

Elizabeth Ann Upchurch XID-13934

Commentary: Elizabeth Ann Upchurch (abt 1805 d abt 1883) married John David Smith about 1830. Elizabeth was the daughter of Allen and the granddaughter of Harmon Upchurch, head of Upchurch clan #16.

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SIXTH GENERATION

Allen Upchurch

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1. Michael Upchurch I 1620 -1681
2. Richard Upchurch 1658 - 1700
3. John Upchurch I 1678 - 1758
4. James Upchurch III 1724 - 1784
5. Harmon Upchurch 1740 - 1815
6. Allen Upchurch 1779 - 1848
- + Mary Dudney 1790 - 1850
7. Elizabeth Ann Upchurch 1805 –
7. William Allen Upchurch 1808 - 1884
7. Catherine Upchurch 1810 –
7. Patrick Bogan Upchurch 1816 - 1885
7. Benjamin Upchurch 1819 –
7. John Dudney Upchurch 1824 - 1857
7. James Upchurch 1828 –

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(1) See letter 28 Aug 1985 David Joe Deese to RPU.

In my research, I discovered that the second wife of John David Smith (Feb 1776-15 Jun 1852) is said to have been an Upchurch. Mr. John Litly confirmed this. The name was **Elizabeth Upchurch** and she was presumably another daughter of Allen Upchurch (head of the Harmon Upchurch/Allen Upchurch subclan – RPU) Do you know anything about her?

The graves of John David Smith and his first wife, Elizabeth ? are located on land owned by our family. This graveyard is within one mile of the Allen Upchurch graveyard and within two miles of the Allen I and Catharine Upchurch Deese graveyard.

A former grade-school teacher of mine, Mrs Carol Hartzell Hopkins, is a descendant of both Elizabeth Upchurch and Catharine Upchurch Deese [sisters]. I have included her pedigree.

- I. John David Smith married **Elizabeth Upchurch***
 - A. John H. Smith married Susanna Shamble
 1. William Sydney Smith married Elizabeth Catharine Deese* [daughter of Catharine Upchurch]
 - a. Stonewall Jackson Smith married Martha Caroline Deese [great granddaughter of Catharine Upchurch]
 - i. Virginia Cleo Smith
 1. Carol Hartzell

*sisters

(2) See letter 17 Sep 1985 David Joe Deese to RPU – **Elizabeth Upchurch** married John David Smith after the death of his first wife on 14 Nov 1823 but before the 1840 census. In the 1830 census there is but one female in the John David Smith household and she is 15-20; in the 1840 census there is a female 30-40 (plus a female 1-5 and a female 5-10). John David Smith died 15 Jun 1852 at the age of 76 years 3 months 26 days. John and Elizabeth had at least 4 children:

1. Elizabeth Smith married Martin Shoffner
2. Caroline Smith married D. M. Ross
3. George L Smith
4. Amanda H Smith married Solomon Mabry

In the 1860 Census Elizabeth (Upchurch) Smith is living alone but beside her daughter Amanda (“Mandy”) (Smith) Mabry and her husband Solomon Mabry. Mandy and Solomon married 5 Oct 1856. By the 1880 census Elizabeth (Upchurch) Smith (age 75) was living with daughter Mandy, Solomon having died 19 Jan 1864 at Point Lookout, MD in the Civil War. Elizabeth (Upchurch) Smith is last found on the 1883 tax list. Elizabeth (Upchurch) Smith and other descendants of the Harman Upchurch/Allen Upchurch subclan are found on the Randall Methodist Church rolls.

(3) See biofile John David Smith entry 1 Oct 1985. Elizabeth Upchurch born circa 1805 died circa 1884 daughter of Allen Upchurch married John David Smith. Their first child, Elizabeth Smith was born circa 1831.

(4) See letter 1 Oct 1985 David Joe Deese to RPU. “I agree with your analysis of the census records regarding **Elizabeth Upchurch**. I feel safe in saying that she and John David Smith were married between 1830 and 1834.

(5) See will of John David Smith written 3 Feb 1852 in Stanly Co, NC. Probated Aug 1852. Contested. Reaffirmed Feb 1853 – lists his wife as “Eliza Smith” [nee **Elizabeth Upchurch**] Gives her 100 acres of the [Linch?] land “where I now live” with ½ of the spring – at her death to be sold and divided among the 4 youngest children. Other items of a practical nature also given to Elizabeth Upchurch, his wife.