

Robert J M Upchurch**XID – 33063**

Commentary: Robert J M Upchurch was born 1833 in North Carolina. He was the son of James VI, and the grandson of Harmon, head of Upchurch Clan 16. In his life, he migrated to Tennessee, and thence to Missouri.

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(1) See biofile Jones Green Upchurch – Entry (1)

I. --- Upchurch married ---McSwain

A. Jones Green Upchurch born 22 Oct 1816 (NC)
died 20 Apr 1856 (MO) (Buried – MO)
married circa 1836 (Buncombe Co, NC) Elizabeth Cooper
born (1819, 1821, 1818) died 1900 (Loundes, Wayne Co, MO) (Buried – MO). She
married 2nd --- --- Yates.

On the 1850 Census in MO was a Hannah Upchurch age 54 and a **Robert Upchurch** age 17. Mrs Keith Huffman says no one can identify Hannah and Robert.

(2) See letter 14 Jul 1988 Jacquelyn Zelldora Upchurch to RPU
“We also feel the Hannah appearing on the 1850 Census with Jones Green Upchurch was his mother as we are almost positive that Robert as a younger brother as he was addressed by Robert Erwin’s children as Uncle Robert of Uncle Bob.”

(3) See 1880 Census Bellinger Co, MO

R J Upchurch	WM	50	born NC	<u>[Robert J Upchurch]</u>
Susan C Upchurch	wife	51	born TN	
John L Upchurch	son	19	born MO	
Louisa H Upchurch	dau	16	born MO	
Robert L Upchurch	son	13	born MO	
Francis M Upchurch	son	9	born MO	

(4) See letter 5 Oct 1988 Jacquelyn Zelldora Upchurch to RPU

I quote from a letter from Wilbron Upchurch, with whom I am presently out of contact:
“My ggf was **Robert J M Upchurch**. He is the Robert listed on the 1850 Census of Cape Co, MO with Jones Green Upchurch. There is a link between the two, and I can only surmise that they were brothers. In my family there is a Bible. The first name that appears is that of Jones Upchurch/ listing his birth and death date; after comes Robert J M Upchurch, then the children of Robert J M Upchurch. The Hannah Upchurch that appears with them on the above mentioned census I surmised to be their mother.”

(5) From letter 17 Jan 2004 Charles Vaughn Upchurch to RPU

I. Robert J M Upchurch born 10 Mar 1833 (NC) died 23 Mar 1888
 married (1st) 2 Oct 1853 (Perry, MO) Susan C Walker¹ born 22 Sep 1829 (TN) died 1 Jan 1882.
 [The death certificate of her son Edward Green Upchurch shows his mother as Susan Rice
 [maiden name] – Thus it is presumed she married a Mr Walker before she married Robert J M
 Upchurch]

married (2nd) 7 Mar 1886 (Cape Girardeau, MO) Frances Cerilda (Statler) Fulbright² [Question:
 Is her maiden name Statler or Fulbright?? – RPU] [Charles says maiden name = Statler]

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| A. ¹ Edward Green Upchurch | B. ¹ James A Upchurch |
| C. ¹ Henry L Upchurch | D. ¹ John Louis Upchurch |
| E. ¹ Louisa H Upchurch | F. ¹ Thomas Harmon Upchurch |
| G. ¹ Robert Lee Upchurch | H. ¹ Francis Marion Upchurch |
| I. ² Amanda Belle Upchurch | |

(6) See biofile of Wilburn Eugene Upchurch – Entry 4 Sep 1979

I. Harmon Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. James Upchurch, VI

1. **Robert J M Upchurch** born 10 Mar 1833 (NC) died 23 Mar 1888 (Buried –
 Holcomb, Dunklin Co, MO)
 married (1st) 2 Oct 1853 (Perry, MO) Susan C Walker [nee **Susan C Rice**] born
 22 Sep 1829 (TN) died 1 Jan 1882 (Buried – Carter Co, MO)
 married (2nd) 7 Mar 1886 (Cape Girardeau, MO) Frances Cerilda Fulbright Statler
 born 22 Feb 1848 died 11 Mar 1941

- a. Edward Green Upchurch born 13 Dec 1854 (MO) died 11 May 1914
 (Buried – Wallis Cemetery)
 married (1st) 16 Mar 1876 Enea Jane Rhodes born 10 May 1859 died 20
 Jul 1883
 married (2nd) 21 Mar 1891 Martha A Wallis born 22 Oct 1859 died 22 Sep
 1910 (Buried – as husband)
- i. Luella Pearl Upchurch born 22 Jul 1877
 ii. Julia E Upchurch born 19 Feb 1879 married John Pinegar
 iii. Walter M Upchurch born 15 Jun 1883 died 13 Aug 1883
 iv. Ellen Upchurch

(7) See letter 8 Mar 2004 Charles Vaughn Upchurch to RPU – page (15)

Chaneles makes it clear that RJMU married (1st) in Perry Co, MO [which joins Bollinger
 Co, MO] and not in Perry, MO. His 2nd marriage was in Cape Girardeau Co, MO.

(7) [repeated number in original – CJM 4 Aug 2022] – See letter 25 Jun 1999 Elsie Sue Gorman
 to RPU

Detailed information regarding Edward Green Upchurch of the Harmon Upchurch/ James
 Upchurch, VI Sub-clan – Robert J M Upchurch line.

#1 Elsie has death certificate for Edward Green Upchurch showing born 15 Dec 1854, died 11
 May 1914, Farmer, born Perry Co, MO. His father = Robert Upchurch born NC; maiden name of

mother = Susan Rice, born NC. Edward buried in Wallis Cemetery, Bollinger Co, MO. This is a private family cemetery belonging to the family of Edward's 2nd wife. Edwards address – Marble Hill, MO.

#2 copied from Marriage Book

Edward Green Upchurch

to Eva Jane Rhodes

In the county of Bollinger and State of MO

I the undersigned minister of the Gospel

join together in marriage

Edward Green Upchurch to Miss Eva Jane Rhodes

on the 16th day of March 1896

Each of them citizens of Bollinger Co, MO

Monroe Robins filed for record and recorded March 25 1896

By John W Revelle Recorder

By G S Fainler Dept.

(no number) See James Allen Upchurch [XID – 33029] biofile for 4 sheets about a legal case in Cape Girardeau Co, MO in 1864 wherein 4 individuals [including XID – 33029] were indicted for disturbing a religious service. These four sheets originally in letter 20 Feb 2004 Truex Newman Upchurch to RPU.

1. This James Allen Upchurch fits into the Upchurch Family as shown:

I. Harmon Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. James Upchurch, VI

1. Jones Green Upchurch

a. James Allen Upchurch born 1844

[Note: James Allen Upchurch born 1844 had a 1st cousin also identified as James A Upchurch but he was born 1856 and hence not the James A Upchurch accused in 1864 – RPU]

2. The Grand Jurors meeting for the Jun 1864 Circuit Court – Cape Girardeau Co, MO indicted four for peace disturbance on 6 Mar 1864. The four: Jacob Fulbright, Allen Upchurch [James Allen Upchurch], Alexander Willis, Groves Willis, Susan Hinkle.

3. 28 Jul 1864 – The Clerk of Court issues a writ instructing the sheriff to have the accused in court on the 1st Monday of Dec 1864. The accused are again named as in #2.

4. 5 Dec 1869 – Before the sheriff 3 individuals post bond to assure that Allen Upchurch [James Allen Upchurch] will appear in court on the first Monday in Dec 1864. Allen Upchurch is spelled “Alen”. Allen Upchurch himself signs as James A Upchurch. Also signing: Martin Brown & Robert Upchurch [By deduction this has to be **Robert J M Upchurch**, uncle of the accused Allen Upchurch.

5. A fourth sheet shows a move to quash the indictment but it is undated and the action on this move is not reported.

(no number) See letter 3 Jun 1997 Truex Newman Upchurch

Attached to this letter are court papers of 1864 for Cape Girardeau Co, MO in which James Allen Upchurch and 4 others are charged with disturbing a religious service. Two other Upchurch family members stood bond for Allen Upchurch.

I. Harmon Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. James Upchurch, VI

1. Jones Green Upchurch

a. James Allen Upchurch – cited to court

2. Robert J M Upchurch

On 5 Dec 1864 James Allen Upchurch, Robert J M Upchurch & Martin Brown signed a bond for \$500 to insure the subsequent presence I court of Alen Upchurch/ Allen Upchurch {James Allen Upchurch}.

Others charged: Jacob Fulbright, Alexander Willis, Groves Willis, Susan Hinkle

See letter for the documents.

(no number) 1840 Census – Henry Co, TN – Jones Upchurch Family

	Age	
F	40 – 50	[nee Hannah McSwain age 44 born about 1796] widow of James Upchurch, VI, mother of Jones Green Upchurch
M	20 – 30	born NC [Jones Green Upchurch age 24 born 22 Oct 1816]
F	20 – 30	born NC [nee Elizabeth Cooper age 20 born about 1820 – wife of Jones Green Upchurch]
M	5 – 10	born NC [<u>Robert J M Upchurch</u>] age 7 born 10 Mar 1833 – brother of Jones Green Upchurch]
M	0 – 5	born TN [Henry A Upchurch age 1 born 10 Jan 1840 – son of Jones Green Upchurch]

RPU Note – genealogy of the above family:

I. Harmon Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. James Upchurch, VI

married () Hannah McSwain

1. Jones Green Upchurch

married () Elizabeth Cooper

a. Henry A Upchurch

2. **Robert J M Upchurch**

a. Edward Green Upchurch

I. George McSwain

married () --- --- Jones died 1828

George & 3 sons move to Henry Co, TN 1837 \pm 3 years

A. Hannah McSwain

married () James Upchurch, VI

B. --- --- McSwain (F)

married () --- --- Green

C. --- --- McSwain

1. Isaac A McSwain, MD (Re Henry Co, TN 1928)

D – P. 10 more daughters and 3 more sons

(no number) The excerpt below is from a letter 5 Feb 2004 Chanles Vaughn Upchurch to RPU
Chanles is a great grandson of Robert J M Upchurch.

[Note: 1840 Census, RPU note above and Chanles excerpt all agree – RPU]

I believe that Hannah Upchurch maiden name was Mcswain. By the way the children was named. Jones from Hannah mother maiden name, Hannah sister married a Green. **Robert J M Upchurch** son was Edward Green. In the census of Henry Co TN in 1840 Jones Green Upchurch was listed as head of household and four other were recorded. (1 male under 5) His son Henry A Upchurch. born 10 Jan 1840 (1 female 20 – 30) Elizabeth his wife. This leaves two others. One female age 40 – 50. One male age 5 – 10. In the census of Cape Girardeau Co MO in 1850. In the household of Jones Green Upchurch. Hannah Upchurch age was given as 54. **Robert J M Upchurch** age was given as 17. Subtract 10 years from the age they give. Hannah 10 from 54 – 44. Robert J M 10 from 17—7 This fits the age bracket of the two extra people in the TN per Census of 1840. One thing I seen in browsing the Internet that I think this this together. **Robert J Upchurch** was born in NC in 1833. Jones Green Upchurch was in Henry Co TN per Census of 1840. That leaves a time frame for them to have moved in as 1833 to 1840. I feel they came together. He and his three sons come with him. Have an article on them. Part of it. Her father was George W McSwain. His wife had died in 1828 I believe. I have a article from a Paris TN news paper dated 11/20/1928 on a Dr Isaac A McSwain. Dr McSwain's grandfather was George McSwain, who had married a Miss Jones to which union four sons and twelve daughters were born.

I failed to put Jones Green in that census outline of Henry Co, TN. He was in the age group from 20 – 30.