

Thomas Upchurch**XID – 140**

Commentary: Thomas was a son of George Upchurch, the head of Upchurch Clan 5. He never married.

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(1) Shadrack Upchurch, son of George Upchurch, Head of Clan was beneficiary in will of his brother Thomas Upchurch who never married. Will written 18 May 1853 proved 24 Oct 1855. Land on Little South Fork in Wayne County, Kentucky (29, page 66).

(2) See letter 17 Jan 1922 Melva Doris Upchurch to RPU.

Shadrack Upchurch born 1784 (Brunswick County, VA) died 1 Mar 1863 (Monticello, KY) married 1805 (NC) Ruth ----- born 1784 (Iredell Co., NC) died Mar 1860 (Monticello, KY).

(3) Children of **Shadrack Upchurch** as listed by Ada Morgan (29, page 68-70):

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| 1. Silas Upchurch born 1806 | 6. Rebecca Upchurch born 1820 |
| 2. George Upchurch born 1810 | 7. John Upchurch “Jonathan” born 1823 |
| 3. Moses Upchurch born 1815 | 8. Hiram Upchurch born 1824 |
| 4. Preston Upchurch born 1817 | 9. Rachel Upchurch born 1826 |
| 5. Louisa Upchurch born 1818 | 10. Joseph Upchurch born 1829 |

(4) See letter 13 Feb 1996 Billie Jean Privett to RPU.

To the list of 10 children in **(3)** she adds Thomas Upchurch born 1817 (I question the addition—RPU). Also Billie Jean lists some birth dates as different from those in **(3)** namely--

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| Preston Upchurch born 1819 | Rebecca Upchurch born 1823 |
| Louisa Upchurch born 1821 | John Upchurch born 1827 |

(no number) Input from Anna Marie Crouch via email 13 Feb 2010 re: the George Upchurch Clan

I. Michael Upchurch, I

A. Richard Upchurch, I

1. James Upchurch, I

a. James Upchurch, II

b. Michael Upchurch, III

i. George Upchurch, Head of Clan
married () Rachel Bethshares

Fourth Generation in America

Since much research on the Upchurch Family of Virginia and North Carolina has been completed, I am starting with George and Rachel Upchurch. This is a listing of their descendents. George and Rachel moved from Virginia to North Carolina and then on to Wayne County, Kentucky. All of their children moved to Wayne County, Kentucky and several moved from Wayne County, Kentucky to Fentress County, Tennessee.

3. George Upchurch was born about 1757 in Brunswick County, Virginia and died 1830-31 in Wayne County, Kentucky. His wife was Rachel Bethshares who was born about 1759 Brunswick County, Virginia. Rachel was the daughter of Thomas and Ruth Bethshares. George and Rachel were listed in the tax list of Brunswick County, Virginia in 1782 & 1788. They were living near his father Michael and Uncle James Upchurch in 1782 and 1788.

George and Rachel moved to Salisbury district, Iredell County, North Carolina before 1790. They were listed in the 1790 census of Iredell County, North Carolina with 4 sons under 16 and 1 daughter. They were also listed in the census records of 1800 and 1810 living in Iredell County, North Carolina. George sold his land in North Carolina to his sons, Moses, Thomas and Shadrack and moved to Wayne County, Kentucky.

George received his land grant of 100 acres on Little South Fork, Kentucky on 10-12-1814. He was listed in the census records of 1820 Wayne County, Kentucky. Listed in his household were 2 males 18-25, 1 male 26-44, 1 male 45+, 1 female 45+, there were 4 individual engaged in agriculture. George and Rachel are buried at the Little South Fork Cemetery in Cumberland County, Kentucky. Their children:

31. Lydia Upchurch born 1782 Virginia died ca 1845 Wayne County, Kentucky

32. Shadrack Upchurch born 1784 Virginia died ca 1863 Wayne County, Kentucky

33. Thomas Upchurch born 1788 Virginia died prior to 1855 Wayne County, Kentucky

34. Moses Upchurch born 1790 North Carolina died ca 1859 Wayne County, Kentucky

35. Miss Upchurch born ca 1792 North Carolina died by 1844 Wayne County, Kentucky → [RACHEL U]

36. John Upchurch born ca 1799 North Carolina died prior to 6-23-1873 Wayne County, Kentucky

37. Joseph Upchurch born 8-10-1800 North Carolina died 6-23-1873 Fentress County, Tennessee