

COMMENTARY: This biofile for Murray Upchurch, one of the sons of Moses Upchurch, head of Clan 1, provides critical information on this stalwart citizen of Chatham County, North Carolina. He was born in 1797 in Dunn Township in Franklin County, NC some five years before his father moved his entire family to Chatham in 1803. It was here that Murray would live out the remainder of his days. We are especially well informed about Murray Upchurch as Belle West, in her 1972 book, *The Upchurch Family*, took great care in dealing with her ancestor, Murray. This biofile should be considered in context with the aforementioned book.

RPU – 10 Sep 2015

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(1) From: UPCHURCH FAMILY by Belle Lewter West – pg 34 - 36

On 10 Jan 1824 Moses sold to Murray U., his son, 160 acres (on John Clifton's Spring Branch - - Ruffin U. corner) for \$250 (Chatham Co. Deed Bk AA 1 / 60) Reg Feb Sessions 1826 Murry U. (b 1 Nov 1797 in Franklin Co., NC - d 19 Feb 1872 in Chatham Co., NC – m 23 Aug 1820 Nancy Scott in Wake Co., NC) Murry U. was son of Moses U. - moved to Chatham Co., NC before 1810 where his father had bought land.

(2) Per Attach # 34 West Letter 18 May 1975 – Marriage Records Wake Co., NC “ 23 Aug 1820 Murry U. m Nancy Scott – witness: Ruffin U., J. S. Cumming.”

(3) 1820 Census/Tax Lists of NC – per Potter - 1974

Only 1 Murray U. listed for NC – on Pg 31 of Census Records for Chatham Co., NC.

(4) 1830 Census Records of NC – shows only 1 Murray U. he of Chatham Co. - Pittsboro Dist – [Note: There is no Murry listed but I can presume Murray = Murry - RPU]

(5) 1840 Census of NC shows only 1 Murray U. - he of Chatham Co. [Note: There is no Murry listed but I presume Murry = Murray - RPU]

(6) Wake Co., NC Marriage Bonds

Murray U. md Nancy Scott 23 Aug 1820

(7) See Records obtained by RPU on 23 Feb 1978 visit to National Colonial Dames XVII Century Office

A. Marriage Bond – Ruffin U. for Murray U. 23 Aug 1820

Murray to marry Nancy Scott – Wake Co., NC – shows mark for Ruffin U. pg 4.

(8) See Marriage Bonds for Wake Co., NC in 31 Oct 1977 Letter from Mrs. L.W. Priest to RPU

Murray U. and Nancy Scott – Date of Bond = 23 Aug 1820.
Bondsman = Ruffin (x) U.; Witness = John S. Cumming.

(9) See notes of RPU of 18 Nov 1978 visit to Adelia Jane U.

I inspected an Old Country Store Ledger Book with entries Apr 1827 – Oct 1829. Entries present for Nathan U., for Moses U. and several of his children including Murray U. and for Miss Eliza U. [poss a daughter of Murray U. - RPU] Entries for Murray were 16 Apr 1827, Jun, Aug 1827 and Feb, Mar, Apr 1828.

(10) According to actual Census Records of Chatham Co., NC – Murray U. is found:

- A. 1810 Census – Theoretically Murray was 13. There is one male shown in his fathers home < 10 and 2 males 16 – 26. Murray does not exactly fit either of these two slots but must have been in one of them. There are 0 males listed 10 – 16.
- B. 1820 Census – Theoretically Murray was 23. Murray is listed as head of his own household. Age 18 – 25. His wife Nancy Scott theoretically 19 is shown as female 16 – 25. No Children.
- C. 1830 Census – Theoretically Murray was 33. Murray is shown as head of own household. Age 30 – 40, wife Nancy Scott theoretically 29 is shown as age 20 – 30.

Children Shown:

- (1) 1 Male < 5
- (2) 1 Male < 5
- (3) 1 Female < 5
- (4) 1 Female 5 – 10
- (5) 1 Female 5 – 10

Best Guess of Name - RPU

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|------------|------------------------|
| John H. | b. 1826 age 4 |
| Isham Sims | b. 1824 age 6 |
| Emily | b. 1828 age 2 (Emmala) |
| Martha | b. 1821 age 9 |
| Elizabeth | b. 1823 age 7 |

- D. 1840 Census – Theoretically Murray was 44. Murray is shown as head of own home. Age 40 – 50, wife Nancy Scott theoretically 39 is shown as 20 – 30. (hence a mistake)

Children Shown: (1) 1 Male 5 – 10 =

- (2) 1 Male 10 – 15 =
- (3) 1 Male 15 -20 =
- (4) 1 Female 10 – 15 =
- (5) 1 Female 15 – 20 =
- (6) 1 Female < 5
- (7) 1 Female < 5

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| Paschall B. | b. 1830 age 10 |
| John H. | b. 1826 age 14 |
| Isham Sims | b. 1824 age 16 |
| Emily | b. 1828 age 12 |
| Elizabeth | b. 1823 age 17 |
| Rachel | b. 1835 age 05 |
| Mary | b. 1837 age 03 |

[Martha age 19 presumed married to Simeon Yates by this time - RPU]

E. 1850 Census – Household 612

<u>Murray U.</u>	52	Male	Farmer	\$575	b NC
Nancy U.	48	F			
Paskill U.	20	M	Laborer	b 07 Dec 1830	
Rachel U.	15	F		b 08 Sep 1835	
Mary U.	13	F		b 06 Oct 1837	
Clary U.	07	F		b 22 Feb 1843	

[Note: Missing is Farrington U. age 18 b 15 Apr 1832 - RPU]

F. 1860 Census – Grove Post Office

<u>Murry U.</u>	63	M	Farmer	\$1000RE	\$1000PP
Nancy U.	59	F	Housekeeper		
Nancy E. Carson	26	F			
Mary (?) U.	23	F			
Clary U.	17	F			

G. 1870 Census 523, 532

<u>Murray U.</u>	73	M W	Farmer	\$1000RE	\$500PP	md within yr (Jan)
Sally U.	58	F W	Keep House			md within yr (Jan)
[Sally Temples (<u>Murray's</u> 3 rd Wife)]						
Sophrona Seable	10	F W	At Home	[Granddaughter: Lula Sophronia Scroble]		
Epraim U.	21	M B	Farm Laborer	Cannot Read or Write		

H. 1880 Census – Williams Township

Sallie U.	68	F W	Widowed/Divorced	is Keeping House by herself
[<u>Murray</u> died 19 Feb 1872]				

I. On 1840 Census only 1 home separates brothers Murray U. and Sims U. and this is headed by a female Catherine Davis.

(11) See Letter 28 Aug 1981 from Patsy Penny Horton to RPU

A. Murray U. is her ancestor. She has Murray U. will, which was probated in Chatham Co., NC. She also has will of Nancy U.. Nancy U. mentions in her will her father Benjamin Dodd, Dr. James Carson (son of Wm P. Carson), Margaret W(?) Bennett, Nancy Bennett, and Emeline Manard. [I conclude that Nancy U. is 2nd wife of Murray U. and that she was a widow Carson when she md Murray and that she was nee Nancy Dodd. - RPU]

B. In Chatham Co., NC Marriage Book I found: Murray U. (son of Moses and Molly U.) md Sallie Temples, (daughter of Allen and Mary Temples).

(12) See Chatham Co., NC file – Letter 25 Aug 1967 from Marjorie Beleware to County Clerk. Murray U. will is listed as 06 Apr 1870.

(13) See NC Upchurch Marriages:

Murray U. md 23 Mar 1857 (Chatham Co., NC) Nancy T. Carne
[Note: Presume Nancy T. Carne = Nancy E. (Carson) Dodd - 2nd wife of Murray U. - RPU]

(14) See Letter 07 Feb 1987 from Oliver Wingate U. to RPU

See reference for a picture of the Mulholland Place which was previously the Murry (Murray) U. home place. This is on Hiway 751 on West side of road between SR 1743 and SR 1750 about ½ mile N of 1743. The Murray U. homeplace is # 12 out of 24 sites identified.

(15) From Letter 22 May 1987 from Oliver Wingate U. to RPU

A. 10 Jan 1824 to Murray Upchurch \$250 160 acres - - John Cliftons Spring Branch - -
Ruffin Upchurch corner to Hugh McLane's corner - - along Melton line to John Clifton.

Deed Book A A -1- Pg. 60

B. Murray Upchurch marriage contract with Nancy Carson 2 April 1857

<u>Murray Upchurch</u>	Seal
Nancy Carson	Seal
Turner Bynum	Seal

C. Note that Ora Aurelia (U) Lewter in a 13 Jan 1958 affidavit refers to her GGF using the spelling Murry U. rather than Murray U.

(16) UPCHURCH FAMILY of England, Virginia, and North Carolina by Belle Lewter West – pp 34 - 36 copied for Murry U.

34. UPCHURCH FAMILY

CHURCH) LEWTER, who knew him personally. He is said to have had 22 children.
WHITNEY UPCHURCH (b 1793) in Franklin Co., N. C., m 03 Jan 1811 Elizabeth
Goodwin in Wake Co., N. C. – statement of one of his descendants.

CALORGY UPCHURCH (b 1795) in Franklin Co., N. C., nm – Affidavit of Ora U.
Lewter.

MURRY UPCHURCH (b 1 Nov 1797) in Franklin Co., N. C., d 19 Feb 1872 in
Chatham Co., N. C. – m 23 Aug 1820 Nancy Scott in Wake Co., N. C. (See sketch in
the text of this book).

CLEGG UPCHURCH (b 1800) Chatham Co., N. C. – named in statement of
descendant of SIMS UPCHURCH, dated 29 Oct 1958.

SIMS UPCHURCH (b 11 Dec 1808) in Chatham Co., N. C., m 11 Dec 1832 Abigail
Olive – m 2ndly Matilda Temples – m 3rdly 23 Dec 1852 Tabitha Williams. – See
sketch of DR. COY UPCHURCH in Part IV.

MURRY UPCHURCH

MURRY UPCHURCH, son of MOSES and Mary (Simms) UPCHURCH, was born 01 Nov 1797, in Franklin County, N. C.. While still young, sometime before 1810, he moved with his family to Chatham County, N. C., where his father had bought a rather large acreage. No facts of his youth are known, but he presumably grew up engaged in the growing of tobacco, along with his many brothers and sisters.

On 23 Aug 1820 MURRY married Nancy Scott, (b 29 Nov 1801 d 26 July 1864) daughter of John and Rachel (Baucom) Scott of Wake County, N. C.

On 10 Jan 1826 MURRY bought 160 acres of land from his father, MOSES UPCHURCH, for \$250., "on Clifton's Spring Branch . . . RUFFIN UPCHURCH'S corner . . . Hugh McLane's corner." (CHATHAM COUNTY DEED BK. A – A/60)

In Feb 1849, Murry bought 100 acres from his brother, SIMS UPCHURCH, (CHATHAM CO. DEED BK. A – A/60)

The 1850 U. S. census of Chatham County, N. C. listed MURRY'S age as 52 and Nancy's as 48, with four children still living at home.

The 1860 census gave MURRY'S age as 63 and Nancy's as 59. In their household, according to the census, still lived their daughters, Mary, aged 23 and Clara, aged 19. This same census showed, also, Nancy Carson, widow, aged 25, who was probably a helper in the household. Nancy (Scott) Upchurch died 06 July 1864, and MURRY married Nancy Carson.

The date of Nancy (Carson) UPCHURCH'S death is not known, but she left a will dated 22 Nov 1869, leaving the property she had inherited from her first husband to her Carson children. (CHATHAM CO., N. C. WILL BK. E/45).

MURRY UPCHURCH married as his third wife, Sallie Temples, on 01 March 1870, in Chatham County, N. C.

MURRY died suddenly on the 19th of March 1872 in a neighborhood store. His will was dated 06 April 1870, and is abstracted below:

"To my beloved wife, Salie – 75 acres of land, including the homestead, adjoining the lands of SIMS UPCHURCH, Welthy, Elkins, and H. Melton, as long as she shall live, or her widowhood; bedstead, one wheel and cards, cooking utensils, one year provision to be set aside and given to her by my executor.

To my daughter, CLARY – one cow and calf, one walnut folding table, one side saddle. I give and devise to my son PASCHALL'S children one note that I hold against the said Paschall.

I give and devise to my daughter ELIZABETH LAWRNCE'S children . . . one hundred dollars.

I give and devise to my son, ISHAM, the sum of one dollar.

It is my will that twenty-five dollars taken out of my daughter RACHEL'S children part and then for them to share equal with the rest.

It is my will that my executor rent my land until he, in his judgement shall see fit to sell it for cash or credit, and he shall sell all my personal property and divide equally, between my daughters; MARTHA ELIZABETH'S CHILDREN, EMALEY, PASCHALL'S CHILDREN, MARY and CLARY.

Lastly, I hereby constitute and appoint Aderson Council by lawful Executor."

Wit: E. N. Fearington
C. R. Scott

Signed: MURRY UPCHURCH
(Seal)

*MURRY UPCHURCH and his wives are buried at his home place. Today called The Mulholland Place, located on N. C. Route 751 in Chatham County, near White Oak Creek.

From the MURRY UPCHURCH Family Bible, which cannot be found at this date, comes the following information of the names and birth dates of the children of MURRY and Nancy (Scott) UPCHURCH. This was, fortunately, copied from the Bible, on 12 Feb 1888, by the late Philip Nelson Foushee (son-in-law of MURRY UPCHURCH), at the request of ISHAM SIMS UPCHURCH, a son of MURRY, and was found among the papers of ISHAM SIMS UPCHURCH after his death. The additional information of the names of the spouses was furnished by ORA (UPCHURCH) LEWTER, Deceased.

MARTHA UPCHURCH (b 03 Aug 1821) m Simeon Yates.

ELIZABETH UPCHURCH (b 17 Jan 1823) m Pat Lawrence.

ISOM (ISHAM) UPCHURCH (b 31 Dec 1824 d 03 April 1916) m 23 Dec 1851 Adelia Beavers (b 08 March 1832 d 24 Sept 1893)

(13 children – see full story this book).

JOHN H. UPCHURCH (b 24 Oct 1826) never married.

EMMALA UPCHURCH (b 07 Dec 1828) m Addison Council.

PASCHALL UPCHURCH (b 01 Aug 1830 d in Civil War) m Telitha Olive

FARRINGTON UPCHURCH (b 15 April 1832)

RACHEL UPCHURCH (b 08 Sept 1835) m -----Scroble.

MARY UPCHURCH (b 06 Oct 1837 d 18 April 1884) m 16 Feb 1861 Philip N. Foushee.

CLARY UPCHURCH (b 22 Feb 1843) m Vernon Rigsbee.

(17) Nancy Scott b 29 Nov 1801 (NC) d 26 Jul 1864 (Chatham Co., NC) md Murray U. b 01 Nov 1797 (Franklin Co., NC) d 19 Mar 1872 (Chatham Co., NC). On the 1850 census Murray U. and Nancy were found in Chatham Co. NC with their children Paskill, Rachel, Mary, and Clary (48, Pg 45)

(18) See notes of RPU visit 05 Sep 1977 to Adelia Jane U.

We drove south on Hwy 751 from the H. O. Kelly Place (Adelia residence) and just south of the Nursery on the west side of the road, Adelia pointed out the Mulholland Place which Adelia says was the place where Moses U. and his son Sims U. were buried in now unmarked graves. Adelia calls this the Sims U. place – but at another place in the notes she indicates that Murray U., another son of Moses U. was buried with Moses and Sims and as a conflict she refers to this as the Murray U. Place. Adelia says a distant relative of Moses U. authorized the plowing over of the graves. The Mulholland's are apparently sensitive to many visits.

(19) See UPCHURCH FAMILY by Belle Lewter West – Pg 33

“Moses U. and his wife nee Mary Sims are buried on what is called the “Sims Upchurch” place in Chatham Co., NC on land originally purchased by Moses U. when he left Franklin Co., NC” According to tradition Moses U. died at 102 or 103 from a fall from a horse while crossing a small stream, in which he died. Neither Moses U. or his wife nee Mary Sims left a will.

(20) UPCHURCH FAMILY by Belle Lewter West – Pg 93, 94

I. John Scott d 1819 (Wake Co., NC) md Hannah -----

[The parentage of JOHN SCOTT of Wake County, N. C., who was the ancestor of the line of SCOTTs in which this writer is interested has not been proven. However, in 1762 one JOHN SCOTT of Wake Co., N. C., was buying and selling land on Crabtree and Walnut Creeks. He left a will, recorded on the first of November, 1819 (WAKE CO., N. C. WILL BK 15/347), naming his wife, Hannah and children, without naming his children. Presumably JOHN SCOTT who was later active in land deals in this same section was one of those unnamed children.]

A. John Scott b 1768 () d Sep 1856 () md 24 Jan 1791 () Rachel Baucom b 1765 d < 1860 D/O John Baucom of Wake Co., NC

1. Willis Scott b 1794 d 1907 md Mary Ann Spears b 1797 d < 1860

a. John Winslow Scott b 1824 d 1907 md Katie L. McLean

1. Mary Willis Scott b 1859 d 1923 md Thomas Cross

(I) Katherine Cross md D. M. Gurley

(A) Mary Scott Gurley

b. Robert Scott b 1826

c. C. C. Scott b 1826

d. Grizzly Scott b 1831

e. Walter Scott b 1832

f. Hugh Scott b 1835

g. Isabel Scott md ---- POTTER

h. Amelia Scott b 1842 md () Joseph PARARIE

2. John Scott, Jr. b 1796 d 1882 md ADA U. b 1806 (Wake Co., NC) WILL BK BA / 352

a. Sidney Scott b 1827 md ----- LESTER

b. Charles Romulous Scott b 27 Dec 1831 d 31 Jan 1919 md 12 Dec 1853 Anne Yates b 03 Jul 1813 d 26 Feb 1905

c. William Scott b 1830 md MARGARET U. d/o RUFFIN U.

d. Ellen Scott b 1837 nm

e. James Scott b 1841

f. Winfield Scott b 1846 d 1928 md Minerva Lassiter

g. Mary Scott – died young

3. Nancy Scott b 29 Nov 1801 d 1864 md 23 Aug 1820 MURRY U. b 01 Nov 1797 d 19 Feb 1877

4. Josiah Scott b 1804 d > 1860 md Elizabeth Lewter b 1810 d/o Henry Lewter and Miley Kelly of Chatham Co., NC

a. Martha Scott b 1830 nm

b. Albert Scott b 1832 md Emaline Wimberly

c. Joseph Scott b 1834 d 1907 md Ann Barbee b 1849 d 1924

d. Wesley Scott b 1836 md ----- PENNEY

e. Penelope Scott b 1838 md (1st) Wesley Yates, md (2nd) Matthew Harward

f. Emmaline Scott b 1840 md Marcus Wimberly

g. John Scott b 1842

h. Mary Scott "Polly" b 1845 md John Harward s/o Bry Harward

I. Sarah Scott b 1847

j. Amanda Scott b 1849 md Thomas Lewter

(21) The map below purports to show the burial place of MURRAY U. and was provided to RPU in a letter dated 01 Jun 2003 from James Stephen Ellington, a descendant of MURRAY U.. James is from Florida but got this info on a recent trip to North Carolina and in conference with a local resident GENE SEARS. [Presumably this is the same Gene F. Sears in RPU Biofile System]

[NOTE: This location for the burial place of MURRAY U. does not agree with other records in RPU Biofile for MURRAY U. – RPU 07 Jun 2003]

(22) UPCHURCH references in book “Guide to Private Manuscript Collections in the N. C. State Archives” by Barbara T. Cain with Ellen Z. McGrew and Charles E. Morris. 3rd Revised Edition 1981 – RPU has copy. There are 4 articles in which the name UPCHURCH appears – see below:

Private Collection 1006 – Page 274

1006. Upchurch Papers, 1866 – 1868. 6 items.

U. S. Internal Revenue receipts to William H. Dodd and W. G. Upchurch for payment of excise tax on various articles of merchandise.

[This business known as UPCHURCH – DODD

- William Henry Dodd
- William George U. –
- Nathan U., I / Gilbert U.
- Subclan – William
- George U. Line]

Microfilm Private Collection 61 – Page 455

Mf.P. 61. Upchurch [Store] Account Book, 1827 – 1829, 1845 – 1850.
40 ft.

Journal of accounts at general store of Murray Upchurch and I. S. Upchurch, with customers from Chatham and Wake Counties. A few notes were added by Isom S. Sims (1845 – 1850). Volume also known as Chatham Co. Store Account Book.

[Crossfile – Chatham Co., NC – Upchurch Store]

[I. S. U. / Isom S. U. = Isham Sims U.

I. Moses. U. – Head of Clan

A. MURRAY U.

1. Isham Sims U.]

Microfilm Private Collection 166 – Page 481

Mf.P. 166 Recipe Books, 1802 – 1860. 65 ft.

Manuscript and published recipe books giving recipes for food, wine, medicine, dye, paint, and cleaning agents, as well as household and garden hints. Original manuscript books belonged to M. Lewis (1830, P. C. 1177); Mrs. Martha T. Cowles (Wilkes Co., 1846, Southern Historical Collection, UNC); Mrs. Mary K. Williams (Warren Co., 1858, P. C. 75); and Maggie Upchurch (Raleigh, 1859, P. C. 150). The four published volumes by English and American authors (1802, 1811, 1845, 1860) are from the N. C. Museum of History Collection.

[“Maggie” was d/o William Clinton U., I – Head of a Line in the Nathan U. I, / Burtis U. Subclan.]
[“Maggie” U. here is Miss Roxanna Margaret U. aka “Rox” She md 14 Sep 1860 William Henry Dodd. Her sister Eleanor Marks U., I md William George U.]

Account Book 224 – Page 502

A. B. 224. Calvin Upchurch, Harrison's, Franklin Co. General merchandise. 1 volume, 1839. Daybook.

[Calvin U. is s/o Jubal U., I – Head of Clan]
[I do not recall previous evidence that shows Calvin U. as a Merchant – not a surprise. He was enterprising – RPU]

Book extracted 02 May 2005 - RPU

(23) Book: The Upchurch Family of High Falls, NC (Moore Co.) Pg 65

I. Moses U. – Head of Clan

A. MURRAY U.

- 6 Murray Upchurch b: 01 Nov 1797 in Pittsboro, Chatham County, NC, USA d: 19 Feb 1872 in Chatham County, North Carolina.
- +Nancy E Carson b: 1823 m: 1866 in Chatham County, NC, USA d: 22 Nov 1869 in Chatham, NC, USA
- *2nd Wife of Murray Upchurch:
- +Sarah Temples b: 1812 in North Carolina m: Jan 1870 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 1880
- *3rd Wife of Murray Upchurch:
- +Nancy Scott b: 29 Nov 1801 in Wake, NC, USA m: 23 Aug 1820 in Wake, NC, USA d: 26 Jul 1864 in Chatham County, North Carolina,
- 7 Martha Upchurch b: 03 Aug 1821 in Chatham, NC, USA
- 7 Elizabeth Upchurch b: 17 Jan 1823 in Chatham, NC, USA
- 7 Isham Sims Upchurch b: 31 Dec 1824 in Old Fayetteville Road, Chatham, NC, USA d: 05 Apr 1916 in Chatham County, North Carolina.
- +Rosanna Taylor b: 1850 in North Carolina m: 03 Feb 1903 d: 10 Dec 1911 in Chatham County, North Carolina.
- *2nd Wife of Isham Sims Upchurch:
- +Adelia Beavers b: 08 Mar 1832 in Wake, NC, USA m: 23 Dec 1851 in Chatham County, North Carolina d: 24 Sep 1893 in Chatham County, North Carolina
- 8 Isham Paschall Upchurch b: 27 Jun 1863 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 22 Apr 1934 in New Hill, NC, USA
- 8 Marceline Gatling Upchurch b: 20 Jun 1857 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 19 Nov 1931 in Durham, Wake, NC, USA
- 8 Laura Alice Upchurch b: 14 Mar 1875 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 15 May 1963 in Highpoint, NC, USA

..... 8 George Winston Upchurch b: 08 Jun 1854 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 10 Apr 1947 in Durham, NC, USA
 8 Thomas Irving Upchurch b: 05 Aug 1859 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 04 Apr 1939 in Wake, NC, USA

 8 Franklin Pierce Upchurch b: 01 Jun 1871 in Chatham, NC, USA d: Nov 1936 in Wake, NC, USA
 8 Mathew Robert Upchurch b: 25 Apr 1856 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 10 Sep 1938 in Chatham, NC, USA
 8 Varina Fisher Upchurch b: 18 Aug 1861 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 10 May 1944 in Chatham, NC, USA
 8 Ora Aurelia Upchurch b: 05 Mar 1866 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 25 Jul 1962 in Durham, NC
 8 Sidney Harrison Upchurch b: 04 Nov 1867 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 02 Oct 1878 in Chatham, NC, USA
 8 Mary Adelia Upchurch b: 03 Aug 1872 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 02 Nov 1880 in Chatham, NC, USA
 7 John M Upchurch b: 24 Oct 1826 in Chatham County, North Carolina
 +Nancy T Carne b: 1838 m: 23 Mar 1857 in Chatham County, North Carolina
 7 Emmala Catherine Upchurch b: 07 Dec 1828 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 14 Nov 1924 in Apex, North Carolina
 7 Paschal B Upchurch b: 01 Aug 1830 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 04 Jul 1863 in South Anna Bridge, Virginia in Civil War
 +Telitha Olive b: 15 Sep 1832 in Wake, NC, USA m: 1850 d: 26 Aug 1916 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA
 8 Sarah Upchurch b: 1857 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Edward Upchurch b: 1859 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Molly Upchurch b: 1861 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Nancy Paschal Upchurch b: 10 Jul 1863 in Wake County, North Carolina d: 13 Dec 1944 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA
 +Frederic Ralston Jarrell b: 17 Feb 1854 in Randolph, NC, USA m: 1897 in NC, USA d: 19 Feb 1928 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA
 9 Edna Olive Jarrell b: 23 Aug 1898 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA d: 31 Aug 1967 in Orlando, FL, USA
 9 Mildred L Jarrell b: 17 Oct 1900 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA d: 14 Jul 1989 in Moore, NC, USA
 9 Hilda Jarrell b: 1902 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA d: 1910 in Jonesboro, Lee, NC, USA
 7 Farrington Upchurch b: 15 Apr 1832 in Chatham County, North Carolina d: Bef. 1850 in Chatham County, North Carolina
 7 Rachel Rebecca Upchurch b: 08 Sep 1835 in Chatham County, North Carolina
 +James Penney b: 1814 in North Carolina m: 04 Jan 1866 in Wake, NC, USA
 8 John Penney b: 1867 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Martha Penney b: 1868 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Mary Penney b: Jan 1870 in Wake County, North Carolina
 *2nd Husband of Rachel Rebecca Upchurch:
 +Stephen Scroble b: 1833 in North Carolina m: 1851 in NC, USA d: 19 May 1864 in Charlottesville, Virginia – Civil War of disease
 8 James Scroble b: 1856 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Lucy Scroble b: 1858 in Wake County, North Carolina
 8 Lula Sophronia Scroble b: 10 Feb 1859 in Wake County, North Carolina d: 04 Oct 1946 in Angier, Harnett County, North Carolina
 8 +John Wesley Ellington b: 10 Apr 1861 m: in NC, USA d: 17 Mar 1919 in Angier,

Harnett, NC, USA
 7 Mary Upchurch b: 06 Oct 1837 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 18 Apr 1884
 7 Clara Upchurch b: 22 Feb 1843 in Chatham, NC, USA
 +Vernon Rigsbee b: 1841 m: 1859

(24) From 22 May 1987 Letter from Oliver Wingate U. to RPU
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WILL OF MURRY UPCHURCH

I Murry Upchurch of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say:

First – That my executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends, and pay all funeral expences, together with my just debts howsoever & to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item. I give & devise to my beloved wife Salie – Seventy – five acres of land including the homestead joining the land of Sims, Upchurch; Welthy, Elkins; & H. Metton to have & to hold so long as she may live on it or her widowhood one beadsitd, bead & furniture (her choise) one wheel & cards, cooking utentials, one year provision to be set apart & given to her by my executor.

Item.- I give & devise to my daughter Clary, one cow and calf, one walnut folding table, one side saddle, this I want to give to my sid daughter Clary in order to make her up even with my other children, to have & to hold forever.

Item. - I give & devise to my son Paschal's children one note that I hold against my said son Paschal in full of there part of my estate.

Item. - I give & devise to my daughter Elizabeth, Laurence children first - that one hundred Dollars, be taken from there part & then for them to shear alike with my other children.

Item. - I give & devise to my son Isham, the sum of one Dollar as his full share of my estate to have & to hold forever.

Item. - It is my will that twenty-five dollars be taken out of my daughter Rashal children part & then for them to share equal with the rest.

Item. - It is my will that my executor rent my land until he in his Judgment shall see fit to sell it for cash or credit & that he shall sell all of my personal property and devide it equally between my daughters Martha, Elizabeth children, Emaley, Rachel children, Mary & Clary.

Item. - & Lastly - I do hereby constitute & appoint Aderson Council my lawful executor to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same & every part & clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills or testaments by me made heretofore. In witness whereof I the said Murry Upchurch, do set my hand & seal this the 6th Day of April 1870.

Murry Upchurch (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published, declared, by the said
Murry Upchurch to be his last will & testament in the
presence of us who at his request & in his presence
do subscribe our names as witness thereto

E. N. Fearington
C. R. Scott

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(25) Map and Notes created by RPU on 06 Jun 2010 while in NC based on retracing steps of a trip guided by Billy Leonard Sears for RPU and Kim Beach on the previous day on the Wake Co. / Chatham Co., NC border.

(X) = Possible site of Cemetery where Moses U., Head of Clan, may be buried.

Note that the land of Isham Sims U. extended North and West across Pitts Creek into Chatham Co., NC starting at the Cemetery of Isham Sims. His land may be a portion of what his GF Moses U. owned – which land may have extended to (X). Site (X) at one point known as the Mulholland Place. (Y) = home of Matthew Robert U. s/o Isom Sims U. Question – Did MURRAY U. [s/o Moses u. and Father of Isom Sims U.] inherit land of his father Moses U.?

(26) 03 Sep 2012 Letter from Hope Blackford to RPU

Chatham County
Miscellaneous Records
1772 - 1956
Clerk of Superior Court; Clerk of Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions; Register of Deeds
C.R.022.928.5-C.R.022.928.8
Archive Stacks
222.103.2 (Box)
4 Fibredex box(es)

Box C. R. 022.928.7 contains the following:

Marriage Contract – Murry UPCHURCH and Nancy CARSON, 1857

(27) Minutes of the County Court of Chatham Co., N. C. – 1844 From: The N. C. Genealogical Society Journal Vol 29 (No 2) May 2003 Pg 157 – 204. Note: Seven UPCHURCH References made (Involving 3 individuals):

SIM U. (pg 162) / SIMS U. (pg 160, 180, 183, 185) – Same person [Sims U. s/o Moses U., HOC]

Feb Term 1844 – pg 160

Ordered that Saml Davis be appointed overseer of the road from Lasater X roads to the Wake line and these hands work under him towit: Burnett Lasaters hands, Sims Upchurch, Nat Ward, William Council, John Utley.

Feb Term 1844 – pg 162 (N. R. Davis Elected as Constable)

Also N. R. Davis elected in Capt. Council's district for 1844 entered into bond in the sum of \$4000 with Sim Upchurch, Redding Hatley, and Benj Mason as his sureties and was qualified.

May Term 1844 – pg 180 Poll Keepers Appointed Aug Elections
[“S & C” = Code Letters – Meaning???

Lasaters S & C: Wm Merrill, Sims Upchurch and H. Williams; Gov: Henderson Wilson,

shff Capt. S. Wilson.

Aug Term 1844 – pg 183 Sims U. is noted as being among 30 Magistrates present in Court

Aug Term 1844 – pg 185

Administration of all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits of Elizabeth Patric deed is granted to Kimbro Council who enters into bond in the sum of \$600 with Sims Upchurch and Ensley Council as his securities and is qualified.

GILLIAM U. [s/o Moses U. - Head of Clan]

May Term 1844 – pg 175

A deed from Gilliam U. to Saml Wilson proved by Alvin Wilson.

A deed from John Harmon Shff to Gilliam U. proved by S. Brasington.

MURRAY U. [s/o Moses U. – Head of Clan]

Nov Term 1844 – pg 199

A deed from Kenchen Patrick to MURRAY U. proved by Lesley Herendon.

(28) Notes from RPU visit 30 Nov 2001 to Patsy Penny Horton

Inventory of Murray Upchurch's holdings in 1880 census book. Listed in N. Side of Pittsboro road.

60 acres improved

70 acres woodland

103 acres other unimproved

\$1000.00 value of farm.

\$30.00 farm implements and machinery

Listed under \$225.00 value was, 1 mule, 3 milk cows, 1 other cow, (possibly a bull), 8 sheep, 15 hogs.

47 bushels of wheat

40 bushels oats

90 bushels Indian corn.

No Tobacco.