

Charles Upchurch and his Family UAFA Enrolled Family AFEF No. 12

I. Introduction

This compendium is being created, maintained, and updated by the Upchurch and Allied Families Association and cooperators with the purpose of establishing an online site with details about this UAFA “enrolled” family. Today, thousands can trace their heritage back to Charles.

Each UAFA enrolled family is served by a coordinator. Initially, the default coordinator of all enrolled families is Phil Upchurch, the founder of UAFA. Financial support is required to enroll and augment records for an enrolled family and to keep it online for the long term. The financial co-sponsors of the Charles Upchurch Family and active supporters will be reported in periodic e-newsletters to the Charles Upchurch family. The ultimate goal is to have a minimal endowment of \$10,000 for this family, the earnings of which will support the records of this particular family and UAFA.

Historically, the records for the Charles Upchurch Family have been found in a great many places. By “enrolling” this family under the procedures of UAFA, the intent is to have a central portal which will readily allow a member of this family to see and understand reference materials about their heritage. Much of this material exists in the Allied Family Archives amassed by Phil Upchurch over a forty-year period. This and other resources will set the stage for further research, or for the creation of a comprehensive family history. Progress will depend on collaboration.

Readers are aware of the large amount of conflicting data for any given family on Ancestry.com and other sites. It is difficult and essentially impossible to get these conflicts resolved online. Furthermore, some of these sites fade from view over time. The plan and intent of UAFA is to resolve both of those issues. It is our intent that content portrayed by UAFA for an enrolled family will be factual and subject to ongoing validation and that the content will remain online for the long term under the auspices of UAFA. To make this a reality, UAFA must be sustained by an active volunteer Board of Directors, volunteer cooperators must be active participants, and some hired help must be available. Tax-deductible financial contributions will be important to allow all of this to happen. You may go to the [Home Page](#) of this website to find a membership/contribution form.

UAFA operates like a holding company. The headquarters of our Association provide start-up information for each enrolled family and some ongoing support. However, the continued improvement in the on-line records for each enrolled family is the responsibility of a team of volunteers who are largely descendants of the enrolled family Patriarch. For many years, the late Martha Lucy (Upchurch) Tidd of California, was a valuable source of records and information for the Charles Upchurch family. As of December 2018, the active team members are Diane Corkery of Alabama and Cindy Pons of Louisiana.



III. A Brief Review of the Life of Charles Upchurch, his Children and Grandchildren

Charles Upchurch was born February 11 1755 in Granville County, North Carolina and died in Henry County, Georgia in 1842. His father Richard Upchurch II (ca. 1725-1798) had moved to North Carolina from Virginia about 1755. His grandfather James Upchurch was born in Virginia and died there in 1765. His great grandfather Richard Upchurch was born ca. 1658 and died in 1700. His great-great grandfather Michael Upchurch (ca. 1624-1681) was the original American Upchurch immigrant who came to America about 1638.

Charles was the brother of Nathan, Richard Jr, Moses, Benjamin, James (?), Jubal (?), and Abel (?). In 1779 Charles Upchurch was granted 500 acres of land in Wake County, “on the N side of Moccasin Creek and on Turkey Creek” by the state of North Carolina, This part of Wake County would later be absorbed into Franklin County. It is possible that Charles Upchurch may have served in the Revolutionary War

In the 1790 Franklin County, North Carolina census, Charles was listed as head of household. The census went on to list these members of the household:

- Free white males age 16 and up 1
- White males under age 16 2
- White females, all ages 5
- Number of slaves 1

In the 1800 Franklin County, North Carolina census, a listing for Charles Upchurch has 7 in his family along with 3 slaves.

- Males under the age of 10 1
- Males age 45 and up 1
- Females under the age of 10 3
- Females 10 – 16 1
- Females age 45 and up 1

The last listing for Charles Upchurch was in the 1810 Franklin County, NC census. This census contained the following information:

- Males 10 – 16 1
- Males 45 and up 1
- Females 10 – 16 1
- Females 45 and up 1
- Slaves 7

As indicated by deed records and court minutes from Franklin County, North Carolina, Charles was active in the years 1790 – 1816 purchasing and selling land and other items. He owned over 500 acres of land near Moccasin Creek area at time of his death. He was listed as having taxable property in Franklin County from 1804 through 1815. Records also indicate that

he was active as both an overseer and as a juror in the county. Charles was described as “deceased” in a record from 1819.

Charles Upchurch (born ca. 1755 and died 1842) married a woman, nee Gay, based on the fact that they named a son Thomas Gay Upchurch. However, convincing evidence on this point has not surfaced as of 27 Mar 2013. The Gay and Upchurch Families lived near each other on the wake/Franklin county border from 1755 on and had many interactions.

IV. Descendants of Charles Upchurch (First 3 Generations)

Note: Biofiles of Charles Upchurch Enrolled Family Members that are currently available on the Allied Families website will feature a hyperlink

Generation 1

1. **CHARLES UPCHURCH** was born on 11 Feb 1755 in Granville County, North Carolina, USA. He died in 1842 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married **UNKNOWN**. She was born about 1760 in North Carolina, USA. She died about 1825 in Henry County, Georgia, USA.

Charles Upchurch and Unknown had the following children:

2. i. EATON UPCHURCH was born in 1780 in North Carolina, USA. He died about 1865 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married Frances Norris about 1801 in Franklin County, North Carolina, USA. She was born about 1770 in North Carolina, USA. She died before 1860 in Henry County, Georgia, USA.
3. ii. SUSAN UPCHURCH was born in 1782 in North Carolina, USA. She died in Jul 1847 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She married James Henry Butts about 1804 in Putnam County, Georgia, USA. He was born about 1780. He died in Tennessee, USA.
- iii. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born in 1786 in North Carolina, USA. She died in 1786 in North Carolina, USA.
4. iv. KEATON UPCHURCH was born in 1790 in North Carolina, USA. He died after 1870 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married (1) LUREANA NORRIS on 25 Sep 1811 in Franklin County, North Carolina, USA. She was born about 1785 in North Carolina, USA. She died about 1828 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married (2) MARGARET HEATH on 11 May 1831 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She was born about 1805 in Georgia, USA. She died about 1865 in Georgia, USA.
5. v. THOMAS GAY UPCHURCH was born on 28 Nov 1797 in Wake County, North Carolina, USA. He died on 23 Jun 1885 in Clay County, Alabama, USA. He married (2) PATIENCE C. BARNES on 06 Jan 1825 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She was born in 1806 in North Carolina, USA. She died in 1883 in Ashland, Clay, Alabama, USA.
6. vi. CHARITY S. UPCHURCH was born in 1798 in North Carolina, USA. She died after 1880 in Georgia, USA.

Generation 2

2. **EATON UPCHURCH** (Charles I) was born in 1780 in North Carolina, USA. He died about 1865 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married Frances Norris about 1801 in Franklin County, North Carolina, USA. She was born about 1770 in North Carolina, USA. She died before 1860 in Henry County, Georgia, USA.

Eaton Upchurch and Frances Norris had the following children:

- i. [ABNER FRANKLIN UPCHURCH](#) was born about 1802.
- ii. [HENDERSON UPCHURCH](#) was born in 1804 in North Carolina, USA. He died before 1870 in Georgia, USA.
- iii. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born about 1804 in North Carolina, USA.
- iv. [HARRIET FLETCHER UPCHURCH](#) was born about 1805 in North Carolina, USA. She died on 27 Apr 1893 in Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee, USA.
- v. [CEMP "CAMP" "KEMP" UPCHURCH](#) was born about 1808 in North Carolina, USA.

3. **SUSAN UPCHURCH** (Charles I) was born in 1782 in North Carolina, USA. She died in Jul 1847 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She married James Henry Butts about 1804 in Putnam County, Georgia, USA. He was born about 1780. He died in Tennessee, USA.

James Henry Butts and Susan Upchurch had the following children:

- i. LEVI BUTTS.
- ii. ELEANOR BUTTS was born about 1804 in Tennessee, USA.
- iii. NANCY BUTTS.
- iv. REBECCA LITTLETON BUTTS was born in 1800 in Georgia, USA. She died in 1861 in California, USA.
- v. DELANEY "DILLIE" BUTTS was born in 1804 in Georgia, USA. She died on 24 Feb 1866 in Henry County, Tennessee, USA.
- vi. SALATHIEL BUTTS was born in 1810 in Georgia, USA. He died in 1856 in Jackson County, Missouri, USA.
- vii. HENRY BUTTS was born in 1811 in Georgia, USA.
- viii. ANDREW JACKSON BUTTS SR was born on 12 May 1812 in Georgia, USA. He died on 12 Apr 1870 in Texas, USA.

4. **KEATON UPCHURCH** (Charles I) was born in 1790 in North Carolina, USA. He died after 1870 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married (1) **LUREANA NORRIS** on 25 Sep 1811 in Franklin County, North Carolina, USA. She was born about 1785 in North Carolina, USA. She died about 1828 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He married (2) **MARGARET HEATH** on 11 May 1831 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She was born about 1805 in Georgia, USA. She died about 1865 in Georgia, USA.

Keaton Upchurch and Lureana Norris had the following children:

- i. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born in 1812.
- ii. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born in 1814.
- iii. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born in 1816.
- iv. MARY CHARITY UPCHURCH was born on 12 Mar 1818 in Taylor County, Georgia, USA. She died on 07 Jun 1879 in Taylor County, Georgia, USA.
- v. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born about 1820.
- vi. CLARA ANN "CLARYMAN" "CLEMON" UPCHURCH was born about 1823 in North Carolina, USA. She died in Georgia, USA.

- vii. FRANCES UPCHURCH was born in Aug 1824 in Upson County, Georgia, USA.

Generation 2 (con't)

- viii. BARBARY UPCHURCH was born in 1826.

Keaton Upchurch and Margaret Heath had the following children:

- ix. LURIAH UPCHURCH was born in 1835 in Georgia, USA. She died about 1875 in Georgia, USA.
- x. ELLENDER "ELLEN" UPCHURCH was born about 1835 in Georgia, USA.
- xi. ELBERT UPCHURCH was born in 1839. He died on 30 Aug 1862 in Manassas, Independent Cities, Virginia, USA.
- xii. HENRY UPCHURCH was born in 1841 in Monroe County, Georgia, USA. He died on 01 Jul 1862 in Staunton, Independent Cities, Virginia, USA.
- xiii. CALVIN C. UPCHURCH was born in Aug 1845 in Georgia, USA. He died on 04 Aug 1932 in Henry County, Georgia, USA.
- xiv. THOMAS H. UPCHURCH was born in Jul 1852 in Georgia, USA. He died about 1911 in Macon, Bibb, Georgia, USA.

5. **THOMAS GAY UPCHURCH** (Charles I) was born on 28 Nov 1797 in Wake County, North Carolina, USA. He died on 23 Jun 1885 in Clay County, Alabama, USA. He married (2) **PATIENCE C. BARNES** on 06 Jan 1825 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. She was born in 1806 in North Carolina, USA. She died in 1883 in Ashland, Clay, Alabama, USA.

Thomas Gay Upchurch had the following child:

- i. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born about 1823.

Thomas Gay Upchurch and Patience C. Barnes had the following children:

- ii. WILLIS J. UPCHURCH was born on 28 Nov 1826 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He died on 28 Nov 1910 in Clay County, Alabama, USA.
- iii. [THOMAS GAY "TOM" UPCHURCH JR](#) was born on 07 Mar 1827 in Georgia, USA. He died in 1860 in Louisiana, USA.
- iv. UNKNOWN UPCHURCH was born in 1829.
- v. JETHRO WILSON "PONY" UPCHURCH was born on 09 Jul 1831 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He died on 27 Mar 1896 in Ashland, Franklin, Georgia, USA.
- vi. WILLIAM BARNES UPCHURCH was born on 09 Jul 1831 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He died on 28 Oct 1862 in Knoxville, Knox, Tennessee, USA.
- vii. MARTHA UPCHURCH was born in 1833 in Georgia, USA.
- viii. RHODA A "RODIE" UPCHURCH was born in 1835 in Georgia, USA.
- ix. MARY ELIZABETH UPCHURCH was born on 24 Mar 1837 in Georgia, USA. She died on 26 Apr 1916.
- x. JOHN C. "JOHNIE" UPCHURCH was born in 1839 in Georgia, USA. He died on 03 May 1863.
- xi. MARGARET J. "MAT" "MALLIE" UPCHURCH was born in 1844 in Georgia, USA.
- xii. JOSEPH EATON UPCHURCH was born on 10 Aug 1844 in Carroll County, Georgia, USA. He died on 24 May 1915 in Clay County, Alabama, USA.

6. **CHARITY S. UPCHURCH** (Charles I) was born in 1798 in North Carolina, USA. She died after 1880 in Georgia, USA.

Generation 2 (con't)

Charity S. Upchurch had the following children:

- i. WILLIAM LEWIS HOUSTON GREEN was born about 1823 in Hancock County, Georgia, USA. He died on 13 Dec 1893.
- ii. JOHN MICHAEL "DUMP" UPCHURCH was born on 01 Jul 1829 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He died on 03 Mar 1903 in Wellington, Collingsworth, Texas, USA.
- iii. JAMES MONROE UPCHURCH was born on 16 Jan 1834 in Henry County, Georgia, USA. He died on 13 Dec 1892 in Cass County, Texas, USA.

V. Supplementary Resources Providing Information Pertinent to the Family of Charles Upchurch I

There is a Charles Upchurch Family Tree on Ancestry.com created and owned by Allied Families. Allied Families will use volunteer Tree Masters to expand this tree. Permission will be granted to those who wish to see the tree.

The Allied Families Homepage has a link to Resources under which details for the Charles Upchurch Family may be found. Note especially the Biofile Section where we plan to post the Biofiles for Charles, his children, and grandchildren. Volunteer Transcribers are needed to help with this undertaking.

The Allied Families Projects file is evolving and will provide options for the members of the Charles Upchurch Family to participate.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE UPCHURCH BULLETIN

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JAN 1980

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

Charles Upchurch was born at about the time his father moved from Brunswick Co., VA to the Moccasin Creek area of NC. Charles served in the Revolutionary War after which he returned to his NC homesite. Sometime before 1820 Charles immigrated to Georgia. All signs point to him being the head of a large clan which needs to be documented. 164

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APRIL 1980

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

Ben Lane U., Sr. of East Point, GA has been collecting information 4377 on the Thomas Gay U., Sr. subclan for years. Much of this subclan is 2071 now falling into place. However, hard proof is still desired of the presumption that Thomas Gay U., Sr. was the son of Charles Upchurch. 2071, 164 The relationship was very close as they migrated from NC to GA together.

On May 22, 1980 your Editor had the pleasure of meeting Ben Lane U. 4377 Sr. in his office at Georgia State University in Atlanta, GA. Ben is Placement Officer for the University and has long been active in the Georgia National Guard from which he is now retired as a Brigadier General. Ben's father was a second cousin of Martha Louise (Upchurch) Tidd, the 2106 grand lady who worked so hard on Upchurch genealogy. Ben knew her well as "Mattie. Lou" and cooperated with her for years. Ben has loaned me his valuable collection of Upchurch notes and papers for reproduction and inclusion in the files of Michael Enterprises for use in Upchurch Bulletin.

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JAN 1981

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

Upchurch talent on TV abounds. The character Cannon of current and long-standing TV fame is understood to be William Conrad Cann who uses the TV name of William Conrad. In November 1980 William Conrad reappeared temporarily in the private detective role he played for five seasons. The October showing was entitled "The Return of Frank Cannon". William Conrad is currently appearing in other TV features. William Conrad Cann, b. about 1921 is the son of Ida May U. of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U. Sr. Subclan. Ida May U. was a second cousin of Martha Lucy U. (Mrs. Charles Tidd, Sr.) who pioneered in Upchurch genealogy. 2106

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Ben Lane U., Sr., a Brigadier General in the Georgia State Guard, 4377 informed your Editor that we have a cousin who serves as a Chemist for Eli Lilly & Co., in Indianapolis. While there on business on April 5, 1981 I contacted the cousin and we had a very pleasant dinner. The cousin is William Nathaniel Cannon, the son of Annie Mae 6203,4604 U. of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U. Sr. Subclan. Bill shared much 164/2071 information including the fact that his mother's brother, William 4599 Frank U., Sr. was the well known merchant Frank Upchurch who owned extensive meat packing and sales operations based in Fairburn and Atlanta, GA, in the 1930's and 1940's.

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JAN 1982

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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We are deeply indebted to Augusta Lee (Upchurch) Yeats of Gadsden, AL who has supplied much information about her line and especially about Thomas Gay U., Sr., a son of Charles U. Augusta is the dau of Calvin Altonia U., the gd of Joseph E. U., the ggd of Thomas Gay U., Sr., and the gggd of Charles U. (Head of Clan). Augusta reports that her gf, Joseph E. U., was educated in Carroll Co., GA and taught school there. Joseph E. U. moved to Clay Co., AL sometime after the Civil War and there in 1871 he married. When Joseph moved to GA he took his aging parents, Patience (Barnes) and Thomas Gay U., Sr. The parents lived in Clay Co., AL presumably with their son, Joseph, until they died in 1883 and 1885, respectively. They are presumed to be buried in the Liberty Church Cemetery which is four miles west of Ashland, AL.

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JULY 1982

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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We regret to report the death of Mrs. Robert Bernard Watson, nee Bonnilyn Paul Johnson, on 25 MAR 1982 in Birmingham, AL. She was 71 years old. She was the dau of Rosa May U., the gd of Thomas Homer U., the ggd of William Barnes U., the ggd of Thomas Gay U., Sr. and the gggd of Charles U., Head of Upchurch Clan 2. She wrote to your Editor as follows:

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On 31 MAY 80 - "I was so interested to learn that my Uncle Ralph Upchurch has subscribed to the UPCHURCH BULLETIN. I've been interested for a long time in my family, and have done some research but not in depth. My mother, Rosa May Upchurch Johnson, who died in 1978 was so proud of her family."

On 13 JUN 1980 - "It was interesting to know that you and my mother are 4th cousins."

On 19 JAN 1982 - "Your research has been invaluable to me. I want to hand these Bulletins down to my children and grandchildren."

We are grateful to Bonnilyn for her many contributions. May she rest in peace!

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OCT 1982

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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See outline for Charles U./Thomas Gay U. Sr. Subclan this issue of UB. 164/2071

James Paul Johnson, Jr. has reported on an annual reunion which is 7763
 held primarily for the descendants of Thomas Homer U., a son of 3147
 William Barnes U. and a gs of Thomas Gay U. Sr. In a 16 OCT 1982 2073,2071
 letter he wrote about the event which was held on 3 OCT 1982 at
 the Shiloh Methodist Church Camp Ground in Carroll Co., GA. "The
 reunion was well attended this year with approximately 130 people
 there including 30 or 35 friends of the family. The UPCHURCH BULLETIN
 was the center of attention this year with many showing an interest
 in subscribing. This year two of Uncle George Upchurch's (3145)
 grandchildren, Horace and Kathleen Upchurch, came. Some of Uncle Joe
 Upchurch's (3108) family from Culman, Alabama were expected.....As far
 as I know all others were members of Grandpa's (3147) family.
 No records are presently being kept of the annual reunion, but I learned
 from Wilma Hamrick Upchurch, wife of James Shields Upchurch, Sr. that
 Aunt Elvie kept minutes until her death. Wilma has promised to copy
 them for me."

VI. OUTLINE OF SELECTED CLANS OR SUBCLANS

INTRODUCTION AND OUTLINE OF THE THOMAS GAY UPCHURCH, SR.
SUBCLAN OF THE CHARLES UPCHURCH CLAN (CLAN 2)

Thomas Gay U., Sr. is the Head of a very large Upchurch Subclan 2071
of which many present day members have furnished details to the UB.
The late Martha Lucy (Upchurch) Tidd was one of the many distinguished 2106
members of this subclan and prior to her untimely death in January
1973 she gave generously of her time and resources to help establish
her own line and to help document the entire Upchurch family. A vast
body of information collected by Martha and others leads one to the firm
conclusion that Thomas Gay U., Sr. was the son of Charles U. who was 164
a Revolutionary War Veteran and Head of Upchurch Clan 2. Thomas
Gay U., Sr. was b. 28 NOV 1797 (Wake Co., NC) and in his early twenties
moved with his father to GA. Indications are that Charles U. also had
two sons, Eaton U. and Keaton U. and a dau Charity U.

On February 13, 1970 Martha Lucy (U) Tidd wrote "Thomas Gay U., Sr.
went from NC to Greene Co., GA before 1821. How early he went there I
do not know. In 1821 he drew a Lot in Henry Co., GA from the Land
Lottery. Later his section of Henry Co., GA was annexed to Fayette Co.,
GA. Between 1840 and 1850 he moved to Carroll Co., GA after selling
500 acres in Fayette and 262 acres in Fayette. He was a Justice of the
Peace in Carroll Co., GA and owned a farm. Later he moved to Clay Co., AL."

On December 15, 1981 Augusta Lee (U) Yeats wrote "My gf, Joseph E. U.
finished school in Carroll Co., GA and taught school there. He moved to
AL to teach and married after he came to AL. When he moved to AL he
brought his parents with him (Thomas Gay U., Sr. and Patience (Barnes) U.)."
All indications are that this move to AL took place shortly after the Civil
War when Thomas Gay U., Sr. was in his late 60's or early 70's.

Thomas Gay U., Sr. d. 23 JUN 1885 near Ashland, AL but his wife,
Patience died about 1883. On 30 JAN 1951 Love U., a son of Willis 4362,2081
J. U. and a gs of Thomas Gay U., Sr., wrote: "I can remember when I
was a very small boy coming home from school. My grandmother (Patience
Barnes U.) lived on the way home. I would run to her home to get
something to eat. Just anything she had was better than it was at home."

James Paul Johnson, Jr., son of Rosa May (U) Johnson, gs of Thomas 7763,3351
Homer U., ggs of William Barnes U., and gggs of Thomas Gay U., Sr. 3147,2073,2071
has preserved for us the eulogy published for Thomas Gay U., Sr.
This was found in the Bible of Thomas Homer U. and is presumed to
have been published on the occasion of his death in 1885.

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JAN 1983

CLAN 2 (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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From Reynolds Hyatt U., a ggggs of Charles U. we received the 3360,164 following note on 18 FEB 1983: "We appreciate the good work you are doing on the UB and look forward to receiving the 1983 issues. My Dad, Ralph U. (80 years old) has known or known of, many of the relations 3355 you have listed and receives many hours of pleasure studying the UB."

All interested Upchurches are invited to attend the Carroll Co., GA Upchurch reunion. It will be held as usual on the first Sunday in October (OCTOBER 2, 1983 this year). It has been held annually since the middle 1920's and while it commemorates the birth of Thomas Homer U., a grand- 3147 son of Charles U., all Upchurches are invited. The event is held on 164 the campgrounds of the Shiloh Methodist Church at Burwell in Carroll Co., GA. The attendance is usually 100-125. Many of the attendees go to the church service and then spread their lunch in the fellowship hall. Appreciation is expressed to James Paul Johnson, Jr. who supplied this 7763 information.

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CLAN 2. (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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We are especially grateful to the descendants of Colquitt Alfred U., 4369 Sr. and of Benjamin Franklin U. for their recent correspondence pro- 4370 viding details on their lines. These two brothers are sons of Joseph 2088 Conhue U. of the Charles U./Thomas Gav U. Sr. Subclan.

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APRIL 1985

CLAN 2. (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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Over the past year we have enjoyed our detailed correspondence with Thomas Ralph U. of Birmingham, AL. He has continued to collect 3355 and provide information on his descendants and close relatives. He was 83 on MAY 1, 1985 and both he and his wife, Myrtle, are still quite active. On 31 MAR 1985 the Shadyside United Methodist Church dedicated the day of service as "Appreciation Day for Ralph and Myrtle Upchurch". We rejoice with Ralph and Myrtle in this honor which has come to them. From the comments printed in the church bulletin we know the honor is well deserved. From what Ralph has written about his family we know that they are a family on the move - in business, science, and service to society. Ralph, you are indeed a good and faithful servant!

CLAN 2. (CHARLES UPCHURCH)

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Does anyone know the whereabouts of the children of Martha Lucy (Upchurch) Tidd? The last we heard her son Charles Wharton Tidd, Jr. worked for IBM. We are anxious to dedicate an issue of the UB to her for her early work on the Upchurch family and need a picture of her and other details.

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II. PHOTOGRAPH

GEORGE BLAKLEY UPCHURCH, SON OF WILLIAM BARNES U.,
GS OF THOMAS GAY U., SR., AND GGS OF CHARLES U.,
HEAD OF CLAN 2

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George Blakley U., was b. 9 APR 1857 in Carroll Co., GA and
died there on 15 AUG 1930. He and his two wives are buried at
Smith's Chapel in Bowden, GA. He is shown below with his first wife,
Sarah Caroline (Carolyn) "Carrie" (Turner) U. who was b. 5 MAY 1860,
d. 31 JAN 1917. His second wife was Fannie D. (North)(Garrett) U. who
was born 14 FEB 1860 and died 27 OCT 1928. He had four children by
his first wife - Joseph Emory U., John William U., Alice Kate
U., and Jennie Belle U. but none by his second wife.

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George was one of five children of William Barnes U. who
died on the battlefield in 1862 in the Civil War at Knoxville, TN
when his son George was only five years old. George apparently
lived his entire life in the county of his birth. We need more
details about his activities.

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We are indebted to several descendants of George who have
supplied details. They include Clarabelle (Copeland) Burns, Elouise
(Copeland) Eason and Felix Charles Upchurch. The latter kindly
supplied the photograph. Two other gc of George, Mary Kathleen U.
and Horace Emory U. are interested in the Upchurch family as
evidenced by their presence at the 1982 Upchurch Reunion in Carroll
Co., GA. Significant information has also been supplied by nephew,
Thomas Ralph U.; by niece, Mary Jo (U.) Martin; and by
James Paul Johnson, Jr.

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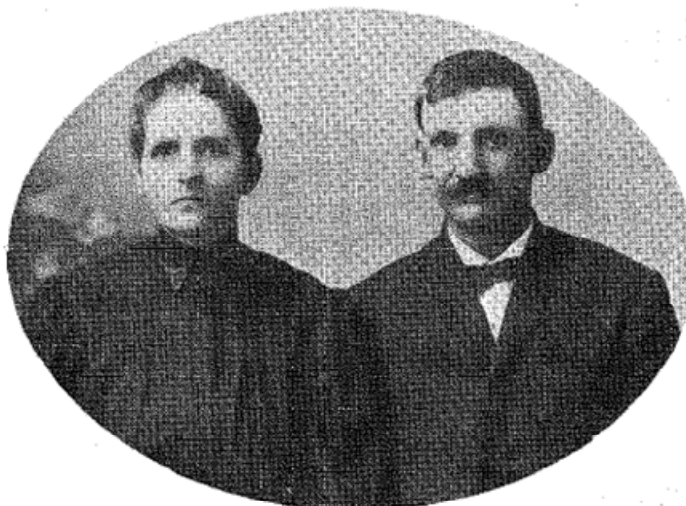
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My good friend and our Cousin William Nathaniel Cannon retired from Eli Lilly & Co. in Indianapolis, IN on 30 APR 1986. Bill has spent his professional life with Lilly as a Chemist and it has been your Editor's privilege to visit with him there several times in recent years. Bill will try Colorado as a retirement location.

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Ben Lane Upchurch, Sr. of Atlanta, GA has provided information showing that daughters of two former mayors of Atlanta, GA md. sons of John Emmerson Upchurch. John E. U. was the son of Jethro Wilson U., the gs of Thomas Gay U., Sr., and the ggs of Charles U., Head of Clan 2. Mayor Issac Newton Ragsdale had a dau, Lucille Ragsdale who md. Roy Connie Upchurch, son of John Emmerson Upchurch. Courtland S. Winn II, Mayor of Atlanta 1911-1912, had a dau Clara Mae Winn who md. Clevia W. Upchurch, son of John Emmerson U. Clara Mae U., d. 28 FEB 1986 in St. Petersburg, FL at age 99.

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A. Boyd Bradfield Upchurch - Author Extraordinary.

1. The Circumstance.

Starting in 1978 your Editor encountered the following information in a library index: "Upchurch, Boyd - Science Fiction; see Boyd, John" and under Boyd, John found "Barnards Planet/ John Boyd (i.e. B. Upchurch) New York: Berkley Pub. Corp distributed by Putnam (1975) 216 p". For years this card had an unclear meaning. Several years later it was to become clear that our Cousin Boyd Bradfield Upchurch had become very successful in writing science fiction and that he often used the pen name John Boyd. He also writes other types of books. Since those early years I have come to know Boyd through correspondence and have started collecting and reading his books. He is great!

2. The Books.

The following is a list of books authored by Cousin Boyd:

- a. The Slave Stealer. By Boyd Upchurch.
- b. Scarborough Hall. By Boyd Upchurch.
- c. Behind Every Bush. By Boyd Upchurch.
(With Missouri Congressman Richard Icord).
- d. The Last Starship From Earth. By John Boyd.
- e. Sex and The High Command. By John Boyd.
- f. The Rakehells of Heaven. By John Boyd.
- g. The Pollinators of Eden. By John Boyd.
- h. The Doomsday Gene. By John Boyd.
- i. The Organ Bank Farm. By John Boyd.
- j. The I. Q. Merchant. By John Boyd.
- k. The Gorgon Festival. By John Boyd.
- l. Barnard's Planet. By John Boyd.
- m. The Andromeda Gun. By John Boyd.
- n. The Girl With The Jade Green Eyes. By John Boyd.
- o. The Man Time Forgot. - (Not yet published).

3. The Man.

Boyd was b. 3 OCT 1919, the son of Ivie Doss Upchurch, b. 24 FEB 1878 (Lanett, AL), the gs of James Keating Upchurch, b. 15 AUG 1840 (West GA or East AL). (We have yet to identify the father of James Keating Upchurch.) Ben Lane Upchurch, Sr. of Atlanta, GA was kind enough to send a copy of an interview with Boyd published in the June 1985 issue of Emphasis magazine issued by the Georgia State University Alumni Association. This article tells a lot about Boyd. He went to Georgia State in the late 1930's using a \$250 scholarship he had earned for writing a radio play at North Fulton High School in Atlanta, GA. The school was then Atlanta Junior College. Although he never graduated, he went on to attend Northwestern University and the University of California. During WW II he served in the Navy and sailed with merchant ships to Russia on the Murmansk route. He mustered out as a Lieutenant Commander. It is obvious that Boyd is a gifted writer and that people appreciate his books. Just reading a little of one of his books will convince you that he has a special talent for creating phrases and describing situations, scenes and emotions. He not only has a keen imagination but he knows how to hitch it to his language capability.

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One of your editor's colleagues at the University of Arizona is Dr. Lloyd Gay. A chance conversation led to the discovery that his Gay ancestors came from Clay County, AL. It so happens that this is where Thomas Gay U., Sr. settled after the Civil War. This lead is being explored to see if the Gay-Upchurch connections which started in NC in the late 1700's are related to the Gays and Upchurches who lived in Clay Co., AL in the late 1800's. 2071

Cousin Ben Lane U., Sr. of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. 4377,164/2071 Subclan has sent us a beautiful sketch of his personal history. It is most impressive.

WILLIAM BENNY UPCHURCH AND FAMILY
(of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan)

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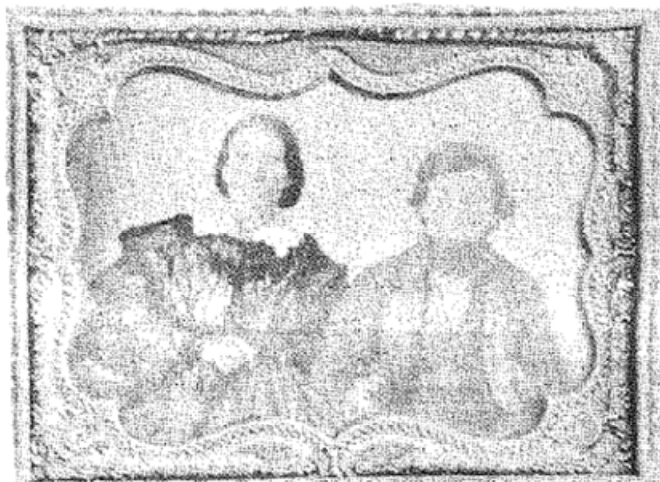


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| 1. Mozelle U., b. 27 MAR 1890, DAU | 4603 |
| 2. Grover C. U., b.1 JAN 1893, SON | 4601 |
| 3. Sarah Levince Condor, b. 16 OCT 1859, MOT | 4598 |
| 4. William Franklin U., b. 16 DEC 1885, SON | 4599 |
| 5. Bennie Beland U., b. 25 SEP 1899, SON | 4600 |
| 6. Robert Zellers U., b. 1884, SON | 4602 |
| 7. William Benny U., b. 4 JUL 1854, FAT | 2084 |
| 8. Annie Mae U., b. 1892, DAU | 4604 |

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MEMBERS OF THE CHARLES UPCHURCH/THOMAS GAY UPCHURCH, SR. 164,2071
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Pictured above are Thomas Gay Upchurch, Jr., b. ca 1827 (GA) and his wife, nee: Sarah Miller, b. ca 1826 (GA). Information on this couple and their descendants has recently started to appear in more abundance. However, we are still in need of many more details. We do not have a death date on either of the two individuals and are hard pressed to estimate the date of the photograph. Are they an old looking young couple or a young looking old couple? The husband certainly has an abundant shock of black hair. Would a reader disagree if the Editor hazarded a guess of age 45 which means a photo taken ca 1871?

Thomas Gay Upchurch, Jr. married in GA and his children were born there around 1850. In due course this family lived in the area of Vernon, LA. Just how long they lived in LA and whether or not members of the family died and were buried there we are yet to learn. We do know that some of the descendants moved on to Corsicana, TX and from this base became influential in the affairs of the State of Texas. James Fred Upchurch, a grandson of Thomas Gay Upchurch, Jr., was an Assistant Attorney General for Texas. His wife the late, nee: Alice Ray Brown Gray, was interested in Upchurch family history and copies of her letters of inquiry from the 1950s era have found a place in your Editor's files.

We are indebted to Mrs. John Joseph Hammett, nee: Ruth Upchurch Unruh for this photo. She is a greatgranddaughter of the couple pictured.

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In the Charles U. Clan we have a dynamic new correspondent in the person of Virginia Dianne (Kenney) Greene of Opelika, AL. She is a very active and effective researcher and is making great inroads on the basic genealogical records for our family in AL and GA. Through her work we have more firmly established the Charles U./Eaton U. Subclan to which she belongs. The story of the Upchurches in AL and GA for the 1800s is filling in nicely; so watch the UB for the more complete picture as it unfolds.

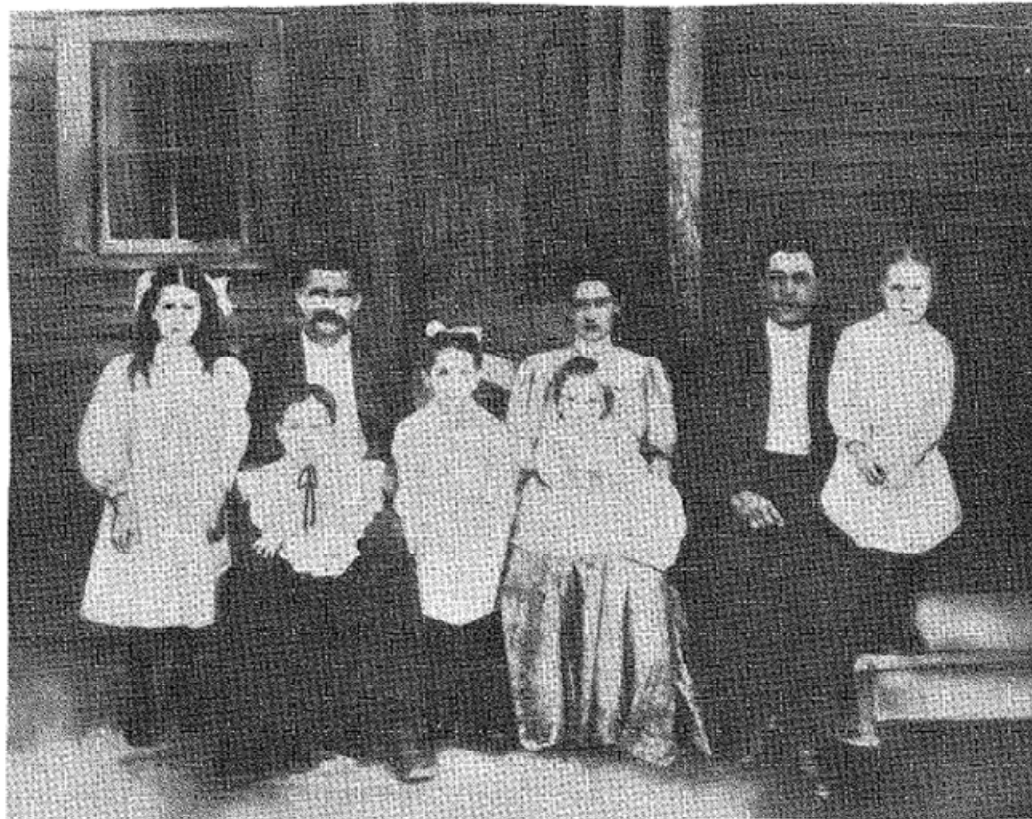
We have been "discovered" by Mrs. John Joseph Hammett, nee: Ruth Upchurch Unruh. She is of the Charles/Thomas Gay U. Sr. Subclan and is descended from Thomas Gay U., Jr. Note his photo in this issue of the UB. Ruth is being very helpful.

It is with great satisfaction that we note the continued interest of Thomas Ralph U. in the family. Ralph is a gs of William Barnes U. of the Charles/Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan and he will be 87 years old next May.

II. PHOTOGRAPH

JOSEPH LUMPKIN UPCHURCH AND FAMILY
(OF THE CHARLES U./THOMAS GAY U., SR. SUBCLAN)

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Pictured above are the following:

A. Alma nm U. (DAU)	3121
B. Joseph Lumpkin U. (FAT)	3108
C. Glen nm U. (SON)	3124
D. Essie nm U. (DAU)	3119
E. Mary Elizabeth (Walker) U. (MOT)	3110
F. Grace nm U. (DAU)	3125
G. Andrew Pierce U., Sr. (SON)	3114
H. Myrl nm U. (DAU)	3122

Joseph Lumpkin U., b. 10 NOV 1855 (Bowdon, GA)	3108
d. 12 JAN 1945 (Cullman, AL)(Bur. Mt. Carmel Cem., Berlin, AL) was the son of William Barnes U. and	2073

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After many years of deliberation we have decided to formally establish that Eaton U. and Keaton U. are 22712,22699 sons of Charles U. The evidence is still circumstantial 164 but since so many clues reinforce the relationship we are proceeding to assign XID numbers. So now we have the Charles U./Eaton U. Subclan and the Charles U./ 164/22712,164/ Keaton U. Subclan. We are grateful to Virginia Dianne 22699 (Kenney) Greene of Opelika, AL, who has recently helped with our understanding of the Charles U. Clan. She is extracting the GA and AL records for publication in the UB. Much has already arrived and she continues to extract and summarize.

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In this issue of the UB we publish the outline for the Charles U./Eaton U. and the Charles U./Keaton 164/22712,164/22699 U. Subclans. This is a great step forward in the Charles U. 164 Clan and we trust that it will stimulate more advances.

The Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan has XID 164/2071 brought us a nice surprise. We had a note in 1988 that a Dr. Robert Upchurch of Prescott, AZ was named Treasurer of the AZ Naturopathic Medical Association but we were unable to decide which of the many Robert U's this might be. Then the answer came in a newspaper clipping sent to us by longterm correspondent Robert Claud U., Jr. of Kent, WA. 7274 It turns out the Robert U. in Prescott, AZ is his son, Dr. Robert Claud Upchurch, III. The newspaper article 7275 was an exciting account of the fact that Dr. Robert U. 7275 was in Beijing, China for a five-week acupuncture course at the time of the recent civil disturbance. The PRESCOTT COURIER reports: "Rest was difficult... for the three-year Prescott resident and his American companions holed up in their acupuncture academy dormitory rooms while Chinese soldiers and machines of war rolled through the streets firing randomly at anti-communist demonstrators.In hiding just blocks from Tiananmen Square the scene of the worst bloodshed, Upchurch and the other students - turned refugees contemplated their fate." The article reports many of the impressions of Dr. Upchurch and the warm reception accorded him on his return to Prescott, AZ.

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OUTLINE OF THE EATON UPCHURCH SUBCLAN AND THE
KEATON UCPHURCH SUBCLAN OF THE
CHARLES UPCHURCH CLAN (CLAN NO. 2)

In UB, Vol. 10, No. 2, it was announced that Eaton U. and Keaton U. are now formally recognized to be sons of Charles U., Head of Upchurch Clan No. 2. Accordingly, it is appropriate that the outline for these two subclans be published.

Charles U. is presumed to have been b. 11 FEB 1755 in what was then called Granville Co., NC. We now know the area where he was born as the Moccasin Creek Area, NC or more especially as the Moccasin Creek Area. Charles U. was born just after his parents had moved to NC from VA. Most likely they came from Brunswick Co., VA. Charles U. grew to manhood in the Moccasin Creek Area and, no doubt, married there, although we are yet to learn the full name of his wife, Mary. We speculate that she was of the local Gay family and that she was the dau of Thomas Gay since Charles U. named one of his children Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr.

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To the best of our knowledge all of the children of Charles U., including the two addressed in this article, were born and raised in the Moccasin Creek Area of Franklin Co., NC although he was known to have had some dealings just across the line in Wake Co., NC. Charles U. left from the Moccasin Creek Area to participate in the Revolution and he returned there after his service. Records show that he moved to GA shortly before 1820, at which time he would have been about 65 years of age. At least four of his adult children made the move from NC to GA with him. This move was most likely triggered by the availability of land in GA as a result of his service in the Revolution and in view of the fact that he did not seem to be prospering in NC. Since his children were grown at the time it is quite possible that it was more a matter of his going with them rather than vice versa.

Eaton U. was b. 1780 possibly in Wake Co., NC but more likely in Franklin Co., NC. He grew to manhood on the border of Wake and Franklin Counties, NC and there married in the period 1800 - 1801 Frances Norris, the dau of Joseph Norris. They had seven children born from about 1802 to about 1815 in the area where they were married. Perhaps the records will in due course show they had more children. One child was named Camp or Kemp or Cemp and to this day we have difficulty settling upon a spelling. The names were used in later generations and in some cases one or other of the versions became fixed for a given individual. Thus, regardless of the correct original spelling we now have all three versions used as legal names in the

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family. This is somewhat confusing at first but not all that unusual in history.

Eaton U. sold his holdings in Franklin Co., NC in 1817 probably in preparation for moving his family to Green Co., GA where he was found in 1820. Subsequently, he was found in Henry Co., GA. It is noteworthy that he was age 78(80?) and in the home of his son Henderson U. in Henry Co., GA in 1860. Presumably, he died before the 1870 census. There is some speculation that the town of Eatonton in Putnam Co., GA may be named after him.

We are fortunate that present day individuals known to us are descended from three of the grandchildren of Eaton U. On 9 FEB 1978, your editor, while in Dallas, TX, called one Grady C. U. and in a cordial conversation received numerous family details. Years later these details were meshed with others to show that Grady C. U. is the grandson of Charles Camp U., Sr. who is a grandson of Eaton U. For another example, we can cite one of our very helpful researchers, Virginia Diann (Kenney) Greene, who is a granddau of Victoria Rosabel Hildebrand, who is a granddau of Eaton U. In turn "Dianne" led us to Geneva NMN (Miller) Beights who is a dau of Sarah Lela Hildebrand, another gd of Eaton U. Altogether we are beginnig to get a good feel for the Charles U./Eaton U. Sublcan, although much remains to be learned.

For Keaton U. our records are more sparse, especially as concerns present day descendants. In fact, we have no contact with or record of any member of this family born since 1873. We hope that a present day descendant of Keaton U. will be found.

Keaton U. was b. 1790 presumably in Franklin Co., NC and he md. Lureana Norris there when he was about age 21. She was the niece of Francis Norris who married Eaton U. This couple had at least one son and four daughters, none of whose names are known to us. Keaton U. had five children by Margaret Heath whom he married in MAY 1831 in Henry Co., GA.

In 1820 and 1821 Keaton U. was allocated land in Monroe Co., GA from GA land lotteries. In 1834 he was allocated land in the GA Gold Lottery. He appears on the 1840 census of Henry Co., GA along with other Upchurch relatives.

The outline for the Charles U./Eaton U. Subclan for generations 6 - 9 is published below:

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I. Eaton Upchurch, b. ca 1780 (NC), d. ca 1865 (GA), md. ca 1801 (p. Franklin Co., NC) Frances Norris, b. ca 1770.	22712 22713
A. Son, b. ca 1802 (NC).	
B. Dau, b. ca 1804 (NC).	
C. Dau, b. ca 1804 (NC).	
D. Henderson U., b. ca 1804 (NC), d. <1870, md (1st) 18 APR 1832 (Henry Co., GA) Catharine Duffey, b. ca 1813, d. SEP 1850 (Henry Co., GA), md. (2nd) 13 AUG 1857 (Henry Co., GA) Eliza A. Smith, b. ca 1818.	22714 22716 22717
1. H. S. U., b. ca 1834 (GA).	22719
2. Alford (Alfred) V. B. U., b. ca 1836 vs 1828 (GA).	22720
3. Calvin E. U., b. ca 1839 (GA) (p. d. in Civil War).	22721
4. Lloyd H. U., b. ca 1841 (GA) (p. d. in Civil War).	22722
5. Walter T. (C.) U., b. ca 1848 (GA).	22723
6. Erasmus T. U., b. ca 1849 (GA), md. 9 APR 1883 (Henry Co., GA) Georgia Ann U., b. ca 1859, d. (BUR.) (DAU of William Claburn U. of the Richard U. III/Claburn U. Subclan).	22724 23415
E. Camp (Kemp) U., b. ca 1808 (NC), md. 25 SEP 1831 (Henry Co., GA) Sarah Frances Vinch, b. ca 1812 (GA), d. ca 1890.	22715 22718
1. Harber M. U. (Harvard)(Harbard), b. ca 1833 (GA), md. Frances _____, b. ca 1843 (GA).	22725
a. Charles Camp U., Sr., b. 1861 (AL), md. Caldonia Townsend.	22736 22742
b. Mollie U., b. ca 1867 (AL); md. probably: _____ Berry.	22737
c. Nancy U., b ca 1869 (AL)_, md. probably: _____ Barnett.	22738
d. Rena U., b. ca 1872 (AL), md. _____ Andrews.	22739
e. Bula U., b. ca 1878 (LA).	22740
f. Robert "Buddie" U., b. ca 1880 (LA), md. _____. Had many children.	22741
2. P. V. U., b. ca 1835 (GA).	22726
3. C. C. U., b. ca 1837 (GA).	22727
4. John W. H. U., b. ca 1839(1842) (GA).	22728
5. Little Berry U. (B.A.U.), b. ca 1841(1845)(GA).	22729
6. Rena Ann U., b. 13 JAN 1840 (p. Henry Co., GA), d. 1879 (Clay Co., AL) (Bur. County Line Baptist Ch. Mellow Valley, Clay Co., AL), md. ca 1859 (p. Randolph Co., AL) Lafayette Van Buren Hildebrand, b. 25 FEB 1835 (DeKalb Co.,	22730 22733

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- GA), d. MAY 1920 (BUR. AS WIF).
- a. Thomas William Breckenridge Hildebrand, b. 22743
15 JUL 1860 (Randolph Co., AL), d. as a
child (Bur. Broughton Cem., Randolph Co., AL).
 - b. F. Josephine Hildebrand, b. 25 NOV 1861 22744
(Randolph Co., AL), md. _____.
 - c. James Pate Hildebrand "Jim", b. 25 FEB 22745
1866 (Randolph Co., AL), d. (Bur. p.
Sylalauga, AL), md. (1st) 19 NOV 1885
(Clay Co., AL) Calastiah A. Bailey, 22752
md. (2nd) Marie _____.
 - d. Cemp (Kemp) A. Hildebrand, b. 9 FEB 1868 22746
(Randolph Co., AL), d. ca 1830 (Loraine,
TX)(Bur. City Cem., Colorado City, TX), md.
4 JUL 1888 (Chambers Co., AL) Nancy Sarah 22753
Alford "Sally", b. DEC 1862 d. ca 1940
(BUR. AS HUS).
 - e. Sarah Lela Hildebrand, b. 7 NOV 1869 22747
(Randolph Co., AL), d. 10 APR 1956 (Clay
Co., AL)(BUR. AS MOT), md. 23 OCT 1892
(Clay Co., AL) David Wesley Miller, b. 22754
22 MAR 1872 (Clay Co., AL), d. 16 JUL
1953 (Clay Co., AL)(BUR. AS WIF).
 - f. Wyatt Lafayette Hildebrand "Cooter", b. 22748
25 APR 1872 (Randolph Co., AL), md. (1st)
Leona Wellingham - had 2 children, 22755
md. (2nd) Edith Presley - had 8 children. 22756
 - g. Rosabel Victoria Hildebrand, b. 9 FEB 22749
1874 (Clay Co., AL), d. 7 JUL 1912
(Winston Co., AL)(Bur. Winston Co., AL),
md. 14 AUG 1898 (Randolph Co., AL)
John Thomas Roughton, b. 16 MAR 1879 22757
(Tallapoosa, AL), d. 11 JAN 1918
(Shawmut, AL)(Bur. Shawmut, AL).
 - h. Rena Emm Delaney Hildebrand, b. 21(22) OCT 22750
1877 (Randolph Co., AL), d. 18 JUN 1954
(Roanoke, AL)(But. Cedar Woods Cem., Roanoke,
AL), md. 16 NOV 1916 (Clay Co., AL)
James Winslow Osborn, b. 15 DEC 1878 22758
(Randolph Co., AL), d. 7 DEC 1974 (BUR. AS WIF).
 - i. Simmie Hetta Pluma Hildebrand, b. 3 MAR 22751
1879 (Randolph Co., AL), md. Oscar Maddox. 22759
 - j. No further issue.
7. Martha D. U., b. ca 1849(1850) (GA), md. 21 JAN 22731
1877 (Chattahoochee Mills, AL) Benjamin F. 22734
McVay.
 8. Sarah Emily (Emma) U.1/, b. ca 1856 (AL)(b. 22732
AUG 1858 (GA), d. 1883, md. 23 DEC 1877
(Chattahoochee Mills, AL) Ivey B. Morris, 22735
b. SEP 1854 (AL).
 - a.1/Joseph A. Morris, b. 1880 (Lee Co., AL) 22760
 - b.* Clara J. Morris, b. JUN 1885 (Chambers Co.,
AL).

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- c.* Claude J. Morris, b. SEP 1895 (Chambers Co., AL).
- d.* Clarence D. Morris, b. JUN 1897 (Chambers Co., AL).
- e.* Clifton Morris, b. 1901 (Chambers Co., AL).
(*Children of Ivey B. Morris by his 2nd WIF.)
- f. Son, b. 1810 - 1815.
- g. Son, b. 1810 - 1815.

The outline for the Charles U./Keaton U. Subclan 164/22699
for generations 6 - 9 is published below:

- II. Keaton U., b. ca 1790, md.(1st) 25 SEP 1811 (Franklin Co., NC) Lureana Norris₁/, md. (2nd) 11(1) MAY 1831 (Henry Co., GA) Margaret Heath₂/.
 - A.₁/Son, b. 1810 -1815. 22699
 - B.₁/Dau, b. 1810 - 1815. 22700
 - C.₁/Dau, b. ca 1820. 22701
 - D.₁/Dau, b. ca 1820.
 - E.₁/Dau, b. ca 1820.
 - F.₂/Elender U., b. 1832. 22702
 - G.₂/Laureana U., b. 1835. 22703
 - H.₂/Elbert U., b. 1839, md. 21 DEC 1856 22704
 - Sarah N. Jones. 22707
 - 1. C. S. U., b. ca 1858. 23417
 - I.₂/Henry U., b. 1841. 22705
 - J.₂/Calvin U., b. 1843, md. 21 SEP 1865 22706
 - Mary Daniel. 22708
 - 1. Minnie U., b. ca 1862? (GA). 22709
 - 2. Thomas U., b. ca 1870 (GA). 22710
 - 3. Margaret U., b. ca 1873 (GA). 22711
 - K.₂/Thomas U., b. 1852. 23416

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Cousin Felix Charles Upchurch of GA will lead in SEP 90 a party of 7 Upchurches and 2 friends to Europe. They will include a brief visit to Little Gidding. This group is a part of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. Hilda (wife of Felix) and Mrs. Clarence M. Eason, Sr. are exploring the prospects of a publication on their section of this subclan. We have a nice letter from Reynolds Hyatt Upchurch giving recent information. His father, Ralph, at age 88 is doing well. Numerous other members of this subclan are also corresponding.

We are delighted that details on the Charles U./Eaton U. Subclan continue to arrive. Geneva Miller (Mrs. Frank Beights) and Mrs. Fred Rush (nee: Jewel Juanita Canady) continue to help us upgrade the outline. Mrs. Virginia (Kenney) Greene of this subclan

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co-authored the GA Census article in the UB, Vol. 10, No. 4, 1989. She and your editor are currently working on a similar article for AL.

The Charles Upchurch Clan was prominently featured in UB, Vol. 10, No. 4, 1989 in the article on the GA census records.

We had previously placed Mrs. Rachel U. Coan (nee: Rachel Estelle Upchurch) in the Richard U. III/Claburn U. I Subclan. Correspondence with her now establishes that she is of the Charles U./Keaton U. Subclan.

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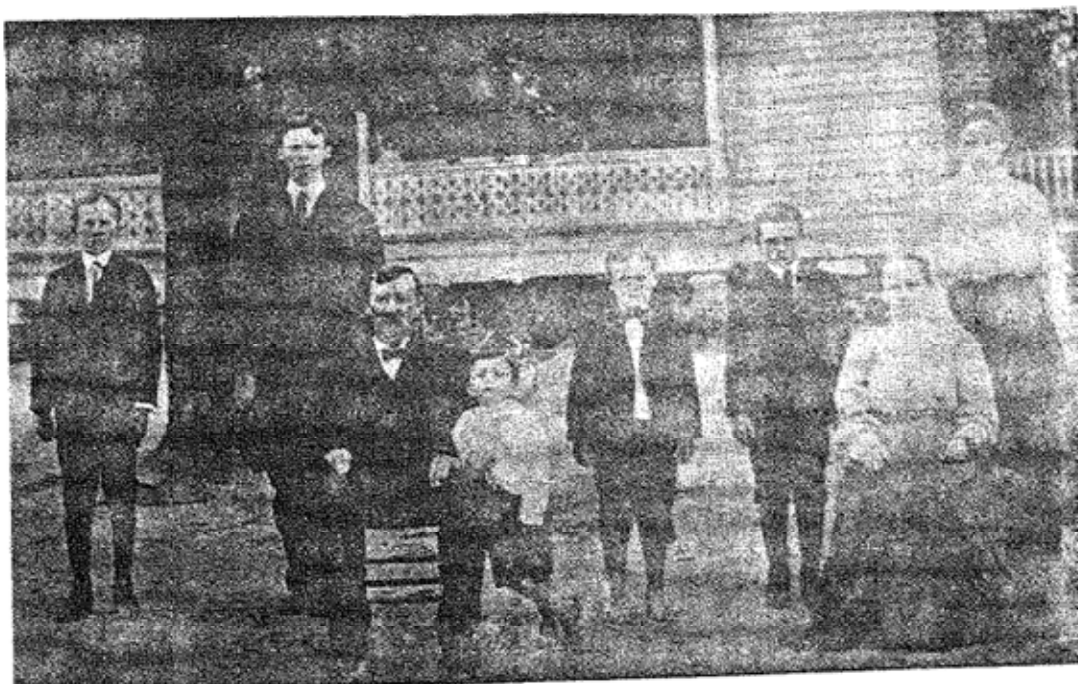
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From the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan we have a new collaborator, James Shannon Elder of Kingsport, TN. He is a gs of John Shannon Upchurch. He and his Mother and his late Father had been working on their Upchurch line for a number of years. We now join forces. He has purchased a full set of the UB.

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THE THOMAS HOMER UPCHURCH FAMILY OF THE
CHARLES UPCHURCH/THOMAS GAY UPCHURCH, SR.
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A	Charles Lloyd U.	3352
B	Homer Edwin (Edward) U.	3350
C	Thomas Homer U.	3147
D	Thomas Ralph U. (age 5)	3355
E	William James U (died age 9)	3354
F	John Shields U.	3353
G	Mrs. T. H. U. (nee: Carrie Elizabeth Thurman)	3151
H	Rosa May U.	3351

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We publish this picture in honor of Thomas Ralph Upchurch, who appears as a smug five-year old in the picture. He has had a long and abiding interest in his Upchurch heritage and besides, he is just a very nice person. We are indebted to him also for the photo.

Thomas Homer Upchurch was the son of Wm. Barnes Upchurch of the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. T.H.U. was a farmer and this picture was taken on his farm in 1907 between Smith's Chapel and Mt. Zion in GA. The picture portrays T.H.U. and his first wife, Carrie and all of their children, except Fannie Ailene U. who had married and departed the nest. Carrie died in 1908 and T.H.U. married and had three more children.

This family has also brought us another outstanding collaborator - James Paul Johnson, Jr. of Chattanooga, TN. He is the son of Rosa May U. who appears in the picture as a young sophisticated lady 16 years of age.

We would welcome more pictures of Upchurch family members. If a photo contains a likeness of an Upchurch family member born before the Civil War, the photo will be considered for publication in the UB.

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Charles U. had a son Thomas Gay U., Sr. We have always presumed that this son could have been named after his mother's family which, presumably, would have had the family name GAY. We have thus been alert to establish contact with anyone working on the history of the Gay Family located in east central NC in the 1700s. A lead of this type appeared in the November 7, 1992 (Issue 1255) of the publication Family Puzzlers. A Mr. Jerry A. Hunt of Austin, TX is interested to work with anyone knowledgeable about the descendants of John Gay, b. ca 1753, d. ca 1808 (Nash Co., NC). We have written to Mr. Hunt to learn if we have mutual interests. The publication Family Puzzlers is proving to be a valuable aid in our search to amplify our Upchurch heritage. Money donated to THE UPCHURCH RESEARCH FUND is used to purchase this and similar publications.

II. PHOTOGRAPH

Rena Ann Upchurch, daughter of Camp (Kemp, Cemp) 22730, 22715
 Upchurch, gd of Eaton U., and ggd of Charles U., 22712, 164
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RENA ANN UPCHURCH

Rena Ann U. was born 13 JAN 1840, probably in 22730
 Henry Co., GA, and died in 1879 in Clay Co., AL, and was
 buried at the County Line Baptist Church, Mellow Valley,
 Clay Co., GA. She married about 1859, probably in Randolph
 Co., AL, Van Buren Lafayette Hilderbrand, b. 25 FEB 22733
 1835 (DeKalb Co., GA), d. MAY 1920 (Buried AS WIF).

In recent years details on the Charles U./Eaton 164/22712
 U. Subclan have started to emerge. Charles U., a 164
 Revolutionary War veteran, moved from Franklin Co., NC
 to GA in the 1815-1825 era. By this time his children had
 grown up in the Moccasin Creek Area of Franklin Co., NC,

married and had their families well along. Some, if not all, of the children of Charles U. moved with him to GA. Eaton U. was one of the children of Charles U. who definitely moved to GA with his father. These families lived at more than one place in GA, but eventually settled in Henry Co., GA, where descendants and evidence of them may be found today.

Eaton U. had a son variously shown as Camp, Kemp or Cemp. In due course we must settle upon one of these versions as the preferred one. This son of Eaton U. had a daughter, Rena Ann U., who is pictured above.

We are indebted to Virginia Diann (Kenney) Greene of Opelika, AL, and her cousins for this photo. "Dianne" is a greatgranddaughter of Rena Ann U. Dianne has a keen interest in Upchurch family history and attended the Upchurch lecture held in Atlanta, GA, in December of 1989. On the following day she accompanied your editor and his wife on an excursion to Henry Co., GA. Dianne has since continued to be very active in family history research. In mid-1992 she provided the above photograph and a related story based on the 6 JUN 1992 Hilderbrand Reunion. She indicates that another Hilderbrand Reunion may be planned for 1994. We are most grateful to Dianne and her cousins for their continued input to Upchurch heritage records.

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We are very excited about a new correspondent for the Charles U./Keaton U. Subclan. It is Katherine Ann (McGee) Cobb of Griffin, GA. She is of the Calvin U. Line. We have very few contacts for this part of the family. In her 6 AUG 1994 letter she wrote "I received your outline last weekend and I can't tell you how much I appreciate it. Sometimes I feel like I keep running into dead-ends and just getting nowhere. You really helped me out a lot." May I say that Kathy has also been a big help by sending in details. She writes also "I hope to go to the Georgia Archives within the next week or two and do more research on Keaton U."

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2 June 1995 (Friday).

We drove from Knoxville, TN to Chattanooga, TN and as planned contacted Mr. & Mrs. James Paul Johnson, Jr. 7763
Cousin Jay has long been a cooperator for the William 2073
Barnes U. line in the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. 164/2017
Subclan. We enjoyed the hospitality of Jay and Mary
at the Mt. Vernon Restaurant and later had the pleasure
of chatting in their home, which is a historic landmark
in the St. Elmo section of the city. Jay presented
Sallaine with a lovely basket which he had crafted from
honeysuckle and grapevine. It now graces our family room.

4. The Charles U./Thomas Gay U.,Sr. Subclan. 164/2071

We know that the household in Navarro Co. headed by Willis J. U. is of the Thomas Gay U.,Jr. line in the 2082 Charles U./Thomas Gay, Sr. subclan but more details are 164/2071 needed to more precisely define the members of this household. Thomas Gay, U.,Sr. and his son, Thomas 2071,2082 Gay U.,Jr., spent a major part of their lives in 2082 Henry Co., GA. The son, Jr., started the move west and settled in LA where he and some of his descendants lived out their days. However, at least two of the sons of Thomas Gay U.,Jr. found their way to Navarro 2082 Co., TX by 1880. One of these was James Simeon U. 20033 who appears as Person No. 43 in Household No. 8. Our uncertainty about this group has to do with the fact that two of the sons of Thomas Gay U., Jr. had similar names, appear to have each had a son with a similar name and appear to have married individuals with similar names. Our uncertainty concerns the possibility that information appropriate to one of these sons may have been incorrectly assigned to both sons. One son is the Willis J. U. II, who appears as person No. 42 in Family No. 9 on the 1880 census of Navarro Co., TX (See Table 1). The other son is William Jefferson U. We know the two sons are not one and the same, as both appear in their father's home on the 1860 census in Jackson Parish, LA. Willis J. U. is age 11 (hence b. ca 1849) and William J. U. is age 8 (hence b. ca 1852).

The details we have are as follows:

I. Thomas Gay U., Jr.

- A. Willis J. U., II, b. 15 APR 1849 (GA),
d. (Navarro Co., TX), md. Sarah Lawhon.
1. Thomas U., b. ca 1876 (TX).
- B. William Jefferson U., b. 17 AUG 1852, d.
1895, md (1st) Sarah Frances Lawhorn "Sally",
b., d. ca 1880; md. (2nd) 26 NOV 1890 (Corsicana,
Navarro Co., TX) Mary Thompson. (She md. 2nd
J. B. Poses).
1. Thomas Bryant U., b. 21 JUL 1875 (LA),
d. 12 DEC 1942 (Corsicana, TX)(Bur. Kerens, TX).

We need more verification that Willis and William each had a son named Thomas, which seems quite likely to be the case. Also, we need additional information on the spouses of Willis and William. Could it be that Sarah Lawhon and Sarah Frances Lawhorn

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are one and the same person and that she married both brothers? If so, is she the mother of both boys with the name Thomas? It could be that Sarah Lawhon and Sarah Frances Lawhorn are different people.

Our knowledge of the Upchurch family in Navarro Co., TX is beginning to take on a definite shape and we look forward to learning more about the county and the family. We understand that the family was at one time engaged in farming in the Mildred Community of the county.

There is no confusion about Person 43, James Simeon U., as we have a great deal of information about this individual and his descendants. His son, James Frederick U. "Fred", b. Corsicana, TX, went on to become Asst. Atty General of Texas. Fred's wife, nee: Alice Ray Brown Gray had considerable interest in Upchurch family history and we have reference to her interest in the 1950-1960 era.	20033
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With deep regret we report the passing of Cousin Thomas Ralph Upchurch in Birmingham, AL on 28 JAN 1995. Ralph had a keen appreciation for his Upchurch heritage and shared his knowledge of family history generously and with pride. Although I never met him, whose who knew him conveyed an impression of a wonderful person. His son, Reynolds Hyatt Upchurch, continues to have a special interest in family history.	3355
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We continue in the presumption that Charles U. had a son Eaton U. For a long time there was hope that research would reveal that the town of Eatonton in Putnam Co., GA was named for our relative (Charles U. went first to Putnam Co., GA when he migrated from NC to GA about 1820). Facts now revealed show that our hopes were in vain. Eatonton, county seat of Putnam Co., GA, was named for General William Eaton who had no relationship to our Upchurch family. General Eaton was a brilliant American soldier of fortune who in 1805 led a land force to victory in the Mediterranean Area of Tripoli. This concerned the refusal of the United States to pay tribute	164,22712
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to the Barbary Pirates. Shortly after 1805 the citizens of the newly formed Putnam Co. elected to honor the General by naming a town Eatonton.

II. PHOTOGRAPH

James Simeon Upchurch of
the Thomas Gay Upchurch, Jr. Line in the
Charles Upchurch/Thomas Gay Upchurch, Sr.
Subclan

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This photograph was provided to Michael Enterprises in 1988 by Mrs. John Joseph Hammett, nee: Ruth Upchurch Unruh, a grand daughter James Simeon U. From the known birth dates of some of those pictured, we can estimate the picture was taken about 1916 and presumably in Corsicana, Navarro Co., TX, where this family lived.

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The presentation of this photo at this time fits nicely into our unfolding understanding of the Thomas Gay U., Jr. Line. We start with our knowledge that Charles U., the Head of Upchurch Clan No. 2, who was a Revolutionary War Soldier, and his son, Thomas Gay U., Sr., moved from NC to GA in the 1820-1830 era. There Thomas Gay U., Jr. Was born in 1827, grew to adulthood and married. His first children were born in Henry Co., GA before 1850. Sometime between 1850 and 1860 Thomas Gay U., Jr. Moved from Henry Co., GA to Jackson Parish, LA where he lived out the rest of his days. He is buried near Vernon in Jackson Parish, LA.

James Simeon U. "Jim", the patriarch, shown with his family in the photo, was born in GA and grew to adulthood in Louisiana. He and his brother as young men moved to Texas to find their fortunes. We find them on the 1880 census in Navarro Co., TX without wives. Shortly thereafter on 24 NOV 1881, James Simeon U. married in Coolidge in the adjoining county of Limestone, TX to Mary Etta Lawhon "Mollie". She had been born in Minden, LA. Whether Jim went back to LA to fetch his bride to TX or whether she was part of a contingent of more-or-less neighbors that moved from LA to TX we are yet to learn. We do know that there were several marriages between the Lawhon (Lawhorn) and Upchurch families. There is no doubt more of this tale to be learned.

We do know that Jim and Mollie did not tarry long in Limestone County as upon Jim's death in 1932 he was said to have been a resident of Navarro Co, TX for 50 years (1882-1932). Eight of the nine children of Jim and Mollie lived to adulthood and several of them along with their parents and some spouses and grandchildren of Jim's and Mollie's are shown in the picture. This family was prominent in the life of Navarro Co., TX for many years. One of the sons, James Frederick U. "Fred" was Assistant Attorney General of the State of Texas. His older brother, Claude, was a member of the Texas State Legislature.

Another member of the family of Jim U. has entered our lives as a rare coincidence. It just happens that his great granddaughter, Mrs. Mark S. Sableman (nee: Lynn Oden Melby) and her family are members of the Parkway United Church of Christ in Town and Country, MO, where your editor and his family were members from 1965 - 1975 and again from 1995 to the present. Lynn is the daughter of Mrs. Arne Melby (Marie) and the granddaughter of Mrs. James Dap Oden (Lena) who appears in the photo.

All of this unfolding knowledge is reinforced by a similar stream related to William Jefferson U., a brother of Jim. This second stream has

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been greatly enhanced by contacts resulting from our visit in April 1996 in the home of Mr. James Herman U. "Sam" in Navarro Co., TX. Sam is a son of Thomas Bryant U. and a grandson of William Jefferson U. This Sam is a grandnephew of the Jim Upchurch shown in the photo.

From all of the above and much not written here, one can appreciate that our knowledge about the Thomas Gay U., Jr. Line in the Charles U./ Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan has grown substantially in recent years.

A sketch of the family of Jim and Mollie is presented below, along with references to the photo as appropriate.

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| I. Charles U. - Head of Clan, b. 1755 (Granville Co., NC) d. 1842 (Henry Co., GA). | 164 |
| A. Thomas Gay U., Sr., b. 28 NOV 1797 (Wake Co., NC), d. 23 JUN 1885 (Clay Co., AL). | 2071 |
| 1. Thomas Gay U., Jr., b. 7 MAR 1827 (GA). | 2082 |
| <u>No. in Photo</u> | |
| 11 | a. James Simeon U. "Jim", b. 3 JUN 1855 (3 MAR 1856) (Atlanta, GA), d. 18 SEP 1932 (Corsicana, TX) (Bur. Corsicana, TX), md. 24 NOV 1881 (Coolidge, Limestone Co., TX) Mary Etta Lawhon "Mollie", b. 26 DEC 1865 (n Minden, LA), d. 28 MAR 1954 (Austin, TX)(Bur. Corsicana, TX). |
| 13 | |
| 3 | i. Claude Elmer U., Sr., Atty, b. 2 JUL 1883 (Corsicana, TX) d. 18 APR 1930 (Explosion)(Tyler, TX)(Bur. Corsicana, TX), md. 16 (26) OCT 1916 (Ringgold, LA) Mattie (Martha) Graves Thomas, (DAU of Martha Angeline Lawhon) b. 14 JAN 1894 (Ringgold, LA), d. 20 JUL 1977 (Dallas, TX) (Bur. Corsicana, TX). |
| 15 | ii. Carrah Leona U., b. JUN 1885 (Corsicana, TX), d. 1978, md. R. Curtis Granberry, Sr.. |
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| 14 | (I). R. Curtis Granberry, Jr. |
| 10 | iii. Olive U., b. FEB 1888 (1887)(Corsicana, TX), d. MAY 1969, md. Robert L. Holmes. |
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| 8 | (I). James Robert Holmes. |
| 9 | (II). Marie Upchurch Holmes. |
| 6 | iv. Lena U., b. APR 1890 (1889)(Corsicana, TX), d. 1979 (Ft. Worth, TX)(Bur. Ft. Worth, TX), md. (Corsicana, TX) James Dap Oden. |
| 4 | v. Mary Ethel U., b. MAR 1893 (1892)(Corsicana, TX), d. 1980, md. William M.(H) McKelvey. |

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5	vi.	James Frederick U., Asst. Atty. Gen. of TX), b. 16 JUL 1894 (Corsicana, TX), d. 1973, md. 15 AUG 1923 (Dallas, TX) Alice Ray Brown Gray, b. ca 1899 (Cherokee, TX), d. 19 SEP 1984 (Bur. Gray Cem., (Cherokee, TX).	20040 20045
2	vii.	Clara U. (Tacky), b. NOV 1898 (1897)(Corsicana, TX), d. spring 1993 (TX), md. Clifford R. Berrien.	20042 20775
12	viii.	Fannie Ruth U., b. 10 MAR 1902 (Corsicana, TX), d. 18 FEB 1961 (Dallas, TX)(Bur. Kilgore, TX), md. 2 JUN 1927 (Corsicana, TX) Guy Carlton Irvine Unruh, b. 5 NOV 1897 (Philadelphia, PA), d. 6 JUN 1943 (Kilgore, TX)(Bur. Kilgore, TX).	20043 20776
	ix..	White male infant, b. , d. 10 FEB 1907 (Navarro Co., TX).	
	x.	No further issue.	

We would welcome additional information about any segment of the Thomas Gay U., Jr. Line to amplify the rather spectacular recent increase in our knowledge about this family. 2082

Photo File 88-7	Family of James Simeon Upchurch (Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan)	20033 164/2071
1	Robert Holmes, HUS of Olive U.	20072
2	Clara U.	20042
3	Claude U. (Claude Elmer U., Sr.)	20343
4	Ethel U. McKelvey.	20039
5	Fred U. (James Fred U.)	20040
6	Lena U. Oden.	20038
7	Curtis Granberry, HUS of Carra U.	20771
8	Marie U. Holmes, DAU of Olive & Robert Holmes.	21193
9	James Robert Holmes, SON of Olive & Robert Holmes.	21192
10	Olive U. Holmes.	20037
11	James Simeon U.	20033
12	Fannie Ruth U. (Fannin Ruth U.)	20043
13	Mary Etta U.(Mary Etta Lawhon)(WIF of #11)	20044
14	R. C. Granberry, Jr., SON of Carra U. & Curtis Granberry.	21191
15	Carra U. Granberry	20036

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Cousin Ben Lane U., Sr. of the Willis J. U. Line in the Charles U./ 4377,2081,164/
 Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan in a 6 JAN 1999 letter provided the obituary 2017
 below for Robert E. U. We presume this item is from a GA newspaper and
 that the locations are in GA. We know that the deceased was the son of
 Elmer T. U., Sr., p. b. 11 MAY 1903, p. d. SEP 1966, but we do not know
 how this family connects to earlier Upchurch generations. Would someone
 please help?

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Mr. Robert "Bobby" Upchurch of Tyrone, died December 25, 1998. Mr. Upchurch was retired from Ford Motor Assembly Plant in Hapeville where he was a member of the UAW No. 882. He was also a member of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church for over 40 years where he served as Sunday School Superintendent and many other positions. He is survived by his wife, Beverly W. Upchurch, Tyrone; daughter, Lisa Upchurch and Andy Pitman, Fayetteville; son, Walter Eugene Upchurch, Sharpsburg; and son, Stephen Wise and Kimberly Upchurch, Sharpsburg; grandchildren, Drew and Jake Pitman; Hailey Upchurch and Logan Upchurch, brothers and sisters, Laura Hayes, Elmer T. Upchurch, Jr., David Upchurch, Juanita Payne and Kenneth Upchurch, mother-in-law, Minnie Lee Wise, Fayetteville; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 27, 1998 at 2 p.m. at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church with remains placed in state at 1 p.m. Rev. Lawrence Burge and Rev. Parks Davis will officiate. Interment will be in the churchyard. Carl J. Mowell & Son, Fayetteville.

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One of our illustrious cousins has decided to give back something to the institution of higher education which gave him a start in life. Below is a reproduction of the release showing a photo of Cousin William Nathaniel Cannon and providing a description of the endowment he has established at North Georgia College (NGCSU).

NGCSU Foundation

Cannon Establishes Chemistry Department Fund



"This is something I have wanted to do for a long, long time," said Bill Cannon as one of his dreams became a reality. "In a small sense, it is something that I can do, in a small way, to repay Dr. Simms and North Georgia College for what he and the College gave to me so many years ago. Were it not for them, I would not be in a position to do this now."

Earnings from the William N. Cannon

Chemistry Fund, initially funded at \$72,000.00, will be used to attract matching funds for technology purchases, thereby doubling the value of the fund, and to provide for the betterment and advancement of the NGCSU Chemistry Department.

After participating in the ASTP program, Bill Cannon served two years with the U.S. Army. After WWII, he returned to NGC and graduated with a BS degree in 1949. He then received the MS degree from the University of Georgia in 1950 and worked two years at Redstone Arsenal in Alabama before joining Eli Lilly & Company. He is retired from a distinguished career of 33 years with Lilly and resides with wife Ruth in the beautiful mountains of Breckenridge, Colorado. They enjoy hiking in the summer and skiing in the winter.

The William N. Cannon Chemistry Fund is open for donations from anyone with a desire to assist the Chemistry Department in providing quality educational opportunities for their students.

Cousin Bill Cannon is of the Willis J. U. Line in the Charles U./	6203,2081,164/
Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. The above article was provided by Cousin	2071
Ben Lane U., Sr. of Atlanta, GA. Bill and Ben were in college together	4377
at NGCSU. Bill and your editor became close associates in the 1980s when	
Bill was employed as a scientist by Eli Lilly & Co. in Greenfield, IN and	
I served as a consultant to the President of the company. Bill and his	
wife enjoy their retirement in Breckenridge, CO. Bill continues his strong	
interest in his Upchurch heritage.	

This issue of the **UPCHURCH BULLETIN** is dedicated to All Upchurches who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States, among whom we are proud to count General Ben Lane Upchurch, Sr. pictured below. He achieved the rank of Major General, the highest Military Rank ever bestowed upon an Upchurch. In honoring him we pay respect to all who have helped our America to remain strong in every generation.



Major General Ben L. Upchurch, Sr.
GaARNG (Retired)
In uniform and in mufti

General Upchurch, a native and lifelong resident of Georgia, lives in retirement with his wife, Joanne, in East Point, GA. They have three children and six grandchildren. He and his sister, Ann (U.) Duke have long been supporters of research on Upchurch history. Ben Lane was in charge of arrangements for the Upchurch Lecture held in East Point, GA in 1989. During his youth Ben Lane had a close association with his cousin William N. Cannon "Bill" who is a chemist retired from Eli Lilly & Co. They have maintained contact over the years. Bill is also a strong supporter of research on the Upchurch family. In 1948 Ben Lane U., Sr. earned a B.S. Degree in Physics from North Georgia State University, Dahlonega, GA and in 1963 he was awarded a MBA in Business Administration by Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA. As a civilian he served as Director of Placement, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

HIS CIVIC AFFILIATIONS INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Kiwanis Club of Cascade Heights, 1964-1967

Southern College Placement Association, Member Board of Directors, President 1979

Delta Sigma Pi

Georgia College Placement Association, Treasurer

College Placement Council, Member Board of Directors 1980-83

HIS ANCESTRAL LINE IS AS FOLLOWS:	XID
I. Charles U. - Head of Upchurch Clan No. 2	164
A. Thomas Gay U., Sr.	2071
1. Willis J. U., CSA	2081
a. Joe Cephas U.	2088
i. Benjamin Franklin U.	4370
(I) Ben Lane U., Sr.	4377

The Military Bona fides of General Upchurch are as follows:

MILITARY EDUCATION:

<u>School</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Year</u>
USA Infantry School	Officer Candidate School	1945
Seventh US Army, Europe	Company Officer Administration	1946
USA Armor School	Officer Refresher Course	1957
USA Infantry School	Rifle Marksmanship Instructor	1958
USA Armor School	Phase I Adv Est Crse	1958
USA Signal School	Adv Officer Extension Crse	1961
USA Armor School	AOEC	1961
USA Artillery & Missile School	NWEC	1964
USA CGSC	C&GSC (Ext)	1964
National War College	DSS	1967
Industrial Col of Armed Forces	National Security Management	1967
Industrial Col of Armed Forces	Management in the Department of Defense	1968
USA Military Police School	Civ Dist Sr Off Orient Crse	1968
USAWC	USAWC Non resident	1970
National War College	DSS	1974
US Air Force	Air War College (Ext)	1975

MILITARY HISTORY:

Major General Upchurch enlisted in the Army of the United States 12 January 1945. He attended Officer Candidate School at USA Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, graduating 15 October 1945 and was commissioned as Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 16 October 1945. He served with US Army, Europe, from December 1945 to November 1946. From January 1947 until November 1949, MG Upchurch was a member of US Army Reserve, unassigned, not on active duty. He was appointed First Lieutenant in the Georgia Army National Guard on 29 November 1949 with assignment as Platoon Leader, Company B, 1st Battalion, 122ⁿ Infantry, GaARNG. He served as Company Commander, Company B, 122^d Infantry, GaARNG, from October 1951 to 1959. He was promoted to Captain 30 December 1952.

Upon reorganization of the Georgia Army National Guard 1 July 1959, Major General Upchurch was promoted to Major and assigned as Radar Officer and later Contracting Officer, 102d Signal Depot, GaARNG. He served as S3 of the 4th Battalion, 121st Infantry, GaARNG, April 1963 through May 1966. He became Battalion Commander of that battalion in June 1966 and was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. He served in that assignment through December 1967.

Upon reorganization of the Georgia Army National Guard 1 January 1968, Major General Upchurch was assigned as G3, Georgia Emergency Operations Headquarters. He was Executive Officer of the 265th Engineer Group, GaARNG, June 1968 - October 1968. From November 1968 to January 1971, he was G3, Headquarters Georgia Army National Guard, and was promoted to Colonel 2 June 1969. He then commanded the 265th Engineer Group, GaARNG, from February 1971 to June 1972. From July 1972 through April 1973, he served as Area Damage Control Task Force Commander and Chief of Staff, 122d Support Center, GaARNG. In May 1973, Major General Upchurch was assigned as Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Georgia Army National Guard, and was attached to 122d Support Center, GaARNG, as Commander. He was promoted to Brigadier General on 8 February 1974. Transferred to State Retired List and promoted to Major General 1 October 1976.

DECORATIONS AND AWARDS:

World War II Victory Medal
 Army of Occupation Medal
 American Campaign Medal
 Expert Infantry Badge
 ARCAM
 20 Year GaNG Service Medal
 20 Year Reserve Components Service Medal
 Georgia State Commendation Medal
 Georgia State Active Duty Ribbon
 Georgia Distinguished Service Award

Clan 2. (Charles Upchurch) {Son of Richard U. II}

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Charles U. was b. 1755 in Granville Co., NC and d. 1842 in Henry Co., GA. He served in the Revolutionary War from Franklin Co., NC and married there and had children born there named Thomas Gay U., Sr., Eaton, Keaton and Charity. One suspects that the wife of Moses was nee: Gay but more research on that is needed. In the 1820-1830 era we find the four children of Charles U. relocating to GA with their growing families. To this stream of migrants was added Britton U. II, a nephew of Charles U. Streams of Upchurches from other clans also soon arrived in GA to make this a state of great importance to Upchurch history in

America. As time allows for more organization of Upchurch information for GA it should be possible to publish a map indicating where the various Upchurch clans showed a presence in GA. The model is a similar map produced for the Upchurches of Illinois.

Some descendants of Charles U. worked their way to LA and some to TX where they played important roles adding their weight to Upchurch streams which came, especially to TX, from other clans. Texas is very rich in Upchurch history dating from the days of the Texas Republic pre-1840.

Clan 2. Charles Upchurch Clan

Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. The most faithful cooperator of this large subclan is Cousin James Paul Johnson, Jr. who now lives in retirement in Calera, AL. Jay is a grandson of Thomas Homer U., who was a grandson of Thomas Gay U., Sr. Over the summer and fall we had several interesting letters from Jay. He had the sad experience of losing his dear wife, Mary, on 2 AUG 2007. She is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery in Cartersville, GA. Jay now has his own apartment in his daughter's home where everything has been arranged to his advantage. Jay continues to send information to better define his part of the Upchurch family. He invited us to come by to see him and we hope to do so.

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The area of NW Louisiana and the nearby areas of SW Arkansas and NE Texas contain numerous Upchurch enclaves all within a few dozen miles of each other. Several Upchurch Clans are involved and years of research have gone into sorting them out.

Within the last year, through the miracle of the Internet, cooperators have surfaced who belong to the Thomas Gay U., Jr. Line in the Charles U./Thomas Gay U. Sr. Subclan. We here proudly present some details on this Line

Charles U., Head of Upchurch Clan No. 2, raised his family in the Moccasin Creek Area of present-day Franklin County, NC. There his children grew to adulthood. Son Thomas Gay U., Sr., b. 1797, and his father Charles and some other family members moved to GA beginning about 1820. Charles and T.G.U., Sr. soon found their way to Henry County, GA where in 1825 T.G.U., Sr. married Patience Barnes. There in 1827 son Thomas Gay U., Jr. "Tom" was born and there he married Sarah Miller. They eventually had possibly nine children, at least 5 or 6 of whom were born in GA, some in Henry County before the couple moved to Vernon in Jackson Parish, LA in the late 1850s. There T.G.U., Jr. and Sarah died and were buried in the Collier Cemetery about one mile south of Vernon.

Over the years, three of the sons of T.G.U., Jr. have come sharply into focus, the most recent being Robert Gay U. of LA. Let us first mention two other sons of T.G.U., Jr. about whom much has been written in earlier issues of the UB.

James Simeon U. and William Jefferson U., two sons of T.G.U., Jr. left the Upchurch nest in LA and settled in Corsicana, Navarro County, TX. On a 1996 trip to TX, I was able to find considerable evidence of them in Corsicana. Simeon came to our attention first because he had a son James Frederick U. who became Assistant Attorney General for the State of TX. More to the point, Fred's wife, nee Alice Brown Gray, became in the 1950s one of the early Upchurch researchers. Her records are still with us. A descendant of Jefferson surfaced in the person of his grandson James Herman U. (1914-1997), son of Thomas Bryant U. Herman was visited by your editor in 1996 and in him one found a delightful person with a deep interest in his Upchurch heritage. We had several very useful exchanges prior to his untimely demise in 1997. Many details based on interactions with the descendants of Simeon and Jefferson are recorded in earlier UB issues.

Our recent contacts for the T.G.U., Jr. family have been with descendants of his son Robert Gay U. "Bob", who along with his descendants have played strong roles for the last 150 years in NW Louisiana. Bob was born in GA in 1847 but grew to adulthood in NW LA. There in Jackson Parish in 1867 he married Eliza Jane Hancock. Their children were:

1. William Edward U.
2. John Robert U "Twin".
3. Thomas Robrent U "Twin"
4. Claud L. U.
5. Ida L. U.
6. Mary Josephine U.
7. Sarah Allie U.
8. Cora M. U.
9. Maggie O. U.

John Robert U., aka "Bob" married in 1901 (Jonesboro, LA) Allie Ruby Feazelle who died at age 103 in 1985. We are fortunate to have corresponded with Allie many years ago. They had three children - Bessie May U., b. 1902, Buel Jane U., b. 1903, and Robert Gordon U., b. 1904. We are now in active correspondence with four descendants of Bob

and Allie who are providing valuable information to improve our documentation on the T.G.U., Jr. Line. They are: Jordan Caleb Chambers, (GGS of Gordon); Cynthia Delaine (Primrose)(Todd) Pons (GD of Gordon); Jack David U. (GS of Gordon), and Alta Beth U. (GD of Gordon). Additionally, we have been helped by George Park whose wife is a descendant of Thomas Jefferson Nelson as is Allie Ruby Feazelle.

Over the years many cooperators have helped to assemble a huge collection of facts about the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. It is most gratifying to have a new batch of cooperators to help with the Thomas Gay U., Jr. Line.

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0 members added in UB, Vol. 31.

Our cousin Charles Robert U. of Mableton, GA has a very keen appreciation for his Upchurch heritage. In large part this is due to the large role that his grandparents, Charles Lloyd and Mae Belle (Ashmore) U., played in his upbringing. The grandson has established Memorials for both his grandparents as recorded in the annals of Upchurch history as shown in this and previous UB issues. Charles Robert has provided us with a wonderful 31 page article entitled "ME 'N PAPA" which he penned in 2004. I in turn was able to provide him a copy of a three page letter written by Charles Lloyd in 1932. Charles Lloyd U. is the s/o Thomas Homer U. who heads an Upchurch Line in the Charles U./Thomas Gay U., Sr. Subclan. Charles Robert wrote to me on 21 DEC 2009 saying: "If you ever wish to visit Carroll County (GA), the home of Thomas Homer Upchurch and his lineage, please let me know." I will live in hopes that this offer can, someday, be accepted.

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48 members added in UB, Vol. 32.

In the last year we have started an ongoing search for the ancestors of Mary U., b. 1862 (GA) who was the GGM of Mrs. Diane Corkery (nee: Diane Clay Watts), our cooperator in this endeavor. Mary is known to be the daughter of Mrs. Sarah U., b. about 1837. It is my conviction with 95% confidence, that Sarah was nee: Sarah N. Jones, who md 21 DEC 1856 (Upson Co., GA) Elbert S. U. Elbert was killed in the Civil War. He heads a Line in the Charles U./Keaton U. Subclan. the confidence level of Diane is less than mine and she seeks more definitive proof of her Upchurch heritage. She finds leads and I vet them. It is great fun.

Clan 2. Charles U. Clan

14 members added in UB, Vol. 33

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After years of study we now tell the more complete story of how Abner Franklin U. fits into the family. He was born in 1806 in Franklin Co., NC. For Many years we have known that he married Lucinda U. on January 27, 1832 in Hancock Co., GA. We have long known that Lucinda was a d/o Claburn U., I of the Richard U., I/Claburn U., I Subclan and have in fact organized the family of Abner and Lucinda under her banner. 1236

We now have sufficient evidence to declare that Abner Franklin U. was the s/o Eaton U. of the Charles U./Eaton U. Subclan. Thus, Abner and Lucinda were 2nd cousins.

There is some evidence that Abner had been married before he married Lucinda. If so, we might hope to find evidence of such a marriage on the 1830 census.

Over recent months we have had very rewarding exchanges with Cousin Diane Clay (Watts) Corkey of Alabama. She started with fragmentary information that her GGM was nee: Mary U., b 1852 (GA). Over many exchanges with Diane working doggedly and me providing hints and bits of information the story was finally teased from the records. It turns out Mary U. was the d/o Elbert S. U. and Sarah N. Jones who married on December 21, 1856 in Upson Co., GA. Elbert went into service of CSA and died in the battle of First Manassas on August 30, 1862, leaving Sarah with at least one small child, Mary. It is now clear that Elbert S. U. was the s/o Keaton U. of the Charles U./Keaton U. Subclan. Both Diane and I treasure each increment of information uncovered with more to come, hopefully. Thanks Diane for refusing to give up.