

George Cook

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Commentary: George Cook married Catherine Upchurch in 1867. There is much speculation as to Catherine's parents, but her residence in Alabama during the 19th century lends credence to her ties to Abel Upchurch of Upchurch Clan 8.

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(no number) Item in letter 26 Jan 2004 Charles John Peterson Jr to RPU (From Genforum exchange posted by Mrs Genevieve Tharp 7 Sep 2003) – Presented here with annotations by RPU 13 Feb 2004 in case Genevieve has added new info.

Re: Greene,Pickens,Tuscaloosa,Hale,County,AL

Posted by: Genevieve Tharp (ID *****5662)

Date: September 07, 2003 at 07:35:56

In Reply to: Re:

Greene,Pickens,Tuscaloosa,Hale,County,AL by Bridget Pieschel

This caught my eye, even tho I have a different last name in my records for the marriage. Catherine Upchurch m. George Cook on 6 Jan. 1867 in Itawamba Co., MS.

Catherine was one of five Upchurch siblings, with the others being Emily A., Sarah C., Martha, William A., who were listed on 7 Aug. 1860 Itawamba Co., MS records when John A. Bryant and Sarah Bryant applied for guardianship of the 5 children.

Of these siblings: Sarah C. Upchurch m. Joel Springer on 10 Feb 1874 in Lee Co., MS. On 18 Dec 1871 Lee Co., MS a marriage license was taken out for Martha Upchurch and Frederick Schumpherd, but a return never filed. William A. Upchurch took out a marriage license on 2 Jan 1882 in Lee Co., MS to marry Maggie Cunningham but a return was never filed.

There is speculation that these are the children of A. Upchurch found on 1850 DeSoto Co., MS census in household of Elias Beall, who had moved from GA to MS. At this time this A. Upchurch was 23, b. NC around 1827. An A. Upchurch is then found on 1855 directory for Bolands, Itawamba Co., MS.

There is speculation that this A. Upchurch might also be the A. Upchurch of 1849 that was headed from MS to MO to be outfitted to go out west during the Gold Rush.

There is also an A.G. Upchurch, possibly Alexander or Almenean Gaston, who took out a marriage license on 14 Dec 1852 in DeSoto Co., MS to marry Susannah B. Vaughan, with no return ever filed. He is found on 1860 DeSoto Co., MS census with family. He then either deserted his family or something as his wife married Frank Rowland in 1866. By 1867 A.G. Upchurch is in Panola Co., MS, with mentions of DeSoto Co. and Tate Co., MS. In 1873, he married Mariah/ Mona C./E. Long/Longe, but my 1880 this wife had married Berry Matthews and was in Attala Co., MS.

Names included in article above:

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| Catherine Upchurch | George Cook | Emily A Upchurch |
| Sarah C Upchurch | Martha Upchurch | William A Upchurch |
| John A Bryant | Sarah Bryant | Joel Springer |
| Frederick Schumpherd | Maggie Cunningham | A Upchurch |
| Elias Beall | A G Upchurch | Alexander Upchurch |
| Almenean Gaston Upchurch | Susannah B Vaughn | Frank Rowland |

Mariah Long
Mona C Longe
Berry Matthews

Mariah Longe
E Long

Mona E Long
E Longe

Crossfile UFU ≤ 1850 NC

A → E are possibly the children of A Upchurch age 23 born NC [hence born 1827] on the 1850 Census of DeSoto Co, MS in the home of Elias Beall (from GA). A Upchurch is on the 1855 Directory Bolands, Itawamba Co. MS. Possibly the A Upchurch who headed from MS to MO bound for Gold Rush in West outfitted for same.

I. --- --- Upchurch (Parents of A → E not identified but they were listed in Itawamba Co, MS 7 Aug 1860 becoming wards of John A Bryant & Sarah --- --- who applied for guardianship.

1. Catherine Upchurch married 6 Jan 1867 (Itawamba Co, MS) **George Clark**
2. Emily A Upchurch
3. Sarah C Upchurch married 10 Feb 1874 (Lee Co, MS) Joel Springer
4. Martha Upchurch married* 18 Dec 1871 (Lee Co, MS) Frederick Schumpherd
5. William A Upchurch married* 2 Jan 1882 (Lee Co, MS) Maggie Cunningham

[* not “returned” hence may not have married]

Also consider

A G Upchurch [possibly Alexander Upchurch; Almenean Gaston Upchurch] married* 14 Dec 1852 (DeSoto Co, MS) Susannah B Vaughn

A G Upchurch on 1860 Census DeSoto Co, MS with his family. He “departed” and his wife married 1866 () Frank Roland.

A G Upchurch was in Panola Co. MS by 1867 (with DeSoto Co, MS and Tate Co, MS mentioned). He married 1873 () Mariah/Mona C/E Long/Longe – By 1880 Mariah married Berry Matthews and was in Attala Co, MS.

(1) See letter 19 Oct 1982 Ann Gertrude Cook to RPU

George Cook is son of Edward Harrison Cook born 16 Jun 1889, grandson of Mary Belle Upchurch of the Harmon Upchurch/Allen Upchurch Sub-clan.

(2) See letter 1 Nov 1982 Ann Gertrude Cook to RPU

George Edward Cook born 26 Jun 1916 (Arapaho, OK) died 8 Feb 1919 (Buried – Stafford, OK)

(3) See letter 5 Jan 1984 Lameta Mae Cook to RPU

“George Edward Cook” since the folks were on a rural route out of Arapaho, OK, I guess would say he was born at Arapaho, OK, and died at home, so he was born 25 Jun 1916 at Arapaho, OK and died 8 Feb 1919 at Arapaho, OK. Buried at Stafford Cemetery, Stafford, OK.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
ITAWAMBA COUNTY.

To any Judge, Minister or Justice, lawfully authorized to celebrate the Rites of Matrimony :

You are hereby authorized to celebrate the **rites of Matrimony** between

Mr *George Cook* and Miss *Catharine M. Church*

Given under my hand and seal of office, this *4th* day

of *Jan* 186*7*

Eli Phillip Clerk.

The State of Mississippi,
ITAWAMBA COUNTY.

IN VIRTUE OF A LICENSE from the Clerk of the Probate Court of said County,

I have this day joined in Matrimony Mr *George Cook*

and Miss *Catharine M. Church*

Given under my hand and seal, this *6th* day

of *Jan* 186*7*

W. B. Thomas Clerk.

The above is a true copy of the original.

David Johnson CLERK.