

I. Introduction:

This compendium for the descendants of Nathan Pearce is being created, maintained, and updated by the Upchurch and Allied Families Association and cooperators with the purpose of KDYLQJ DW RQH RQOLQH VLWH GHWDLOV DERXW WKLV 8\$) \$ their heritage back to Nathan Pearce

Each UAFA enrolled family is served by a coordinator. Initially, the default coordinator of all enrolled families is Phil Upchurch, the founder of UAFA. Financial support is required to enroll and augment records for an enrolled family and to keep them for the long term. The financial cosponsors of the Nathan Pearce family and active supporters will be reported in periodic newsletters to the Nathan Pearce family. The ultimate goal is to have a minimal endowment of \$10,000 for this family, the earnings of which will support the records of this particular family and UAFA.

Historically, the records for the Nathan Pearce family have been found in a great many SODFHV % \ ³HQUROOLQJ´ WKLV IDPLO\ XQGHUJCEWHK D X V S L F portal which will readily allow a member of this family to see and understand reference materials about their heritage. Much of this material exists in the Allied Family Archives amassed by Phil Upchurch over a forty year period. This and other resources will set the stage for further research, or for the creation of a comprehensive family history. Progress will depend on collaboration.

Readers are aware of the large amount of conflicting data for any given family on Ancestry.com and other sites. It is difficult and essentially impossible to get these conflicts resolved online. Furthermore, some of these sites fade from view over time. The plan and intent of UAFA is to resolve both of those issues. It is our intent that content portrayed by UAFA for an enrolled family will be factual and subject to ongoing validation and that the content will remain online for the long term under the auspices of UAFA. To make this a reality, UAFA must be sustained by an active volunteer Board of Directors, volunteer cooperators must be active participants, and some hired help must be available. Tax-deductible financial contributions will be important to allow all of this to happen. You may go to [Home Page of Allied Families](#) to find a membership/contribution form.

The concept of Allied Families Association, formed in 2013, traces back to Richard Upchurch, II (1725 - 1798), who lived in Franklin County, NC. Nathan Pearce, his wife Ann or Nancy, and his children arrived in about 1775 in the area of Wake County that would become Dunn Township of Franklin County. The Pearce and Upchurch families lived as close neighbors with many interactions, and eventually Pearce-Upchurch marriages took place. Thus, it is fitting that the Nathan Pearce family be enrolled as one of the key allied families on our Allied Families website as a companion to several enrolled families represented by patriarchs of the children of Richard Upchurch, II. Upchurch family
