

Odum Redmond Bunn

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Commentary: Odum Bunn married Mary Upchurch, daughter of Moses, head of Upchurch Clan 1. Odum would serve in the War of 1812.

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Odom aka Adam Bunn
Birth 1760 in Northampton NC
Death 1840

Timeline

- 1760 Birth**
Northampton NC
- 1806 Marriage to Mary Upchurch**
5 Feb
Franklin Co NC
Age: 46
- 1840 Death**
Age: 80

Parents

- David Bunn
- No Mother

Spouse & Children

- Mary Upchurch
1795 – 1837

Source Information

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Odum Bunn in the War of 1812 Pension Application Files Index, 1812 – 1815

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SOLDIER: Odum Bunn
WIDOW: Elizabeth A Bunn
MARRIAGE DATE: 1822
DATE ENLISTED: 20 Mar 1814
DATE DISCHARGED: 25 May 1815
SOLDIER'S DEATH DATE: 1840
SOLDIER'S DEATH PLACE: Davidson Co, NC
MILITARY SERVICE LOCATION: United States
WIDOW'S DEATH DATE: 25 Jun 1881
WIDOW'S DEATH PLACE: Sullivan Co, Tenn
PENSION NUMBER - #1: WO 18427
PENSION NUMBER - #2: WC 34983
BOUNTY LAND NUMBER - #1: 13705 160 12
ROLL NUMBER: 13
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Source Information

Ancestry.com. *War of 1812 Pension Application Files Index, 1812-1815* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010.

Original data: *War of 1812 Pension Applications*. Washington D.C.: National Archives. NARA Microfilm Publication M313, 102 rolls. Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Record Group Number 15.

Description

This database contains an index to War of 1812 pension application files. Pensions were applied for and granted to War of 1812 veterans or their survivors. The records include the name of the veteran, name of widow (if she applied), pension claim or file number, and service type or organization. [Learn more...](#)

(no number) From Book: Nail & Ray Families, 2nd Ed – 1997 – Abstracts of Ray & Pearce Records Examined by Authors, Franklin Co, NC, Pages 948, 949, 950, 951.
[John Pearce married () Clara Upchurch, daughter of Richard Upchurch, III
The Ray part of the book is about Elizabeth Pearce (daughter of John) who married Thomas Ray – Revolutionary War Soldier. The two couples left the Moccasin Creek area of NC and moved to Rutherford Co, NC → Rowan Co, NC → Shelby Co, IN.]

1794 March Term, County Court Minutes (original), pg 398(?). The Last Will and Testament of James Peirce was exhibited and proved by Benjamin Wheeler and Moses Upchurch, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and on MOR and at the same time Thomas Ray qualified as executor thereto and returned an inventory of the estate of oath (?work) MOR. Ordered that the executor of James Pierce sell such part of the parishable estate as he thinks necessary and make report to the next court.

1794 March 24, Will Book A, pg 174. Sale of estate of James Pirce, dec'd. Buyers on 24 March 1794 were Mary Pirce, James Sanders, Dread Jones, James Butler, Richard Pirce, and John Crawley. Buyers on 20 December 1794 were Mary Pirce, William Parish, Elisha Strickland, Adam Barn, John Pirce, James Bud Lee, Benjamin Upchurch, Wille Garris, Daniel Bagwell, Joshua Cane, John Martin, Dred Wheeler, Jacob Strickland, Hardy, Griffin, William Dunn, James Bolton, Benjamin Wheeler, Philip Pirce, and Charles Upchurch, Thomas (R) Ray, Admr. (7)

1794 March Term, County Court Minutes (original), pg 399(?). Thomas Ray was appointed guardian to Beedy Pierce, Betsy Pierce, Penny Pierce, Patsy Pierce, and Willie Pierce, orphans of James Pierce, dec'd. Bond was 500 pounds with Richard Upchurch and Benjamin Wheeler, his securities.

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Odom Bunn in the U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914

NAME: Odom Bunn
BIRTHYEAR: abt 1764
BIRTHPLACE: North Carolina, United States
ENLISTMENT AGE: 50

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.

Original data: Register of Enlistments in the U.S. Army, 1798-1914; (National Archives Microfilm Publication M233, 81 rolls); Records of the Adjutant General's Office, 1780's-1917, Record Group 94; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

Description

This database contains a register of enlistments in the U.S. Army from 1798-1914. Information listed on these records includes name of enlistee, age at time of enlistment, birthplace, and date of enlistment. [Learn more...](#)

(no number) From: Bunn Families of SE US – Vol 1 – John, David, James, and Wrightmon Bunn – 2006 by Danny Calier Bunn

The note below deals with the John Bunn Section of Vol 1. A careful look at the 75 pages of this section reveals only two Upchurch notations. One on Page 2 where Williford Upchurch (son of Janes Upchurch, VII and grandson of Richard Upchurch, III) fathers a child by Gilly Bunn, granddaughter of John Bunn and on Page 60 where the will of Jesse Bunn, son of John Bunn in 1816 shows Abel Upchurch, Sr owes the late Jesse \$50.

More study is likely to reveal more Upchurch connections for the John Bunn Family – probably from descendants of female Upchurches – RPU 12 Mar 2010.

[Note: names included William Bunn, James Bunn, Jacob Bunn, Owen Bunn, David Bunn, John Bunn, Isaac Vick, Odam Bunn – CJM 15 Nov 2020]

A Note to Readers

The father of John Bunn is unknown. There is documentation available in courthouse records in the counties of Northampton and Wake, North Carolina that tend to indicate that John's father might have been William Burn/Bunn who resided in Northampton County. William had six sons and one daughter. The names of his sons were William, James, Jacob, Owen, David, and John. The name of his daughter is unknown. She married Isaac Vick.

Land records in Northampton County pertaining to William's son, John, ended abruptly in 1778. That was the same year that the John Bunn, residing in Wake County, entered a land grant for three hundred acres of land in that county. Apparently John did not receive that grant for documentation showing that the grant had been issued could not be found in the North Carolina Archives in Raleigh. However, John initiated another request for a grant that was entered on May 27, 1779. He received that grant on September 30, 1785. Could it be that the John residing in Wake County was the same as the one residing in Northampton County? The land received by John in the grant is located in southeastern Wake County, on the eastern side of SR 2308 between the community of Hopkins and Moccasin Creek.

Land records in Northampton County for another of William's son, David, ceased shortly after that of his brother John. David sold two hundred acres of land in Northampton County in 1781. That same year the name David Bunn appears on the Tax List for Wake County with acreage tax shown to be two hundred acres. Could this be the David from Northampton County and the brother of John Bunn? Odam Bunn, son of the Northampton County David Bunn, also left that county around 1790, and his name appears on the Wake County Tax List for the year 1792. Did Odam follow his father to Wake County?

Although documentation to prove that John and David living in Wake were the same as the John and David residing in Northampton has not been found, one could very well come to that conclusion after carefully reviewing all of the information available in those counties. If it can be proven that John Bunn residing in Wake County was the son of William in Northampton County, then John would be a direct descendant of the Owen Bunn/Burn/Burne mentioned in the Introduction who resided in Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

In the March 1779 Minutes, Wake County Court of Pleas and Quarters, John Burn/Burn covey land to his son Jesse Burn/Bunn. Land records pertaining to that transaction could not be found. However, at the division of Jesse's land at his death, some of the land shown on the division map, when plotted onto a topographical map, overlays the two hundred and seventy acrea land grant that John received. So, it appears that the land received by John in the grant was that mentioned in the minutes that was conveyed to Jesse.

(no number) From: Bunn Families of SE US – Vol 1 – John, David, James, and Wrightmon Bunn – 2006 by Danny Calier Bunn

The note below deals with the David Bunn Section of Vol 1. A careful look at the 17 pages of this section reveals no Upchurch connections. Some may yet be found.

[Names included: David Bunn, Polly May, **Odam Bunn**, Lucy, John Bunn. – CJM 15 Nov 2020]

A Note to Readers

David Bunn was a very popular name in North Carolina during latter part of the eighteenth century and the early part of the nineteenth century. Those researching that particular name must be extremely careful to insure that documentation gathered and compiled pertaining to that name is assigned to the proper individual.

This section pertains to the David Bunn who resided in Franklin County. David was a farmer and owned over six hundred acres of land in that county. The names of his wife or his parents are unknown. A marriage bond was issued to a David Bunn and Polly May on December 31, 1829 in Franklin County. Documentation to prove that Polly was the wife of the David about whom this section is written, has not yet been discovered.

It is felt that the above mentioned David was somehow related to David Bunn and his wife, Lucy Bunn, who lived in Northampton County, North Carolina between 1750 and 1781. David sold two hundred acres of land in that county to his nephew, Henry Bunn in 1781. Shortly thereafter, records in that county pertaining to that particular David ceased. In 1787, his son, Odam Bunn, sold one hundred acres of land in Northampton County. Records in that county pertaining to Odam also ceased shortly thereafter.

(continued below)

The 1781 Tax List for Wake County, North Carolina indicates that an individual named David Bunn owned two hundred acres of land in that county. Odam Bunn's name also appears a few years later on the tax list for that county. Although unproven, those two individuals appear to be the same ones who were residing in Northampton County earlier.

The 1850 census for the Dunn District of Franklin County lists David and members of his family. His wife's name does not appear on the list. Please note that his daughter's name was Lucy. Was she named after her mother? Also, David had a brother named John. David named one of his sons John. Was that son named after his brother?

David, of Franklin County, died prior to November of 1858. A Court of Equity notice in the November 6, 1858 issue of the *American Eagle* newspaper, Louisburg, Franklin County, North Carolina, mentions the sale of land belonging to heirs of David Bunn, deceased.

Descendants of David Bunn

Generation No 1

1. David¹ Bunn was born about 1804, and died 1858.

Children of David Bunn are:

2. i. Lucy² Bunn, born about 1832, married 1860 () Sion Turner = 2 children
- 3 ii. John Thomas Bunn, born about 1833, NC; died after 19 Dec 1896, married 2 Sep 1857 (Franklin Co, NC) Levina Bowden – 12 children
4. iii. Eliza Bunn, born about 1838, married 7 Jan 1858 (Franklin Co, NC) Bennett Bowden – 5 children
5. iv. Louisa Bunn, born about 1840, NC, married 11 Dec 1860 (Franklin Co, NC) Robert F Bowden – 10 children
- v. David Bunn, born about 1845

Notes for David Bunn:

David was living in the household of his brother, John Thomas Bunn, at the time of the 1860 census was taken for the Louisburg District of Franklin Co, NC.

(no number) See packet 13 Aug 2002 Charles John Peterson, Jr to RPU

Page 102 concerns need for more info on the Moses Upchurch/ Mary Upchurch Sub-clan
RPU Data: III. Mary Upchurch born 1785 () died 1866 (XID – 7) married 5 Feb 1806 (Wake Co, NC) Adam Bunn.

Charles John Peterson, Jr (CJP) searched 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860 Census for Adam Bunn and did not find same. [He did not look for **Odum Bunn**].

CJP Jr provides input he received 3 May 2002 via Internet cooperator Maureen Cramer re above as follows:

- I. William Bunn, Sr of Northampton Co, NC – previously of Isle of Wight, VA
 - A. David Bunn/ Odam Bunn/ **Odum Bunn** born about 1760 () died 1840
married () several times
married (2nd or 3rd) Mary Upchurch – possibly died 1837
married 1816 (Wake Co, NC) Lucy Bell

married 1822 (Rowan Co) Elizabeth Myers/ Elizabeth Nise

[Note: Crossfile the above **O Bunn** or Adam Bunn – RPU]

(no number) Per attachment #34 West letter 18 May 1975 – Marriage Records – Wake Co, NC
“Mary Upchurch married Adam (Bunn? garbled) 5 Feb 1806. Witness James X Pace, William Hill.”

(no number) NC Marriages

Mary Upchurch

North Carolina Marriages, 1759 – 1979

marriage: 05 Feb 1806

Wake, North Carolina

spouse: Odam Bunn

(no number) NC Marriages- 5 Sep 05- Peterson- Wake Co

Mary Upchurch	Odom Barns	3 Feb 1806	Wake
Mary Upchurch	<u>Odam Bunn</u>	5 Feb 1806	Wake
Whiting Upchurch	Elizabeth Goodwin	3 Jan 1811	Wake
Mackey Upchurch	Edmund Cole	9 Aug 1816	Wake
Gilbert Upchurch	Elizabeth Upchurch	20 Mar 1819	Wake
Murray Upchurch	Nancy Scott	23 Aug 1820	Wake
Hubbard Upchurch	Esther Bird	24 Oct 1822	Wake
Frances Upchurch	Blake Baker	18 Nov 1829	Wake
John Upchurch	Angelina G. Green	29 May 1830	Wake
Kerney Upchurch	Emila Perry	22 Nov 1830	Wake
Sims Upchurch	Abigail Olive	11 Dec 1832	Wake
Ariel Upchurch	Mary Olive	30 Mar 1833	Wake
Quilla Upchurch	Nathaniel Mitchell	2 Dec 1833	Wake
Abel Upchurch	Nancy Sorrell	27 Nov 1839	Wake
Eliza Upchurch	William Beddingfield	2 Dec 1839	Wake
William C. Upchurch	Adline Royster	15 Dec 1840	Wake
Stephen Upchurch	Ann Medlin	16 Mar 1841	Wake
Gilbert Upchurch	Margaret Bird	23 Sep 1842	Wake
Bartley Upchurch	Jane Whitaker	27 Dec 1842	Wake
Clargy Upchurch	William Wilson	24 Feb 1842	Wake
Betsey Upchurch	Haywood Laurence	2 Dec 1844	Wake
Nancy Upchurch	William Hobby	19 Dec 1845	Wake
Clargy Ann Upchurch	Wesley M. Odaniel	11 Mar 1846	Wake
Candis Upchurch	John Mann	19 Dec 1847	Wake
Mariah Upchurch	Robert Rollins	13 Oct 1849	Wake
Alferd Upchurch	Adelia M. Crowder	23 Dec 1850	Wake
Armelia Upchurch	Hinton Hudson	31 Dec 1850	Wake

(no number) Books: The Upchurch Family of High Falls, NC (Moore Co) page 56

I. Moses Upchurch - Head of Clan

5 Moses Upchurch b: 13 Feb 1753 in Brunswick County, Virginia d: in Chatham County, North Carolina.

+ Mary Murry Simms b: 1757 in Wake County, NC m: 1772 in Wake County, NC d: 1847 in Chatham County NC

6 Leatha Upchurch b: 1773 in Franklin County, North Carolina d: 1837 in North Carolina

+Hezekiah Kiah Massey b: 1770 m: 13 Jun 1807 in Franklin, NC, USA

6 Gilliam Upchurch b: 1782 in Franklin County, North Carolina d: 06 Oct 1854 in Wake County, North Carolina

+Sarah Anderson b:1817 in Flynns Lick, Jackson, TN, USA d: 1840 in Flynns Lick, Jackson, TN, USA¹

*2nd Wife of Gilliam Upchurch

+Sarah Smith b: 1792 in North Carolina m: abt 1825

7 Joseph Upchurch b: 1827 in Marks Creek, Wake County, North Carolina

7 Mary E. Upchurch b: 1830 in Marks Creek, Wake County, North Carolina

7 Caroline Upchurch b: 1833 in Marks Creek, Wake County, North Carolina

7 Charles Upchurch b: 1836 in Marks Creek, Wake County, North Carolina

6 Mary Upchurch b: 1785 in Franklin County, North Carolina d: 1837 in North Carolina

+**Odom Bunn** b: 1760 in Northampton, NC, USA m: 05 Feb 1806 in Franklin, NC, USA d: 1840

6 Parthenia Upchurch b: 1788 in Franklin County, North Carolina

+Smith

*2nd Husband of Parthenia Upchurch

+Yates

¹ I do not believe Gillium U. b 1782 lived in Jackson Co., TN. There was another Gillium who lived in Jackson Co., TN. – RPU 4 Sep 2006

(no number) From Chamblee Vol I, No 1, Spring 1995 (Note: This appears to be the tax list for Little River Section of Wake Co – only – RPU)

Wake County, North Carolina Tax List, 1794

Willis Jones District		Frederick Bagwell	1wp
Elisha Shamwell	200a, 2 poles	James Bagwell	1wp
Isaac Shamwell	416a, 1 poles	George Chamle	1wp
[This is not Elisha and Isaac Chamblee since Isaac is listed in David Horton's District]		David Fowler	300 1wp
		Sherod Bolton	200 1wp
		Fredrick Strickland	90?a 1wp
		Odom Bunn	1wp
Henry King's District:		Salsbery Pendergrass	100a w wp
Richard Massey	320a 1fp, 1bp	Hanner Pendergrass	100a
		Nathan Bagwell	100a 1wp

(tax list continues below)

David Horton's District:

Anne Fowler	400a	3bp
Wilie Garres	200	1wp
Miles Privet	200	1wp
James Bolton	1234	3wp, 1bp
Nathan Massey	300a	1wp
Zadock Bell	700	1bp, 3bp
Godfrey Fowler	980	1, 1
Jacob Privet	100a	1/1
Godfrey Fowler Jr		1/1
John Chamlee		1wp
John Fowler	280a	1wp
John Privet	150a	wp
W Fowler	431	1bp
Claiborne Fowler		1wp
James Privet	200a	1wp

Sampson Strickland	90a	1wp
Frederick Massey	469a	1wp
Hezekiah Massey	708a	1wp
Benjamin Pendergrass	100a	1wp
Isaac Chamlee	300a	1wp
(next to David Horton)		
Hezekiah Massey Sr or Jr		1wp
Robert Chamlee	1419a	1wp
James Chamlee	250a	1wp
Israel Privett	566	1/1
Nehemiah Privet		1bp
John Massey	100a	1wp
Wm Massey	100	1wp
Daniel Bagwell Jr		1bp

(no number) Input 25 Dec 2014 re: **ORB** via email to RPU from Danny Calier Bunn as requested by RPU 24 Dec 2014. My purpose was to learn more about the Odom Bunn that in 1806 (Franklin Co, NC) married Mary Upchurch, a daughter of Moses Upchurch – Head of Clan

On 25 Dec 2014 Danny responded:

Reference the various spellings of Odum's name, I am pretty sure that all that you have mentioned pertains to the same individual. In addition, his name appears as Woodam Ben in the 1820 census for Rowan County, NC. Attached is some information pertaining to Odum.

The Mary that was living with Elias Bunn was Mary "Polly" Wrenn. She was mentioned in the will of her mother, Elizabeth Wrenn. Her Franklin County will was dated 18 May 1837. A brother named Elias was also mentioned in the will. A Marriage Bonds in Franklin County, dated 7 Jul 1813, indicates that Mary was the wife of Green Walker Bunn, the person for whom the town of Bunn was named. Mary and Green had a son named Elias (probably after her brother). That is who she was living with at the time of the 1880 census. Green Walker Bunn died in October of 1851.

It appears that Odum was married 5 times. In addition to Mary, he was married to Lucy Bell (19 Feb 1816), Wake Co., NC; and Elizabeth "Ezbell" Myers (14 Mar 1822), Rowan Co., NC. Attached is some information pertaining to Odum. That beginning at paragraph 7 was taken from his 1812 pension file.

Names included: Odum Bunn, Woodam Ben, Elias Bunn, Mary "Polly" Wrenn, Elizabeth Wrenn, Green Walker Bunn, Lucy Bell, Elizabeth "Ezbell" Myers – CJM 15 Nov 2020]

I have patched two versions Danny sent to make a whole:

Odum R. Bunn
 aka: Odum "Odam" Bunn

Notes

Deed Book 5, page 296 of Northampton Co., NC, reads "William Bui[?]
 Burn, 200 acres after his fathers decease . . plantation whereon my son

Burn, 200 acres after his fathers decease . . plantation whereon my son David Burn now lives . . said land on both sides of Murfree Road in Co. of Northampton, 3 Dec 1773. Jun. Ct. 1774." It appears that Odum received that land for on 3 Dec 1787, he conveyed 100 acres to William Allen (Deed Book 8, page 223), and on 7 Jan 1790 he conveyed another 100 acres to Joel Pope (Deed Book 8, page 206). It also appears that Odum left Northampton Co. at about that time and moved to Wake Co., NC.

Information on page __, Franklin County, NC, Inventories, 1789-1800, indicates that Odom was present at an estate sale of Jame Pince on 24 Mar 1794. Further, he is listed in the Tax List for that county in the years 1792, 1793, 1794, 1802, 1805, and 1809. He is also shown in the 1800 census for that county with three male under the age of 10 and one male between 10 and 16.

On March 20, 1814, Odom Bunn was enlisted as a Private in the 10th Infantry of U. S. Army at White Plains, Wake Co., NC by Lieut. Fox. for a period of 5 years. Enlistment papers reads as follows:

"Height: 5' 8"; Eyes: Grey; Hair: Dark; Complexion dark; Age: 50; Occupation: Ship Joiner; Where Born: Northampton, NC. Remarks: R. R. Wilkesborough, April 30, 1814 D. R. Capt. Geo. Strother's Co. Feby 16, 1815, Present - J. R. & M. R. Capt H. H. Villard's Det. Fort Washington, July 31, 1815. Discharged at Fort Washington May 25, 1815 for inability Mo. Ret of Capt Jas Reeds Co. U. S. Arty Ft. Washington, May 30, 1815. Also reports him discharged May 25, 1815 for disability - See Pension Cases."

On 18 Feb 1818, he received 160 acres of land in the state of Illinois Public Domain Land Tract Sale for his military service. It is unknown as to whether he ever lived there. This land was later conveyed to William Harrison of Franklin Co., NC, for it is mentioned in William Harrison's will dated 9 Oct 1826 (Will Book I-J, page 42, Franklin Co., NC).

Page 286 of The Index to War of 1812, Pension File, Vol. I, at the North Carolina Genealogy Library, Raleigh, NC, reads, "Bunn, Odum, Elizabeth A. (Mise) 5th wife, WC-34983, m. 1822, Davidson Cty, NC, sd in 1840, wd 5th Jun 1881, Sullivan Cty, TN, srv. George Strother's and H. H. Villard's Co's 10th US Inf., lived Sullivan Cty TN, sol. had 5 wives, 4th wife Lucy (Bell), 1st 3 wives not named on card."

Shortly after the his death, Odum's wife, Elizabeth file an application for a widow's pension based upon his service during the War of 1812. She made a statement therein that he was born near Raleigh, NC, presumeably in Wake County. She may have been wrong, for Odum lived in Northampton Co., NC prior to moving to Wake County. In other pension information provided therein, she states that Odum ran away from home at age 17 when his father was drafted into the Revolutionary War service. He joined his father, and fought for the war's duration in the regular army, witnessing the surrender of Cornwallis and stacking of weapons at Yorktown, Virginia. He said he fought in the battle of Horse Shoe Bend in central Alabama during the War of 1812. That battle involved fighting the Creek Indians in what is now Tallapoosa County. He had a crippled hand and told people he had been wounded in the battle, but the pension office said that his discharge was for rheumatism and the hospital suggested his hand disability was related to the disease. Odum was a carpenter when married to Elizabeth, and his 1815 discharge lists his occupation as a carpenter. Odum died between 1840 and is buried next to his wife Lucy Bell in a private graveyard about 2 miles from Clemmons ville, NC. Odum's son, Absalom, stated in a letter that he saw them buried there, and then visited the site years later, and that the first wife of Odum is also buried there. There were no tombstones. Absalom stated that Odum had seven children by an early wife. Elizabeth stated there were four other wives. In a letter from Elizabeth to the Department of Interior Pension shows Odom middle initial to be "R." She stated that Odam's name sometimes appeared as Redmund in North Carolina Records. Elizabeth never received the pension. However, her son, Absalom, did receive compensation after her death, at the rate of \$8 per month commencing in March of 1878, and ending in June 1881.

Elizabeth lived for a short time in Surry Co., NC; then in Carroll Co., VA for a few years; then Washington Co., VA; then Sullivan Co., TN.

An affidavit by Elizabeth Wilson of Carroll County witnessed by T. F. Bunn [Thomas Franklin] and H. F. Bunn [Hezekiah F.] in 1880 testified that she knew Odum & Elizabeth for many years in Davidson Co., NC. In another Affidavit, she said that Odum Bunn had asked her husband John Wilson to record births of his children in the old family Bible. The Bible was apparently examined by the JP who found it credible. It listed: Lurana Bunn, b. 12 Mar 1823; Jame M. Bunn, b. 22 Feb 1825; Odom Bunn, b. 14 Nov 1828; Leander Bunn, b. 26 Nov 1830; Absalom Bunn, b. 27 Jan 1833; and Thomas F. and Elizabeth Bunn, twins, b. 31 Jan 1837.

Absalom Bunn stated that his mother (Elizabeth) raised two of Odum and Lucy Bell Bunn's children. Elizabeth stated that her "people" were opposed to her marrying Odum because they thought he was afflicted with "white liver disease" and his wives had probably died of it. Elizabeth was born 11 Feb 1800. Her parents are listed on her death

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Odum appears in the 1820 census for Rowan County, NC. His nam

I.

A. Odum Redmund Bunn born on Northampton Co, NC died 1840 (AKA Odam/ Odom/ Adam) & AKA Woodam Ben – 1820 Census – Rowan Co, NC

His father died Northampton Co, NC, willed 3 Dec 1773 (Jun Court 1774) his son Odum 200 acres where Odum's brother David Bunn lived. Odum sold 100 acres in 1787 & 100 acres in 1790 & moved to Wake Co, NC.

At 24 Mar 1794 sale Franklin Co, NC

On Tax list Franklin Co, NC – 1792, 1793, 1794, 1802, 1805, 1809

On 1800 Census Franklin Co, NC – 3 males < 10, 1 male 10 – 16

Served in War of 1812

1818 got 160 acres in IL for service – sold to William Harrison (?) per will of William dated 9 Oct 1826 (Franklin Co, NC)

Married (1st) 1806 (Franklin Co, NC) Mary Upchurch, daughter of Moses Upchurch – Head of Clan

Married (2nd) 19 Feb 1816 (Wake Co, NC) Lucy Bell

Married (3rd) 14 Mar 1822 (Rowan Co, NC) Ezbell Myers

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same?
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Married (4th 5th) 1822 (Davidson Co, NC) Elizabeth A Mise

Widow in pension claim stated 5 wives

4th = Lucy Bell

1 – 3 not listed

Odum buried next to wife Lucy Bell in private cemetery 2 miles from Clemmons ville, NC.

Son Absalom same graves and said wife #1 buried. Absalom said father had 7 children by an early wife.

Elizabeth lived Surry Co, NC (short time) → Carroll Co, VA → Washington Co, VA → Sullivan Co, TN

In Bible – Children of Odum

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|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| 1. Lurana Bunn | born 12 Mar 1823 | |
| 2. James M Bunn | born 22 Feb 1825 | |
| 3. Odom Bunn | born 14 Nov 1828 | |
| 4. Leander Bunn | 28 Nov 1830 | |
| 5. Absalom Bunn | 27 Jan 1833 | |
| 6. Thomas F Bunn | 31 Jan 1837 | } twins |
| 7. Elizabeth Bunn | 31 Jan 1837 | |

Elizabeth raised 2 of Odum's children by Lucy Bell

Will Elizabeth Warren.

I Elizabeth Warren of the County of Franklin and State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & publish this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following. My last desire is that all my house hold & kitchen furniture, together with all my stock be sold on a credit of twelve months and the money equally divided among my children, To wit, I am Warren, Sarah Warren, Anne Edwards, Patsy Walter, Mary Burr, Elias H. Warren & Isaac Warren - I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Burr my pig & gear, also I give & bequeath to my grand daughter Elizabeth E. Burr my side saddle. I desire my worthy friend Dempsey Dutton my Executor this my last Will & Testament by me herebefore made. In witness whereof I the said Elizabeth Warren do hereunto set my hand & seal the 18th day of May 1837.

Witness.

Thos Y. Wright - Junr

State of North Carolina

County of Franklin

Elizabeth & Isaac
Court of pleas & general sessions
September September 1837.

The foregoing will was exhibited in open Court for probate & the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of Thomas Wright the sole executor, & the said Court do hereby certify that the same was duly proved & is to be recorded & filed. At & Palladium (Ct)

Thursday
18 May 1837

(biofile continues below)

(no number) From email 29 Nov 2015 Danny Calier Bunn to RPU

Deed Book 5, page 296 of Northampton Co., NC, reads "William Burn of Northampton Co., NC, to grandson Odam Burn, 200 acres after his fathers decease . . plantation whereon my son David Burn now lives . . said land on both sides of Murfree Road in Co. of Northampton, 3 Dec 1773. Jun. Ct. 1774." It appears that Odum received that land for on 3 Dec 1787, he conveyed 100 acres to William Allen (Deed Book 8, page 223), and on 7 Jan 1790 he conveyed another 100 acres to Joel Pope (Deed Book 8, page 206). It also appears that Odum left Northampton Co. at about that time and moved to Wake Co., NC.

Information on page __ , Franklin County, NC, Inventories, 1789-1800, indicates that Odom was present at an estate sale of Jame Pince on 24 Mar 1794. Further, he is listed in the Tax List for that county in the years 1792, 1793, 1794, 1802, 1805, and 1809. He is also shown in the 1800 census for that county with three male under the age of 10 and one male between 10 and 16.

On March 20, 1814, Odom Bunn was enlisted as a Private in the 10th Infantry of U. S. Army at White Plains, Wake Co., NC by Lieut. Fox. for a period of 5 years. Enlistment papers reads as follows:

"Height: 5' 8"; Eyes: Grey; Hair: Dark; Complexion dark; Age: 50; Occupation: Ship Joiner; Where Born: Northampton, NC. Remarks: R. R. Wilkesborough, April 30, 1814 D. R. Capt. Geo. Strother's Co. Feby 16, 1815, Present - J. R. & M. R. Capt H. H. Villard's Det. Fort Washington, July 31, 1815. Discharged at Fort Washington May 25, 1815 for inability Mo. Ret of Capt Jas Reeds Co. U. S. Arty Ft. Washington, May 30, 1815. Also reports him discharged May 25, 1815 for disability - See Pension Cases."

On 18 Feb 1818, he received 160 acres of land (Township 2, South Range 6, West, 4th Pincipal Meridan) in the state of Illinois Public Domain Land Tract Sale for his military service. It is unknown as to whether he ever lived there. This land was later conveyed to William Harrison of Franklin Co., NC, for it is mentioned in William Harrison's will dated 9 Oct 1826 (Will Book I-J, page 42, Franklin Co., NC).

Page 286 of The Index to War of 1812, Pension File, Vol. 1, at the North Carolina Genealogy Library, Raleigh, NC, reads, "Bunn, Odum, Elizabeth A. (Mise) 5th wife, WC-34983, m. 1822, Davidson Cty, NC, sd in 1840, wd 5th Jun 1881, Sullivan Cty, TN, srv. George Strother's and H. H. Villard's Co's 10th US Inf., lived Sullivan Cty TN, sol. had 5 wives, 4th wife Lucy (Bell), 1st 3 wives not named on card."

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Shortly after his death, Odum's wife, Elizabeth file an application for a widow's pension based upon his service during the War of 1812. She made a statement therein that he was born near Raleigh, NC, presumably in Wake County. She may have been wrong, for Odum lived in Northampton Co., NC prior to moving to Wake County. In other pension information provided therein, she states that Odum ran away from home at age 17 when his father was drafted into the Revolutionary War service. He joined his father, and fought for the war's duration in the regular army, witnessing the surrender of Cornwallis and stacking of weapons at Yorktown, Virginia. He said he fought in the battle of Horse Shoe Bend in central Alabama during the War of 1812. That battle involved fighting the Creek Indians in what is now Tallapoosa County. He had a crippled hand and told people he had been wounded in the battle. In correspondence dated April 19, 1815, a surgeon from the Fourth Military District, Fort Washington, stated tha Odom was incapable of performing his duties and it appeared that he had rheumatism, and was a fit subject for discharge.

Odum was a carpenter when married to Elizabeth, and his 1815 discharge lists his occupation as a carpenter. Odum died between 1840 and is buried next to his wife Lucy Bell in a private graveyard about 2 miles from Clemmons ville, NC. Odum's son, Absalom, stated in a letter that he saw them buried there, and then visited the site years later, and that the first wife of Odum is also buried there. There were no tombstones. Absalom stated that Odum had seven children by an early wife. Elizabeth stated there were four other wives. In a letter from Elizabeth to the Department of Interior Pension shows Odom middle initial to be "R." She stated that Odam's name sometimes appeared as Redmund in North Carolina Records. Elizabeth never received the pension. However, her son, Absalom, did receive compensation after her death, at the rate of \$8 per month commencing in March of 1878, and ending in June 1881.

Elizabeth lived for a short time in Surry Co., NC; then in Carroll Co., VA for a few years; then Washington Co., VA; then Sullivan Co., TN.

An affidavit by Elizabeth Wilson of Carroll County witnessed by T. F. Bunn [Thomas Franklin] and H. F. Bunn [Hezekiah F.] in 1880 testified that she knew Odum & Elizabeth for many years in Davidson Co., NC. In another Affidavit, she said that Odum Bunn had asked her husband John Wilson to record births of his children in the old family Bible. The Bible was apparently examined by the JP who found it credible. It listed: Lurana Bunn, b. 12 Mar 1823; Jame M. Bunn, b. 22 Feb 1825; Odom Bunn, b. 14 Nov 1828; Leander Bunn, b. 26 Nov 1830; Absalom Bunn, b. 27 Jan 1833; and Thomas F. and Elizabeth Bunn, twins, b. 31 Jan 1837.

Absalom Bunn stated that his mother (Elizabeth) raised two of Odum and Lucy Bell Bunn's children. Elizabeth stated that her "people" were opposed to her marrying Odum because they thought he was afflicted with "white liver disease" and his wives had probably died of it. Elizabeth was born 11 Feb 1800. Her parents are listed on her death certificate as William Mize and M. A. Mize "both of whom died many years ago."

Odum appears in the 1820 census for Rowan County, NC. His name is erroneously spelled "Woodam Ben."