

① Olive Ada Stevens 30 NOV 1904 and 1922 William Henry Morgan b 25 JAN 1898. d 16 MAR 1979 son of Fred Otto and Viola (Weckart) Morgan. Fred and Viola were both divorced and both remarried. Fred and Alice Summitt and they had two daughters. Bill was reared with his two half-sisters. He enlisted in the Army prior to WWI and was stationed in PA and and later in the South Pacific. The ship was at sea when the boiler exploded killing more than 200 sailors. Not all the lifeboats could be launched. Bill was in the water seven hours before rescue. During the war his ship was torpedoed and they had to abandon ship. The entire crew plus a thousand soldiers were taken off by the escort ships in just 20 minutes. Bill worked with his Dad in the Sheep Commission firm at the stockyards in Kansas City. Later, they were in Denver CO for his health for some four years before his death. Burial Mt. Washington Cem. Kansas City, MO. There were two children. After his death, Ada returned to work at the Telephone Co, retiring in 1968 with the title of school consultant. Ada was daughter of Eliza W. Stevens of George/Shoshone U. Clan. (29, pg 109).

OLIVE ADA STEPHENS

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② 7 APR 1985  
RPH called Mrs Charles Edward White (nee Mary Kathryn Morgan) dau of Olive Ada Stephens - 913-541-9166  
10517 King St, Overland Park, KS 66214. To inquire  
about health of Ada. Mary says that her mother  
has just today returned from the hospital where  
she had a ~~stomach~~ <sup>colorectal</sup> cancer operation. Also Ada has  
Alzheimer's disease which she does not admit.  
Mary agrees that I should write in the UB that  
Ada is ill and cannot correspond. Mary agrees  
it would be fine for me to dedicate an issue  
of the UB to Ada. Mary will send a picture  
and some details; Mary is cheerful & wants  
to help but not to get too involved. She has  
a new grandchild due in 4 weeks.

③ See Photo File 85-23 for picture of Olive Ada Stephens

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**Subject:** Olive Morgan Photo

**From:** "Tom Upchurch" <tupchurch41@charter.net>

**Date:** Sat, Jun 22, 2013 8:20 pm

**To:** <phil@upchurchstory.com>

**Attach:** Olive Ada Stevens Morgan.jpg

Phil,

This is the photo of Olive Morgan. I am happy we have it.

The rest of the search for Joe Mcgee Upchurch, Etta Belle West, and Martha Upchurch Tidd photos has been frustratingly non productive so far, except for a promise of material from Charles Tidd III.

Tom

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Olive Ade Stevens Moxon

O LIVE ADA STEVENS

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- Note that three letters Oline Ada Stevens → Melva Davis  
w provided to RPA by Melva in her Ltr 17 JAN 1992  
have not been completely extracted. However, I  
assume Ada got most of the facts into her  
Upshur's Book. Dates of the letters 1 AUG 1973,  
25 AUG 1973, 11 MAR 1974 - RPA

Item in the 17 JAN 1992 Melva Davis & RPA  
originally from Olive Ada Stevens &  
Melva

August 1, 1973

Dear Melva:

I thank you for sending the pictures. I arrived home from Wisconsin on Sunday. Your letter was here and the pictures came yesterday. My nephew died July 25. I was in Coopersville, having come there from Knoxville.

I caught an overnight bus in Nashville for Chicago and was in Wisconsin at my sister's at noon the following day after they called me. The funeral was Saturday, ~~Nov~~ <sup>Dec</sup> 6, 1919.

Perhaps next June we (you and I) might do the Counties in Tennessee I had planned to do this year. We have three Upchurches listed this year in KC directory. For many years we had none, then one appeared. I talked to his wife, a War bride of WWII from Germany. He would not give any information nor answer a form I sent with SASE enclosed (self-addressed stamped envelope). She told me his parents were from North Carolina.

I have studied the picture of the group in the buggy, wagon and carriage. Were they on the way to church? There are at least

three riders on horseback. Is the one at the extreme left a man or woman? Was Mrs a preacher? Who is the little girl Temperance is holding? About what year was it taken? At what church did he preach? I am glad Temperance was not wearing a hat to shade her face. On the other picture, are they all children of Avery Ellen and Sidas Melton Upchurch the girl Marnie Lain or Marnie Louise Hammond, not Hammond's? Do you know about when the picture was taken? It is very clear and close up. Do you think the group with horses might have been taken in the church yard? I might identify it as Moses Upchurch, riding horseback, at ~~left~~ right of center wearing derby hat, has moustache, was minister of the \_\_\_\_\_ Church. His wife Temperance is seated in the carriage at right with little girl in her lap. Other in the picture are members of the Congregation, not identified. - I don't believe the identifying arrows will show up in the copy.

Thank you so much for sending them. I will take care and return them after they are copied to the book.

Most sincerely,

Ade Morgan Cover

OLIVE ADA STEVENS

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Item in file 17 JAN 1992 Melva Davis U D RPA  
originally from Olive Ada Stevens & Melva

August 25-1973

Dera Melva:

After writing the other day I decided to write up what I have on Moses and Temperance Upchurch family. I intend to treat the grand children separately. After #9 I will say Ahile Upchurch Family and start with #10 and so on. The main reason for writing is I read the account again of Silas as he gave his testimony and he said "One of my brothers was with me". So that brother must have been Moses. I was remembering his mentioning his brother Joe, but that was later when Champ stopped by his brother Joe's house and took some horses. And Michael D must be "Dion" as mentioned by your grandfather, He may have been mixed up about the war part, recalling that one of his uncles died in the war. I cannot find the Michael D on any other Census and I have the Upchurches pretty well copied on the Censuses. That William T. b 1854 would fit the description of the parent of Mary Pearl, daughter of William Thomas Upchurch. Only William T. was supposed to have a brother George Washington Upchurch and there is no GWU in this family. William T first married Victoria Prewitt (they think her name was Prewitt. William T thought the child was not his and he divorced her. Later he married Mary Pearl's mother Sarah Elizabeth Edens. Mary Pearl also thought William T. had an older brother or relative in the army when he ran away and stayed with the soldiers during the Civil War. Could this be Dion?

Sorry, my typewriter must be feeling the heat. It is electric and I have typed several letters.

George W. (W.T.'s brother, married Sarah Jane Riley and they lived in Pickett County. Mary Pearl said her father was always fond of the cousin named Hyle, which may explain why they remembered him. She recalls once her father came home from a trip to Albany, telling them about seeing his cousin Hyle at a stock sale, and commenting about him and his family.

When I was in Frankfort this summer I found the first family of W.T. on the 1880 Census. I mean the second family.

Jesse Bow	age 33	b Ky	
Victoria Bow	26	b Ky (1854)	wife
Tavy Upchurch	age 9	Ky	step-daughter
James	"	6 Ky	step-son
William Bow	"	1 Ky	son
Lula B	"	1/12 Ky	dau

Now, assuming William T is the son of Moses, he could very well have been at home by the time of the 1880 Census, having divorced his first wife and she remarried in time to have a one year old son in 1879. W.T. married his second wife July 16, 1878 in Celina Tenn. Does any of this ring a bell with any members of the family? I can't explain why he is at home in 1880 if he married in Celina the year before. His brother George W. married Sarah Jane Riley. He was born about 1852. I think there are two boys here who have very carefully covered their tracks. If they were not brothers, I could make a case out of several different William T. and George W.'s. Please pass this on to your aunt in Spiceland, perhaps your grandfather might recall a fragment which might fit in.

Sincerely,

Ada

(over)



OLIVE ADA STEVENS

Item in file 17 JAN 1992 Melva Davis & RAM  
originally from Olive Ada Stevens & Melva  
Dear Melva!

11 MAR 1974

Before I know it, it will be August and you will be off to Europe on your great adventure. That should be the chance of a lifetime. Enjoy!

Our beginning in England seem to follow this pattern:

1. John Upchurch Colchester, Essex his son:
2. Thomas Upchar Dedham, Essex son:
3. Michael Upcher " " son:
4. Richard Upcher " " son:
5. Richard Upchurch Godmanchester son:
6. Michael Upchurch Little Gidding and Virginia Colony, America

You will find at Cambridge in the Old Records Library the letter sent from Virginia to England addressed to "For my hon'rd friend Mr. Farrer liveing in Little Gidden in Hunting:sh. Leave this at Mr. Nicholas Colletts in Lombard Street at the White Hinde.. nere the Cardinals Capp".

The college is Magdalene College, Cambridge. Dr. Maycock was in charge of the old records but I understand he is deceased now. Several of the early Upchurches attended college at Ely, Queens College, Easter Term of 1612, James Upsher of Ely received his B.A. in 1614. Richard Upsher was another grad of Queens College. The baptisms in Essex start in 1560 for Upcher. I believe Essex is now apt of London. The real heart of the Upchurches is at Little Gidding. I have never been to England but if I could go that would be my first stop. Most of the names are spelled Upcher in Dedham, Essex but in Cambridgeshire and Huntingtongshire they are Upchurch. They are at Fordham, Wake Colne, Mt. Bury Cogeshall, Chelmsford, Dedham, Colchester, Great Tey, Kelvedon all Essex, and a host more.

In 1620/1 Thomas Upcher of Colchester married Anne Ayre in London, 2-13-1620/1 daughter of Robert Ayre.

I would love to have a picture of Upchurch church, Upchurch, Kent County (Shire). There are no Upchurch names there now but Hasted's Halsted? History of Kent County has the name of

△ Henry de Upchurch who was a curate of the church in 1602.

Have a wonderful trip.

11 March 1974

Ada Morgan

12 SEP 1983

MRS WILLIAM H MORGAN  
 10750 GLENWOOD ST  
 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66212

Dear Cousin Ada,

Recently I have had several exchanges of letters with Mrs Nedra Jean (Zybach) Brown of Fort Worth, TX. She is a descendant of Mary Jane Upchurch and Bertha Lee Upchurch. A sketch is as follows:

- I. Nesheth Jones and Mary Jane Upchurch  
 A. William Columbus Jones, Sr and Bertha Lee Upchurch  
 11 children

We think Mary Jane Upchurch was a Texan but we know Bertha Lee Upchurch came from KY and I thought you might have some information on her.

Bertha Lee Upchurch was born 8 AUG 1884 in Monticello, Wayne Co, KY and then married William Columbus Jones, Sr. They then moved to Washington Co, OK and eventually on to TX. Bertha was the daughter of \_\_\_\_\_ Wright. She was adopted by \_\_\_\_\_ Upchurch. She had a brother Hal Upchurch (son of her adopted father?). Bertha is said to be part Indian. Can you shed any light.

I am pleased to have this excuse to write to you as I have not heard from you in several months. I trust this finds you well and enjoying life.

Uplund genealogy continues to fascinate me and to absorb all of my spare time. It is amazing just how many people have become part of the group that has descended from Michael Uplund. I am especially aware of the tremendous contribution you have made to Uplund history.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Uplund

[ROBERT PATRICK UPLUND]

March 16, 1982

REC'D 27 MAR 82

Dear Phil -

Enclosed is the reimbursement of postage for ~~for~~ the Kapak which arrived safely at Kay. Thank you so much for sending it registered as I asked. I am having quite a time with ~~my~~ my mail, letters opened, letters don't arrive etc. I am glad you had it copied before ~~it~~ got away that it too might be already lost in route.

I am looking forward to the CB ~~which~~ goes in the mail today.

You may look in ~~an~~ another LP church the name of my Great Grandson - <sup>in 1982</sup> Morgan Michael Hubl, born 4-January and who, at 2 mo's, gives us ~~the~~ smiles for the asking.

I have given him a Racking horse, a Play Pen and some wearing apparel among the clothes is a T. Shirt with the motto - ~~A~~ Morgan:

If the most ~~need~~ incredible HULL of ~~the~~ them all. (a take-off from The Incredible Hulk)

Please overlook what ever it is that ruins my ~~work~~ writing and rocks my spelling. I am glad the LP story is of benefit to you. Best to you both  
Ada.

REC'D ch  
#5219 dated  
16 MAR 1982  
signed Ada  
Morgan  
for 4.73  
1 Ph  
333-5673

23 MAR 1982

MRS WILLIAM H. MORGAN  
8916 WALNUT STREET  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64114

Dear Ada

Thank you for your letter of 16 MAR 1982 and for the \$4.75. The check really was not necessary but since you sent it I will deposit same.

How nice that you have a new great grandson. I have given him his own XID Number 3761.

We had our first grandchild a week ago yesterday (30 MAR 1982) - Heather Jane Schuler. We are delighted!

Now that I have returned to my outline for your line I see some missing items. Could you help me with the following:

- 1) Where was Morgan Michael Hull born?
- 2) I assume that you have only the two grandchildren - Melinda & Mark and that Melinda has only the one child and that Mark is not yet married - Right?
- 3) For Roger C. Hull
  - a) what does "C" stand for, where & when born?
  - b) where were he & Melinda married?
- 4) For your daughter - Mary Kathryn Morgan
  - a) where born & where married?
  - b) where was her husband Charles born?
- 5) For your daughter - Elizabeth Jane Morgan
  - a) where born, where died?
  - b) where buried?

- 6) For yourself -
  - a) where born?
  - b) when & where married? (I have only, and 1922)
  - c) where was William Henry Morgan born & where died?
- 7) For your brother Edward Monell Stevens
  - a) where born? where buried?
  - b) when and where married?
  - c) when & where was Ruth Rae Adamson born? If deceased - when & where & where buried?
- 8) For your sister Ida Mae Stevens
  - a) where born, where married, if deceased when & where & where buried?
  - b) where ~~was~~ William Thomas ~~also~~ born?, when did he die & where & where buried?
- 9) For your brother Willie Mackay Stevens
  - a) where born?
- 10) For your sister Iva Myrtle Stevens
  - a) where born, where married 1st & 2nd times?
  - b) For Kenneth Wayne Bahannon - where born, where died & where buried?
  - c) For Floyd Cole - his full name, exact date of marriage, birth & death (I have 1941, 1901, 1957) and where born & where buried?
- 11) For your sister Iva Irene Stevens
  - a) where born, where died?
- 12) For your brother Clyde Albert Stevens
  - a) where - born, died, buried?
  - b) Date & place for the two marriages?
  - c) Full names of her 2 wives, + date & place of birth - Are they still living?

I surmise not all of the above is readily available - will appreciate anything you can send.

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

OLIVE ADA STEVENS

30 AUG 1981

MRS WILLIAM H MORGAN  
8916 WALNUT ST  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64114

Dear Ada,

It has been some time since we have exchanged letters but I think of you often and have your book close at hand for reference at all times. I am collecting substantial amounts of information on the Upchurches but it is hard to keep the processing of the material up to date.

I am writing now because I just received a copy of the obituary for Public Upchurch of Fenton Co, TN (Oscar Public U. Sr. who d. 28 NOV 1976). In the writing-up there is a statement that one of her ancestors "George U" married the daughter of Cherokee Chief "Nika". This does not fit with your book and I wonder if you have ever read or heard this story before. If we have some Cherokee blood we should be proud of it but I just cannot make sense out of this. Can you shed any light on the source of the information, or on its validity or relevance? All the best

Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

ANNOUNCING  
SECOND PRINTING OF  
THE UPCHURCH STORY

FROM 24 JAN 1980 LTR  
Eda Harriet Shepherd  
DRPH

The second edition of THE UPCHURCH STORY will be off the press on or about December 15th, 1978.

The book will have 326 pages with a new, easier to read Index. It will have a hard back cover of red linen and gold silk screen.

Some corrections have been made in the text and additions made where possible to do so.

The Upchurch Story is an account of our Upchurch ancestors in England and the arrival of our first ancestor in Virginia in 1650 or earlier.

From Virginia, eight families of Upchurches are traced into North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Alabama, Georgia, Texas, Missouri and just about every State in the Union, including Hawaii and Alaska.

The price of the book is \$15.65 postpaid. The supply is limited and orders will be taken on a first received-first sent basis. Delivery for Christmas giving cannot be guaranteed but every effort will be made.

Please send check or money order and fill in information needed below.

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11 JUN 1980

MRS OLIVE A. MOREAN  
8916 WALNUT ST  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64114

Dear Ada,

Thanks for your nice letter of June 3, 1980. It was kind of you to extend an invitation to your English friend and to go to so much trouble to entertain her. I know she appreciated it and had a good time.

The second issue of UB probably caused your letter in the mail. Your suggestion of more comments about unbridled situations is appropriate. Such entries would add interest and I'll work on that approach.

I would be most interested to see a copy of the Pedham History Book.

Do you have any key documents on George Upchurch (the Head of your class) which have not been published? Did he have a will? Even a will of one of his children would make a good item for UB. I would appreciate your suggestions on anything I might publish on the George class. There are quite a few members of the class who subscribe to UB and I

would like to keep them interested. Perhaps you have things which have come to light since you published Upchurch's story. If you have additional words about connections of family lines or new births, marriages, deaths or other such information I would be happy to put it into U. B.

I don't believe you sent me the address of the Upchurch & Son Jewelers in Colchester. I would be happy to have it. It is along with any other names and addresses you may have.

The Upchurch's Bulletin is working out reasonably well. Responses and comments have been good although we could use more subscriptions. Hopefully it can be improved over time.

I'll hope to hear from you soon. All the best!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

OLIVE ADA STEVENS

XID-4204

June 3, 1980

Answered  
11 JUN 1980

Dear R.P.:

Please accept my apology for quitting writing at just about the time I received the first Upchurch Bulletin. When it arrived I was in the midst of a mammoth project. Five minutes after reading it, it disappeared into one of the many boxes and bags which were carried to the basement for the duration.

"Duration" meant until order was restored and my guests from England were gone. When I was over there in 1977 I met a lady and corresponded with her for two years before she and an artist friend of hers decided to visit America, spending two weeks with me. Hence the frantic house renovation. I bought new linoleum for the kitchen, which was installed on time and a perfect job. Carpet for the living room was bought, the old to be put in to in the bedrooms. So- everything in the house had to be moved. The furniture from the two bedrooms went into the den, my office and typewriter in the third bedroom thus became inaccessible.

After all this was done the carpet layers called to say the carpet did not arrive as they had told me, it would be here from Dallas by Monday sure, in the meantime they would come over that evening and take up the carpet in the living room. So hurriedly I called the handy man back and we moved all furniture out of the living room. The pad was fairly new, it was to stay. I was not to walk on it except on a narrow path they made for me. I remained in that situation for one whole week waiting for them to come back. The carpet was here but they had appointments. Sat. was the earliest they could get back. My tax man came-"Come to the back door", I yelled to him. All traffic came to the back, like beggars, hat in hand.

My English guest knew nothing of all this. The other lady decided not to come, I had not met her; extended the invitation because I thought the one alone might have misgivings, visiting in a strange house in a strange country. The advanced age of the friend (88) was given as the reason. Now, I would have a bed instead of sleeping on the sofa as planned. I had told Betty that May would be fine, because I had objections to three other dates. (I was trying to show off K.C. at its best, she, I believe was trying to escape most of the bad weather there.) May turned out to be April 18 to May 4, she was only visiting here in Kansas City, nowhere else in these United States. It is no wonder I panicked. I prayed for no tornadoes. "Rain I will accept, but tornadoes, no, Torado Watch, No, warnings, NO!" He listened and gave us ideal weather, like summer. The only marring note, which I had not thought to mention to Him was the soiza grass would not turn green. It looked like dead straw. Two days after she left it was a deep green, the pride of Walnut Street.

I invited the nabors to meet her, asking for suggestions where to go to dine and what to see, so they came and had plenty to talk about. One nabor, sent his wife ahead (as planned) and he came later, dressed in a London Bobby suit, complete with helmet and white gloves. He told Betty the Queen had sent him to watch over her while she was over here. I had briefed Betty so she knew what to expect.

We took a tour of the city, visited most of the historical places, went to an opera, Romio and Juliet at the MUKC and tried to attend the Philharmonic at the Plaza but the last concert had been the week before. Kay had a dinner for her and Melinda had us for lunch. Everybody fell in love with her. We went to a garage sale (she said 'gar-awz), and bought a pair of shoes for twenty five cents that she wore every day afterward. In the stores, the clerks said they could listen to her all day.

Betty bought my book-she lives in Dedham where our people were in the 1500s. She called on the vicar sine returning home and he was quite impressed with the knowledge she possess of the Upchurches in Dedham. She also promised to send the Dedham in History book back to me. I did not find my copy. I hope it, the book, gets here in time for one of the issues of UB this year.

About the UB- I am sure you have had many compliments on the Bulletin It is easily followed, readable, and those wanting their lines complete can find connecting links. I liked it, and I am sure as time goes on, you will have many more subscribers and contributors. My only suggestion (not a criticism) is that perhaps, quotes from books or/and letters might add interest. Eg, page 167 of Upchurch Story sa an account of brothers one in the Union Army, the other in the Conferdate. Page 78 has an incident in the Civil War.#115 and footnote.

How am I on names? I have on hand the sales for 1980, the others are in one or 20 boxes.

I am sorry to have been so slow in writing and promise to to better. I am eagerly waiting for the next UB.

All best wishes for contuned success.

Ada Morgan

I liked Nathan's Will. Could the word be "to wit"? which sometimes is written "as follows to wit"  
In your comment (p 35) Willie and William are the ones most common.

The two book reviews were very well done

Did I send you the address of Upchurch and Son!  
Jewellers in Colchester? He did not subscribe to  
the Book, he might like the U.B. (I will have to hunt for the address)  
Off to mail 2 more Upchurch Story books.

Ada

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OLIVE ADA STEVENS

XFD-4204

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9 JAN 1983

Dear Cousin Ada,

I am trying to identify Joseph U b 5 DEC 1775 who must have been a 5th generation. Some circumstances point to the possibility of this Joseph as being the son of your ancestor Michael U III (XFD-159) who was the father of William U IV (XFD-160), George U (XFD-137), Elizabeth U II (XFD-2028) and Sherwood U (XFD-166). I am writing to ask if you have any basis for encouraging or discouraging speculation that Joseph U b 1775 may have been the son of Michael U III. Some observations are given below.

Joseph U b 1775 d in DeKalb Co, TN in 1850. His son Ambrose F. U (b 1804 d 1851 - Warren Co, TN) was executor but died and another son, Felix G U (b 1820 White Co, TN d 1878 Hamilton Co, IL) took over the executor spot. A third son was Enoch U b ca 1822 TN d 1882 Hamilton Co, IL.

Joseph U b 1775 is found on the 1800 Census in Rutherford Co, NC as the head of a household and he is the only person in it and he is listed as age 26-45. The fact that Sherwood U (XFD-166) was in Rutherford Co, NC before 1800 leads me to speculate that Joseph and Sherwood may have been related.



Regarding the possibility that Joseph U b 1775 could have been the grandson of Michael U III we would have to consider one of the 3 known sons of Michael U III to have been the father of Joseph U as follows:

1. Sherwood U - was b 1771 and hence was not old enough to be the father of Joseph U b 1775.
2. George U - He had a son Joseph U b 10 AUG 1800 and hence would not be the father of Joseph b 1775
3. William U IV. He died in 1787 in Wilkes Co, NC. His ~~children~~ children are listed in the will and there is no Joseph U shown - hence I am inclined to rule out William U IV as a father of Joseph U b 1775.

Regarding Michael U ~~III~~<sup>IV</sup> as a possible father of Joseph U b 1775 the ages would seem to fit OK. Michael U IV died in 1795 twenty year ~~before~~ after Joseph U was born. I don't have any idea when Michael U III was born but it seems reasonable that he could have had a son b in 1775.

Regarding the possibility that one of the 3 known brothers of Michael U III could have been the father of Joseph U b 1775 I have the following observations:

1. James U II (XFD-154). He died 1783. Was married but I know of no children. Could have been the father of Joseph U b 1775
2. Richard U II (XFD-152) (My Ancestor) b 1725 d < 1800. We know of 11 children but no Joseph. If there had been one I think we would have known it.
3. William U II (XFD-161) b 1735. Had 2 children who went to Granville Co, NC. Could have been father of Joseph.

Of course we could go to the other "arm" of the Upchurch family where there were 5 known 4th generation members of which two were males (James U III - XTO-155) (He had 5 children) and John U II (XTO-2062) (Married but ~~no~~ known issue).

The only thing that tends to tie Joseph U to 1775 to Michael U III is the fact that Sherwood U, a son of Michael U III, was known to reside in Putnam Co, NC or did Joseph U to 1775 and the ages do ~~not~~ fit. We need more hints can you help any?

By the way - can you tell me where Michael U III was on the 1790 census. He did not die until 1795. He should have been the head of a household in VA or possibly in a household headed by one of his children. As far as I know there was no Upchurch head of a household shown in VA on the 1790 census. Perhaps he was in the home of a married daughter.

Thanks for your renewal for Upchurch Bulletin in 1983. We'll hope for some breakthroughs.

Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
 [ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]