Benjamin Upchurch XID – 14648 [See later page for major correction]

Commentary: Benjamin was the son of Stephen and Rebecca Lee Chamblee Upchurch, and a grandson of Jubal, head of Upchurch clan 6.

<u>Acknowledgements:</u> This biofile was transcribed by Carla J. Michaels of Cary NC. She is both a marvelous contributor to UAFA and a member of the UAFA board. She is also a noted local historian in the Cary area.

(1) See West letter 14 May 1979 to RPU

"The information enclosed about <u>Benjamin (Upchurch)</u> fails to reveal a list of his children. I have only what you initialed sometime ago. That is – two children: Jefferson Davis (Upchurch) born 1861 and Joseph Calvin (Upchurch) of Harnett Co (NC). Benjamin married 2nd and had Willie Frank (Upchurch) and Mollie (Upchurch).

- (2) Benjamin Upchurch born 29 Oct 1830 died 19 Apr 1919 married 1850 1855 Isabella ---.

 Benjamin Upchurch → Jefferson Davis Upchurch → John Cleveland Upchurch → Clyde Davis Upchurch → Michael Ray Upchurch. This info from Michael Ray Upchurch of Raleigh, NC.
- (3) See letter 30 Oct 1975 Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Jr to Etta Belle Lewter filed with the former:
- I. Benjamin Upchurch born circa 1830 married1st Areabell Medlin who died before 1870
 - A. Jefferson Davis Upchurch born 1861
 - 1. Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Sr
 - a. Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Jr

"In the whole of Cumberland Co, NC in 1850 (Harnett Co was a part of Cumberland Co until 1855) there are only three Upchurches: **Benjamin**, 20; John, 19; and Nathan B, and none is living with his family. Benjamin is listed in a house with five young males, none of whom is an Upchurch; John is listed in a house with a McDuffie family, and Nathan Is with a woman named Barclay age 70. I'm wondering if these 3 boys are brothers living with guardians."

"An older sister of Jefferson Davis Upchurch verified that Jefferson Davis Upchurch was the son of Benjamin Upchurch."

"Benjamin Upchurch is on the Cumberland Co, NC 185- Census as a 20-year old living in a house with all young me. This is a puzzle to us. Listed next on the census were Temperance Medlin, 42, and Areabell Medlin, 22. Benjamin married Areabell soon after the census was taken in 1850, and the 1860 shows them in the same household with four sons and Areabell's mother. Areabell had a fifth son in 1861, my grandfather [Jefferson Davis Upchurch]. Apparently, she died because she is not shown in the 1870 Census. Benjamin remarried and had two children, Molly [Mary Elizabeth Upchurch] and Willie Frank Upchurch."

(4) See letter 15 Jan 1984 Ada Upchurch to RPU Benjamin Upchurch stone at Neills Creek Baptist Church = born 29 Oct 1830 + wife Catherine Upchurch



My great great grandfather was **Benjamin Upchurch**. The best I can find out his father's name was Calvin Upchurch. [Note; Is this new info or is she is giving me what I have supplied – RPU] The 1st wife of Benjamin Upchurch was my grandfather's mother. Benjamin Upchurch married a second time to Katie and I think Katie's [Catherine Johnson] last name was Johnson.

(5) See 1900 Census NC – Harnett C.

Benjamin Upchurch white born 28 Oct 1830 NC age 69
Catherine Upchurch wife born Aug 1842 NC age 57
[Catherine Johnson]
Frank Upchurch son born Jun 1880 NC age 20

(6) See letter 4 Mar 1999 Jean Bayles to RPU

Benjamin Upchurch born 29Oct 1830 (Franklin Co, NC) died 19 Apr 1919 Married 10 Nov 1850 () Arabella Medlin.

(7) See letter Nancy Upchurch to RPU received 25 Jun 1981

Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 died 1910 buried Neills Creek Baptist Church 2 1/2 miles from Angier, NC on Hwy 210. His first wife had 5 children. She died and he married Catherine J Upchurch who had 4 children. The children:

- 1. Jeff Upchurch born 1861 died 1933 buried Buies Creek, NC [Jefferson Davis Upchurch] → Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Sr → Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, JR → This is "Woody"
- 2. Calvin Upchurch [Joseph Calvin Upchurch]
- 3. Kitt Upchurch

Children of Kitt Upchurch

1. son = William Upchurch, grandson = Frank Upchurch

2/ son = Sim Upchurch married Iola Miriam ---

4. James Upchurch [→ children = Lenora Upchurch, Maude Upchurch, Ava Upchurch [no issue], Lilly Upchurch [no issue], James Bernard Upchurch]

Children of Lenora Upchurch:

*1. Mary Reba Denning,

[*Had phone conversation 17 or 18 Jul 82 – RPU]

- 2. Bruce Numea Denning,
- 3. Mattie Mae Denning,
- 4. Nora Derama Denning

Children of Maude Upchurch:

- 1. Hilda Hall,
- 2. Cooper Hall, Jr

Children of James Bernard Upchurch:

- *1. James Reid Upchurch,
- 2. Lucille Edna Upchurch,
- *3. Mary Florence Upchurch,
- 4. Grace Upchurch,



5. Pansey Upchurch

[*Had phone conversation 17 or 18 Jul 82 – RPU]

5. Charlie Upchurch [Charlie H Upchurch] born 1867 died 1932 buried Neills Creek Baptist Church married Jeanne ---

Children of Charlie H Upchurch:

- 1. Lonnie M Upchurch, born 13 Mar 1889;
- 2. Edd Upchurch;
- 3. Ada Upchurch, born 5 Mar 1896 died 15 Dec 1917;
- 4. Mayton C Upchurch;
- 5. Ben J Upchurch;
- 6. Lucy Upchurch;
- 7. Clarence L Upchurch;
- 8. Frank C Upchurch, father of Ada Upchurch born 18 Sep 1921 who married Harrington [Correspondent]
- 6. Frank Upchurch [Benjamin Franklin Upchurch]
- 7. Will Upchurch buried Neills Creek Baptist Church [William F Upchurch] born 1873 died 1969
- 8. Mary Elizabeth Upchurch buried Neills Creek Baptist Church married --- Babb Note: Additional descendants of #5 are known.

[Note: additional name in original biofile:

Charles Herbert Upchurch

- *1. Euna Earle Upchurch [*Had phone conversation 17 or 18 Jul 82 RPU]
- 2. Fred Eldridge Upchurch

It is unclear to transcriber where this name fits in. Please see original biofile posted on the website. – CJM 13 Nov 2020]

- (8) See letter 30 Oct 1975 Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Jr to Etta Belle Lewter, filed with the former.
- I. <u>Benjamin Upchurch</u> born circa 1830 one of 3 males on 1850 Census of Cumberland Co, NC

married circa 1851 Areabell Medling, died < 1870

- A. Jefferson Davis Upchurch born 1861
 - 1. Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Sr
 - a. Jefferson Woodrow Upchurch, Jr
- (9) See Marriage Records NC Upchurches

Benjamin Upchurch married 10 Nov 1850 Areabell Medling in Cumberland Co, NC



(10) See letter 15 Jan 1984 Ada Upchurch to RPU

My great grandfather was Benjamin Upchurch (of Wake Co, NC, I think). I don't know who his 1st wife was. His first wife was my grandfather's mother. He was married a 2nd time to Katie – or at least my grandfather called her Aunt Katie and I think her last name was Johnson. I don't know why he called her Aunt Katie unless maybe she was the sister of his mother as well or his step-mother.

A gravestone and Niel's Creek Baptist Church in Harnett Co, NC:

Benjamin Upchurch born 29 Oct 1830

Catherine, 2nd wife of Benjamin Upchurch

My grandfather was Charlie H Upchurch born 22 Aug 1867 died Oct 1932

My grandfather had a 1/2 brother named Will Upchurch.

My grandfather had one sister – Mary E Upchurch (Mollie) born 3 Apr 1875 died 26 Oct 1938 married Bill Babb.

(11) 1880 Census, Harnett Co, NC 96 (98)/15

Benjamin Upchurch WM	51	born NC	[57]*
Catharine Upchurch	37	born NC	[WF]*
Edgar Upchurch	23	born NC	[WM]* [vs. Stephen?], single
Jeff Upchurch	18	born NC	[WM]* [Jefferson Davis Upchurch], single
Chas Upchurch	14	born NC	[WM]* [Charles H Upchurch], single
Mollie Upchurch	5	born NC	[WF]* [Mary Elizabeth Upchurch]
Tempy Medlin	77	born NC	[WF]* mother in law

^{*} Added in letter 23 Mar 1992 Paul T Upchurch to RPU

(12) 1850 Census – Cumberland Co, NC 25-25

Benjamin Upchurch 20 M

Listed as laborer in household of Hartney G Medlin

(13) CSA info in letter 5 Oct 1989 Vicki Marie Barefoot to RPU

Benjamin Upchurch, Co C, 2nd NC Artillery Pvt/ Pvt

Enlisted 26 Feb 1862 in Lillington or Fayetteville, NC

Entered service 20 Feb 1863

Volunteer – age 34

Captured 15 Jan 1865 at Fort Fisher, NC and held prisoner until released on 21 Jun 1865

Residence – Harnett Co, NC

Fair complexion, brown hair, hazel eyes, 5' 8"

(14) See letter 15 Apr 1990 Roy NMN White, Jr

Benjamin Upchurch being age 72 on 7 Jul 1902 applied for a Confederate pension from Harnett Co, NC



(15) See letter 8 May 1985 Marc Zahrt to RPU

I. **Benjamin Upchurch** born 1830 died 1910

married Katie Johnson [Catherine Johnson] born 30 Aug 1812 [must be error – RPU] died 16 Jun 1913

A. William F Upchurch (Will) born 1873 died Mar 1969

(16) See letter 26 Jul 185 Marcus Lee Zahrt to RPU

- A. William Frank Upchurch "Will" born 1873 died Mar 1969
 - 1. Monroe Upchurch [James Monroe Upchurch] born 1899 died Jul 1948 \ married Rosa Lea Coats [Rosalie Coats] (Had one child)
 - a. Sandra Upchurch [married V C Poindexter]
 - 2. Bertie Upchurch born 7 Nov 1905 died 15 jun 1980

married Swannie Dupree – had 1 child

- a. Helen Joyce [Dupree] born 8 Aug 1939
- 3. Glenn Upchurch born 20 Mar 1906

married --- (had 2 children)

- a. Sarah Upchurch
- b. William Upchurch
- 4. Leonard Lee Upchurch born 24 Apr 1901 died 22 Apr 1971 married 13 Mar 1920 (Harnett Co, NC) Nancy Catherine McLeod born 7 Jan 1902. --- children
 - a. Louise Upchurch born 24 Dec 1920
 - b. Doris Alene Upchurch born 10 Mar 1924 married 14 Oct 1945 (Long Beach, CA) Dr Frank H Zahrt born 2 Aug 1922 Divorced 1969
 - i. Marcus Lee Zahrt born 15 Oct 1948 (Bloomington, IN) married 3 Jul 1971 (Big Springs, TX – Weble AFB) Christine A Catherson born 3 Dec 1950 (Queens, NY)
 - c. Alice Upchurch born 1 Jan 1926
 - d. Ronnie Upchurch born Dec 1941
- [5.? James Monroe Upchurch had a 1/2 sister Mrs T G Bashford was there a daughter of William Franklin Upchurch by a second wife or a daughter of a second marriage of the mother of James Monroe Upchurch ??]

(17) See 1860 Census – Harnett Co, NC #220, Summerville Township

Benjamin Upchurch	28	m	farmer	RE \$400, PP \$700
A B Upchurch	30	f	[Arabella Med	llin]
J B Upchurch	9	m	[James B Upc	hurch]
J C or J A Upchurch	6	m	[John Christon	oher Upchurch]
L C or L A Upchurch	4	m	[Edgar or Step	ohen?]
J C Upchurch	1	m	[Joseph Calvin	n Upchurch]
*Temp Medlin	53	f		

^{*}Added in letter 23 Mar 1992 Paul T Upchurch to RPU]



(18) See letter 23 Mar 1992 Paul T Upchurch to RPU

A. 1850 Census – Harnett Co, NC [Actually Cumberland Co, NC as Harnett Co not formed from Cumberland until 1855 – RPU]

Hartney Medlin 29 Cynthia Medlin 31 f **Ruffin Horton** 16 m Riley Horton 12 m John Bell 21 m Benjamin Upchurch 20 m Temperance Medlin 42 f Arabella Medlin 22 f

Alsa Medlin

B. 1860 Census – Harnett Co, NC – See entry 17

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C. 1870 Census – Harnett Co, NC

Benjamin Upchurch	<u>1</u> 38	m	
James R Upchurch	18		[James B Upchurch]
John Upchurch	17		[John Christopher Upchurch]
Stephan Upchurch	15		[versus Edgar]
Joseph Upchurch	13		[Joseph Calvin Upchurch]
Jefferson Upchurch	9		[Jefferson Davis Upchurch]
*Tempest Medlin			[Temperance Medlin]
Charlie Medlin			[Charles H Upchurch]

D. 1880 Census – Harnett Co, NC – See entry 11

E. 1900 Census – Harnett Co, NC

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Catherine W Upchurch born 1842 [Catherine W Johnson]

Frank S Upchurch born 28 Jun 1880 [Benjamin Franklin Upchurch]

F. 1910 Census – Harnett Co, NC

Benjamin Upchurch WM 80 married 40 years

Catherine Upchurch WF 68 married 40 years [Catherine W Johnson]

(19) See letter 9 Apr 1992 Paul T Upchurch to RPU

Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 died 1910. Married twice. He was a Civil War veteran who joined a Cumberland Co, NC unit known as Capt J K Brady's Company "C", 36 Regimental Artillery. He enlisted 26 Feb 1862, was captured at Ft Fisher, NC and held prisoner at Pt Lookout, MD where he signed the oath of allegiance on 21 Jun 1865.

Married 1st (Cumberland Co, NC) Arabella Medlin when she was 22

Married 2nd Katie Johnson born 30 Aug 1812 died 16 Jun 1865



Children of 1st marriage:

1. James (Jim) Upchurch	born 18 Aug 1851	[James Benjamin Upchurch]
2. John K Upchurch	born 10 May 1856	[John Christopher Upchurch]
3. Calvin Upchurch	born 7 Mar 1858	[Joseph Calvin Upchurch]
4. Jeff Upchurch	born 19 Sep 1861	[Jefferson Davis Upchurch]
5. Charlie Upchurch	born 1867	[Charles Herbert Upchurch]
Children of 2 nd marriage:		
1. Will Upchurch		[William Franklin Upchurch]
2. Mollie Upchurch	born 3 Apr 1875	[Mary Elizabeth Upchurch]
3. Frank Upchurch		[Benjamin Franklin Upchurch]

(20) See letter 18 Apr 1992 Paul T Upchurch to RPU

Benjamin Upchurch married 1870 Catherine Johnson

Benjamin Upchurch tomb at Neals Creek Baptist Church in Harnett Co, NC reads "Safely anchored in the harbor of eternal rest" – Angier, NC. Spelling used – Neill's Creek. Church founded 1780.

Re CSA – B A Upchurch Company BB, 5th Regiment – enlisted from Harnett Co, NC [Note: This seems not to be the same as **Benjamin Upchurch** – RPU]

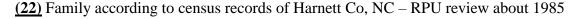
(21) Item in letter 4 May 1999 Gloria Jean Bayles to RPU [From 1850 Census – Cumberland Co, NC]

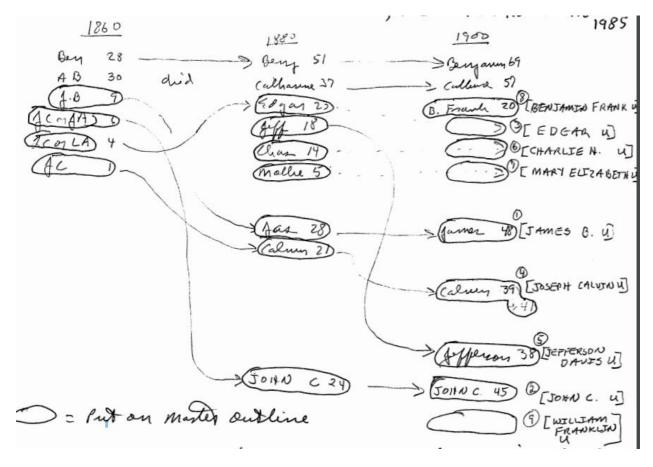
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[Note some confusion over 2 sons of Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 named Frank is now clarified.

- 1. Benjamin Franklin Upchurch "Frank" born Jun 1880 died 1901 never married was not old enough to be on 1880 census above, is on the 1900 Census above and died shortly thereafter, is definitely son of 2^{nd} wife of Benjamin.
- 2. William Franklin Upchurch "Willie" or "Willie Frank" born 1873 died 186 married and had issue. He married young and had children before 1900 and hence is not in Benjamin's household in 1900 Census. He should have been an 1880 Census above as age 7 but is not Why not?? RPU]

(23) RPU Analysis 19 Aug 2002

[See item (30) Page 20 which concludes the two *Benjamins are the same and he is actually the son of Stephen Upchurch – RPU 29 Nov 2010]



I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

- A. Calvin Upchurch
 - 1. *Benjamin Upchurch CSA [on 1850 Census Cumberland Co, NC] born 29 Oct 1830
- B. Stephen Upchurch
 - 1. *Benjamin Upchurch about 1829

Records on the above Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 are extensive. His attachment to Calvin Upchurch rests heavily on the fact that there was a breakup in the Calvin Upchurch household resulting in Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 and his brothers John Upchurch and Nathan E Upchurch being found on the Cumberland Co, NC Census.

The 2nd Benjamin Upchurch [born about 1829] was brought to light by D'Ann Stoddard in the last several years, based on an old genealogy – 1899 fiving a list of 5 children of Stephen Upchurch by his 1st wife. The oldest of these 5 being Benjamin Upchurch born about 1829. I can accept that this Benjamin born about 1829 did exist as a son of Stephen Upchurch; however, the weight of circumstantial evidence would seem to be that he is NOT the Benjamin Upchurch who was found in Cumberland Co, NC in 1850.

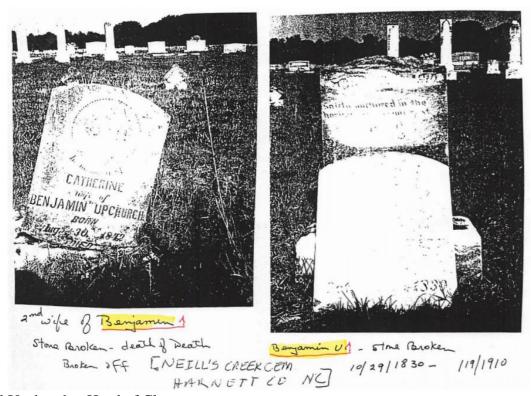
(24) NC Marriages – 5 Sep 05 – Peterson – Cumberland Co Benjamin Upchurch Areabell Medling 10 Nov 1850 Cumberland

(25) See letter 23 Sep 1999 Gloria Jean Bayles to RPU

I made a trip to Harnett County, NC in August as I mentioned in my last letter. Most of the gravestone photos enclosed were taken at Neill's Creek Cemetery. The stones of Great Great Grandfather Benjamin Upchurch and his 2nd wife Catherine were in sad shape. Benjamin's could barely be read. I did not see a gravestone for Arabella, his 1st wife and my ancestor. Some of the other photos I am still trying to identify. The Church was easy to find – right on Hwy 210 out of Lillington. Sorry about the shadows on some of the photos, we got there at the wrong time of day.

(see photos below)





I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Calvin Upchurch

1. Benjamin Upchurch married (1st) Arabella Medlin married (2nd) Catherine W Johnson

(26) See letter 24 Jul 1992 Paul Turner Upchurch to RPU Benjamin Upchurch married 1870 Catherine Johnson

(27) RPU Ancestry.com search 22 Nov 2007 – See below I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Calvin Upchurch

1. **Benjamin Upchurch** 1830 – 1910

Issue: Steven Edward Upchurch born 12 Sep 1858 died 15 Oct 1880 is so listed in Old Hill Cemetery, Harnett Co, NC – per letter 8 Oct 2007 Gwen NMN Stevens to RPU – Question – Is this S E Upchurch a son of **Benjamin Upchurch** 1830 – 1910? [Note that other members of this **Benjamin Upchurch** family are also buried in Old Hill

Cemetery – RPU]



1860 Census – Harnett Co, NC Summerville Township

Household Member	born about		
Ben Upchurch	1832	28	
A B Upchurch	1830	30	[nee Arabella Medlin]
Temp Medling	1805	55	
J B Upchurch	1851	9	[James Benjamin Upchurch born 1851]
J C Upchurch	1854	6	[John Christopher Upchurch born 1856]
S C Upchurch	1856	4	[could be SEU per original – RPU]
J C Upchurch	1859	1	[Joseph Calvin Upchurch born 1858]

1880 Census – Harnett Co, NC

ŀ	Household Members	born about	age	
I	Benj Upchurch	1823	57	
(Catharine Upchurch	1843	37	
F	Edgar Upchurch	1856	23	
J	eff Upchurch	1862	18	
(Chas Upchurch	1866	14	
N	Mollie Upchurch	1875	5	
7	Tempy Meddling	1803	77	mother in law

RPU Speculation 22 Nov 2007

Entries on the 1860, 1870, 1880 Census that could be the same as the Steven Edward Upchurch

 $1858-1880\ in\ Old\ Hill\ Cemetery:$

1860: SCU [SEU?] born about 1856

1870: Stephen Upchurch born 1855

1880: Edgar Upchurch born about 1857



Crossfile:

A C Upchurch S E Upchurch Stephen Upchurch Edgar Upchurch

Steven Edward Upchurch Stephen Edgar Upchurch Steven Edgar Upchurch possibly all the same person

(28) From letter 12 Jul 2007 Gwen NMN Stevens to RPU I Jubal Upchurch

A. Calvin Upchurch

1. Benjamin Upchurch

married (1st) 10 Nov 1850 (Cumberland Co, NC) Arabella Medlin

Arabell Medlin Upchurch

Now, to give you some information...a couple yours ago, a lady by the name of Julia Meldrim Gambrell walked several cemeteries in Harnett Co and placed this information online. I went back to the site and it was no longer up and running. To make a long story short, after weeks and weeks of searching, I was able to contact her and get the exact location of the small cemetery where Arabell/ Arabella Upchurch is buried. The directions are as follows:

Follow Harnett Central Road past the high school toward Mathews Mill Pond Road, the cemetery is before the last house on the right. There is a clump of trees not far from the road and the very small cemetery is located there. It is covered with brambles and advises that a woman not to go there alone because of sakes, etc.

Those buried there are:

Gaddie, Della born 1868 died Oct 1, 135 (no pictures – info from Hugh Williams)

Matthews, Emily born Feb 27, 1837 died Jul 3, 1922

Matthews, George W born 1840 died Oct 26, 1913

Upchurch, Arabell born Oct 19, 1827 died Jul 9, 1857 – now this year is not correct, but the picture does appear to show 1857 on the very worm and broken stone. Would love to see for myself as a 5 & 6 (1867 death date) could look alike on a worn stone. The stone goes on to say that Arabell was the wife of **Bengeman Upchurch**, a loving wife and mother. I can offer a copy of these pictures, if you'd like.

(biofile continues below)



1910 United States Federal Census

Name: Emily J Matthews

Age in 1910: 79

Estimated birth year: abt 1831 Birthplace: North Carolina

Relation to Head of House: Daughter

Father's name: James A

Father's birth Place: North Carolina

Mother's name: Rose E

Mother's Birth Place: North Carolina

Home in 1910: Neills Creek, Harnett, North Carolina

Marital Status: Widowed

Race: White Gender: Female Neighbors:

Household Members:

Name	Born about	Age	
James A Matthews	1873	37	
Rose E Matthews	1888	22	[2, 2], wife
James Matthews	1907	3	
Mary A Matthews	1909	1	1 6/12
Emily J Matthews	1831	79	widow, mother

Note: On 19 Jul 2007 I searched ancestry.com for this Matthews Family 1850 - 1910 and this report above is all I found. There is a good chance the Emily age 79 in 1910 is the same on the Emily in the cemetery – RPU

(84) Book: The Upchurch Family of High Falls, NC (Moore Co)

I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

- 5 Jubal Upchurch born: 1762 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: About 1836 in Franklin County, North Carolina
- + Charlotte Pearce born: 1775 in Franklin County, North Carolina married: 1791
 - 6 Littleberry Berry Upchurch born: 1796 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 01 Oct 1880 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - + Elizabeth Betsy Williams born: 1806 in North Carolina married: 01 Oct 1824 in Franklin, NC, USA died: 1875 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 7 Rowina Upchurch born: 1828 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1880
 - + Littleberry Johnson married: 30 Dec 1851 in Franklin County, North Carolina
 - 8 Sarah Johnson born: 1855 in Franklin County, North Carolina
 - 8 William Johnson born: 1856 in Franklin County, North Carolina
 - 8 John S Johnson born: 1865 died: 1955
 - 7 Martha Upchurch born: 1830 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1924
 - 7 Mary Upchurch born: 1835 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1929

(family outline continues below)



- 7 Elizabeth Upchurch born: 1839 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1929 +James Bolton born: 1837 in North Carolina married: 28 Aug 1863 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 07 Dec 1863 in Richmond, Virginia
 - 8 Anne Bolton born: 1864 in Franklin County, North Carolina [James Anna Bolton]
- 6 John Upchurch born: 1800 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1895
- 6 Stephen Upchurch born: 1805 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1885
- + Ann Medlin born: 1827 married: 16 Mar 1841 in Wake, NC, USA
- *2nd wife of Stephen Upchurch
- + Rebecca Chamblee born: 1807 in Wake County, North Carolina married: 20 Jul 1828 in Franklin, NC, USA
 - 7 Geneva Ann Upchurch born: 1844 in Wake County, North Carolina died: 1939 8 John H Upchurch born 1879
 - 7 Joseph Henry Upchurch born 1846 in Wake County, North Carolina died 1939 7 Bryant Upchurch born: 1853 in Wake County, North Carolina died: 28 Jan 1935 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - + Sarah Florence Kirk born: 1855 in Wake County, North Carolina married: 10 Oct 1877 in Wake County, North Carolina died: 1900 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 8 Rebecka A J Upchurch born: Jul 1878 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 8 Minnie Upchurch born: 1881 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 8 J A Upchurch born: Mar 1885 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 8 Joseph Henry Upchurch born: 20 Sep 1892 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 7 Sallie Upchurch born: 04 Nov 1855 in Wake County, North Carolina
 - 7 Rebecca Upchurch born: 1859 in Wake County, North Carolina died: 1945
- 6 <u>Calvin Upchurch</u> born: 1806 in Franklin County, North Carolina died: 1844 in Franklin County, North Carolina
 - 7 Calvin Upchurch
 - 7 Guston Upchurch
 - 7 Mary Upchurch
 - 7 Payton Upchurch
 - 7 Sealy Upchurch
 - + Cynthia Upchurch married: 31 Mar 1838 in Franklin, NC, USA
 - *2nd wife of **Calvin Upchurch**:
 - + Agnes Young born: 1806 married: 14 Dec 1826 in Franklin, NC, USA died: 1899
 - 7 <u>Benjamin Upchurch</u> born: 29 Oct 1830 in Franklin, NC, USA died: 1910 in Neills Creek Township, Harnett, NC, USA
 - 7 Nathan E Upchurch born: 1832
- 6 Frances Upchurch born: 1809 in Harnett County, North Carolina died: 1845 in Wake County, North Carolina
- 6 Charlotte Upchurch born: 1810 died: 1904



*These 6 records are in error as shown by previous RPU evaluations. This Cynthia Upchurch was daughter of Sion Upchurch and granddaughter of Richard Upchurch, III. She married Calvin Jones in 1838, not Sealy Upchurch or Calvin Upchurch. The entries marked "7" are 5 slaves Calvin Upchurch born 1806, son of Jubal Upchurch, I) willed to his wife nee Agnes Young – RPU 18 Sep 2006

(30) [For those who question that <u>Benjamin Upchurch</u> XID – 14648 is a grandson of Jubal Upchurch, I – could this record indicate a study needed. Nancy A Upchurch lived next door in Harnett Co. She is a daughter of Whitney Upchurch. Could 14648 come from Nathan Upchurch, I or Moses? – RPU 18 Jul 2008]

RPU comments on census records assembled for Nancy A Upchurch born about 1817 by RPU on 18 Jul 2008

- 1. I have labeled the various census records [A] \rightarrow [K]
- 2. [A] shows William and Nany with 2 young children in 1850
- 3. [B] shows Nancy as Head of Household in 1860 with 5 small children ages 5 12. The "N D" is probably a misprint and should be "N A"
- "E B" = Baxter; L V R = Araminta; J A = a new female of the family; A M = Antoinette; L D = Jason Dexter
- 4. William and Nancy presumably separated after the birth of Dexter in 1856. They eventually divorced See [G] re "divorced"
- 5. I have been unable to locate William on the 1860 Census.
- 6. [E] shows William has married "Leasy" his 3^{rd} wife. Presumably the children 2-5 are of this 3^{rd} marriage.
- 7. [D] shows Nancy as head of the household in 1870 with two of her 5 children present. Note that Dexter is in the home.
- 8. [F] is a puzzle. here we see Dexter listed for the 2nd time on the 1870 Census. (This sometimes happens.) His is in school. The head of the household on the original Census seems to be clearly Preston Parson and his wife is clearly Nancy = not Haney. The fact that she was born almost makes her a fit to be Nancy A (Upchurch) Hobby in a 2nd marriage but on balance, I think not. In 1880 Nancy appears as Nancy Hobby. See [G]. 9. [C] I brought this 1870 Census record forward thinking it might bear upon the family of William and Nancy if so it is indirect.
- 10. The records for [B] and [E] interestingly are right next door to Benjamin Upchurch. This **Benjamin Upchurch** descended from Calvin Upchurch of Franklin Co, NC, son of Jubal Upchurch, I. Calvin and Nancy's father Whitney were 1st cousins. Thus, Benjamin and Nancy were 2nd cousins, but their ancestors had parted ways in 1802. If they knew they were 2nd cousins it was not a big deal. A puzzle is how Nancy headed a household in 1860 next to Benjamin's. It could have been the same house with Nancy leaving between 1860 and 1870 while William returned with the new wife and family.



(31) Input from Evelyn Iris Stewart to RPU 15 Dec 2007 – Page 3 I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Calvin Upchurch

1. Benjamin Upchurch,

CSA born 29 Oct 1830 (Franklin Co, NC) died 1910 or 1919 () (Buried Neils Creek Baptist Church, Harnett Co, NC).

married (1^{st}) () Arabella Medlin – had several children married (2^{nd}) () Catherine Johnson "Katie" born 30 Aug 1812 (versus

RPU record of 1842) died 16 Jun 1913 a. Joseph Calvin Upchurch, I

i/L Caul Upchurch

married () Mamie Ida Johnson, daughter of Morgan Johnson [RPU finds him on 249 of the book on Johnsons "Concerning Our Ancestors – the Johnsons and Their Kin"].

I John Johnson

A. Matthew Troy Johnson

B. William Johnson "Bill"

married Mally Turlington born 1820

1. Catherine Johnson

(32) From input 15 Dec 2001 Evelyn Iris Stewart to RPU Page 3 Benjamin Upchurch born 1830 died 1910 married twice

(33) Segment in email 25 Aug 2008 Gwen NMN Stevens to RPU

Names included: Upchurch, Medlin, Chamblee, Tempy Medlin, Temperance Medlin, Arabell Medlin, Benjamin Upchurch – CJM 13 Nov 2020

There seems to be a "web" around the UPCHURCH, MEDLIN & CHAMBLEE lines and I need to try to sort it all out. So far, I haven't been able to locate any of TEMPY (TEMPERANCE) MEDLIN'S family other than my ARABELL that married my BENJAMIN.

Also, just received documents from NC Archives in Raleigh on my Benjamin's application for pension from the Civil War.

Benjamin was in the 2nd Co. C, 36th Regiment NCT (2nd Regiment N. C. Artillery) and the following was found in the roster of that unit which was compiled by Louis H. Manarin and stored at the Archives in Raleigh::

"UPCHURCH, BENJAMIN, Private

Resided in Harnett County, where he enlisted at age 34, February 26, 1862 for three years. Present or accounted for through August 1864. Captured at Fort Fisher: January 15, 1865 and confined at Point Lookout, MD. until released after taking Oath of Allegiance: June 21, 1865."

I found this interesting since Lee surrendered in April of 1865 and Benjamin wasn't released until June of that year. Either the North was slow to release those captured or Benjamin was a rather stubborn fellow that would not take the Oath of Allegiance right away.



(34) Upchurch – Young – Wright – Johnson Connections in Franklin Co, NC. In an email to RPU 11 Jul 200X researcher Gwen O'Daniels presents a theory that Agnes Young married (1st) Calvin Upchurch; married (2nd) Winston Young; married (3rd) Little Berry Johnson. Data below assembled by RPU to consider the theory – 13 Jul 2008

1850 Census, Dunn Township, Franklin Co, NC						
Name	born about	age				
Littlbury Johnson	1822	28	farmer			
Wily Locust	1814	36	farmer, black			
Ruffin Medlin	1830	50	blacksmith			
Allison Pippin	1826	24	clerk			
**Agnus Winston	1807	43	head			
Emma Winston	1849	1				
***Fenner Winston	1847	3				

1860 Census, Franklinton, Franklin Co, NC – Franklinton PO							
Name	born about	age					
*Isaac Winston	1795	65	\$1860/ 2144				
* Sarah Winston	1798	63					
James Winston	1840	20					
William M Stone	1823	37	cabinet maker				
Ann Stone	1829	31					
***Fenner Winston	1848	12					
Emma Y Winston	1850	10					

^{*}presumed grandparents of Fenner and Emma and parents of Young A Winston

1870 Census, Franklinton, Franklin Co, NC – Pacific PO							
Name	born about	age					
Therna Conyers	1828	42	farmer				
Anne Conyers	1840	31					
James Conyers	1854	16					
Mary Conyers	1856	14					
Lucy Conyers	1862	8					
Anne Conyers	1865	5					
Robert Conyers	1866	4					
Lutah Conyers	1866	4					
William Conyers	1869	1					
***Fenner Winstone	1848	22	farmer				
Anthony Steed	1852	18	black				
Noton Thomas	1854	16	black				
Women Conyeau	1854	16	black				
Julia Wilder	1820	50					
Ellen Wilder	1856	14					



1880 Census, Dresden, Weakley Co, TN					
Name	born about	age			
***Fenner S Winston	1847	33			
Mattie Winston	1855	25	wife		
Lilly Winston	1877	3	daughter		
William G Winston	1879	6m	son		

I. Joseph Young died < 1831

A. **Agnes Young born about 1810

married (1st) Calvin Upchurch¹ born about 1805, son of Jubal Upchurch, I

married (2nd) Young A Winston²

married (3rd) Little Berry Johnson (no known issues of this third marriage – RPU)

- 1. Benjamin Upchurch born 1830
- 2.1 John Upchurch born 1831
- 3.1 Nathan Upchurch born 1832
- 4.2 ***Fenner Winston born about 1847
- 5.² Emma Winston

Little Berry Johnson born about 1820

married (2nd) 30 Dec 1951 [1851? – CJM 12 Oct 2020] (Franklin Co, NC) Roena Upchurch born about 1827 (Franklin Co, NC) daughter of Little Berry Upchurch, son of Jubal Upchurch, I

(35) See Letter 17 Dec 1999 Charles John Peterson, Jr. to RPU Page 10

[Item (35) reprinted in Upchurch Bulletin Vol 31 Issue #1, 2010, Page 33]

On 2 Mar 1999 C. Stoddard posted on the internet, [per an old genealogy written 1899].

I. Jubal Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. Stephen Upchurch

Married 20 Jul 1828 (Franklin Co, NC) Rebecca Ann Chamblee

[Stephen married (2nd) 16 Mar 1841 (Wake Co, NC) Ann Medlin]

[Above in RPU files]

[#1 - #5 below new to RPU files as issue of this couple all presumed born before Mar 1841]

1. **Benjamin Upchurch** – married and lived in Cumberland Co, NC

[on 1830 Census as 0-5] [assume born about 1829]

- 2. Jack Upchurch went to MS
- 3. Calvin Upchurch went away
- 4. Lucinda Upchurch went away [born about 1837]
- 5. Lottie Upchurch [Charlotte Upchurch] [born about 1837]

Married Jack Phillips – went away

Note: As of 17 Aug 2002 I find no reason to object to the above 5 children being of the 1st marriage of Stephen Upchurch, He had time to produce 5 prior to his 2nd marriage Mar 1847. He is on 1830 Census Franklin Co, NC Head of a 7-member household only 1 of which is less than 5 years old (a male) and thus possibly his son (tentatively **Benjamin Upchurch**). I cannot find Stephen Upchurch on the 1840 Census in Wake or Franklin Counties, NC or otherwise – hence his 1st marriage could have been dissolved by 1840 and his children "distributed". In fact in 1850 child #5 Charlotte Upchurch is in a home headed by her grandmother Charlotte Upchurch

[nee Pearce]. In 1860 Child #4 Lucinda Upchurch is age 23 (born about 1837) and in home of her father Stephen Upchurch and his 2^{nd} wife. [DS reports Lucinda age 25 on 1850 with father – which is correct] – RPU

(36) Major Change

The Upchurch Bulletin mailed 22 Nov 2001, Vol 31, No 1 contains an entry on Page 33 that moved Benjamin Upchurch born 29 Oct 1830 from being a son of Calvin Upchurch to being a son of his brother Stephen Upchurch. The same move has been made for the other two males shown on the 1850 Census of Cumberland Co, NC, John Upchurch XID – 14893 and Nathan E Upchurch XID – 13894) on 28 Nov 2010 I updated my Master Outline to reflect these corrections. In the move I realized that a Calvin Upchurch age 20 on the 1850 Census as a waggoner has sometimes been listed as a son of Jubal Upchurch, I. This, too, seems to be in error but just where this Calvin Upchurch belongs is not clear.

(37) Benjamin Upchurch

North Carolina Marriage, 1759 – 1979

marriage: 10 Nov 1850 Cumberland County, North Carolina, United States

spouse: Anabell Medling

(38) From email 2 Nov 2013 Justin Davis Upchurch to RPU

Justin says his grandfather JWU, Jr reports that Benjamin Upchurch died 19 Apr 1910 and that his wife Catherine was born 30 Aug 1842.

(39) The NC Family of Stephen Upchurch = Head of the Jubal Upchurch, I/ Stephen Upchurch Sub-clan – RPU 27 Jul 2012

Census extracted by RPU – Franklin Co, NC – slaves

1 female 0 - 10

Free colored 2 males 10 - 24

TICCC	oloica 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ mates $\frac{10}{24}$			
1830	Stephe	en Upchurch	born		
	male	< 5 years	1	1825 - 1830	[Benjamin Upchurch] born about
					1829
		5-10 years	1	1820 - 1825	
		10-15 years	1	1815 - 1820	not children of Stephen &
		15 - 20	1	1810 – 1815	Rebecca as they married in 1828
		20 - 30	1	1800 - 1810	Relatives of S or R?? - RPU
		20 - 30	1	$1800 - 1810^{\text{ J}}$	[Stephen Upchurch] born about 1805
	female	e 20 - 30 years	1	1800 - 1810	[Rebecca Ann Chamblee] born about
		·			1803

1840 Census – Stephen Upchurch not found



1850 Census – NC, Franklin Co, Dunn Township			
Stephen Upchurch	1805	45	
Ann Upchurch	1827	23	
Geneva Upchurch	1844	6	
Joseph Upchurch	1846	4	

1860 Census – NC, Wake Co, NE Division; PO Milburnie			
Stephen Upchurch	1806	54	
Ann Upchurch	1823	37	
Ann Upchurch	1845	15	
Joseph Upchurch	1849	11	
Sallie Upchurch	1851	9	
Bryant Upchurch	1853	7	
Rebecca Upchurch	1859	1	
Lucinda Upchurch	1837	23	

1870 Census – NC, Wake Co, Bartons Creek Township;			
PO Forestville			
Stephen Upchurch	1815	55	
Geneva Upchurch	1845	25	
Bryant Upchurch	1853	17	
Rebecca Upchurch	1860	10	
William Upchurch	186	1	

Rebecca born about 1860 not found on 1880 Census. She married 15 Feb 1885 (Bartons Creek Township, Wake County, NC)

1880 Census – NC, Wake Co, New Light Township				
Stephen Upchurch	widower, head	1810	70	
Geneva Upchurch	daughter	1850	30	
William Upchurch	son	1868	12	
John H Upchurch	*son	1879	1	

^{*}John H Upchurch son of Geneva Upchurch

Rebecca Upchurch born 1860 not found on 1880 Census. She married 1885.

(biofile continues below)



I. Jubal Upchurch, I – Head of Clan

A. Stephen Upchurch born about 1805 died about 1885 married (1st) Rebecca Ann Chamblee¹ born about 1803, died 1869 married (2nd) 1841 (Wake Co, NC) Ann Medlin²

- 1.1 **Benjamin Upchurch** born about 1829
- 2.1 John Upchurch "Jack" born 1832 +2
- 3.¹ Calvin Upchurch born 18332 +2 [versus Nathan E Upchurch?]

where are they in 1840?

- 4. Lucinda Upchurch born about 1835
- 5.1 Charlotte Upchurch "Lottie" born about 1837 with grandmother 1840
- 6.2 Geneva Ann Upchurch "Annie" born about 1844
 - a. John Calvin Upchurch, I born 8 May 1877

(AKA John Henry Calvin Upchurch, father not learned)

- 7.2 Joseph Henry Upchurch, I born about 1846/1849
- 8.2 Sarah Jane Upchurch "Sallie" born 4 Nov 1853
- 9.² Bryant Upchurch born 1853
- 10.2 Rebecca Upchurch born 1859/ 1860
- 11.2 William Upchurch born 1868/1869

(40) Backtracking heritage of Molly (Johnson) Weston from Apex, NC to Neills Creek Baptist Church – Harnett Co, NC – RPU 12 May 2013

Fisher/ Beard/ Butts/ Johnson

John T Johnson

Birth Between 1772 & 1780 in VA

Death 1828

Parents: no father

no mother

Fisher/ Beard/ Butts/ Johnson

John Geral Johnson

Birth 16 Mar 1870 in Harnett Co, NC Death 1920 in Angier, Harnett, NC

Parents: Matthew Troy Johnson

1815 - 1874 Caroline Jones 1827 - 1900

Spouse & Children:

Fannie Mason 1780 – 1860

A. James A Johnson 1806 –

B. Mary Polly Johnson 1806 – 1880 C. William Billy Johnston 1810 – 187

D. Matthew Troy Johnson 1815 – 1874

C. John T Johnson 1818 – 1911 F. Willis Johnson 1818 – 1872 Spouse & Children:

Nettie McLeod 1876 - 1951

5. Private

Fuller Johnson 1893 - 1940

1920 Age 50 Residence – Neills Creek,

Harnett, North Carolina



Henry Johnson and Eliza Truelove Family of NC

Matthew Troy Johnson

Birth about 1815

Death 1874 in Neill's Creek, Harnett Co, NC

Parents:

John T Johnson

- 1823 Mason

1780 - 1850

Spouse & Children

Caroline Jones

1827 - 1900

1. Robert L Johnson 1855 – 1904

Sarah Frances Johnson
 Virginia Caroline Johnson
 Kizzie Johnson
 William Riley Johnson
 Alexander A Johnson
 Walter Johnson
 John Johnson
 Rena Johnson
 1857 – 1902
 1860 – 1901
 1864 – 1939
 1866 – 1944
 1867 – 1946
 1870 – 1920
 1872 – 1910

1849 Feb 5, Age: 34 Marriage to Carolina Jones,

Cumberland Co, NC

Burial: Darlin Jones Cemetery, Neill's Creek,

Harnett Co, NC

191	1910 Census, Neills Creek, Harnett Co, NC					
	John G Johnson	head	1871	39		
	Nettie Johnson	wif	1874	36		
a.	Jack F Johnson	son	1893	17		
b.	Chesley Johnson	son	1898	12		
c.	Bartley Johnson	son	1900	10		
d.	Hugh Johnson	son	1902	8		
e.	Scale Johnson	son	1905	5		
f.	Rue Johnson	dau	1908	2		
g.	Henry C Johnson	son	1910	0		

1930 Census, NC, Durham, Durham Co, NC				
	Nettie Johnson	head	1875	55
	Scale Johnson	son	1906	24
	Roman Johnson	son	1910	20



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married ( ) Fannie Mason 1780 – 1860

A. → F. [See Fisher/ Beard/ Butts/ Johnson Family Tree for John T Johnson above – CJM 14 Nov 2020]

D. Matthew Troy Johnson married ( ) Caroline Jones
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- 1. \rightarrow 9 [See Henry Johnson and Eliza Truelove Family of NC Family Tree for Matthew Troy Johnson above CJM 14 Nov 2020]
- 5. William Riley Johnson 1864 1939

I. John T J (Johnson) 17172/1780 (VA) – 1828

- a. Catherine Johnson "Katie" born 30 Aug 1812/ 1842 died 16 Jul 1913 married () **Benjamin Upchurch**, son of Stephen Upchurch and grandson of Jubal Upchurch, I
- 8. John Gerald Johnson 1870 (Harnett Co, NC) 1920 (Harnett Co, NC) married () Nettie McLeod 1876-1951
 - a. g. [See 1910 Census above CJM 14 Nov 2020]
 - b. Chesley Johnson
 - i. Florine Johnson married --- Penny, Sr (II) Howard Penny, Jr
 - d. Hugh Johnson
 - i. Rutha Lane (Johnson) Mann born 1920 ± 2
 - ii. Ann Johnson Schafran born 1940 + 2
 - e. Scale Johnson
 - i. Molly Johnson married () --- Weston

(41)

From: irishgentry@softcom.net Subject: Arabella's burial

Date: October 5, 2015 at 1:49 PM

To: Mike Upchurch mikerupchurch@gmail.com

These are the directions to the small family cemetery where Arabella (Medlin) Upchurch, Benjamin's 1st wife & our 2x great grandmother is buried. I need to warn you that the people that found this sight are not "locals" and I have tried to get more exact directions from contacts in and around the area, but they don't seem to be sure, either.

Located on Harnett Central Road Angier, NC

