

Benjamin Pearce**XID – 2801**

Commentary: Benjamin Pearce was the son of Frances Upchurch and the grandson of Benjamin Upchurch, head of Upchurch Clan 13. Benjamin Pearce had three wives, one of whom was Elizabeth “Leacy” Upchurch, daughter of Burkely Upchurch. Benjamin also had an active role in the Civil War. Much of his interesting life is discussed in this Biofile.

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(1) Per attachment #29 West letter 18 May 1975 – Franklin Co, NC Marriage Bonds
“Leacy Upchurch married Benjamin Pearce 17 Nov 1836 – Bondsman and witness = James Upchurch’

[Note: Benjamin Pearce XID – 2801 heads a line in the Benjamin Upchurch/ Frances Upchurch Sub-clan – RPU]

(2) Ben Upchurch married Nancy Ledbetter; they had a daughter Frankie Upchurch who married John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787. John was son of Phillip and Nancy (Bunn) Pearce. John & Frankie (Upchurch) Pearce had 9 children one of whom was Benjamin Pearce. Benjamin married the 1st time Leesie Upchurch, 2nd Linda Denton and 3rd Betty Fason. He raised 11 children and lived to be 88. (33, Page 21 – see ref. for descendants) (Note – assume Leesie and Leacy Upchurch [XID – 2795] are same – RPU)

(3) See Page 6 of 13 Apr 1978 letter Edythe M Tippet to RPU
A. Leacy Upchurch married 17 November 1836 **Benjamin Pearce** in Franklin Co, NC. She was daughter of Burkley (Berkley) Upchurch

(4) See Page 10 of 4 Jun 1978 letter Edythe M Tippet to RPU
A. “I visited with three of **Benjamin Pearce**’s granddaughters one night in June. The oldest, Mamie Bunn remembers her grandfather and says all of his children but two were by his second wife, Linda Denton. I have some doubts about this since Benjamin married Leacy in 1836 and Linda 20 years later.” - Edythe M Tippet – See Pearce History for Benjamin’s children.
B. Page 7 – Blake Baker was a neighbor of **Benjamin Pearce** & Ambrose Upchurch. He was involved in a land dispute with Benjamin’s father, John.

(5) See letter 5 Mar 1982 Edythe Lee Medlin to RPU
See Photo File 82-7 for photo of **Benjamin Pearce**.

(6) See NC Supreme Court Case #4828 Franklin Co 1849
Benjamin Pearce was witness in trial of John Upchurch for burning of a sawmill of Malthus D Freeman for which John Upchurch was sentenced to be hung.

(7) See Pearce Family – compiled 1967

I. Nathan Pearce married Nancy Wester

A. Philip Pearce born 24 Jul 1754 married Nancy Bunn

1. John Pearce born 10 Nov 1788 married Frankie Upchurch died at age 80 – was daughter of Benjamin Upchurch and Nancy Ledbetter (lived to age 85) Benjamin Upchurch had sister Frankie Upchurch, Betty Upchurch and Nancy Upchurch.

Frankie's brother Jubble Upchurch lived to be 80.

a. Benjamin Pearce lived to 88

married 1st Leesie Upchurch

married 2nd Linda Denton died age 47

Linda Denton was daughter of Berk Perry and granddaughter of Bennett Perry and of Nancy Denton died age 45, the daughter of Drew Denton

married 3rd Betty Fason

Benjamin had 11 children.

(8) See letter 18 Jan 1994 Crama Lee Smith to RPU

In 1863 the heirs of John Pearce petitioned that his 1125 acres in Franklin Co, NC be divided among his heirs. The 1866 court order did so and did not mention his son **Benjamin Pearce**. Daughter Lucinda (Pearce) Mitchell received 187 acres which she sold in 1870 to a Benjamin Pearce [Question – was this Benjamin Pearce XID – 2801? – RPU]

(10) Franklin Co, NC Marriages

Benjamin Pearce married Lancy Upchurch

Bond: 17 Nov 1836

Witness/ Bondsman: James Upchurch; S Patterson

(11) See Pearce Family – compiled 1967

I. Nathan Pearce married Nancy Wester

A. Philip Pearce born 24 Jul 1754 married Nancy Bunn

1. John Pearce born 10 Nov 1781 married Frankie Upchurch

a. **Benjamin Pearce** lived to 88

married 1st Leesie Upchurch

married 2nd Linda Denton died age 47

married 3rd Betty Fason

i. Jane Pearce married () John Pearce, son of Ake Pearce

ii. Bill Pearce married () Frances Privett

iii. John Pearce married (TX) Norah Anderson

(I) Ophelia Pearce married Floyd Harris

(A) Franklin Sears Harris

(B) Oneida Nell Harris

(II) George Pearce

(III) Jones Pearce

- (IV) Gurtie Pearce married () Hascal Williams
 - (A) J D Williams
 - (B) Infant son
- (V) Lee Pearce
- (VI) Rondal Pearce
- (VII) Johnnie Pearce
- iv. Burrell Pearce married Orah Poole
 - (I) William Pearce died about age 21 (TN)
 - (II) James Madison Pearce died at birth
 - [Needs clarification – RPU]
- v. Cherrie Pearce married () John Alford – offspring listed separately
- vi. Nancy Pearce married () Bob Pearce → Texas – offspring listed separately
- vii. Arch Pearce – never married born 31 Mar 1865
- viii. Sherman Pearce – never married born 19 Apr 1867 died 28 Feb 1942
- ix. Gus Pearce married () Geneva Denton
 - (A) Mamie Pearce married () Troy Bunn
 - (B) Earl Pearce
 - (C) Alton Pearce
 - (D) Ray Davis Pearce
 - (E) Crama Pearce
 - (F) Aleene Pearce
 - (G) Anna Burrell Pearce
- x. Calvin Pearce married (1st) Lucy Williams – one child
 - (a) Bennie Pearce married () Meta Poole
- xi. Mariah Pearce married () Joe Pearce – 4 children → 3 names known
 - (A) Edgar Pearce
 - (B) Joe Turner Pearce
 - (C) Benjamin Pearce

(12) See Pearce Family – Item in letter 16 Sep 1998 Claude Craybon Hudson to RPU – 5 pages, Page 3

The passage below provides critical information on the Upchurch Family but raises questions. See passage below and the following interpretation.

Fill Pearce, 80³, his children were: Halley, 70; Nathon, 86; Hardy went to Alabama. Fill's wife was Nancey.

Benjamin Pearce's mother was Frankie Upchurch, 82, and Frankie Upchurch's mother was Nancey Ledbetter, 85. Nancey Ledbetter married Ben Upchurch.

Ben Upchurch's sisters – Frankie, Bettie, Nancey. Frankie Upchurch's brothers: Juble Upchurch, 80; Frankie's sister Winnie Upchurch

Benjamin Pearce's wife was Linda Denton, 47; Linda Denton's mother was Nancey Denton, 45; Nancy's mother was Cherry Denton, 75. Drew Denton was the father of Nancy Denton.

I. Nathan Pearce, I born 1735

A. Philip Pearce "Fill" 80³

married () Nancy --- ---

1. Halley Pearce 70
2. Nathan Pearce 86
3. Eley Pearce 80 [Eli]
4. Hardy Pearce → Alabama
5. John Pearce, II 80

married () Frankie Upchurch 82

- a. Benjamin Pearce
- married Linda Denton² 47
- 14 Children of their marriage.
- 11 reached adulthood

I. Richard Upchurch, II

A. Frankie Upchurch (F)

B. Bettie Upchurch

C. Nancy Upchurch

D. Juble Upchurch 80 [Jubal U]

E. Winnie Upchurch¹

F. Benjamin Upchurch

married () Nancy Ledbetter 85

1. Frankie Upchurch, 82

2. Winnie Upchurch¹

I. Drew Denton

married () Cherry --- --- 75

A. Nancy Denton²

1. Linda Denton² 47

¹The reference that Frankie had a sister Winnie could mean Winnie was a daughter of Richard Upchurch, II or of Benjamin Upchurch. Crossfile under Winifred Upchurch.

²It would appear Nancy Denton married () --- --- Denton – or had Linda out of wedlock

³Presume these ages show the lifespan of these individuals – RPU

(13) Internet download in letter 7 Mar 2000 Flora Pauline Upchurch to RPU

44. **Benjamin⁷ Pearce**, CSA (*John⁶, Phillip⁵, Nathan⁴, Nathan³, Phillip², George¹*) was born November 11, 1816 in Franklin Co, NC, and died August 30, 1904 in Franklin Co, NC. He married (1) Elizabeth Upchurch November 17, 1836 in Franklin Co, NC. She was born abt. 1823. He married (2) Malinda Denton January 7, 1856 in Franklin Co, NC, daughter of Redin Richards and Nancy Denton. She was born about 1839 in Franklin Co, NC. He married (3) Betty Fason about 1886, daughter of Benjamin Fason. She was born December 1847.

Notes for **Benjamin Pearce**, CSA:

Enlisted in Co I, 55th Regt on February 19, 1863 at the age of 39 as a Pt. Captured at Gettysburg, PA July 1 – 3, 1863. Confined at Fort Delaware and Point Lookout, MD.

More about **Benjamin Pearce**, CSA:

Burial: Nannie Orchard Cemetery, SR 1745, 1.1 miles W Hwy 39, Franklin Co, NC

Children of **Benjamin Pearce** and Elizabeth Upchurch are: [daughter of Burkely Upchurch]

- 111 i Lenore Jane⁸ Pearce, born January 15, 1842, Franklin Co, NC; died October 9, 1927, Franklin Co, NC.
- 112 ii William Pearce, born February 1850, Franklin Co, NC, died January 26, 1917, Franklin Co, NC
- iii Francis Pearce, born about 1855, Franklin Co, NC

Children of **Benjamin Pearce** and Malinda Denton are:

- 113 iv John H⁸ Pearce born about 1853, Franklin Co, NC
- v Burrell Pearce born about 1858, Franklin Co, NC; married Orah Poole; born unknown
- 114 vi James E Pearce born 1860, Franklin Co, NC; died December 23, 1929
- 115 vii Nancy Ellen Pearce born about 1862, Franklin Co, NC
- 116 viii Cherrie Pearce born about 1862, Franklin Co, NC; died Jun 8, 1903, Franklin Co, NC
- ix Archibald C Pearce born May 31, 1863, Franklin Co, NC, died January 11, 1925, Franklin Co, NC, married Leah Lancaster, August 20, 1881, Franklin Co, NC; born about 1862
More about Archibald C Pearce:
Burial: Nannie Orchard Cemetery, 1.1 mile west Hwy 39, Franklin Co, NC
- x Thomas Sherman Pearce, born about 1866, Franklin Co, NC
- 117 xi Augustus Fenner Pearce, born April 27, 1867, Franklin Co, NC; died February 28, 1942, Franklin Co, NC
- 118 xii Benjamin Calvin Pearce born March 12, 1869 Franklin Co, NC; died November 1, 1952, Franklin Co, NC
- xiii Pettigrew Pearce, born after 1871, Franklin Co, NC; died Franklin Co, NC
- xiv Mary Bell Pearce born after 1873, Franklin Co, NC
- xv Joseph Turner Pearce, born February 1874, Franklin Co, NC
- 119 xvi Mariah Pearce, born Mary 1875, Franklin Co, NC
- xvii Allison P Pearce born 1879, Franklin Co, NC

(14) See Pearce Family – Item in letter 16 Sep 1998 Claude Craybon Hudson to RPU – 5 pages, Page 3

I. Nathan Pearce, I born 1735

A. Philip Pearce

1. John Pearce, II lived to be 80 married () Frankie Upchurch – died age 82

a. **Benjamin Pearce** age 88 – still living married (2nd) Linda Denton 47

b. Jack Pearce 80 married () Jane Alford

i. Bryant Pearce → AL died age 22 (TX) (Buried – Bonham, TX)

- (I) J J Pearce (m)
- (II) J A Pearce (m)
- (III) W E Pearce (m)
- (IV) Susan Pearce
- c. Cal Pearce 85 married () Ruthy Baker
- d. Clear Pearce still living married () William Gay
- e. Sidney Pearce 70 "Sinda" married () Penn (Palum) Mitchell
married () Susan Brown
- f. Prisy Pearce 73 married () Boldy Alfon
- g. Harriet Pearce 78 married () Amos Upchurch [Ambrose Amos Upchurch]
- h. Jane Pearce 75 married () Clem Alford
- i. Fan Pearce 70 married () Joe Pulley

(15) From: Find A Grave – RPU 29 Aug 2015

Benjamin Pearce

Note: Nanny Orchard Cemetery AKA Benjamin Pearce Cemetery



Added by: [Betty and Scott](#)

Birth: Nov. 11, 1816
Death: Aug. 30, 1904

Family links:

Children:

[Lenora Jane Pearce Pearce \(1842 - 1927\)*](#)
[James Burrell Pearce \(1859 - 1934\)*](#)
[Cherrie Pearce Alford \(1861 - 1903\)*](#)
[Nancy Ellen Pearce Pearce \(1862 - 1919\)*](#)
[Archibald Crudup Pearce \(1863 - 1925\)*](#)
[Thomas Sherman Pearce \(1865 - 1930\)*](#)
[Augustus Fenner Pearce \(1867 - 1942\)*](#)

*Calculated relationship

Burial:

[Nanny Orchard Cemetery](#)
 Pearces
 Franklin County
 North Carolina, USA

[Edit Virtual Cemetery info \[2\]](#)

Created by: [Betty and Scott](#)
 Record added: Jul 11, 2011
 Find A Grave Memorial# 73195943

(16) Family of Benjamin Pearce born 11 Nov 1816 (Franklin Co, NC) Census Records – RPU Downloads – 3 Jul 2008

1850 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Benj Pearce	1823	27	farmer, \$400
Elizabeth Pearce	1823	27	
Jane Pearce	1842	8	
William Pearce	1849	0	8/12

1860 Census – Dunn Township, Bakers X Roads, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Benj Pearce	1817	43	farmer, \$1500/ \$519
Linda Pearce	1839	21	
Jane Pearce	1842	18	
William Pearce	1851	9	
Frances Pearce	1855	5	
John H Pearce	1857	3	
Burrel Pearce	1858	2	
Fenner Denton	1846	14	relationship not stated

1870 Census – Dunn Township, Pacific PO, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Biryan Pearce	1815	55	
Melinda Pearce	1838	32	
John Pearce	1859	11	
William Pearce	1850	20	
James Pearce	1861	9	
Cherry Pearce	1863	7	
Nancy Pearce	1864	6	
Archibald Pearce	1865	5	
Thomas Pearce	1866	4	
Augustus Pearce	1867	3	
Benjamin Pearce	1869	1	relationships not stated

1880 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Wm Peirce	1848	32	
Francis Peirce	1857	23	
Lucy W Peirce	1874	6	dau
Rosella Peirce	1876	4	dau
Furney E Peirce	1878	2	son

1880 Census – Benjamin Pearce not found. I have names of 4 more children born 1870 – 1880 – RPU

1900 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
William Pearce	Feb 1850	50	Head
Daisy M Pearce	Apr 1880	20	dau
Minda Pearce	Jan 1887	13	dau
Garlon Pearce	Mar 1890	10	son
Ira Pearce [Ora]	Sep 1892	7	dau

1900 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Gus F Pearce	Apr 1867	33	head, married 4 years
Geneva Pearce	Nov 1876	23	wife, [1, 1]
Mamie Pearce	Mar 1898	2	dau
Benjamin P Pearce	Nov 1814	85	father, widow
Alsie A Geans	Jan 1860	40	servant, white
Thip Geans	Mar 1890	10	hireling, white

1910 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Marcus S Alford	1885	25	Head
Menda B Alford	1887	23	[2, 2], wife
Heral M Alford	1907	3	son
Lee E Alford	1909	1 6/12	son
William Pierce	1851	59	father in law
Ora M Pierce	1895	15	sister in law

1920 Census – Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
Marcus C Alford	1882	38	Head
Minda Alford	1886	34	wife
Herald Alford	1907	13	son
Lerald Alford	1909	11	son
Madied Alford	1911	9	dau
Euell Alford	1914	6	son
Minnie Alford	1916	3 6/12	dau
M C Alford	1918	1 6/12	son
Herma House	1895	25	boarder

I. Nathan Pearce, I born 9 Jul 1735

A. Philip Pearce – 1 of 4 brothers

1. John Pearce, II

married () Frances Upchurch

a. Benjamin Pearce born 11 Nov 1816 (Franklin Co, NC)

married (1st) Leesie Upchurch¹ [AKA Elizabeth Upchurch]

married (2nd) Linda Denton² [AKA Melinda Denton}

married (3rd) Betty Fason

i.¹ Lenora Jane Pearce

ii.¹ William Pearce born about 1850

married () Frances Privette born about 1857. Frances Privette is daughter of Auma Upchurch and granddaughter of Burkley Upchurch and great granddaughter of Richard Upchurch, III

(I) Lucy W Pearce AKA Lessie W Pearce

(II) Rosella Pearce

(II) Furney E Pearce

(IV) Daisy M Pearce

(V) Rosa Minda B Pearce

married () Marcus J Alford

(A) Herald Alford

(B) Lerald Alford

(C) Madied Alford

(D) Euell Alford

(E) Minnie Alford

(F) M C Alford

(VI) Garlon Pearce

(VII) Ora Pearce

iii.¹ Frances Pearce

iv.² John H Pearce

v.² Burrell Pearce

vi.² James E Pearce

vii.² Cherrie Pearce

viii.² Nancy Ellen Pearce

ix.² Archibald C Pearce

x.² Thomas Sherman Pearce

xi.² Augustus Fenner Pearce

xii.² Benjamin Calvin Pearce

(17) Book: Strickland Records and Family Groups – Carla Tate 2007, Wake Co, NC Records – Pages 26 – 397 – Items of Interest to RPU

Re: Estate of Bertis Terrell Strickland (page 266 – he died 1896)

Page 157 – 1851 Tax Roll – 1386 acres – B T Strickland

Page 159 – 9 Feb 1851 B T S purchases Bunn Mill from James D Newsom

Page 268 – Clara A Strickland wife of B T S writes her will 14 Apr 1880 (probated 1897). She leaves 1/2 of her estate in trust for husband but he predeceased her – so all went to daughter nee Virginia N Strickland, wife of S P Gill. S P G died before 1894.

Page 275 – Virginia had a life right to Clara's land but on 23 Aug 1898 agreed to five it to her 5 children, each to pay her \$30/ year – some of the land I nDunn's Township – Franklin Co, NC

Map by Pittman Stell Co. Surveyor for Wake re division of the B.T. Strickland land among the heirs of the late Vane Gill, under an order of court of October 3, 1898 according to the commissioners' report. Map shows Mill pond (Note from author: now Bunn Lake), Rocky Branch, Beaverdam Branch, Wolf Pit Branch, Moccasin Creek and roads to Louisburg (Note from author: now Shepard School Road) and Raleigh.

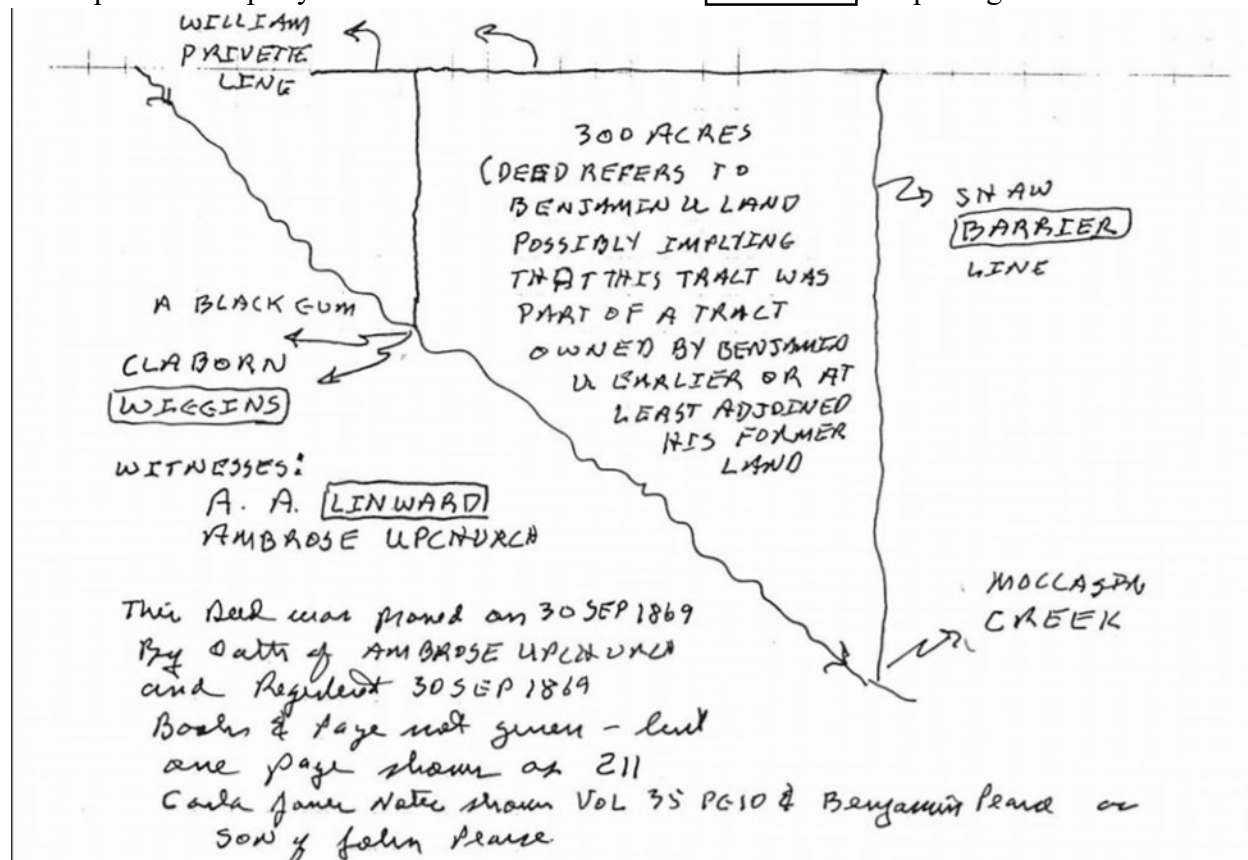
Petition of Virginia N. Gill (mother of three infant children Bertie E., Sylvanus Z. and Alie A. and 2 children of age, who holds life estate in lands in Wake and Franklin Counties, requests partition of the land and requests appointment of a reputable and disinterested person to represent the children as their next friend in the action of partition about to be instituted. Signed Virginia N. Gill before George L. ____offski, D.C. 8/23/1898. Order that W.T. Smith be appointed next friend of the infants Bertie E., Sylvanus Z. and Alie A. Gill and be authorized to join in the special proceeding for partition. D.H. Young, Clerk Superior court 8/23/1898.

Petition for partition. Filed 8/23/1898 in Book C Partion (sic) p. 368 9/5/1905. Case No. 859. Virginia N. Gill et al. Ex Parte. Stated that her mother had died 12/7/1896 leaving a last will and testament which was admitted to probate in Wake County. All of the real estate of the testatrix was devised to Virginia N. Gill as a life estate and Virginia's children Walter C., James E., Bertie E. Sylvanus Z. and Alie A. are each entitled to 1/5 of the value of the land subject to the life estate of their mother. Walter C. and James E. are over 21 years of age and the other 3 children are minors, Bertie E. being 20 years old, Sylvanus Z. being 18 years old, and Alie A. being 15 years old, all of them living with their mother the petitioner Virginia N. Gill. The land was the property of Mrs. Clara A. Strickland and is described as "All that tract of land lying in Little River Township in the County of Wake and in Dunn Township in the County of Franklin on the waters of Mocasín (sic) Creek, bounded on the North by the lands of Ambrose Upchurch and Benjamin Pearce, on the East by the lands of Joseph Glover and Henry Haywood's heirs; on the South by the lands of Noah Strickland, G.M. Bell and J.R. Edwards and on the West by the lands of Nannie A. Hunter, Lemon Chamblee, Thomas Wiggs and W.H. Chamblee, Jr." A large portion of the land is uncleared and yields a very small income, and it is greatly to the interest of all parties concerned that the land shall be divided before the life estate of the petitioner Virginia N. Gill shall terminate, so that the petitioners who are remaindermen may each own his land in severalty, with the right to improve the same and to render it more productive.

(18) Franklin Co, NC Deed made 27 Nov 1854 wherein John Pearce sells 300A to **Benjamin Pearce** (both of Franklin Co, NC) for \$300 – Item to RPU on 29 Oct 2006 from Carla Jones – copy placed in Franklin Co, NC Deed File and in Carla Jones biofile.

Description of Property

 = spelling unclear



Key to names, etc. in above map: William Privette, Benjamin Upchurch, Claborn Wiggins, A A Linward, Ambrose Upchurch, Shaw Barrier, Moccasin Creek, Benjamin Pearce, John Pearce.
Added by CJM on 15 Aug 2019

(19) Franklin Co, NC Deed written 9 Dec 1854, registered 12 Apr 1855 to RPU 29 Oct 2006 by Carla Jones – copy in her biofile (Item VII) and in Franklin Co, NC Deed File Vol 31? Page 440

John Pearce sells 400A for \$1600 to his son in law Ambrose Amos Upchurch.

Adjoins: Burtis Stricklin and **Benjamin Pearce**, et al. John Pearce place his mark. Witness: A H Lancaster

(20) Jan 1864 Survey to allocate lands of John Pearce, II born 10 Nov 1787, son of Philip, grandson of Nathan. Widow – nee Frances A Upchurch gets 623 acres – daughter of Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan

Six Children each get 187A

1. Clara Ann (Pearce) Gay – husband deceased
2. Fannie (Pearce) Pulley – husband = Joseph
3. Jane (Pearce) Alford – husband = Clem
4. Harriet (Pearce) Upchurch – Husband = Ambrose
5. Priscilla (Pearce) Alford – husband = Archibald
6. Lucinda (Pearce) Mitchell – husband = Pemberton

Child 7 Calvin Pearce got a remote 22A

#8 – Benjamin – 300A

#9 – John??

[Names included: Acrel Pearce, John Jeffreys, Privette, William Privette, Mobley, Shaw Driver, Bryant Stallings, Strickland, Burkely Upchurch, Bartlett Medlin, John Griffin, B Medlin, Griffon, Bell, Gaston, Johnson, Pace, W K Hopkins

(see map below)

(21) From Estate File of John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787 [son of Philip Pearce born 9 Jun 1735]
See his biofile – 29 Oct 2006

Selected Estate Records

Page 15a – Sale of 10 slaves on 26 Dec 1863 by G M Cooley

The slaves are all named

5 bought by the widow [Frances Upchurch]

and 1 each by John Chamblee, William Privette, Purritan Mitchel, John Pearce, Jr,
Benjamin Pearce

Page 15a & 15b – Report of cash on hand & notes due the estate as of 9 Mar 1864

Cash \$1000.00

W S Harris \$150.00 due 18 Mar 1854; \$74.17 due 25 May 1859

S Brantley \$73.19 due 2 Mar 1861; \$50.00 due 9 Mar 1859

William Gay \$29.84 due 27 Apr 1861

A Upchurch & Acriel Pearce \$1361.52 due 19 Dec 1859 subject to credit of \$245 paid
19 Dec 1862

B T Stricklin \$80.00 due 23 May 1855; \$463.80 due 27 May 1854, paid 369.74 21 Aug
1854

Strickland & Chamblee \$255.00 due 8 Dec 1855

B T Strickland & B C Stricklin \$250.00 due 23 May 1855

Page 16a – Amounts “brought over”

B T Strickland & Blake Baker \$125 due 11 Aug 1855

S Brantley \$18.08 due 11 Jan 1862; \$222.60 due 13 Jun 1860

T G Riley & B A Perry \$40.00 for 16 Nov 1860

Samuel Harris & Tho S Williams \$300.00 due 16 May 1861

T G Riley & W S Harris \$100.00 due 15 Dec 1856

Robert Griffin \$25.19 due 4 Jan 1861; John Chamblee \$100 due 25 Dec 1858

Page 16b

A P Crudup \$135.00 due 15 Aug 1857

S Brantley \$150.50 due 6 Jan 1858; \$125.00 due 26 Mar 1859

Cash rec'd from Tho S Williams on note \$178.97

John S Perry \$20.40 due 11 Mar 1862

Carter Hodges \$1000 due 15 Jun 1860

Hartney Medlin \$16.65 due 26 Feb 1853; \$14.00 due 26 Feb 1853

Budd Hick \$8.20 due 2 Oct 1850

W Alston \$196.21 due 19 Feb 1853 - \$5 paid 24 Dec 1859 and \$5 paid 5 May 1859, \$25
paid 29 Oct 1859, \$13.00 paid 11 Dec 1859

(22) From Estate File of John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787 [son of Philip Pearce born Jun 1735] See his biofile – 29 Oct 2006, Franklin Co, NC

Major estate sale of perishable and wasting property of the late John Pearce, Sr on 7 May 1863 – by G M Cooley, Admr. – Purchases by:

Clem Alford – 7	W Locus – 1
Keaser Alford – 2	J Maasse – 1 [Massey?]
B Alford – 3	Gray Massey – 5
Jackson Allen – 2	L Mitchell – 1
George Barham – 2	P Mitchell – 7
T H Cannard	B Medlin – 1
or T H Canneers	T B Mann (Dr) – 1
or T H Canniers	William Privette – 9
W W Cargal – 1	Mary Privette – 1
Sandurs Clifton – 1	R Perry – 5
W S Cheves – 2	T Pulley – 4
Shaw Driver – 1	John (Johan) Pendergrass – 3
D Davis – 1	Calvin Pearce – 21
J C Freeman – 1	<u>Benjamin Pearce</u> – 29
W T Freeman – 1	Thomas Pearce – 1
R C Freeman – 2	S Pearce – 1
T T Freeman – 1	Acril Pearce – 2 [Acrall/ Acail]
B Griffin – 1	T Smith – 5
William Gay – 7	J F Scott – 5
Charles H Horton – 3	W W Silvester – 3
A Hopkins – 1	Lotta Stallings – 2
W S Harris – 2	J Tharrington – 3
Mary Jones – 2	Ambrose Upchurch – 12
Chestan Jones – 1	T Upchurch – 2
Bennett Joyner – 7	Frances A Upchurch (widow) – 26
Wiley Jeffers – 1	Thomas Williams - 1
R Johnson – 3	L Williams - 1
	William Williams – 2

(23) Extract of Mrs Frances A Pearce court action Mar 1863 Franklin Co, NC to obtain dower rights in property of her late husband John Pearce, II – item in letter 1 May 1984 Eleanor Grace Williamson to RPU – Filed in biofile of nee Frances A Upchurch (XID – 2814) John Pearce, II died intestate leaving children as follows:

Benjamin Pearce

Calvin Pearce

John Pearce [“Jack”]

Lucinda Mitchel [Lucinda Pearce]

Priscilla Alford [Priscilla Pearce]

Harriet Upchurch [Harriet Pearce]
 Jane Alford [Jane Pearce]
 Clara Gay [Clara Pearce]
 Fannie Pulley [Fannie Pearce]

(24) See Page 43 download in letter 7 Mar 2000 Flora Pauline Upchurch to RPU
 81. John Calvin⁸ Pearce, CSA (Acrel N⁷, Nathaniel⁶, Phillip⁵, Nathan⁴, Nathan³, Phillip², George¹) was born October 26, 1838 in Franklin Co, NC, and died August 2, 1924 in Franklin Co, NC. He married Lenora Jane Pearce January 7, 1861 in Franklin Co, NC, daughter of **Benjamin Pearce** and Elizabeth Upchurch. She was born January 15, 1842 in Franklin Co, NC, and died October 9, 1927 in Franklin Co, NC.

Notes for JOHN CALVIN PEARCE, CSA:

Enlisted in Co. B, 47th Regt. on February 28, 1862 at the age of 23. Mustered in as Sergeant. Wounded in the head at Gettysburg, PA, July 1-3, 1863. Returned to duty prior to September 1, 1863. Hospitalized at Richmond, VA, January 11, 1865, with an unspecified complaint and was furloughed on January 28, 1865.

On October 20, 1879 he was appointed Gardian of Acrel Pearce, his father in Book 1, page 238, Franklin Co., NC Executors & Administrators.

More About JOHN CALVIN PEARCE, CSA:

Burial: Pearces Bapt. Ch. Cem., Franklin Co., NC

More About LENORA JANE PEARCE:

Burial: Pearces Bapt. Ch. Cem., Franklin Co., NC

(25) From Estate File of John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787 [son of Philip Pearce born 9 Jun 1735]
 See his biofile – 29 Oct 2006, Franklin Co, NC
 Page 46 = The heirs of John Pearce, Sr petition to divide his 1125 acres, December Term 1863.
 For the petitioners: B W Spivey
 Petitioners (Heirs) – 9:

Benjamin Pearce	John Pearce, Jr
Calvin Pearce	
Pemberton Mitchell & wife nee Lucinda Pearce	
Clem Alford & wife nee Jane Pearce	
Baldy Alford & wife nee Priscilla Pearce	
Joseph Pulley "Joe" & wife nee Frances Perce "Fannie"	
William Gay & wife nee Clara Ann Pearce "Clary"	
Ambrose Upchurch & wife nee Harriett Pearce	

Land bounded by:

William Privette **Benjamin Pearce** Shaw Driver

Commissioners appointed:

Thomas Williams John Griffin W T Minga

W S Cheves W S Harris

Registered: 16 Jul 1866, T C Horton Clerk of Court

(26) 1860 Census Franklin Co, NC Dunn's Township from Ancestry.com

1860 Census – Dunn Township, Bakers X Roads, Franklin Co, NC			
Name	born about	age	
<u>Benj Pearce</u>	1817	43	farmer, \$1500 RE/ \$519 PP
Linda Pearce	1839	21	
Jane Pearce	1842	18	
William Pearce	1851	9	
Frances Pearce	1855	5	
John H Pearce	1857	3	
Burrel Pearce	1858	2	
Fenner Denton	1846	14	relationship not stated

1860 United Sate Federal Census

Name: John H Pearce

Age in 1860: 3

Birth Year: about 1857

Birthplace: North Carolina

Home in 1860: Dunn, Franklin, North Carolina

Gender: Male

Post Office: Bakers Cross Roads

I. Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan

XID

A. Frances Upchurch married John Pearce born 1787

1. Benjamin Pearce born 11 Nov 1816 2801

married (2nd) 7 Jan 1856 () Malinda Denton¹ 2974

a. Lenora Jane Pearce 4457

b. Frances Pearce 33896

c.¹ John Pearce 33886

d.¹ Burrell Pearce 33887

e. Fenner Denton [brother of Malinda]

f. William Pearce 28453

(27) From Estate File of John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787 [son of Philip Pearce born 9 Jun 1735]
See his biofile – 29 Oct 2006, Franklin Co, NC

Page 46 = The heirs of John Pearce, Sr petition to divide his 1125 acres, December Term 1863.

For the petitioners: B W Spivey

Petitioners (Heirs) – 9:

Benjamin Pearce

John Pearce, Jr

Calvin Pearce

Pemberton Mitchell & wife nee Lucinda Pearce

Clem Alford & wife nee Jane Pearce

Baldy Alford & wife nee Priscilla Pearce

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(28) See Page 57 download in letter 7 Mar 2000 Flora Pauline Upchurch to RPU

107. Robert Burrell⁸ Pearce (Solomon⁷, Nathaniel⁶, Phillip⁵, Nathan⁴, Nathan³, Phillip², George¹)
was born November 24, 1852 in Franklin Co, NC. He married Nancy Ellen Pearce, daughter of
Benjamin Pearce and Malinda Denton. She was born about 1862 in Franklin Co, NC.

Children of Robert Pearce and Nancy Pearce are:

i. William Pearce born about 1882

ii. Arthur Pearce born about 1885

iii. Otha Pearce born unknown

iv. Arter Pearce born unknown

v. Nannie Pearce born unknown, married Orville Grant, born unknown

vi. Bessie Pearce born unknown

[*Note: Prior input has this couple but lists the husband as Wm Burrell Pearce and the list of the children is different from I → vi – need to resolve – RPU]

I. Nathan Pearce, II born 23 May 1783

married () Susan Upchurch

A. Solomon Pearce

1. Robert Burrell Pearce

I. Benjamin Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Frances Upchurch, II

1. Benjamin Pearce

a. Nancy Ellen Pearce
aka Nancy Arch Pearce

(29) From Estate File of John Pearce born 10 Nov 1787 [son of Philip Pearce born 9 Jun 1735] see his biofile – 29 Oct 2006 Franklin Co, NC

Six of the heirs of John Pearce, II received contiguous 187 acre tracts near Moccasin Creek. Their brother Benjamin Pearce received a 300 acre tract as shown below.



(no number) Upchurch and Related Tax Listings – Franklin Co, NC 1798 – 1864 – to RPU from Carla Jones 29 Oct 2006

	District	Benjamin Pearce		
1824	Capt Hunter	322A	\$664	1WP
1825	Capt Hunter	323A	\$664	1WP
1826	Capt Hunter			1WP
1827	Capt Hunter			1WP
1828	Capt Farmer	322A	\$664	1WP
1829	Capt Pearce	322A	\$664	1WP
1830	Capt Allen	322A	\$664	1WP
1831	---	---	---	---
1832	Capt Allen	322A	\$664	1WP
1833	Capt F D Allen	322A	\$664	1WP
1834	---	---	---	---
1835	Capt Pearce	322A	\$664	1WP
1836	Capt Pearce	322A		

1837 & beyond – extracted?

Issue – RPU – 29 Aug 2015

Is this Benjamin Pearce the same as Benjamin Pearce born 11 Nov 1818 died 30 Aug 1905? It seems off that born in 1818 he would have land in 1824?? at age 6 years

(no number) Upchurch and Related Tax Listings – Franklin Co, NC 1798 – 1864 – to RPU from Carla Jones 29 Oct 2006

[Names included in lists below: Captain Hunter, Captain Farmer, Captain Pearce, Captain Allen, Captain Eley Denson, Captain John Stone, Captain F D Allen, Captain Wilhite, Captain Bowden, John Pearce, Benjamin Pearce, Archibald Pearce, Joseph Pearce, Plummer Pearce, Rebecca Pearce, Willie Upchurch, Albert Upchurch, Elizabeth Upchurch, Alford Upchurch

[RPU comments re: lists below 1821 – 1845 Tax Lists – 6 Aug 2008

1. John Pearce (assume all of this name)
2. **Benjamin Pearce**
3. Archibald Pearce
4. Joseph Pearce
5. Plummer Pearce
6. Rebecca Pearce
7. Willie Upchurch
8. Albert Upchurch
9. Alford Upchurch
10. Elizabeth Upchurch

Captain Hunters District

1821

John Pearce 340 acres worth \$2 per acre \$680 4 BP
John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 2 BP

Captain Hunters District

1822

John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 2 or 5 BP

Captain Hunter's District

1823

John Pierce 523 acres \$2 per acre \$1046 2 BP

Captain Allen's District

1830

John Perce 220 acres worth \$2 per acre \$440 3 BP
Benjamin Pearce 322 acres worth \$2 per acre \$644 1 WP
Archibald Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre \$400 1 WP 1 BP
Joseph Pearce 1 WP

Captain Allen's District

1831

John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 3 BP
Joseph Pearce 1 WP
Archibald Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre \$400 1 WP 1 BP

(continued below)

Captain Hunter's District

1824

Benjamin Pearce 322 acres \$2 per acre worth \$644 1 WP
 John Pearce 750 acres \$2 per acre \$1,500 5 BP

Captain Hunter's District

1825

Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre \$646 1 WP
 John Pearce 750 acres worth \$2 per acre \$1,500 4 BP

Captain Hunter's District

1826

Archibald Pearce 322 acres \$2 per acre \$644
 Benjamin Pearce 1 WP
 John Pearce 222 acres \$2 per acre \$444 3 BP

Captain Hunter's District

1827

John Pearce 750 acres worth \$2 per acre \$1500 4 BP
 Benjamin Pearce 1 WP
 John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 2 BP
 Archibald Pearce 170 acres worth \$2 per acre
 Archibald Pearce 322 acres worth \$2 per acre \$984

Captain Farmer's District

1828

John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 2 BP
 (note loose list also lists 1 WP)
 Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre \$646 1 WP

Captain Pearce's District

1829

Archibald Pearce 1 WP
 John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 4 BP
 Benjamin Pearce 322 acres worth \$2 per acre \$644 1 WP

Captain Allen's District

1832

— Archibald Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre \$400 1 WP 1 BP pd. \$2.78
 John Pearce 223 acres worth \$2 per acre \$446 3 BP d. \$3.77
 Plummer Pearce 1 WP pd. \$.87
 — Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre \$646 1 WP pd. \$2.55

Captain F.D. Allen's District

1833

— Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre \$646 1 WP pd 2.46
 Plummer Pearce 1 WP pd \$.84
 Rebecca Pearce 222 acres worth \$2 per acre \$444 3 BP pd \$3.93
 — Arch W. Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre \$400 1 WP 1 BP pd \$2.78

Captain John Stone's District

1834

— Willie Upchurch 234 acres worth \$1.50 per acre = \$351 1 WP 2BP Pd \$3.40
 Albert Upchurch 1 WP Pd 84 cents
 Elizabeth Upchurch 421 acres worth \$2 per acre + \$842 Pd. \$2.10
 — Alford Upchurch 162 acres worth \$2.29 per acre = \$372 1 WP 1 BP Pd \$2.61
 Archibald Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre 1 WP 3 BP

Captain Pearce's District

1834

— Plummer Pearce 1 WP pd. \$.84
 Pearce (no first name listed) 224 acres worth \$2. per acre \$448 1 WP pd. \$1.96

Captain Pearce's District

1835

— Plummer D. Pearce 1 WP
 — Archibald Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre \$400 1 WP 3 BP
 Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre \$646 1 WP

Captain Pearce's District

1836

— Archd Pearce 200 acres worth \$2 per acre 1 WP 2 BP
 — Benjamin Pearce 323 acres worth \$2 per acre
 — Plummer Pearce 1 WP

1845 Archibald W. Pearce moved out of (school) district

1845