

Rufus Upchurch**XID – 678**

Commentary: Rufus was a son of Ruffin and the grandson of Moses, head of Upchurch Clan 1.

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(1) Per attachment #34 West letter 18 May 1975 – Wake Co, NC Marriage Records
 “1 Oct 1859 Rufus Upchurch married Emily Hudson – Witness: W H Merritt and J D Pullen”

(2) See Wake Co, NC Marriage Bonds with 31 Oct 1977 letter Mrs L W Priest to RPU
 Rufus Upchurch married Emily Hudson – Bond date = 1 Oct 1859, Bondsman = W H Merritt;
 Witness = J D Pullen, married 2 Oct 1859 by John S Johnson, JP

(3) See 1860 Census – Wake Co, NC
 Rufus Upchurch, age 27, male, farmer, had \$200 real estate, \$345 personal property
 Emily, age 23, female
 They had married within the year. There was in the home a William Upchurch, age 40, male.
 [Note: This was household #747 which was close to:
 #735 (Golden Almon Upchurch, Sr of Nathan Upchurch/Tabitha Upchurch Clan)
 #764 (Ruffin Upchurch age 74 – maybe Rufus of #735 was son of Ruffin of #764 - ? – RPU]
 #786 (Gilbert Upchurch household – son of Nathan Upchurch)

(4) See 1870 Census – Wake Co, NC – White Oak Township						
Rufus Upchurch	age 37	male	white	farmer \$350 PP	born NC	} cannot R or W Y born Nov
Emely Upchurch	age 33	female	white	keep house	born NC	
Christopher Upchurch	age 14	male	white	at home	born NC	
Cary Upchurch	age 8	male	white		born NC	
Learow Upchurch	age 5	female	white		born NC	
Effa Upchurch	age 1	female	white		born NC	
Albert Upchurch	7/12	male	white		born NC	

Compare above to Rufus Upchurch coded “X” – see (6) below

(5) See 1850 Census – Wake Co, NC – Western Division – Household 403, Family 403
 Rufus Upchurch, age 19, male, is in home of Ruffin Upchurch, age 35, male, farmer, \$100 RE,
 born in NC.
 [Note: This Rufus fits age-wise with Rufus in (3) & (4) above – RPU]

(6) See 1880 Census – Wake Co, NC – White Oak Township, Household 306, Family 309

				<u>Y = 1870</u>
Rufus Upchurch	age 51	male	white farmer	Rufus U, 37
Arm M Upchurch	age 45	female	white wife [Ann M Luter]	Emely U, 33
Rufus K (?) Upchurch	age 17	male	white son [K = Cary?]	Cary U, 8
Fidelia Upchurch	age 14	female	white dau	Learow U, 5
Effie Upchurch	age 11	female	white dau	Effa U, 1
Albert G (?) Upchurch	age 10	male	white son	Albert U, 7/12 (Nov)
Ester Ann (?) U	age 2	female	white dau	

(7) See Item (4) on Rufus Upchurch coded “Y” – There are too many similarities for coincidence. – RPU

(8) Per attachment #34 West letter 18 May 1975 – Wake Co, NC Marriage Records
 “27 Dec 1870 Rufus Upchurch (son of Ruffin Upchurch) married Ann M Luter (daughter of Barbara Luter). Minister = M L Ferrell”

(9) See notes of RPU 19 Nov 1978 visit to Belle West. Belle says Rufus Upchurch (XID – 678), son of Ruffin Upchurch:

married 1st 1 Oct 1859 Emily Hudson
 married 2nd 3 Mar 1894 Ann M Luter (Ann subsequently married --- --- Goodwin)

[Note: This info ties Rufus X & Y (4 & 6 above) together as it shows that there were two wives involved – However the marriage date of 27 Dec 1870 for Rufus and Ann in RPU records seems correct rather than the 3 Mar 1894 given above in (9) – RPU]

(10) Rufus Upchurch of White Oak Township, Wake Co, NC died 6 Feb 1882 per News & Observer newspaper of Raleigh dated 9 Feb 1882 (!)

(11) See notes of RPU 14 Jan 1980 Phone call to Ouida Catherine Upchurch

Her father = Carl Emil Upchurch

Her grandfather = Rufus Cary Upchurch

Her great grandfather = “Zeke” Upchurch [Actually = **Rufus Upchurch** XID – 678 – RPU]

(12) See Lewter file – 1 Aug 2009 packet from Patricia Kimberly Beach to RPU

4 Ann Maria Lewter born about 1836 died before 1888

married Rufus Upchurch born between 1829 – 33

[son of Ruffin Upchurch; grandson of Moses Upchurch]

Note: Proven child of Barbee Lewter and Gillanay “Gilly” Byrd Lewter per their Wake County NC Wills and Estate Records. Rufus Upchurch is listed in the 1850 Wake Co NC Census on page 198b in his parent’s, Ruffin and Patsy Upchurch’s home. Rufus Upchurch is listed in the 1860 Wake Co NC Census on page 52a with 1st wife Emily and William Upchurch age 48 in the home and the 1870 Wake Co NC Census on page 447a. His wife is listed as Emily and all children EXCEPT Esther are in his home. Emily Hudson and Rufus Upchurch married in Wake co NC, Bond Date: 01 Oct 185 Bond #:

000158746, Marriage Date: 02 Oct 1859. Ann Maria Lewter was his 2nd wife and mother of only Esther, which explains why she is the only child listed in Barbee Lewter's estate division. Ann and Rufus are listed in the 1880 Wake co NC Census page 505d. Christopher and Cary Upchurch are not in the home in 1880.

(13) See biofile of Ruffin Upchurch. The executor is trying to locate the children of Ruffin Upchurch, including **Rufus Upchurch**. The documents show:

Doc A: Ruffus Upchurch = **Rufus Upchurch**

Doc C: **Rufus Upchurch**

Doc D: **Rufus Upchurch**

B. Rufus Upchurch

North Carolina Marriages, 1759 – 1979

marriage: 28 Dec 1870

Wake, North Carolina

spouse: Ann M Luter

C. Rufus Upchurch

North Carolina Marriages, 1759 – 1979

birth: 1829 “of” Wake/North Carolina

marriage: 02 Oct 1859

New Hope, Chatham, North Carolina

parents:

Ruffin Upchurch

Patsy Upchurch

spouse: Mrs. Martha Goodwin

D. Patsy Upchurch

North Carolina Marriages, 1759 – 1979

spouse: Ruffin Upchurch

child: Rufus Upchurch

(no number) Book: The Upchurch Family of High Falls, NC (Moore Co, NC)

I. Moses U. – Head of Clan

A. Ruffin U.

6 Ruffin Upchurch b: 1787 in Franklin County, North Carolina d: 14 Mar 1866 in Newhill, North Carolina, USA

+ Mary Barbee

7 Henderson Upchurch b: 03 Dec 1812 in Chatham Co, NC, USA d: 17 Oct 1892 in Williamson, TX, USA

*2nd Wife of Ruffin Upchurch:

+ Martha Patsey Goodwin b: 1812 in North Carolina m: 1828 in Chatham, NC, USA d: 1879

7 **Rufus Upchurch** b: 1831 in North Carolina d: Bef. 1900 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina

- +Emily Hudson b: 1833 in North Carolina
 - 8 Christopher Upchurch b: Aug 1855 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina [Wm C U]
 - +Closyan Clossa A. b: Dec 1855 [Anne L Lewter]
 - 9 Lona Jackson Leonie Upchurch b: 26 Nov 1874 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina d: 05 Dec 1963 [Leonie Jackson U]
 - +William Avent m: 26 Nov 1906 [Wm Alfred Avent]
 - 9 Aidie F. Upchurch b: 1878 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina
 - 9 Hettie Upchurch b: 1879 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina [Heddie U.]
 - 9 Ean Upchurch b: Apr 1882 [Eva U]
 - 9 Banney Upchurch b: Mar 1885 [Blannie U]
 - 9 Cassey Upchurch b: Jul 1887
 - 9 Gertrude Upchurch b: Apr 1894
 - 8 Rufus Kerry Upchurch b: 1862 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina d: 20 Nov 1935 in Hyde, North Carolina
 - 8 Leavon Upchurch b: 1865 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina → [Fidelia U?]
 - 8 Effie Upchurch b: 1868 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina
 - 8 Albert S. Upchurch b: Dec 1869 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina [Albert G U, Sr]
- *2nd Wife of Rufus Upchurch:
 - +Ann M. b: 1835 in North Carolina [Ann M Luter]
 - 8 Ester Ann Upchurch b: 1878 in White Oak, Wake County, North Carolina
 - 7 Clauder Upchurch b: 1832 in North Carolina [Orlando Jackson U]
 - 7 Thomas Upchurch b: 1834 in North Carolina
 - 7 Catherine Upchurch b: 1838 in North Carolina
 - 7 James Wesley Upchurch b: 1839 in North Carolina
 - 7 Augusta "Gushern" Upchurch b: 1841 in North Carolina [Augusta Ann U]
 - 7 Margaret Upchurch b: 1843 in North Carolina
 - 7 Anna Upchurch b: 1845 in North Carolina
 - 7 B. Franklin "Frank" Upchurch b: 1847 in North Carolina
- +Mary b: 1847 in North Carolina [Mary Jane Goodwin]
 - 8 Willie C. Upchurch b: 1874 in New Hope, Chatham County, North Carolina [Willis C U.]
 - 8 Elora Upchurch b: 1879 in New Hope, Chatham County, North Carolina [Ella O U.]
- 7 Abba Abby Upchurch b: 1849 in North Carolina [Abby U]
- 7 Eliza Upchurch b: 1851 in Wake County, NC [Eliza Jane U]
- *3rd Wife of Ruffin Upchurch: [1st Wife not 3rd]
- +Elizabeth O'Kelly b: 1791 in North Carolina m: 1806 d: 1820 in Chatham County, North Carolina [Elizabeth Kelly] **

7 Martha Upchurch b: Bet. 1810 – 1820 in Chatham County, North Carolina
[Martha U - new to RPU] **

7 Unknown Upchurch b: Bet. 1806 – 1810 in Chatham County, North Carolina
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[Sarah U] [1815 – 1820]

RPU NOTE: This book mentions 17 children of Ruffin U (16 above and Kelly Franklin U extracted separately). They missed John R U born 1826; Mariah U born 1828; and Elizabeth U born 1822 ± 3.

** Re: These 4 slots RPU assigns 1 to Sarah U 1815 – 1820; The Book assigns 1 to Martha leaving 2 unassigned – Book = 1806 – 1810 and 1810 – 1820; RPU = 1815 – 1820 and 1815 – 1820.

The Book adopts the earlier theory that Henderson U. of Texas fits in this line, his mother being Mary Barbee.

(no number) Ancestry.com

Rufus Upchurch
Birth about 1829 – North Carolina
Death – unknown

Facts

Age 0 – Birth
about 1829 – North Carolina
Age 41 – Marriage
28 Dec 1870 – Wake, North Carolina, USA
Ann Mariah Lewter (1835 -)
Age 51 – Residence
1880 – White Oak, Wake, North Carolina, USA
Marital status; Married; relation to head of house – self

Family

Parents
Spouse & Children
Ann Mariah Lewter 1835 -
Rufus K Upchurch 1863 -
Fidelia Upchurch 1866 -
Effie Upchurch 1869 -
Albert S Upchurch 1870 -
Esterann Upchurch 1878 –

Sources

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