

Selah Upchurch**XID – 155****Colonial Upchurch Head of Clan No. 18**

Commentary: Selah Upchurch was born in 1743 in Brunswick County, VA. She was head of Upchurch Clan # 18 and the daughter of James Upchurch III. She married Benjamin Mosely in Brunswick County. His will written in 1785 mentions his wife Selah. Her sister, Edith, also married a Mosley thought to be the brother of Benjamin. Whether Selah and Edith had any children is yet to be determined. As far as we know both sisters lived their entire lives in Brunswick County. The circumstances are ripe for a UAFAs researcher to seriously investigate the Mosely family. It could provide a big boost for Upchurch family history.

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More Commentary: Many family trees on Ancestry, and books on the Mosely (Moseley, Mosley) family, suggest that Selah Upchurch was the wife of Isaac b. 1745, who was the son of Benjamin. It is also suggested that Selah accompanied Isaac to Laurens County, South Carolina prior to the 1800 census. Isaac's father, Benjamin might have married a different Selah. Also, Isaac had several sons, including a Burwell. Selah's brother was named Burwell. But the paper trail is still too thin to ascertain any of this with any certainty.

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(1) Selah Upchurch was daughter of James Upchurch III, being named in his will dated 24 Jun 1784 [see page 23 of (28)]. (28)

4. Selah Upchurch...The will of James 3 mentions his daughter Selah Moseley. The will of Benjamin Moseley mentions wife Selah. Land was patented by John Moseley and Thomas Moseley on Pea Hill Creek. Benjamin Moseley patented land recorded Book 400.

From (29) for XID – 165 page 31, 32

Page 700: Benjamin Moseley granted 7-5-1774 ninety acres of land adjoining William Moseley's line. Other Moseleys received land grants on Lizard Creek and Pigeon Roost Creek from 1744 forward, Nfi.

(2) See page 35 of 2 Feb 178 letter Elna E Burkhalter to RPU

A. "Note. Refer to will of James Upchurch (XID – 155) who died in 1784. His daughter Selah Moseley. It seems that Selah Upchurch married Benjamin Moseley. The will of Benjamin Moseley written 1785 refers to my wife Selah Mosely.

- (3)** See 20 Jul 1979 letter Julia Frances Upchurch to RPU
Benjamin Mosley is listed as husband of **Selah Upchurch**
- (4)** See letter 15 Sep 2000 Kevin Michael Upchurch to RPU page 2
Selah Upchurch born 1743 (Brunswick, VA)
- (5)** Excerpt from book “The Upchurches” by Mae D Cox April 2008; Item: page 103

Fourth Generation
James Upchurch III
Pages 102 – 121 copied for his biofile

- 1 Michael Upchurch I 1620 – 1681
+Frances ? 1630 – 1690/91
- 2 Baby Upchurch 1654 –
2 Baby Upchurch 1656 –
2 Richard Upchurch 1658 – 1700
+Spouse unknown 1658 –
- 3 John Upchurch I 1678 – 1758
+Eleanor ?
*2nd wife of John Upchurch I:
+Elizabeth Hunnicut 1682 –
- 4 Elizabeth Upchurch 1700 –
4 Sarah Upchurch 1707 –
4 Tryphena Upchurch 1709 –
4 James Upchurch 1711 – 1713
5 Harmon Upchurch 1740 – 1815
5 John Upchurch 1741 – 1795
5 **Selah Upchurch** 1743 –
5 Edith Upchurch 1745 –
5 James Upchurch 1756 - 1784