

James Upchurch, V

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Head of Clan No. 7 and of the 5th Generation

Commentary: James Upchurch V, the head of Upchurch Clan # 7 was born about 1807. In his adult year (1788 – 1807), he is often cited as being active in Dunn Township in Franklin County, NC. His birth in 1768 occurred at about the time his father moved from about ten miles north Dunn Township to Dunn Township itself. Here Richard Upchurch II established an Upchurch enclave that embraces the heritage of about ½ of the present-day American Upchurch family. Some children of James V move to Nash County, NC but there is no evidence that James V moved there. The family of James Upchurch V is ripe for a though study. The tentacles are richly associated with him and local families.

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(1) From Book: Nail & Ray Families 2nd Edition – 1997 – Abstracts of Ray & Pearce Records examined by Authors
Franklin Co, NC pages 948, 949, 950, 951

[John Pearce married () Clara Upchurch daughter of Richard Upchurch, III The Ray part of the book is about Elizabeth Pearce (sister of John) who married Thomas Ray – Revolutionary Soldier. The two couples left the Moccasin Creek area of NC & moved to Rutherford Co, NC → Rowan Co, NC → Shelley Co, IN]

1796 March 26, Will Book B, p. 36. Dower for Nancy Peirce, widow of Nathan Peirce. Nancy was granted her 62a, one-third of the acreage to be divided. The next transaction on the same day states that Nancy Peirce was the widow of Arthur Peirce and so was entitled to one-third, which amounted in this case to 41a. Surveyor was Jacob Hartsfield. John Norwood, Jr., mentioned. Jurors were Benja. Upchurch, Richd. Upchurch [Richard Upchurch, III], John Carpenter, Henry Baker, Wm. Dunn, John Richards, John Martin, Obediah Strickland, John Cooly, **James Upchurch**, D. Young, and Drury Perry. (6)

1801 March Court, Will Book B, p. 116. Guardian Account for orphans of Arthur Pearce by Robert Norris, Guardian. Covers 1798 – 1801. Moses Upchurch mentioned. Examined March Court by G. Hill and John Foster. (6)

1803 March 14, Will Book B, p. 151. Guardian Account for Cordy and Willis Pearce by Robert Norris, Guardian. Dated 14 March 1803. Moses Upchurch mentioned. M. Long and Wm. Green, Commissioners. (6).
