

Elizabeth W McGraw or McGaw
[also listed as Mary Elizabeth McGaw]

XID - 26043
no XID

Commentary: See notes from CJM below.

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Note: Biofiles for both of the above names combined on this biofile transcription – CJM 21 Jul 2021

[Note: There appears to be some overlap about the XID numbers for Mary McGaw/McGraw and Elizabeth M or Elizabeth Mary McGraw and the records that belong to each person – CJM 21 Jul 2021]

From biofile listed as Elizabeth M McGaw

(no number)

Archives, Jackson, MS – Lauderdale Co, MS

Lauderdale Co

30 Aug 1842 Jordan Upchurch elected constable of Lauderdale Co

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Churchwell Upchurch & Elizabeth M McGann 10 Mar 1861

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Benjamin N Upchurch & Hannah J McGann 6 Feb 1862

(Benjamin later married Almeda James McGaw, widow of William McGaw who was killed in Civil War)

From biofile listed as Mary Elizabeth McGaw

(1) From letter Mrs Lois Taylor to William Kendrick Upchurch, Sr dated 11 Jan 1964

I. John Pressly McGaw born about 1814 (SC – near Abbeville) married 3 Mar 1836 (Marengo Co, AL) Elizabeth Bass born about 1823 (SC). They moved to Clarke Co, MS between 1850 & 1860 & John died there Feb 1875. She was still living in 1880

A. **Mary Elizabeth McGaw** – great aunt of Mrs Lois Taylor
 married () William Churchwell Upchurch

Another biofile page gives the following explanation:

McGaw Family vs. McGraw Family

The above two names have been used interchangeably for individuals by their names who became associated with members of the Abel Upchurch, Sr/Benjamin Upchurch Sub-clan n MS – RPU 9 Aug 2002 – Probably one spelling or the other is correct – RPU

Listed under Elizabeth W McGraw XID – 26043

(1) I. Abel Upchurch, Sr – son of William Upchurch, IV, Head of Clan

A. Benjamin Upchurch

1. Churchwell Upchurch born circa 1829 (AL)

married 10 Mar 1861 (Lauderdale Co, MS) **Elizabeth M McGraw** born 1826 – 1836 (“Miss Elizabeth”)

This couple was recorded in 1866 in Clarke Co, MS at which time Churchwell Upchurch was head of a household of four including **Elizabeth** born 1826 – 1836. Additionally a freed colored female was in the household. The four included a son whose name has not been found and a daughter Retta Upchurch (42, Page 23)

[Note: **E M McGraw** had two sisters who also married sons of Benjamin Upchurch. These three sisters were daughters of Betsie (---) McGraw]

(2) RPU Download 26 Aug 2011

Mississippi Marriages, 1776 – 1935

Name: Churchwell Upchurch

Spouse: Elizabeth W McGraw

Marriage Date: 10 Mar 1861

County: Lauderdale

(no number) Re: Exchange between Lois Taylor and William Kendrick Upchurch, Sr in 1964 – RPU comments Aug 2002

‘Cross Reference this sheet in biofiles of William Kendrick Upchurch, Sr. Also Lois Taylor on possibly Lois McGraw. File letters for present under biofile of Lois Taylor. Letters dated 6 Feb 1964, 9 Jan 1964, 14 Nov 1864, 20 Nov 1964 & an earlier one not yet found.

Lois had a heritage linked to the Abel Upchurch, Sr. Benjamin Upchurch sub-clan but may not have been an Upchurch descendant. She is definitely linked to members of the McGraw family who definitely married into the Abel Upchurch, Sr/Benjamin Upchurch Sub-clan.

As of 9 Aug 2002 RPU shows the above mentioned Benjamin Upchurch had sons:

- Churchwell Upchurch XID – 10443, married 10 Mar 1861 (Lauderdale Co, MS) **Elizabeth M McGraw** XID – 26043 [Lois Taylor has this marriage Book 1, Page 144 Elizabeth M McGraw]
- William Upchurch XID – 10437 married 1864 (MS) Mary McGraw XID – 1835

However: Lois Taylor refers to her Great Aunt Mary Elizabeth McGraw and says she married 10 Mar 1861 (Meridian, Lauderdale Co, MS) her “Uncle” [could be her Great Uncle by marriage?? – RPU] William Churchwell Upchurch – This poses the question are XID – 10443 & XID – 10437 one and the same and are XID – 26043 & XID – 1835 one and the same – Need to resolve – RPU 9 Aug 2002