar General:.....

Treasurer General:.....

President General:.....

Nominated and recommended by the two undersigned members of the Society in good standing, to whom the applicant is personally and favorably known.

ENDORSED IN HANDWRITING BY

Name.....

Residence.....

Name.....

Residence.....

Legatees — Name, address and relationship: List only daughters, granddaughters  
great-granddaughters, sisters or nieces. Please, no more than three.

(1).....

(2).....

(3).....

Do you permit your lineage to be copied: YES  NO

How do you wish you name on your membership certificate Same as above.

Ancestors from polygamous marriages are recognized only when descent is from the first wife

Both applications MUST be typewritten originals

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LINEAGE

1. I, Cleora Beard GILL.....  
 born on 13 October 1921..... at Jacksonville, Florida.....  
 married 1st on 15 November 1943..... at Gainesville, Florida.....  
 to..... born on..... at.....  
 died on..... at.....  
 married 2nd on 3 September 1961..... at Pittsburgh, PA.....  
 to Chalmer Wyle GILL..... born on 26 Nov., 1899 at.....  
 died on 28 April 1966..... at Jacksonville, FL.....  
 Proof Original Records

Please all dates by day, month, year (12 December, 1964)

REFERENCES FOR LINEAGE

(Proofs for line of descent are birth, marriage and death certificates, wills, administration, deeds, church, Bible, census and pension records, tombstones, histories, genealogies, old newspapers, etc.)

Give below each generation a reference to the authority for EACH statement of Birth, Marriage or Death and connection between generations. If from published or unpublished records, applicant must submit title pages and pertinent pages (Xerox copies accepted). Proof of parents' marriage date required.

(Wife in every instance means legal and lawful wife)

2. The said Cleora Beard GILL..... was the child of  
 Robert Bruce BEARD..... born on 21 March 1874..... at Kervesville, N. C.....  
 died at Gainesville, FL..... on 26 April 1930..... and his (first or ) wife  
 Meta E. UPCHURCH..... born on 17 November 1879..... at Raleigh, N. C.....  
 died at Gainesville, FL..... on 1 January 1948.....  
 married on 31 May 1904..... and place Raleigh, N. C.....  
 Proof Vital Statistics - Florida and North Carolina

3. The said John William UPCHURCH..... was the child of  
 Wilham Clinton UPCHURCH..... born on 1781..... at Franklin County N. C.,  
 died at Raleigh, N. C..... on 16 February 1813..... and his (first or ) wife  
 Adaline Susan ROYSTER..... born on 3 July 1820..... at Raleigh, N. C.....  
 died at Raleigh, North Carolina..... on 18 June 1854.....  
 married on 15 December 1840..... and place Raleigh, North Carolina.....  
 Proof North Carolina Archives  
Courthouse Thomasville, North Carolina

4. The said William Clinton UPCHURCH..... was the child of  
 Burtis UPCHURCH..... born on 1781..... at Franklin County N. C.  
 died at Morrisville, N. C..... on..... and his (first or ) wife  
 Margaret YATES..... born on 1808..... at.....  
 died at Morrisville, N. C..... on 15 October 1857.....  
 married on..... and place.....  
 Proof North Carolina Archives

5. The said Burtis UPCHURCH..... was the child of  
 Nathan UPCHURCH..... born on 1759..... at Brunswick, Virginia...  
 died at Green Level, North Carolina..... ca. 1835..... and his (first or ) wife  
 Mackey Louise JOINSON..... born on..... at.....  
 died at Wake County North Carolina..... on 1831.....  
 married on 1780..... and place.....  
 Proof North Carolina Archives  
Upchurch Bulletin Vol. 3 #1 1982  
Virginia State Library

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6. The said Nathan UPCHURCH was the child of  
Richard UPCHURCH born on 1725 at Brunswick, Virginia  
died at Green Level, N. C. on ca. 1835 and his (first or ) wife  
born on ..... at .....  
died at North Carolina on 1831  
married on 1780 and place .....  
Proof State Library Archives  
Virginia State Library

7. The said Richard UPCHURCH was the child of  
James UPCHURCH born on 1685 at .....  
died at Brunswick, Virginia on ..... and his (first or ) wife  
Elizabeth born on ..... at .....  
died at Brunswick, Virginia on .....  
married on ..... and place .....  
Proof State Library Archives  
Upchurch Bulletin Vol. 3 #2  
Virginia State Library

8. The said James UPCHURCH was the child of  
Richard UPCHURCH born on 1658 at Surry County, Virginia  
died at ..... on 1700 and his (first or ) wife  
Unknown born on ..... at .....  
died at ..... on .....  
married on ..... and place .....  
Proof State Library Archives

9. The said Richard UPCHURCH was the child of  
Michael UPCHURCH born on ca. 1620 at .....  
died at Surry County Virginia on 1691 and his (first or ) wife  
Frances Dekle born on ..... at .....  
died at Surry County Virginia on 1691  
married on 1651 and place Surry County, Virginia  
Proof Virginia State Library  
Upchurch Bulletin Vol. 12 #1

10. The said ..... was the child of  
born on ..... at .....  
died at ..... on ..... and his (first or ) wife  
born on ..... at .....  
died at ..... on .....  
married on ..... and place .....  
Proof .....

11. The said ..... was the child of  
born on ..... at .....  
died at ..... on ..... and his (first or ) wife  
born on ..... at .....  
died at ..... on .....  
married on ..... and place .....  
Proof .....

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The said ..... was the child of ..... born on ..... at ..... and his (first or ..... ) wife ..... died at ..... born on ..... at ..... died at ..... married on ..... and place ..... Proof .....

13. The said ..... was the child of ..... born on ..... at ..... and his (first or ..... ) wife ..... died at ..... born on ..... at ..... died at ..... married on ..... and place ..... Proof .....

14. The said ..... was the child of ..... born on ..... at ..... and his (first or ..... ) wife ..... died at ..... born on ..... at ..... died at ..... married on ..... and place ..... Proof .....

CHILDREN OF ANCESTOR

(By each marriage, if married more than once)

Names	Dates of Birth	To Whom Married, noting if Married more than once.
Richard	ca. 1658	
Michael Jr.		
James		
2 Unknown Daughters		

Source of Information .....

ANCESTOR'S SERVICES

(Must be on Approved List and prior to 1 Jan. 1701)

Bacon Rebellion 1673-1674  
Surry County Virginia - Extracts from Surry County Virginia

Proof of Service: send a duplicated copy of Document of Proof, not copies from Undocumented Family Histories

The following form of acknowledgement is required:

Applicant further says that the said (name of ancestor from whom eligibility is derived) is the ancestor mentioned in the foregoing application, and that the statements hereinbefore set forth are true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs. Cleora Beard Hill

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Lake Wales Florida (State)

this 9th day of May 1988 A.D. 1988

(SEAL)

Lewis J. Foster (Signature of Notary)

My commission expires

Dear Phil:

rec'd 11/11/58

8 Feb 1981  
200 S 4th St  
Lake Wales, FL 3385

I'm sorry it took so long to answer but I got side tracked.

On Jan 8, my sister Margie fell. She broke her hip shoulder + wrist, all on the left side. She also had to have some stitches in her forehead. At present she is at home with round the clock care. As soon as she feels up to company, the car will take me up.

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□ + □

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On Jan. 19, 1958 Sam a Arnold II was born to Debbie (Analy) and Sam a Arnold II. Sammie was 6 lbs + 14 oz. I have another 9 grand nephews.

I have tried to answer your questions best as I could. I have closed my files on Drendas Crawford Jackson Prouty Jim Hotaling.

I have just found out where my sister Mable and George Stearns were married. As soon as I get it in hand I'll send it. I think George S. was born in St Augustine Fla but I haven't prove it yet. Will keep you posted.

I have just about finished my James research done. I need a verified copy of sources, I want to turn in our application by the next meeting in March.

I found a great great Uncle Capt Beard in the Civil War who was a prisoner of War.

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ITEMS NEEDED FOR FAMILY OF  
 META ELEANOR WACHURCH (EXCLUDING  
 FAMILY OF ANNIE ELEANOR BEARD) 3 JAN 88  
 NFI = no further information

□ 1) For Meta Eleanor W

△ a) Did Robert Bruce Beard, Sr die (26) APR 1930 or (28) APR 1930?

△ 2) For Susan Mable Beard

- a) Did she marry 26 APR 1924 or (28) APR 1924?
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- e) when & where was Sam Arthur Arnold, III born?
- △ f) Did Jacquelin Yvonne Stearns have just two children?
- UK g) what is full maiden name of Harriett Coker and where was she born?
- △ h) where did Robert see Stearns many? Jacksonville Ill
- NFI i) Full maiden name of Brenda Crawford and when & where born? I moved whereabouts unknown 201

□ 3) For Robert Bruce Beard, Jr - No questions

□ 4) For Margorie Eldora Beard

- △ a) where was Linda Louella Walton <sup>Jacksonville Fla</sup> married and where she born (10) JAN 1950 or 14 JAN 1950?
- △ ~~Jacksonville Fla~~ UK b) when & where was Louanne Margorie Walton married the first time and when in NOV 1979 the second time?
- △ NFI UK c) Full name of Fred Bullitt and when & where born?
- △ UK d) when & where was James Neil Notaling born?
- UK e) Full maiden name of Sarah Morris & when & where born?
- △ UK f) How do you spell the last name of the husband of Susan Joanne Masters (CHAVONNE?, CHEVDOME?) and when & where was he born & where was their son born?
- UK g) Full maiden name of Debra Weaver and when & where born?

□ 5) For William Wright Beard - No questions

□ 6) For Cleora Maxine Beard

- △ a) Did William Marvin Collier, Jr die at Middletown CT <sup>Hospital</sup> or Middlesex, CT? we lived in Shelton Ct

My family research is going slow right now.  
 I am taking Seminary 5 study courses. 1987  
 I only have this year + next to get my diploma.  
 I just made A-100 on a New Testament part 1.  
 We went to a Society of Mayflower Descendants  
 on Sat Feb 6. I have till August for that  
 application.

Helen said she had written you and is  
 awaiting your answer.

Do we know the names the boat that brought  
 Michael H over from Eng.

A Belated Happy Birthday. Helen's is  
 Wed. the 10<sup>th</sup>  
 Will write later.

Sincerely  
 Cleo

I have found a Kendall cousin.  
 I need a Beard cousin.

I didnt get to the D.A.R. meeting. The weather  
 here is cold + rainy.

FORBIT FOR ROBERT BRUCE  
 BAIRD JR & SR PLACED  
 IN THEIR BIOFILES - RPH

**Essay Winners DAR Speakers**

9 Feb 1988

American History  
 essay winners from area  
 schools will be featured  
 as the speakers for the  
 February meeting of the  
 Lake Wales Chapter of  
 the DAR.

The meeting will be  
 held at the First Pre

sbyterian Church Mon-  
 day afternoon at two  
 o'clock.

The speakers will have  
 as their topic "The Con-  
 stitution: Road to Ratifi-  
 cation".

Hosteses for the meet-  
 ing, include: Mrs. Robert  
 Beatty, chairman; Mrs.  
 Mary Anderson, Mrs. Ar-  
 thur V. Benson, Mrs.  
 Chalmer W. Gill, Mrs. S.  
 W. Hutchings, Mrs. Clar-  
 ence E. Miller, And Mrs.  
 Raymond VanRaalte.

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XID-4751 (1)

Mrs Cleo Gill  
200 S 4th St 4  
Lake Wales FL 33853

REC'D  
6 NOV 87

Nov. 3, 1987

Dear Cousin Phil S.O.S.

I'm stuck and need help. I can't get Richard III connected to James I. Do you have a document to do this. Heley and I were invited + went to a Colonial Dames 17th century luncheon + meeting. We were accepted in the local chapter Oct 14, 1987.

I want to go in on Michael Upchurch, Michael Richard + James I are already in the Dames book. Richard II. didn't make it because he was born after 1706.

I have a document signed Richard III that mentions "my son Nathan". So I have Richard II + Nathan connected.

I had a researcher do some research on the VA Upchurches. He must had have copied everything with the Upchurch name on. So I think I have some documents for you. Maybe you can give them to someone. I'll send them later.

This past week I have been going thro the back issues of your UB. I know you have every body connected. I found a 4 generation graph in Vol II no 1 p 7 that I'm going to try to use. There is an excellent outline in Vol I no 1. I still would like a document connecting Richard II to James I.



On page 2 of the James II notes you sent,  
 The note E James was certified as given supplies  
 to aid in the American Revolution. This is dated  
 5 June 1782. Do you have a copy of this.  
 Or can you tell me where to write?

at the bottom of page 2 of the Burtis II notes  
 give an outfit name for Burtis for the War  
 of 1812. I wrote the Nat. Archives and they  
 said that his military record was lost, they  
 found an 1812 war name in the Barrens. My  
 Beards were Quakers.

The next time you come across our DAR  
 cert would you write on the back Ancestor  
 Nathan Upchurch - Service no 5-7777

Am sending an ancestry chart. When I'm  
 sure of the places + dates it will be typed on  
 acid free paper.

Note also no 10 Phillips my first real "family skeleton"  
 Sincerely  
 Cleo Gill

SEARCHED  
 INDEXED  
 SERIALIZED  
 FILED  
 MAR 19 1978  
 FBI - MEMPHIS

From Reynolds

Tyson

James

ANCESTRY CHART *2nd*

CHART NO. 1

NO 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME AS NO 1 ON CHART NO 1

2 Robert Bruce BEARD  
 BORN 21 March 1874  
 WHERE Winston Salem, forsyth NC.  
 WHEN MARRIED 31 MAY 1904  
 DIED 26 APRIL 1930  
 WHERE Gainesville, Alachua, Fla.

1 Cleora Maxine BEARD  
 BORN 13 Oct. 1921  
 WHERE Jacksonville, Duval, Fla.  
 WHEN MARRIED 15 Nov. 1943  
 DIED  
 WHERE

1 William Marvin COLLIER  
 NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE  
 B 23 MAR 1921  
 W. New HAVEN CONN.  
 D 20 JAN 1955  
 W MIDDLE TOWN, CONN

2 Chalmer Wylie GILL

3 Meta Eleanor Upchurch  
 BORN 17 Nov. 1874  
 WHERE Raleigh N.C.  
 DIED 1 Jan. 1948  
 WHERE Gainesville, Alachua, Fla.

1 Cleora Maxine GILL  
 NAME  
 200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St Apt 4  
 STREET ADDRESS OR P.O.  
 LAKE WALES, Fla, 33853  
 CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

4 James William BEARD  
 BORN April 1841  
 WHERE Va.  
 WHEN MARRIED 29 FEB 1869  
 DIED 1897  
 WHERE Kernersville, forseyth N.C.

5 Susan Jane PHILLIPS  
 BORN 7 July 1851  
 WHERE No. Hampton CTY. N.C.  
 DIED 6 Jan 1922  
 WHERE Burke CTY. N.C.

6 John William UPCHURCH  
 BORN 3 MARCH 1855  
 WHERE Raleigh, WAKE, N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED 26 Dec 1878  
 DIED 30 MAY 1935  
 WHERE Raleigh WAKE, N.C.

7 Eldora K. WRIGHT  
 BORN 18 OCT 1859  
 WHERE Darlington, S.C.  
 DIED 17 Aug. 1943  
 WHERE Raleigh, Wake, N.C.

8 William BEARD  
 BORN 8 Aug 1796  
 WHERE N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED 8 Aug 1819  
 DIED 27 Sep. 1876  
 WHERE N.C.  
 9 Martha WENLEY  
 BORN 1 MAY 1800  
 WHERE Stokes Co. N.C.  
 DIED 25 MAR. 1864  
 WHERE N.C.

10 John Dawson PHILLIPS  
 BORN ca 1810  
 WHERE Va.  
 WHEN MARRIED 17 MAR 1846  
 DIED North Hampton CTY N.C.  
 WHERE  
 11 MAY ELIZA PEEBLES  
 BORN  
 WHERE North Hampton CTY N.C.  
 DIED  
 WHERE

12 William Clinton UPCHURCH  
 BORN 14 feb 1813  
 WHERE Apex, N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED 15 Dec. 1840 (Wake CTY)  
 DIED 11 feb 1906  
 WHERE

13 Adaline Susan ROYSTER  
 BORN 3 July 1820  
 WHERE  
 DIED 18 JUNE 1890  
 WHERE

14 Isaiah Lafayette WRIGHT  
 BORN 9 July 1836  
 WHERE Darlington, S.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED 15 April 1891  
 WHERE

15 Cynthia KENDALL  
 BORN 22 SEPT. 1830  
 WHERE Ashboro N.C.  
 DIED 29 March 1900  
 WHERE

16 David BEARD CONTINUED ON CHART

17 Rebecca BROWN CONTINUED ON CHART

18 CONTINUED ON CHART

19 CONTINUED ON CHART

20 CONTINUED ON CHART

21 CONTINUED ON CHART

22 Ethelred Jarron PEEBLES CONTINUED ON CHART

23 Lurra TYLER CONTINUED ON CHART

24 BURTIS UPCHURCH CONTINUED ON CHART

25 Margaret VATES CONTINUED ON CHART

26 DA VERON ROYSTER? CONTINUED ON CHART  
 [DAVID, ROYSTER]

27 CONTINUED ON CHART

28 James WRIGHT CONTINUED ON CHART  
 GARNER?

29 ? DIANNAH MCDOUGHAL CONTINUED ON CHART

30 Nathan KENDALL CONTINUED ON CHART

31 Sarah HALE CONTINUED ON CHART

1770-1800  
 1800-1850  
 1850-1900  
 1900-1950  
 1950-2000

CEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFD-4751

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15 JAN 1988

MRS CLEO GILL

200 S. 4th St

DAKEWALK, FL 33932

Dear Cousin Cleo,

I have just finished entering the details provided with your letters of 23 JUL 1987 and 3 NOV 1987 and one from Helen Subl 5 AUG 1987. It is a shame that it takes so long to get back to letters once you put them aside - but then they do get processed eventually. In any case I want to thank you for all the information. I have listed what is still needed on a separate sheet. You use your own judgement as how much time to spend on these items.

New to your questions about linking James II (XFD-151) to Richard II (XFD-152). I have gone back over my records and do not find exactly what you need. Re Item 2 E in the XFD-151 file. I have not been able to locate my 1978 notes made at the National Society - Colonial Dames of the XVIII Century. I do find a similar note on page 25 of the West Upchurch Book. (Do you have this book?). However the next quote is "On 15 June 1762, James Upchurch III was certified as having given supplies to aid the

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American Revolution. The James U III is actually  
XFO-145, a ~~not~~ nephew of the James U I  
(XFO-151) you seek. I wonder if the two  
appear as the same and 1762 has been  
mis-copied as 1750 or vice versa? I don't  
know where to write to get this reference.

Most of my knowledge on the first five  
generations of Upchurch in America comes  
from the West Book. If you don't have  
this I'll be glad to xerox the 24 pages in  
Part Two <sup>three</sup> and send it to you. It's great  
stuff.

The will of James U I (XFO-151) gave land  
to his son Myal U (Michael U III XFO-157) but  
unfortunately does not mention his other  
children. However, he does say that Myal  
U is his youngest son which indicates  
that he has one or more older sons.

I hope this finds you well  
and looking forward to pursuit  
of family history in 1988. Let me  
hear from you.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

(ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH)

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ITEMS NEEDED FOR FAMILY OF  
META ELEANOR & RICHARD (EXCLUDING  
FAMILY OF ANNIE ELEANOR BEARD) 1 JAN 88

1) For Meta Eleanor

a) Did Robert Bruce Beard die 26 APR 1930 or 28 APR 1930?

2) For Susan Mable Beard

a) Did she marry 26 APR 1924 or 28 APR 1924?

b) when & where was George Edward Stearns Jr born?

c) when & where was Leon Jay Dowdy born?

d) when & where was Helen Madeline Audley born?

e) when & where was Sam Arthur Arnold, III born?

f) Did Jacqueline Louise Stearns have just two children?

g) what is full maiden name of Harriet Cohen  
and where was she born?

h) where did Robert see Stearns marry?

i) Full maiden name of Brenda Crawford and  
when & where born?

3) For Robert Bruce Beard, Jr - No questions

4) For Margaree Eldora Beard

a) when was Linda Louella Walton married and where  
she born 10 JAN 1950 or 14 JAN 1950?

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when & where was he born & where was their  
son born?

g) Full maiden name of Debra Meadows and when & where born?

5) For William Mable Beard - No questions

6) For Clara Maxine Beard

a) Did William Mable Beard die at Middletown CT  
or Middlesex, CT?

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REC'D  
17 JUL 87

200 S. W 14 124

Lake Wales, Fl. 33853

July 23, 1987

Dear Phil:

I'm sorry it took so long to answer. I am not copying both the heat very well.

I had to fold the certificates. I do have a large envelope. Helen forgot to bring me a copy of her family group sheet. Helen & her job are in N.C. now. She says that we are going in Oct. She wants to see the leaves turning.

I called my sister Marjorie Swan. She said their wedding date was 5 June 1927. I think Wilbur Jr was born in Jacksonville Fl. 28 April 1907. He just had his 80th birthday. Marjorie in 11 May (1908) had her 79 birthday. They just had their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Maxine their daughter was born on 10 March 1929. Thurston W W II born 28 April 1933. Both were born in Jacksonville, Fla. W W II - call Betty Boldy.

Maxine & Homer were married 27 Sept 1947 in Jacksonville Fla. Home Thurston Walton was born 18 March 1926 in Jacksonville, Fla. Linda Swartz Walton was born in Jacksonville Fla on 14 Jan 1950. Married David Edward Walton 17 June 1971. David was born in Greenville SC on 5 Jan 1949. No children.

Δ Lorraine Margorie Walton was born 4 Jan 1952  
 Δ + Δ in Jacksonville Fla. & he married James Neil  
 - Holating in November 1979 in Tallahassee Fla.  
 Δ They have one girl Julie Elizabeth born 19 Jan 1981  
 - in Tallahassee Fla. I don't know anything  
 Δ about James (Jim) Holating. The last 2 years  
 Δ + Δ Lorraine had left him and was going to divorce him  
 Δ Lorraine had only one child

Δ + Δ W W <sup>Masters</sup> (Buddy) married Sarah Morris on  
 Δ 5 Sept 1952 in Gainesville Fla Her  
 □ + Δ mother was named Sue Her father Hermann  
 Δ They were living in Gainesville Fla Sarah  
 - went to High School in Gulf I have not  
 □ Buddy a family group sheet to fill out but he  
 - hasn't yet [should be MASTERS - R PU]

Δ Sarah Joanne (Walton) was born 26 May 1960  
 Δ + Δ She married Anthony Chevoone. 26 in  
 - Jayellesville, W. Va. I don't know anything about  
 Δ him They have 1 son Anthony Grayson  
 - (His is called Grayson) born on May 11, 1985

Δ + Δ W W Masters II (Butta) married Debra  
 - Weaver on 24 July 1982 in Jackson, Ala  
 □ They have 1 child son Samuel Morris b- 9 April 1986

I'll answer questions on Annie later  
 I need Helons help She is going to send you  
 her family history.

Δ William Wright Beard was born on 13 Jan 1916  
 - died in Water town Fla died 19 July 1917 in  
 - Jacksonville, Fla

□ + □ George Marvin Marrie Chalmer Wyles III  
- cr. 3 Sept 1961 in gas-wilds etc

- The typewritten sheets I sent was info  
□ that mama sent to Ruth Lundenbeyer for her  
- Beard Genealogy. It was probably type by  
□ my sister Anne. It's almost read like my  
□ brother, Bobby, kind of writing. We think about 1935

- I have two Mitchiner in Raleigh doing  
□ + □ research connecting Richard G. G. to Nathan G.  
- I know you have already done this but I  
- need one more connection.

- I think a "family skeleton" has shown up  
□ on Daddy's maternal grandparents side. I  
- hope I don't have to read up on the separation &  
- divorce laws of 1850 N.C. It would be  
- interesting to know why a separation lawsuit  
- would end up in the N.C. Supreme Court.

□ I haven't turned over application yet  
- for the Society of Mayflower Descendants.

- Hope your heat wave end soon.  
- Love Cary  
- cleo



Rec'd in NY 0300-1987 Cleora Maxine Beard GRBU

1776



1890

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE

# Daughters of the American Revolution

This certifies that

Cleora Maxine Beard Gill

*is a regularly approved member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, having been admitted by the National Board of Management by virtue of her descent from a patriot who with unfailing loyalty rendered material aid to the cause of American Independence during the Revolutionary War.*

*Given under our hands and the seal of the National Society  
this sixth day of February 1987*

National No. 706421

Admitted February 6th 1987

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Registrar General

NATHAN U SERVICE NO = 7777

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XFO-4751

William A. Mitchiner  
Certified Genealogical  
Record Searcher  
Whitaker Glen 405C  
501 E. Whitaker Mill Road  
Raleigh, NC 27608

This is my NC researcher  
He is very good.  
He charges me \$700  
and more plus  
copying fees.

Rec'd in #23 JUL 1987 - Cleora Maxine Beard to RBU

# United Daughters of the Confederacy



*This Certifies that*

CLEORA BEARD GILL

*is a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, upon the record of*

△

JUBAL UPCHURCH, Co. F, 47th Reg't, North Carolina Infantry C.S.A.

*Date of admission*

February 15 19 87

Florida

DIVISION

William Anderson Sanders #2474

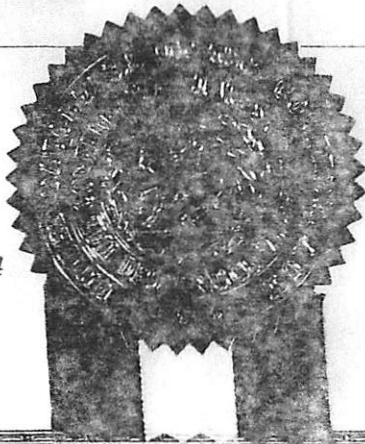
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Cleora Beard Gull

June 5, 1987

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Records  
R.F. Pg. 2  
1987

Dear Phil

Sorry to be so long in answering your letters. I was waiting until after the U.S.C. luncheon. We received our certificates. The date of admission is 15 Feb. 1987 for both of us. The name of the Chapter is William Anderson Sanders #3474. Jubal Upchurch names his outfit is on the certificate.

My D.A.R. certificate is dated 6 February 1987. My number is 706421. There is no chapter name.

□ Helen D.A.R. certificate arrived on May 26, 1987. It was dated 19 April 1987. Her D.A.R. number is 708265.

Before I frame my certificates, I want to have a copy of them. We did this with our applications. Helen has a safety deposit box I want copies put in there.

I'm sorry I didn't keep you informed on my BEARD research. 1985 is my year to research the BEARDS just as 1986 was my Upchurch year.

Warning --- From here on out this letter rambles

□ If you will note the name of Gifford this is most interesting. It is supposed to lead me to a "Mayflower Ancestry" Francis Cooke is the ancestor.

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In fact the Gifford's claim to go all the back to Adam. All settled for the "Mayflower". The Beards came from England to the Nantucket Mass then to Guilford Conn. and were Swabers. Daddy's family was not. The surname Macy, leads to one of the founding fathers of Nantucket.

Helen + I had decided that we would go with our Up Church lineage into the Colonial times 17<sup>th</sup> century. I wrote the name you gave me in Texas. I received a prompt answer. I was sent a worksheet I haven't heard from Mrs. Altek yet. The local chapter resumes meetings in Sept. I only need to document my Colonial Up Church. I had a wild idea that my lost Indian Princess grandmother was Richard II's lost wife. If I remember what Mama told me that is too far back. I would like to have my ED 17<sup>th</sup> worksheet ready by Sept or Oct. I might have questions later.

Helen is going to Jacksonville tomorrow (June 6) to my sister Margie's & her husband Wilbur's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary party. This will be as close to a family reunion as we get. This is not a close family. I can't go. I can't stay that far and back in one day.

I might wait a couple of days to mail this. Helen wants to send you a family group sheet for her family.

Helen has found a 1912 War person in the BARRAS lineage. Since I can't prove Burtis U. was record, she will probably go that route.

WHO I have an excellent researcher in Raleigh N.C. I am going to ask him to research Guilford Co. N.C. for the Beard. Maybe he can get documents for me.

Do you know a researcher in Virginia?

Will close for now. I'm sure I have forgotten something

If you have the documents I have sent either send them back or destroy them.

I am going to send for Uncle Willie's U. death certificate. When I get it, I'll tell you about what I know about him.

Take care + have a good summer

Sincerely  
Cles

Answers to your questions

Δ 2 Wm C. U. I lived at 107 Wilmington St Raleigh NC according to the 1900 census

Δ Eldora W. Upchurch w/o J. W. Sr owned a house Belmont St Raleigh N.C.

□ I can't find the Livingston St address at this time. If I do I'll let you know.

Δ 2 John W. U. Sr d- May 30 1935, his marriage date was 26 Dec 1878

Δ Eldora W. U. b. 18 Oct 1859

Δ 3 Charles D. ~~W~~ b. 11 March 1885

Δ 4 William (uncle Willie) C. U. d. 23 April 1963

as soon as I get his death certificate I have a story to tell you

Δ 5 Eva Melvina U. (aunt Eva) born 26 Sept 1891

She died of rectal cancer 1979 of 50. in Richmond VA

Δ 6 Ruby Margaret U. b. 2 July 26 Sept 1891

□ + □ 7 John W. U. Jr 2nd wife Annie Louise Dickson

Δ 8 Re Susan Mable Beard

Δ I don't know where George Stearns was born (yet)

□ His family came from Boston Mass. George was the family outcast (a truly evil man)

Δ + □ Julia Luann Anley (son of Lowdy) were married in Jacksonville Fla on 19 June 1960. I don't know where Leon was born.

Δ Oscar, Low Louis Anley was born in Warsaw 2 Mo on May 12 1919 Washington County

I know nothing about Leona Dowdy (yet)  
 Amanda Yvonne Dowdy was born 23 DEC 1984  
 Daniel Louis Dowdy was born 6 Jan 1987  
 Both were born in Jacksonville, Fla (Duval Co)  
 Julius Seon have 2 children

Debra Charlene Ansley m Sam Arthur Arnold  
 on 15 June 1955 in Jacksonville, Fla. No children  
 I know nothing about her husband.

Donald Edward Stearns \ Harriett Cohen  
 had 2 sons Thomas Edward and Robert Lee  
 b. 26 Nov 1956                      b. 14 July 1960  
 Donald was born 6 Sept 1931

I know very little about Harriett Cohen S.  
 I think she is 2 yrs younger than Don Her birthdate  
 is May 8 (She has nothing to do with Donald's family)

Betty married Brenda Crawford 3 Dec 1963  
 divorced her in 1985.

Annie Eleanor Beard (Helen's mother) died in  
 Lake Wales of cancer on Feb 18 1964

The name Eulene by Floyd Barron appears on  
 the marriage license with Annie. He started to use the  
 name Ulysses when he married Jane Ulysses was  
 his real name.

Helen married Clarence Edward Miller on  
 27 Nov 1947



- △ C E Jr (Ketch) was born 14 April 1951 in Orlando Fla
- married Garrett Lynn Davis on 30 Nov 1975
- △ (He also is sending by mail a group sheet on this)

- △ + □ Chalmer Willard I was married on 3 Sept 1961
- △ Chalmer died at home (7:35 AM on 26 April 1964
- in Jacksonville Fla (Duval Co). He is buried at
- △ Restlawn Cemetery in Jacksonville. He had 1 dau
- Margaret. She is one month younger than I am.
- I have no contact with her.

RPU Disposition of Records sent by Cleo in this letter

1. Julian W. Baird War Paper - See his Profile
2. Marriage Bond for Adaline Kayster & William Clinton W. I placed in Profile of the latter.
3. Death Certificate for William W. Jr - See his Profile
4. Death Certificate of Patsie Aline W. - See her Profile
5. Death Certificate of Eldora Kendall Wright - See her Profile
6. DAR Appl for Patsie Aline W. - See her Profile
7. Michael W. Chappell Colonial Dames of XVII Cen - See the latter
8. Chart for Parents & Siblings of Robert Bruce Baird - See his Profile.



# Family Record

Relationship of Husband to person filling out form

PARENTS  
Father

**HUSBAND** (name in full) Robert Bruce BEARD Husband's Occupation Engineer  
 Born 21 MARCH 1874 Place (town, county, state or country) WINSTON SALEM (forsyth) N.C.  
 Christened \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Married 31 MAY 1906 Place RALEIGH (Wake) N.C.  
 Died 26 April 1930 Place GAINESVILLE (Alachua) FL Cause of death Hodgkins Disease  
 Buried 29 April 1930 Place Evergreen Cemetery Gainesville, FL  
 Husband's Father James William BEARD Husband's Mother (maiden name) Susan Jane Phillips  
 Husband's other wives (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Wife to person filling out form

mother

**WIFE** (maiden name in full) Meta Eleanor LIPCHURCH  
 Born 17 Nov. 1879 Place (town, county, state or country) Raleigh (Wake) N.C.  
 Christened \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Died 1 JAN 1948 Place GAINESVILLE (Alachua) FL Cause of Death PNEUMONIA  
 Buried 3 JAN 1948 Place Evergreen Cemetery  
 Wife's Father John William LIPCHURCH Wife's Mother (maiden name) Eledora Kendall WRIGHT  
 Wife's other husbands (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN		State or Country	Date of first Marriage		DEATH DATE
		Day	Month	Year	Town	County		To whom	Place of death (not burial)	
F	1 <u>SUSAN Mable</u>	13	Dec	1904	KERIVESVILLE		N.C.	<u>26 APRIL</u> <u>George Stearns</u>	<u>1 MAY 1972</u>	<u>Jacksonville, FL</u>
M	2 <u>Robert Bruce Jr.</u>	11	MAY	1906	Rocky Mount		N.C.	<u>6 Oct 1929</u> <u>Louise Powell</u>	<u>3 Dec 1958</u>	<u>GAINESVILLE, FL</u>
F	3 <u>Marjorie Eldora</u>	11	MAY	1908	Rocky Mount		N.C.	<u>5 June 1927</u> <u>W.W. Maslett, Jr.</u>		
F	4 <u>ANNIE Eleanor</u>	3	Oct	1909	Raleigh	Wake	N.C.	<u>20 APRIL 1925</u> <u>L.L. BARRAS</u>	<u>18 Feb. 1964</u>	<u>Lake Wales, FL</u>
M	5 <u>William Wright</u>	13	Jan	1916	WaterTown		FL		<u>19 July 1977</u>	<u>Jacksonville, FL</u>
F	6 <u>Cleora Maxine</u>	13	Oct	1921	Jacksonville	Duval	FL	<u>15 Nov 1943</u> <u>William COLLIER Jr.</u>		
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Name and address of person filling out this form

Cleora Beard Gill 200 So. 4th St A4 Lake Wales (Park) FL 22052

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1. Cleora married Chalmer Wylie Gill 3 Sept. 1961
2. Father educated A+M College, Raleigh N.C. - worked as Engineer
3. Mother educated Meridith College was a pianist AND Homemaker

ANCESTRY CHART *2nd Gen*

NO 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME AS NO 1

ON CHART NO 1

4 James William BEARD  
 BORN April 1841  
 WHERE Kernersville, Forsyth, N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED 1897  
 WHERE Kernersville, Forsyth N.C.

5 Susan Jane PHILLIPS  
 BORN 7 July 1851  
 WHERE No. Hampton CTY. N.C.  
 DIED 6 Jan 1922  
 WHERE Burke CTY. N.C.

6 John William UPCHURCH  
 BORN 3 MARCH 1855  
 WHERE Raleigh, WAKE, N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED 30 MAY 1935  
 WHERE Raleigh WAKE, N.C.

7 Eidora K. WRIGHT  
 BORN 18 OCT 1859  
 WHERE Darlington, S.C.  
 DIED 17 Aug. 1943  
 WHERE Raleigh, Wake, N.C.

8 William A BEARD  
 BORN Guilford Co N.C.  
 WHERE  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED 27 SEPT 1816  
 WHERE  
 9 MARTHA HEWLEY  
 BORN Randolph Co N.C.  
 WHERE  
 DIED  
 WHERE

10 John Dawson PHILLIPS  
 BORN North Hampton CTY N.C. (VA)  
 WHERE CA 1810  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED North Hampton CTY N.C.  
 WHERE

11 MAY ELIZA PEEBLES  
 BORN 1810  
 WHERE North Hampton CTY N.C.  
 DIED  
 WHERE

12 William Clinton UPCHURCH  
 BORN 14 Feb 1813  
 WHERE Apex, N.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED 15 Dec. 1840 (Wake CTY)  
 DIED 11 Feb 1906  
 WHERE

13 Adaline Susan ROYSTER  
 BORN 3 July 1820  
 WHERE  
 DIED 18 JUNE 1890  
 WHERE RALEIGH N.C.

14 Isaiah Lafayette WRIGHT  
 BORN 9 July 1836  
 WHERE Darlington, S.C.  
 WHEN MARRIED Cynthia Kendall  
 DIED 15 APRIL 1891  
 WHERE

15 Cynthia KENDALL  
 BORN 22 SEPT 1830  
 WHERE Ashboro N.C.

16 DAVID BEARD CHART NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 17 REBECCA BRADY  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
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 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
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 22 STEELE DRED J PEEBLES  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 23 LUCRETIA TYNER  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 24 BURTIS UPCHURCH  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 25 Margaret VATES  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 26 \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 27 \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 28 James WRIGHT  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 29 ? DIANNAH MCDOWSHAL  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 30 Nathan KENDALL  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_  
 31 Sarah HALE  
 CONTINUED ON CHART \_\_\_\_\_

2 Robert Bruce BEARD  
 BORN 21 March 1874  
 WHERE Winston Salem, Forsyth NC  
 WHEN MARRIED  
 DIED 26 April 1930  
 WHERE Gainesville, Alachua, Fla.

1 Cleora Maxine BEARD  
 BORN 13 Oct. 1921  
 WHERE Jacksonville, Duval, Fla.  
 WHEN MARRIED 15 Nov. 1943  
 DIED  
 WHERE

#1 William Marvin COLLIER  
 NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE  
 B 23 MAR 1921  
 W New HAVEN CONN  
 D 20 JAN 1955  
 W Middle Town, CONN

#2 Chalmer Wylie GILL

3 Meta Eleanor Upchurch  
 BORN 17 Nov. 1874  
 WHERE Raleigh N.C.  
 DIED 1 Jan. 1948  
 WHERE Gainesville, Alachua, Fla.

Cleora Maxine Gill  
 NAME  
 200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St Apt 4  
 STREET ADDRESS OR P.O.  
 LAKE WALES, Fla. 33853

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BEARD Lineage  
(Paternal)

1 Richard Beard \ Dorothy Barrett  
B - ca 1700 Devonshire England



2 Richard Beard \ Eunice Macy Nantucket Mass



3 William Beard \ Severina Gifford Guilford Co N.C.



A+Q 4 David Beard \ Rebecca Brown  
B - ca 1724 He was a Hatter



A+Q 5 William Ashbury Beard \ Martha Hardy



A+Q 6 James William Beard \ Susan Jane Phillips



A+Q 7 Robert Bruce Beard \ Miter Eleanor Upchurch



A+Q-Q 8 Cleora Maxine Beard } was in Calif  
C, W, Hill

There was a John Beard <sup>1659</sup> who was a widower with 2 sons. One was Richard III. I am not satisfied about this yet. This is a probably lineage not yet confirmed. When the Beards left Nantucket Mass, they settled in Guilford Co N.C. They were Quakers - 5!

Robert Bruce Beard was born March 21st, 1874. Was the 2nd son of John William Beard of Kernersville, N. C. Died April 26th, 1930.

He was christened in the Methodist Church when a babe. And was educated at A. & M. College Raleigh, N. C.

He was captain of the college base-ball team, and was a great lover of sports of all kinds. Especially base-ball, and horse racing. He took the mechanical course at college, and all thru life worked in that line. He was a man that never knew the word, "I Cant". And always in the end mastered his job.

At the time of his marriage was engineer on the Seaboard. His latter years were spent in Fla. Was City Engineer of Jacksonville for over 11 years. And was engineer in Gainesville, Fla. at the time of his death.

On May, 31st. 1903, was married to Meta Eleanor Upchurch of Raleigh N. C.

She was educated at Meridith College. A woman of quite reserved nature & great lover of home and family. As a member of the First Methodist Church of Gainesville, Fla. She was born on Nov. 17th, 1879.

John William Upchurch of Raleigh N. C. is her father. And is a retired wholesale and retail merchant, his father was the oldest merchant of Raleigh N. C. having a store there when Raleigh was mostly woods. [WILLIAM CLINTON U.] ←

His wife was Adaline Royster, a woman of sterling qualities and boasted a heritage of which she was proud.

MetaMeta Upchurch Beards mother, was, Dora Kendall Wright of Thomasville N. C. Graduating and taking the valedictory at Thomasville Female College at the age of 19 years.

Her Grandfather was Issac LaFayette Wright, from Hartsville S. C. and was professor of Greek at Old Trinity College, for about 25 years. English descent.

Her mother Cynthis Kendall Wright, had a family tree tracing her ancestry back to 1700. When the Kendall brothers came from England. They had three children.

Dr. Edward Kendall Wright of Willson N. C. deceased.

Katherine Kendall Wright who married Rev. Walter, Makepeace Curtis, of Greensboro, N. C. deceased.

Dora Kendall Wright Upchurch.

Robert Bruce Beard and Meta Upchurch Beards married life was blessed with six children.

Susan Mabel Beard was born Dec. 13th, 1904. Weighing 2 1/2

lbs. though delicate, a woman of sterling qualities, and sunny disposition. She was married to Geo. Edward Stearns Jr. April 28th, 1924. Is a member of the Baptist church.

Her husbands father and people were from Boston Mass. and his grandfather Thomas Stearns came from Cambridge Mass. at the age of 21 yrs. 1830. To Thomas Stearns, that cith is indebted indirectly for its high status. He is descended from Issac Stearns who came to Salem Mass. from England in 1603. An influencial man and one of wealth. Another heir Geo. Sto. Monroe Stearns. He is the most eloquent and witty orators in the country. In 1871 was elected to the Senate. Ran on the ticket with John Quincy Adams for Lieutenant Governor and he was grandson of Charles Stearns D. D. who was made Dr. of Divinity by Harvard and was one of the ablest and learned men of his day. He refused the presidency of Harvard for his cause at one time.

Jacquelin Yvonne Stearns their first and only child was born on March the 14th, 1929, in Jacksonville, Fla.

Robert Bruce Beard Jr. second child of R. B. Beard and MaSa Beard and only living son was born May 11th, 1906 at Rocky Mount, N. C.

A man of rare qualities and a gentae disposition, quiet and reserved living strictly to truth and honesty and never swerving from the right.

Was a machinist and Lynotype operatornad now Mechanical Superintendent of Gainesville Sun, daily newspaper published in Gainesville, Fla.

Is a member of Gainesville Lodge No. 41, F. & A. M. of high standing.

Lodge of Perfection No. 4, Valley of Jacksonville, Orient of Florida.

Gainesville Forest Nol 105, Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Is a member of and President of Gainesville Typographical Union.

Member of the First Methodist Church of Gainesville, Fla.

Was married to Louise Powell of Gainesville on October 6th, 1929.

Marjorie Eldora Beard, was born on May 11th, at Rocky Mount, N. C. Was a talented pianist, very quite and reserved and a woman of strong character, great lover of home. Was married to Wilbur W. Masters Jr. of South Jax. on June 6, 1928. Their only child Marjorie Maxine Masters was born on March 8th, 1929. Her husband is a electrician by trade.

Annie Eleanor Beard. was born Oct. 3rd, 1910. at Raleigh

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△ N. C. Was married at 15 to Eulice Grant Barras, of New Orleans, La. on April 28th, 1925. He was a machinist by trade, and of Frnch descent. His grandfather was the oldest operating Surgeon at Charith Hospital New Orleans. Helen Louise Barras the only child was born on Feb. 10th, 1926.

△ + △ Annie Barras was divorced and remarried to Roscoe Valiant Anthony of Reddick Fla. His ancestors are originally from Tennessee, of Scotch descent. He is connected with Batey Flemin Wholesale Grocery Company of Gainesville, Fla.

△ + □ + □ William Wright Beard fifth child of R. B. Beard and Meta Beard was born Jan. 13th, 1915. Died July 15, 1917.

□ + □ + □ Cleora Maxine Beard sixth child of R. B. Beard and Meta Beard was born Oct. 13th, 1921. Been a cripple from birth. Plastix paralysis. But a brilliant min and very smart in her studies.

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MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY  
OF META ELEANOR (UPCHURCH) BEARD

25 JUN  
1989

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1) For Meta Eleanor U

a) Did Robert Bruce Beard, Sr die 26 APR 1930 or 28 APR 1930

2) For Susan Mable Beard

a) Did she marry 26 APR 1924 or 28 APR 1924

b) when and where was George Edward Stearns, Jr born?

c) when and where was Leon Jay Bowdy born?

d) where was Nelson Charlene Anselmy born?

e) when and where was Sam Arthur Arnold, III born?

f) Did Jacquelin Yvonne Stearns have just 2 children?

g) what is full maiden name of Harriett Cohen and where was she born?

h) where did Robert see Stearns marry Brenda Crawford, what is her full maiden name and when & where was she born?

3) For Robert Bruce Beard, Jr - No questions.

4) For Majorie Eldora Beard

a) Was she married 5 or 6 JUN and was it 1927 or 1928?

b) when and where was William Wellington Master, Jr born?

5) For Maxene Maxene Master

a) was she b. 8 or 10 MAR and was it 1928 or 1929?

b) when in SEP was she married and was it 1947?

c) where was she married?

d) Full name of Homer Walton and when born?

6) For Linda Soule Walton

a) where born?

b) when and where married?

c) Full name of David Williamson and when & where born?

d) Does she have any children? If so - details?



1-2) For Helen Louise Brown

- a) where did she work Edward Miller for money?
- b) where did where was Janet Lynn Dawe born?
- c) where were the 3 children of COM for born?
- d) where did Robert Gerald Miller marry?
- e) what is full maiden name of Lois Huston and where is where was she born?
- f) where was Matthew Huston Miller born and is there any other child?
- g) where was Tom Lynn Miller born? Still single?

1-3) For Barbara Ann Brown

- a) full name of Jackson Property and where is where born?

1-4) For William Wright Beard

- a) was he born 13 JAN 1917 or 13 JAN 1916?

1-5) For Clara Maxine Beard

- a) where was 2nd marriage?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE CHILDREN (4)  
OF JOHN WILKINSON, SR 2-5-1917

1) Mrs. Anna Jensen 4 All OK

2) Mrs. Margaret Albert 4

- a) when did (about 18-1911)?
- b) when & where married?
- c) when & where <sup>was</sup> ~~born~~ (Caroline E. Betty Knorr born, when & where did and when buried?

3) Mrs. Mary Beall 4

- a) when & where married?
- b) full name of Ann (Anna) Beall & where born?

4) Mrs. Charles David 4, Sr

- a) when & where married?
- b) full maiden name of Anne Beall, when & where born, when did, when buried?

5) Mrs. William Charles 4, II

- a) did he die 22 or 23 April 1913
- b) when did?

6) Mrs. Eva Melman 4

- a) when did (about 1919-1930)?
- b) when & where married?
- c) what date of in of Beall's name, Sr stand for and when & where born, when & where did & where buried?

7) Mrs. Marie Thayer 4

- a) when & where married 1st & 2nd times?
- b) what date the T. in James T. McKelvey stand for, when & where born when & where did, when buried & when was Odes Richard Weaner, Sr born & when did?

8) Mrs. Bertha Garner 4 All OK

9) Mrs. Ruby Margarete 4

- a) when & where did, when buried?
- b) when & where were 1st & 2nd marriages?
- c) what date of in George H. Whitehead stand for and when & where born when & where did & where buried?
- d) full name of Blanche Taylor, when & where did & where buried?

(4) Mrs. John Williams H, Jr.

a) where buried?

b) where is Grace Estelle Barnes buried?

c) when and where was Anne Louise Nelson born?

CLEORA MAXINE BEARD

XIO - 4751

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25 JUN 1957

Mrs. CLEORA L. GILL  
110 20 4th Street - Apt 7  
WINDY HILLS, FL 32533

Dear Cousin Cleo

Today was a day off. Today and have and  
work on genealogy the entire day has been spent  
looking over the packet provided with your  
letter of 5 JUN 1957. Every little thing is now  
in place and put in place. Thanks ever so  
much for all the details.

I do & have a professional genealogist for VA  
but a friend of mine at the office does. He has  
proposed to bring me the address and I will  
send it as to you when to see could you  
send me the name of the person as well  
you use - address, phone no, rate charged, etc

Attached are lists showing whether names  
are within family and on the list then  
and others. Perhaps you will have or can  
get some of these missing items. There are  
some conflicts in our records. Can you tell  
me what papers the three handwritten sheets  
you sent?

I am anxious to know your story about  
your Uncle Willie since I know him but  
of the children of J W U is.

It is really good that you and Helen  
is gotten into the IAN and the ODC  
and that you are working on the Island  
Dance of the VIII century. This will  
make it easier for them could you  
let me know a copy of your certificate  
if that is desired. I have never seen  
one and you know that Mrs A B. Nohak  
is your cousin. She descended from our  
ancestors Nathan U I through her son  
Nevil U I brother of your father and my (Uncle).  
She had you a sketch of you so desire  
and look on your head records.

Let me hear from you and Helen

Sincerely yours  
Paul Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]