

MABEL ELOISE BRADLEY

CLOSE RELATIVES OF ROBERT PHILLIP

UPCHURCH - 22 MAY 2013

II. BEING DESCENDANTS OF MY GRANDFATHER
BARTLEY JEFFERSON UPCHURCH - MY AUNT'S
UNCLES & THEIR CHILDREN (MY 1ST COUSINS)
PLUS MY OWN BROOD - & ALL THEIR SPOUSES

- NATHAN U, I / GILBERT UPCHURCH SURCLAW - THROUGH THE 9TH GENERATION XID
- II. GILBERT U b 1792 (FRANKLIN CO, NC) d 1845 (WAKE CO, NC) - CONTINUED 82
- J. BARTLEY JEFFERSON U b 11 MAY 1841 (WAKE CO, NC) d 23 JAN 1929 - CONTINUED 106
- AUNT → 9. MARTHA RAY U "MAUDE" b 21 JUL 1886 (SWIFT CREEK TWP, WAKE CO, NC) 115
d 2 DEC 1975 (ERWIN, HARNETT CO, NC) (BUR. - AS FAT) NEVER MARRIED
- UNCLE → 10. FRANK JONES U b 20 OCT 1888 (WAKE CO, NC) d 31 OCT 1968 (WAKE CO, NC) 121
(BUR. - AS FAT)
- AUNT → MD 20 OCT 1913 (RALEIGH, NC) EDNA DELL WOODCOCK b 2 FEB 1896 (IVANHOE, SAMPSON CO, NC) d 16 MAY 1988 (WAKE CO, NC) (BUR. - AS HUS) 266
a. A SON b 31 AUG 1914 d AT BIRTH
- CS 10 13TC → b. FRANK JEFFERSON U, SR "FRANK JR" "FRANK" b 7 AUG 1916 (WAKE CO, NC) d 11 FEB 2006 (PIEDMONT MEDICAL CENTER) (CREMATED) 752
- 13TC → MD 20 DEC 1941 (DANVILLE, VA) **MABEL ELOISE BRADLEY** 3376
- CS 11 13TC → c. EONA LOIS U b 29 DEC 1919 (WAKE CO, NC) d 21 JUL 2005 (WAKE CO, NC) (BUR AS HUS) 753
- 13TC → MD 30 NOV 1939 (DILLON, SC) JOSEPH RANDOLPH JEFFREYS SR b 18 OCT 1889 1915 (KNIGHTDALE, NC) d 8 NOV 2002 (WAKE CO, NC) (BUR INWOOD BAPT CH CH, WAKE CO, NC)
- 13TC (4) d. BENNIE JONES U b 22 AUG 1932 (WAKE CO, NC) d 10 FEB 1956 2043
(WAKE CO, NC) (BUR. - AS FAT) [DIED IN THE CRASH OF A SMALL PLANE HE WAS PILOTING "BETSY"]

2. NO FURTHER ISSUE

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○ This Statement was Given on 18 FEB 2002 by Bonnie Bell Jeffrey
 at a Memorial Service for Frank Jefferson U, 51 - To RPH 30 JUN 2007
 Δ Frank Jefferson and Mable Bradley Upchurch

When I was a toddler, Mother explained that the person whose life we celebrate, today, was my uncle and her brother. And so he became, for the first part of my childhood, Uncle Brother.

I could sense the family's pride, mixed with fear, when he chose to defend his country during WWII. He left a beautiful young bride expecting their first child, and wondering if he would ever return to be a father to their son.

Aunt Mable was kind, with a lovely smile and lilting voice. She made a 2 ½ year old girl feel very important and grown up, when, after Jeff was born, she patiently taught me how to fold his cloth diapers. She had a way with animals and made the best oyster dressing that I have ever eaten. With four children - and at least as many pets, she kept her house immaculate. She and Uncle Frank gave me my first watch and, jointly, with my sister, a Brownie Camera that sparked my love of photography.

Riding to Charlotte with Uncle Frank, one day, he looked back over his shoulder at me and asked if I had ever ridden at the speed of 100 MPH. I allowed that, no, I had not. He teased, "Do you want to?" I nervously agreed. He gleefully floored the accelerator and, on a very straight road near Aberdeen, I had my first - and only - 100 MPH ride.

Our daughter moved to Belmont to teach choral music at South Point in 1997. During a visit, as he was proudly telling her about some of his considerable holdings, Uncle Frank shared a sage piece of advice: "The way to have a lot of money is not to spend it!"

Aunt Mable and Uncle Frank offered their hospitality freely. When my husband and I relocated to Charlotte in 1964, they offered their house as home base while we searched for a place to live. I asked Uncle Frank to recommend a bank. He did and told me whom to see there. When I identified myself and revealed that my husband was with the Mecklenburg County School System, the bank officer said, "Telling me that you are Frank Upchurch's niece and that your husband is a teacher are the two best references that you could have." In 1966, they gave us Patty's old crib to refinish for our firstborn. That special family crib was used by all three of our children.

The most significant thing that our uncle and aunt did for my three siblings and me was to give us Jeff, Fred, Gettis, and Patty Ann. With Uncle Frank's passing, all eight of us, now without the gift of living parents, have each other: brothers, sisters, cousins, blood relatives, no-matter-what forever friends, for as long as we reside on this earth.

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- ① See Notes of RPU 24 FEB 1979 visit to Edna Fair & Mabel Bradley of Lynchburg VA and Frank Jefferson U. S. s/o Frank James U. of the Natkins U. / Elliott U. Subclass. Bartley Jefferson U. Subclass.
- ② 20 JUN 2013 - Searched my Profile System for new information on MEB. Found nothing - RPU
- ③ Internet Records for MEB - RPU 20 JUN 2013