

JAMES

U, II

XID-154

○ Input from Anna Marie Crouch via Email 13 FEB 2010
Re the George U class ①

I. Michael U, I

A. Richard U, I

1. James U, I

△ a. James U, II

△ b. Michael U, III

△ i. George U, Head of class

△ ii. mldt Rachel Bethshares

Fourth Generation in America

Since much research on the Upchurch Family of Virginia and North Carolina has been completed, I am starting with George and Rachel Upchurch. This is a listing of their descendants. George and Rachel moved from Virginia to North Carolina and then on to Wayne County, Kentucky. All of their children moved to Wayne County, Kentucky and several moved from Wayne County, Kentucky to Fentress County, Tennessee.

3. George Upchurch was born about 1757 in Brunswick County, Virginia and died 1830-31 in Wayne County, Kentucky. His wife was Rachel Bethshares who was born about 1759 Brunswick County, Virginia. Rachel was the daughter of Thomas and Ruth Bethshares. George and Rachel were listed in the tax list of Brunswick County, Virginia in 1782 & 1788. They were living near his father Michael and Uncle James Upchurch in 1782 and 1788.

George and Rachel moved to Salisbury district, Iredell County, North Carolina before 1790. They were listed in the 1790 census of Iredell County, North Carolina with 4 sons under 16 and 1 daughter. They were also listed in the census records of 1800 and 1810 living in Iredell County, North Carolina. George sold his land in North Carolina to his sons, Moses, Thomas and Shadrack and moved to Wayne County, Kentucky.

George received his land grant of 100 acres on Little South Fork, Kentucky on 10-12-1814. He was listed in the census records of 1820 Wayne County, Kentucky. Listed in his household were 2 males 18-25, 1 male 26-44, 1 male 45+, 1 female 45+, there were 4 individual engaged in agriculture. George and Rachel are buried at the Little South Fork Cemetery in Cumberland County, Kentucky. Their children:

- △ 31. Lydia Upchurch born 1782 Virginia died ca 1845 Wayne County, Kentucky
- △ 32. Shadrack Upchurch born 1784 Virginia died ca 1863 Wayne County, Kentucky
- △ 33. Thomas Upchurch born 1788 Virginia died prior to 1855 Wayne County, Kentucky
- △ 34. Moses Upchurch born 1790 North Carolina died ca 1859 Wayne County, Kentucky
- △ 35. Miss Upchurch born ca 1792 North Carolina died by 1844 Wayne County, Kentucky → [RACHEL U]
- △ 36. John Upchurch born ca 1799 North Carolina died prior to 6-23-1873 Wayne County, Kentucky
- △ 37. Joseph Upchurch born 8-10-1800 North Carolina died 6-23-1873 Fentress County, Tennessee

○ Records for Upchurch Family members in Brunswick Co, VA in the 1700's - Rec'd 13 AUG 2009 by RPU from Margaret Lannie Hanis - without message. She phoned to say she was cleaning out her (appre.). These records are placed in the Brunswick Co, VA File. The key points are summarized below:

1. 1786 - 27 NOV Date of Bond for marriage of Thomas BETTSWERS and ELIZA UPCHURCH - Security & witness: PETER READ
2. 3 MAY 1787 Thomas Bettsheare and ELIZABETH UPCHURCH minister = JOHN KING
3. 19 managers listed on 4 FEB 1790 - Manager for all = JOHN KING including WILLIAM BROWN and ELIZABETH UPCHURCH
4. Family History Library Microfilm #29809 - Public Service Claim - Brunswick County [VA] Court Booklet - Pg 3
18 JUN 1781: James Upchurch claim for one saddle & bridle taken by PASCHALL GREENE when impressing horses by order of Gen'l Lassons - allowed per - - - 2.0.0

RPU COMMENTS - 9 SEP 2009

- 1+2 Above - already in RPU records. This Elizabeth U is Elizabeth U, II Head of Upchurch Clan #17 - She is D/o Michael U, III.
- 3 Above also in RPU Records - Elizabeth U - shown as UFU
4. Above also in RPU Records - somehow this James U was classed as [△]James U, III XID-155 (4th Generation) However, at this remove it seems the only could equally apply to his 1st cousin [△]James U, II XID-154

(C) MARRIAGE RECORDS FOR BRUNSWICK CO, VA - IN LTR
7 SEP 2007 Margaret Louisa Harris to RPH - Documents
extracted as below and placed in Geographical File.

A. THOMAS BETH SHEARS md 13 MAY 1787 (Brunswick Co, VA)

ELIZABETH u [She is Head of Upchurch Class No 17 and
D/o Michael u, III] - Date of Bond = 27 NOV 1786.

B. [△] WILLIAM BROWN MD 4 FEB 1790 (Brunswick Co, VA)

[△] ELIZABETH UPCHURCH

RPH NOTE: The above records are already in my profile system
However, there is no indication as to whom the
Elizabeth u who md 4 FEB 1790 fits into the Upchurch
Family. My observations as of 19 SEP 2007

#1 I cannot identify a new Elizabeth u in the 4th, 5th,
or 6th Generations who would be a fit. Thus
she could be a new addition.

#2 She could be a widow of an Upchurch male -
probably of the 4th or 5th Generation. [△] James u, II,
and [△] John u, II of the 4th Generation both had
wives named Elizabeth & both males died before
4 FEB 1790. There could have been other Upchurch
widows from the 4th Generation and possibly
some from the 5th Generation

#3 The Elizabeth u who md 4 FEB 1790 must be added
to the list of MISSING LINKS (UFU-VA)

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○ Items in file 2 SEP 2007 Margaret Louise Harris to RPU
(see her Brief for full sheet - the relevant Upchurch segment
has been reformatted as below):

FHL Film #29809

Public Service Claims
Brunswick County
Court Booklet

1781 June 18

James Upchurch claims for one saddle and bridle taken by
Paschall Grennell when carrying young horses by order of Govt.
Lawson allowed for

RPU TRANSCRIPTION:

2.0.0

18 JUN 1781 JAMES UPCHURCH claims for one
saddle and bridle taken by PASCHALL GRENN when
—young horses by order of Govt Lawson an allowed
for. 2.0.0. [Two Pounds]

RPU INTERPRETATION -

- It appears that James U was required to or willingly
provided a saddle & bridle for Government use
presumably during the Revolution. It appears his
claim was approved and he was paid 2 pounds.
- This James U could have been:
 - △ JAMES U d about 1783 (Brunswick Co, VA?) XED-154
 - or △ JAMES U d 1784 (Brunswick Co, VA) XID-155

JAMES

U, II

XID-154

○ Input in 17 SEP 2007 Margot Fannie Harris to RPU
Re land in Brunswick Co, VA held by Upchurches
in the 1700's

Brunswick Co.

Upchurch

James Upchurch I owned land on so. side of
Rattlesnake Creek (then Brunswick Co. from
NC state line) (later thought to be
located in Greenville Co. (\bar{p} 1780-81)
at extreme SW corner of Brunswick Co. —

COMMENTARY BY RPU: (18 SEP 2007)

my records do include a Δ JAMES U, I (XID-151) b 1685 (VA)
d 1765 (Brunswick Co, VA). Note that the record above
mentions the date 1780/1781 at which time James U, I
had been deceased 15⁺ years. Still - the reference could
be to him.

Alternatively there were two other Upchurches by the
name James who were in Brunswick Co, VA in
the 1750-1800 era. They were:

- Δ James U, III d 1784 (Brunswick Co, VA) XID-155
- Δ James U, II Δ 1783 (p Brunswick Co, VA) XID-154

① James U II is presumed to be son of James U I, grz of Richard U,
grz of Michael U I.

James U II bought 100 acres for £10 15 AUG 1774 recorded
24 JUN 1775 - Brunswick Co VA Deed Bk 10 p 114 or 164 "

Will of James U II was dated 15 SEP 1779 and probated 23 AUG 1783
naming his wife Elizabeth (28)

② "Michael III and James U-¹[↑] were registered as voting for
Burgesses in Dec 1768 in Brunswick, Co VA" (p26 in (28)).

③ See records obtained from RPL 23 FEB 1978 Visit to
Nat'l Soc Colonial Dames XVII Century office - Pg 15

Note: A, B, C, D below are assumed to relate to
XID-154 - Need more study, verification - RPL

(A) Brunswick Co Deed Bk 5 Pg 740 27 MAY 1755, REC 27 MAY 1755

James U of Meherrin Parish, Brunswick Co VA to
Peter Hines of the same Parish & Co. 117 acres in
Brunswick Co. on the south Side of Fontaine's
or Rattle Snake Creek. Said land was patented
by the said U. signed James (T)
mark U

(B) Brunswick Co Deed Bk 7 Pg 61 20 FEB 1762, REC 22 FEB 1762

Abraham James of Halifax Co NC to James U¹ of
Brunswick Co VA. 100 acres in Brunswick Co.

Bound: Benja Mosley, Thomas Bayns (?), Richard
Bennett - Signed Abraham James

Wit: Benja Mosley, Thos Mosley, Isaac Mosley.

(C) Brunswick Co Deed Bk 9 Pg 290 25 NOV 1764, REC 26 NOV 1764

Thomas Gilliam and his wife of Southampton Co VA to
James U of Brunswick Co VA 310 acres in Brunswick Co
on the South side of White Oak Creek. Said land was
patented 13 AUG 1773 by said Gilliam. Bound: Westward
Road on White Oak Creek, Aphundy Randloe (?) and

Harrison. Signed Thomas (X) Gilliam, Mary Gilliam

Wit: John Robinson, Henry Edmunds, Lewis Williamson,
John Tatum.

③ D Brunswick Co Deed Bk 10, Pg 167 (011401164) 1771, Rec 24 JUN 1773
 Bowles Dohins and Jemima his wife of Meherrin
 Parish Brunswick Co VA to James U [JAMES U II 4]
 same County & Parish. 100 acres in Brunswick
 Co. Part of a patent to the said Dohins
 15 AUG 1774. Signed Bowles Dohins.

E Pg 12 - Brunswick County, VA - will.
 1783 - James U - will made 15 SEP 1779
 wife - Elizabeth & Jesse Bremer (Exec (?))
 Everything to wife during life or widowhood - Then
 to John Nance, the son of Sally Smith
 & to James Smith the son of Wm Smith
 witnesses: John Bremer, Joes Rens, James Bremer
 Note: Will of Wm. Nance 17 NOV 1770 mentions son
 John Nance "that where I now live - also 390
 acres Mecklenburg Co. - Could James U have
 Sally have and Nance first and then Wm
 Smith? and had a Nance son and a Smith
 son? - BW.

- F 1748 - James U was on Poll list voting for representative
 to elect Burgesses OCT 1748 & APR 1749 - Pg 12
- G Deed Brunswick Co VA - 1755 - James U sold land
 to Peter Meier (James wife = Elizabeth) Bk 5 Pg 240 - Pg 12
- H Deed Brunswick Co VA - 1762 - James U bought (?)
 land from Abraham Jones of Halifax Co NC Bk 7 Pg 61
- ④ See Pg 35 of 2 FEB 1978 pts Elmer E. Burkhardt to RDC

A. "Note: Jesse Bremer was named with Elizabeth U as Executrix
 of the will of James U (XID-154) who died in 1783. Was the
 said Elizabeth of Jesse ?? I have done the Bremer line and
 I found no proof of such."

B. "1771 - James U junior (XID-154) of Meherrin Parish, Brunswick
 County of Dobbs and wife 57 acres on Sarswell (Squirrel)
 Swamp. This 150 acres described in the original Patent granted
 to Dobbs not given in this deed. Not sure this is
 the son of John U on the westward road."

(4) Continued

(C) Pg 37 -

Brunswick County VA - Personal Property Tax 5th Distinct

1782 James II \$1

1782 James II Jr. Squirrel Mouths, 1 cattle, 2 horses, 3 cattle

1783 James II Jr. 1 poll, 1 " , 2 " , 5 "

1783 James II Jr. died

Ben Sedletter 1 " 1 " 1 " , 3 " , 13 "

(Entry of Ben Sedletter here not understood - did he file for James II Jr.? - RPA)

(D) Pg 37 -? The James II called Jr. (XID-154) in the records was the one who purchased land in 1771 from Bowles Dobkins, Brunswick Co 100 acres and the land tax prorata he lived on the land until his death. The land went to John N Smith 1791 (N. for Nancy). This James who died in 1783 had children, they may have been daughters who married Nancy and Smith.

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(E) Pg 37 " Brunswick Co VA Land Tax 1782 James II \$1 (XID-154)
110 acres both Dist.

1782 - James II 100 acres (Alterations to books to 1781)

May 1 1783 to May 1 1784 Jas II Senr. 910 acres altered to 769

1787 - (Next Book) James II 100 acres - James Fletcher's Dist.

1788 - James II dec'd 100 acres - 1789 + 1790 = same.

Alterations for 1791 -- 100 acres of land taken from name of James II and charged to John N. Smith. Comment:

John, William and Michael seem to be the sons of James ^{XID-151} who married Elizabeth and died in Brunswick 1765. [Note: I show no son John but do show William + Michael - RPA].

should
then
be
XID-151
??
RPA

(5) Pg 29 Ray White, Jr - OCT 84

(6) See Pg 29 APR 1985 Charles E. Crowe to RPA

James II ↑ will 1783 - Brunswick Co, VA is cited in Virginia Wills & Administration 1632-1800 by Clayton Torrence.

COLONIAL II - 4TH GEN

- ⑦ See LTR 22 MAY 1987 Oliver Mengato II to RPA - copy
Tillman II section.

Brunswick Co, VA Order Book 1 Pg 475

Will of James II [James II, II] of Brunswick Co, VA
15 SEP 1779 Probated 24 AUG 1783 wife Elizabeth

Legatees: John Vance the son of Sally Smalls.

James Smalls the son of William Smalls.

wife Elizabeth and Peter Bremer, execs

Signed: James II [James II, II]

witt: John Bremer, Loder (X) Bremer, James Bremer.

Note: A Scenario could be:

I. James II and Elizabeth —

A. Dan and — Smalls

1. Sally Smalls and — Vance

a. John Vance

2. William Smalls and —

a. James Smalls

— just speculations but it is consistent with
the will above - RPA)

- ⑧ FROM LTR 9 SEP 1990 Marie Elizabeth Isbell to RPA

VIRGINIA MILITARY RECORDS

[MICHAEL II, III]

PAGE 329 MICHAEL UPCHURCH (INDEX HAS UPCHURCH)

UNDER COL. THOMAS SWANN - SURRY CO, VA.

[BROTHERS-RPA] PAGE 68

UPCHURCH, JAMES ↑ COURT 5, JUNE, 1782
BRUNSWICK CO, PERSONS WHO GAVE AID TO THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION. ORDER BOOK NO 13, PG. 417, 425, 426, 437,
468, 488, 527.

JAMES U P65
(OF BRUNSWICK CO, VA - 1771)

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⑨ See Ltr 26 SEP 1984 Ray White, f, to RPH

From Order Book II 1768-1772 Brunswick Co, VA:

"Page 353 APRIL 1771 - ordered that James Upchurch be summoned to appear at the next court to answer the complaint of Joahns Thompson

Page 365 JUNE 1771 - The summons on the complaint of Joahns Thompson against James U is dismissed being agreed by the parties on the defendant having harmed the parish of Melervis from the instant in the said complaint mentioned becoming chargeable to the said parish."

[Note: Ray & RPH agree this involves an illegitimate child and that the presumed father James U was most likely one of the 4th or 5th generation known James U's of which there are 4: XID-153, 154, 155, 156 RPH tends to rule out XID-153 as he is presumed to have moved with his father to the Moccasin Creek Area of NC ca 1755 or perhaps to have even been born after the move to the NC - RPH]

⑩ From Ltr 22 MAY 1987 Oliver Wingo to RPH

UrCHURCH, JAMES

Brunswick Co. created 1720 from Prince Geo. Co. with additions from Isle of Wight and Surry in 1752, Virginia
Poll list of 1748 gives names of residents of Brunswick Co. voting for representatives in the House of Burgesses for session of Oct. 1748 and April 1749.

James Upchurch Burge of H
(col John Wall)
(col Edwards)

Hezekiah Wassie---voted as above

(11) See St 22 MAY 1987 Oliver Mengold & DR P4
 (cog Tillman & Sessions)

Brunswick Co., VA Order Book 1, Pg 475. will
 of James Und of Brunswick Co., VA. 15 SEP 1779
 Probated 24 APR 1783. wife Elizabeth. Legatees
 : John Name the son of Sally Smith, James
 Smith the son of William Smith, wife
 Elizabeth + John Brewer - Executrix

signed James Und
 att: John Brewer, Tues(X) Renn, James Brewer

[Note: This is almost a fit for James II, III but
 has to be listed separately as there is another
 will which fits James II, III more closely - RPU]

(12) See St 6 OCT 1990 Mae Elizabeth Isbell DR & P4
 VA Wills & Administrations - 1632 - 1800 - Brunswick Co., VA

[I] James II - 1765 - will

James II - 1794* - will

[II] James Und - 1783 - will

Michael II - 1796 - Inventory

*(13) Below (Same source) shows 1784 = dated for James II

(13) From St 25 JUN 1994 Mae Gean McElroy DR P4

VA. Wills & Administrations

Upchurch, James 1765 w. [I]

✓ 1783 w. [II]

✓ 1784 w. [III]

✓ Michael 1796 d.

(all of Brunswick Co.)

Upchurch, Michael 1681 d. (Surry Co.)

JAMES U, II

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Will of James U, II p dated 15 SEP 1779 in Brunswick
Co., VA. - In lot 21 SEP 2001 John Read U D RPH

In the name of god amen the fifteenth day of September in the
year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine I James
Archibald of Brunwick being sick and weak of body blessed beded sound
in memory & willing to mend the certainty of death and the uncertainty
of the time and manner thereof do make this my Last will and
Testament as follows / Viz/ In the first place I command and recommend

me

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my soul unto God as unto a faithfull boster, and my body to the earth
to be buried at the discretion of my executioner, in the hope of a
resurrection to eternal life by the free grace and mercy of God
through the merits and mediation of his dear son the Lord
Jesus Christ my only saviour and redeemer, in the next place
I nominate constitute and appoint my wife Elizabeth Upchurch
and Jeptha Brewer my Executrix and Executor of this my last will
and Testament and sale, and likewise my inter vivos - with
whole of my estate whether Land Herries Hogs Cattle money
gold or silver, Debts and others whatsoever, that shall be pertaining
and owing to me at the time of my death by whatsoever person
or persons by bond account ~~or~~ any other way with full power
to my said Estate, and to call for and grant receipt for any Debts
that may be owing to me and short to do in all points every thing
that is necessary to belong to the office, and at my decease to give every
thing that is called mine to my beloved wife Elizabeth
during her life or widowhood, and at her death her widowhood I leave
all my Land and plantation Herries hogs Sheep and all
my household furniture to be sold and equally divided between John Nance
the son of Sally Smith and James Smith the son of William Smith
and as I do appoint my wife Elizabeth Upchurch and James Brewer
Executor of this my last will and testament hereby making void all
other by me before made and allowing this only last force in the
World whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day
and year above written -

Signed and sealed . . .
In the presence of us }

John Brewer

Lucy ^{his} Ravis
mark

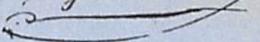
James Brewer

James Upchurch J.S.

Brunswick County Court 23rd August 1783 -

This Will was proved by the oaths of John
Brewer & James Brewer witnesses thereto and
ordered

477) ordered to be recorded And Elizabeth Upchurch his widow and Executrix thereon
named personally appeared and declared that she would not accept receive
or take the legacies devised her by the said Will and renounced all benefit or
advantage that she might claim therefrom, and upon the motion of Joseph
Brewer the Executor thereon appointed and he having given bond with
security and taken the oath according to Law certificate is granted him
for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste
Exe^d Lucy Stith Et C


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SEE LTR 19 OCT 2001 JOHN READ U TO RPU RE A 13 ITEM REPORT OF NANCY CARTER MOORE RE BRUNSWICK CO, VA RECORDS POSSIBLY BEARING UPON JOSEPH U b 1775(VA)-RPU COMMENTS?

3 From wills and deeds, I know that Michael Upchurch lived on the south side of Eaton's Road in 1784, near Middle Run. His neighbors were Valentine White, Thomas Parham, Lewis Dupree, Thomas, Isaac, and Benjamin Mosely.

MICHAEL U, III XID-159
HIS LOCATION & NEIGHBORS 1784

6 By 1777, Michael/Myal Upchurch's neighbors were BARTHOLOMEW UPCHURCH, Matthew Rainey, Thomas Bracy, and Allen Love. This deed is from "Daniel Burnet and his wife Elizabeth of CHATHAM Co. NORTH CAROLINA to Thomas Smith of Chatham County, N.C." and it was land already lived on by Joyce Burnet, at the head of Poplar Creek.

MICHAEL U, III XID-159
BARTHOLOMEW U IS
NEW!! NEED DEED TO

VERIFY THIS NEW UPCHURCH FAMILY MEMBER - LOCATION 1777

7 Another 1777 deed of gift from William Brewer and his wife Mary to John Brewer is for "518 acres which was William Brewer's dec'd plantation, on the south side of Rattle Snake Creek joining William Jones, Henry Ledbetter, UPCHURCH'S BRANCH, and James UPCHURCH."

JAMES U IS PROBABLY
JAMES U, III AS HIS BIRTHDAY
HAS OTHER REFERENCES TO

RATTLE SNAKE CREEK & RATTLE SNAKE CHURCH; HOWEVER CANNOT YET
RULE OUT HIS 1ST COUSIN JAMES U, II ↑ WHO LIVED IN THE SAME
ERA & AREA

9 There was also a THOMAS UPCHURCH in Brunswick in 1776, as he is a witness to the will of Thomas Lambert.

THIS THOMAS U IS NEW
TO RPU RECORDS, NEED
TO BEING OLD ENOUGH TO
WITNESS A WILL IN 1776 HE COULD HAVE BEEN THE FATHER
OF JOSEPH U b 1775!! THOMAS PROBABLY AT LEAST 21 IN
1776 HENCE BORN 1754 OR BEFORE

10 Everybody over 16 had to do road work in the 1700s in VA, or have a slave do it. Some of these records have survived, and on September 7, 1738, JAMES UPCHURCH and WILLIAM UPCHURCH were removed from Francis Wray's road crew and placed on William Mosely's road crew. So, WOW, these Upchurches were there early enough to be Joseph's father, that is for sure! In Brunswick County Court records, William was added to a list of tithables in 1736, SO THIS IS WHEN HE BECAME 21.

THIS INFO IS NEW TO
RPU, BASED ON AGES
THIS JAMES U IS
ALMOST CERTAINLY
JAMES U, I XID-151

ALTHOUGH THERE IS SOME CHANCE IT COULD BE HIS SON JAMES U, II ↑
XID-154. THIS WILLIAM U IS A GOOD FIT TO BE WILLIAM
U, I XID-3343, A BROTHER OF JAMES U, I - XID-151

11 In a November pre-election (of burgesses) in Brunswick, the only Upchurches on the list were JAMES UPCHURCH Sr. and MICHAEL UPCHURCH. THIS REFERENCE IS NOT DATED BUT ANOTHER CITATION
IN RPU SHOWS JAMES U REGISTERED TO VOTE FOR BURGESSSES IN 1748 - PROBABLY ALL THE SAME HENCE JAMES U, SR = JAMES U, I (SR) XID-151 & MICHAEL U = MICHAEL U, III XID-159

NOTE: NANCY WRITES IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO FIND
JOSEPH U b 1775 LISTED IN SOME OF THESE VA RECORDS
- THIS IS POSSIBLE BUT NOT LIKELY AS HE LEFT VA AS
A TEENAGER OR YOUNG MAN - RPU