

Thomas Bethshares**XID – 206**

Commentary: Thomas Bathshares married Elizabeth Upchurch, daughter of Michael Upchurch, III, who administered her father's estate in 1795. (28) Page 26. She is a 1790 Upchurch Progenitor. Elizabeth was a sister to George Upchurch, head of Upchurch Clan 5.

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(no number) See letter 25 Feb 1998 Eleanor Louise Baker to RPU – Page 8, 9

I. Thomas Bethshares died before 25 Feb 1799 (Brunswick Co, VA

married () Ruth --- ---

A. Rachel Bethshares born about 1760 (Brunswick Co, VA), died (Wayne C, KY) married about 1780 (Brunswick Co, VA George Upchurch [Head of Clan]

B. Ruth Bethshares

C. Tabitha Bethshares born 1767 (VA) married 24 Nov 1788 (Brunswick Co, VA) Thomas Mosely

D. Elizabeth Bethshares married () Thomas Lynch

E. Patsy Bethshares

F. Jesse Bethshares

G. William Bethshares

H. Molly Bethshares

I. Sally Bethshares

Thomas Bethshares

Notes

Thomas Bethshares was Administrator for the Estate of Michael Upchurch III when he died in 1795. I believe it was Thomas Bethshares Senior who died in 1799, not a Thomas Jr. as he was not mentioned in the Chancery Court proceedings of the Children of Thomas Bethshares (Bruns, Order Bk. 18, 2-25-1799) Elizabeth, his wife, may have been a second marriage, or she could have been a widow of an Upchurch, as Ruth was his first wife, deceased before, 25 February 1786. Thomas Jr. he would have not been married long enough to have adult married children as designated in the Suit against John Bass and widow, Elizabeth Bethshares. It gave his children as follows: Ruth Bethshares; George Upchurch and Rachel his wife, late Rachel Bethshares; (daughter of Thomas and Ruth); Thomas Moseley and Tabitha his wife, late Tabitha Bethshares. Thomas Lynch and Elizabeth his wife, late Elizabeth Bethshares; Patsy Bethshares; Jesse Bethshares, (male?); William Bethshares; Molly Bethshares; and Sally Bethshares. (This is an assesment of this family as I see it; Eleanor L. Bertram)

Bethshares has also been spelled, Breshears, Bathshears, Bashears, and numerous other spellings.

Cross-reference: Michael Upchurch, III; Thomas Bethshares, Sr; Thomas Bethshares, Jr; John Bass, Elizabeth Upchurch, Ruth Bethshares

[Note: pages 21 and 22 of biofile are copies of the above entry and are not repeated in the transcription – CJM 29 Oct 2020]

Thomas Bethsears

(no number) Upchurch Marriages in VA – Brunswick Co, VA 1751 – 1853 (See Marriage File)

Elizabeth Upchurch married 3 May 1787 (Brunswick Co, VA) **Thomas Bethshears**. Minister = John King.

[Note: The Bond for this marriage was dated 27 Nov 1786 and on it the bride was identified as Eliza Upchurch and the groom as Thomas Bethshure.]

Elizabeth Upchurch married 4 Feb 1790 (Brunswick Co, VA) William Brown. Minister = John King

[Note: 19 or more marriages were recorded in a “list” dated 4 Feb 1790, so one might have reason to presume some of these marriages were performed earlier – perhaps on various dates. = RPU]

[The above two marriages appear to be the only ones on record in Brunswick Co, VA for the period 1751 – 1853. I would have expected more – RPU 28 Aug 1000]

[Cross-file: Names as above, VA marriage Records, and VA Geographical Records – RPU]

Thomas Bethshares, Jr

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Colonial Upchurch

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(2) See Book Extract “Marriages of Brunswick Co, Virginia 1750 – 1810” by Catherine L Knorr 1953

There is one Upchurch listed, Elizabeth Upchurch, although these may be two people involved both named Elizabeth – RPU)

“Page 7 – 27 Nov 1786 Thomas Bethshers* and Elizabeth Upchurch

Sur. Peter Read. Married by the Rev John King page 42.

27 Nov 1787 – Thomas Bethshars* and Elizabeth Whitechurch. This is an error. The original bond says Elizabeth Upchurch. Brunswick page 32”

“Page 13. Returned 4 Feb 1790 William Brown and Elizabeth Upchurch. Married by the Rev John King. Baptist Minister returns. Page 357”

[*Note: I will standardize spelling as BETHSHARES – RPU]

(no number) See letter 18 Aug 1997 Eleanor Louise Baker to RPU

I. Michael Upchurch, I

A. Richard Upchurch I

1. James Upchurch I

a. Michael Upchurch III

i. Elizabeth Upchurch II

married 27 Nov 1787 (Brunswick Co, VA) **Thomas Bethshares**

same as

5 Elizabeth Upchurch Aft 1757 – Unknown d: Unknown

+ **Thomas Bethshares Jr.** Unknown – Bef 1799 married: 25 February 1786 died: Bef 25 February 1799

6 Ruth Bethshares Unknown

- 6 Tabitha Bethshares Unknown
+ --- Mosley
- 6 Elizabeth Bethshares Unknown
+ --- Lynch
- 6 Patsy Bethshares Unknown
- 6 Jesse Bethshares Unknown
- 6 William Bethshares Unknown
- 6 Molly Bethshares Unknown
- 6 Sally Bethshares Unknown

Thomas Bethshares

(no number) Contacts between Michael Upchurch, III and other families in Brunswick Co, VA in the 1750 – 1800 era = 13 Oct 2001

1. Abraham Jones – In 1762 sold the 200 acres to James Upchurch, I which land Michael Upchurch, I inherited in due course.
2. John Gregory } They commanded the company regiment in which Michael
3. Daniel Morgan } Upchurch, III, served in 1778.
4. Absolom Ledbetter } witnessed the will of James Upchurch, I 1765
5. Isaac Mosely (Moseley) }
6. Thomas Bracy } owned land adjacent to the 200 acres
7. Grief Harwell } Bought the 200 acres in 1793
8. John Bass } witnesses to the 1793
9. William Jones } deed when Michael Upchurch, I
- X. Isaac Moseley (same as #5) } sold the 200 acres
10. **Thomas Bethshares** } (Bethshares) Administrator of the Estate of Michael
Upchurch, III 1795, 1790
11. Asa Holloway } appraisers of the estate of Michael Upchurch, III – 1796
12. Benjamin A Mosley (Moseley) } Appraisers of the estate of Michael Upchurch, III – 1796
- Y. John H Bass (same as #8) } Appraisers of the estate of Michael Upchurch, III - 1796

(no number) Austin W Mitchell Family Tree

Source Information

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This citation provides evidence for Thomas Bathshares

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1 citation provides evidence for Name

Thomas Bathshares

Birth 1733 in Brunswick, Virginia, United States

Death 1796 in Brunswick, Virginia, United States

(biofile continued below)

Timeline

1733 Birth
Brunswick, Virginia, United States


1763 Marriage to Ruth
Age: 30


1798 Death
Age: 65
Brunswick, Virginia, United States

Marriage to Elizabeth UPCHURCH


Family Members

Parents

 No Father


 No Mother


Spouse & Children ▼


 Elizabeth UPCHURCH
1749 – 1792


Spouse & Children ▼


 Ruth
1737 – 1786

 Ruth Bethshares
1761 –

 Rachel BATHSHARES
1763 – 1830

 Elizabeth Bethshares
1769 –


 Patsy Bethshares
1771 –


 Jesse Bethshares
1773 –


 William Bethshares
1775 –

 Molly Bethshares
1777 –

 Sally Sarah Bethshares
1779 –

 Nancy Ann Bethshares
1780 –

 James Bethshares
1781 –

 Tabitha Bethshares
1785 –

(no number) Ancestry.com
Virginia, Marriages, 1660 – 1800
Name: Thomas Bethshers
Spouse: Elizabeth Upchurch
Marriage Date: 27 Nov 1786
Marriage Location: Brunswick County, Virginia

Source Information:

Dodd, Jordan. *Virginia, Marriages, 1660-1800* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 1997.

Original data: Electronic transcription of marriage records held by the individual counties in Virginia.

Description:

Database of Virginia marriages to 1800

(no number) UpchurchCombs

Source Information

No source citations have been added yet.

Thomas Bethshares

Birth

Death 1796 in Brunswick, VA

Timeline

1786 27 Nov	Marriage to Elizabeth Upchurch Brunswick, VA
1799	Death Brunswick, VA

Family Members**Parents**

No Father



No Mother

Spouse & Children ▾

Elizabeth Upchurch