



EMMA LOUISE U

XIN-821 ①

REC'D 13 JAN 2001

Mrs. Lyman W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22903-1406

January 8, 2001

Dear Phil,

I am so sorry about not  
getting thee back to you,  
but I had some health  
problems which disrupted  
my schedule.

I am enclosing a check  
for a subscription to  
the Epchurch Bulletin. I  
have misread your letter  
so I don't know if this  
is the right amount. Please  
let me know if it is not  
enough. If there should  
be any surplus you'd  
buy some stamps.

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you mentioned some other reference you plan to send. I will be happy to have them whenever you find it convenient to send them.

you mentioned some health issues. I trust you are "mended" by now and that this gives you a positive outlook on life. It is great that you and Lyman have each other. Sallaine and I feel we are guardians each for the other.

We are now well settled in our new home and feel good about having someone to take care of the farm for us. The year 2001 should be one of new-found freedom for us. We will see how it unfolds.

With appreciation for your support & encouragement.

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Sincerely yours  
Phil W. Church

[ROBERT PHILIP UPHORCH]



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10 DEC 1999

Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your renewal on the UB  
for the year 2000 and for your \$15 contribution  
to the Upchurch Research Fund. Thanks also  
for understanding about my cutting back  
on publishing the UB & Englandia. A lot  
of our regular supporters are responding well  
to this move. This change does not mean  
I will spend less time on family history  
work - it can just be more focused. It  
is my intent to spend more time on  
the Upchurch scene in North Carolina.  
My intent is to spend at least one  
two-week stay in Raleigh, NC each year  
concentrating on the Upchurch family

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there and if possible I would like to spend  
two such visits each year. My intent is  
to give a lot of attention to the  
Nathan Uphurch clan to which you and  
I belong.

Enclosed is a draft of a JAN 2000 Status  
Report I plan to send out to those who  
express an interest in the months ahead.  
Also enclosed are a couple of order forms  
in case you run across anyone who  
is interested.

I hope this finds you and Lynn  
well. We continue to make adjustments  
as we move into our "mature" years.  
[I refuse to get old]. I am getting a  
cap for Christmas - with the hope  
of looking debarraire - but hopefully not  
poorish. Salline says it looks OK.

All My Best to you & Lynn,

Sincerely yours  
☺ Phil Uphurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPHURCH]

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MRS LYMAN W. PRIEST

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22903-1406

Thank you for your letter of 31 DEC 1998  
and for renewing your subscription to the  
UB and Englavia for 1999. There was extra  
money in your check so we have made  
you a PATHFINDER underwriter of Englavia  
for 1999.

with appreciation for your interest in  
our shared heritage. My Best to Lynn.

(ROBERT PHILLIP LUPCHORNA)

EMMA LOUISE U

XID-821

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REC'D  
19 JUN 1998  
NO ANSWER  
REQUIRED

June 15, 1998

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22903-1406

Dear Phil,

A very hurried little note before Lyman leaves for the Post Office. Thank you so very much for sending the biographic article on daddy from the Rotary publication. I did not have a copy and, in fact, I had never seen a copy. I did recognize immediately the writing style of the writer. I am enclosing a copy of an earlier piece he did on my brother and you will be able to see the similarity. Always very colorful.

The rather unusual weather patterns we are have this year is making it difficult for me to get much yard work done. Lyman and I are a bit "feeble" now, but we still try to do every thing except the mowing. I do wonder if you have been caused any special problems there. I hope not.

Best wishes to you and Sallaine,

*Emma Louise*

looks like with his feet under the head table of the legal hierarchy of the Home Owners' Rehabilitation Works. I've admired young Frederick Upchurch since his high school days, when he was taking medals in oratorical contests, and I am greatly pleased that he is making good in a big way. Like myself, Frederick comes naturally by the gift of gab—his father was a lawyer and his mother was a woman. Also, his father is a good lawyer and his mother is a brilliant woman with a more brilliant tongue. I always hate to match wits with her. Those now lovely grey hairs were not once tinted with red for nothing. I've seen some women whose brains did not correspond or coordinate with their tongues, but she's different. I really got the best of her at the Ham picnic when I sprung on her the bright quip of Mrs. Barkley, the lovely and smart wife of the Democratic keynoter. "Senator Barkley," said she, "Doesn't mind being a grandfather, but he hates like hell to be the husband of a grandmother."

I was sympathizing with the elder Upchurch only recently over a windmill tilt in the court room, when he told me:

"Tom, you know I've had a whale of a job in holding my own in family arguments, but that

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1936

wife of mine has brains and always talks sense, and I can sorter combat her in logic, but when it comes to 'fighting the wind' I'm powerless to stop it."

I am proud of young Frederick, and I believe he is big enough for his big job. He has a sweet wife, the former Elizabeth Moore, daughter of Sandy and Blanch, and two fine children.





Just now I am in the middle of reading a book about the life of Dr Walter Reed. He went to school in the Charlottesville, VA area - This has caused me to think of you and Lyman.

You will recall reading in the U B about the visit Sallaine and I made to the Queen Mary in Long Beach, CA about a year ago. I remember a picture of you and Lyman on board an ocean liner. Perhaps you made more than one such voyage. The next time you write perhaps you could tell me the name of the ship on which you sailed. I have enjoyed reading about the ocean going ships.

I trust that find you and Lyman well and looking forward to the spring months.

Sincerely yours  
 C. Phil Upchurch  
 [ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



Item in It 9 APR 1998 Roy NMN white, Jr DRPH

Re: ERNEST FREDERICK U, SR & WIFE MARY CONSTANCE STROPE  
& CHILDREN: Norman Strop U, E. F. U, Jr, JAMES BARTLETT U, II &  
Emma Louise U ↑

Service Publication of the Yanceyville (N. C.) Rotary Club for Dec. 1, 1942.  
Vol. I. Motto: "The Shove of My Shoulder Pushing the Wheel" No. 14

### Diminutive Biographical Sketches

Rotarian: Ernest Frederick Upchurch.

Club Classification: Civil Law.

Club Fellowship Appellation: Fred.

Distinguishing Attributes: Legal ability, fidelity-to-trust, faithfulness-to-friends, civic-mindedness, public-spiritedness and warm-heartedness.

Introducing now our present president of the Yanceyville Rotary Club, Fred Upchurch, dean of the Bar of Caswell County and for the past third of a century a leader in every cause and movement for the uplift and progress of his adopted county. He was born Aug. 14, 1877, at Cary, Wake County. His early education was obtained at the old Cary High School, then a private institution. He then went to Wake Forest College, and later took his law course at that college under Profs. N. Y. Gullay and S. M. Mordicola, two of the outstanding teachers of law of the past 50 years or more. He took the State examination in August, 1903, and practiced in Wake until he came to Yanceyville in September, 1909.

In jotting down a few notes for me, Fred put down the date of his marriage as Jan. 20, 1904, but, like so many husbands, he overlooked the maiden name of his wife. Afterwards, in conversation, he apologized and told me her name and some of her family history. She was Mary C. Stroppe, of Old Salem, of the Dutch ancestry which founded the Moravian community more than two hundred years ago. Ever since the founding of Salem College (where most of Caswell's daughters were educated in antebellum days), some of her family have been teaching there. Fred confesses the culture and the aristocracy is on her side of the house. In spite of being a grandma several times, she is still about the chic (k) est and debonairest wife hereabouts. In truth, I will say she is about the brightest and quickest in repartee. I have never been able to match tongues with her. She squelches and smashes me, and I have to resort to the written word to hold my own. She is, withal, graciously alluring. I hand to her, also, a large part in the birthing and rearing of three sons and a daughter. Norman, the oldest, since graduating at Wake Forest, has been teaching in Caswell, mostly at Bartlett Yancey High; he was principal of Archibald Murphey school for several years. His students have always praised him, as teacher and playfellow. Frederick, Junior, also graduated at Wake Forest and took law under Gullay. He is now in Atlanta, Ga., an attorney for W. L. B., after years of service in the same capacity for H. O. L. A. He is popular and has a lovely little family. My first wife often declared that Frederick was one of the sweetest boys ever raised in Yanceyville. And, she was a good judge. Behold me! Jimmie, the third son, went to Wake Forest, but had to give up his studies on account of his health. He is now keeping books for Bob White Wilson, in the inter-state trucking business. He, also, has a pleasant disposition, a lovely wife and a beautiful daughter. Emma Lou, Fred's daughter, is a sweet little redhead, with gentle and endearing charms, and she now helps her father run his law office.

Aside from building a lucrative law practice, Fred Upchurch has occupied many positions of honor and trust. He was elected to the State Senate, session of 1915, and he fathered several bills of statewide importance, including "Forfeiture of Vehicle Conveying Illegal Liquor," "Introduction of Bills of Laden to Make Out Prima Facie Case Against Common Carrier" and "Bill to Discount Taxes Paid On Or Before a Certain Date and Penalty for Delay." From 1914 to 1932, he was County Attorney. He has been for several years Prosecuting Attorney in the Recorder Court. In 1908, before coming to Yanceyville, he helped create and organize at Cary the first high school in the State, and later he was highly instrumental in organizing Bartlett Yancey High. He had a big part in establishing our Rotary Club, was largely responsible for our Fair Association, as well as the Coble Creamery plant and The Caswell Knitting Mills, and, in the midst of the Hoover depression, he worked hand and hand and heart and heart with Sam Pason and others in reorganizing the Bank of Yanceyville.

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- ⑥ Poem in LOA NEWS Vol 15 No 12 DEC 1990 - Publisher  
of League of Order Americans, Inc. Roanoke, VA  
Benjamin Stewart, Editor.

**Some of Those Arts and Humanities  
are Pretty Well Endowed**

Down at the Senior Center  
They planned a tour for us  
We brought a brown bag lunch  
And climbed upon a bus.  
We wound up at an art museum  
A grand and stately place  
But what I saw when I went inside  
Brought a blush upon my face.  
I didn't take a long look  
To stare is somehow crude  
But if I saw what I think I saw  
'Twas a real lewd nude.  
Now maybe I don't know art  
But I do know what I see  
And I certainly hope  
I was seeing art  
And not pornography!

*Emmy Lou Priest*  
Charlottesville

- ⑦ Rec'd 8 JAN 1994 Ch # 1104 for \$15 for 4 B94 signed  
3 JAN Emma L Priest. Emma Louise Priest - B-1-94  
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THE HUMAN SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms Lyman W Priest  
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Charlottesville, VA  
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- ① See con File - 31 OCT 77 Lt Mrs L. W. Priest to RPU  
 XID-821 was used earlier to refer to Mary Louie U one of 4 children of Ernest Frederick U S. last error was recognized - name not Mary Louie but Emma Louie - hence forth XID-821 refers to latter  
 Emma Louie<sup>U</sup> b 19 SEP 1919. She was dau of Ernest Frederick U S b 1877 d 20 JUN 1960. She mrd Lyman W. Priest.
- ② See Lt 24 NOV 1979 Edwin Grody Sindair Jr to RPU  
 "Emmy Lou united my home in Ashville NC sometime in the Forties. She was attending a Baptist retreat nearby."
- ③ Address:  
 Mrs Emmy Lou Priest  
 1428 Oxford Road  
 Charlottesville, VA 22901 } In AF
- ④ See Lt from Emmy Lou U dated 9 JAN 1973 in Belle West Coop. file. She mrd a Mr Priest. She is descendant of Gilest Burtis U, whom see, A2 of Feb 1973 Emmy Lou Priest was to be in Amsterdam for a year or two.
- ⑤ See Lt Emma Louie U to RPU 6 JAN 1980  
 She b Yancyville, NC (Caswell Co, NC)  
 mrd Priest at her home in Yancyville 2 MAY 1959.  
 Her middle name = Williams = b Jackson Co, AR  
 1 DEC 1915

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LYMAN W. PRIEST

P.O. BOX 6652

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1428 Oxford Rd.

Dear Phil -

JOSEPH MCGEE U  
LA DUPLICATE - RPY

Lyman clipped this obituary from the Washington Post and asked me to send it along to you. Also after 4 years of very hard work and an investment of at least half of our meager savings, Lyman's <sup>genealogy</sup> ~~book~~ is at the printers. Actually advance sales are better than he had expected and if we are lucky, he might just break even. ~~Anyway~~ Since you know all too well the amount of effort involved, I am enclosing one of the flyers for you to see.

Have enjoyed the bulletin very much. Lyman and I are Episcopalians and I was particularly interested in your meeting with the Right Rev. in a recent issue.

All the best,

*Emma Louise*



Mr/Mrs L. W. Priest  
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THE PENICK FAMILY: *Descendants of Edward Penick/Penix/Pinix of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia* by Lyman W. Priest. 6 x 9 clothbound, approx. iv, 264 pp., with index. ~~\$20.00~~ for orders with payment received by June 15, 1982; \$25.00 for orders after this date.

Edward Penick first appeared on August 15, 1686, at the baptism of his son Edward in St. Peter's Church, New Kent County, Virginia. In the following 300 years his descendants migrated first to Amelia, Louisa, and Prince Edward Counties in Virginia, next to Kentucky and North and South Carolina, and eventually as far south as Texas and Louisiana and as far west as California and Washington State.

The migration and genealogy of the Penick Family is presented in 308 sketches of eleven generations of family groups. Neighbors, related families, and previous owners of Penick land have been identified by exhaustive research in land conveyances and privately owned Bible records.

The author/compiler was born in Jackson County, Arkansas, in the house built by his grandfather Lewis William Penix. He graduated from the University of Arkansas with the B.A. degree and from Stanford University with the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history. In 1975 he retired from the Foreign Service of the Department of State and settled with his wife in Charlottesville, Virginia.

### Typical Sketch in *The Penick Family*

#### THE PENICK FAMILY

21. EDWARD PENICK (*Jeremiah<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>, Edward<sup>s</sup>*), son of Jeremiah and Mary (?—) Penick/Penix, was born in Prince Edward County, Va., 13 July 1773 (gravestone); he died in Marion County, Ky., 30 October 1841 (gravestone). He is buried in Old Liberty Cemetery, Bradfordsville, Marion County, Ky.

He married in Lincoln County, Ky., 23 December 1801 (bond) Nancy Nash, daughter of ?William Nash. Nancy was born 24 April 1787 (gravestone); she died in Washington County, Ky., 12 November 1823 (gravestone). She is also buried in Old Liberty Cemetery, Marion County, Ky.

Edward accompanied his parents and siblings when they migrated 1787-88 from Prince Edward County, Va., to Fayette County, Ky. Edward lived in Fayette County, Ky., 1794-95 (Fayette County, Ky., Tax List), Lincoln County, Ky., 1797-1806 (Lincoln County, Ky., Tax Lists), Washington County, Ky., 1817-33 (Washington County, Ky., Tax Lists), and Marion County, Ky., 1834-41 (Marion County, Ky., Tax Lists). Beginning in 1800 Edward Penick was taxed in Lincoln County for 200 acres of land on the Rolling Fork of

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#### FOURTH GENERATION

The middle initial W. appeared on Edward Penick's gravestone, but on none of the extant records in his lifetime.  
Children:

52. i. Buford Nash, b. Lincoln County, Ky., 23 April 1803.
- ii. Matilda, b. Lincoln County, Ky., 18 January 1805 (gravestone); d. Marion County, Ky., 1862 (gravestone); bur. Ryder Cemetery, Lebanon, Ky.; mar. Washington County, Ky., 10 July 1820 (bond) James V. Mahan.
- iii. Diannah, b. Casey County, Ky., c. 1808; d. Marion County, Ky., —; bur. Ryder Cemetery, Lebanon, Ky.; mar. Washington County, Ky., 31 May 1825 (bond) James Fleece.
- iv. Cecelia, b. Casey County, Ky., 2 February 1810 (gravestone); d. Marion County, Ky., 8 July 1875 (gravestone); bur. Old Liberty Cemetery, Bradfordsville, Ky., mar. Washington County, Ky., 9 July 1829 (bond) William Newbolt.

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EMMA LOUISE U

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January 10, 1982

Dear Phil,

I am happy to see you are beginning to put a little something about yourself and your family in the latest issues of the UB. After all you are the tie that binds it all together.

It was also interesting to me <sup>to</sup> note on page 17 of the latest issue that the granddaughter of Burwell Upchurch married James Kerr of Caswell County. The Kerrs were among some of our best friends in that county. Nannie Kerr Malloy (wife of our family doctor) was my mother's best friend and I called her Aunt Nannie. I had never known of any Kerr-Upchurch connection.

Sincerely,

  
Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L.W.)

1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

August 23, 1981

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
Michael Enterprises  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

Dear Phil,

I will start by trying to answer a few question from your letter dated  
6 August 1981:

Re: Ernest Frederick Upchurch, Sr. family

- △ (1) My mother, Mary Stroupe Upchurch, was a member of the Moravian faith~~er~~  
and born in the Old Salem section of Winston Salem, N. C.
- △ + △ (2) My father died in Memorial Hospital in Danville, Va. My mother died  
in Yanceyville, N. C.
- △ (3) a. My brother Norman Stroupe U. was born in Cary, N. C. (Wake co.) and  
- married Locust Hill Township, Caswell County, N. C.
- △ b. My brother Ernest F. U, Jr. was born Dec. 19, 1907. (both he and  
□ Norman were born on Dec. 19). He was born in Cary, N. C. I will  
△ try to get exact date of death. He was married to E. Moore in  
- Blanche section of Caswell County, N. C. I do not have marriage date.
- △ c. Elizabeth Moore was born in Caswell County, N. C. on April 28, \_\_\_\_\_.  
- I will try to get year.
- △ d. James Bartlett U. was born Yanceyville, Caswell County, N. C. on  
March 4, 1912 and died at Sanatorium, N. C.
- △ e. Carolyn McLin Moore probably born Milton, N. C. (Caswell County) I  
don't have date.
- (4) △ a. Margaret Stroupe U. was born in Yanceyville, N. C. (Our family  
- uses Stroupe (original spelling was actually Strub). She and  
△ Herman Eugene Shaw were married in South Carolina. They are now  
- divorced.
- △ b. Norma Upchurch Davis (this is correct full name) born in  
- Caswell County, N. C. and married in Athens, Ga.
- △ c. James H. Davis born in Durham, N. C. (don't have date).
- △ d. Myra <sup>NMT</sup> Upchurch Deane (this is full name) born Duke Hosp., Durham, N.C.
- e. Charles B. Deanes, Jr. (will try to get place and date of birth.
- △ f. Fred Moore Upchurch - born Yanceyville, N. C. and married Eden, N. C.
- g. Judith Ellen Golden - will try to get place of birth and date.
- △ h. William Manning Upchurch was born in Memorial Hosp. Danville, Va. and  
married in Blairs, Va.

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(5) Grand Nieces and Nephews:

- △ a. Myra Deane's four children were born in Rockingham, N. C.
- △ b. Claire Carter Upchurch was born in Greensboro, N. C.
- △ c. Brian Upchurch was born in Greensboro, N. C. (I, too, have only January 1964

Phil, I am sorry this is so sketchy, but I will take your letter along the next time I visit Yanceyville and see what I can do to remedy.

Do hope you enjoyed your brief respite from genealogy. I will be happy when Lyman can take one as well.

When you make your trip to Charlottesville, we will certainly be happy to see you and help in any way that <sup>we</sup>~~you~~ can. For your own comfort try to make it some time other than June, July or August.

All the best,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest



1 SEP 1981

MRS. L. W. PRIEST  
1424 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emma Lou,

Thank you for your letter of August 23, 1981  
and for all of the details which have now  
been entered and cross-referenced. The  
outline for your further submission is now  
nearly complete. I agree to your offer  
to get more information on some future  
trip to Garyville and will indicate  
below what is missing.

(1) For Harrison Temple U family:

- a) Full name for Mary Ann Harrison for her birthplace?
- b) Date of marriage for William Harrison? I am sure  
she is married to her father but no children right?
- c) Birth date & place for William to your father?
- d) Birth date for James Herbert Boone Jr.
- e) Is Boone's father has any children?
- f) Birth date & place for Charles Bennett Boone Jr?
- g) Full name for Matthew Boone?
- h) Full name for James Boone?

EMMA LOUISE U

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1 SEP 1981

MRS E W FRIEST  
1424 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Cousin Fran,

Thank you for your letter of August 23, 1981  
and for all of the details which have now  
been extended and are referenced. The  
outline for your father's section is now  
nearly complete. I appreciate your offer  
to get more information on some future  
trip to Yanceyville and will indicate  
below what is missing.

(1) For Norman Stamps U family

- a) Full name for Margaret Stamps, her birth place?
- b) Date of marriage for Margaret & Norman. I assume  
she & Norman were married in 1910 or 1911.
- c) Birth date & place for Norman Stamps?
- d) Birth date for James Herbert Boone Jr.
- e) Do Norman & James have any children?
- f) Birth date & place for Charles Bennett Boone Jr?
- g) Full name for Matthew Boone?
- h) Full name for James Boone?

6 AUG 1981

MRS EMMY LOU U PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your note of August 2, 1981 and for the copy of the Wake Forest Alumni List - 1961. I've cleared up several items and provided several middle names which had heretofore escaped me. By coincidence I was working over a much earlier letter of yours when my ~~wife~~ wife handed me your letter! I am taking a "genealogy vacation" this week.

Here are some items that are still missing on my outline of the Ernest Frederich U or family. Can you help?

(1) Where was your mother born?

(2) Where did your mother's father die?

(3) For your brothers:

(a) Where was Norman Stange U born and when married?

(b) Full name for Margaret Yarbrough and when born?

(c) For Ernest Frederich U Jr - exact birth date (I have only 1907), where born, exact death date (I have only 1954), where married, when married

(d) Full name for Elizabeth Moore and her date & place of birth?

(2) For James Bartlett U - where born, date and place of death?, when & where married?

(f) Full name of Carolyn Moore, birth date & birth place?

(4) For your mother & nephews

(a) For Margaret Stroppe U - birth place, marriage date & place and confirmation of her middle name? (Wake Forest shows STROOP)

(b) For Herman E. Shum - E = ?, birth place & date?

(c) For Norma U - full name, birth place, marriage place?

(d) For James Herbert Davis, Jr - date & place of birth

(e) For Myra U - full name & birth place?

(f) For Charles Bennett Deane, Jr - birth date & place?

(g) For Fred Moore U - birth place & marriage place?

(h) For Judith Ellen Golden - birth date & place?

(i) For John Cambridge - birth date?

(j) For William Manning U - birth date, birth place & marriage place?

(k) For Lydia Jacqueline Terry - birth date & place?

(l) For James Bartlett U Jr - birth date, birth place, marriage date, marriage place - name of his wife (I have only Joanne -) and her birth date & place?

(5) For your Grand mother & nephews

(a) where were Myra's 4 children born?

(b) Full name for Claire U & where born?

(c) Full name for Bryan U & birth date (I have - JAN 1964) & where born?



(d) For Laura Lee U - where born?

(e) For Anne Elizabeth U birth date & place (I have only 1974).

(f) For James Bartlett U III - when & where born?

(g) For Emory U - full name, when & where born?

(h) For Kenyetta U - full name, when & where born?

If I had all of the above the score board for Ernest Frederick U Sr would be perfect!! Anything you can do to fill in the spots will be appreciated.

Someday I hope to get to your part of the country to see Monticello. Recently I read a biography of Thomas Jefferson and this renewed my interest in such a visit. It's hard to say when it could take place - so many things to do.

Earlier this year I was in Cary, NC and was told that the residence of James Bartlett U is still standing. On a future trip I'll try to get a picture. The lady I talked to was very old & knew James Bartlett U & his wife.

Always pleased to hear from

Sincerely yours  
Phil G. Gurney

[ROBERT PHILIP UPHURCH]

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P.S. yes, know  
the over McJannet  
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# WAKE FOREST ALUMNI DIRECTORY

*Answered  
6 AUG 1981*



*Rec'd  
6 AUG 1981*

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Charlottesville, Va.  
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August 2, 1981

Phil:

Sorry this is such a poor copy. Maybe you can read some of the names. I marked those of my immediate family. <sup>A</sup> Myra Upchurch Deane is not on this list.

Have enjoyed the recent Bulletin. I'm glad that you find the Michael letters interesting. I know that I do.

Canadian friends now living in Rome visited us last week end. He is editor of Ceres Mag. — FAO publication. I don't know if you receive it in connection with your Yemen project.

As ever,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE

1981

1. BETH JANE U, S. CHAPMAN ST, GREENSBORO, NC  
 2. CAREY ALMON U, JR 1925-1928, CARY, NC  
 13 COY TILLMAN U 1922, OCEANA WV VA. MEDICINE  
 14 DELMAR DIMOND U 1889-90 FIN/MGT, JACKSONVILLE, FL  
 5. ERNEST CARL U 1945, 505 BANKS ST, RALEIGH, NC  
 6 MRS ERNEST CARL U (ELIZABETH TALLEY), 505 BANKS ST.  
 7. ERNEST FREDERICK U, 1899-1903 LAW, YANCEYVILLE, NC

8. ERNEST FREDERICK U JR. LAW YANCEYVILLE  
 9. ERNESTINE RAY U (MRS J. A. ARNOLD) WEST JOHNSON ST, RALEIGH, NC  
 10 FRED M. U LAW 1710 INDEPENDENCE RD, GREENSBORO, NC  
 11. FORMAN MYATT RT 3, RALEIGH, NC  
 12 GEORGE EUGENE U, JR LAW 1017 EUCLID AVE CHARLOTTE, NC  
 13. HARVEY CLINTON U 1889 BA MED WILSON MILLS, NC  
 14. HUGH CONWAY U 1911-12 MEN, RT 1 HOLLY SPRINGS, NC  
 15 JAMES BARTLETT U 1929-1931 YANCEYVILLE, NC  
 16 JOSEPH BAXTON U, JR 205 BREEDLOVE AVE DURHAM, NC  
 17 KENT PASCHAL U MD 624 S. TATAR, PASADENA, TX

1. UPCHURCH, BETH JANE, b. 20-36, 59 B.A., ed., 31 S. Chapman St., Greensboro.  
 2. UPCHURCH, CAREY ALMON, JR., 25-0, min., Cary, N.C.  
 3. UPCHURCH, COY TILLMAN, 22 B.A. Med., med., Ocean, W. Va.  
 4. UPCHURCH, DELMAR DIMOND, 89-90, fin., mgr., Jacksonville, Fla., d. 19-55.  
 5. UPCHURCH, ERNEST CARL, 45 B.A., 18 B.D., SPS, min., 505 Banks St., Raleigh.  
 6. UPCHURCH, MRS. ERNEST CARL, (Elizabeth Tally), 19-4, 505 Banks St., Raleigh.  
 7. UPCHURCH, ERNEST FREDERICK, 99-03, f. 1st Sen., Law, Yanceyville.  
 8. UPCHURCH, ERNEST FREDERICK, JR., 28-11 B. Law, Yanceyville, d. 5-1-51.  
 9. UPCHURCH, ERNESTINE RAY, (Mrs J. A. Arnold), 12-3, 600 W. Johnson St., Raleigh.  
 10. UPCHURCH, FRED M., b. 11-22-31, 51 B.S., ODK, SUTHER, law, 1710 Independence Rd., Greensboro.  
 11. UPCHURCH, FORMAN MYATT, 53, Rt. 3, Raleigh.  
 12. UPCHURCH, GEORGE EUGENE, JR., 23 L.B., b. 10-17 Euclid Ave., Charlotte.  
 13. UPCHURCH, HARVEY CLINTON, 89 B.A., med., Wilson Mills.  
 14. UPCHURCH, HUGH CONWAY, 11-12, min., Rt. 1, Holly Springs.  
 15. UPCHURCH, JAMES BARTLETT, 29-31, Yanceyville, d. 7-1-51.  
 16. UPCHURCH, JOSEPH BAXTON, JR., b. 9-17-31, 50 E. 205 Breedlove Ave., Durham.  
 17. UPCHURCH, KENT PASCHAL, b. 5-21, 16 M.D., B.S., med., 624 S. Tatar, Pasadena, Texas.  
 18. UPCHURCH, MARGARET STROUP, (Mrs H. P. Shaw), b. 7-16-11, 51 B.S., BHB, ed., Yanceyville.  
 19. UPCHURCH, NORMA, b. 11-1-19, 55 B.A., PBR, 56 Emory, ed., Wingate, Yanceyville.  
 20. UPCHURCH, NORMAN STROUPE, 26 B.S., ed., Yanceyville.  
 21. UPCHURCH, PERCY BRYANT, b. 9-17-07, 29 B.A., 31 M.A., Brown, 31 B.D., Yale, min., f. med., WTC, Greenville.  
 22. UPCHURCH, ROBERT T., 02-1, med., Henderson, d. 19-51.  
 23. UPCHURCH, SHIRLEY RUTH, (Mrs Howard J. Falcon), b. 1-29-28, 50 B.A., f. ed., 212 Colonial Ln., Palm Beach, Fla.  
 24. UPCHURCH, THOMAS JEFFERSON, 12 B.A., 27 B. Cameron Ct. Apts., Raleigh.  
 25. UPCHURCH, TRUBY KENDALL, 28-30, Rt. 5, Raleigh.  
 26. UPCHURCH, WALTER DRAUGHN, 91-2, Cal., b. 1-1-19, 50 B.A., 102 Cherry St., Kings Mountain.  
 27. UPCHURCH, WILLARD HOWARD, b. 1-17-13, 59 B.A., 102 Cherry St., Kings Mountain.  
 28. UPCHURCH, WILLIAM DANIEL, 52, Rt. 1, Casalia, Fla. (mt).  
 29. UPCHURCH, WILLIAM GARLAND, 91-5, Jacksonville, Fla. (mt).  
 30. UPCHURCH, MRS. WILLIAM M. (Colma Elizabeth Perry).

25. TRUBY KENDALL U 1928-30 RT 5 RALEIGH  
 26 WALTER DRAUGHN U 1891-92 CALLAHAN, FL  
 27 WILLARD HOWARD U, 102 CHERRY ST. KINGS MOUNTAIN,  
 28 WILLIAM DANIEL U, RT 1 CASALIA, NC  
 29. WILLIAM GARLAND U, JACKSONVILLE  
 30. MRS WILLIAM M. U (OLMA ELIZABETH PER

- 18 MARGARET STROUP U (MRS H. P. SHAW) YANCEYVILLE, NC  
 19 NORMA U 1955 - WINGATE, YANCEYVILLE, NC  
 20 NORMAN STROUPE U 1926 BS ED YANCEYVILLE, NC  
 21 PERCY BRYANT U GREENVILLE, NC  
 22 ROBERT T. U MED HENDERSON, NC  
 23 SHIRLEY RUTH U (MRS HOWARD J. FALCON) PALM BEACH, FL.  
 24. THOMAS JEFFERSON U CAMERON CT APTS, RALEIGH, NC

NOTE: There may have one more Upchurch at beginning - if so - unreadable - RPH

LEMMMA LOUISE U

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1428 Oxford Road  
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February 27, 1980

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85704

Dear Phil,

Lyman brought the attached home from Library  
the other day. Can't imagine that you have  
not already seen a copy but leave nothing to  
chance. I was not as interested in what was  
written about Dr. Bob as that about "Uncle Bill"  
and the family in general.

All the best,

*Emmy Lou Priest*  
Emmy Lou Priest

*Note: The above refers to an article  
in a book "North Carolina - The  
Old North State and Beyond" by  
Archibald Henderson 1941.  
(In 3 volumes). - Filed with  
Robert Theodore.*



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December 10, 1980

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

*Answered  
11 JAN 1980*

Dear Phil,

Thank you for the information about Martha Lucinda Priest and her descendants. Since Arkansas and Texas are bordering states it is quite likely that she will prove a family connection. Lyman is working concurrently on maternal and paternal lines. The pressure to get on with the job is coming mostly from maternal relatives as there are so many more of them. This project should be completed sometime this year and then he hopes to spend more time with the Priests.

It is also nice to note that Priest descendants and Upchurches have crossed paths before. Until your letter the only Norma Upchurch I had even known was my niece Norma Upchurch Davis.

When I was in school in Peace College in Raleigh there was a student named Marie Weaver, a very nice girl. I see a Marie Weaver listed under the William Clinton Upchurch line and I can't help wondering if she is the same. She would have been about the right age. Also there was another student from Raeford named Alworthy Upchurch. She was a very talented art student. Mrs. West was unable to learn anything about her. Of course, all of us would be in our late fifties, early sixties and some may no longer be living.

Lyman is sending along the UNC Directory listing for Upchurches just in case you don't already have it.

All the best to you and your family during the  
holidays and throughout the year,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

- △ UPCHURCH, CARLTON STUART; e. 01-1947;
- △ UPCHURCH, MRS CHARLES W, JR
- △ (DURHAM, PENELOPE ANN) AB 1947; 3729  
POMFRET LANE, CHARLOTTE N C 28211
- △ UPCHURCH, CLAIBORNE LANCE; e.  
09-1933; 407 EAST CLUB BLVD, DURHAM N C  
27704
- △ UPCHURCH, CLYDE NEIL; e. 09-1962; au
- △ UPCHURCH, DAVID ALFRED; AB 1972; 224  
PEARSON DR, ASHEVILLE N C 28801
- △ UPCHURCH, DOUGLAS BERNARD, JR; AB  
1961; RT 1 BOX 6, SHERIDAN WY 82801
- △ UPCHURCH, FRANCES ELIZABETH GRIF  
(See: UPCHURCH, MRS IRELAND  
STANFIELD)
- △ UPCHURCH, FRANCINE MILLER (See:  
FARTHING, MRS EDWIN GLENN)
- △ UPCHURCH, FRANK DREW; e. 09-1915; 175  
INLET DR, ST AUGUSTINE FLA 32084
- △ UPCHURCH, FRANK DREW, III; BSIR 1972;  
14 NELMAR AVE, ST AUGUSTINE FLA 32084
- △ UPCHURCH, FRANK JEFFERSON, JR;  
BSBA 1966; 40 SUN RISE POINT RD, CLOVER  
SC 29710
- △ UPCHURCH, GEORGE WARING, JR (See:  
DURANT, GEORGE)
- △ UPCHURCH, GETTIS BRADLEY; BSBA 1973;  
11 LONGBOW COURT, CLOVER SC 29710
- △ UPCHURCH, GILBERT RIVERS; AB 1958,  
DDS 1962; BOX 1319, REIDSVILLE N C 27320
- △ UPCHURCH, MRS IRELAND STANFIELD  
(UPCHURCH, FRANCES ELIZABETH  
GRIFFIN) ABEDUC 1952; 2208 ROUSE ROAD,  
KINSTON NC 28501
- △ UPCHURCH, JACK BELVIN; DDS 1961; 3035  
GLENWOOD PROF VILLAGE, RALEIGH NC  
27608
- △ UPCHURCH, MRS JACK BELVIN  
(WEAVER, KAY ELIZABETH) e. 09-1956; 3035  
GLENWOOD PROF VILLAGE, RALEIGH NC  
27608
- △ UPCHURCH, JAMES BARTLETT, JR; AB  
1971; RT 1 BOX 191-A, LEASBURG NC 27291
- △ UPCHURCH, JEFFERSON WOODROW;  
ABJOUR 1956; NC STATE UNIV RICKS HALL,  
RALEIGH NC 27607
- △ UPCHURCH, JESSE BAXTER; e. 09-1922; au
- △ UPCHURCH, JIMMY WALKER; e. 09-1955;  
RT 4 BOX 102, APEX NC 27502
- △ UPCHURCH, JOHN EDGAR; e. 09-1954; 2037  
FAIRWAY CIRCLE, ATLANTA GA 30319
- △ UPCHURCH, JOSEPH BURTIS; MSPH 1972;  
302 WOODLAWN DR, WILLIAMSTON N C  
27892
- △ UPCHURCH, JOSEPH DANIEL; BSBA 1974;  
510 PIEDMONT STREET, APT 3, REIDSVILLE  
NC 27320
- △ UPCHURCH, JULIAN EMMETT, JR;  
BSPHAR 1956; 5201 PINE WAY, DURHAM N C  
27705
- △ UPCHURCH, KENT PASCHAL; e. 09-1940; au
- △ UPCHURCH, LEE NICHOLS; e. 09-1968; au
- △ UPCHURCH, LONNIE MILTON; e. 09-1914;  
au
- △ UPCHURCH, MALCOLM THURSTON; PHG  
1933; 507 HANCOCK ST, SMITHFIELD NC  
27577
- △ UPCHURCH, MRS MALCOLM  
THURSTON, (WALLACE, NANCY VICTOR)  
ABEDUC 1967; 1251 E COLONIAL DR,  
SALISBURY NC 28144
- △ UPCHURCH, MALCOLM THURSTON, JR;  
BSPHAR 1968; 1251 E COLONIAL DR,  
SALISBURY NC 28144
- △ UPCHURCH, MARIAN LEE; MPH 1966; 1409  
15TH ST, HUNTINGTON WV 25701
- △ UPCHURCH, MRS MARTINE LOYER  
(MARTIN, MRS MARTINE LOYER) MA 1974;  
BISMARCKSTRASSE 113, 415 KREFELD WEST  
GERMANY
- △ UPCHURCH, MARY SUSAN (See: COLLINS,  
MRS RAYMOND DAVIS)
- △ UPCHURCH, MARY SUSAN (See: KELLER,  
MRS DON)

- △ — UPCHURCH, MICHAEL LEE; MS 1973; 606  
DIXIE TRL, RALEIGH N C 27607
- △ — UPCHURCH, MILLARD CHARLES; e.  
09-1938; ROUTE 6 BOX 80, CHAPEL HILL N C  
27514
- △ — UPCHURCH, MILLARD CHARLES, JR; AB  
1968; ROUTE 6 BOX 80, CHAPEL HILL N C  
27514
- △ — UPCHURCH, MURIEL ANN (See: CORBETT,  
MRS JAMES NICHOLSON)
- △ — UPCHURCH, NANCY JO (See:  
FILLINGAME, MRS DALE C)
- △ — UPCHURCH, PAMELA JEAN (See: JOYNER,  
MRS MICHAEL EUGENE)
- △ — UPCHURCH, PATRICIA JANE SHAW (See:  
UPCHURCH, MRS WALLACE GRAY)
- △ — UPCHURCH, PATSY RUTH (See: LATTA,  
MRS PATSY UPCHURCH)
- △ — UPCHURCH, RONALD PRYOR; e. 09-1962; du  
UPCHURCH, ROY WAKEFIELD, JR; e.  
09-1953; 1402 OAKLAND AVE, DURHAM N C  
27705
- △ — UPCHURCH, MRS SARAH GRIFFITH  
(GRIFFITH, SARAH CLEMENT) AB 1941; 224  
PEARSON DR, ASHEVILLE N C 28801
- △ — UPCHURCH, SARAH JANE (See:  
BROWNING, MRS ROBERT LOCKE, JR)
- △ — UPCHURCH, THADDEUS, GILBERT; CMED  
1930, BSMED 1930, PO BOX 1567, SMITHFIELD  
NC 27577
- △ — UPCHURCH, THERON A; BSCOM 1939; 1724  
CANTERBURY RD, RALEIGH N C 27603
- △ — UPCHURCH, MRS TIM TYSON (POOLE,  
SUSAN ROBERTA) AB 1971, MEDUC 1972;  
%MR AND MRS ROBERT W POOLE, 2040  
POPE RD, WINSTON-SALEM NC 27107
- △ — UPCHURCH, TIM TYSON; e. 09-1970; %MR  
AND MRS ROBERT W POOLE, 2040 POPE RD,  
WINSTON-SALEM NC 27107
- △ — UPCHURCH, TOMMY DORSEY; BSDENT  
1963, DDS 1966; 1308 HEATHCLIFF, HIGH  
POINT NC 27260
- △ — UPCHURCH, VICKI GRAY (See:  
ALABASTER, MRS BERT)
- △ — UPCHURCH, WADE HAMPTON; e. 09-1918;  
APEX NC 27502
- △ — UPCHURCH, WALLACE GRAY; BSBA 1969;  
7806 KETELBY RD, RICHMOND VA 23229
- △ — UPCHURCH, MRS WALLACE GRAY  
(UPCHURCH, PATRICIA JANE SHAW)  
ABEDUC 1969; 7806 KETELBY RD,  
RICHMOND VA 23229
- △ — UPCHURCH, WAYNE THOMAS; e. 09-1958;  
2414 ANSLEY CT, CHARLOTTE NC 28211
- △ — UPCHURCH, MRS WAYNE THOMAS  
(COUCH, ELIZABETH LOUISE) e. 09-1960; 2414  
ANSLEY COURT, CHARLOTTE N C 28211
- △ — UPCHURCH, WILLIAM MANNING;  
ABEDUC 1969; RT 1 BOX 211-A, BLANCH NC  
27212
- △ — UPCHURCH, WORTH MOORE; e. 09-1923;  
MORRISVILLE NC 27560

EMMA LOUISE U

MRS L W. PRIEST  
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11 JAN 1981

Dear Emma Lou,

Just a note to thank you for your letter of 10 DEC 1980 and to thank Suzanne for the issue of NC Quarterly. I did not know it and today have received the same.

The Alworthy you mention is undoubtedly the one I have as XED-3548 b26 JUL 17 19. I had this person as a male but as the name of your comments shows a female. She is dau of Clyde Emmett U Sr (b. Moore Co, NC) & Alice Johnson (b. Raeford, NC). Alworthy had 3 broes & 1 sister. I have ~~some~~ birth dates for all but nothing else.

I am sure your Marie Weaner must be the same as my Marie Weaner (XED-1102). Her mother Marie Rager (Upchurch) Weaner (XED-1096) still lives in Raleigh, NC and I have talked with the mother by phone. A sister of Marie, Eunice Frances (Weaner) Gandy (XED-1101) lives in Phoenix AZ and I hope to see her soon. Marie and E. L. Fleisher but I don't have any other details. Sincerely yours  
All the Best for the New Year. Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPNORCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

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November 11, 1980

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
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Dear Phil:

When Lyman was in the State Archives in Raleigh recently doing research for his own family, he came across an index for obituaries published in the Biblical Recorder. He made copies of the sections containing the Upchurch name and I am sending along to you. He also ordered copies of the obituaries of my great, great grandparents, Burtis and Margaret Yates  $\Delta + \Delta$  Upchurch. You will note that the dates of their deaths are not quite the same as those published in Mrs. West's book. I imagine those furnished to her came from Bible records or old gravestones, which are sometimes hard to read.

I am also enclosing a copy of a newspaper picture of the wife and daughter of J. B. Upchurch, Jr.  $\Delta$  Jim and JoAnne have a new daughter, Alexandra Hunter Upchurch  $\Delta$  born September 18, 1980. *Rec'd in dated 11/NOV/1980 #1396 signed Emma L. Priest.*

I am sending along a check for \$10. to renew my subscription to the Newsletter. I feel that within a year or two there will be considerable interest in this project and I am glad that you made provision for new subscribers or obtain back issues. Lyman and I are a bit bogged down financially with car repairs right now, but I hope to give at least one subscription as a gift by the 1st of 1981.

May I offer one suggestion. Lyman has found that it helps to give a bit more information about oneself than natural modesty would dictate when writing to people he has not met. They seem to feel more comfortable when they know your connection with the family, what you do as a profession, etc. I appreciate your modesty, but I am sure there is a natural curiosity among future subscribers to know more about you. You have such an interesting career

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aside from your genealogical pursuits.

All the best to you and your family,

*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

EMMA LOUISE U

MRS H.W. PRIEST

17 NOV 1980

1428 OXFORD RD

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Dear Emmy Lou

Thanks for your letter of November 11, 1980 and for your \$10.00 check for the 1981 issue of U B. I am also grateful to you and to Lyman for the materials provided. Steps have been taken to order clutsmen for several of the Upchurch listed in the Biblical Records as information on some of them is lacking.

Incidentally, my records still do not contain the maiden name of JoAnne. The picture of JoAnne and Carre was my wife.

Thanks for the suggestion about including more about myself in U B. So far there has been handled by inserting bits and pieces here and there. A more complete biography has been avoided for the reason you surmise. Now I will rethink the matter.

All the Best!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

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April 27, 1980

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
Michael Enterprises  
P. O. Box 35814  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

Dear Phil:

Had intended writing much earlier to let you know that Lyman and I think you have done a very fine job on the first issue of the Upchurch Bulletin. We were away from home in March for two weeks on a trip to Arkansas to visit Lyman's family and with stops along the way so that Lyman could do research for his book. After our return home my brother was with us for ten days while my sister-in-law was in California.

I gathered the following names from telephone directories along the way:

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| 1 Masonary Upchurch<br>210 Spring Road OHKY<br>Mt. Juliet, Tenn. *          | 6 Wendell Upchurch<br>RFD #1<br>Lexington, Ky.                            |
| 2 Stanley G. Upchurch<br>5115 Saundersvill Road OINK<br>Mt. Juliet, Tenn. * | 7 H. E. Upchurch<br>1128 Birch Drive<br>Lexington, Ky.                    |
| 3 Phillip Upchurch<br>518 S. Trenton<br>Rutherford, Tenn.                   | 8 John R. Upchurch<br>936 Highland Park Drive<br>Lexington, Ky.           |
| 4 Arthur Upchurch<br>Windsor Forrest<br>Lexington, Ky.                      | 9 Otis B. Upchurch<br>635 Longview Drive<br>Lexington, Ky. <i>in file</i> |
| 5 Linda Upchurch<br>RFD 8<br>Lexington, Ky.                                 |   |

From Beckley, W. Va. Telephone Directory:

- 10 X Willard Upchurch  
Shady Spring \*

\* Listing rather confusing.

2 MAY 1980 - SSU sent flyers to 1-10 except for # 4 + # 10 which have incomplete addresses. All 10 entered in AF and in profiles - RPU 28 JUN 80.

*Sent flyers May 2, 1980  
also from book in USA.*



My most recent report from the Friends of Little Gidding carries a listing of J. D. Upchurch from Albany, Ind. and therefore I am sending it along to you. I should send them some more money before long. Inflation has probably affected them as well.

- △ While my brother was here he told me that Madie Belle Finch oldest  
□ + △ daughter of Lettie Upchurch Finch and Sanford Finch was married to  
△ Sam Harris. It has been many years since we have heard from them but they  
□ were living in Lumberton. The second daughter of LUF was named Marie  
and I think you have that information. The third child was a son and  
△ my brother reminded me his name was Stuart. I am sorry that I could remember  
so little about them at the time I wrote you and gave you their names.

Thanks again for the excellent bulletin. With life increasingly complicated I am grateful for people like you and Lyman with an interest in genealogy. It seems to give a sense of continuity.

All the best to your family.

Sincerely,

  
Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

22 NOV 80

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
 1423 OXFORD RD  
 CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Jan,  
 just a note for you to pass on to  
 Fyman:

MARTHA LUCINDA PRIEST b 1851 (MS) d 19 OCT 1932  
 (Nueces Co, TX) md 16 APR 1872 (Bastrop, TX) John  
 Thomas Patterson b 1842 (LA) d 5 JAN 1927 (Brazoria  
 Co, TX). Their dau Lucinda I. Patterson b 1874 (TX)  
 d 1921 (Calhoun Co, TX) md 18 JUN 1889 (Gonzales, TX)  
 Benjamin Franklin Webb b ca 1867 (TX) d 1921  
 (Calhoun Co, TX). Their son Sidney Webb b JUL 1893  
 (TX) d 1945 (Houston, TX) md 24 SEP 1919 (Victoria, TX)

Noma Upchurch b 17 MAY 1905 (Nueces Co, TX).  
 She is still alive. She is dau of Henry Thomas  
 U b 15 OCT 1879 (Lavaca Co, TX), gd of Thomas  
 L. U. b 1 SEP 1857 (Lavaca Co, TX) & ggd of  
 Alexander Henderson d b 1816 (TN?), ancestor  
 unknown.

This may or may not be of interest  
 Best regards - sincerely yours Phil Upchurch  
 [ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

XFD-821

REC'D  
9 SEP 1989

September 5, 1989

Dear Phil,

Saw this review of a book by Michael  
Upchurch in Sunday's Washington Post.

If you don't already know about it, I  
thought you might find it interesting.

Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

~~Mrs. L. W. Priest~~  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA  
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Book Title: "THE FLAME FORCES"  
Book Author MICHAEL UPCHURCH

} See Briefing for  
Michael U and  
also "Upchurch  
Author" File

EMMA LOUISE U

XID-821

28 APR 1988

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CH ARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thank you for your letter of 14 FEB 1988 and  
for your gift to the Upchurch Research Fund.  
I have just found time to process the items you  
sent and want to thank you for them. I am  
developing a file on Little Gidding and the items  
you sent make a nice addition. I agree  
that there could be more details in the  
English records on our Upchurch family.

I have the A. L. Maycock book "Nicholas Ferrar  
of Little Gidding" and have read it with much  
interest to see if there is a place for an Upchurch  
family. There is no Upchurch family mentioned  
but there is room to speculate which is  
what I will do when I review the book  
in the U. B. Now if someone could spend  
time in the Ferrar collection there is a good  
chance the Upchurch name would appear.

The research on the Upchurch family  
continues to yield good results. Just this week

I talked by phone to a George Atlack in San Diego (a retired USAF Col) and his sister Mary Elizabeth in Cary, NC. They are descendants of Jubal U who was killed in the Civil War, probably at Gettysburg. Jubal is a grandson of Nathan U, I and this branch has been little documented but now it is really unfolding. For quite some time I had been collecting references to a George A. U who was at N.C. state the same time I was. And now it turns out that he & I (and you) are descendants of Nathan U, I. Actually you & George are more closely related than George & I since you and he both descend from Burtis U, son of Nathan U, I while I descend from Gilbert, son of Nathan U, I.

It is always nice to hear from you. I hope that you and Lysman are well. Someday I hope to visit your area but as you say, something prevents me from doing all we want to. Still I'll get there by and by.

P.S. - just had some new flyers made. Copies enclosed in case you can pass them on.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

EMMA LOUISE U

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MRS L.W. PRIEST  
February 14, 1988

Rec'd 19 FEB 1988 Ch II 533 for \$25.

signed 15 FEB Emma L. Priest.  
For Research Fund

R.F 1988

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

Notes - 5 items  
placed in  
Little Gidding  
File  
28 APR 1988

Dear Phil:

I am enclosing a small check for the research fund.

In the most recent UB I enjoyed reading accounts of visits made by Upchurches to the town of Upchurch and to Little Gidding. It reminded me of a few things I had on file which either Belle West or I might already have sent you. I don't like to leave anything to chance and so here they are or here they are again as the case may be.

Some years ago Belle West sent me a copy of a humorous article about Little Gidding by Helen Bevington. When I decided to join "Friends of Little Gidding" I sent along a copy to Mr. Paul Kent who was then Treas. of the group. He was very amused by it and thought perhaps of using it in an anthology. Unfortunately he died before any definite plans were made. Apparently no one had written anything that light about Little Gidding before. (Nicolas Ferrar's birthday now appears in the Calendar of our new Episcopal Prayer Book). Article enclosed.

In her book Belle also quoted from an article which appeared in the Virginia Historical Magazine and which was written by Michael Lloyd Ferrar about the Virginia Company silk industry. He included mention of Michael Upchurches letter to Virginia Ferrar. If you do not have a copy of the article, I thought you might enjoy reading the letter in context. This article, too, I sent to Mr. Kent.

In his letters to me Mr. Kent showed interest in learning more about Michael U. He wrote that Michael's name did not appear in any of the history books about LG. Which simply proves how incomplete histories are. For every name included numbers are left

(Over)

EMMA LOUISE U

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July 25, 1987

*Rec'd  
29 JUL 1987*

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
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Dear Phil:

I seem always to be on a tangent which must be annoying to serious researchers like you and Lyman.

Not long ago a friend of mine sent some pages from a book she was reading in which one of the characters was an Upchurch. Not long after that I was reading "Short History of a Small Place" and found one reference to a character named Upchurch. In her book, Belle West wrote about an Inglis Fletcher book which mentions Moses Upchurch. For some reason I thought it might be interesting to keep a lookout and see if there are other instances of the name having been used.

In the last UB you wrote about having seen three deer on your farm. We live in a rather densely populated middle class neighborhood with lots of children and dogs. You can imagine our surprise the other Sunday morning at 6:30 when we looked out of our window and saw three young deer on our front lawn. I suppose we have robbed them of their natural habitat and they have had to adjust.

Best wishes.

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Priest



*Wicked Lady* by Inglis Fletcher

that I have my fears also. But we have good leaders in General Washington and the French Rochambeau. Let us hope they are wise in their plans."

"But General Washington is far away in New York."

Dr. Williamson bent over and spoke in a low tone. "Perhaps he is not so far away as the British think, my dear, but don't speak aloud of this. Not one word!"

Stephen came up to escort the doctor and the other men to the dining room, where Samuel and Puti and Promicy were standing against the wall, waiting to serve them.

Marianne looked in on the guests as they seated themselves at the table. She had planned the seating so that Judge Iredell would be next to the Duc de Braille. The Duc wished to reach the ear of General Washington. What better way than through his close friend, James Iredell? William Hooper, the member of Congress from Hillsborough, was just beyond, so that he could enter the conversation. Next to him was Dr. Williamson.

Samuel Johnstone, Cosmo de' Medici and Charles Johnson were deep in conversation. Probably Cosmo was telling the senator about his company, the first dragoons in Washington's army. He was justifiably proud of his men.

She heard Cosmo say: "Four of my best men were from western North Carolina—Drury Bass, George Chambers, Withe Span and Moses Upchurch. They enlisted in Franklin county in '75, ~~when I took over for~~ Captain Jones. They were with me at Brandywine Creek. Good men, all of them."

Johnstone said: "You can count on the North Carolinians. They make good soldiers, but they are like my own countrymen, the Scots, in that they want a light hand on the bridle."

De' Medici laughed. "That I found out in the beginning. We Italians are like that also. Individualists, my father used to tell me. They follow but they won't be driven." His darkly handsome face, with the classic de' Medici nose, looked thoughtful. "Perhaps that is the secret shared by the great generals—lead with a light hand."

and a half with no expirations, everybody but Sheriff Browner and Pinky and Mr. Donzo said more or less together, "That's it. That's all of them," and it finally seemed like maybe it was until after five or six pigeonless minutes, a pair of birds staggered into view on opposite ends of the post office and entertained the crowd with what was pretty much a synchronized expiration, and then everybody looked and waited and nobody said anything, but nothing else happened, Daddy said, because that was it. That was all of them.

Sheriff Browner didn't charge Pinky or Mr. Donzo either with any sort of misdemeanor, didn't even issue them a citation for littering. According to Daddy, all the sheriff did was to tell Pinky that if he were him he didn't believe he'd do any such thing again, which was not in any way a threat but just a piece of advice the sheriff thought Pinky ought to have. And Daddy said Pinky told the sheriff back that as far as he knew he'd poisoned all the pigeons he was ever going to poison. Now the crowd itself, Daddy said, very obviously appreciated the diversion and probably, as a crowd, did not yet know that it had witnessed an atrocity, though Daddy imagined one or two among them could possibly have suspected that a pigeon massacre might be an atrocity but most likely were not exactly sure if it was or it wasn't, and Daddy said in fact the pigeon fiasco did not officially become an atrocity until the witnesses had circulated various accounts of it which were filtered through, expanded upon, and recirculated by an ever increasing number of non-witnesses until finally two or three or four or maybe even a half dozen versions of the story reached the little pink shell-like ears, Daddy called them, of Mrs. Ira Penn and Miss Joyce Tullock who were respectively the president and vice-president of the Neely chapter of the DAR and together set aside ten minutes of the Wednesday luncheon for a debate and vote on and condemnation of Mr. Pinky Throckmorton's high crime against pigeondom, Daddy called it, which the ladies elected to be an atrocity and very soundly condemned along with Pinky himself while at the same time taking no official action against Mr. Donzo who was an old, fat, uneducated negro which, Daddy said, they figured to be condemnation enough.

So Daddy said what on Tuesday had been your simple fiasco got elevated to an atrocity lunchtime Wednesday and then was

distributed as such on the bottom half of the front page of the Thursday *Chronicle*, and consequently all those people who were previously not exactly sure if a pigeon massacre was or was not an atrocity got told for certain that it was and all those people who had not even suspected that it might be also got told that it was and so at least had to consider the possibility whereas otherwise, Daddy said, they probably would have just gone around ignorant and would never even have suspected that Pinky was guilty of atrociousness. But he was, Daddy said, anyway Mrs. Ira Penn said he was right there on the bottom half of the front page of section A of the *Chronicle*, which is actually the only section aside from the advertising inserts which are called section B but are not a section at all and are only stuck inside of section A, according to Daddy, in order to make the *Chronicle* feel like fifteen cents worth of newspaper. At first Mrs. Ira Penn said she was "scandalized" by what Mr. Pinky Throckmorton had "instigated," which would be the pigeon fiasco, and then she said she was "scandalized and distressed," and then she said she was "scandalized, distressed, and deeply saddened," and as far as Mrs. Ira Penn saw it Neely could not yet but would soon "fathom the myriad reverberations of the innumerable death knells sounded Tuesday last for the companions at our feet," all of which the reporter Mr. Upchurch called "pigeons" in parentheses. And Daddy said even though Mrs. Ira Penn could not tick off any specific reverberations right at the moment, just the hint of some on the way stirred up about half of Neely, which would be mostly the female half since not much of the male half paid any attention to Mrs. Ira Penn except for Mr. Ira Penn, who Daddy said was the sort of man who always knew what was good for him.

But Daddy said even after the pigeon fiasco had been officially declared an atrocity and played up as such in the newspaper, nothing much came of it except for an abundance of fiery talk directed mostly at Pinky but partially at Sheriff Browner for allowing him to run free, and throughout all of a Monday and part of a Tuesday the DAR did manage to collect eighty-three names on a petition which requested that Braxton Porter Throckmorton III be made legally bound to purchase for the township of Neely one sizeable and undamaged flock of pigeons to be distributed throughout the municipal square and environs, but when it came Mrs. Nettles's turn to make herself the eighty-

firmly by the elbow and said, "Come and talk to Dr. Darby. He's telling some good stories about his youth at Oxford."

Madeline looked a little surprised, but she made no objection, and they went off together. Sven wandered off too, and, left to herself, Hannah surveyed the scene. The girl (a graduate student? a secretary?) who had come with Sven was standing alone by the hors d'oeuvres table. Everyone else seemed to be engaged in animated conversation. After a moment, Hannah joined Lucille and Meriwether Jones, who were talking to Isabel Upchurch. Meriwether Jones was a small man, with a mild disposition. He had earned his position by endless intensive hard work, with monograph after monograph on black political structures in America. On the surface, Lucille was more impressive. Taller than her husband, and extremely handsome, she had made a name for herself as host on a weekly television interview show. She had a talent for making her interviewees sound interesting, and did not go in for the guest-baiting so popular on the national networks.

After cordial greetings all round, Hannah turned to Isabel Upchurch, on her right.

"I'm so pleased to see you here tonight. I've been hoping for a chance to come and talk to you."

"I'm glad you're here too. It's good to have another woman in the department."

"It's kind of you to say that," Hannah answered. "Sometimes, when a woman has been the only one in a situation, she resents the arrival of another."

"Not me," said the older woman. "Some people may be able to turn being an oddity to advantage, but that's not my game. Women won't be treated as equals

until there are enough of us so that we're no longer etc thumbs, alternately cursed and coddled."

Lucille Jones put her hand on Hannah's arm. "Don't worry, she's not usually that vehement," she said. "You just happened to walk into the 'minority caucus' conversation. We were discussing the university's affirmative-action program. They may be affirmative, but so far there hasn't been much action."

Hannah said, "I don't mind vehemence. I've got a lot to learn about this whole subject, though. I'm fresh from being the careful suburban housewife, and then a graduate student. I'm still in swaddling clothes! I practically do a double take when somebody takes me seriously."

Dr. Upchurch said, "I've read your book. There's plenty there to be taken seriously. Why don't you come and have lunch with me tomorrow? I'll tell you where the bodies are buried. Oh!"—she interrupted herself—"That's an unfortunate choice of phrase, after last night. Apologies, everyone."

"I'd love to," said Hannah.

"I'm in the middle of exams, so I'd better not take time to go off campus. Can you find your way to the Oak Room?"

"I think so."

"Fine. Will a quarter past twelve suit you?"

"It makes no difference. I have no schedule yet."

"That's fine, then."

Just then Selina moved quietly across the room and spoke inaudibly to Sarah Moseley.

"Thank you," said Mrs. Moseley. "Ladies and gentlemen, shall we have dinner? Why don't you bring your drinks with you?"

But Hannah noticed that everyone else had, like

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2 AUG 1987

EMMY LOU PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

I am pleased to have your letter of 25 JUL 1987 and the collection of references to the use of the name Upchurch. Our name appears so rarely that I am happy to have references of all sorts. The book on Sam Houston (or the manie) where an Upchurch was mentioned according to some still eludes me. Perhaps you will recall that there was an Upchurch character on the Andy Griffith "Mayberry" show several years ago.

When I saw the reference to an Upchurch in the Taylor Fletcher book I started collecting Fletcher books. They are quite good but I still do not have the one that mentions Mose U

It is always refreshing to have a letter from you. Please let me know whatever occurs to you along with any new developments on your part of the family. Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

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March 24, 1987

REC'D  
26 MAR 1987

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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Dear Phil,

Your autobiographical article was excellent. However, I believe that only a book would really do justice. It made me realize that while most of us are fluttering around trying to "find time" to get things done, people like yourself who really accomplish something simply make the time.

Congratulations to you and Sallaine on all the good work you have done while still maintaining a close and caring family relationship.

I was very happy that Cuddles Heck did finally decide to show up for the family gathering at Christmas. I imagine it would have been a far less happy one without her.

All best wishes,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Priest

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15 MAR 1987

EMMY LOU PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou.

Thank you for your letter of 9 MAR 1987  
and for your contribution to the  
Upchurch Research Fund. As you will  
see from the enclosed copy of a letter  
to Mr. C. L. Hanson, II I have become a  
life member of the St Peter's Restoration  
Association. I am grateful for your support  
and for bringing the opportunity to  
my attention. It is an amazing  
coincidence that my own ancestor and  
an Upchurch relative were associated  
with St Peter's so early.

All the Best!

Sincerely yours  
Philip Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

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March 9, 1987

MRS L. W. PRIEST

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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Dear Phil,

Thank you so much for your letter and I am looking forward to the new issue of UB with your article.

Last August Lyman went to St. Peter's Church to mark the anniversary of the baptism of his earliest maternal ancestor in America (see enclosed bulletin). Some time prior to that he became a lifetime member in their restoration association. I don't know if you feel that the Upchurch ties are close enough with the church to warrant your joining also and so doing to keep the Upchurch name current in the church records.

In any case, I am enclosing a small check for the research fund which you may use for that or whatever you think might be more beneficial to UB. I am attaching the address of the President of the Association if you should decide that would be an interesting thing to do.

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signed 9 MAR Emma L. Priest  
Emma Louise Priest  
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Charlottesville, VA 22901

All good wishes to you and your family,

Emma Louise Priest

~~The entrance to the road is on the right hand side of the road.~~

If you would like to become a life member of St. Peter's Restoration Association, send your check for \$25 to Chapman L. Harrison II, President, Restoration Association, St. Peter's Parish Church, Route 1, Box 139A, New Kent C.H., Va. 23124-9633.

In anticipation of The Benick Family's going out of print, I have



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29 FEB 1987

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your renewal on the UB and for your nice letter of 2 JAN 87 with the MS article. It is useful and has new information in it I have sent a copy to Mrs Genevieve Little, our expert on MS Upchurch. I have asked her to get me the address of the author of the article so we can correspond. So one thing leads to another.

I hope Lyman is better now. Just yesterday we took UB Vol 8 No 1 to the printer. It should be in your hands by mid MAR. Has a picture of me and 3 pages giving the story of my life.

It's been a year now since I was in NC and I am having withdrawal pains. Don't know when another trip can be made.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely Yours  
Phil Upchurch  
(ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH)

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January 2, 1987

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
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Dear Phil,

I am sorry that I am late sending in my subscription renewal for "Upchurch Bulletin." It has been a very busy fall here and Lyman is making a somewhat slow recovery from mild pneumonia.

From the most recent UB I was pleased to note how many family members are now contributing to the research fund. I plan to send a check for that early next month, but wanted to have time to write you a little note about that when I do.

A friend of mine was visiting in Mississippi not long ago and found this article on the Upchurch family in one of the heritage books. She made a copy for me. I suspect that you already have all this information, but rather than take time to check back issues of the Bulletin, I will send it along for your files.

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Best wishes for 1987,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Priest

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March 10, 1986

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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Tucson, Arizona 85740

Dear Phil:

Do hope that weather permitted you to have a nice get together with some of the Upchurches when you were in Raleigh last month. Lyman became 70 years old in December and as he says a 70 year old driver with a 15 year old car is somewhat limited in the traveling he can do. We did, however, think of you all there.

Have you talked with the Mayor of Raleigh again? I have never known him nor his father. When I was a child and accompanied my parents on trips to Wake County, we did from time to time stop by to speak to his grandfather, Merriman, who was one of my father's favorite cousins.

I am enclosing a small check for the research fund.

My oldest and only living brother, Norman Upchurch, has been in a nursing home for the past three years. For the past six months he has been very ill and is now in the nursing care facility attached to the Person County Hospital, Roxboro, N. C.

This past July Norman was honored with the Paul Harris Award given by the Rotary Club. In his 43 years of teaching he has become something of an institution -- both colorful and well liked, I believe. I am enclosing several articles which have been written about him for your files if you would like. The original article from the Burlington paper I would like returned if you do not wish to keep it. However, if you would like it, please feel free to keep it.

All best wishes to you and your family,

Sincerely,

*Emmy Lou Priest*  
Emmy Lou Priest  
(Mrs. L. W.)

*R. F. 3, 1986*

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16 MAR 1986

MRS L W PRIEST

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thank you for your nice letter of 10 MAR 86  
and for the donation to the Research Fund. As  
you know from Lyman's work there is always a  
need for resources. The packet of material on  
your brother is most welcome. I will keep it  
in my files which will someday become part  
of a public archive. He is certainly a well  
respected and colorful character.

We had about 60 people for the Upchurch  
lecture in Raleigh. Wish you could have been  
there but really did not expect you to come.  
Still, one of these days I hope we can meet.  
This past week we "downsized" to a Town-  
house and things are still somewhat disorganized  
but we love it. This is my first letter from  
the new house!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

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December 30, 1985

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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Dear Phil:

Check enclosed for 1986 subscription to "Upchurch Bulletin."

Later when I have recovered from Christmas I hope to make another small contribution to the research fund. Your postage bill alone must be astronomical. Even later, if no one else has done so, I would like to make a memorial contribution for Belle West.

I thought the tribute to your mother was very lovely and I am so glad that you did that. In a sense the "Upchurch Bulletin" generates an extended family and the more we know about our editor and about each other the better.

All good things to you and your family in 1986.

Sincerely,



Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your letter of April 8, 1985 and for the contribution to the Upchurch Research Fund. So far we have had a total of 88 separate contributions to the fund. This makes it possible to acquire some information that would otherwise not be available. For example, I now subscribe to three N.C. newspapers and clip from them.

As regards the Taylor book I would have preferred to have been more negative but at least I tried to give some warning. Unfortunately, the sort of damage you describe has already been done.

I enjoyed doing the St Peter's article and hope to visit there myself someday.

All the best to you & Lynn.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]



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Emma Louise Priest R.F. Pg-2 1985

Dear Phil:

You did an excellent job in writing about St. Peter's Parish Church, and you were very kind to mention Lyman and me in connection with it. I hope that others in the family will visit there and enjoy it as much as we do.

I noted in the last UB that you have been receiving letters about the Sharon Taylor book. Lyman views it in much the same light that you do -- that is a list of family names <sup>which</sup> might be worth the price of the book to some people. However, not everyone was so charitable about the Taylor and Bayley books. Note the enclosed reference from The Bulletin published by the Kentucky Historical Society. Another article I read sent to us by someone in California intimated that there is a Sharon Taylor only in the sense that there is a Betty Crocker. A mere promotional gimmick. The greatest harm I feel is to people who only have a certain amount of money to invest in such things. Once they have spent \$25. on such a book, they might not feel they can afford to buy something containing more serious research.

A small check enclosed for the research fund. I am sorry I have to limit my spending at this time, but I really do appreciate all the good work you are doing.

Sincerely,

*Emma Lou*

Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L. W.)



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## For Your Information

The interests of legitimate researchers and their efforts prompts our response to inquiries from KHS members and friends concerning the "individualized family history" publications of the (Sharon L.) Taylor and (Bearrice) Bayley companies. Public complaints about these direct-mail book promotions, which take advantage of the flourishing interest in genealogy, have engendered consumer protection actions by the U.S. Postal Service. These "Mail-Order Family Histories," according to the *New York Times* (January 15, 1983), present "a basic text, varied only by family name and some detail." Van A. Stilley, executive director of the National Genealogical Society, summarized the professional criticism of the books: "There is no research, no genealogy in the Taylor or Bayley Books, just boilerplate historical information that anybody can find in a public library. Since the companies run nationwide campaigns, we get complaints from people every week."

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18 JAN 85

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Dear Phil:

I am always a little embarrassed to write you. In addition to all the work you have in connection with the University, you must be innundated with correspondence from Upchurch family members.

I am very pleased about the Upchurch connection with St. Peter's Parish Church. These variant spellings were not uncommon in early records and might easily be overlooked by any but an experienced eye. During his research Lyman has found a name spelled as many as three different ways in a single document.

Lyman and I considered it a compliment that you asked us to write something about St. Peter's for Upchurch Bulletin. I wish we had as much confidence in ourselves as you seem to have in us. Lyman published a genealogy on his grandfather's family a few years ago. It sold rather well and now he is under some pressure by those who have learned about the book since its publication to produce a supplement. Even though his work on this project is hampered by the same health problems which caused his early retirement from Foreign Service, he still hopes to complete it during the coming year. Without his help, I don't think it is wise for me to attempt to do justice to an article on St. Peter's.

I am enclosing a picture of the church which Lyman made several years ago. As you can see from this, architecturally St. Peter's is quite small but with considerable charm. Lyman also suggested that I enclose the negative so that you might have the picture processed in the size and with the shading and contrast you might like.

Several years ago St. Peter's published a history which is considerably more detailed than that which appears on the back of the church bulletin which I sent. If copies of this history are still available and if you do not already have it, I will try to get one for you either by mail or at some time when we are in that area. However, I honestly think that the "attention grabber" portions of the history are contained in the shorter version.

I was amused when I read your comment in UB that "Based on the court records it appears that John U. I was a contentious person." In one account of St. Peter's history that I read it was reported "In 1697.....the Reverend Mr. Nicholas Moreau (then Rector), wrote the Lord Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry that he had got the very worst parish of Virginia and the most troublesome." So it would appear that our John might not have been the only contentious one about.

So far as I know St. Peter's Parish Church is not too much on the tourist circuit. However, it is being written up in "The Colonial Churches of Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina: Their Interiors and Worship" and as more people learn of it this will probably change. Meantime, any member of the Upchurch family who is traveling in the Richmond-Williamsburg area might find it an interesting place to visit. I am enclosing a copy of a map showing its location which was taken from a Christmas card we received. The church might provide a clearer one. Due to its somewhat isolated site, it might be wise to be sure the church office is open when visiting there.

I hope to make a small contribution to the research fund later on. A new roof for our house and Christmas have left our bank account greatly depleted.

Congratulations to Lee Upchurch on the fine work he is doing on the Nathan Upchurch land.

Sincerely,



Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

22 JAN 1985

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your letter of 14 JAN 85 and for the photo and the tips. I have written to St Peter to see if they will send more details and also have ordered the book to see if that will help. I am sure that an article can be put together easily with what we have and can expect.

Don't put yourself down so. I am sure you could write a fine article. It is fun once you get started - at least I find it so.

I know about the roof problem. We had a \$5200 roof built last summer & felt bad about it because it was only 8 yrs old. Such is life.

Let me hear from you & keep your eyes open re St Peter

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



EMMA LOUISE U

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December 27, 1984

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

Dear Phil:

I am enclosing a check for 1985 subscription to the Upchurch Bulletin.

It will certainly be interesting if the names submitted by Roy White, Jr. from the St. Peter's Parish records turn out to be variant spellings of Upchurch. Lyman and I are familiar with the church because Lyman has family connections on his maternal grandfather's side of the family. We visit the church on occasion and find it one of the most interesting and historic churches in the area. It was the church of Martha Custis Washington and both of her marriages were performed there. It is called the First Church of the First, First Lady. I am enclosing a copy of one of the bulletins which has a brief history on the reverse side.

Not long ago Lyman obtained parish listings for Upchurches in London going back several centuries. I rather think you already have these but I am enclosing them if you shouldn't.

For awhile I belonged to a group called Friends of Little Gidding but I have not received mail from them in some time. Do you by any chance have a name for a current officer (preferably treasurer) of that organization. I would like to renew my membership. Belle West also belonged as did descendants of the early Collets, who were nephews of Nicholas Ferrar and came to America about the same time as Michael.

I was very sorry to hear of Belle West's death. We all owe her such a debt of gratitude.

Sincerely,



Emma Louise Upchurch Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

1 JAN 1985

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou

Thank you for your very nice letter of 27 DEC 1984 and for the list of London Upchurch and for the details on St Peter's Parish Church. I did not have the London Upchurch and welcome their addition to my records.

As regards the Upchurches listed on the St Peter's records from 1701-1713 (see Pg 125 UB Vol 5/104) they were reported in West Upchurch Book. West and her assessor determined that these four individuals were children of John U I (XIO 150). This John U I was a GS of Michael U I. We have accepted the West version of relationships here. The evidence could be better - but I know of no reason to suggest that she is wrong. What was unusual was that John U I moved north to have a family rather than south (later on he moved south). It would appear that our relatives were contemporaries with the parents or grandparents of Martha Washington since she was born 23 JUN 1731.



I am anxious to have something more appear in the U B about the St Peter's Church as it existed during the colonial period with a few details to bring us from 1775 up to the present (such as the exact location). Anything we can record about the families associated with the church for the period 1680-1730 would be useful as such families would have lived in close proximity to John & I and his family. Would you be willing to draft a 1-6 page double spaced article on St Peter's Church which I could consider for publication in the U B. I don't often invite others to write for the U B but will perhaps do this more so as the years go by. If you are interested you might find it satisfying to author such an article. I am sure Symon would be a critic and a source of encouragement. Perhaps he would co-author the article since he has connections to St Peter's also. In any event I would appreciate an exact description of where the church is located (so others can find their way there). Perhaps we could publish a picture of the church as it exists today - would need a 3" x 5" or 4" x 7" black and white print.

As regards Little Gidding - I have had recent correspondence. My last letter from them is dated 6 OCT 89. There has apparently been some



reorganization in recent years. I am not sure they use the formal term "Friends of Little Gidding" now. However, the Community is organized. Their publication is called "SEEDS". They refer to themselves as "The Community". The subscription for SEEDS is about <sup>£</sup>6 or 7 but expressed in pounds. I sent <sup>\$</sup>10.00 U.S. and got back a nice thank-you note.

wrote to:

MRS VERONICA GRAH  
THE COMMUNITY  
LITTLE GIDDING  
HUNTINGDON PE17 5RJ  
ENGLAND.

There is excitement on the NC front. Our cousin John Lee II Jr recently sent me a proposed set of boundaries for two plots of land acquired by our ancestor Nathan II. One was acquired in eastern Wake Co, NC in 1788 and the other in SW Franklin Co, NC in 1794. The latter piece was a part of a larger tract owned by his father. He will research this more now that he is retired and I have great hopes for new bits of information. Can't wait to get back there and put foot on the new found acres.

All the Best for the  
New Year!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

XFD-821

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23 JUL 1983

MRS L. W. PRIEST

1428 OXFORD RD

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou,

Thanks ever so much for the \$15.00 for the Upchurch Research Fund. The Fund is now paying for a small study being done by a professional genealogist in Salt Lake City - on a trial basis.

Re Underhams and E. F. Upchurch:

Michael U I  
↓  
Richard U I  
↓  
James U I  
↓  
Richard U II  
↓  
Nathan U I  
↓  
Burtis U (50)

(15) Gilbert Burtis U ← BROTHERS → William Clinton U I (505)  
↓ ↓

(545) James Burtis U ← 1ST COUSINS → Florence Caroline U (671)  
↓ ↓

(1719) Ernest Frederick U II ← 2ND COUSINS → Under Russell Harris (5450)  
↓ ↓

(471) Emma Louise U

So you and Underhams are 2nd cousins once removed.

I would really like to know more about Under and assume there are quite a few records on him in Norfolk and Washington and perhaps elsewhere.

Earlier this week I was in NC and at a meeting in Blacksburg, VA. Had time allowed I would have loved to have visited you. Maybe next time.

I spent July 17 & 18, 1983 with your 1st cousin John Lee U, Jr. As you know from UB he has spent a lot of time sorting out the location of Nathan U's plantation and now he is starting to work on Nathan's place in the Moccasin Creek area. He is a delightful person. He showed me where "Bart" lived in the Uphurds community, in Apex and in Cary. He told me many things about the family.

We had a nice time walking around the Green Level area. We feel almost certain that we now know the location of the family burial plot for Nathan U and his family. We found no stones but the grave of trees is there and it is in the right spot and it has been handed down from generation to generation that this site was a cemetery.

Get me word from you

PS - my new card enclosed. Would you believe? Stay busy!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Uphurds  
(ROBERT PHILLIP UPHURDS)

EMMA LOUISE ~~REDA~~ U

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REC'D 13 JUL 1983  
+ ch # 170 for \$15.00 for URF  
Signed 5 JUL 1983 Emma A. Priest

1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

July 5, 1983

Dear Phil:

Another small contribution to the research fund.

The last issue of the bulletin was so interesting.  
The picture of David Upchurch looked like something  
from David Copperfield.

Sorry to learn of Buddy Upchurch's death. I  
didn't know him but talked to him on the phone and  
he seemed especially nice.

Saw the Rev. Robert Upchurch mentioned in  
obituary in local paper. Perhaps you already know  
of him.

If you have a bit of time in the future, I would  
appreciate knowing what relationship (if any) Winder  
Harris, the editor, and the Rt. Rev. Charles Harris  
would have had to my father, E. F. Upchurch of  
Yanceyville.

Sincerely,

*Emma Lou*  
Emma Lou Upchurch Priest

→ Filed copy in  
Box of Robert U.

EMMA LOUISE U

XID- 821

RECV  
10 FEB 1997

February 5, 1997

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
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Lake St. Louis, Missouri 63367



Mrs. Lyman W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Rd.  
Charlottesville, VA 22903-1406

Dear Phil,

I was looking through some old papers the other day and found two clippings regarding Upchurches which a friend had sent me two or more years ago. Although somewhat dated I thought I would send them along.

Recently Lyman has completed a genealogy on my maternal grandmother's family, the Chitty family. My mother was a fifth generation Moravian and although the Chitty name is English a majority of the names in the genealogy were German. So it was rather surprising that not only my mother, but also another descendant had married an Upchurch. The only information we have on Harrison Upchurch is what appears on the enclosed sheet.

The real reason for this letter is to let you know that I was contacted by a Mr. Neal Umstott last week. He had apparently gotten my name from a nephew or great nephew. He was trying to get in touch with a Paul T. Upchurch. I believe he said they had served together in Germany in the 1940's. I didn't have any information about a Paul Upchurch and decided to give him your name. I hope that you didn't mind. Was he able to get in touch with you?

Again all the best to you and Sallaine.

Sincerely ,

Emmy Lou Priest



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Township 8 South, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, then in Franklin County, now in Williamson County, Illinois.<sup>110</sup>

In 1839 Benjamin Chitty, described himself as a resident of "Hering's Prairie," when he was employed by the Franklin County Commissioner's Court to supervise repairs on Pond Creek Bridge caused by heavy traffic between Frankfort and Brownsville, the first county seat of Jackson County.<sup>111</sup>

In time the settlement of small farmers living in Section 18 became known as "Chittyville." In 1871 the Chittyville School was built in the southwest corner of Section 18, the first of five buildings dedicated to public education on the same site.<sup>112</sup> Chittyville is shown north of Herrin on the 1966 U.S.G.S. Herrin Quadrangle sheet.

Children<sup>113</sup> (— James) surname CHITTY:

- △ + △
- 40. i. William F., b. 1810, Tenn.
  - 41. ii. Alfred P., b. 19 Sept. 1812, Tenn.
  - iii. Dorcas, b. 1813, Tenn.<sup>114</sup> mar. 14 Aug. 1842 Harrison Upchurch.<sup>115</sup>

Children (Nancy Ware) surname CHITTY:

- 42. iv. Nancy Mary Magdalene, b. 12 Feb. 1815.

9. SARAH<sup>3</sup> CHITTY (*Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Benjamin<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Padget) Chitty, was born 23 December 1781 at Hope, North Carolina. She died 27 January 1815 at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. She is buried in the Bethlehem Moravian Graveyard.

She married 26 November 1801 at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, SAMUEL LUCKENBACH, son of Johannes and Anna (Gehmann) Luckenbach. Samuel was born 23 October 1778 in Upper Saxony. He died in 1846 in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He is buried in the Bethlehem Moravian Graveyard.<sup>116</sup>

<sup>110</sup>"Public Domain Land Sale to Nancy Chitty," *ibid.*, Vol. 110, p. 83.

<sup>111</sup>*Ibid.*

<sup>112</sup>Barbara Burr Hubbs, *Pioneer Folks and Places* (Marion, Ill.: Williamson Co. Historical Society, c. 1979), p. 90. The Chittyville School and community are situated in Section "18" not Section 8, as mentioned in the book.

<sup>113</sup>Moore and Hollandsworth, "The Chitty Family in America," p. 2.

<sup>114</sup>Losker [Dorcas?] Chitty enumerated 6 November 1850 in the household of Jefferson James, age 46, born Miss. 1850 U.S. Census (Free Schedule), Williamson Co., Ill., p. 270, dwelling 800, family 814, Line 8; M-432 Roll 133.

<sup>115</sup>"Marriage Record of Harrison Upchurch and Dorcas Chitty," Williamson County, Ill., Marriage Records, 1839-1870, Bk. A, p. 27, County Clerk, Marion, F.H.L. Film 0965414.

<sup>116</sup>"Marriage record of Samuel Luckenbach and Sara Chitty," 26 Nov. 1801, Bethlehem Moravian Church Register 2. Research by Margaret Wilde.

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**MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
R. P. UPCHURCH  
6 EAGLES WAY LANE  
LAKE ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63367-2240**



11 JAN 1997

MRS LYMAN W. PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emma Jay,

Thanks for your renewal on the U B and Englandia for 1997 and for your contribution to the Upshur Research Fund. I also appreciate very much the three clippings you sent. I was able to fit all three into the Upshur family. The William U marketing specialist is William Buster U, III of the Nathan U, I/Buster U Subdan - Gilbert Buster U line. Peter Charles U, who got married, is the son of Stephen Austin U of the Mose U/Murray U Subdan - Isham U line. Jennifer Gray U, who got married, is the daughter of Wallace Gray U of the Nathan U, I/Buster U Subdan - Jubal U line. In all three cases new information was obtained for my files. Quite a few people send in clippings but I wish more would do so as they are quite valuable additions to our family history.

This past year has been good to me. Both Sallaine and I are in good health and are

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learning to take advantage of our retirement status. It really is a learning process. We have learned to sort out what is important. Our time is our own and I have decided to spend lots of time on farming and family history. Both are progressing nicely. My big family history project right now is to write a book tentatively entitled "Upchurch Ancestors - Seven American Generations". I am just getting into it. Lyman will understand all the agency because of his authorship.

I hope this finds you well and looking forward to a lovely 1997.

With All Best Wishes from my home  
to yours.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]





EMMA LOUISE U

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REC'D  
1 JUL 1994

June 28, 1994

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Mrs. L. W. Priest  
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Dear Phil,

Yesterday morning Lyman braved early morning showers to go to the UVA Library and make a copy of the cover sheet of The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography Vol. XI. This is the issue which contained the article by Michael Ferrar with the reference to the letter written by Michael Upchurch to Virginia Ferrar. Lyman thought you might like to have to put with your copy of the article.

These next months will be exciting ones for you and Sallaine with the move to Missouri, but oh, oh, oh what busy ones. We hope you will keep us posted through the UB.

In the past ten years Lyman has completed four genealogies. Family history is a far cry from Russian history which was his field. However, I suppose that both of us feel that people are far more interesting than events.

All best wishes to you and Sallaine,

*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Priest

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July 23, 1994

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REC'D  
28 JUL 1994

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
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Dear Phil;

I hope that I am not adding to what must already be the very difficult task of getting your files ready for the move to Missouri . However, I thought it might be better to get the enclosed items to you before you got too far along in the process.

In recent years Lyman has had to rely on the mail, telephone and computer to get material for his research. However, when he was able to visit libraries, courthouses, etc. he would often bring home material on the Upchurch families in addition to the family he was studying. Recently, we have been going through some of our material and I have chosen a few items which you might find interesting if you do not already have them. For instance, some articles on the areas around Little Gidding, a listing of some Upchurch Wills in that area. There are a few other items including a letter from Mrs. West which was written soon after she got to know you and Mrs. Alkek.

Any of the material which you don't find useful you can toss aside.  
(Lyman and I)  
We have gotten to the age that we find we must reduce the volume of books, papers and other property that we once took such interest in. At the present time my nieces and nephews are too busy for genealogy although they are always polite whenever I send them things.

All the best to you and Sallaine,

Ek  
Emmy Lou Priest

LIST OF DOCUMENTS & DISPOSITION OF SAME (PROVIDED<sup>2</sup>)  
TO RPU IN LTR 23 JUL 1994 EMMA LOUISE U TO RPU)

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
1) Topo Map with city of Cary, NC superimposed	CARY, WAKE CO, NC
2) Wake Co, NC Marriage Bonds	MARRIAGES FILE
3) Obituary Notices - Raleigh, NC (Cubical Recorder)	DEATH RECORD FILE
4) Map of Huntingdonshire Hundreds & Parishes	ENGLAND FILE
5) History of the County of Huntingdon	ENGLAND FILE
6) Huntingdonshire Walls 1479-1652 (Upchurch Section)	ENGLAND FILE
7) Obituary of Dr Roy Wakefield U	HIS BIOFILE
8) <u>North Carolina - The Old North State and the New</u> Vol III. Biographies of Robert Theodore U (M.D.) and Matthews A. Stroup	THEIR BIOFILES
9) Letter 31 MAY 1975 Belle Lewter met to Mrs Priest (Emma Louise U)	BIOFILE OF ETNA BELLE LEWTER
10) Information on J. SHERWOOD U in Upchurch folder from Carolina Room - Univ of NC	BIOFILE OF JOHN SHERWOOD U
11) Article by Helen Benington "Speaking of Books: Little Gidding"	ENGLAND FILE & MICHAEL U, I
12) Virginia Historical Magazine reference to Michael U, I letter.	ENGLAND FILE
13) History of Godmanchester (pg 286-296)	ENGLAND FILE
14) Upchurch Events - England 1721-1796	ENGLAND FILE

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MRS L. W. PRIEST  
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15 NOV 1995

Dear Cousin Emmy Lee,

After almost a year in Missouri I am beginning to make some progress on taking care of the backlog of family history matters that accumulated in 1994 when we were involved in our very complicated move from AZ to MO. I never thought it would take this long to get on top of things. A lot of good things have happened including a lot of progress on Upshur's family history. However, once you put something aside it is very difficult to get back to it.

The above having been said I can report that your letters of 28 JUN 1994 and 23 JUL 1994 to me with their enclosures have now been processed. I want to thank you for these items. They make a valuable addition to my reference base. Enclosed is a list of the 14 items provided with your letter of 23 JUL 1994 showing how they have been distributed.

Your letter of 28 JUN 1994 recorded how Lyman had loaned the shewer to get from the library

a copy of the cover sheet for the article about Michael Uphurch, I which appeared in the JULY 1903 issue of The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography. This is a valuable article as it is what got our Uphurch researcher of the 1950's started on the track of our ancestor in England. A lot has happened since that time. It was nice of Lyman to obtain the cover sheet.

We are now feeling well settled in our new location. Our new home is in great shape. I cut the grass yesterday for the last time until next spring (I think). It really looks nice and green (the best in the neighborhood) as a result of a good application of fertilizer in August. I had a great time helping on the farm this fall and now want to buy a tract that will be completely under my control as opposed to being operated by one of our present three operators. I am in the process of folding my real estate sales operations into my overall land operation. It is really the land that interests me.

We had a great family trip to NC/TN in May/June and had planned a trip to

TX this fall. However, we have delayed the TX trip until next MAR/APR.

Next week we plan a brief trip to Wisconsin to have Thanksgiving with the family of Sallaine's brother George. He and I were in school together at N.C. State.

We are looking forward to getting a new computer in the next month or so and I must get serious about how to use one more effectively. I recall that Sallaine never did get to see Lyman's computer when we visited you in 1989.

I hope this finds you and Lyman doing well.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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5 SEP 1994

Dear Emmy Lou

Until November 1, 1994, you can continue to write to me at the above address. Items mailed November 1 or after should be addressed to me at:

R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. Box 387  
Wentzville, MO 63385

Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely yours,

Phil Zylberich

Robert P. Upchurch, Editor  
UPCHURCH BULLETIN

**RPU:s**

Emmy Lou - The days have suddenly become very crowded - However - we see the light at the end of the tunnel and will soon be in Missouri where I hope to have more time for family history.

Phil U



EMMA LOUISE U

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22 JUN 1994

MRS L. W. PRIEST

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks so much for your letter of 16 JUN 94 and for the enclosure. I did not have a copy of pages 41-46 from Virginia Historical Magazine which deals with Virginia Fennar and Michael Upchurch. I had always wondered about the substance of their article. I am still curious about the volume, issue and date of the Virginia Historical Magazine in which the article appeared.

There has been a further development in the matter of our relationship with Professor Ransome. Enclosed is a copy of his letter to me of 10 JUN 1994. This is very exciting news. I immediately wrote back to him to learn his "terms". I assume he wants some

Payment for preparing a special article<sup>(2)</sup> for us. This is OK. It is only a matter of how much money. He seems to think we have seen two letters, Actually only one letter surfaced. Also he refers to us having an incorrect translation. I will anxiously await his response to my letter which I sent to him 16 JUN 94.

I finally on 10 JUN 94 released an announcement at the University that I will soon be leaving. We are having a house built in Lake Saint Louis, MO and it will be ready for occupancy about 1 SEP 94. We will probably move in SEP or OCT. I will have to go back and forth some this fall as we have obligations in both AZ and MO. It is an exciting time for us.

The Upchurch Family History Project continues to go extremely well. Regards to Symon.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

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REC'D  
21 JUN 1994

June 16, 1994

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Mrs. L. W. Priest  
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Dear Phil,

In the latest copy of the Upchurch Bulletin which included copies of your correspondence with Mr. Ransome, you wrote about the letter from Michael Upchurch to Virginia Ferrar which Mrs. West referred to in her book. I am almost certain that you have the pages from the from the Virginia Historical Magazine which quoted from that letter and which Mrs. West used as her source. However, just in case you don't have the pages, I have an extra copy which I am enclosing.

} placed in  
Biofile of  
Virginia  
Ferrar

Best wishes to you and Sallaine,

EL

Emmy Lou Priest

P.S. Nicholas Ferrar's birthday is one of those recognized in our Episcopal devotional book.

} item from  
Emmy Lou's  
church placed  
in Nicholas  
Ferrar File

EMMA LOUISE U

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February 10, 1993

REC'D  
16 FEB 1993

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Tucson, Arizona 85740

Mrs. L. W. Priest  
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22903-1406

Dear Phil,

Friends are very thoughtful about sending along articles in which they see the name Upchurch. Sometimes I misplace them before I can forward them to you. The enclosed obituary from the Washington Post was sent by a former co-worker at the State Dept. is a

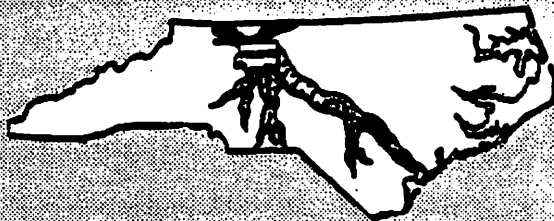
The second enclosure ~~is a~~ newsletter from the Forsyth County Genealogical Society. Lyman and I are members because my mother was a fifth generation Moravian from that County. They sometimes publish Lyman's studies on early Moravian families. What caught my attention in this little newsletter was the section Surname Research because it included the surname Upchurch.

Tell Sallaine that Lyman has just gotten a newer and larger computer (and he says better). I am sorry that she did not get a chance to see his office set up when you were here.

All the best

Emma L. Priest

Out of Donald Eugene's  
discarded - already in  
Profile system.



THE FORSYTH COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
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PHYLLIS ROBERSON HOOTS  
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

FEBRUARY 1993  
CATHY BOYER, PRESIDENT

*Our next meeting will be February 10, 1993, in the auditorium of the Forsyth County Public Library, West 5th Street, Winston-Salem, N. C. The program will start at 7:00 p.m. Our guest speaker is Mr. John Clauser, an archaeologist with the State of North Carolina Archaeology Div. His topic is "Dead Along the Side of the Road." This is an archaeological perspective of abandoned cemeteries in North Carolina.*

#### LIBRARY COLLECTION OF SOUTHERN LIFE

The Birmingham Public Library's Tutwiler Collection of Southern History and Literature houses a fabulous wealth of information on Southern families and life, spanning from early land grants to the present time. The Southern Collection, endowed in 1926, contains more than 70,000 resources on subjects ranging from college football to the works of Faulkner, from census records to Robert E. Lee and Elvis Presley. With the aid of a particularly skilled staff, anyone can mine the rich store of information. Genealogists, in large numbers, pore through computerized card catalogs, searching for families. Information on Southern life can tell you about quilts on the bed, home remedies practiced by mountain people, or what food was eaten in Savannah or New Orleans during a certain period. The Collection's strength is the Old Confederacy—Virginia to Louisiana, including Tennessee. Some examples of available resources are the *Index to Marriage Bonds Filed in the North Carolina State Archives, 1741-1868* and the *South Carolina Land Grants, 1735-1752 Index*. Among the extensive materials on Indian heritage are *Cherokee Roots* and *Bibliography of the Chickasaw*. The Tutwiler Collection of Southern History & Literature is housed in the Linn-Henley Bldg., adjacent to the Birmingham Public Library. The Collection is available Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wed. thru Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; & Sunday, 2-6 p.m. For more information, write the library at 2100 Park Place, Birmingham, Alabama 35203; or call (205) 226-3665. (*Southern Living Magazine*)

**ILLINOIS RESEARCH:** \*The Illinois State Historical Library will look up & copy obituaries for 25 cents each. Send deceased persons' name, date of death, & county lived or buried in. Send SASE to: IL State Hist. Lib., Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62706

#### THURSDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

February 4 Phyllis Hoots  
11 Horace Voss  
18 Mary Frances Smith  
25 Gail Spach

**DONATIONS:** The North Carolina Room of the Forsyth County Public Library gratefully acknowledges the FCGS' donation of the following materials to the NC Room's genealogical collection:

*Spartanburg County Marriages 1785-1911 Implied in Spartanburg County South Carolina Probate Records*, By Barbara R. Langdon.  
*York County Marriages 1770-1869 Implied in York County, South Carolina Probate Records*, by Barbara R. Langdon.  
*Chester County Marriages 1778-1879 Implied in Chester County, S. Carolina Probate & Equity Records*, By Langdon.  
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#### DID YOU KNOW?

Anthropologist James Deetz says that the three categories of material culture—ceramics, houses, and gravestones have given some special insights into the Anglo-American experience since the early 17th century. But furniture he states, is less useful. "Except for its mention in inventories, never in the kind of detail we need, early American furniture has survived without a behavioral context...If we could have been so fortunate as to have observed furniture in its living setting, its mode of use would support many of the conclusions we have drawn... Before the late 16th and early 17th centuries, chairs were

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## SURNAME RESEARCH

Each month (when we receive a request), we will list surnames being researched by a FCGS member. Following are those being researched by Cleora B. Gill, 200 S 4th St. #A4, Lake Wales, FL 33853: Upchurch, Kendall, Wright, Worth, Underhill, Ruddock, Garner, Royster, Heath, Goodson, Taylor, Pettis, Stanton, Jordan, Beard, Phillips, Peebles, Henley, Tyner, Hubbard, Yates, Albertson, Newby, Gifford, Hudson, Macy, Clark, Suiter.

*Elizabeth City, County, Virginia Deeds, Wills, Court Orders, Etc. 1634, 1659, 1688-1701*, comp. by Rosemary C. Neal, CG  
*The 1833 Land Lottery of Georgia*, by Robert S. Davis, Jr.  
*The 1832 Cherokee Land Lottery of Georgia*, by James F. Smith.  
*The Georgia Land Lottery Papers 1805-1914*, By R. S. Davis, Jr.

rare. Usually households possessing them only had one. After that period, use of chairs in homes of the common people was for the 'purely technomic purpose of sitting.' Chairs, more than any other item of furniture, had, from ancient times, a strong ideotechnic dimension, in that they were associated with leadership and authority. The use of the chair in the household reflected its use in government. As the ruler was enthroned before his court and kingdom, so was the husbandman enthroned within his household. Others sat on stools, chests, settles, benches, cushions, or rush-covered floors. Certainly, the straight-backed, flat-wooden-seated armchair that so frequently constituted the household's single chair was not more comfortable than these—in some cases perhaps less so. When chairs started to become more numerous on estate inventories, both in England & Anglo-America, they appear to have been of diverse varieties within a household. A single room might contain: 'wainscott chair,' 'joined chair,' 'leather-covered chair,' 'wicker chair,' 'table-chair.'...The compartmentalization of the house & separation of household activities required an individual group of chairs for each room; before most if not all, were located in the hall." (In *Small Things Forgotten: The Archaeology of Early American Life*, James Deetz)

**Attention! Attention!** The Fall 1992 edition of the FCGS Journal has been delayed. It is now in the process of being printed and should be in the mail shortly. Please remember that what makes this society work is volunteers (who also pay dues!), and they juggle these volunteer duties with career and home responsibilities, just like the rest of the membership. When nomination time comes around annually, everyone's schedule is too heavy to volunteer. This is true also for the ones who do volunteer—but they do so anyway—if they didn't, we wouldn't have a society! So please hear with us! You will receive your journals and newsletters!

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## OBSERVATIONS OF EARLY

### MORAVIAN BURIAL PRACTICES

April 13, 1835: "According to appointment about 40 men assembled in order to fix up our graveyard which was done very nicely considering circumstances. No order has been kept there these 20 years, and every row contains a number of graves differing from that found in the next. One must shift as well as possible. I was up several times, quite delighted with the good spirit reigning among them. I tried to make a sketch of the graveyard but to no purpose at all."  
Frederic Bahnson Diaries, (1834-1838), p. 427

May 17, 1835: "According to a custom prevailing among our neighbors, a funeral sermon was delivered for one Mrs. Hoffman who died last winter. Rev. Miller kept it in the so-called 'Dutch meeting house' but of course in English. A good many people from town went to hear him; he speaks with much fluency, etc. as I am told, but inclining toward Methodism."  
Frederic Bahnson Diaries, (1834-1838), p. 453

July 17, 1775: "At last the building of the Corpse House has begun. During the past weeks, the masons have repaired nearly all the chimneys in town."  
Moravian Records, Vol 2, p. 877

Oct 24, 1793: "A lantern should be provided which can be lighted if it is necessary to take the fire-engine from the corpse-house at night. The boy, Jacob Schaub, can have charge of it."  
Moravian Records, Vol 6, p. 2482

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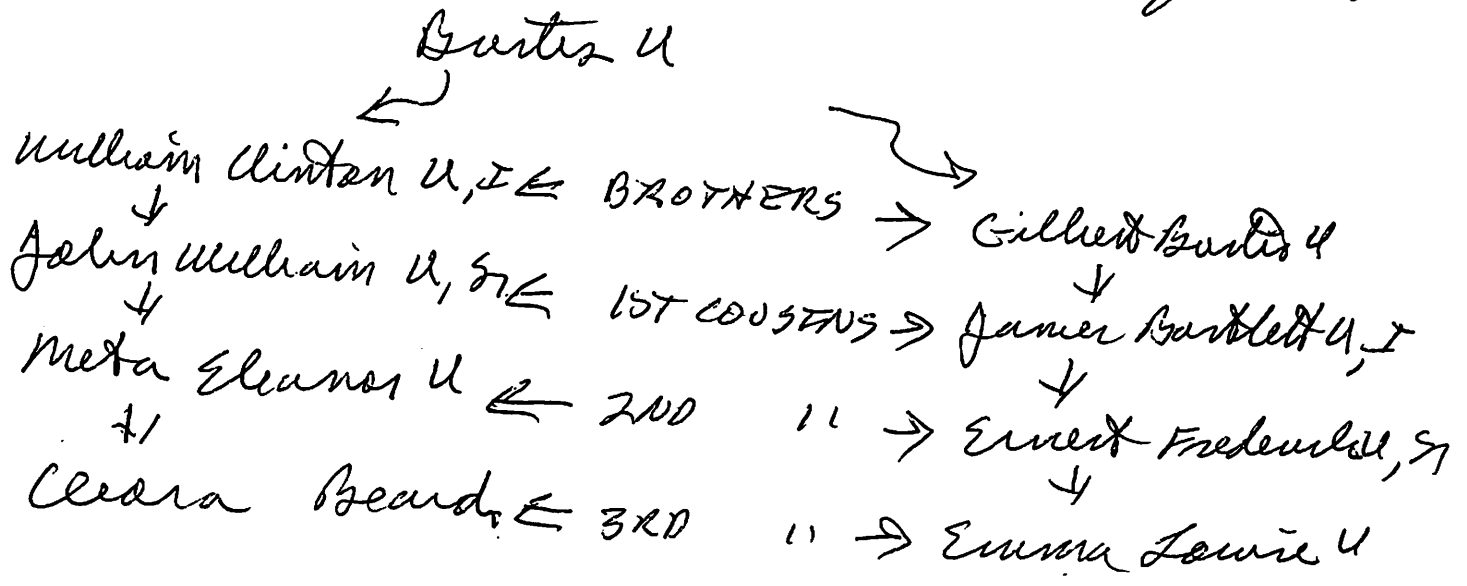
Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks so much for your letter of 10 FEB 1993 and for the sent on Donald Eugene U and for the reference to the Clara B. Call items in the Forsyth Co, NC publications.

Donald Eugene U and I corresponded several times and he was quite helpful. He is a 6th generation descendant of William U, IV (Head of Clan). This William U, IV died intestate in 1787 in Wilkes Co, NC. He was a 1st cousin of Nathan U, I (your ancestor & mine) who was born in Franklin Co, NC in 1759. I doubt then two first cousins ever saw each other. Their fathers (brothers) Richard U, II & Michael U, III grew up together in Brunswick Co, VA in the 1720-1750 era.

Cleo Beard and I have long corresponded. She is a member of the Nathan U, I class

and is descended from his son Burtis U  
or are you. Your relationship is as follows:



Ulliam Clinton U, I moved to Raleigh, NC and became a major force in the city starting about 1840. Gilbert Burtis U stayed in western Wake Co, NC and there raised a large family.

I am always pleased to receive clippings as they always add to our fund of knowledge.

I know Symon is making good use of the power of the computer. We should upgrade ours. At the moment we are in a holding pattern as we decide when to retire from the University and when and if we should move to Missouri. We should be taking some action in 6-24 months. It's like jumping into



the water. If you go in just a little at the time you freeze. You have to plunge in to make it work out right. We are leaning when to take the "plunge". In the meantime my University duties are both heavy & rewarding.

We are trying to schedule a trip to NC in May or June but have not finalized anything yet. I hope to give two Upchurch lectures if we do go.

At this writing we are in good health and trust that you and Lyman are also. But there is no need to worry. These days they can replace all our parts.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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January 10, 1993

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B-1-93

Dear Phil,

I apologize for taking so long to send the enclosed check. This has been a rather hectic year and the Christmas season rather more hectic than usual.

Several years ago I sent a copy of the enclosed obituary published at the time of the death of my cousin, <sup>→ [JOHN NORWOOD HAMILTON]</sup> Norwood Hamilton. More recently I came across this baby picture of him when going through some papers from my mother's home. I don't know if you have ever been in touch with any of his descendants, but I hated to toss the picture away without letting you see it. One interesting aspect is how much the infant picture resembles the grown man. That rarely happens. His mother was Lizzie Upchurch Hamilton.

Lyman is still very much into genealogy. He has published the one book and several studies. He is recently working on a branch of my mothers family. One of the contacts lives in Scottsdale, AZ and sent us a large box of oranges and grapefruit from her trees. I hadn't realized that Arizona had the climate for citrus fruit. The oranges were delicious.

Best wishes to you and Sallaine

Rec'd 11 JAN 1993 Ch #1008 for 15  
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16 JAN 1993

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your renewal on the U.B. for 1993 and for the baby picture of your cousin John Norwood Hamilton. I agree that the baby and the grown man do look alike. I concluded that you wanted me to keep the baby picture but if you want to have it back just let me know. It has been placed in the John Norwood Hamilton Biofile for permanent repository. I am getting ever closer to the point at which the Upchurch Endowment can be established so items such as this will have a home independently.

Your observation about the citrus is interesting. We are about 5-7 degrees cooler here in Tucson than in Scottsdale and we are just on the border of the citrus area.

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We have a citrus tree in our patio which bore fruit in 91-92 for the first time. We were quite surprised at how sweet they are and use them as a treat when visitors come. This year our crop was 36 oranges and we still have about half of them on the tree. I sent 10 to my niece in NC (Aiden) who sent me a NC country cured ham for Christmas.

I trust your "hctic" season is over. I too felt that the last half of 1992 was rather full primarily because of a heavy workload at the office. That is more or less under control now but we did miss a trip we had planned to visit NC. At present we hope to go in May of this year - unless something happens.

You are much in the news now that President-elect Clinton plans to travel from your town to Washington for the inauguration. Our son & his wife visited your town in mid 1992 & enjoyed

the right very much. He is a history buff and buys every book he encounters about famous people.

The Upchurch history project is progressing nicely. I am delighted that we have definitely located the land owned by Richard U, III in Franklin Co, NC at the time of his death in 1817. It is almost certain that his brother Nathan U, I (your ancestor & mine) owned land right next to him. I will continue to pursue the matter and if possible will purchase 5-10 acres of the site for an Upchurch Memorial Park.

Glad to hear that Symon is still working on genealogy. Before long I will be retired and have lots (?) of time for family history.

All the Best!



Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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8 JUN 1991

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Many thanks for your letter of 2 JUN 1991  
and for the two enclosures. I did not know  
Ceil Franklin U either but it is nice to have  
him documented. He was a grandson of Isham?  
Sims U in the Mose U / Murray U subline and  
thus was a 4th cousin of mine and of your  
father - and so your 4th cousin once removed.  
Anyway, - thanks again.

The photo of the children of Florie Louene(U)  
Carlton was most welcome. After many years  
of hoping for contact with her descendants, I  
have developed a close working relationship  
with Carlton Reed Shaw, Sr (b 8 OCT 1943) of Columbus,  
GA. He is the son of Mary Louise Carlton who  
appears in the photo. I have already written  
to him and sent a copy of the photo  
which is now a part of my permanent



photo file [Photo File: 91-20]. Carlton is providing a lot of data on the family of Florence Lomen. (4) Carlton and I am sure he will be pleased to have the copy I have sent - and especially if he has not seen it before. We may elect to get some professional copies made. Carlton is your 1st cousin once removed.

Thinking of the future please do plan to let me have any bits of family history which you would like preserved. Every day I get closer to forming the Upchurch Foundation which will provide a permanent basis for continuing research on the family and provide a basis for perpetual care for items of interest. My retirement is no more than 47 months away and it could be less.

I am glad to hear that Lyman continues to contribute to family history projects. Be kind to him. Those of us who have the "genealogy disease" are harmless and do little damage except possibly to the sanity of spouses!

Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
 [ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

P.S. I really loved your piece about genealogy & family relations.

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June 2, 1991

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Dear Phil,

Sometime ago you wrote and asked the date of the death of my brother, Ernest Frederick Upchurch, Jr. The date on his gravestone is May 3, 1954.

A week or so ago a friend sent the enclosed obituary of Cecil Upchurch. She thought we might be related. I have never known Cecil, however, it is almost certain that we are related. Thought you might be interested.

PLACED IN  
BIOFILE OF  
CECIL  
FRANKLIN  
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In going through some old photographs I came across this picture (enclosed) of my Carlton cousins: Mary Louise, Elizabeth and Baxter. (children of Norman and Florrie Upchurch Carlton) It is such a classic little picture that I hated to think it might get lost when Lyman and I are no longer able to to keep our home. I don't know if you have room in your biofiles for this kind of thing. Perhaps you have an address of some of the Carlton family. I know that Baxter had children. Maybeps one of them would like the picture.

Placed in  
photo file  
91-20

Lyman has one genealogical study in a five segment publication now and is being pressured to complete another for a small publication "Stream of History," which is published in Arkansas. We are experiencing the hottest spring ever and that makes all such tasks a little more difficult.

My best to you and Sallaine,

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22 MAR 1991

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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thank you for your very nice letter of 15 MAR 91 and for your contribution to the Upchurch Research Fund. Every dollar is used somewhere in the system to advance the cause of the Upchurch heritage - effort and is appreciated.

How nice that you got to see John Seel and his family. I have not yet met Michael.

I have checked Symon's chart on your family against my records and picked up a couple of items which are appreciated. There is one inconsistency. At one place my records show Ernest Frederick U d 3 MAY 1953 and at another place 3 MAY 1954, which is correct? It seems that Symon and I both have a severe case of the genealogy ailment. So far I have not heard of a cure. The best treatment seems to be for the afflicted to be under the constant watchcare and supervision of a patient, caring, loving, helpful spouse. It seems that Symon and I are getting the best possible treatment considering the advanced

state of our conditions. I enjoyed your piece on the genealogist's wife. Every Jan look at it this way - it may be the lesser of evils. Would you rather have me out golfing or picking where we would get into all sorts of trouble and have fun? Actually, my scheme is to have an excuse to stay close to my dear wife so I can prove out how she thinks and to devise what she is going to do before she does it. So far, that exercise has been totally unfruitful. Oh well - just wait until I return and can spend full time staying close (doing genealogy).

I have written to Margaret Brooke and hope to hear from her. Thanks for this tip.

Enclosed herewith is another copy of the UB with my biosketch (Vol 8 No 1 - JAN 1987)

All the Best to you and Lynn

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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April 8, 1983

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Dear Phil:

Rec'd \$10 ch # K53 signed  
8 APR 83 by Emma L. Priest

I am enclosing a small check toward the Upchurch research. I hope to send more a bit later. I hope the response to your appeal will be positive and helpful. Lyman and I know from experience how expensive genealogical research can be.

The Upchurches are fortunate to have someone willing and capable of maintaining a central file on Upchurch material. I suppose that public records are not all that hard to come by, but the articles and papers of a more personal character will only be preserved by someone with a deep personal commitment. For that we are all indebted to you.

Last August Lyman completed and published a book on his grandfather's family. The cost of printing and flyers for 500 copies was \$7,000. We feel the book has sold well in a limited market and yet at least 50 more books will have to be sold before the "break even" point on printing cost alone is reached. There is no way he will ever recover gasoline and postage costs, and yet some probably think it was a money making project for him.

Lyman is sending along the index for Upchurch wills in the general area of Little Gidding. Perhaps you already have this, but I didn't want to take that chance.

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England

Again thank you for all the excellent work you have done and I do plan to send another check before too very long.

Sincerely,

Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

EMMA LOUISE U

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14 APR 1983

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Dear Cousin Emma Lou,

Many thanks for your letter of April 8, 1983 and for the contribution to the Upchurch Research Fund. It now stands at \$175.<sup>00</sup> with 7 participants. The money is important but so is the involvement that is evidenced by the contribution. If you can send more that would be great. I doubt anyone has ever made a noble or genealogical work - but the satisfaction is great.

Several years ago you indicated that your cousin John Lee U Jr had an off & on interest. I am really proud of what he has been doing in the last year or so locating the Nathan U I Plantation. He seems to have it fixed rather well.

At some point I would hope that you could travel to Wake Co and visit some of the sites of your ancestors. Emily Lyman would help -

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]





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with such issues as you never know what  
will add to our family records as a  
result.

I am now in the midst of writing  
an Upchurch book tentatively entitled  
"UPCHURCH ANCESTORS - EIGHT AMERICAN GENERATIONS"

We have 100 pages out of the computerized multi  
200-300 to go. It is an enjoyable challenge.

My Best to you and Lynn.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

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for URF signed 15 MAR Emma L.  
Priest Emma Louise Priest*

R.F.p. 31

Dear Phil,

Several weeks ago Lee Upchurch, his wife, and son, Michael, stopped by for a visit with us. We enjoyed them very much and we are looking forward to seeing them again. We had met Michael several years ago and like him very much. In fact, I had thought of trying to contact him when you and Sallaine were here, but I knew he had moved and I was uncertain how to get in touch with him.

Lyman is at last getting around to putting the information from the last family sheets you sent into his computer. I remember that at one time you had asked for the dates of the deaths of my brothers James B. Upchurch and E. F. Upchurch, Jr. I have underlined them on an old family sheet. Lyman has a three generation study of my mother's family running in five installments of the Forsythe County Genealogical Journal. He is also working of a detailed study of my maternal grandmother's family which will be published later. He is being pressured to complete a definitive study of his mother's family in the Jackson county, Ark. area which is to be published there in the "Stream of History." I hope he will be finished before the grass in the yard gets too high.

Which reminds me. Many years ago I wrote down my feelings about living with a genealogist. I seem to remember having sent a copy to you earlier; but, if not, another is enclosed. I wonder if Sallaine agrees with any of it.

Canadian friends visited us recently. I was showing him the copy of the ARIDUS publication you gave us. It turned out he had recently

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(he didn't say how recently) attended some conference at the U. of Arizona which he thought you probably organized. He said people were there from all over the world.

There will soon be another wedding in our family and I am enclosing  
△ copies of newspaper articles for your information. [CHARLES BENNETT DEWINE, III]

Phil, several years ago you printed a autobiographical sketch in UB. I sent it to one of my nephews and asked that he return it. He didn't and I hate to ask him. Would it be too much trouble for you to find another copy for me?

I am enclosing a small contribution to the research fund. I don't know when you find the time for all you have to do.

One of my nieces retired after teaching HS science for over 30 years. I think she might be a good contact for you. She had her husband are so nice. I hope that you get to meet them sometime. Much of their time is taken up with helping her mother (now 80) and his parents. However, I know that whenever possible she will be happy to help in anyway she can.

All the very best to you and Sallaine,

Your cousin,

Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

△ My nieces address: Mrs. Donald Brooks (Margaret Stroupe Upchurch Shaw Brooks)  
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New London NC 28127

→ wrote to her  
22 MAR 1991

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ROOTSOUND

by Emmy Lou Priest

Perhaps a majority of us in this country were introduced to genealogy through the begats in Genesis, but it took the publication of the book "Roots" by Alex Haley to bring the study of family history to its present peak of popularity.

Like millions of Americans I read "Roots" and I was deeply stirred by its television adaption. Even more interesting to me, however, were the accounts of the author's long and arduous years of research which sometimes led him to the brink of despair. These accounts inspire admiration for Haley the writer as well as sympathy for Haley the man. In recent years something has happened in my own life which makes me realize that relatives and friends privileged to be near the author during those years should come in for a bit of sympathy themselves.

My husband, Lyman, is by profession a historian. It was only when we moved to the historic and pedigree conscious State of Virginia that his interest in European history was replaced by an interest in family history. What had been profession in one became obsession in the other.

The change took place so gradually that it was some time before I realized the full import. By then it was too late. The addiction had taken hold. First came a number of "how to" books



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followed by the frequent and increasingly extended visits to libraries and archives.

In the beginning if the morning were bright and the air balmy my spouse would enquire at the breakfast table whether I would like to visit some particular place of interest. Would I ever? Innocently and eagerly I would put the house in order and hurriedly pack a lunch in keen anticipation of a happy outing. Usually we would be well into our journey before he would announce his intention of just swinging by some obscure place. If I didn't mind, of course.

And so it was that time after time I found myself sitting alone in the car in some out-of-the-way spot. No matter how hot the day for safety's sake I felt obliged to keep the windows rolled up and the doors locked while dear husband took off across the fields at jack rabbit pace in search of some family burial plot or ancient dwelling site.

On some occasions I was able to amuse myself by counting the times the local constabulary drove past. From their expressions one could imagine them speculating on the most tactful way to approach the little <sup>old</sup> ~~only~~ lady parked by the road for such a long time.

Finally in desperation I have given up. I am at home alone each day. Alone, that is, until the lights go off in some county courthouse, until closing time at the State or National Archives, or until it becomes too dark to read the legend on an ancient gravestone.

Careful attention has always been given to meals in our home. I plan and prepare three of them each day. The food is wholesome, if not elegant; and it is served with some ceremony at the dining room table. This has long since become an exercise in futility for my sole companion for most of these meals sits slack of jaw and slack of spine. The windows of his soul displaying a very obvious sign of Vacancy.

But wait, all is not lost. At certain intervals the spine straightens, the jaw line tightens, the eyes light, and the voice booms, "Maybe Kesiah O., is John H.'s third wife instead of his second. That would explain the 10-year gap between the ages of his last two children." I give thought to replying that maybe romance was not running very high at old John H.'s house during those years. However, erudite and challenging conversation like that, and at meal time, could well bring on an attack of dyspepsia.

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A cousin of our's is also writing a family history. His office -- office in this case being a eupenism for a small cubicle off the furnace room -- is affectionately referred to by his wife as the "Glory Hole." For the same area in our house which is being used for a similar project I have refined the term to "Gory Hole." There are insects running around down there which have not been named yet and molds which rival moss in color and thickness. And yet I am not allowed near it with dust cloth and mop for fear I might disturb the order of all those precious documents.

On one occasion when I was quite busy in the kitchen, I heard my husband's steps hurriedly ascending the stairs from his subterranean office. I thought to myself if he mentions family one more time I shall certainly scream. Well, he did and I did. Our two cats scampered to the remotest corners of the house to seek safety. Of course, I was immediately ashamed of my childish behavior and even more ashamed to admit what I had done. So I made clutching gestures in the direction of my heart and lied, I hope convincingly, "My goodness, you really startled me!"

Lyman's family line is a fairly distinguished one with each generation producing its share of professionals and academicians. He, himself, is intelligent. Surely he must know that it is generally conceded that no one speaks or writes ill of the dead. Therefore it is very difficult for me to understand why he can become so elated over each tribute-laden obituary of some distant relative. Each exaggerated virtue is read aloud and marvelled at, which is all right with me if I were not expected to comment. How many times can one say, "Isn't that interesting" with conviction?

At some time in the past I recall noting a subtle personality change in my sister-in-law. When I voiced my concern to her children, I was told that she was afflicted with "gravestone fever." It was however "a condition rarely fatal" and I was advised not to worry. At last I know the meaning of "gravestone fever" and I have become familiar with its symptoms. I accept the claim that it is rarely fatal. The admonition "not to worry" I don't buy. One thing for certain it is contagious for every day our mail is filled with letters from coast to coast written by people who while normal in all other respects are just plain balmy on the subject of genealogy.

Alex Haley, what you did!

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# Harryette's Hotline



Emmy Lou and Lyman Priest crossing on the liner "United States".

By HARRYETTE HODGES

Lyman Priest is a Newport native who has accomplished a great deal in his life, a man of whom we can all be very proud!

With one more year to serve in the Foreign Service before the mandatory retirement age of sixty, Lyman and his very attractive wife, Emmy Lou, now live in McLean, Virginia. Lyman is chief of the Written Enquirer's Branch in the Washington Visa office of the Department of State with four officers under him and eight typists. The couple have lived all over the world.

In November the Priests visited here in Newport and graciously consented to an interview in my home. It was a rare treat for me to visit with such a charming couple.

Bill Penix is Lyman's uncle and Marianne Denton is his first cousin. Lyman still owns the house out in the country here near the Hickory Grove Community in which he, and his mother before him, were born. Lyman's mother was Jennie Penix, his father, Ras Priest, practiced law here for years.

Lyman graduated from Newport High School in 1934 and then worked in his father's law office a couple of years before attending the University of Arkansas. "The depression

years, you remember?" Lyman asked me with a smile. When he did start to the University of Arkansas his studies were interrupted by the war. After serving in the Air Force for the duration Lyman went back to the University and graduated in 1946.

"While serving in Italy I took correspondence courses, so when I returned to college I taught a beginning course in Modern European History half time," says Lyman. "It was an accelerated course, six hours a week because of the times. Then in the spring they gave me two regular sections to teach, even though I was still going to school myself. I remember in my classes were Jane Pratt and Ruth Torian of Newport!"

Lyman Priest went on to Stanford University in California where he got his Master's degree in Modern European History in 1947 and then in 1954 he earned his DOCTORATE from the same University!

"I had one year in Paris on a Fulbright scholarship, the year of 1950-51," said Lyman. "One of the purposes of the year was to do research, I assumed at that time I would be teaching."

But in 1954 when Lyman finished his dissertation for his PH. D. there were no teaching

positions open. "The situation was similar to the present one," he said. "I learned that someone was recruiting at Hoover Library a special Foreign Service program for the re-settling of refugees in Italy. One of the places mentioned was Naples and I had been there in the war, so I went back and was there two years. But by 1956 we had worked ourselves out of a job."

At that point Dr. Priest wrote the state department he was interested in a career in the foreign service. "I was offered a position with the Bureau of Intelligence and Research in Washington with the possibility of its being of permanent stature. I was there from 1956 to 1962."

It was in Washington that Lyman met Emmy Lou Upchurch, whose father E.F. Upchurch, practiced law for 55 years in Yanceyville, North Carolina. She, too, worked in the state department and they married in 1959. Their first regular overseas assignment was to Sofia, Bulgaria!

"Our departure in 1962 was preceded by ten months language training school in Washington," Lyman said to me.

"I didn't know Bulgaria had

EMMA LOUISE U

FROM:

NEWPORT INDEPENDENT  
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26 DEC 1974

Sent to RPU by  
Emma Louise U  
in her 23 SEP 1979  
JH.

its own language," I commented.

"Yes, similar to Russian, yet with significant differences," he answered. "I had studied some Russian at Stanford which

was a help. The Bulgarians have a day set aside each year to commemorate their cyrillic alphabet, which is also the Russian alphabet, named after St. Cyril."

Just before the Priests were due to go behind the Iron Curtain Lyman's father died here and their departure was postponed a week. "It was a heart break to leave my mother," says Lyman.

The couple found their nearly two years in Bulgaria an interesting pleasant interlude. Lyman was Economic Reporting officer.

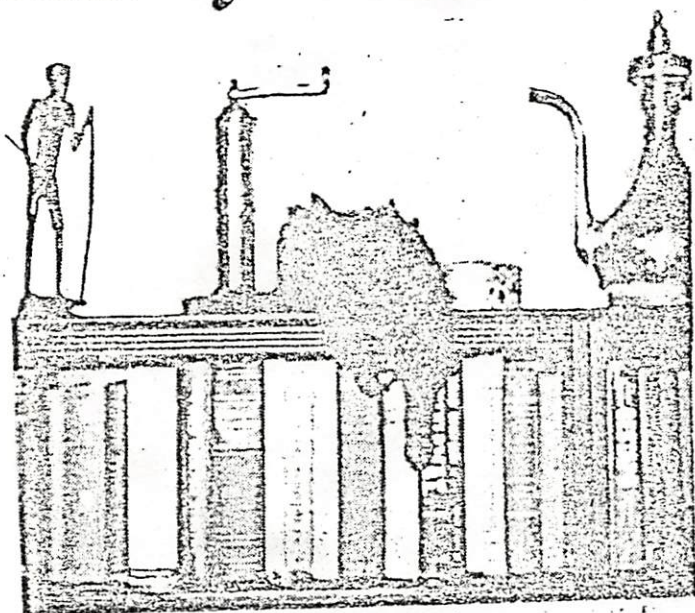
"We made frequent trips to Istanbul, Turkey, one to Munich and one to Greece," said Emmy Lou. "We led a very interesting life."

Tomorrow we'll continue and conclude our visit with the Priests.



EMMA LOUISE U

# Harryette's Hotline



This is an early picture of the Lyman Priests' cat "Cherno Baby".

By HARRYETTE HODGES

Dr. Lyman Priest and his wife, Emmy Lou had their first overseas assignment in the foreign service of our country to Sofia Bulgaria in 1962. Yesterday I told you they had an interesting life there.

Next the Priests spent three years living in Montreal, Canada. Lyman was consular officer there with his primary responsibility being to issue visas.

"Exciting is the best word to describe those years," Emmy Lou answered a question I asked her.

It was in Montreal that Emmy Lou and Lyman acquired the first of their two cats who travel everywhere with them. Cherno Baby, which means Black Baby in Bulgarian, was a gift to them by the publisher of the Montreal Star. Cherno Baby has crossed the ocean six times, "she is the best traveler in the family," laughed Lyman when they visited in my home here last month.

"A man that year wrote a book called 'Magni-cat' and he inscribed a copy to our Cherno Baby," added Emmy Lou.

In 1966 the Priests were assigned to Geneva, Switzerland, where Lyman was Refugee and Migration Officer. "It was not an embassy or a consulate, but the United States Mission of Geneva to the United Nations," Lyman told me when I questioned him.

"Life was so different in each country that it is difficult, practically impossible, to make comparisons today," he continued.

"Lyman and I have led a quiet life," added Emmy Lou. "Instead of trying to meet lots and lots of people we have tried in each place to make a few close friends and then to keep in contact with lasting friends in every country!"

"Have you always had to do lots of entertaining like the movies and TV portray?" I asked.

"No one can afford it any more, it is most difficult to get servants," answered Emmy Lou, "we did our most entertaining and being entertained in Bulgaria. There we entertained the equivalent of the Secretary of Commerce and it was common to attend one black tie dinner and two receptions in one night. There was a lot of great ballet and opera."

When he retires by mandatory decree at sixty next year it is my hope the Priests will make Newport their home. After all they are keeping their country family home in beautiful repair!

In 1968 the Priests were sent back to Naples, which was a consulate post. "We have had staff reductions since 1971 and lots of the nice services have been cut out by necessity," Lyman told me.

"Do Americans just drop in to chat?" I asked.

"Very rarely, usually people who came in have problems, that's what we were there for," answered Dr. Priest.

"What problems?" was my next question.

"By 1969 drugs were becoming the major problem," answered Lyman, "and by the time I left they were THE major one, though rarely anyone over thirty having drug problems. We worked a forty hour week with often emergency calls at night. We handled American deaths abroad and we visited Americans in jails and hospitals."

From Naples the Priests were transferred to Washington

where Lyman served as Historian in the Historical office in the Department of State. Lyman thoroughly enjoyed the Academic atmosphere and as for Emmy Lou, I remarked to her that it surely takes a special breed of women to be married to the Foreign Service. "I've lost track of the number of time you have packed to move," I said, "I simply could not do it."

I had heard from Mary Grace Denton and Lana Miles, who visited the Priests in Amsterdam this past summer, about their beautiful antiques. They collect copper and brass from Greece and Turkey and own a seventeenth century oak chest from Germany and a chair of the same century from Switzerland (Emmy Lou's mother's family came from Switzerland).

FROM: NEWPORT  
INDEPENDANT  
NEWPORT, VA  
27 DEC 1974

TO RPU by Emma  
Jan U in my  
23 SEP 1979 LB

"But our favorite collection is our American pressed glass, though people say our home never looks American," said Emmy Lou.

When Lyman was a boy growing up here he remembered a square glass dish his grandmother owned that he especially loved. "She used it to hold spoons though I have since been told it is a celery dish," says Lyman. "My great-grandfather had a country store in Elgin and I'll always be puzzled as to how that piece came down from Pennsylvania, it had to come down the Ohio to the Mississippi to Arkansas."

When Lyman inherited the piece he bought a book and learned it is the "Beaded Grape" pattern. "We have never seen another piece in Arkansas," said Lyman, "it is like hunting Easter eggs to find a piece in that pattern, it is that rare."

The Priests now have twenty pieces, including a covered compote and a sugar and a creamer! "We love antique shows," the couple told me.

They were assigned to Amsterdam in 1972, by way of Frankfurt, where they had three months temporary duty. It was in Amsterdam the Priests acquired their second cat, "Citter", undoubtedly a Dutchman who had probably been abandoned. "He selected us and then two weeks later we had a ninety five dollar vet bill," laughed Lyman. I walked out to their car to see the "royal" cats, each traveling in a deluxe wicker carriage!

The Priests left a ten room house in Amsterdam to return to Washington this September to a four room apartment in McLean, Virginia. "We have wall to wall furniture literally," answered Emmy Lou in answer to my obvious question.

"We have surely seen changes in travel in Europe, not as much fun and too many people," commented Lyman.



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February 19, 1980

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Dear Phil:

Just to say that by all means you are to keep the Dept. of State Newsletter. That is the reason we sent it. As far as Lyman and I were concerned there was only one interesting thing in this issue -- your picture. Lyman made a copy of that for our files before we sent it along.

Thanks for the extra~~l~~ flyers about the Newsletter. I will pass some along and use the others to order when I give gift subscriptions.

All the best,

*Emmy Lou Priest*  
Emmy Lou Priest



EMMA LOUISE U

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EMMY LOU PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emmy Lou,

Thanks for your letter of 21 OCT 1990 and for all of the details which have none been properly extracted. I am glad you had some and exchanges with your cousin Jamie. She continues to send in information on her mother's family which is most welcome. Next I'll have to get John Lee, Jr. up to see you and Jamie.

Please do keep looking for the picture of your grandfather Barrett U, I. It would be a great addition to the U B. Do you have any 5"x7" reproductions of the one of your grandmothers? If so I would love to have a copy. It might or might not go into the U B. Anyway I am pleased to have your article. My grandmother placed it in her Biofile. This unit up is just great. Do you have other such articles you could share with me. Additions are constantly being made to my Biofile system. The intent is that this Biofile System represents the beginning of what will be

a significant permanent family archival system with emphasis being the dominant family entity but with related families to be included. At present there are about a quarter million profiles in the system.

I am also interested in collecting family heirlooms, such as the picture of your grandmother, for inclusion in a Family Heritage Center. All of this will become more attractive to contributors when we can form a proper not-for-profit family association. This is one of my ambitions which I have discussed with you and others. It will definitely come about and will be high on the agenda when I retire (4 years from next May ± ?) if it does not get done before. There is a tremendous need to preserve our family heritage. The framed picture of my grandparents (who look down on me as this is written) and of your grandparents are good examples of items that need to be preserved for posterity in a way that future generations of descendants can view and enjoy them. Too many of them end up lost and forgotten.

Thank you - It is always great to hear from you and to have your encouragement.

Sincerely yours,  
 Robert Philip Upchurch

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1 NOV 1990

October 21, 1990

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Dear Phil:

Thanks to you I have had one nice visit and exchanged several letters and phone calls with my Cousin Janie Sinclaire Stewart. When we were growing up we would exchange visits, but I had been completely out of touch with her for over 50 years. Her husband is a journalist and they had moved about a lot and I have done a fair amount of moving about. Anyway it is so nice to know that she is so near.

- I think I sent you a bit of misinformation in one of my letters.
- △ My niece Margaret Upchurch Shaw Brooks marriage took place on  
→ [Niece MARGARET STROUPE U]
- October 3, 1987 not 1988 as I wrote.

- △ { In your last letter you asked if I knew of a picture of my grandfather James Bartlett Upchurch which you might use in the UB.  
→ [JAMES BARTLETT U, E]
- There was such a picture and I remember exactly where it hung in my grandmother's house in Apex. It was taken when he was a young man and his hair was dark and he had a mustache. As a child I remember thinking that I liked him better with his fringe of white hair. I have not been able to find anyone who knows what happened to the picture, but I will continue to try. It reminded me of the
- △ picture I have of Granny Upchurch and which remains to this day in a storage place. A number of years ago I started a folder labeled "Things I Remember and Things I've Been Told." I have tried to record some of the family stories we enjoyed telling. I told myself I was writing them for my nieces and nephews. I am not

(over)

sure they would find them interesting. Maybe I was actually writing them to keep them in my memory. Anyway I am enclosing one about

} Item placed  
in profile  
of Jamie  
Rebecca Creel

△ Granny's picture for your amusement.

Best wishes to you and Sallaine,

Your cousin,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Priest

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21 JUL 1990

MRS LYMAN W. PRIEST  
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Dear Emmy Jan,

Your letter of July 7, 1990 was most welcome and I thank you for it and the details included. It is always a joy to have something on the Nathan U, I class since most of my time is spent on the other class. One day I'll put her group No 1 on my list for attention.

Your comment on your nephew is appreciated. He sounds like a grand fellow and I do hope we can cultivate his possible interest in family history. I'll follow your lead.

Do you know if there is a picture of your GF James Bartlett U, I in existence? I would love to have a copy and feel he would be a good prospect to be published in the U B. It would serve as a good excuse to highlight the 11 children of his father Gilbert Bartlett U. Maybe you could scout around among the cousins if you have a feeling that such a photo exists.

All the best to you & Lyman

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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July 9, 1990

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Mrs. Lyman W. Priest  
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Dear Phil,

- Just after your last letter arrived, a friend sent an article from
- the Danville, Va. paper about the small town of Milton, N. C. It included
- △ a picture of Carolyn McLin Moore Upchurch Thomas, who was the widow of → *Placed in her Biofile*
- my brother, James Bartlett Upchurch. As you had asked for some additional
- information about her I thought I would send the clipping along. As you
- will note she was born in Milton, N.C. in 1915. Several years after my
- △ + △ brother's death, Carolyn remarried Charles R. Thomas. Interestingly, he
- △ + □ was the brother of Wilhemena Thomas, wife of my uncle, Frank D. Upchurch.
- They had one son, John, who is my godson.

I have a few more bits and pieces of information for your files.

Sorry to make you pull the file for such a small amount and I will try to add to it later.

- △ Janie Rebecca Creel Upchurch - Born Wake County, March 25, 1859  
Died Apex, N. C. November 24, 1936
- △ Margaret Stroupe Upchurch Shaw Brooks - Married Donald Brooks Oct. 3, 1988
- △ Ernest Frederick Upchurch, Jr. died May 3, 1954
- △ Brian Leslie Upchurch was married on 24 Sept. 1988
- △ + □ Linda Marie Lee married Mark Cleary 28 May 1988
- △ Carrie Elizabeth Upchurch - Lyman and I are Carrie's godparents.  
The little card we were given when she was baptised gives her birth as Sept. 24, 1978.

Phil, I am sorry there is so little information that I have. James

△ { Bartlett Upchurch, Jr. and his wife, Joanne, are divorced. She has remarried a Mr. Kramer. Right now, Jim is going through a very busy and



stressful time. Later I will send you his address so that you can write him for more information about his family. Jim is probably one of the nicest and kindest people you would ever meet. He also has interest in family which is lacking in some of the other younger members of the family. I think you would like getting to know him.

By the way, I think that Michael Upchurch might be sorry that he didn't find the time to answer your letter. You might have reviewed his book in UB thereby stimulating the sales. It took my friend nearly a year to find a store which carried his book. I suppose that getting published and good reviews is not necessarily a guarantee of great sales. The subject matter of the book was not of great interest to me, but I was impressed with his writing style.

All the best to you and Sallaine,

*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Priest



EMMA LOUISE U

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17 JUN 1990

MRS L W. PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emma Lou,

Thank you for your letter of 10 JUN 90 and for the details on Michael U. I even heard of Symon to make the copy of the flyer. I now have a signed affidavit. He is a closer relative than we might have guessed as shown below.

Michael U, I (original immigrant)

↓  
Isaac U, I

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James U, I

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Richard U, II

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Moses U, I BROTHERS → Nathan U, I

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Moses U, I → 1st cousins → Sarah U

↓  
John U, I → 2nd → Gilbert U, I

↓  
Franklin U, I → 3rd → James U, I

↓  
Melgar U, I → 4th → Fred U, I

↓  
Edward U, I → 5th → Emma Louise U → YOU

THE  
AUTHOR

↓  
Michael U, I → 6th → [unclear]

So our father and you are 5th cousins while you and he are 5th cousins once removed. He and I are 4th cousins twice removed.

The thing that finally allowed me to make the connection was the flyer which provided a birthdate of 1954 and a present location of Seattle. It turns out that a cousin who lives in the Northwest observed an article by this Michael U and talked to him by phone. I subsequently wrote to him on 18 JUL 1988 but he has not yet responded (! never give up hope!). Apparently he is not into family history but I will still track him down. We are proud to have another Upchurch author. In fact, I have now started a file just for family members who are authors. I'll also work on collecting their books. Thanks for all your help.

Whenever you get more details on your family they will be most welcome. I understand about the time not even seeming to be right to ask the questions. I think its like going in swimming. You just have to dive in or there it seems the water is not so cold after all.

Sallanne & Lyman would enjoy talking computers. I talk a good game but mine is all bluff!!

All the Best.

Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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REC'D  
15 JUN 90

June 10, 1990

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Mr. L. W. Priest  
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Dear Phil,

I apologize for taking to long to get the information about our family which you requested. I hear fairly often from my sisters-in-law and from Jim Upchurch (JBU, Jr.). However, the time never seems quite right to question them concerning dates of marriages, deaths, etc. We have not been to Yanceyville since last February. Lyman was involved in a minor accident during the winter and no one was hurt. It did cause him to lose some confidence in his driving. I think that will gradually return. Next time we are in Caswell County, N.C. I will get information for you.

A friend of mine was able to secure Michael Upchurch's book for me. There was a brief biographic sketch on the cover and Lyman made a copy for you. It reveals that he lived in The Netherlands at one time. Our last assignment was to Amsterdam. Lyman acted as Welfare and Protection Officer while there and there was nearly always a line of American students outside his office seeking information or help of one kind or another. Michael would have been about the age for that sort of thing so maybe he was one of the students. I find his writing style rather nice.

Lyman is still disappointed that Sallaine did not get to see his office set up. He publishes an occasional article of genealogical or historical interest.

All the best to you and Sallaine.

Sincerely,

*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

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25 MAR 1990

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Dear Cousin Emma, Jon,

The processing of your letter of 18 FEB 1990 has just been completed and I want to thank you for it. Although we do not have a perfect outline for Ernest Frederick U, we have a very respectable one thanks to your efforts for this most part. I am sending along a copy of the three page Master outline so you have a fresh copy. The missing details are listed on a single sheet, also enclosed. If it is ever convenient to get any of these details they would be most welcome.

Also provided are the two pages of the Master outline for James Bartlett U, I and his children. The continuation sheets that exist are indicated by the numbers on the left. If you ever need any of these continuation sections, just let me know.

Upon getting your letter I was puzzled about your reference to a tragedy so I called my sister in Raleigh, NC and she told me the story.

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In fact, she had found a newspaper clipping<sup>(2)</sup> which she has since sent to me. The situation does seem to be very bad. Of course we don't know every aspect of the case. It would appear that some important things did happen. Some things are almost impossible to explain. With just the right combination of circumstances I suppose any of us could do some things that we would look back on with regret. Perhaps the best we can say is "we live but for the glory of God go I".

Within the last few days I happened to browse through a book catalog in our student book store. In it I found details on the Michael A. authors you have mentioned sooner or later I'll follow up on that lead.

I hope this finds you and Lyman looking forward to a nice Virginia Spring which we could be there. Sallane and I continue to recall with much pleasure our visit in your home last December. Wish we could have stayed longer. Sallane didn't even get a glimpse of Lyman's computer operations.

Sincerely yours  
Phil D. Johnson

(ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH)

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY 25MAR90  
OF ERNEST FREDERICK UPCHURCH, SR ②

- 1) For Ernest Frederick U, Sr
  - a) where was her mother (name Rebecca (Creel) U) born and where did she die?
- 2) For Norman Strange U
  - a) when and where in SC did Margaret Strange U marry? (1st marriage)
  - b) She married 1st on 3 OCT of what year?
  - c) when was Herman Eugene Shaw born?
  - d) when and where was Donald Lee Brooks born?
- 3) For Ernest Frederick U, Jr
  - a) when in MAY 1934 did he die?
  - b) what is the full maiden name of Elizabeth Moore?
  - c) when and where did Clara Carter U marry?
  - d) what is the full name of Richard Culp and when and where was he born?
  - e) Brian Teshe U was married on 7 SEP of what year?
  - f) when and where was Linda Carol (Shnell) born?
  - g) Linda Marie Lee married on 28 MAY of what year?
  - h) when and where was Mark Allen Clary born?
- 4) For James Bartlett U, II (AKA, Sr)
  - a) when did he die?
  - b) when did he marry?
  - c) when was Carolyn Mc Lin Moore born?
  - d) when was William Manning U born?
  - e) when was Lydia Jacqueline Tracy born?
  - f) when was Kennedy NMA U born?
  - g) when was James Bartlett U, III (AKA SR) born, when did he marry and what is the full maiden name of his wife Joanne & when and where was she born?
  - h) when was James Bartlett U, IV (AKA II) born?
  - i) Full name of EMORY (EMERY) U and when born?
  - j) when in 1979 was Carrie Elizabeth U born?



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February 18, 1990

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REC'D  
21 FEB 90

Dear Phil,

I am sorry that I am so late getting this information back to you. However, you might already know or certainly soon will know that ~~branch~~ of the ~~family~~ our/family is experiencing a heartbreaking tragedy. At the moment it hurts even too much to write about. I understand that the Raleigh papers have written about it in some detail.

I also apologize for the considerable gaps in the data I am furnishing. Before retiring in Charlottesville Lyman and I lived in 6 other countries, <sup>moves</sup> 14 towns and moved 14 times. These/often coincided with births and marriages in the family and information was often passed along in the form of newspaper clippings which often gave month and day but not the year of the event.

Next time I visit the cemetery in Yanceyville, I will try to record some information from the gravestones.

Do hope that you and Sallaine are well. I am sure that you are busy.

All the very best,

*Emmy Lou Priest*  
[MRS L.W. PRIEST]

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY 4 JAN 1990  
OF ERNEST FREDRICK UPCHURCH, SR (2)

Δ1) For Ernest Frederick U, Sr

- a) Did he have just four children? (you, Norman, fr and James Bartlett) Yes.

Δ2) For Norman Stroupe U

- a) Did he have just three children? Yes
- b) where is he buried? Baptist Church Cemetery, Yanceyville, N.C.

Δ c) For Margaret Stroupe U

- i) when did she marry? See attached article
- ii) Did she remarry after her divorce? No.
- Δ iii) Did she have any children? No.
- Δ iv) when and where was Herman Eugene Shamm born? Asheboro, N.C.

Δ d) For Norma NMN U

- i) Did she have any children? No.

Δ e) For Myra NMN U

- i) Did she have just four children? Yes.
- ii) Are any of her children named? If so, No.

Δ3) For Ernest Frederick U, Jr

- a) when in 1954 did he die? May
- b) where did he die? Yanceyville
- c) what is the full maiden name of Elizabeth Moore and is she still living? Still Living
- d) Did he have just two children? Yes.

Δ e) For Fred Moore U

- i) Did he have just two children? Yes.
- Δ + Δ ii) Is Claire Carter U still single? Divorced Richard Culp
- iii) In what year was Brian Leslie U married?
- iv) when and where was Linda Carol Colwell born?
- Δ f) For Betty Jane U
- i) Did she have just two children? Yes.
- ii) Is Laura Rebecca Lee still single? Married David C. Leary
- iii) In what year did Linda Marie Lee marry?
- iv) when and where was Mark Allen Cleary born?

Δ 4.) For James Bartlett U, II (AKA JR)

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- a) when did he die? Will provide date later.

- b) when and where was he married? Yanceyville, N.C.

Δ c) when was Carolyn McLin Moore born and

☐ is she still living? Remarried Charles Thomas. Carolyn is still living.

- d) Did he have just two children? Yes

Δ e) For William Manning U

- i) when was he born?

Δ ii) when & where was Lydia Jacqueline Terry born? Date unknown. Place Blairs, VA

- iii) Did he have just one child? Yes

Δ iv) what is the full name of Kenyetta U, when and where was she born? Full name.

- and is the correct spelling KENYETTA or KANYETTA? Kenyatta was born in Danville, VA.

Δ f) For James Bartlett U, III (AKA JR)

- i) when and where was he born? Danville, VA

- ii) when and where did he marry? Yanceyville, N.C.

- iii) what is the full maiden name of his wife JoAnne and when and where was she born? JoAnne and JEB, Jr. are divorced.

☐ iv) Did he have just four children? Yes.

Δ v) when & where was James Bartlett U, IV (AKA III) born? Danville, VA

Δ vi) what is the full name of Emory U and when and where was he born? Danville, VA

Δ vii) when & where was Carrie Elizabeth U born? Danville, VA

Δ viii) when was Alexandra Hunter U born and is this a girl? Girl born in Danville, VA

☐ 5) For Emma Louise U - No Questions - All OK

EMMA LOUISE U

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4 JAN 1990

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
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Dear Cousin Emma Lou,

Your note letter of 29 DEC 1989 arrived just as I had all the clippings you gave to me spread out over my desk to pore. Everything has now been entered in the files and I thank you for gathering these items.

Sallanne and I want to thank you and Lyman for your kind hospitality when we visited on 22 DEC 89. You are a charming couple and we only wish we could have spent more time. Sallanne especially wanted to see Lyman's computer operation. In any case it was a delight to meet both of you. Thanks for the cookies. They came in handy. We had a safe trip to Williamsburg and enjoyed it even in the cold. We did find St Peter's Church and attended service there on the 29th. It is lovely.

The article Lyman did on Frederick's grave was quite nice. I too keep a perpetual calendar at hand and find reason to refer to it. I had never thought to use it in the way that Lyman did you and I are married to smart people.

I am entering information on the Master outline from the clippings you provided I came to realize that it has been some time since we have remarked the Master Outline for the Ernest Frederick H, Jr Family. I have therefore listed on two enclosed sheets what is missing. Perhaps you will have or will be able to get some of these missing items. Any help will be appreciated.

Sad and unfortunate the sledge reference - especially since they seem to be nice people.

I am gaining more appreciation for Nicholas Farnas and appreciate your reference to him. His file is growing faster.

Thanks for your comments on Sweden our Desert Regime Program is attracting a fair amount of attention.

COPIED FOR AMER. AMER. FOUND. { your comments on the Upchurch Foundation is encouraging. I feel an urgent need to move ahead with this project and will keep you informed. Let me know if you have any special thoughts or questions.

Warmest regards

Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch

{ ROBERT WILLIAM UPCHURCH }

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY 4 JAN 1990  
OF ERNEST FREDRICK UPCHURCH, SR

1) For Ernest Frederick U, Sr

a) Did he have just four children? (you, Norma, & and James Bucklett)

2) For Norman Stimpert U

a) Did he have just three children?

b) where is he married?

c) For Margaret Stimpert U

i) when did she marry?

ii) Did she marry after her divorce?

iii) Did she have any children?

iv) when and where was her son Eugene Stimpert born?

d) For Norma NMU U

i) Did she have any children?

e) For Myra NMU U

i) Did she have just four children?

ii) Are any of her children married? If so, where?

3) For Ernest Frederick U, Jr:

a) when in 1954 did he die?

b) where did he die?

c) what is the full maiden name of Elizabeth Moore and is she still living?

d) Did he have just two children?

e) For Fred Moore U

i) Did he have just two children?

ii) Is Anne Carter U still single?

iii) In what year was Brian Leslie U married?

iv) when and where was Linda Carol (Carmel) born?

f) For Betty Jane U

i) Did she have just two children?

ii) Is Susan Patricia U still single?

iii) In what year was David Mark U married?

iv) when and where was Mark Allen Gary born?



4) For James Bartlett U, II (AKA SR)

- a) when did he die?
- b) when and where was he married?
- c) where was Carolyn McLean Moore born and is she still living?
- d) Did he have just two children?

e) For William Manning U

- i) when was he born?
- ii) where and where was Lydia Jacqueline Terry born?
- iii) Did he have just one child?
- iv) what is the full name of Kenyetta U, when and where was she born and in the correct spelling KENYETTA or KENYETT?

f) For James Bartlett U, III (AKA SR)

- a) when and where was he born?
- ii) when and where did he marry?
- iii) what is the full maiden name of his wife Joanne and when and where was she born?
- iv) Did he have just four children?
- v) when and where was James Bartlett U, II (AKA III) born?
- vi) what is the full name of Emory U and when and where was he born?
- vii) when and where was Camille Elizabeth U born?
- viii) when was Alexandra Bartlett U born and is there a girl?

5) For Emma Louise U - No questions - All OK

EMMA LOUISE U

XED-821

December 29, 1989

TPRIEST

1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, Arizona 85740

Dear Phil,

It was such a pleasure to get to know you and Sallaine.

I believe that Sallaine's family name was Sledge. After you left I remembered that one of the nicest young women in my home town was Pearl Sledge, who worked in the office of the Supt. of Schools. She later married a Baptist Minister and lived out of State. After he died, she returned; but I am unfamiliar with her married name. Also one of the Professors at Wake Forest whom I remember my father and brothers mentioning most often was a Dr. Sledge -- Law Prof. I believe.

COPIED FOR NICHOLAS FERRAR BIOFILE { I wonder if when you were visiting Little Gidding, it came through how greatly revered Nicholas Farrar is in the Episcopal Church. His name always appears in our devotional book on Dec. 1 and it also appears in our new Prayer Book Calendar section listing birthdays of the Saints and the saintly.

COPIED FOR AMER ANCESTORS FOUND. { I find the idea of the Upchurch Foundation of great interest. I only hope that by the time it comes into being I will be able to support it in a more practical way.

I show the Aridus bulletin to a neighbor who is a former Prof. of Eng. at Princeton. He found it very interesting. I notice the project will accept contributions of rather modest proportions. Maybe when I recover from Christmas, I will be able to do at least that for what I think is a very worthwhile endeavor.

Article on Nicholas Farrar placed in his profile.

All the best to you and Sallaine,

Emmy Lou Priest

③ 22 DEC 1989 - CONTINUED.

Emmy Lou had saved a number of clippings which are listed as follows with the dispositions as indicated:

1. Obit of Norman Stroope U - In his Biofile
2. Article on Frontier Museum in Staunton, VA  
re German, Scotch-Irish & English recreated farmsteads  
- In VA file.
3. Article - "Looking for Frederick's Grave" [re  
GGM of ELU - Catharina Frederica Chitty & use  
of perpetual calendar] - by Symon William Priest  
- In his Biofile.
4. A review by Michael U - In his Biofile.
5. Article on St Peter's Church in New Kent Co, VA - Placed  
in St Peter File
6. Reference to Carl U owning the Roslin  
House in Brunswick Co, VA - In Biofile  
of Carl U
7. Article on Brian Leslie U - In his Biofile
8. Marriage of Brian Leslie U - In his Biofile
9. Article on Kenyatta U - In her Biofile
10. Article on Linda Marie Lee - In her Biofile
11. Article on Gina U placed in her Biofile

EMMA LOUISE U PG1 XID-821

25 FEB 84

① SSU put on 84 list & card  
RPU

**MICHAEL ENTERPRISES**

P. O. BOX 35804

TUCSON, ARIZONA 85740

Rec'd 21 FEB 84  
Ch # 207 for 10 signed  
17 FEB 84 Emma  
J. Priest

INVOICE

Emma Louise Priest  
1428 Oxford Rd  
1 December 1983  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

It is now time to pay for the 1984 (Volume 5) issues of UPCHURCH BULLETIN so the publication can come to you in the year ahead without interruption. The upcoming year is the fifth year of publication and we are maintaining the annual subscription price of \$10.00/year so that as many people as possible can subscribe. We urge that all who can afford to do so make a contribution to the UPCHURCH RESEARCH FUND in order that we may continue to collect and publish interesting information on our family. Bound and unbound issues of the bulletin are available for 1980, 1981, 1982, and 1983 and may be ordered on this form. Also, please think about giving the UPCHURCH BULLETIN to a relative or friend for Christmas or on other occasions.

1. Please renew my subscription to the UPCHURCH BULLETIN for 1984 for which I enclose \$10.00.

\$10.00

② 8 DEC 89

Rec'd Ch # 703 for \$15 signed 4 DEC Emma  
J. Priest for UB 90.

Emma Louise Priest  
1428 Oxford Rd  
Charlottesville, VA (22901)

on check &  
enclosure B-3-90

③ 22 DEC 1989 - RPU & SSU visited in the home of  
Ella in Charlottesville, VA and talked with her  
and her husband Symon for about two hours.  
She prepared a packet of cookies for me  
to take when we left. Symon is  
fond of getting into a computer operator  
but we did not have time to have

EMMA LOUISE U

XID-821



REC'D  
24 NOV 89

LYMAN WILLIAM PRIEST, C.G.

1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22903

①

November 19, 1989

Mrs. L. W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA  
22901

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
P. O. Box 35804  
Tucson, AZ 85740

Dear Phil,

I should have written you long before now, but I have been waiting hoping that I might be able to get a copy of one of the books by Michael Upchurch to send you. So far, no luck, but I will keep trying. The Washington Post does not publish reviews of books unless they have merit and I am sure that I will find one soon.

It is almost certain that Lyman and I will be in Charlottesville during the holidays. Lyman has been on disability retirement since leaving the Foreign Service and we try to avoid travel at heavy traffic periods. A further reason for our caution is that our 19 year old Volvo was recently involved in a minor traffic accident and had to spend two weeks in a Body Shop for repairs. Lyman wants to drive around the area for awhile before taking it on any longer trips. Anyway, we are very happy to think we might get to see you and Sallaine while you are in the area and Lyman prepared a directions chart for your use. I am also pleased that you will be visiting St. Peter's Parish Church. I think that both of you will find it charming.

I feel that you and Lyman will have a lot to talk about. As you can see from the stationery he is now a Certified Genealogist. About a year or so ago he decided to fulfill the requirements for certification; and while his health does not allow him to accept clients, he does think certification will open some doors for him when

(over)

he works on some articles he has planned. History was his field and he taught for a short while at the U. of Arkansas. Since his retirement I think he decided that people are more interesting than events and hence the switch to genealogy. He published one book on his maternal grandfather's family and a three generation study on my mother's Moravian ancestors. He also publishes an occasional article on historical or genealogical themes. For the past two years he has been taking computer classes and has plans for some desk top publishing.

We will be waiting to hear from you and I have to warn you that we are very much "please accept us as you find us" people.

My best wishes to Sallaine and I hope you will have a safe and happy trip to Virginia,

Your cousin,

*Emmy Lou*

## **HOW TO GET TO 1428 OXFORD ROAD**

### **FROM UVA HOSPITAL:**

Turn left onto West Main Street (heading west)  
Drive under RR overpass at the Corner (14th St.)  
Continue past Mincer's Tobacco Shop on right  
Continue past St. Paul's Memorial Church on right  
Continue past Rotunda on left  
Turn right onto Rugby Road  
Turn left at second stoplight onto Barracks Road  
Turn right after one block at stoplight onto  
Rugby Avenue  
Turn left at stoplight onto Rose Hill Drive  
Turn right at second intersection onto Oxford Road  
1428 fourth house on the right-red brick green trim

### **FROM MCDONALD'S ON ROUTE 29 NORTH:**

Drive south towards Charlottesville  
Turn left at third stoplight onto Rio Road (K-Mart  
Plaza on your left)  
Turn left at stoplight onto 250 By-pass  
Exit onto Rugby Avenue at second exit  
Turn right at first intersection onto Sherwood Road  
Turn left at corner onto Oxford Road  
1428 eighth house on left across from utility pole  
with hexagonal red STOP sign--red brick green trim

### **FROM HOLIDAY INN ON ROUTE 29 NORTH:**

From Holiday Inn Parking Lot turn left onto Emmett St,  
Drive under overpass get onto Route 250 by-pass  
eastbound)  
At third exit turn onto Rugby Avenue  
At first intersection turn right onto Sherwood Avenue  
At corner turn left onto Oxford Road  
1428 eighth house on left across from utility pole  
with hexagonal red STOP sign --red brick green trim

### **FROM ROUTE 29 NORTH:**

Route 29 North runs into Route Route 250 bypass  
Pass Holiday Inn on left, Washington exit on right  
At third exit turn onto Rugby Avenue  
At corner turn left onto Oxford Road  
1428 is eighth house on left across from utility pole  
with hexagonal red STOP sign--red brick green trim

### **TELEPHONE NUMBER:**

(804) 295-4482



EMMA LOUISE U

XFD-821

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29 NOV 1989

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
1425 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE VA 22901

Dear Jimmy Joe & Lyman

Thank you for your very nice letter of November 19, 1989. Everything is falling into place for our trip east although not all arrangements are complete. Bill and I are finding our days rather full as we try to take care of "Christmas in advance" - presents, cards, etc., the farm, the U B, affairs at the University and all for a three week absence just before year end. I never thought it would be so complex. Still, as we go through the countdown our departure on December 8 is firm.

It now appears that we will leave Raleigh, NC early (7:00 AM?) on 22 NOV 89 and drive directly to Charlottesville, VA. We will give you a call right after lunch and hope that you will be available for a visit. While we are there we hope for just a peek at the University of Virginia and for

a look at Manticallo. We are fast learners. Following these three adventures we will drive on towards Williamsburg for our adventures there. Our flight back to Tucson is end of December on Christmas Day.

We are especially looking forward to our visit with you and Lyman. It is always a special pleasure to meet another member of the Nathan Upchurch, I Class. If our plans change I will give you a call. If you need to reach us after 8 DEC 89 you could leave a message at my sister's home in Raleigh, NC.

Her number is 919-847-0915 [Mrs James A Arnold, 6805 Justice Drive, Raleigh, NC 27615]

Til later.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PATRICK UPCHURCH]

EMMA LOUISE U

XID-821

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1 OCT 1989

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Cousin Emmy Jo,

Thanks for your note of 9 SEP 89 and for the details on author Michael Upchurch. I had wanted to respond until I could visit our University library to see what could be learned about this author. Unfortunately, nothing was found in the library on him when I was able to look on 25 SEP 89. I have nothing on him in my file on him under Michael but if he has Michael as a second name he could be in my file under his first name and I would not be able to find him. I will place him in the file but will start a separate file on "Upchurch Authors" and place all the Upchurch Authors I come across in it. This way I will have two chances of finding an author - one chance in the alphabetical file and one in the

another file. Thanks for helping me get a little better organized.

I had been intending to write you about our December trip to the East and this letter provides me an opportunity to tell you about our tentative plans. We start with an Upchurch lecture in Atlanta, GA on 9 DEC. 39 and then will drive to Central NC and visit with friends and family there. While plans are not firm we plan to spend something like 23, 24, 25 DEC in the Williamsburg, VA area and will probably fly back to Tucson from Norfolk, Richmond or Washington, DC on the 26th. During the Williamsburg stay we hope to make several side trips including, if possible and feasible, a visit to St Peter's Church, a visit to Surry County VA (where Michael U. I lived) and a visit to the Charlottesville, VA area. While in Charlottesville we would like to see Monticello, the University of Virginia, and to meet you and Lyman if you are at home and available. As usual we will go down to crowd to much into to little time. No doubt, <sup>we will</sup> try to crowd to much into to little time. Well, it will be good to meet you if at all possible.

Hope to hear from you  
Sincerely yours,  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

6 FEB 1978  
(POST MARK)

Dear Dr. Upchurch,

Just after my last letter to you my sister-in-law, Elizabeth Moore Upchurch (wife of L. W. Upchurch, Jr.), sent me enclosed birth and marriage dates of her two children. If these differ from those I sent, please use these.

Lou Upchurch Priest

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Upchurch, Fred Moore

Born Nov. 22, 1931 — Caswell Co. N.C.

Married Judith Ellen Golden Sept 6, 1958

Upchurch, Bettie Jane

Born March 20, 1936 Rowan Co. N.C.

Married Dr. John Gambrell Lee — June 27, 1959

FROM MRS L.W. PRIEST 6 FEB 1978

Mrs L.W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Rd  
Charlottesville, VA

22901

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MRS L.W. PRIEST  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

22 JAN 1978

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

So pleased to receive your letter of January 15 and learn you were able to use some of the information I had sent you. The day I had mailed it was just after an eye examination and later I was more than a little concerned <sup>about</sup> the value of what I had offered.

JEFFERSON U (XID-682)

1. In answer to your question re age of Thomas (son of Gilbert Burtis and Margaret Byrd Upchurch). I reexamined the 1860 census and found him listed after Amelia, age 14, and before William, age 12, so although the figure is dim, I believe it is 13. Thomas is the ancestor of Theron Upchurch in Raleigh and he might have Bible records which give a different age.

2. Re \_\_\_\_\_ Byrd, age 82, enumerated on 1860 census as member of Gilbert B. Upchurch household. Lyman and I read his first name to be Jesse and we, too, believe him to have been the father of Margaret (BYRD) UPCHURCH (XID-136). I remember my own father once told me that his grandmother (Margaret Byrd) had always said they were direct descendants of William Byrd of Virginia. I hope to pursue that someday.

3. Re Norwood Hamilton. / <sup>XID-1208</sup> The paper he worked on and the source of the article The Washington Star, which is published in the Nation's Capital. I believe he died in '56 or '57. His mother was Lizzie Upchurch Hamilton, daughter of James B. and Janie Creel Upchurch.

4. Re: Judith Golden -1218 and Fred M. Upchurch -822 Marriage: The wedding took place in Leaksville, N. C. (now Eden) on Sept. 6, 1958. Article appeared only in Sept. 7 issue of Greensboro Daily News. Bettie Jane U./sister of Fred

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5. Re wedding of Lydia Terry and William Manning Upchurch (Item 14 in my letter of Oct. 31, 77). Wedding took place in Blairs, Va. on June 4, 1967. Article from June 5, 1967 edition of Greensboro Daily News, published in Greensboro, N.C. William Manning and James Bartlett, Jr. are sons of my brother James Bartlett Upchurch, Sr. born 1912 and Carolyn Moore Upchurch, who remarried to C. R. Thomas after the death of James B., Sr.

XID-1221

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7/ 6. Re wedding of Norma Upchurch and James Davis (Item 12 in my letter). Article appeared in Greensboro Record or Greensboro News (published in Greensboro, N.C. probably on Sunday, Aug. 24, 1969.

(XID-1219)

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XID-1219

6. Wedding of Bettie Jane Upchurch and John G. Lee. Date of Wedding: June 27, 1960 in Greensboro, North Carolina. Article appeared in Greensboro Daily News.

XID-1223

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XID-  
1223

8. Marriage of Myra Upchurch - 1223 - and Charles B. Deane (item 13 of my letter 0 Article from Greensboro Daily News published 1964.

I am sorry that all this is still a bit sketchy. I am so pleased that you are keeping biographic files as it makes it all more interesting than mere facts and figures. I might still have a few things which would be of interest to you but don't want to inundate.

Lyman and I have been interested in locating burial site for Nathan.

He will look into the DAR files sometime when he is in Washington.

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FOR  
XID-  
725 &  
2027

Did I write you the Michael Upchurch (son of John Lee Upchurch, Jr.) is now working as a geologist in Charlottesville. So history has repeated itself and Michael has returned to Va. His young son is named Nathan.

XID-725

(XID-2027)

If there is anyway that Lyman or I can assist you, please call on us.

All the best to you and your wife.

Sincerely,

January 22.

Ermy Lee Krieb

P. S. Mrs. West and I have become fans of Rick Upchurch of the Denver Broncos.



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2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718  
January 15, 1978

Mrs. L. W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Mrs. Priest:

The packet of information you dispatched on October 31, 1977 arrived promptly but it was only over the Thanksgiving holidays that I had time to study the materials in detail and to incorporate them into my files. I am deeply thankful for the detailed information you have provided. It is all useful. The widows dower for Margaret Yates Upchurch is especially valuable as I did not know that Abel and Jubal were sons of Gilbert Burtis. Their names were in my records but without a defined relationship.

As I have studied the material several questions have surfaced as follows:

1. Re 1860 Census for Gilbert Burtis U - I have same info as you provided except my files show Thomas as 15 and your files shows 13. Do you have any additional information on this point?
2. Re Census in (1) I show a Lepe (?) Byrd, <sup>male</sup>~~male~~, age 82 in <sup>G</sup>Bilbert Burtis household. Spelling of Lepe was hard to read so Lepe may not be quite right. Any idea who he is? I would guess he is father of Margaret Byrd.
3. Re Norwood Hamilton - Any idea of the full name of the "Star" or city of location or date of article or death? Your item 18 provided herewith. This is an excellent contribution to the file.
4. Re Item 15 attached - Name of paper, city of marriage, city of paper, year of paper/marriage? Of Senior bridesmaids listed I assume only Bettie Jane U was a sister of Fred Moore U.
5. Re Item 14 attached - Name of paper, city of marriage, city of paper, year of paper/marriage? I assume William Manning U. is brother of James Bartlett U. Jr. and that both are sons of James Bartlett U. Sr. Born March 3, 1912. I have wife of James Bartlett U. Sr. as Carolyn Moore. So Carolyn Moore should have been the mother of William Manning unless James Bartlett U. Sr. md a second time. My guess - Carolyn Moore, mother of William Manning U. and husband of James Bartlett U. Sr. married a Charles Randolph Thomas after James Bartlett U. Sr. Died. Can you clarify?
6. Re Item 11 attached - Name of paper, city of marriage, city of paper, year of paper/ marriage?
7. Re Item 12 attached - Name of paper, year of paper/marriage?
8. Re Item 13 attached - Name of paper, year of paper/marriage?

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It is now January 1978. I wrote the above several weeks ago and am just getting back to finishing this letter. Genealogy seems to involve a lot of stopping and starting.

Last September I visited the home place of Gilbert Burtis U. and inspected the family graveyard where Gilbert Burtis U. and others rest. Mr. Charles B.U. a grandson of Gilbert Burtis U. now lives in the original home place. We enjoyed our visit with him. My desire is to identify the location of the farms of Nathan U and his sons Gilbert U (my greatgrandfather) and Burtis U. I have most of the deeds and wills involved but so far the pieces of the puzzle do not fit together.

Last September I also visited the Hillcrest Cemetery in Cary, NC and saw the tombstone of James Bartlett U. There is surely more information on James Bartlett in Cary if we can get to it.

I look forward to hearing from you. A sketch on Colonial Upchurches is provided herewith.

All the best for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Robert P. Upchurch

/s

P.S. - Please return Item 11 as I failed to  
make a copy. I have copies of the others  
RPU

1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

Ca #3/ OCT 77

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

By the time you wade through all the bits and pieces I am enclosing, you will realize that I am in no way a genealogist. I am simply exercising a little old lady's prerogative to collect what Lyman sometimes refers to as "chatty and gossipy" things. I have listed all 21 items on a separate page. The one thing I think might be of particular significance is the widow's dower of Margaret Yates Upchurch because it is the one public record we could find which gives names of the children of Burtis.

Lyman and I have a copy of an 1860 Census for Wake County which lists the following children in the household of Gilbert Burtis Upchurch and Margaret Byrd Upchurch: Amelia, 14; Thomas, 13; William, 12; John, 9; Charles, 6; James (my grandfather) 4; and Margaret, 2. By the 1880 Census my grandfather, James B. U. was enumerated as head of a household.

COPIED  
FOR  
GILBERT  
BURTIS  
U.

The last line of my father's obituary reads: "interment was in the Bapt. Cemetery." The political Advt. was from The Caswell Messenger, the year 1956. I am sorry I don't have the exact date of publication. So many of the articles were sent to me by mother when I was living away from home. She rarely bothered with dates and such. However, I believe everything to have been published either in the Caswell Messenger, Yanceyville, N. C. or the Greensboro Daily News.

Transposed  
to the  
Archives

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Lyman is actually the genealogist in our family and he is attempting to do for his mother's family something of what you are doing for the Nathan Clain. He taught history at the U. of Ark. for a short time and did a tour in the historical office of the U. S. Dept. of State, but I have never seen him enjoy any form of history so much as family history.

COPIED  
FOR  
LYMAN  
W.  
PRIEST  
FILE  
- RPU

We made a hurried visit to the Upchurch Community last spring, but anything you can tell me about it will be greatly appreciated. I loved the Gilbert B. Upchurch house and was sorry not to have gotten a picture. We did not go inside.

All the enclosures are yours to do with as you like. Maybe you can glean some small amount of information. In addition to the five weddings for which I am enclosing clippings ~~my~~ father had two other grandchildren: <sup>△</sup>Margaret Upchurch Shaw (Mrs. H.E.<sup>△</sup>), a teacher in Asheboro, N.C. -- dau. of <sup>△</sup>N. S. Upchurch of Yanceyville. <sup>△</sup>James B. Upchurch, Jr. (we always referred to my brother as <sup>△</sup>J.B. Sr. as there was a generation gap between him and my grandfather) of Yanceyville. He has two sons: <sup>△</sup>J. B. III and <sup>△</sup>Emory.

Thank you for the information on your line.

Truly sorry this is so poorly organized. Don't be embarrassed to ask for clarification.

Sincerely,

*L. W. Priest*  
Mrs. L. W. Priest

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JAMES BARTLETT UPCHURCH (XID-648)

b. 27 Mar 1856 d. 15 Sep 1928 Bur. Hillcrest Cem., Cary, N.C.  
 m. 30 Aug 1876 - JANIE REBECCA CREEL  
 b. 25 Mar 1859 d. 24 Nov 1936  
 bur. Hillcrest Cem., Cary, N.C.

Children:

1. Ernest Frederick U. sr. b. 1877 d. 20 Jun 1960 bur. Bapt. Cem. Yanceyville, N.C.  
 Md. 20 Jan 1904 - Mary Constance Stroupe  
b. 8-11-1882, d. 6-26-1968 bur. Bapt. Cem., Yanceyville, N.C.
1. Norman Stroupe U. b. 12-19-1904, d. living △, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
 md. Margaret Yarborough △
2. Ernest Frederick U. Jr. b. 1907, d. 1954, bur. Bapt. Cemetery, Yanceyville,  
 md. ? Elizabeth Moore △  
 a. ~~Ernest Frederick U. Jr.~~ Fred Moore Upchurch △
3. James Bartlett U. (II) b. 3-4-1912 △, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. Bapt. Cem. Yanceyville, N.C.  
 md. ? Carolyn Moore, Milton, N.C. △  
 4. Emma △ Louise U. b. 9-19-19 △, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
 md. Lyman W. Priest △
2. John Lee U. Sr., b. 17 Mar 1899, d. \_\_\_\_\_ bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* md. 1st Alpha House, b. 7 Jan 1900, d. 25 Oct 1923, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\* md. 2nd Margaret F. Tomlinson, b. 15 Apr 1908, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* (1) John Lee U. Jr., b. 3 Mar 1920, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
     md. Majorie Sorrell, b. 22 Oct 1921  
     (a) Michael Lee, b. 30 Mar 1947  
 \*\* (2) Ila Elizabeth U., b. 6 Jun 1925  
     md. A. E. Jones  
 \*\* (3) Frances Lea U., b. 16 May 1928  
     md. J. F. Carpenter  
 \*\* (4) Sue Ellen U., b. 19 Feb 1940
3. Frank D. U. of Durham, b. See attached sheet
4. Dau.  
     Md. E. C. Sinclair of Blacksburg, VA
5. Dau.  
     Md. N. C. Carlton of Durham See Attached Sheet
6. Dau. Lettie U  
     md. Finch of Apex See Attached Sheet
7. Dau.  
     md. Maynard Hamilton of Raleigh See Attached Sheet

SR  
NOT  
II  
Per  
Emma  
Louise

NOTE: The info in squares plus  
 the attached sheet was provided  
 to R.P.U. by Mr L.W. Priest in  
 her Ltr to RPU ca 31 OCT??

From Files of  
 R. P. Upchurch  
 Oct. 23, 1977

The following is all from memory. It has been many years since I have had a chance to talk with any of my father's brothers or sisters. (u)

3. Frank Dixon Upchurch, Durham, N.C. Employed by Fidelity Bank, Durham.  
Married Wilhemenia Thomas of Milton, N.C.  
Children:  
Mary Elizabeth U. \_\_\_\_\_. Married and living in  
Madison, Wisc.  
F. D. Upchurch, Jr., Married and living in Durham, N.C.
4. Lenora Upchurch (Sinclair)  
Married E. G. Sinclair - Druggist in Blacksburg, Va. (dec'd)  
Children:  
E. G. Sinclair, Jr.  
Edith Sinclair (dec'd)  
James Bartlett Sinclair  
Janie S. \_\_\_\_\_, married and living in Evanston, Ill.  
Evelyn Creel S. \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Florrie Upchurch (Carlton)  
Married N.C. Carlton of Durham, Vice Pres. Morris Plan Bank  
Children: Baxter Carlton (dec'd)  
Married and had two children.  
Mary Louise Carlton (Shaw)  
Married Henry Shaw (Supt. of schools of Sumter, S.C. at  
one time)  
Elizabeth Carlton (Reed?)  
Married and living in N.Y. State.  
Frances Carlton Davis  
Married to Archie Davis, Architect in Durham, N.C.
6. Lettie Upchurch Finch  
Married Sam Finch  
Children:  
Madie Bell F. \_\_\_\_\_ Married and living in Lumberton, N.C.  
Marie Finch Snakenburg, Married and living in Raleigh, N.C.  
A son ---
7. Lizzie Upchurch Hamilton  
Married Maynard Hamilton  
Children:  
John Norwood Hamilton -- Obit. with other encl.
8. Lena Upchurch  
1st married: \_\_\_\_\_ Arnold  
Children: Martha - married to Fred Christian, Durham, N.C.  
Rebecca - married to Alton Knight, Atty., Durham, N.C.  
2nd marriage: Erastus Hare  
No children by this marriage.

LIST OF ENCLOSURES

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- ✓ 1. Picture post card from the town of Upchurch, Kent, England. - *FILE IN ENGLAND FILE*
- ✓ 2. Reference is made in Mrs. West' book to the novel by English Fletcher which mentions Moses Upchurch brother of Nathan.  
*PUT IN COLONIAL UPCHURCH FILE*
- ✓ 3. Obit. of Mary Stroupe Upchurch, wife of E.F. Upchurch, Sr. - *FILED UNDER MARY STROUPE - XID-1123*
- ✓ 4. A humorous article which appeared in Caswell Messenger, Yanceyville, N.C. about Upchurch family. - *FILED IN E.F.U. JR BIOFILE XID-819*
- ✓ 5. Article in Caswell Messenger, Yanceyville, N.C. about E.F. Upchurch, Jr.  
*FILED IN ERNEST FREDERICK U JR BIOFILE XID-819*
- ✓ 6. Colonial Dames Review listing Michael Upchurch Chapter. - *FILED WITH COLONIAL DAMES XVII CENTURY*
- ✓ 7. Marriage license for E.F. Upchurch and Mary Stroupe. Clergyman was cousin of the groom, C. A. Upchurch.
- ✓ 8. Marriage license for J. B. Upchurch and Janie Creel. - *Put in Marriage Records file*
- 9. Wake County Marriage Bonds — which list Gilbert Burtis Upchurch and Margaret Byrd, et. al.  
*→ FILED WITH MARRIAGE RECORDS*
- ✓ 10. Will of Nathan Upchurch (Note - Already have copy - discarded this one - RPU)
- ✓ 11. Engagement write up of Bettie Janell Upchurch, daughter of E. F. Upchurch, Jr.  
*→ FILE WITH BETTY JANE U - XID-1219*
- ✓ 12. Marriage write-up of Norma Upchurch, daughter of N. S. Upchurch  
*→ FILE WITH NORMA U XID-1221*
- ✓ 13. Marriage of Myra Upchurch, daughter of N. S. Upchurch  
*→ FILED WITH MYRA U XID-1223*
- ✓ 14. Marriage of William Manning Upchurch, son of James Bartlett Upchurch  
*→ FILE WITH WILLIAM MANNING U.*
- ✓ 15. Marriage of Fred M. Upchurch, son of E. F. Upchurch, Jr. - *FILE WITH FRED M. U.*
- ✓ 16. Article from William and Mary College Quarterly re: Tax Rebellion of 1674 in which Michael participated. - *FILE - COLONIAL UPCHURCHES*
- ✓ 17. Article from Virginia Historial Magazine which quotes from one of Michael's letters - *FILED IN ENGLAND FILE*
- ✓ 18. Obit. of Norwood Hamilton, son of Lizzie Upchurch Hamilton — *File with JOHN NORWOOD HAMILTON*
- 19. Early DAR Membership by descendant of Nathan — *FILED WITH DAR*
- 20. Widow's dower of Margaret Yates Upchurch — widow of Burtis.  
*→ FILED WITH COURT RECORDS*
- 21. Michael Upchurch — Inventory  
*→ FILED WITH MICHAEL U*



2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718  
October 24, 1977

Mrs. Lyman W. Priest  
1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Mrs. Priest:

I was delighted to receive your letter of October 18, 1977, relative to our mutual interests in Upchurch genealogy. It is especially nice to know of someone who shares my interest in Nathan our common ancestor since there is so much yet to be learned about the Nathan Clan. The attached chart shows my line. My great grandfather Gilbert was brother to your great great grandfather, Burtis U., both Gilbert and Burtis being sons of Nathan. My calculation is that your father and I were 3rd cousins.

Have you visited in the Upchurch Station Community in western Wake County where Nathan settled? If not, I will write to you about some of the things I have learned there during several visits back to North Carolina. Just last August I was in the home built by G. Gilbert Burtis U. and where your grandfather James Bartlett U. was born.

Someday I hope to start an Upchurch Bulletin but right now all effort is being expended to get a basis Upchurch file established. Anything you can send me along the lines mentioned in your letter will be appreciated. You can send the items to me for reproduction and I will return the originals to you promptly or you can reproduce them if you prefer and I will reimburse you for expenses incurred.

Please let me know if you want the two articles you sent returned. It would be nice to know the date and the name of the publication in which the "Let's Elect E. F. Upchurch" article appeared. Also, it would be nice to have the ending of the E. Fred Upchurch obituary which appeared in the June 26, 1960 issue of The Caswell Messenger. The last line on my copy is "pastor. Internment was in the".

Every thing in my files on James Bartlett Upchurch is presented on the attached sheets. I would greatly appreciate it if you could send me additional information you may have on your grandfathers family. Of course any charts you may have on Upchurch or related families will also be welcome.

Both my wife and I got quite a chuckle out of your expression of sympathy for her. She seems to be bearing up well since I acquired the genealogy disease. I look forward to hearing from you again and to sharing information on items of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Upchurch

/s

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**JAMES BARTLETT UPCHURCH**

b. 27 Mar 1856    d. 15 Sep 1928    Bur. Hillcrest Cem., Cary, N.C.  
m. 30 Aug 1876 - **JANIE REBECCA CREEL**  
                  b. 25 Mar 1859    d. 24 Nov 1936  
                  bur. Hillcrest Cem., Cary, N.C.

**Children:**

1. Ernest Frederick U. sr. b. 1877            d. 20 Jun 1960            bur. ?  
   Md. 20 Jan 1904 - Mary Constance Stroupe  
                  b. \_\_\_\_\_, d. \_\_\_\_\_ bur. \_\_\_\_\_
  1. Norman Stroupe U.    b. \_\_\_\_\_, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   md.
  2. Ernest Frederick U. Jr. b. 1907, d. 1954, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   md. ?  
   a. Ernest Frederick U. III
  3. James Bartlett U. II b. \_\_\_\_\_, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   md. ?
  4. Mary Louise U. b. \_\_\_\_\_, d. \_\_\_\_\_ bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   md. Lyman W. Priest
2. John Lee U. Sr.,    b. 17 Mar 1899, d. \_\_\_\_\_ bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   \* md. 1st Alpha House, b. 7 Jan 1900, d. 25 Oct 1923, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   \*\* md. 2nd Margaret F. Tomlinson, b. 15 Apr 1908, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
   \* (1) John Lee U. Jr., b. 3 Mar 1920, d. \_\_\_\_\_, bur. \_\_\_\_\_  
       md. Majorie Sorrell, b. 22 Oct 1921  
       (a) Michael Lee, b. 30 Mar 1947  
   \*\* (2) Ila Elizabeth U., b. 6 Jun 1925  
       md. A. E. Jones  
   \*\* (3) Frances Lea U., b. 16 May 1928  
       md. J. F. Carpenter  
   \*\* (4) Sue Ellen U., b. 19 Feb 1940
3. Frank D. U. of Durham, b. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Dau.  
   Md. E. C. Sinclair of Blacksburg, VA
5. Dau.  
   Md. N. C. Carlton of Durham
6. Dau. Lettie        U  
   md. Finch of Apex
7. Dau.  
   md. Maynard Hamilton of Raleigh

From Files of  
R. P. Upchurch  
Oct. 23, 1977

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11428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

18 OCT 1977

Dr. Robert Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, AZ 85718

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

During the past year I have heard from Belle Lewter West and Mrs. A. B. Alkek about your interest in obtaining information on the various Upchurch lines.

My father, Ernest Frederick Upchurch, was a descendent of Nathan Upchurch. His parents were James Bartlett Upchurch and Janie Creel Upchurch. His grandparents were Gilbert Burtis Upchurch and Margaret Byrd Upchurch. From there backward his family history parallels the information contained in Mrs. West's book on the Upchurches.

I am enclosing two items from my hometown paper, The Caswell Messenger. They may seem a strange selection but they contain information on my father that I think is interesting. He was a colorful personality and had great intellectual integrity. He was predeceased by two sons: E. F. Upchurch, Jr. and James Bartlett Upchurch. All three of his sons and five of his seven grandchildren followed in his footsteps and attended Wake Forest College. One son and one grandson followed him into the practice of law.

Neither my father nor my brothers were family history oriented but my father was extremely proud of his relatives. My husband and I retired from the Foreign Service of the U.S. Dept. of State about two years ago. Since then Lyman has become very involved in genealogy.

It was from his efforts that I learned to appreciate pursuit of family history as an academic exercise.

I have acquired some documents which might be of interest to you. I have marriage licenses for my parents and grandparents. Marriage bond records for Gilbert B. and Hargaret Byrd Upchurch. A copy of the widow's dower for Margaret Yates Upchurch (widow of Durtis) and a copy of Nathan's will and Revolutionary War records. If you are interested, I could make copies. I also have a number of small town newspaper articles about members of my family. I regret having given so many of them away.

The very best of luck to you in your efforts in regards to the Upchurches. If we can be of any help to you from here please let us know. After having lived with Lyman's two year's of research on his family, may I also express my sympathy to your wife.

Sincerely,

*Ernest Frederick U.*  
Mrs. Lyman W. Priest

October 18, 1977

TWO ARTICLES: 26 JUN 1960 OBITUARY & "LET'S ELECT E. F. UPCHURCH" filed under ERNEST FREDERICK U.



2093 MIRAVAL QUINTO  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
DECEMBER 24, 1979

MRS EMMY LOU PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou,

At long last I am planning to initiate  
a quarterly publication on church genealogy  
to be known as UPCHURCH BULLETIN. The  
first issue should be off the press in  
January, 1980.

Enclosed herewith is an advance copy  
of a draft of the editorial for the first issue.  
Any comments you or Lyman have will  
be welcome.

I am very anxious to have names  
and addresses of individuals who might  
be interested in subscribing to UPCHURCH  
BULLETIN. If you could provide me with  
some names and addresses I would  
be most grateful.

All the best for the New Year.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

2013 MIRAVAL BUINTO  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
JANUARY 12, 1980

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD RD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou

Many thanks for your letter of January 6, 1980 and for the \$10 check for a subscription to Upchurch Bulletin. You are the fifth person to subscribe and I haven't started to advertise yet. All the information in your letter has been extracted and was filed. All additional will be appreciated.

My goal was to have 500 addresses and to have a flyer in the mail by January 15. It now appears I will miss that date by a few days but progress is good with about 350 addresses now in hand and organized.

The calendar is rather full these days. I had to make a rush trip to Washington DC last week, came back to Arizona for a meeting on Friday and ~~then~~ now I have to leave tomorrow to go back to Washington for 4 more days (re North Yemen Program - USAID).

All the best and let me hear from you.

Sincerely,  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

January 6, 1980

answered  
12 JAN 1980 - RPH

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Phil,

Lyman and I were so pleased to receive your letter and learn that the Newsletter is ready to roll. The format sounds just right to us. I am enclosing check so that you can put us on the distribution list and later on I hope to give subscriptions as birthday or Christmas gifts to others in the family.

\$10 ck  
rec'd

When your letter arrived on January 4th we had just returned from a trip to Winston Salem, N.C. where Lyman was searching some records for material to be used in his book. I had copied the following names from the Winston Salem telephone Directory to pass along to you:

A. B. Upchurch, 4365 Carrie Ave.  $\Delta + 2m AF$

Buris Upchurch, 4345 Carrie Ave.  $\Delta + 2m AF$

G. D. Upchurch, 650 Kapp St.  $\Delta + 2m AF$

Jean UpChurch, 1322 Glade St. (this UpChurch spelling appeared in phone book)

Robert L. Upchurch, 4980 Hunt Club Road.  $\rightarrow \Delta + 2m AF$

W. H. Upchurch, 3210 Crittenden Drive  $\rightarrow \Delta + 2m AF$

We will be in at least six states in the next few months for Lyman to do research and I will try to get as many addresses as possible if you think they will be helpful.

By the way, there is a Dr. Stephen Upchurch now living in Caswell

County. I have not met him but I believe he is a member of the Moses clan.

I don't know his home address but his office (he is a dentist) is

Route # 1, Yanceyville, N.C.

$\Delta$   
+ 2m  
AF



In your letter of November 17th you asked for some specific information. I had to smile because I had warned you in the beginning that I was more apt to be interested in gossipy, chatty things than in the factual.

Any way here goes:

- △ I was born in Yanceyville, N.C. (Caswell County)
- △ <sup>△</sup> Lyman and <sup>△</sup> I were married at my home in Yanceyville, on May 2, 1959. (I had to look in my ring for this info. because our best friends were married May 3 and I sometimes confuse the dates)
- △ Lyman's middle name is William
- △ He was born in Jackson County, Ark. on December 1, 1915.

△ { I think I have written you that John Lee Upchurch, Jr. has a son, Michael living near here in Schuyler, Va. 22969. <sup>in AF</sup> He was interested enough in family to name his son, Nathan. I have only seen him twice so I don't really know him, but both Lyman and I were very favorably impressed. He would probably enjoy the newsletter.

Next time I write I hope to be able to send along some dates on the JBU family you requested.

All the best in this project and I am sure that all the Upchurches should be grateful to you and Belle West for all the work you have done.

Sincerely,

*Emmy Lou*  
Emmy Lou Priest

FEBRUARY 2, 1980

MRS. L.W. PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou,

Have kind of you and Lyman to send me  
a copy of the January 1980 DOB Newsletter. Lyman  
was right - I had not received any notice  
of the photo. I will circulate this to our  
group here that is especially interested in  
Lyman. Let me know if you want the same  
back. Otherwise I will clip out the key  
parts and discard the rest. If you want  
it back I can send the parts I need.

Today we put in the mail flyers on  
Upchurch Bulletin to 700 addresses. We hope  
to ~~to~~ have some in the mail about  
1 MAR 80. Enclosed herewith are several copies  
of the flyer in case you think of someone  
who may be interested. Thanks for your  
subscriptions

Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

January 27, 1980

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Phil,

Lyman and I were truly pleased to see your picture in our January issue of the Dept. of State NEWSLETTER. I am sure that you were sent copies, however, Lyman said I should never leave anything to chance when it come to bureauracies -- so here is our copy for your files.

I am also sending along an article from recent issue of Caswell Messenger published in Yanceyville, N.C. It refers to Dr. Steven Upchurch. I think I wrote about him in an earlier letter.

Have you by any chance heard from Belle West recently? The last time I heard was late fall. She is usually so good about writing that I am concerned, but I hope that it is only because she is busy. She must get a volume of mail to answer as I am sure you do also.

All the best.

Sincerely,



Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L.W.)

2073 MIRAVALE GUTNTO  
TUCSON AZ 85718  
NOVEMBER 17, 1979

MRS EMMY LOU PRIEST  
1428 OXFORD ROAD  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou

Many thanks for your letter of November 11, 1979  
and for the information provided. I'm never  
wonder about getting too much background  
material. One always finds time for what  
one considers to be important. Of course  
you know from Lyman that genealogy is  
a disease and not a hobby.

Re. Avery C. U. - you are in line of descent.

Nathan U → Barth U → William Bartlett U<sup>+</sup>, Rufus Merriam U  
→ Arthur U → Avery C U.

William Bartlett U<sup>I</sup> was the brother of your grandfather  
James Bartlett U. So you and Avery C U  
are 2nd cousins once removed.

The photo of Frank Dixon U is great. I have a  
small photo file and am trying to augment  
it.

Re. Bart & Emory U - I have his article neatly  
filed under James Bartlett U<sup>III</sup> with  
cross-reference to Emory U. I note that  
my files are missing most of the births,  
marriage, etc. data for James Bartlett U<sup>I</sup>  
and his children and grandchildren. Also  
Emory is shown as Emory U<sup>?</sup> Perhaps you  
will get more details later.

The article on the John & Lee family is really nice. It provides a number of useful details.

Re the DAR Bulletin and <sup>Mr.</sup> Tom Spaulds, Jr. Since the address is provided I will write directly to her. I am very anxious to hear from Margaret Albeck but she has not responded to recent letters. She descended from Nephew, a brother of my grandfather, and I am most anxious to have information on that branch.

In answer, may remind I note that the following are missing for you and Fyman. If you could provide any or all of these I would be most appreciative:

1. Your birth place
2. Marriage date - I have only 1937
3. Marriage place
4. Fyman's middle name.
5. Fyman's birth date & place

Today I leave for a 3 day meeting in Salt Lake City. Will be staying in Hotel Utah right next to Mormon Genealogical Library - so might steal 3-4 hrs to work on genealogy. But Dan Delby is flying home from Purdue for Thanksgiving and her boyfriend is also coming from St Louis. They seem to be head-over-heels in love and don't know what to do about it.

Have a nice Thanksgiving

Sincerely yours

Bill Spaulds

(ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH)

1428 Oxford Road  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

November 11, 1979

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

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ANSWERED  
17 NOV 1979

Dear Phil,

When do you find time for all the work you do, plus genealogy, plus family? Salaine must be very supportive and understanding.

I am embarrassed to send more material for I am afraid my family line will wind up being over documented. Still I am sure you are a equal opportunity researcher and give everyone you contact the same chance. If they don't take it, then that is their responsibility.

Item #1. Since I wrote you, a friend of mine from Columbus, Ohio sent this pol. adv. for Avery Upchurch. Her husband had seen it when he was in Raleigh on a business trip. My friend is very generous with compliments so I am attaching that portion of her note which concerns Avery. I didn't study the chart — is he one of ours?

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FOR  
FILED  
WITH  
AVERY  
C U Δ

Item # 2. A picture of my uncle, Frank Dixon Upchurch, in WWI uniform. If you would like this for your files, you are welcome. I am afraid that there is no one in my immediate family who would keep it when I might have to reduce the number of papers I try to retain.

SEE PHOTO FILE

COPIED  
FOR  
FRANK  
DIXON U

One of the family stories concerns my grandmother's trip to see my uncle just before he was to be shipped out to France. She travelled by train to his camp laden with pies, cakes, fried chicken, homemade biscuits, etc. When she arrived, she noticed a young man in uniform in the same car and said, "Son, would you mind helping me with these bundles." When my uncle saw her getting off the train, he said, "Oh my God, mama, that's my C.O."

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FOR  
JANIE  
REBECCA  
CREEL

FILED UNDER JAMES BARTLETT U III

Item # 3. Recent article about Bart and Emery Upchurch, sons of James B. Upchurch, Jr.

FILED UNDER BETTIE JANE U. { Item # 4. This bulletin is about 4 years old but it does contain a lot of information about Bettie Upchurch Lee and her family.

Item # 5. This is from one of my recent DAR bulletins. Imagine that Margaret Alkek of Bandera, Texas -- also a Nathan descendant, would know about this Tom Upchurch if you are interested.

WROTE TO MRS TOM U, JR 18 NOV 1979

COPIED FOR JAMES BARTLETT U XIP- 648 { Another bit of oral family history: When automobiles were still a rarity JBU my grandfather/bought one. He announced one day that he was taking it to some place in Wake County known as Jinx (perhaps Jenks) Road where he vowed he would either learn to drive it or wreck it. About five o'clock that afternoon he came walking home, hot, tired and dusty obviously having chosen the second of the two options.

COPIED FOR ERNEST FREDERICK U, SR { My father, E. F. Upchurch, Sr, had just started his law practice when he and mother were married so he asked his grandmother, Eliz. Andrews Greel, for enough money for expences. When he brought his bride home, Granny Greel took immediate dislike and demanded that he repay the loan the next day.

season  
It seems the holiday/will soon be upon us. I will be thinking of you and your family and wishing you all the best.

Sincerely,

Emmy Lou Priest



2073 MIRAVIL BLVD  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
NOVEMBER 4, 1979

MRS L. W. PREST  
P.O. BOX 8652  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22906

Dear Emmy Lou

Just today I have gotten around to  
working over your letter of September 23, 1979  
and copying all the data and facts  
into the various files. Thanks for all  
of these comments. The personal stories  
make the personalities come alive.

Shortly after I got your letter I had to  
make a fast trip to Tucson. My 5th for  
1979 - you are home a research project  
there on sorghum & millet improvement and  
we are developing a major on-farm project  
for the whole agricultural sector. It's a long  
term project with a \$50 million tab for just  
five years. I have the added duty of Program  
Director.

I didn't get a letter from E. Cindy Burdick in  
response to my first try - but no answer to  
my second letter. No response from John for  
a while yet.

Please let me know any additional  
data you get. They are all yours.

Sincerely,  
(ROBERT PHILLIP UPENURCH)

P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, Va. ①  
22906

September 23, 1979

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, AZ 85718

*Acknowledged  
4 NOV 1979*

Dear Phil,

So pleased to get your letter. After I mailed my last letter to you, I wondered if I had made it clear just how much I appreciate all the work you are doing. I think the Upchurch clan is an interesting one and I wish I had more concrete information to pass along. Because of Lyman's work on his grandfather's family history, I can understand the time and effort that goes into such a project. There are times when I am sure we will drop Lyman's book at the printers on our way to the poorhouse.

Re: Zip Code - 22901 is the zip for our home address and 06 for the Post Office, which is in the county. However, I am constantly confusing them and so far as I know have never missed getting any mail.

Item 1 - An account of the first tax rebellion from the book "Colonial Surry. Thought it might interest you. Later I might send it to a history editor on Washington Post or Star. Since passage of Proposition 13 has generated so much interest in tax revolt, it is possible this could be used in an article.

*From Book  
"Colonial  
Surry"  
I have  
cy  
already.  
- RPU*

Item 2 - This article from Lyman's hometown paper I am sending with apologies. According to Lyman it contains more about us than anyone ever wanted to know. First off, Harryette chose her most flattering words after all she had to make us sound as interesting as possible — and we chose our most flattering picture. The only thing which comes through with some degree of honesty or maybe even understated is Lyman's work. The cats are even more remarkable than they sound.

*2 newspaper  
articles  
filed  
with  
Emma  
Louise  
H.*

(2)

a. I will try to get maiden name of JoAnne, James Bartlett U., Jr.'s wife next times I am in Yanceyville.

b. I don't have second names for my father's sisters but I will try to find out from my brother if he remembers any. I have a vague recollection that three of my grandparents' children might have died in infancy.

c. John Lee Upchurch, Sr. Last address was in Elizabeth City, N. C. He at one time was a building contractor and later worked in a supervisory capacity for Graham Production Credit Adm. -- a government agency. His son, John Lee Jr. lives on Dixie Trail in Raleigh and is an electrical engineer for Carolina Power and Light. His grandson, Michael, might be living near here. He is a geologist and at one time worked for the State of Va. with headquarters here at the University. His home was in Schuyler. He came by to speak to us once or twice about two years ago,

Δ For  
John Lee  
U., Sr.

d. Frank Dixon Upchurch, Sr. at the time of his death I believe he was Vice President at Fidelity. Prior to that he was Mgr. of their branch bank. He was a veteran of World War I. Married to Wilhemina Thomas of Milton, N. C. also deceased.

Δ For  
Frank  
Dixon  
U., Sr.

e. Lettie Upchurch -- Last address was Apex, N.C. Her husband was Sanford Finch. I think he might have been a farmer or storekeeper. I don't remember. From conversations I heard as a child I gathered that he was handsome and from a very fine family and maybe had been a little indulged by them. I don't remember him myself. He predeceased my aunt by many years.

Δ For  
Lettie  
U.

f. Lizzie Upchurch -- They lived in Washington, D. C. for many years. She was married just the one time to Maynard Hamilton. He had a large body rebuilding business for trucks and I recalled that there was an article in the Washington paper once when it burned. They moved back to N.C. when he retired. You recall they had just the one son, Norwood, who worked on the Washington Star.

Δ For  
Lizzie  
U.

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g. Lena Upchurch -- My aunt Lena lived in Durham, N.C. at least from the time of her marriage to Erastus Hare. They owned two nice homes. I didn't know her first husband. I assume he died before I was born. Hare was a plumbing, heating supervisor or contractor for the city schools as well as I can remember. They were killed at the same time by a vehicle which was part of a military convoy during World War II. I think the driver had been driving a long time and fell asleep at the wheel. <sup>Arnold</sup> Dau. Rebecca/married Alton Knight and dau. Martha Arnold married Fred Christian who<sup>se</sup> family owned a large printing business in Durham. The business is still in operation but I am not sure if it is still family owned. The last time I saw Martha was on the occasion of my father's 70th birthday.

Δ For  
Lena  
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h. James Bartlett Upchurch and Janie Rebecca Upchurch -

My grandfather, JBU, died when I was about 7 or 8 years old. He was a farmer and small building contractor. He and my uncle John Lee U. built my father's office building. I thought my grandfather was beautiful. He was or seemed tall and had a clear, ruddy complexion. He was bald except for a fringe of white hair. When I remember him, he and my grandmother were living in Apex, N.C. He loved and was loved by all the neighborhood children. They called him Uncle Bart. Whenever he worked away from home, they would meet his train and he would take them to the Drug Store for a treat. My grandmother was somewhat jealous of this attention to the town children. She felt it should have been saved for his own grandchildren. As for myself, I was always very certain that I was his favorite. I imagine each of us was. When my grandfather died there was a wreath from "The Neighborhood Children." He owned a watch -- a Hamilton with a picture of a train which I passed along to my nephew, JBU, Jr.

Δ For  
James  
Bartlett  
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Jaie Rebecca Upchurch, my grandmother, in spite of working very hard and raising eight children managed to remain a trim and pretty woman. I never saw her in a dress that reached above her ankles and I never saw her in a dress that wasn't spotless. For the last few years of her life she visited among her children and for most of those years she carried along a dress which she never wore. This we always felt was intended to be her "shroud." I remember that she always carried a bag of peppermint patties in her suitcase and consequently her clothes always smelled of peppermint. She was very puritanical and would have been outraged at the thought of makeup or short hair. She was a strong Baptist and when the bell rang she went. One of my maternal grandmother's favorite stories about my Grandmother Upchurch was that once when she became upset with my grandfather about something she said that she had always prayed for my grandfather, herself and the children but now she thought she would just pray for herself and the children.

Δ For  
Jaie  
Rebecca  
Creel.

i. I didn't know any of my grandfather's (JBU) brothers or sisters. My brother once told me that my grandfather's brother, William B., for whom the Upchurch community was named, was considered the patriarch of the clan. I often heard daddy refer to "Uncle Bill" and the N.C. Gazeteer gives him credit for building the first barn for flu curing tobacco in Wake County.

Δ For  
William  
Butler  
U.I.

My great grandmother, Margaret Byrd Upchurch (wife of Gilbert) told my father she was a descendant of William Byrd of Va. Whenever I heard anyone speak of her they often said things like: "She was a Byrd and I hear she was a bird too." She must have been very colorful. You saw their house near Raleigh. I liked it very much, did you?

Δ For  
Gilbert  
Butler  
+ for  
Margaret  
Byrd

Please forgive all this rambling. It sounds almost senile. I'll try to be a bit more organized later.

Sincerely,  
Emmy Lou Upchurch Priest

By the way, three trips to Yemassee are a lot of trips to Yemassee! Does the University have a research project there?

2073 MIRAVAL QUINTO  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
SEP 18, 1979 ①

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
P.O. BOX 6652  
CHARLOTTESVILLE VA 22901

Dear Cousin

I have just finished processing the material provided with your letter of July 5, 1979 and want to thank you for it. I am finding more and more parts of the Upchurch puzzle which is very satisfying. Hope this reaches you as your last letter shows ZIP 22906 vs 22901 on all previous letters. Which is right?

The summer has been a very busy one. I had 3 trips to North Yemen! The wedding was a great success and there may be another in the making!!

A few comments, questions:

- (1) I have written to E. Emily Sinclair at the 20 yr old address to see if I get a response - will try to contact Alton Knight & Archie Davis & Gus Smith when the next time I am in NC.
- (2) I have the info from your grandparents head stone at Cary, NC. It reads as Jamie Rebecca but I am not always right.
- (3) Do you recall maiden name of Joanne, wife of James Bartlett U Jr. He is in my files?

- (4) I have some indication that your grandfather James Bartlett had 11 children but my records show only 8 - Ernest Frederick, John Lee, Frank Dixon and the girls Senora, Florine, Lettie, Fizzie and Lena. Any idea who the other 3 were or if they actually existed? Also did any of the 5 girls have a second given name?
- (5) John Lee U S - where did he live - what did he do?
- (6) Frank Dixon U S - I understand he worked for Fidelity Bank in Durham NC. Any more info?
- (7) Lettie U - where lived, Husband's occupation?
- (8) Fizzie U - where lived, Husband's occupation?  
I have Fizzie U dau of James Bartlett U, and Maynard Hamilton. However there is a 2nd Fizzie U in my files she appears on a tombstone at Olive Chapel Burying Ch in Wake Co NC as wife of Garland T. Miller b. 2 DEC 1888 d. 3 DEC 1945. The wife Fizzie Upchurch Miller is shown as b. 7 JAN 1900 - but no death date. Any chance that the two Fizzies could be the same?
- (9) Lena U - I assume she lived in Durham as children did after they were married. What did husband do after they were married. What did husband do? First name of Arnold?
- (10) Do you recall your grandparents James Bartlett & Jane Pelveria? If so can you give a few words?
- (11) Did you ever see any of your gf James Bartlett's brothers or sisters? If so can you give a few words.
- Any hints on any of the above will be appreciated. I'll try to get anything you send into the records for posterity! sincerely  
Phil Upchurch (ROBERT P. UPCHURCH)



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P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22906

July 5, 1979

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Phil,

Thank you so much for sending the chart which obviously represents many hours of hard work. Some of the names outside my own family line are so familiar i.e. Marie Weaver that I wonder if I have know some of them at some time without realizing the family connection. Have delayed writing because I knew with all the happy excitement of your daughter's wedding you probably didn't have a lot of time for reading letters.

Not being a great one for organization I will just write as things occur to me and hope that you will be able to make some sense from it all.

I was so pleased that you made the trip to Little Gidding. I am enclosing a copy of an article (Item #1) which Belle West sent me some time ago. I enjoyed it so much that I sent a copy to Paul Kent who was then Hon. Treas. of Friends of Little Gidding. He said that to his knowledge no one had ever dared to write anything humorous about Little Gidding before and he wanted to use it in an anthology.

ITEM  
#1 FILED  
WITH  
LITTLE  
GIDDING

You were wondering about my father's reasons for going to Caswell County: He was on the train one time with one of the N.C. governors -- I believe it was Gov. Bickett -- who told him of a county seat, Yanceyville, Caswell county, which had only two lawyers (Mr. Julius Johnston and Mr. Archibald Henderson)  $\Delta\Delta$  both of whom were getting on in years and were in poor health. He thought it would be a good place for a fairly young lawyer to establish a practice. I suspect some of the Caswell natives had asked the Gov. to do a bit of recruiting. Anyway I think Caswell was good to my father and I know he was good for the County although he did not get too much credit for what he did.

$\Delta$   
FOR  
ERNEST  
FRED-  
RICK  
U.S.R

(see Item #2)

→ For E GRADY SINCLAIR, JR - Δ

which is about 20 yrs. old

The enclosed business card/is the last address I have for any of the Sinclairs. It was among my mother's papers. Prior to his death E. G. Sinclair, Sr. and my aunt Lenora had a drugstore in Blacksburg, Va. There daughter, Edith, died some years prior to her father.

My cousins, Rebecca Arnold Knight (dau. of Lena), Mrs. Alton, and Frances Carlton Davis (dau. of Florrie), Mrs. Archie, might still be living in Durham and able to give you family information. Alton Knight was an attorney and Archie Davis an architect. → ALL 3 = SAME  
→ ALL 3 = SAME

I once gave the name of my aunt Lettie Upchurch Finch's husband as Sam. I think it was actually Sanford. Their daughter, Marie, married Gus Snakenburg. I believe he was a tailor in Raleigh. You might get in touch in that way. I am ashamed that I am so out of touch with my father's family since we were rather close at one time.

You have a lot of information about the John Lee Upchurch, Sr. family so that I imagine you have already been in touch with my cousin, John Lee Upchurch, Jr. who lives on Dixie Trail in Raleigh. I talked on the phone with Theron Upchurch once and he seemed very helpful and nice. He was the source Mrs. West used in her book for the Nathan line. — Δ

About my grandmother's name: My father seems to have used Rebecca Janie but I don't know which is right. She and my grandfather James Battlett U. are buried at the cemetery in Cary. If I am in that area again I will see how it appears on the head stone.

My mother, father and my brothers, James B. and E. F. U., Jr. are all buried at the cemetery of the First Baptist Church in Yanceyville, N. C.

→ It appears as Janie Rebecca.  
- RPU

I don't know how much room you have in your biographic files but I came across these little articles about Joanne Upchurch (Item # 3), wife of J. B. U, Jr., and Lydia Terry Upchurch, wife of Wm. Manning U. (Item #4) They appeared in the Caswell Messenger, published in Yanceyville but I don't have date. Both are very talented and attractive. J. B. Jr. is a caseworker — Δ

in the Social Services Dept. in Caswell County. Lydia<sup>7</sup> and Wm. Manning<sup>7</sup> live on a farm and I believe practice what is sometimes called an alternate lifestyle. They do a bit of writing and painting, etc.

Hope I have not bored you with all this. Again if you can think of anyway that Lyman and I can help you from here, please let us know.

All the best,

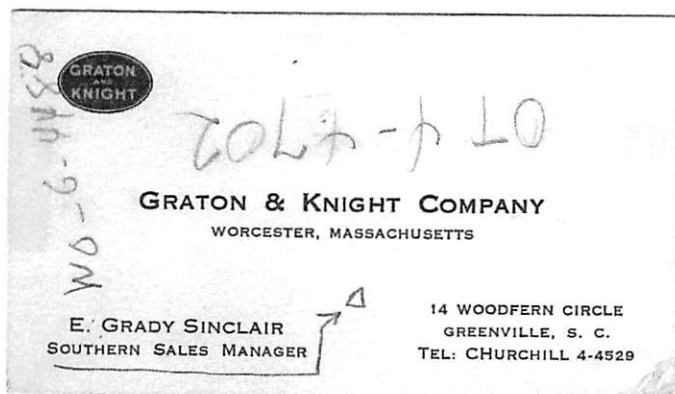
*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

Attachment #1 - An article in Book Review Section of New York Times on Little Gidding. - Filed with Little Gidding.

Attachment #2 - An article in 15 JUN 1977 "The Caswell Messenger" which mentions Ernest Frederick U S, is filed with his bio file.

Attachment #4 An article in The Caswell Messenger re Lydia Jacqueline Terry, placed in her bio file.



→ Write to this address for info 16 SEP 77 - R04

Back of Card Reads: "Aunt Mary [Mary Constance Strong] stopped by to say hell-o. Very very to hear about Uncle Fred [Ernest Frederick U S]. - Love Grady Sinclair, A<sup>7</sup>



# 3  
(4)



Zack Taylor of Cub Scout Pack 325 of the Yanceyville United Methodist Church was first place winner in the Cub Day Camp Rocket Space Derby held at Cherokee Scout Reservation August 6. Zack is shown with his Den Mother, Mrs. Joanne Upchurch of Leasburg. Zack competed with some 134 other Cub Scouters in the race.



2073 MIRAVAL QUINTO  
TULSON, AZ 85718  
JUNE 17, 1979

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
P.O. BOX 6652  
CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Lou,

Many thanks for your letter of May 26, 1979 and all of the materials. Norman Stronge U has also sent me the dates you requested of him. All of this is now properly incorporated in the files.

Provided herewith is the current version of my outline for the Nathan/Buster Upchurch Subdon. It is growing fat! I am most anxious to have additions, corrections, etc and will appreciate any help you can give.

Re Roy Wakefield U note the outline:

Gilbert Buster U → James B. U → Ernest F. U Sr → Emma Louie U  
→ Walter H. U → Roy Wakefield U

So you and Roy are 3rd Cousins!

Re James Bartlett U - was his wife Rebecca Jamie Creel or Jamie Rebecca Creel - I have it both ways. Also I have a little map showing where James Bartlett U lived - will be happy to make a copy of same for you if you desire.

Do you have any idea as to why your father left Cary NC and moved west?

I have just returned from a trip to the Middle East (N. Yemen) and had a chance for a quick visit to Little Gidding in England - Most exciting. On June 30, 1979 our oldest son is getting married - a lot of excitement in our household!

All the Best to you & Tyman - let me hear from you. Sincerely yours Phil Upchurch  
ROBERT P. UPCHURCH

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P. O. Box 6652  
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22901

May 26, 1979

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Phil,

Lyman and I were so happy to hear from you. Please know that even though we don't write very often, we continue to be very interested in your work on the Upchurch family. I only wish we could be more helpful. Lyman hopes to get his research on his grandfather's family completed sometime this year.

Looking at the charts you sent earlier there are a few changes. I will just list them as I think of them and hope you will be able to put in proper order without too much trouble.

- △ 1. Ernest Frederick Upchurch, Sr. Born August 14, 1877, Died June 27, 1960
- △+△ 2. Margaret Upchurch Shaw and H. E. Shaw are now divorced.

- { 3. Myra Upchurch Deane and Charles Bennett Deane, Jr. have the following children: C. Bennett, III  
Winston Norman  
Mathew  
Jason

(I am sending a copy of your letter to my brother and his wife and asking them to mail you birth dates for their children and grandchildren)

- △ 4. William Manning Upchurch is the older of the two sons of J.B. U., Sr. and Carolyn Moore Upchurch. He and his wife Lydia now have a daughter, Kenyetta

- △ 5. James B. Upchurch, Jr. and his wife Joanne now have in addition to their two sons a daughter, Carrie Elizabeth

- △ 6. Fred Moore Upchurch and his wife, Judith Golden Upchurch have the following children: Claire born June 23, 1960  
△ Brian born January 1964

- △ 7. Bettie Jane Upchurch Lee and her husband, Dr. J. G. Lee have the following children: Linda born April 4, 1960  
△ Laura born August 26, 1962

REC'D  
1 JUN 1979  
SEE  
NORMAN STROPE U.

In addition I am enclosing a few bit of information you might find interesting:

FILED WITH  
ROY WAKEFIELD  
U SR

A. An obituary on Dr. Roy Upchurch in one of the Va. Medical Journals. Lyman made this copy for you in the UVA Medical Library. Later he hopes to get one from the Danville papers which might give names of children. I know he <sup>is</sup> a member of the Nathan line as he and his father Walt were always rather close to my father.

FILED WITH  
NORMAN  
STROUPE U.

B. An article from the Caswell Messenger about the golden wedding anniversary of my brother and his wife.

C. My brother is quite a story teller and is often asked to speak before local civic groups. I wish he had been more family history oriented as he would have been a good source of information. Maybe you will be in the Yanceyville area sometime and can go by and talk with him. (SEE NEWSPAPER CLIPPING 28 DEC 1978)

Filed with  
ERNEST  
FREDERICK  
U SR

D. Marriage license for my mother and father. You may have a copy of this already. Note that C. A. Upchurch was the minister.

FILED WITH  
JAMES BARTLETT  
U

E. Marriage license for my grandparents.

You wrote that you would send updated charts to me. I would certainly be delighted to have them, however, don't let me impose. I know that it takes a lot of time and money to produce these. What can I do to help in someway?

This is all very sketchy and ill organized material I am sending so don't hesitate to ask for clarification on anything you don't understand.

All the best to you and your family,

*Emmy Lou*

Emmy Lou Priest  
[EMMA LOUISE U)



2013 MIRAVAL QUINTO  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
MAY 19, 1979

MRS L. W. PRIEST  
P.O. BOX 6652  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Joe,

I have been reviewing the correspondence you and I have had over the past two years and think that all of the information you have transmitted is properly cross-referenced, coded, etc. The material you have sent is most appreciated.

On September 4, 1978 I sent to you a set of charts. Is it possible that you have some corrections, additions to the charts you could send me? In the meantime I have added some more information to my originals. I will be happy to send you an update but if you have more information it would be nice to include that first. You can tell from the charts what kinds of dates, locations are needed? I know it is hard to get a lot of people to correspond and that is why I value your letters. Most people respond better from a note or a phone call.

Best wishes to you and Lynn

Sincerely yours  
Phil Delmuth  
ROBERT P. UPCHURCH

2073 MIRAVALL QUINTO  
TUCSON, AZ 85718  
November 23, 1978  
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Mrs L. W. Prieit  
P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Emmy Jean

Thanks for your recent note about  
Darr Upchurch. He seems to be a talented  
individual. Hope we can learn more about  
his Upchurch line.

I have been very fortunate in getting  
a lot of Upchurch information recently.  
on a recent trip to Raleigh some time  
was spent with several "old-timers".  
Had a wonderful session with Billy  
Kelly on what she remembered about  
Nathan's descendants. Now have many  
details to collate. Also visited Mrs T. R.  
Pach in Raleigh. She gave me a picture  
of William Clendon U. He was a very  
prominent business man in Raleigh in  
mid 19th century. He was Uncle of your  
James Barlett U.

Have a nice holiday.

Phil Upchurch

My sister-in-law sent this in a recent letter and I thought you might like to have a copy. I believe it is from the Greensboro Daily News. I don't know Dan Upchurch but he certainly sounds interesting.

Emmy Lou Priest

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(I already had  
copy of the clipping  
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Photo by Paul Phillips

an Upchurch, A Master Craftsman, And 'Birds' (Top)

*Even The Feathers Are Carved To Scale*

## They Are Of Wood

# His Birds Look Ready To Fly

RALEIGH — The term master craftsman is usually a designation for one particular craft.

This is not true for Dan Upchurch, who teaches art therapy at Holly Hill Hospital here. Upchurch teaches many crafts, from pottery to needlepoint — you name it.

North Carolina is famous for its handicrafts, from the historic Outer Banks to the mile high pinnacles of the Great Smoky and Blue Ridge mountains.

Upchurch is now devoting his personal time to carving birds. "I am primarily interested in waterfowl, upland game birds and song birds," Upchurch pointed out.

The birds are his piece de resistance. They look as if they are ready to fly, and it takes a second and even third glance to make sure they aren't real. With a touch like cotton, he has carved quail that appear to have just been flushed. His songbirds look like they could give out a melodious tune. All the birds are carved to exact scale, and each feather weighs the same as a live bird's. He sometimes uses a caliper to get the exact thickness of a feather.

Upchurch has natural talent. He feels his background in floral design has been helpful in carving the birds.

"I have done ice carvings and made birds out of Styrofoam," Upchurch added. "While working in floral design in New York, I entered the Society of American Florists exhibition. You had to make a natural surrounding for one of the Boehm (world famous porcelain) birds. Mine was the common tern, and I guess people thought I was crazy picking up every little pebble

I could find on the streets of New York."

Upchurch finished second in the nation in the contest.

His passion for creating birds began about two and one-half years ago. "The first bird I carved was a cardinal. I'll never sell it. I can look at the cardinal and see where I have come from and where I'm going," he said.

It would be unfair not to mention some of his other crafts. He does needlepoint with his own wool dyed from walnut, hickory nuts, onions and marigolds and other items. "Anything synthetic turns me off. There are so many things in nature that we can use," Upchurch added.

He makes pine needle baskets that remain green. "The secret is to pick the needles while green and put them in the dark to dry. They will dry green." He has also made baskets with ceramic bottoms and macrame coiling on top. He was making cornhusk flowers 15 years ago, and now it is a very popular craft.

Back to the birds. He puts in from 60 to 100 hours on each bird, depending on the species and the detail. He has a pair of quail that are priced at \$1,000 each. The feet are made of brass and silver solder and filed with a jeweler's file. One of his tools is the simple fingernail file.

Right now he is working on a goose which is his biggest bird to date. He wants to finish it by State Fair time, Oct. 13-21, as he has been asked to display his birds in the Village of Yesteryear.

"That goose may be my undoing," he admits. "The primary

feathers have given me a fit. Many a time I wanted to grab that goose by the neck and throw it right through the window."

The birds are carved from square blanks using basswood and white pine. Fifteen of his birds are in collections, and he has about 20 at home. The lowest price for one of his feathered jewels is \$300.

"You know," Upchurch said with a laugh, "I'm going to have to build me a studio. It gets pretty hard working on the dining room table, but then so many crafts can be made in cramped places."

Where does he get information on the birds? "Pictures, paintings, museums, observation of birds and skins. I don't mind if they eat the bird as long as they give me the skin and feathers," he added.

With a broad smile he said, "I know every flaw in my birds, but I'll never tell."

Does he have an ultimate goal? "Yes, I would like to do a covey of quail and a pair of wood ducks in flight." Upchurch says he would like to retire to a place like Ocracoke to do his carvings.

"You know if there is reincarnation, I would like to come back as a pretty bird instead of the buzzard I am," he added.

If he were to come back as a bird, you can wager the coins in the cookie jar, he would be a perfect one.

That's the way Upchurch makes his birds.

Masterpieces in wood!

P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

October 30, 1978

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

Thank you so much for your letter of September 4 and the accompanying family charts. I plan to make enough copies so that all interested members of my family can have one.

I still say that your Sallaine must be the most patient of women. Lyman plans to finish a book on his grandfather's family within the next 18 mos. Much of the time it is not at all difficult for me to suppress my enthusiasm.

Your summer must have been very interesting especially the trip to Yemen. Our Foreign Service assignments were all in Europe and I sometimes regret that we didn't get the chance to see some of the more exotic areas. Does your work ever put you in touch with any of the FAO (or is it FOA) people? A friend of ours, Peter Hendry, is in Rome as editor of their publication Ceres (I think that is the name). I remember that when in Washington he spoke at many universities around the country.

Enclosed are two additional items for your files. No. 1 is a copy of a page from the History of Brunswick County. I believe that Mr. Carl Upchurch might be the last of the Michael descendants in that area. I sent this to Mrs. West some time ago. She called him and he was very nice and friendly but I don't think she heard further from him. No. 2 Annual Report of Friends of Little Gidding. This was the home of the Ferrar family. I don't know what connection the Upchurch family had with the Ferrars but some of Michael's letters were found among the family papers. Also he came to America about the same time as the Colletts who were nephews of Nicholas Ferrar. In any case for this alone I felt somewhat indebted and followed in Mrs. West's footsteps in joining the Friends. I sort of hope that you will also someday.

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I am more than grateful for your efforts on behalf of the Nathan line. If ever Lyman and I can help in anyway, let us know. After all we are cousins.

Lyman had an Income Tax Audit this year and the IRS man who called to say everything was o.k. turned out to be a genealogist himself and talked at length on the phone. Maybe it is not a hobby but a madness.

Sincerely,

*Emmy Lou Priest*

Emmy Lou Priest (Mrs. L. W.)

2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718  
September 4, 1978

Mrs. L. W. Priest  
P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Mrs. Priest:

Thanks for the September 1953 article on your father provided with your August 19, 1978 letter. This has been added to his biographical file which is getting fat.

Since we last corresponded I have revamped converted my family relationship material from a card file system to a flat sheet system. Provided herewith is a general write-up on the Nathan Clan, the section pertaining to Nathan's grandson Gilbert Burtis U., and follow-on sheets 16-23 for James Bartlett U. These are the sections which are of most direct concern to you. These are for your files. Any additions, corrections you can provide will be appreciated. The information sequence is name, birth date, birth place, death date, death place, burial place, marriage date, marriage place, individual to whom married, death date, death place, burial place.

In late June I spent several days in NC working on genealogy. All very rewarding. Since then I have been going through all the Wake County, NC census records on a systematic basis. When the extracts are completed and digested much new information should be available about Upchurch relationships.

I have just returned from a two week visit to Yemen and we have just dispatched the last of the kids off to college. Perhaps Sallaine and I can now collect our wits.

Please let me hear from you again.

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Upchurch

Enclosures



P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

August 19, 1978

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

I suppose my father might have been considered something of a vanguard civil rights attorney. One of the more sensational of his cases was the famous "Rape by Leer" case which made all US and almost all foreign newspapers of any note.

I have just recently written the Librarian at Hampton Institute and received a copy of an article about the case which appeared in the Sept. 1953 issue of Ebony magazine. I am enclosing a copy of the page which shows a picture of my father with the defendant. It is possible that it might be of some historical significance and I thought you might like a copy for your biographical files.

Sincerely,



Mrs. L. W. Priest

2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, Arizona 85718  
April 3, 1978

Mrs. L. W. Priest  
P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Mrs. Priest:

Many thanks for the material provided in your letters of February 6, 1978 and March 12, 1978. This has now been incorporated and cross referenced in my Upchurch biographical files. Some of the names were new to me.

I was fortunate to have a short stay in North Carolina in late February. Saw Mrs. West briefly. Spent a day in Oakwood Cemetery in Raleigh. My great uncle William G. Upchurch was one of the original shareholders when it was founded in 1869. William Clinton U., son of Burtis U. and Uncle of your James Bartlett U., has a very nice plot in the cemetery. He was prominent in Raleigh for many years and his name appears frequently in the minutes of the First Baptist Church in Raleigh for the period 1840-1870.

Anything you can send me from time to time will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Upchurch

P. O. Box 6652  
Charlottesville, Va.  
22901

March 12, 1978

Dr. R. P. Upchurch  
2073 Miraval Quinto  
Tucson, AZ 85718

Dear Dr. Upchurch:

Each time Lyman brings home a document or book for his own research I always scan it for Upchurch names -- hence the enclosed.

Perhaps you already have these names from other sources but I would rather risk duplicating than have you miss something which might be of interest.

Of the Upchurches listed I only knew Dr. Roy Upchurch of Danville, Va. He was the son of Watt Upchurch, an undertaker, of Oxford, N. C. Dr. Upchurch died soon after my father. He was survived by at least three children by his first marriage but I don't think any of them live in Danville.

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RDY U = Δ  
WALTER H. U = Δ  
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I often heard my parents speak of Dr. "Bob" Upchurch of Henderson, N. C. and of Merrimon Upchurch.

WILLIAM MERRIMON U.

Lyman was told that the University of Va. will soon publish another register of Alumni.

Sincerely,

*E. Priest*

Mrs. L. W. Priest

engaging in gen. farming and stock trading account ill health; Mason; Pythian; Baptist.

**TYSON, LUCIAN PERRON** *Merchant*  
Carthage; A.E. 1911 as of 1893; s. 1829-31; b. Carthage, Dec. 31, 1842; capt. C. S. A.

**TYSON, THOMAS BURWELL**  
Elm st., Carthage; s. 1920-23; b. Carthage, July 29, 1902; p. Thomas Bethune and Mary Evelyn (Burwell); Episcopallian.

**TYSON, WILLIAM SHERRON**  
534 Green st., Greenville; B.S. 1921; b. Greenville, Feb. 10, 1903; p. Richard Albert and Clyde (Perkins); Alpha Tau Omega; Baptist.

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**UMSTEAD, WALTER WILLIAMS** *Foreman*  
Durham; pres. care Compania Colombiano de Tobacco, Medellin, Colombia, S. A.; A.B. 1908; b. Durham, Nov. 6, 1887; p. A. K. and Edna Williams (Harris); cotton mill 1908-11; foreman, British-Amer. export leaf and imperial tob. co. 1911-16; miller 1916-20; foreman, Amer. tob. co. 1920; Compania Colombiano de Tobacco 1924; Shriner; Elk; Methodist.

\***UNDERHILL, HENRY PLATO** *Physician*  
From Selma; Wendell; b. Oct. 13, 1877; d. Nov. 18, 1921; s. m. 1898-1900; M.D. Univ. Col. of med., Richmond, 1901; co. health officer, Pamlico.

\***UNDERHILL, WINGATE** *Teacher*  
From Selma; Kinston; Wilmington; b. Wakefield, Jan. 19, 1872; d. Oct. 28, 1909; A.B. 1897; g. s. 1904-09; co. supt. schs. Pamlico, 1899-1900; prin. Union H. S.

†**UNDERWOOD, ALVIN DUKE**  
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Fayetteville; s. 1918; Episcopallian.

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R.F.D. 3, Apex; s. m. 1902-04; M.D. Univ. of Md. 1906; b. Chatham co., July 9, 1884; p. H. E. and Mary — — —; Mason; Woodman; Junior; Baptist.

**UPCHURCH, FRANK DREW** *Lawyer*  
Fernandina, Fla.; s. 1915-17; LL.B. Univ. of Fla. 1913-15; b. Racepoint, Ga., Feb. 25, 1891; p. John Jones and Susan Katherine (Hawkins); m. Esther Davis, Dec. 29, 1920; Phi Delta Theta; lawyer Fernandina, Fla., 1919; mem. Fla. house of

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rep. 1920-21; U. S. marine corps, enlisted 1917; pvt. Paris Island, S. C., and Pensacola, Fla.; corp. 1918, 2nd lieut. 1918; served in Santo Domingo; resigned 1919; Nason; Methodist.

**UPCHURCH, LONNIE MILTON** *Teacher*  
Terra Cela; s. 1914-17; b. New Hill, June 19, 1891; p. Isom Paschal and Mollie Elmira (Powell); m. Edith Delle Lewis, Feb. 13, 1919; Phi Soc.; track; real est.; prin. Consolidated H. S.; 1st O. T. C. Lt. Oglethorpe; with 317 mach. gun bat., Columbia, S. C.; transf. to 3rd anti-aircraft mach. gun bat. Spartanburg, S. C., and replacement unit, Macon, Ga.; discharged 1919; Baptist.

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Henderson; Ph.G. 1901-01; Jefferson Med. col.; b. Apex, Jan. 22, 1881; p. W. B. and Sallie (Chambers); m. Maria Parris, June 27, 1916; Baptist.

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**UPTON, ROBERT H., JR.** *Bookkeeper*  
Fayetteville; s. 1921-22; b. July 26, 1902; Methodist.

**URQUHART, BURGESS** *Farmer*  
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**URQUHART, RICHARD ALEXANDER**

*Farmer*  
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Chadbourne; pres. Elm City; s. 1919-20; b. Cumberland co., Mar. 18, 1898; p. Chas. Augustus and Josephine (Thams); at pres. drug clerk; Shriner; Baptist.

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Jacksonville, Fla.; s. 1891-93.

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