

CANDIS UPCHURCH
XID 8715

Commentary: Candis Upchurch (1818 – 1889) was the daughter of Whitney Upchurch and the granddaughter of Moses Upchurch, head of Upchurch Clan No. 1. Her life played out on the border of Wake and Chatham Counties in North Carolina. Her courtship with Britton Mills failed to produce a marriage but did produce a son, Silas Merritt Upchurch who saw service in the Civil War. Candis went on to marry John Mann in 1847 and together they produced an illustrious family. Descendants to this day have a keen interest in their heritage and hold a Mann reunion on an annual basis.

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(1) Per Attached # 34 West Letter dated 18 May 1975 – Wake Co. NC Marriage Records

“**Candis U.** md John Mann – John Mann – 19 Dec 1847 – Witness = Jesse R. Penny”

(2) Wake Co. NC Marriage Bonds

Candis U. md John Mann 19 Dec 1847

(3) See 1860 Chatham Co., NC – Grove Post Office census – extracted by RPU

John Pearne(?)	33	M	Farmer	\$100RE	\$60PP
[Mann]					
<u>Candis</u> Pearne	40	F	Housewife		
[Mann]					
Malissa “	12(?)	F			
Jane “	09	F			
Louis(?) “	04	M			
Merrit(?) Upchurch	48 or 68	M	[Merrit U. 18 M]		

(Could **Candis** in **(1)**, **(2)**, and **(3)** be the same person? – RPU)

(4) See Letter dated 14 Jul 1981 Nancy D. Griffiths [nee Nancy Crayton Dobbins] – RPU

“I came across some land records of my 2 great grandfather, John Mann of Chatham Co., NC in which Anderson Holt and a Whitney U. were involved in 1854. This John Mann was married to **Candis U.**.”

(5) See Letter dated 31 Oct 1981 from William Shelton U., Sr. to RPU

“My parents, Leonga and Pearlie U., raised a foster son born in early 1900's named Lenny Mann. This orphaned boy was some relation to my father and called him “Uncle”. He married Loula – from Lincolnton, NC. Both are now deceased, but are survived by a daughter Thelma. As a child, I knew a Lindsey Mann, Country Blacksmith, friend of my father, whom Lenny also called “Uncle”. This seems to support your information about the relationship between my great grandmother **Candis U.** and the Mann's.

(6) See Letter dated 23 Jul 1981 – Nancy Crayton Dobbins to RPU

1850 Census – Chatham Co, NC [Census – Lower Regiment, Chatham Co., NC – MLU]

John Mann	25	M
<u>Candis</u> Mann	32	F [<u>Candis U.</u>]
Malvina Mann	02	F [Melissa]
Mariah Upchurch	08	F [Silas Merritt U.]

1860 Census – Grove Post Office, Chatham Co., NC

John Mann	38 or 39	M
<u>Candis</u> Mann	40	F [<u>Candis U.</u>]
Melissa Mann	12	F [Melissa Mann]
Jane Mann	09	F [James Frederick Mann]
Leinsy Mann	04	M [Lindsay Sanders Mann]
Merrit Upchurch	18	M

1870 Census – Cape Fear Township, Chatham Co., NC

John Mann	67(50)	M
<u>Candise</u> Mann	55	F [<u>Candis U.</u>]
James Mann	19	M [James Frederick Mann]
Linsey Mann	15	M [Lindsay Sanders Mann]

1880 Census – Cape Fear Township, Chatham Co., NC

John Mann	62	M
<u>Candas</u> Mann	70	F [<u>Candis U.</u>]
Lindsay Mann	25	M [Lindsay Sanders Mann]
Rebecca Mann	18	F [Rebecca Catherine Holt] [Wife of Lindsay]
Lemuel Mann	01	M [Lemuel Chester Mann]

John Mann posted a \$500 dollar bond on 19 Dec 1847 to marry **Candis U.**
 Bondsman = Jesse R. Penny; Witness = James T. Marriott Wake Co., NC

I know that Merritt was the son of **Candis U.** . I cannot locate a previous marriage of **Candis U.** . The family story is that Merritt was illegitimate.

(7) Received from Nancy Crayton Dobbins in 23 Jul 1981 Letter to RPU

James T. Marriott – Witness
James R. Penny – Bondsman
Wake Co., NC
Candis U. marriage to John Mann

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA,

Wake County.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we

John Mann. . . Lepe R.

Penny.

are held and firmly bound unto the State of North-Carolina, in the sum of FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS, current money, to be paid to the said State; for which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this *19th* day of *Decr.* A. D. 18*47.*

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That whereas the above bounden

John Mann

hath made application for a License for a Marriage to be celebrated between him and

Candis Upchurch

of the county aforesaid : Now, in case it shall not appear

Signed, sealed and delivered }

in the presence of

James T. Marriott

John Mann

James R. Penny

SEAL

SEAL

(8) See Letter dated 16 Feb 1986 Clayton Philip Mann to RPU

“Dates for **Candis U.** are difficult to establish. I have set her birth date based on census reports. She was, for some odd reason, according to my two oldest living great aunts buried in the woods near where they lived and not at Christian Chapel. She evidently died after her husband, John, and possibly the illegitimate birth of Merritt U. prevented her from having a church burial. Her name is spelled “**Candis**” on her marriage bond.

After having written the above I found out that my great aunt Mary Joyce (Mann) Farabow remembers hearing her brother Raymond talk about how he was scared of his grandmother **Candis** Mann when he was a little boy. However, she added that Raymond said he saw her only a few times – they lived a few miles from each other. This helps to pinpoint her death. Raymond was born Dec 1884 so **Candis** must have lived at least until 1889 in order for Raymond to remember her.”

(9) See Death Certificate of James Frederick Mann who died 07 Nov 1928. Information provided by a son, Malcolm Lester Mann, indicates that James Frederick Mann was the son of **Candis Upchurch** and John Thomas Mann.

(10) See Letter dated 10 Jul 1991 Clayton Philip Mann to RPU

My great aunt Mary Joyce (Mann) Farabow told me last year at the Mann Reunion that she remembered thinking that John Mann died *after* Candis, that he buried her in Chatham County in the woods somewhat near Christian Chapel Christian Church and also near someone's saw mill. She admitted, though, that her memory of this was a bit foggy. I wonder if she was buried in that Mann\Cotton Cemetery up the road about 300 or 400 yards from Christian Chapel. There are a few legible graves left there, but they are in the woods and hard to find now. I saw them about eight years ago, but I saw no Candis Mann gravestone. Incidentally, I never realized how close Christian Chapel and the dirt road that leads north to Merry Oaks are to the Wake County line until very recently when I was there at the 1991 Mann Reunion. At some points on that short span of road I'm sure that Wake County is within 200 – 300 yards. I mention this because maybe Whitney Upchurch lived in this of Wake County in the Buckhorn District later in his life and was actually very close by to his daughter Candis and son-in-law John Mann.

(11) The Naaman Mills Family by W. A. Mills Pg. 127 – 132

Re: 55 Mills entries in Wake Co., NC Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
1821 – 1867 “Court Dates Etched in Time”

- I. Abraham Mills → Naaman Mills → Lucretia Mills – Great Grandmother of RPU
→ John Mills; Britain Mills; Matthew Mills;
Nathan Mills; Shadrack Mills

23. *May 1842* – pg. 64 – “STATE VS. BRITTON MILLS) Basterdy. In this case it is ordered and adjudged by the Court, that the defendant, Britton Mills is the father of an illegitimate child begotten on the body of Candis Upchurch, a single women. It is further ordered that the said defendant enter into bond with approved security for the support of said child. That he pay the sum of ten dollars for lying in fee and ten dollars for five years to the said Candis Upchurch. And thereupon the said defendant enters into bond in the sum of two hundred dollars, with Matthew Mills as his security.”.

28. *Feb 1845* – pg. 420 – “STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO USE OF CANDIS UPCHURCH VS. BRITTON MILLS, JR., MATTHEW MILLS) Shadrack Mills & Elijah Wilson, witnesses summoned to attend this Court & testify on behalf of the defendants, being solemnly called out, and failing to appear, as they were bound to do. On motion, judgement vise is granted against them for the sum of \$40 each.”.

29. *Feb 1845* – pg. 536 – “STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO USE OF C. UPCHURCH VS. BRITTON MILLS & MATTHEW MILLS) Same jury as in No. 5, duly sworn & empowered to try. Finds that the penalty of the bond declared on, is two hundred dollars, and that the same is the act & deed of the defendants, and assess the plaintiff's damages to fine costs. Judgement of the Court accordingly and for costs.”.

(12) From Letter dated 23 Feb 2004 from Gretchen Gaye Mann to RPU

I. John Mann d abt 1789 (Northampton Co., NC)

A. Richard Mann b Northampton Co., NC d 1799 (Wake Co., NC) md () Lucy Martin

1. Stephen Mann, I b abt 1782 () d 1815 (Wake Co., NC) md () Penny Johnson

a. William Mann b abt 1811 () d before 1850 (Wake Co., NC)
md Grace Holt b abt 1814 () before 1860 “Gracie” [Descendants of
William and Daniel Mann married into the Moses U. subclan.]

b. Daniel Mann b abt 1814 () md Susannah Womack

i. William Sanders Mann b 17 Dec 1839 (Wake Co., NC)
d 12 Feb 1923

c. Stephen Mann, Jr. d 1857/1858 md () Martha Holt

2. Martin Mann b abt 1875 () md () Sarah Holmes

a. John Thomas Mann md () **Candis Upchurch**
d/o Whitney U., gd/o Moses U. – Head of Clan

3. Prudence Mann md () Charles Johnston

a. Prudence Johnston md () Alsey Holt
x. Robert Holt

4. Patience Mann md () Richard Johnston

5. Silas Mann b abt 1795

a. William Mann b 1820/1825 (Chatham Co., NC) d (Chatham Co., NC)

6. Winnifred Mann

7. Daniel Mann b abt 1794 () md () Charlotte Stephens

a. Thomas Mann b abt 1794 () Emeline Stephens b 1821/1822

x. James H. Mann b 1839; xx; Mary Mann;
xxx; George W. Mann b 1843; xv; Hester Ann Mann

b. William Mann

c. Madison Mann (Buried Bosque Bello Cemetery Jacksonville, Fla)

d. James Anderson Mann d 1862 (Field Hospital, Lake City, Fla)

e. Robert H. Mann

f. Linda J. Mann b 1821 md William H. Thrift (md him twice)

g. Henry M. Mann b 04 Apr 1823 (Chatham Co., NC) d 1864 (VA)
md Hannah Fitchett

h. C. M. Mann (F) md () John McCarn

i. John C. McCarn b 1850

(13) Letter to RPU from Danny Calier Bunn – Received 02 Dec 2004

Robert P. Upchurch
351 Shetland Valley Court
Chesterfield, MO 63005-4840

Dear Phil,

November 12, 2004

While going through my files today, I came across the document below. It came from the Wake County Court Minutes of Pleas & Quarters, Vol. 1, Page 64, 1842 – 1848, dated 19 May 1842.

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State vs Britton Mills *In this case. It is ordered and adjudged by the Court, that the defendant, Britton Mills is the father of an illegitimate child begotten on the body of Candis Upchurch, a single women. It is further ordered that the said defendant enter into bond with approved security for the support of said child. That he pay the sum of ten dollars for lying in fee and and ten dollars for five years to the said Candis Upchurch.*

And thereupon the said defendant enters into bond in the sum of two hundred dollars, with Matthew Mills as his security.

[This is the Matthew Mills ↑ born 1789]

[Note: This is the record which names the father of Silas Merritt U. – RPU 13 Dec 2004]

By deduction RPU concludes the following:

I. Moses U. – Head of Clan

A. Whitney U.

1. Candis U.

a. Silas Merritt U. b 23 Mar 1841

[s/o Candis U. and Britton Mills – who could be the Britton

b 1789 or the Britton b 1822]

I. Naaman Miles b 1757

A. Britton Mills b 1789 [twin to Matthew]

B. Matthew Mills b 1789 [twin to Britton]

C. Nathan Mills b 1792

1. Britton T. Mills b 1822

D. Lucretia Mills [Great Grandmother of RPU]

(14) Partial Extract No. 3 from 26 page document from Rebecca Lynn McLean to RPU 18 Oct 2009 daughter of Beulah Maybelle Mann – Moses U./ Whitney U. Subclan – **Candis U.** line.

20. **John Mann** was born on 1825 in Wake County, NC. He was the son of 40. Martin Mann and 41. Sallie or Sarah Holmes. He died on Abt. 1900 in Merry Oaks, NC. He married **Candance Upchurch** on 19 Dec 1847 in Wake County, North Carolina.
21. **Candance Upchurch**[on partial extract No. 2], born 1818 in Wake Co., NC, died Abt. 1889 in Chatham County, North Carolina, United States, married 19 Dec 1847 in Wake County, North Carolina. She was the daughter of 42. Whitney Upchurch and 43. Elizabeth Goodwin.

Children of John Mann and **Candace Upchurch** are:

Lindsay Sanders Mann, [on partial extract No. 4], born 25 May 1855 in Chatham County, North Carolina, United State, died 21 Dec 1936 in Hamett County, North Carolina, married Mattie Irene O'Connell 19 Dec 1900 in Chatham County, North Carolina, United States; married Rebecca Catherine Holt 02 Jan 1878 in Chatham County, North Carolina, United States.

Melissa Malvina Mann, born Abt. 1848, died after 1860

James Frederick Mann, born 23 Sep 1849 in Chatham County, North Carolina, died 07 Nov 1928 in Apex, Wake Co., NC, married Ruth Jane Dickens 24 Dec 1873 in Chatham County., NC.

(15) NC Marriages – 05 Sep 05 – Peterson – Wake County

Mary Upchurch	Odum Barns	03 Feb 1806
Mary Upchurch	Odam Bunn	05 Feb 1806
Whiting Upchurch	Elizabeth Goodwin	03 Jan 1811
Mackey Upchurch	Edmund Cole	09 Aug 1816
Gilbert Upchurch	Elizabeth Upchurch	20 Mar 1819
Murray Upchurch	Nancy Scott	23 Aug 1820
Hubbard Upchurch	Esther Bird	24 Oct 1822
Frances Upchurch	Blake Baker	18 Nov 1829
John Upchurch	Angelina G. Green	29 May 1830
Kerney Upchurch	Emila Perry	22 Nov 1830
Sims Upchurch	Abigail Olive	11 Dec 1832
Acriel Upchurch	Mary Olive	30 Mar 1833
Quilla Upchurch	Nathaniel Mitchell	02 Dec 1833
Abel Upchurch	Nancy Sorrell	27 Nov 1839
Eliza Upchurch	William Beddingfield	02 Dec 1839
William C. Upchurch	Adline Royster	15 Dec 1840
Stephen Upchurch	Ann Medlin	16 Mar 1841
Gilbert Upchurch	Margaret Bird	23 Sep 1842
Bartley Upchurch	Jane Whitaker	27 Dec 1842

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NC Marriages – 05 Sep 05 – Peterson – Wake County (cont'd)

Clargy Upchurch	William Wilson	24 Feb 1843
Betsey Upchurch	Haywood Laurence	02 Dec 1844
Nancy Upchurch	William Hobby	19 Dec 1845
Clargy Ann Upchurch	Wesley M. O'Daniel	11 Mar 1846
<u>Candis Upchurch</u>	John Mann	19 Dec 1847
Mariah Upchurch	Robert Rollins	13 Oct 1849
Alfred Upchurch	Adelia M. Crowder	23 Dec 1850
Armelia Upchurch	Hinton Hudson	31 Dec 1850

(16) Excerpt from: The Goodwin Family of Central N. C. by Thomas Jerry Goodwin, Sr. 2009 – RPU 29 Sep 2012

- I. William Goodwin, Sr. (AKA William Kendrick Goodwin) b 02 Jan 1748 (NC) [pg - 60]
d 1837 (Chatham Co., NC) md 1770 (Wake Co., NC) Winifred Thrailkill
G. Elizabeth Goodwin b 1794 (Wake Co., NC) [pg – 102]
md 03 Jan 1811 () Whitney U. b 1793 (Franklin Co., NC)

1. **CANDIS U.** [pg – 183]
2. Richard Dillard U. [pg – 184]
3. Duncan Lemuel U.
4. Hesper Ann U.
5. James M. U.
6. Martha Jane U.
7. Bennett A. U. [pg – 184]

Whitney Upchurch Family

1793 – 1863 (son of Moses Upchurch)

Elizabeth Goodwin Upchurch Family

1794 – (Daughter of William Goodwin, Sr.)

Whitney Upchurch was born in 1793 at Franklin County, North Carolina the son of Moses Upchurch and Mary Simms. He died in 1863 at Wake County. He married Elizabeth Goodwin.

*Elizabeth Goodwin was born at Wake County, North Carolina in 1794 the daughter of William and Winifred Goodwin. She married Whitney Upchurch on January 3, 1811. They had seven known children born of this marriage. (1) **Candis Upchurch** was born in 1818 at Chatham County. (2) Richard Dillard Upchurch was born in May 1820 at Chatham County. He married Jane Phelps in 1848. They had a daughter named Kittie Upchurch born 1852 at Nevada City, California. (3) Duncan Lemuel Upchurch (untraced) was born in November 1824 at Wake County, N. C. (4) Hesper Ann Upchurch (untraced) was born in 1828 at Wake County. (5) James M. Upchurch (untraced) was born in 1830 at Wake County. (6) Martha Jane Upchurch (untraced) was born in 1832 at Wake County. She married William Stephens on February 22, 1866. He was born in 1825 and died after 1910. (7) Bennett A. Upchurch was born on May 10, 1834 at Wake County.*

(17) NC Marriages

Candis Upchurch

	19 Dec	Wake, North	
North Carolina Marriages,	marriage: 1847	Carolina	spouse: John Mann
1759 – 1979			