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The Upchurch line is that of my husband. His Upchurch line married into the Winn/Wynn/Wynns line on 29 February 1848 in Henry County. I recently put together a collection of the information I have collected for my granddaughter and have attached it to this email. Please feel free to pass this on to anyone who is interested. I have always and will continue to share what I find with other researchers as many have shared theirs with me.

I have written the stories of my husband's 4-gg Celia Elizabeth Upchurch, her mother 5-gg Jennetta House (married Joshua Upchurch), and her grandmother 6-gg Elizabeth "Betsy" Hawkins (married John Upchurch) for a book that the Tennessee Society Daughters of the American Revolution published last year titled *Legacies of Our Great Grand Mothers ~ Early Tennessee Women*.

I have no monetary or otherwise interest in this publication except that it is a fabulous compendium of verified genealogical information. If anyone is interested, it is a 1,376 page publication in two volumes. It features a 1,500 every-name index and stories and lineages of over 265 women who lived in Tennessee territory prior to the first every-name census in 1850. It is *fully* researched and includes the sources for every entry. In accordance with the Tennessee State Sales Tax law, the two-volume set is only sold during the society's tax free sales times twice a year. The next one is April 21 through May 20, 2016, with payment received before 20 May 2016. The set costs \$130 + \$10 shipping. Usually, any project that is done under the name of a state society is allowed to be sold only in the state in which it originated. Because of the historic nature of this publication, it can be ordered and sold outside of the state from the society. The contact person for ordering this publication is Ms. Srah Roach, 706-935-9282 <3oaks@charter.net> or Ms. Linda Mines, 423-825-2046.

*Upchurch Lineages: Thirteen Generations*

**Generation 1**

**John<sup>1</sup> Upchurch**

John Upchurch was born about 1430 in Colchester, Herefordshire, England. He died testate there in 1502. His will was probated and is preserved in the Essex Record Office in Chelmsford, England.

The name of his wife is unknown. Most sources give John's father as William Michael deUpchirche.

John had one known child:

- Thomas Upchurch (Generation 2)

**References:**

- Shared research of Eva Harris, Kay Ivey, Courtney Baker, Stacy Weinstein, Kathleen Moody
- *UK, Extracted Probate Records, 1269-1975*
- *Essex, Hertfordshire: Chelmsford - Wills, 1400-1619*
- *Index to Wills Now Preserved in the Essex Record Office Chelmsford 1400 – 1619, folio 53*

**Generation 2**

**Thomas<sup>2</sup> Upchurch**

**(John<sup>1</sup>)**

Thomas Upchurch (Upcher) was born about 1465 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died there in 1538.

Thomas was married in Dedham, Essex, England to Lydia Jane Day. Jane was born in 1463 in Colchester, Essex, England and died in 1515 in Dedham, County Essex, England.

Thomas and Jane had five known children:

- John "The Elder" Upchurch was born about 1480 in England and died there in 1481.
- Agnes Upchurch was born about 1485 in Dedham, Essex, England. (twin?)
- Stephen Upchurch was born about 1485 in Dedham, Essex, England. (twin?)
- John "The Younger" Upchurch was born in 1490 in Dedham, Essex, England.
- Robert Upchurch was born about 1500 in Dedham, Essex, England and died about 1524 in Brocking, Essex, England.
- Michael Upchurch (Generation 3)

**References:**

- Shared research of Eva Harris, Larry Tipton
- *UK, Extracted Probate Records, 1269-1975*
- *Marriages at Curry Rivel, 1642 to 1812*

- *Index to Wills Now Preserved in the Essex Record Office Chelmsford 1400 – 1619, Volume 4*

### Generation 3

#### Michael<sup>3</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>)

Michael Upchurch was born about 1515 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died there on 07 October 1575.

Michael was married about 1548 to Joane, surname unknown, who was born about 1520 in Dedham, County Essex, England.

Michael and Joane had eight known children:

- Richard Upchurch (Generation 4)
- Sarah Upchurch was born about 1552 in Dedham, County Essex, England.
- Elizabeth Upchurch was born about 1555 in Dedham, County Essex, England.
- Michael Upchurch was born about 1557 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 26 January 1584. He was married 11 February 1582 to Frances Collett.
- Susan Upchurch was born about 1559 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.
- Judith Upchurch was born about 1560 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.
- Thomas Upchurch was born about 1552 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.
- Annis Upchurch was born in 1549 in Wimpole, Cambridgeshire, England, and died in 1580. She was married to Thomas Newman. They had four known children: Alice Newman, Thomas Newman, Elizabeth Newman, and Ussula Ann Newman.

*NOTE: Four children died the same date. Was there an illness that overtook them, an accident?*

#### References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris, Iona Eastman, Donna Bailey

### Generation 4

#### Richard<sup>4</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>)

Richard Upchurch was born about 1550 in Dedham, County, Essex, England, and died there 12 June 1611.

Richard was married in 1608 in Dedham, Essex, England to Judith, surname unknown, who was born about 1555 in Dedham, County, Essex, England, and died there 12 November 1598 in England.

Richard and Judith had four known children:

- Richard Upchurch (Generation 5)
- Margaret Upchurch was born about 1586 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.
- Elizabeth Upchurch was born about 1588 in Dedham, County, Essex, England and died in 1680.
- Michael Upchurch was born about 1590 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris, Norman Meyer, Linda Caltron, William Earnshaw
- *England & Wales Marriages, 1538-1940*

## Generation 5

### Richard<sup>5</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>)

Richard Upchurch was born about 1580 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 04 May 1652 at Little Giddling, Huntingdonshire, England.

Richard Upchurch was married in 23 October 1608 in Godmanchester, Huntingdonshire, England, to Frances Inkersol (Ingersoll), who was born about 1585 in Dedham, County Essex, England and died in 1652 in Little Giddling, Huntingdonshire, England.

Richard and Frances Upchurch had five known children:

- John Upchurch was born 14 January 1610 in Huntingdon, Huntingdonshire, England
- Robert Upchurch was born 23 June 1611 in Huntingdon, Huntingdonshire, England and died there 9 August 1611.
- Henry Upchurch was born 27 April 1613 in Ellington, Huntingdonshire, England
- Michael Upchurch (Generation 6)
- Margaret Upchurch was born 11 May 1626 in Brington, Huntingdonshire, England and died in 1652.

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris, Elaine Quick, James Nelson
- *England & Wales Marriages, 1538-1940*

## Generation 6

### Michael<sup>6</sup> Upchurch (Immigrant)

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>)

Michael Upchurch was born about 1620 in Little Gidding (or Brington), Huntingdonshire, England, and died testate in 1681 in Surry County, Virginia. He was buried in the Lower Surry Cemetery Bacons Castle, Lawnes Parish, Surry County, Virginia

In England the name Upchurch had many variations: Upchur, Upshire, Upshur, Upschire, Upchirche, Upchar, Upcharde, and others. "Upchurch" became the standardized spelling within 50-100 years after Michael came to America. The origin of the name "Upchurch" is unclear, but logic indicates that it is related to a "church" and that the "Up" part showed a positional relationship which could have been used to describe "the family who lived above the church."

Michael Upchurch is the first known Upchurch in America. He set out for Virginia from Little Giddings, Huntingdonshire, England, about 1649. He sailed on a ship captained by George Cambell; the name of the ship is not known. All Upchurches in America today are descended from Michael. He is recorded in the *Guide to the Buildings of Surry and the American Revolution*, by James D. Kornwolf, as one of the fourteen participants in the famous Lawnes Creek Insurrection which took place on 12 December 1673 - a prelude to the American Revolution about 100 years later.

Michael Upchurch was a tobacco farmer. He was listed as a headright in two land patents in 1654. He leased land on 02 January 1656, in Surry County, Virginia, from Roger Delke (see Delke Lineages). On 04 December 1662, He witnessed a deed of sale between John Bason (or Mason) and Richard Skinner in Surry County, Virginia. He was listed as a tithable at Lawne's Creek Parish Church, Surry County, Virginia. On 05 March 5 1679 he was exempted from payment of taxes on account of "being old and infirm."

Michael Upchurch was married about 1651 in Surry County, Virginia, to Frances Delk (see Delke Lineages), the daughter of Roger Delk and Alice. Frances was born about 1630 in Surry County, Virginia, and died 1690/1 in Virginia, probably Surry County.

Mrs. Frances Upchurch was ordered to be present in the Court of Surry County for an inventory of the estate of Michael Upchurch. On 5 July 1681 she was granted administrator status on the estate of Michael Upchurch, deceased, recorded upside down: "Fra. Upchurch, Robert Reynolds."

Michael and Frances had four known children:

- Daughter Upchurch was born about 1654 in Surry County, Virginia.
- Daughter Upchurch was born about 1656 in Surry County, Virginia.
- Richard Upchurch (Generation 7)
- Michael Upchurch II was born about 1667 in Surry County, Virginia, and died about 1697 in Virginia. He is first mentioned in records as a tithable at Lawnes Creek Parish Church on 12 June 1683, indicating that he had reached the age of sixteen.

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- "Upchurch Bulletin, Volume 1, Number 2," pages 49-51
- "Upchurch Bulletin, Volume 31, Number 1," page 25
- *17th Century Colonial. Ancestors of Members of National Society. Colonial Dames XVII Century*, by Mary Louise Marshall Hutton, 1984
- *Virginia Wills and Administrations, 1632-1800*, by Torrence
- *Surry County, Virginia, Records 1671-1684, Book 2*, pages 14, 40
- *Virginia Order Book 1*, page 152
- *Surry County, Virginia, Orders, 1671-1684*
- *The Guide to the Buildings of Surry and the American Revolution*, by James D. Kornwolf
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- *Surry County, Virginia, Court Records, Book 2*, pages 14, 40, 1663, 1668, and 1678

- *The History of the Ewell Sharp Family*, compiled by W. Sharp Burnett

## Generation 7

### Richard<sup>7</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>)**

Richard Upchurch, the son of Michael Upchurch and Frances Delke (see Delke Lineages), was born about 1658 in Surry County, Virginia, and died there before 1700. He was buried in the Upchurch Family Cemetery in Bacons Castle, Surry County, Virginia.

Richard Upchurch appeared on the Tax List of 1694. He was a landowner. Richard was living in Lawnes Creek Parish, Surry County, Virginia, in 1699.

Richard Upchurch was married to Elizabeth Brooks, daughter of Thomas Brooks and Susannah Wyatt. Elizabeth was born in 1662 in Virginia and died in 1699 in St. Anne's Parish, Essex County, Virginia.

Richard and Elizabeth had three known children:

- John Upchurch was born in 1678 in Surry County, Virginia and died in 1758 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He was buried in the Upchurch Cemetery, Fitzhugh, Brunswick County, Virginia. He was married to Elizabeth Honnicutt. John and Elizabeth (Honicutt) Upchurch had four known children: John, Elizabeth, Sarah, Typhena, and James Upchurch.
- William Upchurch was born in 1680 in Surry County, Virginia.
- James Upchurch (Generation 8)

#### References

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- *Lawnes Creek, Surry County, Virginia, Tax List of 1694*
- *Seventeenth Century Ancestors, Volume 1*, compiled by Mary Louise M. Hutton, 1991, page 296

## Generation 8

### James<sup>8</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>)**

James Upchurch, the son of Richard Upchurch, was born in 1685 in Surry County, Virginia, and died 27 May 1783 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He was buried in there in the Surry Cemetery.

James Upchurch was a land owner in Brunswick County, Virginia.

James was married to Elizabeth who was born about 1690 in Surry County, Virginia.

James and Elizabeth had four known children:

- James Upchurch was born in 1731 died in 1783 in Virginia. His wife's given name was Elizabeth, surname unknown.
- Richard Buckner Upchurch was born about 1725 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died in 1817 in North Carolina. He was married twice. His first wife was Mary Purdue; his second wife was Susannah "Sooky/Polly" Pace. Richard moved his family in steps to the southern tip of Franklin County, North Carolina. He had eleven known children: Benjamin Upchurch, Moses Upchurch, Charles Upchurch, Frances Upchurch, Nathan Upchurch, Betty Upchurch, Nancy Upchurch, James Upchurch, Jubal Upchurch, and Abel Upchurch.
- Michael Upchurch (Generation 9)
- William Upchurch was born in 1735 in Virginia and died in 1805 in North Carolina. He had two known children: John Upchurch and William Upchurch.

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- DAR GRC Arkansas, Series1, Volume 46, page 78
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**Generation 9**

**Michael<sup>9</sup> Upchurch**

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>8</sup>)**

Michael Upchurch was born in 1728 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died testate in 1795 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He was buried in the Upchurch Family Cemetery in Fitzhugh, Brunswick County, Virginia.

Michael Upchurch served in the Revolutionary War as a Private in the Fifteenth Virginia Regiment under Captain John Gregory. He made application for and received a pension for his service (filed September 1758).

Michael was married to Frances Decke and they had five known children:

- William Upchurch (Generation 10)
- George Upchurch was born in 1757 in Virginia and died in 1830 in Wayne County, Kentucky. He was married to Rachel Bethshares, daughters of Thomas Bathshears. Rachel was born in 1760 in Brunswick County, Virginia and died about 1830 in Wayne County, Kentucky. George is known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 5. George was enumerated on the 1790 Iredell County, North Carolina, Salisbury District census as head of household with four males under the age of 16 (sons Shadrack, Thomas, Moses, ?) and zero slaves. From North Carolina he moved into Tennessee and finally settled in Wayne County, Kentucky. George had seven known children: Lydia, Shadrack "Shad", Thomas, Moses, Rachel, John, and Joseph (aka Tennessee Joe).
- Elizabeth Upchurch was married 27 November 1790 to Thomas Bathshares.
- Moses Upchurch was born 13 February 1753 in Brunswick County, Virginia and died 23 February 1853 at Chatham County, North Carolina. He was a Revolutionary War soldier and filed for a new



certificate of his pension on 5 Jul 1849, stating he had lost the original. He seems to have married a Mary Simms (1757-1847) and they likely had thirteen children: Leatha, Gillium, Mary, Ruffin, Pathenia, Whitney, Courtney, Calorgy, Murray, Classie, Clegg, Rachael and Sims (1808-1880).

- Sherwood Upchurch was born in 1771 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died in 1850 in Campbell County, Georgia. He was first married 21 October 1790 in Rutherford County, North Carolina, to Miss Elizabeth Tomberlinson and second 02 January 1804 to Miss Polly Pell. Sherwood is known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 10.

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- U.S. Census Sallisbury District, Iredell County, North Carolina: 1790, 1800, 1810
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- "Upchurch Bulletin, Volume 1, Number 2," page 67
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- *DAR Patriot Index*
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*NOTE: For the 1790 census, Upchurches have not been found in any state other than North Carolina. Upchurch migrations had been southward in Virginia between 1650-1750. By 1790 the records to date show the entire Upchurch family had migrated from Virginia to North Carolina. In 1790 in North Carolina, they were in Franklin, Wake, Iredell, Chatham, Wilkes, Rutherford, Montgomery and Granville Counties.*

## Generation 10

### William<sup>10</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>,  
Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>8</sup>, Michael<sup>9</sup>)**

William Upchurch Sr. was born in 1745 in Colony, Laurel County, Kentucky, and died in 1787 in Wilkes County, North Carolina. An abstract of his Will reads:

"1787 Upchurch, William, Sarah (wife); William, Edney, David, Afsi (Abel), Patty and John; Susanna Pennill (Daughter)."

William is in residence in Granville County, North Carolina, by 1755. He is the known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 9.

William Upchurch may have lived for a brief time in Granville County, North Carolina, before moving to Wilkes County, North Carolina, based on the following deed transfer was recorded in the Granville County, North Carolina Deed Book O, 1779-1790, page 263: William Upchurch, Sr. of Wilkes County, North Carolina, deed to William Upchurch, Jr. of Granville County, North Carolina, 26 Aug 1782. William is recorded in another land transaction in the Wake County, North Carolina, Deed Book V, 1810-1812, page 196: William Upchurch of Wake County, North Carolina, deed to Young Montague, 08 March 1811. By 1800 the family had dispersed. A segment went to Greenville Co., SC by 1800 and from there to Henry Co., TN.

William Upchurch, Sr. was married to Sarah William, who was born in 1737. Sarah Upchurch was enumerated on the 1790 Census of Wilkes County, North Carolina, Morgan District, with three males over the age of sixteen, three additional females, and no slaves, and as head of household in the 1800 Census

of Greenville County, South Carolina, as over the age of forty-five with two females age sixteen to twenty and one slave.

William and Sarah had ten known children:

- Elizabeth Upchurch was married to Mr. Rein/Reid.
- Susannah Upchurch was born in 1757. She married Mr. Pennill.
- Sarah Upchurch was born in 1759. She married Mr. Piller/Peller.
- Amy Upchurch was born in 1761. She married Mr. Lunceford/Lunsford.
- David Upchurch was born in 1765 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He died in 1835 in Franklin County, Illinois. He was buried in the Drake Cemetery in Williamson County, Illinois. He had one son William B. Upchurch (born in Stewart County, Tennessee).
- Edward Upchurch was born in 1767.
- Patty Upchurch was born in 1769. She married Mr. Good.
- William Upchurch was born in 1774 in Granville County, North Carolina. He died in 1861 Saline County, Illinois. He married Mary Hudspath.
- Abel Upchurch was born in 1775 in North Carolina. He migrated to Alabama about 1819 and died in 1846 in Greene County, Alabama.
- John Upchurch (Generation 11)

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- Granville County, North Carolina Deed Book O, 1779-1790, page 263
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- Abstracts of North Carolina Wills from About 1760 to about 1800, prepared from originals by Fred A. Olds, page 325

## Generation 11

### John<sup>11</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>8</sup>,  
Michael<sup>9</sup>, William<sup>10</sup>)**

John Upchurch was the son of William and Sarah Upchurch. He was born in 1776 in North Carolina, died testate 17 October 1854 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Hughes Cemetery.

John Upchurch immigrated to Tennessee from North Carolina in the late 1700's. He, along with a Hughes family, a Randall family, and a Foster family were the first settlers in Eastern Henry County, Tennessee about 1804.

John Upchurch was listed in his son David Upchurch's Family Bible on the Family Pages:

- *David Upchurch born Sept. 10, 1809 died Jan. 13, 1871*
- *Marina Tayloe born May 2, 1815 died Mar 5, 1874*
- *(lists their children – see below)*

*Others in the Bible:*

- *John Upchurch born 1776 died Oct. 27, 1854*
- *Elizabeth (Hawkins) Upchurch born 1772 died Dec 19, 1852*
- *Jesse Upchurch born May 23, 1802 died Aug. 10, 1875*
- *Joshua Upchurch born July 28, 1800 died Nov. 11, 1844*
- *James J. Upchurch born Jan. 6, 1813 died April 1, 1858*
- *Delana (Butts) Upchurch born Aug. 29, 1803 died Feb. 24, 1866*

John Upchurch was recorded in many tax and census records in Greenville County, South Carolina, and Henry County, Tennessee.

The Minutes of the County Court of Henry County, Tennessee, 1836-49, recorded the following information about John<sup>2<sup>dn</sup></sup> Upchurch:

- p 336: January Term 1845 - Ordered by the court that John Upchurch be allowed the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents as one of the poor house commissioners for the year 1844 to be paid out of money in the county treasury not otherwise appropriated
- p 339: February term 1845 - John Upchurch administrator of all and singular goods and chattels, rights and credits of Jerry Upchurch, decd, this day appeared in open court and returned and inventory and an account of all of the Estate of said deceased which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- p 352: May Term 1845 - Ordered by the court that John Kendall, Thomas L. Darnold, and John Upchurch be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart one year's provisions to Mariah Ruple (?Russell?), widow and relict of Mathew Ruple (?Russell?), deceased, out of the Estate of said decease and make their report to the next term of this court.
- p 543: September Court 1848 - Ordered by the Court that the following named persons be appointed Judges and inspectors of the election for electors to vote for President of the United States to be held in November next at the different precincts in Henry County to wit: . . . In District No. 4, Robert Aycock, Melton Wakeland and John Upchurch

John Upchurch's will is recorded in the Henry County, Tennessee, Will Books, Volume G-H, for December 1844 - January 1863 on pages 619-621. It was dated dated 30 April 1853 and probated in the November court tern in 1854. It includes (quoted):

- *To son, Jesse Upchurch - negros Johnson and Drucilla, one bed, bedstead and furniture and \$200 before a division is made*
- *To 4 sons of Joshua decd, John, Bayliss, George, and Eli - negro Ovil*
- *To 3 sons of dau Catherine Darnell, William, Jesse, and Thomas L. - all*
- *land south of Beaver Creek Dam except 20 acres on the north end of the tract of 30 acres and also the M. Campbell tract consisting of 180 acres and also the negro man named Doctor, and to my granddaughter Sarah Jane Yancy \$50 out of the sale of my private property*
- *To son David Upchurch - 3 negroes, one girl named Harriett and two boys Foster and General, and also all the Darnell tract of land except 20 acres in the south west corner of the tract*
- *To heirs of son James Jackson Upchurch - home tract of land, and 20 acres off of the northwest end of the tract of 30 acres lying on the south side of Beverdam Creek and also 20 acres off of the southwest corner of the Darnell tract, negro boy Isaac (?) to be equally divided between all of the heirs when the youngest becomes of age but to be cultivated and used until that time by the said James J. Upchurch for his and his families support*
- *To negro woman Sophia - her freedom after my death, to live with one*
- *of my sons Jesse or David as she may choose, a wheel, cards, and loom*
- *All other property not specified to be sold and the \$200 paid to my son*
- *Jesse Upchurch, the balance to be divided between my two sons Jesse and David and the five living heirs of son Joshua, decd, in three equal portions.*

John Upchurch was married in 1800 in Greenville, Spartanburg County, South Carolina, to Elizabeth "Betsy" Hawkins, daughter of William Eaton Hawkins (see Hawkins Lineages). Elizabeth was born in 1776 in Rutherford County, North Carolina, died 19 December 1852 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried in the Hughes Cemetery. Her gravestone reads: "Elizabeth Upchurch departed this life Dec. 19, 1852 aged 80 years." Elizabeth was enumerated as a widow, head of household, age 74 years in the 1850 Henry County, Tennessee census.

John and Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch had seven known children:

- Joshua Upchurch (Generation 12)
- John Upchurch was born about 1801 in Greenville County, South Carolina.
- Jesse Upchurch was born 23 May 1802 in Greenville County, South Carolina, died 10 August 1875 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was there buried in the Hughes Cemetery. He was enumerated as head of household in the 1830-1870 Henry County, Tennessee, census records. Jesse Upchurch served as a juror in August 1845 for the State v. Joseph H. Dillahunty – Bastarday. Jesse was first married to Delany "Dilly" Butts, who was born 29 August 1803 and died 24 February 1866. He was married second 12 June 1869 to Martha Susan Jackson. Jesse and Delana had five known children: Elizabeth Upchurch, Nancy Katherine Upchurch, Zenobie Upchurch, Julie Upchurch, and Frances Upchurch.
- Catherine Upchurch died before 05 March 1848. She was married to Thomas L. Darnell. Thomas L. and Catherine (Upchurch) Darnell had one known child: Thomas Darnell.
- David Upchurch was born 10 September 1809 in Kentucky, died 13 January 1871 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Hughes Cemetery. David was enumerated as head of household in the 1830 through 1870 census records for Henry County, Tennessee. Reference his Family Bible under John<sup>2</sup> Upchurch. His will, recorded in the Henry County, Tennessee, Will Book J-L, August 1865-March 1879, was dated 15 September 1861 and probated in the February term in 1871. An inventory of his estate was recorded in the same book on 21 February 1871. David Upchurch was married to Nancy Marina Tayloe, who was born 02 May 1815 and died 05 March 1874. David and Nancy had twelve known children: Nancy Caroline Upchurch, Elizabeth Joanna Upchurch, Francis Marion Upchurch, Maryland Ariel Upchurch, Mariah Ann Upchurch, James Franklin Upchurch, John Tayloe Upchurch, Mary Catherine Upchurch, Marina Jenetta Upchurch, Martha Jane Upchurch, Melvina Emeline Upchurch, and Thomas Jefferson Upchurch.
- James Jackson "Jack" Upchurch was born 06 January 1813 in Kentucky, died 01 April 1858 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Easley Cemetery. He was enumerated as head of household in the Henry County, Tennessee, census records from 1830 through 1850 and was listed in the Family Bible of his brother, David Upchurch. James was married 03 April 1842 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Karen/Caron Habbukak Rumley, daughter of T. and R. Rumley. Karen was born 20 November 1822, died 10 December 1860 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Easley Cemetery. James and Karen had four known children: Tobe Upchurch, Buck Upchurch, Angelyn Upchurch, and George Upchurch.
- Ariel Upchurch was born about 1823 in Tennessee and died about 1840 at age 18 in Tennessee.

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## Generation 12

### Joshua<sup>12</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>8</sup>, Michael<sup>9</sup>, William<sup>10</sup>, John<sup>11</sup>)**

Joshua Upchurch was the son of John Upchurch and Elizabeth "Betsy" Hawkins. He born 28 July 1800 in Greenville County, North Carolina, died 11 November 1844 in Henry County, Tennessee, and is buried there in the Hughes Cemetery.

Joshua Upchurch was enumerated as head of household on the Henry County, Tennessee, census records in 1830 and 1840 and on the 1836 District 16, Henry County, Tennessee, Tax Record showing 4 slaves, 200 acres, and 1 poll.

Joshua was listed in the following Minutes of the County Court of Henry County, Tennessee 1836-49:

- Monday, February the 5th, 1844 - Ordered by the court that . . . Joshua Upchurch . . . be summoned to attend as jurors . . . to the next term of the Circuit Court.
- Monday, Oct. the 7th, 1844 - Ordered by the court that . . . Joshua Upchurch . . . be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart one year's provisions for Lucy Williams, widow and relict of Solomon Williams, deceased, out of the Estate of said deceased, make their report to the next term of said court.
- Monday, December the 2nd, 1844 - It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Joshua Upchurch, late
- a resident citizen of Henry County, died intestate, thereupon it is ordered by the court that John Upchurch be appointed administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, issue to John Upchurch who thereupon appeared in open court and entered into bond of six thousand dollars with Jessie Upchurch and Mathew Russle as his security and was qualified according to law.
- Monday, December the 2nd, 1844 - Ordered by the court that Mathew Russel, Owen H. Edwards and Spencer Jackson be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart to Jenetta Upchurch, widow and relict of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, one years provision out of the estate of the said deceased and made their report to the next term of the court.
- January Term, 1845 - . . . Joshua Upchurch who were appointed to lay off and set apart to Lucy Williams, widow and relict of Sellomon Williams, deceased, one years provisions out of the Estate of said deceased this day made there report which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- Monday, March the 3rd, 1845 - O. H. Edwards, Spence Jackson, and Mathew Russell who were appointed comm. in court to lay off and set apart to Jennetta Upchurch, widow and relict of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, one years provisions out of the Estate of said deceased this day made there report which was received and ordered to be recorded.

- April the 7th, 1845 - Joseph (?Joshua, Jr.) Upchurch, administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, this day appeared in open court and returned and additional inventory of the estate of the said deceased which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- Tuesday, February the 8th 1848 - This day came Constantine Frazier clerk of the county court for said county and produced and exhibited the following settlements to wit which were received and ordered to be recorded. . . . with John Upchurch administrator of Joshua Upchurch, deceased.
- Tuesday, Sept. the 5th, 1848 - This day came Constantine Frazier, clerk of the county court for said county and produced and exhibited in open court the following settlements which was received and ordered to be recorded to wit: . . . with Thomas L. Donall, guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, decd.
- December term, 1848 - On motion it was ordered that Thomas L. Darnall be appointed guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, who thereupon appeared in open court and entered into bond five thousand two hundred dollars with O. H. Edwards and John Upchurch as his security.
- Tuesday, March the 6th, 1849 - This day came Constantine Frazier, ccc . . . with Thomas Darnall, guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, deceased.

Joshua Upchurch was married to Jennette House, who was born 29 January 1807 in North Carolina, died 22 May 1877 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. Jeannette Upchurch was enumerated as a widow, head of household, on the Henry County, Tennessee, census records for 1850 through 1870 under the names of Jenette, Jenetta, and Jenet. Jennette House Upchurch married Thomas Darnell, son of Nicholas Darnell, who was born about 1799 in Kentucky and died before 1870 in Tennessee, probably Henry County.

Joshua and Jennette Upchurch had ten known children:

- Henry H. Upchurch was born about 1823. *Note: If this date is correct then Jennetta was only 13 when he was born raising the question of whether Jennetta was Joshua's second wife.*
- William E. Upchurch was born 05 February 1826 and died 24 March 1847.
- Wilbur Upchurch was born about 1828 and died before 1850. He was enumerated on the 1830 and 1840 in the household of his father, Joshua Upchurch. The Upchurch Cemetery was formed when "one of the Upchurch men, family tradition says Wilbur in 1849, would take his tobacco to New Orleans to sell and traveled the Natchez Trace, which was a very hazardous journey. He commented to Francis Marion Upchurch that he hoped he would never have to make that journey again and that if he did, he hoped he'd die. Well, he did make the journey again. While in New Orleans this time he caught smallpox which he brought home with him and exposed his family. He died and then his children caught it and several died. Their mother and an old negro man nursed the children and as they died would bury them. The reason they didn't catch smallpox is because they milked cows and had been exposed to coxpox, therefore, were immune to smallpox. (From Sue Reed's mother, name unknown: "This note that Wilbur died of smallpox is the first clue I've had to which Upchurch family this was. The note further states that Balis recovered from smallpox. There is also a reference to Betsy -- assume this to be Celia Elizabeth. Were there other children who died? According to census recs, there were 2 other male children in this family. Wilbur is not listed on the 1850 census. There are a couple of stones in the Upchurch Cemetery that only have initials on them . . . JFU and B?U".
- Mary Jane Upchurch was born about 1832 in Tennessee, probably Henry County. She was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: on the 1840 in the household of her father and on the 1850 in the household of her husband. Mary Jane Upchurch was married 13 October 1846 in Henry County, Tennessee, by S. C. Love, Justice of the Peace, to Joudan Aycock.
- Celia Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch (Generation 13)
- John Frank Upchurch was born 30 December 1835 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died intestate 05 October 1910 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. In the Letters of administration for Henry County, Tennessee, there is the following:

"Issued Oct 19, 1910 by James Sweeney, Clerk. Recorded in Book 2, page 153. State of Tennessee, Henry County - To J. L. Clendenin (Joseph Louis) . . . J. F. Upchurch has died leaving no will . . . the said J. L. Clendenin to take into your possession and control . . . this 19 Oct 1910 and the 135 year of American Independence." John was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: 1840 in the household of his father, 1850 in the household of his step-father Thomas Darnell, and the 1860 through 1910 as head of household. John was a farmer. John fought in the War Between the States as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant with Company B, 46<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Infantry, Calvary Division; he was taken prisoner and escaped at Island 10. John Frank Upchurch was first married 14 February 1855 in Henry County, Tennessee, by Levi Simmons, Justice of the Peace, to Martha Ann Rebecca Wynns, daughter of Samuel Wynns (see Wynns Lineages) and Marina Barnhill. Martha was born 05 April 1832 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died 02 December 1866 Tennessee, probably Henry County, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. John Frank Upchurch was married second 14 March 1888 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Mrs. Martha Ann Pillow/Pilloe Sturdivant. The second Martha Ann Upchurch made a widow's application and received a Tennessee Confederate Pension (#9658) following the death of John Frank Upchurch.

- Bayliss House Upchurch was born 12 June 1838 in Tennessee, probably Henry County. He was killed 10 March 1864 in the Battle of Athens (Athens, Limestone County, Alabama) during the War Between the States. He was a member of the 20<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Calvary, Company F. He was buried in the Upchurch Cemetery, Henry County, Tennessee. Bayliss House Upchurch was married 06 October 1859 by James H. Williams, Justice of the Peace, in Henry County, Tennessee to Miss Surania A. Simmons. Bayliss was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: 1840 in his father's household, 1850 in the household of his step-father Thomas Darnell, and 1860 as head of household.
- George Washington Upchurch was born 06 October 1840 in Tennessee, died 08 May 1897 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. George was enumerated in the Henry County, Tennessee, census records from 1850 (in the household of step-father Thomas Darnell) through 1880. He served in the War Between the States as a Private in Company A of the 5th Tennessee Infantry. George Washington Upchurch was married 05 November 1874 in Henry County, Tennessee, by J. P. Gillespie, Justice of the Peace, to Mrs. Zenobia Belzora Bradford. T. J. Bennett served as Bondsman. Zenobia was later married to 24 March 1902 to William Joshua "Josh" Wynns.
- Eli Upchurch was born 06 December 1842 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, and died there before 11 January 1855. He was enumerated in the 1850 Henry County, Tennessee, census record in the household of Thomas Darnell, his step-father. The Henry County, Tennessee, Will Book, December 1844 to January 1863 recorded the order of the inventory of the estate of Eli Upchurch, deceased, by Jennetta Darnall, Administrator, dated 11 Jan 1855. On page 382 of the Henry County, Tennessee, Deed Book O, Jennetta Darnall makes a deed of gift to G. W. Upchurch, dated 20 Feb 1861 and recorded 06 March 1861, of two tracts of land in District Number 16 totalling an estimated 52 acres - "the said land that was allotted to my son Eli and I purchased the same which I am to have the use of my lifetime to have and to hold the same at my death to the said George W. Upchurch . . ."
- Joshua Thomas Upchurch was born 11 February 1845, three months after his father died, and died 15 May 1847. He was buried in the Upchurch Cemetery, Henry County, Tennessee.

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### Generation 13

#### Celia<sup>13</sup> Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>8</sup>,  
Michael<sup>9</sup>, William<sup>10</sup>, John<sup>11</sup>, Joshua<sup>12</sup>)**

Celia Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch was born 13 May 1833 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died 20 August 1886 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery.

She was married by Z. H. Williams, Justice of the Peace, on 29 February 1848 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Thomas Jefferson Wynns/Winn.

This line is continued in the Wynns Lineages.

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Celia married Thomas Jefferson Winn 29 February 1848 in Henry County, Tennessee.

Thomas was born 12 May 1825 in TN and died 31 January 1872.

They had nine known children: Jennette, **John Henry (my husband's ancestor)**, James Balus, Margaret Jane, George Samuel "Grundy," Marina Elizabeth "Rhine," William Joshua "Josh," Winnie, and Martha Elizabeth "Mattie."



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## Generation 1

NOTE GENERATIONS  
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### John<sup>1</sup> Upchurch

John Upchurch was born about 1430 in Colchester, County Essex, England. He died there in 1502. The name of his wife is unknown.

John had one known child:

- Thomas Upchurch (Generation 2)

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris

## Generation 2

### Thomas<sup>2</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>)

Thomas Upchurch, son of John Upchurch, was born about 1465 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died there in 1538. The given name of his wife was Joane, surname unknown.

Thomas and Joane had four known children:

- John "The Elder" Upchurch was born about 1480 in England.
- Steven Upchurch was born about 1485 in England.
- John "The Younger" Upchurch was born about 1490 in England.
- Michael Upchurch (Generation 3)

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris

## Generation 3

### Michael<sup>3</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>)

Michael Upchurch, son on Thomas and Joane, was born about 1515 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died there on 07 October 1575. Michael was married about 1548 to Joane, surname unknown, who was born about 1520 in Dedham, County Essex, England.

Michael and Joane had seven known children:

- Richard Upchurch (Generation 4)
- Sarah Upchurch was born about 1552 in Dedham, County Essex, England.
- Elizabeth Upchurch was born about 1555 in Dedham, County Essex, England.
- Michael Upchurch was born about 1557 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 26 January 1584. He was married 11 February 1582 to Frances Collett.
- Susan Upchurch was born about 1559 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.
- Judith Upchurch was born about 1560 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.
- Thomas Upchurch was born about 1552 in Dedham, County Essex, England, and died 25 January 1584.

*NOTE: The last four children died the same date. Was there an illness that overtook them, an accident?*

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris

## Generation 4

### Richard<sup>4</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>)

Richard Upchurch, son of Michael and Joane, was born about 1550 in Dedham, County, Essex, England. He was first married to Judith, surname unknown, who was born about 1555 in Dedham, County, Essex, England. His second wife's given name was Martha, surname unknown, with whom he had no children.

Richard and Judith had six known children:

- Richard Upchurch (Generation 5)
- Sarah Upchurch was born about 1582 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.
- Mary Upchurch was born about 1584 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.
- Margaret Upchurch was born about 1586 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.
- Elizabeth Upchurch was born about 1588 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.
- Michael Upchurch was born about 1590 in Dedham, County, Essex, England.

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris

## Generation 4

### Richard<sup>4</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>)**

Richard Upchurch, son of Richard and Judith, was born about 1580 in Dedham, County Essex, England.

Richard Upchurch was married in 1608 in Godmanchester, County Essex, England, to Miss Frances Inkersol (Ingersoll), who was born about 1556 in Dedham, County Essex, England.

Richard and Frances Upchurch had one known child:

- Michael Upchurch (Generation 5)

References:

- Shared research of Eva Harris

**Generation 5**

**Michael<sup>5</sup> Upchurch**

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>)**

Michael Upchurch, son of Richard Upchurch and Frances Inkersol, was born about 1620 in Little Gidding (or Brington), Huntingdonshire, England, and died testate in 1681 in Surry County, Virginia. NO - RPU

In England the name Upchurch had many variations: Upchur, Upshire, Upshur, Upschire, Upchirche, Upchar, Upcharde, and others. "Upchurch" became the standardized spelling within 50-100 years after Michael came to America. The origin of the name "Upchurch" is unclear, but logic indicates that it is related to a "church" and that the "Up" part showed a positional relationship which could have been used to describe "the family who lived above the church."

Michael Upchurch is the first known Upchurch in America. He set out for Virginia from Little Giddings, Huntingdonshire, England, about 1649. He sailed on a ship captained by George Cambell; the name of the ship is not known. All Upchurches in America today are descended from Michael. He is recorded in the *Guide to the Buildings of Surry and the American Revolution*, by James D. Kornwolf, as one of the fourteen participants in the famous Lawnes Creek Insurrection which took place on 12 December 1673 - a prelude to the American Revolution about 100 years later.

Michael Upchurch was a tobacco farmer. He was listed as a headright in two land patents in 1654. He leased land on 02 January 1656, in Surry County, Virginia, from Roger Delke (see Delke Lineages). On 04 December 1662, He witnessed a deed of sale between John Bason (or Mason) and Richard Skinner in Surry County, Virginia. He was listed as a tithable at Lawne's Creek Parish Church, Surry County, Virginia. On 05 March 5 1679 he was exempted from payment of taxes on account of "being old and infirm."

Michael Upchurch was married about 1651 in Surry County, Virginia, to Frances Delk (see Delke Lineages), the daughter of Roger Delk and Alice. Frances was born about 1630 in Surry County, Virginia, and died 1690/1 in Virginia, probably Surry County.

Mrs. Frances Upchurch was ordered to be present in the Court of Surry County for an inventory of the estate of Michael Upchurch. On 5 July 1681 she was granted administrator status on the estate of Michael Upchurch, deceased, recorded upside down: "Fra. Upchurch, Robert Reynolds."

Michael and Frances had four known children:

- Daughter Upchurch was born about 1654 in Surry County, Virginia.
- Daughter Upchurch was born about 1656 in Surry County, Virginia.
- Richard Upchurch (Generation 6)
- Michael Upchurch was born about 1667 in Surry County, Virginia, and died about 1697 in Virginia.

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## Generation 6

### Richard<sup>6</sup> Upchurch

(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>)

NO - R. M.

Richard Upchurch, the son of Michael Upchurch and Frances Delke (see Delke Lineages), was born about 1658 in Surry County, Virginia, and died there before 1700.

Richard Upchurch appeared on the Tax List of 1694. He was a landowner. Richard was living in Lawnes Creek Parish, Surry County, Virginia, in 1699.

Richard Upchurch had three known children:

- John Upchurch was born in 1678 in Virginia, probably Surry County, and died in 1758 in Brunswick County, Virginia. He was married to Elizabeth Honnicutt. John and Elizabeth (Honicutt) Upchurch had one known child: John, Elizabeth, sarah, Typhena, and James Upchurch.
- William Upchurch was born in Virginia.
- James Upchurch (Generation 7)

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## Generation 7

### James<sup>7</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>)**

James Upchurch, the son of Richard Upchurch, was born in 1685 in Surry County, Virginia, and died 27 May 1783 in Brunswick County, Virginia.

James Upchurch was a land owner in Brunswick County, Virginia.

The given name of James' wife was Elizabeth, surname is unknown. She was born about 1690 in Surry County, Virginia.

James and Elizabeth had four known children:

- James died in 1765 in Virginia. His wife's given name was Elizabeth, surname unknown.
- Richard Upchurch was born about 1725 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died in 1817 in North Carolina. He was married twice. His first wife's name is unknown; his second wife's given name was Susannah, surname unknown. Richard moved his family in steps to the southern tip of Franklin County, North Carolina. He had eleven known children: Benjamin Upchurch, Moses Upchurch, Charles Upchurch, Frances Upchurch, Nathan Upchurch, Betty Upchurch, Nancy Upchurch, James Upchurch, Jubal Upchurch, and Abel Upchurch.
- Michael Upchurch (Generation 8)
- William Upchurch was born in 1735 in Virginia and died in 1805 in North Carolina. He had two known children: John Upchurch and William Upchurch.

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## Generation 8

### Michael<sup>8</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>7</sup>)**

Michael Upchurch, the son of James Upchurch, was born in 1733 in Surry County, Virginia, and died testate in 1795 in Brunswick County, Virginia.

Michael Upchurch served in the Revolutionary War as a Private in the Eleventh Virginia Regiment.

Michael Upchurch had four known children:

- William Upchurch (Generation 9)
- George Upchurch was born in 1757 in Virginia and died in 1830 in Wayne County, Kentucky. He was married to Rachel Bathshares. George is known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 5. George was enumerated on the 1790 Iredell County, North Carolina, Salisbury District census as head of household with four males under the age of 16 (sons Shadrack, Thomas, Moses, ?) and zero slaves. From North Carolina he moved into Tennessee and finally settled in Wayne County, Kentucky. George had seven known children: Lydia Upchurch, Shadrack "Shad" Upchurch, Thomas Upchurch, Moses Upchurch, Rachel Upchurch, John Upchurch, and Joseph Upchurch (aka Tennessee Joe).
- Elizabeth Upchurch was married 27 November 1790 to Thomas Bathshares.
- Sherwood Upchurch was born in 1771 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died in 1850 in Campbell County, Georgia. He was first married 21 October 1790 in Rutherford County, North Carolina, to Miss Elizabeth Tomberlinson and second 02 January 1804 to Miss Polly Pell. Sherwood is known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 10.

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*NOTE: For the 1790 census, Upchurches have not been found in any state other than North Carolina. Upchurch migrations had been southward in Virginia between 1650-1750. By 1790 the records to date show the entire Upchurch family had migrated from Virginia to North Carolina. In 1790 in North Carolina, they were in Franklin, Wake, Iredell, Chatham, Wilkes, Rutherford, Montgomery and Granville Counties.*

## Generation 9

### William<sup>9</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>7</sup>, Michael<sup>8</sup>)**

William Upchurch Sr., the son of Michael<sup>3rd</sup> Upchurch, died in 1787 in Wilkes County, North Carolina.

It seems likely that William Upchurch, Sr. was born and raised in Brunswick County, Virginia, where his father Michael Upchurch died in 1795. William Upchurch may have lived for a brief time in Granville County, North Carolina, before moving to Wilkes County, North Carolina, based on the following deed transfer was recorded in the Granville County, North Carolina Deed Book O, 1779-1790, page 263: William Upchurch, Sr. of Wilkes County, North Carolina, deed to William Upchurch, Jr. of Granville

County, North Carolina, 26 Aug 1782. William is recorded in another land transaction in the Wake County, North Carolina, Deed Book V, 1810-1812, page 196: William Upchurch of Wake County, North Carolina, deed to Young Montague, 08 March 1811. William is the known as the head of Upchurch Clan Number 9. By 1800 the family had dispersed. A segment went to Greenville Co., SC by 1800 and from there to Henry Co., TN.

William Upchurch, Sr. was married to Sarah, surname unknown. Sarah Upchurch was enumerated on the 1790 Census of Wilkes County, North Carolina, Morgan District, with three males over the age of sixteen, three additional females, and no slaves, and as head of household in the 1800 Census of Greenville County, South Carolina, as over the age of forty-five with two females age sixteen to twenty and one slave.

William and Sarah had ten known children:

- Elizabeth Upchurch was married to Mr. Rein/Reid.
- Abel Upchurch was born in 1775 and died in 1846. He migrated to Alabama about 1819.
- John Upchurch (Generation 10)
- Patty Upchurch married Mr. Good.
- Sarah Upchurch married Mr. Piller/Peller.
- William Upchurch (no other information known)
- David Upchurch (no other information known)
- Amy Upchurch married Mr. Lunceford/Lunsford.
- Susannah Upchurch married Mr. Pennill.
- Edward Upchurch (no other information known)

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**Generation 10**

**John<sup>10</sup> Upchurch**

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>7</sup>, Michael<sup>8</sup>, William<sup>9</sup>)**

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→ JOHN U, Sr

John Upchurch was the son of William and Sarah Upchurch. He was born in 1776 in North Carolina, died testate 17 October 1854 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Hughes Cemetery.

John Upchurch immigrated to Tennessee from North Carolina in the late 1700's. He, along with a Hughes family, a Randall family, and a Foster family were the first settlers in Eastern Henry County, Tennessee about 1804.

John Upchurch was listed in his son David Upchurch's Family Bible on the Family Pages:

- David Upchurch born Sept. 10, 1809 died Jan. 13, 1871
- Marina Tayloe born May 2, 1815 died Mar 5, 1874
- (lists their children – see below)

Others in the Bible:

- John Upchurch born 1776 died Oct. 27, 1854
- Elizabeth (Hawkins) Upchurch born 1772 died Dec 19, 1852
- Jesse Upchurch born May 23, 1802 died Aug. 10, 1875
- Joshua Upchurch born July 28, 1800 died Nov. 11, 1844
- James J. Upchurch born Jan. 6, 1813 died April 1, 1858
- Delana (Butts) Upchurch born Aug. 29, 1803 died Feb. 24, 1866

John Upchurch was recorded in many tax and census records in Greenville County, South Carolina, and Henry County, Tennessee.

The Minutes of the County Court of Henry County, Tennessee, 1836-49, recorded the following information about John<sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Upchurch:

- p 336: January Term 1845 - Ordered by the court that John Upchurch be allowed the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents as one of the poor house commissioners for the year 1844 to be paid out of money in the county treasury not otherwise appropriated
- p 339: February term 1845 - John Upchurch administrator of all and singular goods and chattels, rights and credits of Jerry Upchurch, decd, this day appeared in open court and returned and inventory and an account of all of the Estate of said deceased which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- p 352: May Term 1845 - Ordered by the court that John Kendall, Thomas L. Darnold, and John Upchurch be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart one year's provisions to Mariah Ruple (?Russell?), widow and relict of Mathew Ruple (?Russell?), deceased, out of the Estate of said decease and make their report to the next term of this court.
- p 543: September Court 1848 - Ordered by the Court that the following named persons be appointed Judges and inspectors of the election for electors to vote for President of the United States to be held in November next at the different precincts in Henry County to wit: . . . In District No. 4, Robert Aycock, Melton Wakeland and John Upchurch

John Upchurch's will is recorded in the Henry County, Tennessee, Will Books, Volume G-H, for December 1844 - January 1863 on pages 619-621. It was dated dated 30 April 1853 and probated in the November court tern in 1854. It includes (quoted):

- *To son, Jesse Upchurch - negros Johnson and Drucilla, one bed, bedstead and furniture and \$200 before a division is made*
- *To 4 sons of Joshua decd, John, Bayliss, George, and Eli - negro Ovil*
- *To 3 sons of dau Catherine Darnell, William, Jesse, and Thomas L. - all*
- *land south of Beaver Creek Dam except 20 acres on the north end of the tract of 30 acres and also the M. Campbell tract consisting of 180 acres and also the negro man named Doctor, and to my granddaughter Sarah Jane Yancy \$50 out of the sale of my private property*
- *To son David Upchurch - 3 negroes, one girl named Harriett and two boys Foster and General, and also all the Darnell tract of land except 20 acres in the south west corner of the tract*
- *To heirs of son James Jackson Upchurch - home tract of land, and 20 acres off of the northwest end of the tract of 30 acres lying on the south side of Beverdam Creek and also 20 acres off of the southwest corner of the Darnell tract, negro boy Isaac (?) to be equally divided between all of the heirs when the youngest becomes of age but to be cultivated and used until that time by the said James J. Upchurch for his and his families support*
- *To negro woman Sophia - her freedom after my death, to live with one*
- *of my sons Jesse or David as she may choose, a wheel, cards, and loom*
- *All other property not specified to be sold and the \$200 paid to my son*



- *Jesse Upchurch, the balance to be divided between my two sons Jesse and David and the five living heirs of son Joshua, decd, in three equal portions.*

John Upchurch was married about 1799 in Greenville County, South Carolina, to Elizabeth "Betsy" Hawkins, daughter of William Eaton Hawkins (see Hawkins Lineages). Elizabeth was born in 1776 in North Carolina, died 19 December 1852 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried in the Hughes Cemetery. Her gravestone reads: "Elizabeth Upchurch departed this life Dec. 19, 1852 aged 80 years." Elizabeth was enumerated as a widow, head of household, age 74 years in the 1850 Henry County, Tennessee census.

John and Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch had seven known children:

- Joshua Upchurch (Generation 11)
- John Upchurch was born about 1801 in Greenville County, South Carolina.
- △ • Jesse Upchurch was born 23 May 1892 in Greenville County, South Carolina, died 10 August 1875 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was there buried in the Hughes Cemetery. He was enumerated as head of household in the 1830-1870 Henry County, Tennessee, census records. Jesse Upchurch served as a juror in August 1845 for the State v. Joseph H. Dillahunty – Bastarday. Jesse was first married to Delana "Dilly" Butts, who was born 29 August 1803 and died 24 February 1866. He was married second 12 June 1869 to Martha Susan Jackson. Jesse and Delana had five known children: Elizabeth Upchurch, Katherine Upchurch, Zenobie Upchurch, Julie Upchurch, and Frances Upchurch.
- Catherine Upchurch died before 05 March 1848. She was married to Thomas L. Darnell. Thomas L. and Catherine (Upchurch) Darnell had one known child: Thomas Darnell.
- △ • David Upchurch was born 10 September 1809 in Kentucky, died 13 January 1871 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Hughes Cemetery. David was enumerated as head of household in the 1830 through 1870 census records for Henry County, Tennessee. Reference his Family Bible under John<sup>2</sup> Upchurch. His will, recorded in the Henry County, Tennessee, Will Book J-L, August 1865-March 1879, was dated 15 September 1861 and probated in the February term in 1871. An inventory of his estate was recorded in the same book on 21 February 1871. David Upchurch was married to Nancy Marina Tayloe, who was born 02 May 1815 and died 05 March 1874. David and Nancy had twelve known children: Nancy Caroline Upchurch, Elizabeth Joanna Upchurch, Francis Marion Upchurch, Maryland Ariel Upchurch, Mariah Ann Upchurch, James Franklin Upchurch, John Tayloe Upchurch, Mary Catherine Upchurch, Marina Genette Upchurch, Martha Jane Upchurch, Melvina Emeline Upchurch, and Thomas Jefferson Upchurch.
- △ • James Jackson "Jack" Upchurch was born 06 January 1813 in Kentucky, died 01 April 1858 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Easley Cemetery. He was enumerated as head of household in the Henry County, Tennessee, census records from 1830 through 1850 and was listed in the Family Bible of his brother, David Upchurch. James was married 03 April 1842 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Karen/Caron Habbukak Rumley, daughter of T. and R. Rumley. Karen was born 20 November 1822, died 10 December 1860 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Easley Cemetery. James and Karen had four known children: Tobe Upchurch, Buck Upchurch, Angelyn Upchurch, and George Upchurch.
- Ariel Upchurch was born about 1823 in Tennessee and died about 1840 at age 18 in Tennessee.

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### Generation 11

### Joshua<sup>11</sup> Upchurch

**(John<sup>1</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Michael<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>7</sup>, Michael<sup>8</sup>, William<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>10</sup>)**



Joshua Upchurch was the son of John Upchurch and Elizabeth "Betsy" Hawkins. He born 28 July 1800 in Greenville County, North Carolina, died 11 November 1844 in Henry County, Tennessee, and is buried there in the Hughes Cemetery.

Joshua Upchurch was enumerated as head of household on the Henry County, Tennessee, census records in 1830 and 1840 and on the 1836 District 16, Henry County, Tennessee, Tax Record showing 4 slaves, 200 acres, and 1 poll.

Joshua was listed in the following Minutes of the County Court of Henry County, Tennessee 1836-49:

- Monday, February the 5th, 1844 - Ordered by the court that . . . Joshua Upchurch . . . be summoned to attend as jurors . . . to the next term of the Circuit Court.
- Monday, Oct. the 7th, 1844 - Ordered by the court that . . . Joshua Upchurch . . . be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart one yea's provisions for Lucy Williams, widow and relict of Solomon Williams, deceased, out of the Estate of said deceased, make their report to the next term of said court.
- Monday, December the 2nd, 1844 - It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Joshua Upchurch, late
- a resident citizen of Henry County, died intestate, thereupon it is ordered by the court that John Upchurch be appointed administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, issue to John Upchurch who thereupon appeared in open court and entered into bond of six thousand dollars with Jessie Upchurch and Mathew Russle as his security and was qualified according to law.
- Monday, December the 2nd, 1844 - Ordered by the court that Mathew Russel, Owen H. Edwards and Spencer Jackson be appointed commissioners to lay off and set apart to Jenetta Upchurch, widow and relict of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, one years provision out of the estate of the said deceased and made their report to the next term of the court.
- January Term, 1845 - . . . Joshua Upchurch who were appointed to lay off and set apart to Lucy Williams, widow and relict of Sellomon Williams, deceased, one years provisions out of the Estate of said deceased this day made there report which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- Monday, March the 3rd, 1845 - O. H. Edwards, Spence Jackson, and Mathew Russell who were appointed comm. in court to lay off and set apart to Jennetta Upchurch, widow and relict of

Joshua Upchurch, deceased, one years provisions out of the Estate of said deceased this day made there report which was received and ordered to be recorded.

- April the 7th, 1845 - Joseph (?Joshua, Jr.) Upchurch, administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, this day appeared in open court and returned and additional inventory of the estate of the said deceased which was received and ordered to be recorded.
- Tuesday, February the 8th 1848 - This day came Constantine Frazier clerk of the county court for said county and produced and exhibited the following settlements to wit which were received and ordered to be recorded. . . . with John Upchurch administrator of Joshua Upchurch, deceased.
- Tuesday, Sept. the 5th, 1848 - This day came Constantine Frazier, clerk of the county court for said county and produced and exhibited in open court the following settlements which was received and ordered to be recorded to wit: . . . with Thomas L. Donall, guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, deacd.
- December term, 1848 - On motion it was ordered that Thomas L. Darnall be appointed guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, deceased, who thereupon appeared in open court and entered into bond five thousand two hundred dollars with O. H. Edwards and John Upchurch as his security.
- Tuesday, March the 6th, 1849 - This day came Constantine Frazier, ccc . . . with Thomas Darnall, guardian to the minor orphans of Joshua Upchurch, deceased.

Joshua Upchurch was married to Jennette House, who was born 29 January 1807 in North Carolina, died 22 May 1877 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. Jeannette Upchurch was enumerated as a widow, head of household, on the Henry County, Tennessee, census records for 1850 through 1870 under the names of Jenette, Jenetta, and Jenet. Jennette House Upchurch married Thomas Darnell, son of Nicholas Darnell, who was born about 1799 in Kentucky and died before 1870 in Tennessee, probably Henry County.

Joshua and Jennette Upchurch had ten known children:

- Henry H. Upchurch was born about 1823. *Note: If this date is correct then Jennetta was only 13 when he was born raising the question of whether Jennetta was Joshua's second wife.*
- William E. Upchurch was born 05 February 1826 and died 24 March 1847.
- Wilbur Upchurch was born about 1828 and died before 1850. He was enumerated on the 1830 and 1840 in the household of his father, Joshua Upchurch. The Upchurch Cemetery was formed when "one of the Upchurch men, family tradition says Wilbur in 1849, would take his tobacco to New Orleans to sell and traveled the Natchez Trace, which was a very hazardous journey. He commented to Francis Marion Upchurch that he hoped he would never have to make that journey again and that if he did, he hoped he'd die. Well, he did make the journey again. While in New Orleans this time he caught smallpox which he brought home with him and exposed his family. He died and then his children caught it and several died. Their mother and an old negro man nursed the children and as they died would bury them. The reason they didn't catch smallpox is because they milked cows and had been exposed to coxpox, therefore, were immune to smallpox. (From Sue Reed's mother, name unknown: "This note that Wilbur died of smallpox is the first clue I've had to which Upchurch family this was. The note further states that Balis recovered from smallpox. There is also a reference to Betsy -- assume this to be Celia Elizabeth. Were there other children who died? According to census recs, there were 2 other male children in this family. Wilbur is not listed on the 1850 census. There are a couple of stones in the Upchurch Cemetery that only have initials on them . . . JFU and B?U".
- Mary Jane Upchurch was born about 1832 in Tennessee, probably Henry County. She was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: on the 1840 in the household of her father and on the 1850 in the household of her husband. Mary Jane Upchurch was married 13 October 1846 in Henry County, Tennessee, by S. C. Love, Justice of the Peace, to Joudan Aycock.
- Celia Elizabeth "Betsy" Upchurch was born 13 May 1833 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died 20 August 1886 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch

- Cemetery. She was married by Z. H. Williams, Justice of the Peace, on 29 February 1848 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Thomas Jefferson Wynns (continued in the Wynns Lineages).
- John Frank Upchurch was born 30 December 1835 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died intestate 05 October 1910 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. In the Letters of administration for Henry County, Tennessee, there is the following: "Issued Oct 19, 1910 by James Sweeney, Clerk. Recorded in Book 2, page 153. State of Tennessee, Henry County - To J. L. Clendenin (Joseph Louis) . . . J. F. Upchurch has died leaving no will . . . the said J. L. Clendenin to take into your possession and control . . . this 19 Oct 1910 and the 135 year of American Independence." John was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: 1840 in the household of his father, 1850 in the household of his step-father Thomas Darnell, and the 1860 through 1910 as head of household. John was a farmer. John fought in the War Between the States as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant with Company B, 46<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Infantry, Calvary Division; he was taken prisoner and escaped at Island 10. John Frank Upchurch was first married 14 February 1855 in Henry County, Tennessee, by Levi Simmons, Justice of the Peace, to Martha Ann Rebecca Wynns, daughter of Samuel Wynns (see Wynns Lineages) and Marina Barnhill. Martha was born 05 April 1832 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, died 02 December 1866 Tennessee, probably Henry County, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. John Frank Upchurch was married second 14 March 1888 in Henry County, Tennessee, to Mrs. Martha Ann Pillow/Pilloe Sturdivant. The second Martha Ann Upchurch made a widow's application and received a Tennessee Confederate Pension (#9658) following the death of John Frank Upchurch.
  - Bayliss House Upchurch was born 12 June 1838 in Tennessee, probably Henry County. He was killed 10 March 1864 in the Battle of Athens (Athens, Limestone County, Alabama) during the War Between the States. He was a member of the 20<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Calvary, Company F. He was buried in the Upchurch Cemetery, Henry County, Tennessee. Bayliss House Upchurch was married 06 October 1859 by James H. Williams, Justice of the Peace, in Henry County, Tennessee to Miss Surania A. Simmons. Bayliss was enumerated on the following Henry County, Tennessee, census records: 1840 in his father's household, 1850 in the household of his step-father Thomas Darnell, and 1860 as head of household.
  - George Washington Upchurch was born 06 October 1840 in Tennessee, died 08 May 1897 in Henry County, Tennessee, and was buried there in the Upchurch Cemetery. George was enumerated in the Henry County, Tennessee, census records from 1850 (in the household of step-father Thomas Darnell) through 1880. He served in the War Between the States as a Private in Company A of the 5th Tennessee Infantry. George Washington Upchurch was married 05 November 1874 in Henry County, Tennessee, by J. P. Gillespie, Justice of the Peace, to Mrs. Zenobia Belzora Bradford. T. J. Bennett served as Bondsman. Zenobia was later married to 24 March 1902 to William Joshua "Josh" Wynns.
  - Eli Upchurch was born 06 December 1842 in Tennessee, probably Henry County, and died there before 11 January 1855. He was enumerated in the 1850 Henry County, Tennessee, census record in the household of Thomas Darnell, his step-father. The Henry County, Tennessee, Will Book, December 1844 to January 1863 recorded the order of the inventory of the estate of Eli Upchurch, deceased, by Jennetta Darnall, Administrator, dated 11 Jan 1855. On page 382 of the Henry County, Tennessee, Deed Book O, Jennetta Darnall makes a deed of gift to G. W. Upchurch, dated 20 Feb 1861 and recorded 06 March 1861, of two tracts of land in District Number 16 totalling an estimated 52 acres - "the said land that was allotted to my son Eli and I purchased the same which I am to have the use of my lifetime to have and to hold the same at my death to the said George W. Upchurch . . ."
  - Joshua Thomas Upchurch was born 11 February 1845, three months after his father died, and died 15 May 1847. He was buried in the Upchurch Cemetery, Henry County, Tennessee.

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29 JAN 2015

Dear Cousin Dixie -

I have now finished my update and as promised provide herewith a couple of items. Note my compilation of 29 JAN 2015. A copy has been placed in the profile of each person under the symbol "Δ"

Also enclosed are 4 pages from my new large notebook of such sheets on the William U, IV / John U, IV Subclass. If we decide to continue collaboration I can send more pages of interest.

Page ① is my introductory sheet for the John U, IV Family - re his children - more deliberation needed

Pages ② & ③ cover Anna Elizabeth (U) Wagon & her children - A pretty good list - but need to improve. The descendants of each of the children are covered in continuation sections as shown on the left hand side of page ② & ③. I enclose only one of these CGS - I can send others if you desire. An usual upgrade needed.

Before thinking about the extent you and I might wish to cooperate in the future let me comment on the 11 Generation chart you sent me on 27 JAN 2015. I am most grateful to you for sending it. I found the latter parts to be very useful as I will explain later. However, it seems you and I both brought into some bad info from early researchers. Over the years we have come to realize that what you show in the first 4 generations is untrustworthy. The work of our consultant Prof David Ransom helped set us straight - see UB & Englands issues on my website.

Michael U, I 1624-1681 was the son of a Richard U of Bungton (not of Little Cudding). There is no evidence about the mother of Michael U, I. He married a Frower - - but not nee DEUCE.

The later pages of your compendium are excellent. I have made selective offtakes and placed them in the copies of John U, I and some of his children. There are differences between your records and mine that are significant and we can attempt to resolve these if you are interested. I'll suggest a game plan.

There are several ways we could collaborate. I suggest starting with Celia & her names and the descendants taking small steps until we are in agreement.

After we finish Celia & Thomas Jefferson Wynne & John Henry Wynne & family we could go to the siblings of John Henry Wynne & descendants. Or we could go to John II, IV and his children where I think we have a lot of work to do.

It may be that you and I both have so many more in the file that our time for collaboration will be limited. I tend to work more when I have an active collaborator.

If we proceed I suggest we do so under the umbrella of Albed Farnher and especially under the William II, IV Family reunion enrollment we have started there. This was the best chance of getting the facts straight, making them widely available & keeping them in public view far into the future.

Looking forward to your response

P.S. AP membership  
Form enclosed

P.H.

Bill Wynne



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member of AF / NO  
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