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○ Added inputs from Janet (Morgan) Ross
re the 2 Franklin Co, NC couple who moved
from Franklin Co, NC to Indiana - email
to RPU 14 MAR 2017 - A = 8:55 AM; B = 10:39 AM

A

The mystery of John Pearce is still fairly unsolved. We know that Elizabeth had a brother John, who is buried next to her in Indiana (and so we know his death date). We know his approximate birth date from his deposition for Elizabeth's Revolutionary War Pension Application, and we know he had a daughter Martha who married Zebedee Ray, son of Hutson Ray and grandson of Elizabeth Pearce and Thomas Ray. Other information is softer.

B

As for John Pearce, there is a possibly good candidate for a or the son of John Pearce who lived in a nearby county to Shelby Co., IN. One problem with that that man is that Y-DNA from one of his descendants does not match that of men from the Phillip Pearce family. Also, his mother was named Clarissa and a Find-A-Grave post says her maiden name was Jones. So, more work needs to be done there to connect dots, and I've not been interested in researching that family. I've tried to get descendants of Zebedee Ray and Martha Pearce to take the Family Finder test and will keep nudging them. If they have more matches with Upchurch families than others in the Nail-Ray family have, I think that would be supportive evidence that Martha's mother was an Upchurch. Sigh.

I. Nathan Pearce 1725-1796

A. Elizabeth Pearce and Thomas Ray

1. Hutson Ray

a. Zebedee Ray

Δ B. John Pearce

Δ mdc) Clara/Clarissa U - presumed

D/o Richard U, III.

Δ 1. Martha Pearce

and c) Zebedee Ray

a. A candidate son lived near
Shelby Co, IN & his mother was
Clarissa & she was ne Jones

① Ltr 2 OCT 77 from Edythe Tippet indicates ~~xxx-2796~~
Clara U was dau of Richard U Jr and
 that she m'd John Pearce & that they
 moved to IN after Ben War.

② See will file for Petition DEC 1817 to divide property of Richard U Jr.
 Franklin Co NC. - list Clara U as dau & her
 h'r John Pace. [JOHN PEARCE]

③ See Pg 29 Attach to 2 FEB 1978 Ltr Elva E. Buckhalter to RPH
 Re Clara U: [JOHN PEARCE]
 A: "John Pace & wife Clara mentioned as heirs of
 Richard U of Franklin Co, NC. Clara seems to be the dau
 of Richard. Franklin Co. Will & Inventories, Bk "E" pg 120,
 1815-1817 division of lands of Richard U to John Pearce
 and wife (Pace & Pearce must be same person)"

④ In attachment to 23 AUG 1977 Ltr Edythe Tippet to RPH
 Mrs Tippet tells Mrs W.R.L.U. of Atlanta, TX that
 Buckner U, son of Richard U Jr, moved to Randolph
 Co, NC in 1820 (Pg 48 of Oline Morgan Book). Tippet
 thinks John Pearce who m'd Clara U (sister of Buckner
 U & dau of Richard U Jr (III)) was also in Randolph Co, NC
 at this time as he gave William Rhea power of
 attorney to collect for him from Richard U Jr's estate.

⑤ See Ltr 10 JUL 1980 Elva Era Buckhalter to RPH
 Pg 14. [Note: I show 2 daus for Richard U III - Clara & Frances]
Clara Frances U born 1795, dau of Richard U Jr [III].

m'd 1 DEC 1808 John Pearce, wif = Nathaniel Pearce. * WELL

⑥ See Ltr Elva Era Buckhalter to RPH 27 OCT 1980
 "Richard U, father of Calum, had one dau. Her
 name was Clara Frances. She m'd Pierce,
 Pearce or Pace. These are the true spellings
 of it."

ASSUME RICHARD
 U, III HAD 1 DAU
 - CLARA U - RPH
 26 JUL
 2010

- ⑦ Frances Pace U dau of Richard U. Jr. (28)
 ↳ [CLARA U]
- ⑧ [Note: Upon reexamination of the records I conclude above comes from Pg 86 of (28) and that the proper item is Frances (Upchurch) Pace.
 Although pg 86 shows that Frances U, dau of Richard U III, md — Pace (and the original source used by (28) shows that) the fact is and other records show she md — Pearce & in fact John Pearce — RPU]
- ⑨ See Ltr 10 JUL 1980 Elva Eva Burkhalter to RPU
 Pg 14 - [Note: I show that Richard U III has 2 dau Clara & Frances - this item indicates one = Clara Frances U - RPU] [USE CLARA U 9 ONLY - RPU 26 JUL 2010]
 Clara Frances U b 1795, dau of Richard U Jr [III], md 1 DEC 1808 John Pearce, Witness = Nathan Pearce.
- ⑩ Note: Richard U III (Head of Clan) had one dau Clara Frances U (XID-72) into md John Pearce. Up to 1 FEB 81 RPU mistakenly listed Clara and Frances as separate individuals. Clara had been XID-2796 and Frances XID-72. Hereafter I will accept Clara Frances U XID-72. The number XID-2796 will be vacated. Corrections appear in UO 2 Issue 1 (Errors corrected on pages 19, 75, & 159 of UBI) - RPU
 1 FEB 81 -

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○ Use of the Given name JOHN in the PEARCE Family of
WAKE & FRANKLIN COS, NC 1750-1900 & UPCHURCH Connections
I Nathan Pearce b 1735(?) d 1821 (FCNC) m d 1756(?) Nancy Wester

XFO
4203 A. Philip Pearce [1 of 4 BRO] b 1754(?) d 1812/1834 (FCNC) m d(?) Nancy Dunn
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1. John Pearce b 1787(?) d (FCNC) (BOR-FCNC) m d (FCNC)
Francis U. D/o Benjamin U.

33869 a. John Pearce "Jack" b Aht 1810

b. Benjamin Pearce

33886 i. John H. Pearce b Aht 1853 (FCNC)
1857

2. Nathan Pearce b 1783(?) d 1867 (FCNC) (Bur Nathan
Pearce em., FCNC) m d(1st) Susan U. b 1790 (FCNC) d (FCNC)
- possibly D/o Benjamin U.
m d(2nd) 1867 (FCNC) Mary A. Tippet b 1834

a. Acher N. Pearce b 1814 (FCNC) d 1880 (FCNC)

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i. John Calvin/Clyton Pearce b 1838 (FCNC) d 1924
(FCNC) (Bur Pearce Church) m d 1861 (FCNC) Lenna
Jane Pearce - an Upchurch Descendant

ii. Bryant Pearce b 1849 (FCNC)

(F) John Robin Pearce b 1875(?) d 1948(?)

iii. Doctor Wiley Pearce b 1848 (FCNC) d 1930 (FCNC)

(F) John Walter Pearce b 1876 (FCNC) d 1941 (FCNC)

b. Solomon Pearce CSA b 1831 (FCNC)

i. William Bunell Pearce / Robert Bunell Pearce

(F) John B. Pearce b 1887 (FCNC) m d U. - SANFORD

c. Bunell Pearce

i. Robert Pearce b Aht 1850

(F) John Valentine Pearce b 1874 (FCNC) d 1957 (FCNC)

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B John Pearce [1 of 4 BRO] b Aht 1766(?) d (?) Shelby Co, IN

m d (?) Clara U. D/o Richard U, III [WAS SHE CLARA FRANCES U?]

OTHER JOHN'S IN PEARCE FAMILY b ABT	JOHN P 1812 - WENC	JOHN A. P 1849 - WENC	JOHN A. P 1859 - FCNC
	JOHN J. P 1837 - FCNC	JOHN H. P 1847 - WENC	3/o ARCHIBALD P - 1831
	3/o ARCHIBALD P 1804	3/o BERRY P 1818	JOHN P - 1860 - FCNC
	JOHN P 1840 - WENC	JOHN P 1858 - WENC	3/o MARGARET P - 1831
	3/o JOHN 1812	3/o WESLEY P 1828	JOHN WALTER P -

○ SUMMARY OF CENSUS RECORDS FOR CLARA FRANCES U
 b 1793 - Head of the Richard U, III / Clara Frances U Subdam

1800 - FRANKLIN CO, NC

Clara Frances U age 7 would be expected to be in the home of her Father Richard U, III. In his home in 1800 there is ~~not~~ a 0-10 age slot available according to extracts created by RPA and by Charles John Peterson, Jr. However an extract created by Mayfred U does provide a 0-10 age slot for a female [+ 3-10-16 Female age slot not reported before]

1810 FRANKLIN CO, NC

Clara Frances U age 17 is not in the home of her father Richard U, III. Other records show she married 1 DEC 1808 to John Place and thus could have been in her own home in 1810. However, note that in 1808 she would have been 15 or at the most 16 - hence the dates fit even if barely.

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○ For Addition to BIOFILES OF JOHN PEARCE b 1766 and
CLARA FRANCES U. D/O RICHARD U., III - Presumed 174W

A. In Ltr 23 APR 2010 RPU wrote to Janet Ray

' John Pearce b 1766 md 1808 (FC, NC) Clara Frances U.
They named it IN. Clara in the light to have been
a 60/0 Richard U., II "

B. Email 26 APR 2010 - Janet Ray to RPU

Dear Phil,

I had one of those "ah-ha" moments when I read your letter dated 23 April 2010. Your Upchurch/Nail-Ray collaboration is paying off for Nail-Ray.

So, my John Pearce/Pierce married Clara Frances Upchurch in 1808 in Franklin Co., NC! I had not made the connection because I/we had initially assumed that John went to Randolph Co., NC, shortly after he married Selah Sims on 06 March 1786 in Wake Co., NC, but when John showed up in Indiana he was married to Clara/Clarissa (last name unknown). Clara Francis Upchurch would fit though because his two youngest children were born after 1808—Martha in 1812 and Sion in 1816. The birth date that her family has for Clara is 14 October 1764 and the 1850 Census in Shelby Co., IN, has that she was born in Virginia and the 1860 Census in Jefferson, Poweshiek Co., IA, has North Carolina. She died 04 November 1869 and was buried in Poweshiek Co., IA. She was 50-ish when she had her two youngest children—which might/would/could be explained by her being married in only 1808. (John's oldest daughter, Sarah who was born about 1792 in North Carolina, would then have been his child with his first wife Selah Sims.) Okay, that works for me!

Phil, Bev Knoll-Hegstrom, Bethany Roberts, and Carol Masse are descendants of Clara's daughter Martha Pearce who married Zebedee Ray (grandson of Thomas Ray of Franklin and Wake Co., NC). Please fill us in on Clara's Upchurch ancestors!

Best regards,

Janet

C. Email 30 APR 2010 - RPU to Janet

Hi Janet---

With your message in hand it appears we may have the option of doing some digging to get a few things straight. Note that the attachment to my 23 APR 2010 letter to you states that the 1808 marriage of John Pearce b. 1766 was to an Upchurch lady presumed to be the GD/O Richard Upchurch, II, called by various names—Clara Frances U., Frances A. U., and Frances U. My feeling is that there are two ladies here, one a daughter of Benjamin U and one a daughter of Richard U., III. Both of these first cousin females married a Pearce. As I study the matter I am now unsure which Frances married which Pearce. One of the husbands was John Pearce b. 1766 he being the son of Nathan Pearce, I b. 1735 and being the brother of the Elizabeth Pearce who married your Thomas Ray. The other husband was John Pearce, II b. 1787, son of Philip Pearce b. 1754.

One of the couples stayed in NC and I have a large collection of descendants of this couple the uncertainty of the parentage of both husband and wife notwithstanding.

The other couple moved to IN and it is from this couple that a daughter Martha Pierce appeared and for whom you have contact with living descendants. I am assuming that you or they have good records for this family. If I can be provided with an outline of this family I will study it going backwards to see if I can get to the point where we begin to learn more about the two couples and their parentage. If you have all ready sent what I request just give me a clue and I will go over the data.

I feel we may be close to peeling back a few pages of history. If my comments above need to be set straight in any way please let me know.

Please be patient with me as I have two major out-of-state trips planned between now and June 15 and that always clutters mind and desk.

Phil Upchurch

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○ See Pg 14 Download in Ltr 7 MAR 2000 From Pauline U DRPH

19. JOHN⁶ PEARCE (PHILLIP⁵, NATHAN⁴, NATHAN³, PHILLIP², GEORGE¹) was born November 10, 1787 in Franklin Co., NC. He married FRANCES UPCHURCH December 1, 1808 in Franklin Co., NC¹⁰, daughter of RICHARD UPCHURCH and SUSANNAH PACE. She was born Abt. 1790 in Franklin Co., NC.

↳ ?? ↳ RICHARD U, III ↳ 2ND WIFE

Children of JOHN PEARCE and FRANCES UPCHURCH are:

- i. JANE⁷ PEARCE, m. CLEM ALFORD, March 10, 1840.
- ii. PRISCILLA PEARCE, m. ARCHIBALD ALFORD, December 8, 1835, Franklin Co., NC.
- iii. SIDNEY PEARCE, m. PAM MITCHELL. { RPA SHOW AS LUCINDA PEARCE
MD () PEMBERTON MITCHELL
- CROSS LIST }
- iv. JACK PEARCE, b. Abt. 1810. [JOHN PEARCE]
- v. BENJAMIN PEARCE, CSA, b. November 11, 1816, Franklin Co., NC; d. August 30, 1904, Franklin Co., NC.
- vi. HARRIET PEARCE, b. Abt. 1818, Franklin Co., NC.
- vii. CLARA ANN PEARCE, b. October 9, 1825, Franklin Co., NC; d. September 8, 1912, Franklin Co., NC.
- viii. FANNIE PEARCE, b. Abt. 1831.
- ix. CALVIN PEARCE, CSA, b. Abt. 1833, Franklin Co., NC; d. Bef. 1880, Franklin Co., NC.

I. NATHAN PEARCE, I b 9 JUL 1735

A. PHILIP PEARCE (of the 4 Brothers)

1. JOHN PEARCE, II

m & l) CLARA FRANCES U VS FRANCES U

[WAS SHE DAU OF RICHARD U, III OR
OF BENJAMIN U - BOTH HEADS OF CLANS]

○ RPU Thoughts about tricky UPCHURCH-PEARCE-RAY RELATIONS
- REFERENCE NAIL & RAY FAMILIES INDEXED AND RPU RECORDS
- BY RPU 26 JUL 2010

- I. Nathan Pearce, I b 9 JUL 1735 - He + 5 Sons + 1 Da of Franklin Co., NC - Moccasin Creek Area 1775 ±
- Δ A. Elizabeth Pearce b About 1769 } to Randolph Co, NC } NO U
md () Thomas Ray b About 1762 } and then to Shelby } HENS-
Co., IN } TAG
- Δ B. Philip Pearce b 24 JUL 1791
- Δ 1. John Pearce, II. b 12 NOV 1787 () d () (Ben Family Cem
3 miles SW of Payson Springs Bapt. Church, Franklin Co, NC
md () - - - UPCHURCH - Possibly the Frances
U who md 1 DEC 1808 (FC, NC) John Pearce - She
is possibly D/o Benjamin U.
- Δ C. John Pearce, I b About 1766 () d (Shelby Co, IN)
md () Clara U (Clarice) D/o Richard U, III

- There seems to be little doubt that John Pearce who lived close to his sister Elizabeth (Pearce) Ray in Randolph Co, NC was the John who married the only daughter of Richard U, III who died intestate in FC, NC in 1816. His son-in-law John Pearce & his wife drew lot #1 of 28 Acres (Need to find where John sold this). A clincher is that John Pearce in Randolph Co, NC appointed WILLIAM RHEA in FC, NC to recover his right to a portion of the estate of Richard U, III.
- The records from IN show the wife of John Pearce b 1766 was "CLARICE" hence CLARA.
- The children of Richard U, III were born from 1774 to 1795 with a daughter born in 1793. Richard U, III md 2nd 14 SEP 1796 (FC, NC). His young sons show up in his name on the 1800 Census but no young daughter b 1793. Perhaps she was staying with relatives. ??
- In the 1790-1810 era it is unlikely you would find a female with two names CLARA & FRANCES.
- On balance I am inclined to say that the 1808 marriage was for John Pearce b 1787 and Frances U possibly D/o Benjamin U - NOT for John Pearce b 1766 and Clara U.

UPCHURCH - RAY - PEARCE RELATIONSHIPS - FROM PGS 926, 927 NATL
 & RAY FAMILIES 2ND ED. 1997 BY RPH 26 JUL 2010 [] = PER RPH

[X. NATHAN PEARCE b 9 JUL 1735 (VA) HE & WIFE & CHILDREN TO MOCCASIN CREEK AREA OF NC 1791]

P111 Nathan Pearce

D. before 26 March 1796 (when Nancy Peirce, widow of Nathan Peirce, was granted her 62 and 1/3 acres of the land to be divided [Franklin Co., NC Will Book B, p. 36 (ref. 3)])

M. to Nancy (maybe Weston) [NANCY SARAH WESTER]
 Parents of 7, record of 6 children

P1111 Stephen Pearce

B. 1756-1765 (less than 45 in 1800 Census and more than 45 in 1810 Census for Franklin Co., NC)

D. in Wake Co., NC

M. to Elizabeth

Parents of 4 children

P1112 Arthur Pearce

D. before 26 March 1796 (when Nancy Peirce, widow of Arthur Peirce, was granted 41 acres for her dower land [Franklin Co., NC Will Book B, p. 36 (ref. 3)])

M. to Nancy (see above)

Parents of 2 children (Philip Pearce was named guardian for these children after Arthur's death)

P1113 Phillip Pearce (fought in the American Revolutionary War) [33]

B. 1756-1765 (younger than 45 in 1800 Census and older than 45 in 1810 Census for Franklin Co., NC)

D. ? buried old Bryant Stallings Graveyard, near Moccasin Creek in Franklin Co., NC

M. 1778

To Nancy Bunn
 Parents of 6 children

[ELIZABETH PEARCE & HERTHUS
 THOMAS RAY HAD A MOCCASIN CREEK, NC HERITAGE BUT NO UPCHURCH ANCESTORS BUT

P1114 Elizabeth Pearce

B. ca 1766 North Carolina HER BROTHER MD AN UPCHURCH

D. 13 November 1844 Shelby Co., IN, buried Ray/Center Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN

M. Bond dated 29 March 1783 Franklin Co., NC (Bondsman, Charles

Upchurch; Witness, J. Rice)

To Thomas Ray [R12] (Son of William Ray, Sr.)

Parents of 7 children

For record, see Thomas Ray [R12]

P1115 John Pearce

B. ca 1768

D. 03 January 1845 (age 77 years) buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN

M. to Clarissa [TENTATIVE CLARA FRANCES U

Parents of 7, record of 1 child

D/O RICHARD U, III

P11151 Martha Pierce

B. 27 February 1812 North Carolina

D. 30 January 1896

M. 25 December 1832 (Bible record) Shelby Co., IN

To Zebedee Ray [R1213] [Son of Hutson [R121] and Margaret (Byerly) Ray]

Parents of 12 children

For record, see Zebedee Ray [R1213]

P1116 James Pearce [b ABOUT 1758]

D. before 1795 Franklin Co., NC (Guardian account for his children was assumed by Phillip Pearce from the former guardian John Martin [Franklin Co. NC Will Book C, p. 40]. Thomas Ray [R12] was the administrator for

James Pearce's estate [Franklin Co., NC Will Book B, p. 19].)

M. to Mary (because she received one-third of the estate of James Pearce)

Parents of 5 children (named as orphans, would have been minors in 1795 when their father died)

P11111 Charlotte Pearce

M. to Upchurch [JUBAL U., I]

P11112 Elizabeth Pearce

M. 19 March 1808 Franklin Co., NC

To Simon Carpenter

P11113 Mary Pearce

M. to Perry [JAMES PERRY, JR]

P11114 Cherry Pearce

M. 09 October 1815 Franklin Co., NC

To Drewry Denton

2) HIS SON NATHAN PEARCE, JR

b 23 MAY 1783 MD (AND)

SUSAN U POSSIBLE D/O

BENJAMIN U.

P11121 Cordy Pearce

A P11122 Willie Pearce

[MOSES U TOOK
 OVER AS GUARDIAN
 1799]

1) I. WM RAY, SR - HAD MOCCASIN CREEK LAND IN MID 1700S

A. WM RAY, JR

A. I. JOHN RAY - LIVED IN CHATHAM CO, NC THEN IN RANDOLPH CO.

A. B. HUTSON RAY - d IN REV

1. ZEBEDEE RAY

M. () MARTHA

PEARCE G/D

RICHARD U, III

C. CHARLES RAY d IN REV

D. THOMAS RAY - REV

3) HIS SON JOHN PEARCE, II b 10 NOV 1787 COULD BE THE ONE WHO MD 1 DEC 1808 (FL, NC) FRANCES U

P11161 Willie (Willie) Pearce

M. 12 November 1823 Wake Co., NC

To Sally Hoggwood (Bondsman, John Pierce)

P11162 Beedy Pearce

M. 27 August 1816 Wake Co., NC

To George Bell (Bondsman, Littleberry Horton)

P11163 Betsy Pearce

P11164 Penny Pearce

M. 21 March 1811 Wake Co., NC

To Littleberry Horton (Bondsman, William Horton)

P11165 Patsy Pearce

M. 19 December 1821 Wake Co., NC

To Calvin Nowell (Bondsman, John Nowell)

[RPH SHOWS SHE MD 10 SEP 1816

(FL, NC) HALEY PEARCE]

○ Page 931 of Book. Nail & Ray Families 2nd Ed 1997

I. RICHARD U, III - Head of Clan

Δ A. CLARA U

Δ MD (?) JOHN PEARCE

RAM NOTE: Her John Pearce is supporting the relation of Mrs. such Elizabeth (Pearce) Ray widow of Thomas Ray for a REV WAR pension 1794-27 July 200

These two

Complex
married in
the Mountain
Creek Area
of NC & then
married
togethers
to Randolph
Co, NC before
1820 and
then to
Shelby
Co, IN

JOHN PEARCE

WAS AGE 76

IN 1842 HENCE

BORN ABOUT

1876

Deposition of John Pierce

State of Indiana Hancock county Be it known on this the 18th day of May in the year 1842 Before me Andrew F. Hatfield a Justice of the Peace of Said county of Hancock personally appeared John Pierce a resident of Said county aged 76 years of Sound mind and memory who being by me duly Sworn on his oath Saith that he is the brother of Elizabeth Ray of Shelby county Indiana who is the widow of Thomas Ray deceased who died in Said county of Shelby Twelve years ago last fall during the revolutionary war and from the earliest recollection of this deponent he resided in the county of Franklin near the line of Wake county in the State of North Carolina with his fathers family and a near neighbour to the father and family of Said Thomas Ray while the Said war was raging in Carolina and other Southern States about the fall of the year 1779 and when this deponent was a lad he thinks about 13 or 14 years of age the Said Thomas Ray being thereabout two years or upwards older than this deponent he the Said Thomas was drafted to Serve in the army for 3 months it was understood at that time among the family and neighbours that Said Thomas was not quite of Sufficient age to be drafted but his father did not go to prove his age and he Thomas went with Several others of the neighbours and Served and when his term expired he hired as a Substitute for one of the neighbours Jacob Wheeler for 3 months and after that time was out he returned home but was very soon called out again and went still on from one campaign to another till the war was about threw in that part of the country I think he must have served in all near two years from the general conversation and report in the neighbourhood he was in the battle at Eutaw Springs he came home soon after that battle with a Slight wound on his neck and another on his foot he brought home one of the red coats of the british there were Several persons who I know out in the Service at the Same time to wit—John Segraves Sen John Segraves Jun Charles Ray Hudson Ray Jefse buh John Pierce Richard Pierce William Wheeler Shadrach Medlin Philbert Peirce John Rainwater Anderson Nunery James Peirce Joseph Pary Roger Craig Andrew Jackson John Martin Starling Cooper Tanner Alford who was a Mager in the Service I do not know where any of these persons are or wheather any of then are living Except I have had a late account from Andrew Jackson he was yet alive at that time Hudson Ray was wounded in battle and died in the hospital and Charles Ray died a prisoner with the British they were both Brothers to Said Thomas the next winter after the war was over in those parts the Said Thomas Ray and my Sister Elizabeth was Married at my fathers residence in Franklin county by Tanner Alford a Magistrate I was present and Saw them Married they lived Together until the death of Said Thomas Ray as above mentioned they had Several children to wit—Hudson Ray James Ray Gilley Ray Sarah Ray Susanna Ray Martha Ray and Chmey Ray this deponent cannot State positively that he is exactly correct as to the date or as to his own age or the age of said Thomas Ray the family Records of this deponents father and family was given up in the time of the war to be Sold to pay expences of the war this deponent remembers that Some man came to his fathers house for money or property for that purpose and his father had nothing for them but the Bible which he Gave up and that had the record of their ages in it Elizabeth the widow of Said Thomas is about Two years older than this deponent

his
(Signed) John U Pierce
mark

Witnesses---

Wiley Wray

James M. McCorkhill (?)

Sworn to and Subscribd the day and year first above written-----Andrew F. Hatfield
Justice of the Peace

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○ Pages 641-650 from Book - Nail & Ray Families - 2nd Ed 1997

I. RICHARD U., III - Head of Clan

A. CLARA U. "CLARISSA" MD (C) JOHN PEARCE

1. MARTHA PIERCE
MD (C) ZEEBEDEE RAY

RPM NOTE 27 JUL 2010
ALL 10 PGS TO BIOFILE
OF ZEEBEDEE RAY
AWAITING PROCESSING
PG 641 ONLY TO BIOFILE

R1213 ZEEBEDEE RAY OF CLARA U.

12 CHILDREN
& DESCENDANTS
ON PGS
641-650

Zeebedee was the third child of Hutson Ray [R121] and Margaret Byerly. Zeebedee's Bible was entitled Bible: New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, translated of the original Greek and with the former translations diligently compared and revised, (Philadelphia, William W. Harding), dated 1864 (no current information about the Bible's guardian).

R1213 Zeebedee Ray (name spelled Zebadie in Bible record)

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- D. 01 November 1868 (Bible record) (age 57 years) buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN
- M. 25 December 1832 Shelby Co., IN (Bible record)
- To Martha Pierce [Daughter of John and Clarissa Pierce. John Pierce was the brother of Elizabeth Pearce who married Thomas Ray [R12], Zeebedee's grandfather. John Pierce died 03 January 1845 (age 77 years) and is buried in the Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN, beside his sister Elizabeth (Pearce) Ray.]
- B. 27 February 1812 North Carolina (Bible record)
- D. 30 January 1896 (Bible record) (age 83 years-11 months-3 days) buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN

Parents of 12 children

R12131 Reuben Ray

- B. 01 December 1833 Shelby Co., IN (Bible record)
- D. 01 July 1834 (Cemetery record; Bible record has only July 1834) buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN

R12132 Jincy (Bible record) (Jennice?) Ray

- B. 27 August 1834 (Bible record has 27 August 1835) Shelby Co., IN
- D. 07 September 1865 (Cemetery and Bible records) buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN
- M. 08 January 1857

To Samuel Brown

Parents of 2 children

R12132-1 Robert M. Brown (Residence: Mount Pleasant, IA)

- B. 1858
- Parent of 1 child

R12132-11 Ruth Brown

R12132-2 Minnie Brown

M. to Rev. _____ Foster

R12133 William Ray

- B. 27 January 1837 (Bible and Cemetery records) Shelby Co., IN
- D. 18 October 1908 buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN
- M. 27 November 1862
- To Elizabeth Williams
- B. 01 October 1842
- D. 20 October 1921 buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN

Parents of 4 children

R12133-1 Emma May Ray

- B. 1865
- D. 1942 buried Brandywine Center/Ray Cemetery, Shelby Co., IN (under name of Emma May Kanoose)

M1 11 March 1888

To Benedict Hasler

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I. ⁴NATHAN PEARCE b 9 JUL 1735 (VA) 
d 26 FEB 1821 (FL, NC)
MD 24 JUN 1756 () NANCY SARAH
WESTER [vs ANN WESTRAY]
A. JAMES PEARCE
B. ELIZABETH PEARCE
MD () THOMAS RAY } TO
C. JOHN PEARCE } SHELBY
D MD () CLARA U } CO, IN
D/o RICHARD U, III
D. PHILIP PEARCE
MD () NANCY BUNN
E. ARTHUR PEARCE
F. STEPHEN PEARCE

Nathan Pearce

Birth **abt 1725** in Isle of Wight Co., Virginia
Death **bef 26 Mar 1796** in Franklin Co., North Carolina

1725
abt
Birth
Isle of Wight Co., Virginia
Based on his being 21 years old (an adult) in his first documented land record.

1752
abt
Age: 27
Marriage to Ann Westray
Isle of Wight Co., Virginia
Date is "probably", but definitely before 1755 (the date of Ann's father's death). See attached story for documentation sources for Ann's name and parents.

1796
26 Mar
Age: 71
Death
Franklin Co., North Carolina

Family Members

Parents

Phillip Pearce (Sr.)
1684 - 1728

Sarah
- 1738

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Ann Westray
1735 - 1810

Arthur Pierce

James Pierce

Philip Pierce

Stephen Pierce

 Elizabeth (Betsey) Pearce
1766 - 1844

John Simon Pierce
1768 - 1845