

**Elias Upchurch**

**XID – 8307**

**Commentary:** **Elias Upchurch** was the son of Sherwood Upchurch, head of Upchurch clan #10.

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(1) Records for the Sherwood Upchurch Family - RPU 20 Mar 2013

RECORDS FOR THE SHERWOOD U FAMILY - RPU - 20 MAR 2013

1790 CENSUS - LISTED AS SHERWOOD UPCHURCH - NC MORGAN DISTRICT - RUTHERFORD CO, NC [VS LINCOLN COUNTY-?]

SEX	AGE
M	16+ [SHERWOOD U]
F	16+ [ELIZABETH TOMBERLINSON]

1800 CENSUS - SHERWOOD U NOT FOUND BUT HE WAS IN RUTHERFORD CO, NC - RPU

1810 CENSUS RUTHERFORD CO, NC

NO	SEX	AGE	BORN	NAME	DOB
1	M	26-44	1766-1784	SHERWOOD U	1771
2	F	26-44	1766-1784	MARY (SMITH) PELL	
3	M	16-25	1785-1794	ELIAS U	1791
4	F	16-25	1785-1794	LUCY U	1792
5	M	10-15	1795-1800	ADAM U	1799
6	F	10-15	1795-1800	MILDRED U	1795
7	F	10-15	1795-1800	ELIZABETH U	1796
8	F	0-10	1800-1810	NANCY U	1800
9	F	26-44	1766-1784		
10	F	26-44	1766-1784		
11	F	26-44	1766-1784		

\* PROBABLY SISTERS OF SHERWOOD OR MARY

- I. SHERWOOD U - HEAD OF CLAN
  - b 1771 (BRUNSWICK CO, VA)
  - d 1850+ (CAMPBELL CO, GA)
  - MD (1ST) 21 OCT 1790 (RUTHERFORD CO, NC) ELIZABETH TOMBERLINSON
  - b ABOUT 1771 (?) d 180 (RUTHERFORD CO, NC) MD (2ND) 2 JAN 1804 (RUTHERFORD CO, NC)
  - MARY (SMITH) PELL "POLLY" b ABOUT 1776 (NC) d AFTER 1850 (GA)
  - A. ELIAS U b 1791
  - B. LUCY U b 1793
  - C. MILDRED U b 1795
  - D. ELIZABETH U b 1796
  - E. ADAM U b 1799
  - F. NANCY U b 1799

DID SHE HAVE ISSUE OF 1ST HUS OR BY SHERWOOD ? - RPU

1820 CENSUS RUTHERFORD CO, NC

1	M	45+	<1775	SHERWOOD U	1771
2	F	26-44	1776-1794	MARY (SMITH) PELL	
3	M	16-25	1795-1804	ADAM U	1799
4	F	16-25	1795-1804	MILDRED U	1795
5	F	16-25	1795-1804	ELIZABETH U	1796

1830 CENSUS - RUTHERFORD CO, NC

1	M	50-59	1771-1780	SHERWOOD U	1771
2	F	50-59	1771-1780	MARY (SMITH) PELL	
3	M	15-19	1811-1815**		
4	F	5-9	1821-1825**		
5	F	0-10	1820-1830**		

1840 CENSUS - RUTHERFORD CO, NC

1	M	70-79	1761-1770	SHERWOOD U	1771
2	F	60-69	1771-1780	MARY (SMITH) PELL	
3	F	15-19	1821-1825		

1850 CENSUS - GA - CAMPBELL CO. - DISTRICT 10

\*\* POSSIBLY GRAND CHILDREN OF SHERWOOD

John Tomlin	1815	35 NC
Elizabeth Tomlin	1796	54 NC
Sherod Upchurch	1771	79 VA
Mary Upchurch	1776	74 NC
Joseph Upchurch	1828	22 NC

- POSSIBLE GC OF SHERWOOD U:
- 1. JOHN U b 1824 MD 1849 - A. BARDEGE
  - 2. JOSEPH U b 1827 MD 1861 M. MOORE
  - WITNESS: DANIEL U
  - 3. JAMES U b 1828 - IN CAMPBELL CO, GA IN 1850

**Cline Family Tree**  
**Sherwood Upchurch**  
 Birth 1771 in Brunswick, Virginia,  
 Death 1850 in Campbell, Georgia  
 1790  
 21 Oct  
 Age: 19

**Marriage to Elizabeth Tomerlin**  
 Rutherford, North Carolina, United States  
 1804  
 2 Jan

**Marriage to Mary Polly Smith**  
 Rutherford, North Carolina  
 PELL Age: 33

**1790 Census** – listed as Sherwood Upchurch – NC, Morgan District, Rutherford Co., NC  
[vs Lincoln Co.? RPU]

Sex Age  
M 16+ [Sherwood Upchurch]  
F 16+ [Elizabeth Tomberlinson]

**1800 Census** – Sherwood Upchurch not found, but he was in Rutherford Co., NC [RPU]

- I. Sherwood Upchurch – Head of Clan  
born 1771 Brunswick Co., VA  
died 1850+ Campbell Co., GA  
married (1st) 21 Oct 1790 Rutherford Co., NC Elizabeth Tomberlinson  
born about 1771 ( ) died 180? Rutherford Co., NC  
married (2nd) 2 Jan 1804 Rutherford Co., NC Mary (Smith) Pell “Polly”  
[Did she have issue by 1st husband or by Sherwood? RPU]  
born about 1776 NC died after 1850 GA
- A. **Elias Upchurch** born 1791
  - B. Lucy Upchurch born 1793
  - C. Mildred Upchurch born 1795
  - D. Elizabeth Upchurch born 1796
  - E. Adam Upchurch born 1797
  - F. Nancy Upchurch born 1799
- Possible grandchildren of Sherwood Upchurch:
1. John Upchurch born 1824 married 1849 A. Bridges
  2. Joseph Upchurch born 1827 married 1861 M. Moode  
Witness Daniel Upchurch
  3. James Upchurch born 1828, in Campbell Co., GA in 1850

**1810 Census Rutherford Co., NC**

No	Sex	Age	Born		
1	M	26-44	1766-1784	Sherwood Upchurch	1771
2	F	26-44	1766-1784	Mary (Smith) Pell	
3	M	16-25	1785-1794	<b><u>Elias Upchurch</u></b>	1791
4	F	16-25	1785-1794	Lucy Upchurch	1792
5	M	10-15	1795-1800	Adam Upchurch	1797
6	F	10-15	1795-1800	Mildred Upchurch	1795
7	F	10-15	1795-1800	Elizabeth Upchurch	1796
8	F	0-10	1800-1810	Nancy Upchurch	1800
9*	F	26-44	1766-1784		
10*	F	26-44	1766-1784		
11*	F	26-44	1766-1784		

\*Probably sisters of Sherwood or Mary

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4**	F	5-9	1821-1825	[arrow drawn to 1840 Census entry #3]	
5**	F	0-10	1820-1830		

\*\* Possibly grandchildren of Sherwood

**1840 Census Rutherford Co., NC**

1	M	70-79	1761-1770	Sherwood Upchurch	1771
2	F	60-69	1771-1780	Mary (Smith) Pell	
3	F	15-19	1821-1825	[arrow drawn to 1830 Census entry #4]	

**1850 Census Campbell Co., District 10, GA**

John Tomlin	1815	35	NC
Elizabeth Tomlin	1796	54	NC
[nee Elizabeth Upchurch daughter of Sherwood Upchurch]			
Sherod Upchurch	1771	79	VA
Mary Upchurch	1776	74	NC
Joseph Upchurch	1828	22	NC

**Cline Family Tree**

Sherwood Upchurch

born 1771 Brunswick, VA

died 1850 Campbell, GA

married age 19 21 Oct 1790 Elizabeth Tomerlin, Rutherford, NC

married age 33 2 Jan 1804 Mary Polly Smith Pell, Rutherford NC

(2) Records for the Sherwood Upchurch/Elias Upchurch Subclan 1 Jan 2018 RPU

ELIAS U

○ RECORDS FOR THE SHERWOOD U/ELIAS U SUBCLAN  
- RPU 1 JAN 2018

FROM ANCESTRY.COM

**1850 CENSUS - NC**  
RUTHERFORD CO  
CAIN CREEK

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1824 26
Arena Upchurch	1824 26
Joseph Upchurch	1850 0

**1870 CENSUS GA**  
HARALSON CO  
DIST 1143

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1824 46
Arenia Upchurch	1825 45
John Upchurch	1854 16
William Upchurch	1852 14
James Upchurch	1869 8,12

**1860 CENSUS - GA**  
HARALSON CO  
DIST 4  
ETNA PO

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1825 35
Amanda Upchurch	1825 35
Joseph Upchurch	1850 10
George D Upchurch	1852 8
John L Upchurch	1854 6
William M Upchurch	1857 3

**1880 CENSUS - GA**  
HARALSON CO  
WALD POOP

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1825 55 NC
C. Arsena Upchurch	WIF 1825 55 NC
R. James Upchurch	SON 1870 10 GA

**John Upchurch**  
BIRTH ABT 1825 • Rutherford, North Carolina, USA  
DEATH 1916 • Medina, Texas, USA

Age 24 - Marriage  
27 FEB 1849 • Rutherford, North Carolina, USA

☪ Polly Areena Bridges (1825-)

Parents

☪ Elias Upchurch 1751-1844  
☪ Anne Campbell 1802-1855

Spouse & Children

☪ Polly Areena Bridges 1825-

☪ Joseph Upchurch 1850-  
☪ George D Upchurch 1852-  
☪ John Landrum Upchurch 1854-1900  
☪ William M Upchurch 1857-  
☪ R. James Upchurch 1870-  
☪ James W Upchurch

) SAME ?

**1850 Census – Rutherford Co., Cain Creek, NC**

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1824 26
Arena Upchurch	1824 26
Joseph Upchurch	1850 0

**1860 Census – Haralson Co., District 4, Etna PO, GA**

Name	Age
John Upchurch	1825 35
Amanda Upchurch	1825 35
Joseph Upchurch	1850 10
George D. Upchurch	1852 8
John L. Upchurch	1854 6
William M. Upchurch	1857 3

**1870 Census – Haralson Co., District 1143, GA**

Name		Age
John Upchurch	1824	46
Arrenia Upchurch	1825	45
John Upchurch	1854	16
William Upchurch	1856	14
James Upchurch	1859	8/12

**1880 Census – Haralson Co., Wald Post Office, GA**

Name		Age	
John Upchurch	Head	1825 55	NC
C. Arsenia Upchurch	Wife	1825 55	NC
R. James Upchurch	Son	1870 10	GA

## I. Sherwood Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. **Elias Upchurch**

married ( ) Anne Campbell in Haralson Co., GA

1. John Upchurch 1825 NC – 1916 TX

married 1849 NC Arena Bridges

a.-f. [arrow drawn to children in following Ancestry.com tree]

From Ancestry.com

John Upchurch

born about 1825 Rutherford, NC

died 1916 Medina, TX

married age 24 27 Feb 1849 Rutherford, NC Polly Arena Bridges 1825-

parents

**Elias Upchurch** 1791-1844

Anne Campbell 1822-1855

Spouse Polly Arena Bridges 1825-

children: Joseph Upchurch 1850-

George D. Upchurch 1852-

John Landrum Upchurch 1854-1900

William M. Upchurch 1857-

R. James Upchurch 1870- } Same

James W. Upchurch } ?

**(3)** 1840 NC Census lists one **Elias Upchurch** in RTF (Rutherford?) Co.

**(4)** 1830 NC Census lists no **Elias Upchurch**

**(5)** Children of **Elias Upchurch** (1)

10 Mary Upchurch born 1831 age 19 on 1850 Rutherford Census. **Elias Upchurch** died in 1844. His widow, Mary Sims Upchurch nee Campbell, may have had other than her own

children with her. There was no explanation for the two Mary Upchurches on the census with her. [copied from (29) for **Elias Upchurch** Page 40. RPU]

11 Mary Upchurch born 1832 age 18 on R. 1850 Census. One Mary married 1851, name of husband unknown.

12 Sarah Upchurch born 1836 married 1860 name of husband unknown.

13 William Upchurch born 1838 married 24 Dec 1858 M. A. Harden, witness: William L. Davis.

14 Martha Upchurch born 1842

All of the names were listed with Mary, widow of **Elias Upchurch** at #524 on the 1850 Rutherford Census.

**(6)** See Page 31 of 2 Feb 1978 Letter Elva E. Buckhalter to RPU.

A. Will of **Elias Upchurch** who in 1821 married Ann Campbell. Named – my wife Anna, my children, some listed as under age. Date 22 Jul 1844. Signed by mark. Volume 3 page 133 Rutherford Co., NC. Executor: John Tomberlin. Witness: J. M. Webb, Moses Fagan.

B. Rutherford Co., NC. Lucy Upchurch and James Wells married 15 Dec 1817. Witness: **Elias Upchurch**, Richard Lewis, C.C.

C. **Elias Upchurch** and Anne Campbell married 14 Feb 1821. Witness: John Zomberlin, [Tomberlin? HB] Isaac Craton.

**(7)** See Page 24 of 2 Feb 1978 Letter Elva E. Burkhalter to RPU.

A. “Adam Upchurch was witness to the marriage of Mildred Upchurch and Valentine Bernett 22 Feb 1823. Isaac Craton was also a witness and he witnessed the marriage of **Elias Upchurch** and Anne Campbell 14 Feb 1821.”

**(8)** See Page 25 of 2 Feb 1978 Letter Elva E. Burkhalter to RPU.

A. 1821 **Elias Upchurch** married Anne Campbell

B. 1844 **Elias Upchurch** wrote his will 22 Jul 1844 naming his wife Anna Upchurch.

**(9)** **Elias Upchurch** born 1791 married 4 Feb 1821 Anne Campbell born 1802. Witness: John Tomberlin, Isaac Craton C.C. **Elias Upchurch** died 1844 in Rutherford Co., NC (Abstract of wills 1823-1868 page 57 proved 22 Jul 1844.) (29, Page 40)

**Elias Upchurch** was witness to the marriage of his sister Lucy on 15 Dec 18 [scan missing] to James Wells (29, page 40). **Elias Upchurch** was the son of Sherwood Upchurch, Head of Clan, by his 1st wife Elizabeth.

**(10)** See book in RPU files “Rutherford County, North Carolina, Will Abstracts, 1779-1910” by Grace Turner and Miles S. Philbeck, Jr., 1982. “854. **Elias Upchurch**. 22 Jul 1844. Summer 1844. Wife Anna. All my children, minors. Executor: wife. Witness: John Tomerlaen [Tomerlin? HB] J. M. Webb, Moses Logan. E-33.”

**(11)** See letter 27 Mar 1990 Martha Powell Roy to RPU.

A. John Tombolin (sic) married 23 Dec 1820 Elizabeth Hampton. Bondsman was **Elias Upchurch**.

(12) Will of **Elias Upchurch** – from letter 26 Feb 1998 James F. Panter to RPU.

E:133 **Elias Upchurch**, 22 July 1844; Summer Ct., 1844 “Weak in body.” Wife, Anna, to hold, possess & enjoy lands and all property of every kind until her death then to be sold and divided between all my children. (un. age – no names stated) Executor: wife, Anna Upchurch; John Tomblin. Witness: I. W. Webb, Morris Logan.

(13) Census 1900 Cleburne Co., AL – The household of James S. Upchurch [son of **Elias Upchurch**] shows that the mother and father of James S. Upchurch [**Elias Upchurch** and Anne Campbell] were born in NC.

(14) See letter 26 Jan 1999 Charles Forrest Byars to RPU.

**Elias Upchurch** born Rutherford Co., NC died Rutherford Co., NC married 14 Feb 1821 ( ) Anne Campbell born Rutherford Co., NC died Rutherford Co., NC Five children listed:

Nancy Upchurch born 1831

Mary Upchurch born 1832

William M. Upchurch born 1833

Sarah Upchurch born 1836

Martha Upchurch born 1842

[Note: This list does not include two others I have: John Upchurch born 1824/1825; James S. Upchurch born 1826. RPU]

[Note: Other records show two daughters named Mary: one born 1831 and one born 1832. The one born 1831 was also listed as “Nacy”. The logic seems to favor “Nancy” as the name of this daughter born 1831 and for now I will adopt Nancy born 1831 rather than Mary born 1831. RPU]

(15) See letter 27 Jan 1999 Flora Pauline Upchurch to RPU.

**Elias Upchurch** born Rutherford Co., NC died Rutherford Co., NC.

(16) See letter 30 Apr 1999 Flora Pauline Upchurch to RPU.

**Elias Upchurch** born 1791 ( ) died 1844; son of Sherwood Upchurch and Elizabeth Tomberlinson, married 14 Jan 1821 ( ) Anne Campbell died 1850-1860 (Rutherford Co., NC). Seven children listed.

(17) From Rutherford Co., NC Marriages 1779-1868 – Brent R. Holcomb.

**Elias Upchurch** and Anne Campbell 14 Feb 1821. Bondsman: John Tomberlin. **Elias Upchurch** was bondsman when his sister Lucy Upchurch married 15 Dec 1817 (Rutherford Co., NC) James Wells.

(18) NC Wills: A Testor Index, 1665-1900 by Thornton W. Mitchell, Volume II, K-Z, 1987.

**Elias Upchurch** 1844 Rutherford Co., NC WB-E/13