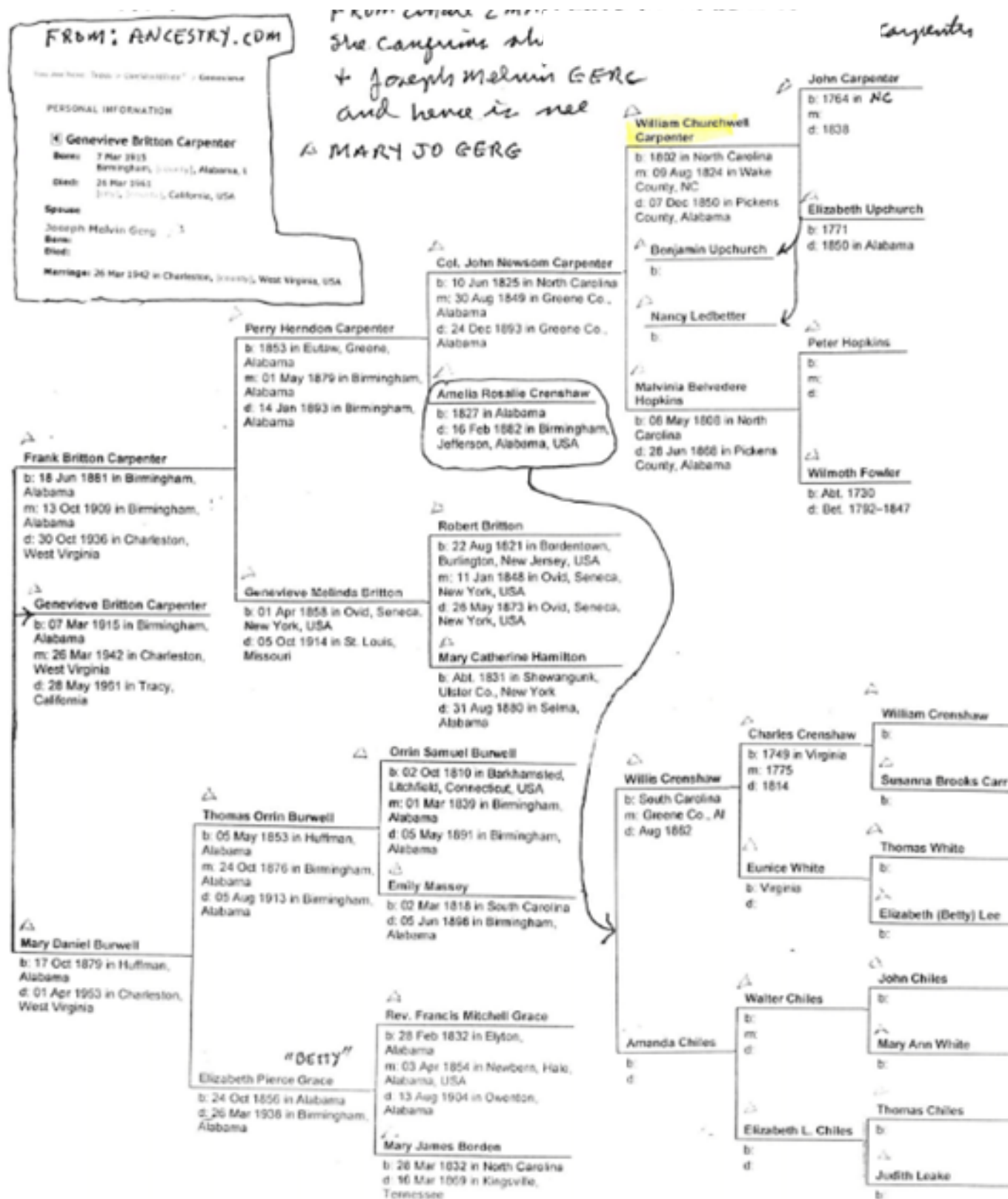


William Churchwell (Upchurch) Carpenter**no XID**

Commentary: See organizational note under #1 on page three for an explanation surrounding the controversy over William Churchwell's parentage.

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(no number) Condensation of Pedigree Charts in letter 26 Feb 2010 Mary Jo Gerg to RPU From email 2 Mar 2010 Mary Jo Tarrant to RPU. She confirms she is daughter of Genevieve Britton Carpenter and Joseph Melvin Gerg and hence is nee Mary Jo Gerg. See next page



(no number) Extract of emails 2 Apr 2015 & 12 May 2015 – Mary Jo Gerg to RPU – Re: Moccasin Creek Area, NC – RPU 17 May 2015, email 25 Apr 2015:

I. Hezekiah Massey, Sr

A. Richard Massey 1696 – 1740

1. William Massey 1730 – 1783

a. Noel Posey Massey 1755 – 1828

i. Jonathan Benjamin Massey 1780 – 1828

(I) Emily Massey 1818 – 1898

(A) Thomas Orrin Burwell 1853 – 1913

(1) Mary Daniel Burwell 1879 – 1953

(a) Genevieve Britton Carpenter
1915 – 1961

married () Joseph Melvin Gerg

(i) Mary Jo Gerg

Email 17 May 2014

1 – 6 = possible useful information

1. Abel Strickland married 29 Nov 1816 (Wake Co, NC)

2. Charlotte Massey

3. Matthew Strickland married 5 Jan 1774 (Bute Co, NC)

4. Mary Perry

5. Matthew Strickland married 10 Jan 1803

6. Nancy Bunn (Wake Co, NC)

I. **William Churchwell Carpenter**

married Malvina Belvin Carpenter 1805 – 1868

A. John Newsum Carpenter

B. Perry Strickland Carpenter

I. Matthew Strickland (same as 3 or 5?? – RPU)

A. Mary Strickland	} possible grandparents of Mary Jo Gerg
married () John Hopkins	

Organizational Note:

In 1803 the NC State Legislature authorized five Upchurch children of Franklin Co, NC to change their last name from Upchurch to Carpenter. In keeping with the usual practice of RPU the basic biofiles for these individuals will be kept under the Upchurch name but with a brief cross-reference under the Carpenter name. The scheme is as follows:

Biofiles kept under:

Simeon Upchurch

Samuel Benjamin Upchurch

Jubal Upchurch, II

William Churchwell Upchurch¹

Winifred Upchurch

Cross-referenced as:

Simeon Carpenter, Jr

Samuel Benjamin Carpenter, Sr

Jubal Carpenter, Sr

William Churchwell Carpenter¹

Winifred Carpenter

¹The "William" part of this name has been called into question and while the William Part will continue to be used for the present this person will be cross-referenced as Churchwell Upchurch AKA Churchwell Carpenter.

(1) AL Census Records in letter 12 Apr 1997 Catherine Lee Lambert to RPU
Churchwell [William Churchwell Upchurch] appears in the 1830 Greene County Census on same record as his father John [John Carpenter]

PICKENS CO. - 1850

Churchwell Carpenter	48 born NC	worth \$7,800 [WILLIAM CHURCHWELL U]
Belva	45 born NC	[MALVINA BELVEDERE HOPKINS, I]
Kelly	20 born AL	[KELLY HOPKINS CARPENTER]
Jane	18 born AL	
Ellen	16 born AL	[ELLEN M CARPENTER]
Mary	15 born AL	[MARY A M CARPENTER]
Sidney	13 born AL	[SIDNEY CHURCHWELL CARPENTER]
J.N. Carpenter	28 born AL	lawyer [JOHN NEWSOM CARPENTER]
Amelia	22	[AMELIA ROSALIE CRENSHAW]

1860

Kelly H Carpenter	30 born AL	↗ [KELLY HOPKINS CARPENTER, I]
Mary G	28 born SC	[MARY B GORDON]
John P	1 born AL	[JOHN P CARPENTER]
Sidney C	23 born AL	↗ [SIDNEY CHURCHWELL CARPENTER]
		worth real \$4,500 personal \$4,300
Perry S Carpenter	33 born AL	MD worth real \$4,000 personal \$17,855
Martha C	28	[MARTHA CHRISTINA PEARSON]
Jack T	8	[JOEL PEARSON CARPENTER]
Francis B & Ida F	7 months	[IDA F CARPENTER]
		↳ [FRANK BUTLER CARPENTER]
Melvina Carpenter	53 born NC	↗ [MALVINA BELVEDERE HOPKINS]
		worth real \$4,100 personal \$18,000
Benjamin	21 born AL	[BENJAMIN F CARPENTER]
Cana A	14 born AL	[CORA ELIZABETH CARPENTER]
Benjamin Fason overseer		Churchwell had died and estate divided

BRIDGEVILLE, PICKENS COUNTY, 1870

P.S. Carpenter	40	physician [PERRY S. CARPENTER]
Martha	37	[MARTHA CHRISTINA PEARSON]
John J	18	[JOHN JOEL CARPENTER]
Washington R	12	[WILLIAM R CARPENTER]
Forest	10	[FOREST CARPENTER]
Dorah	4	[DORAH CARPENTER]
A W	2	[ARTHUR HOPKINS CARPENTER]

There is something wrong with ages 1860 -1870 census but believe same person

1860 SLAVE CENSUS

Sidney Carpenter → [SIDNEY CHURCHWELL CARPENTER]
2 houses Males ages 40 & 22 Females 20 & 2

Kelly 1 female age 50 [KELLY HOPKINS CARPENTER]

(2) From letter 12 Apr 1997 Catherine Lee Lambert to RPU

The State of Alabama, Greene County.

Know all men by these presents, that we Churchwell Carpenter
Gubal Carpenter Arthur Harrison and Jonathan
Lockwood are held and firmly bound unto William B. Smith Judge of the
Orphans' Court of said County, in the sum of forty thousand dollars,
to be paid to the said Judge, ~~or~~ to his successors in office. For which payment,
well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administra-
tors, jointly and severally, firmly, by these presents; sealed with our seals, this 9/8/11
day of March 1886. The condition of the above Obligation is such,
That whereas, the above bound Churchwell Carpenter & Gubal
Carpenter have been duly appointed Administrators of all and singular the goods and chattles,
rights and credits, of John Carpenter deceased. Now,
if They shall well and truly perform all the duties, which are or may be by law
required of them as such Administrators then, the above Obligation to be void;
otherwise to remain in full force.

Signed, sealed, acknowledged and delivered
in open Court.

Attest,

Churchwell Carpenter (Seal)
Gubal Carpenter (Seal)
Arthur Harrison (Seal)
Jonathan Lockwood (Seal)

This document shows that Churchwell Carpenter [**William Churchwell Upchurch → Carpenter**], Jubal Upchurch [Jubal Upchurch, II → Jubal Carpenter, SR] were on 28 Mar 1836 confirmed as executors of the estate of John Carpenter and that they along with Jethro Harrison and Jonathan Cockrell were bonded for \$40,000 to William B Street, Judge in Orphan's Court for performance. [This is taken to mean the estate of John Carpenter was valued at \$40,000 – RPU]

(3) See Biofile of John Carpenter-entry 27 JUL 1986.

I. Benjamin Upchurch–Head of Clan

A. Elizabeth Upchurch married John Carpenter. They were in Greene, County AL when John died leaving Elizabeth a widow with children. Record appears 9 APR 1838 –Greene County, AL Orphans Court Book D page 390- John Carpenter deceased- his son Jubal Carpenter- Administrator. Details show:

I. **John Carpenter** died <9 APR 1838.

Married Elizabeth () [Elizabeth Upchurch] Still living APR 1838.

- A. Ludwell Carpenter [James Ludwell Carpenter]
- B. Benjamin Carpenter [Samuel Benjamin (Upchurch) Carpenter]
- C. Jubal Carpenter [Jubal (Upchurch) Carpenter]
- D. Churchwell Carpenter [**William Churchwell (Upchurch) Carpenter**]
- E. Winifred Sanderford [Winifred (Upchurch) Carpenter] [deceased <APR 1838]

Married James Sanderford.

F. Elizabeth Williams [Elizabeth Carpenter] [deceased <APR 1838]

Married Lawrence Williams.

G. Mary Rainey [Mary Carpenter] [deceased <APR 1838]

Married James H. Rainey.

H. Simeon Carpenter [deceased <APR 1838]

- 1. Furney L. Carpenter
- 2. Thomas Carpenter
- 3. Rowena Carpenter
- 4. Elizabeth Carpenter
- 5. Jubal Carpenter
- 6. Stephen Carpenter
- 7. Nancy Carpenter

I. Nancy Richardson [died <APR 1838] [Nancy Carpenter]

- 1. Julia A. Richardson
- 2. Milly M. Richardson
- 3. Elizabeth Richardson

J. Harriet Lutt [died <APR 1838] [Harriet Carpenter]

married ____ Lutt

- 31. John Z. Lutt
- 2. James H. Lutt
- 3. Nancy J. Lutt
- 4. W. Lutt

(4) See letter 26 Feb 1997 Catherine Lambert to RPU

I. Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Elizabeth Upchurch married John Carpenter

1. William Churchwell Upchurch → 1803 William Churchwell Carpenter born about 1801 (NC) died 7 Dec 1850

married 9 Aug 1824 (Wake Co, NC) Melvina Hopkins “Belvy” – Bondsman was Peter Hopkins. Eleven children listed.

WCC resided in Pickens Co, AL.

[Note: For **WCC** the following was on the Master Outline as of 14 Mar 1997 but not in biofile – hence must be in as yet unextracted material – RPU

WCC born 1801 (1802), buried Old Bethany Cemetery, Pickens Co, AL married Malvina Belvedes Hopkins “Belvy” born May 1808 () died 28 Jun 1968.

See letter 30 Mar 1984 Grace Williamson to RPU

From NC Genealogical Journal Jan 1976 Issue

Simeon Upchurch, Benjamin Upchurch, Jubel Upchurch, Wineford Upchurch and ***Churchill Upchurch** changed their names to Carpenter = 1803 Franklin Co, NC.

1810 Census – Franklin Co, NC shows a Benjamin Carpenter and a Simeon Carpenter

1800 Census – Franklin Co, NC shows A Jubal Upchurch and a Benjamin Upchurch

*Note: Presume this should be read as Churchwell – RPU

(5) From letter 12 Apr 1997 Catherine Lee Lambert to RPU

I. Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Elizabeth Upchurch

1. **William Churchwell Carpenter**

CHURCHWELL CARPENTER ↗

BORN 1802 FRANKLIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
DIED DECEMBER 7, 1850, PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA

and

MELVINA (BELVA) HOPKINS

BORN MAY, 1807, WAKE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
DIED JUNE 28, 1868, PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA

Churchwell and Belva are buried in the Old Bethany Cemetery, Pickens County, Alabama. The cemetery is just over the Pickens County line from Greene County, highway 14.

Some researchers have indicated Churchwell's first name was William, and if true probably named after his father's brother William. (Additional records under John Carpenter (Churchwell's father will include the mystery --- are we Carpenter's by adoption or by birth)?

Churchwell and Belva were married in Wake County, NC on 9 August, 1824. Peter Hopkins signed the license and B.S. King was a witness. I haven't done any research on the Hopkins, therefore, do not know if Peter was her father or brother (he did move to Greene County, also).

They moved from Franklin County, NC to Greene County, AL about 1830 (first land patent granted 14 September 1831). They moved at some point into Pickens County, near Vienna - unfortunately records from Pickens County are scarce due to two courthouse fires, therefore am unable to provide much information on this era in their lives. I can not determine how Churchwell's estate was settled as have been unable to locate anything, other than census records which indicates he did have land and money.

Extract (copy) placed in biofiles of: William Churchwell Carpenter

Melvina Hopkins

Peter Hopkins

William Carpenter } brothers

John Carpenter }

William Churchwell Upchurch → Carpenter was named the father of a child born May 1824 to Delency Crawley

(6) See biofile of Elizabeth Upchurch (XID – 15711) entry 12 May 1988

Churchwell Carpenter born 1801 died 7 Dec 1850

Buried Old Bethany Cemetery, Pickens Co, AL

married Malvina --- ---

(7) See biofile of Eleanor Richardson – entry 24 Jun 1991

I. Thomas Carpenter born 1743 (Botetourt Co, VA) died 6 Aug 1803 (Nash Co, NC)

married Mary Lee born < 4 Jul 1771 (Edgecombe Co, NC)

A. John Carpenter died 1838 (Greene Co, AL)

married Elizabeth Upchurch [presumed daughter of Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan – RPU]

1. Churchwell Upchurch born circa 1801 died 7 Dec 1850 (name changed to Churchwell Carpenter – 1804)

married Melvina Hopkins born May 1808 died 28 Jun 1868

(8) Kinfolks of Franklin Co, NC, Page 141

Deed Book 20 Page 232 Churchwell Carpenter deed of trust to John Carpenter 1 Jan 1822

(9) Re: Churchwell Upchurch (Churchwell Carpenter) see biofile of Mrs William F Tarrant who is a cooperator and a descendant of Churchwell (Upchurch) Carpenter, 17 Dec 1990