

Commentary: William Hayward Upchurch SR was born in 1824 in North Carolina and died 1852 in Pickens County, AL. He was the son of Bartley Upchurch and the grandson of Abel Upchurch SR, head of Upchurch clan # 8. Our knowledge of this part of the Upchurch family has been enhanced by the Barham family bible that surfaced.

- RPU 6 Mar 2017

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(1) See William Kendrick U Sr. file for Sheet rec'd from Fred Upton U Sr. by RPU on 12 JUL 1981

Will. How. U [WILLIAM HAYWARD U, SR] was son of Bartley U of the ~~William U~~ ~~W~~/Abel U Sr Subclan [Abel U, Sr/Bartley U Subclan - Wm Hayward U, Sr Line] [Note that **William Howard U** [WILLIAM HAYWARD U, SR] had a nephew by the same name - RPU]

(2) See Ltr 22 MAY 1987 Eleanor NMN U to RPU

William Howard U, I [WILLIAM HAYWARD U, SR] b 2 AUG 1824 d 25 JUN 1852 md Rebecca Latham. **WHU I** [WHU, SR] is bur in Bethesda Cem, Benevola Rd, Pickens Co, AL and his stone reads "In memory of **W. H. U** b 2 AUG 1824 d 25 JUN 1852 - Friends behold as you pass by as you are now so once was I as I am now so you must be. Prepare for death and follow me! - We did not find his wife's grave. She is supposed to be bur in Hebron Cem & we did not go there.

(3) See Ltr 28 JAN 1991 Eleanor NMN U to RPU

I don't have any children listed from **WHU, I** [WHU,SR]. I think his wife Rebecca Latham [REUTHA SARAH BARHAM], must have been born in 1826. (1856 doesn't make any sense). I have seen the grave of **WHU, I** [WHU, SR] in Bethesda Cem., Pickens Co, AL (See **(2)** for details). He is bur in the same section as Penelope, Bartley, Nathan, Capt Burt, Emma T, John & Melissa & the children they lost. I am accepting the idea that **WHU, I** [WHU, SR] is bur in Bethesda Cem. There is no sign of his WIF here.

(4) See Attach to 2 FEB 1978 Ltr Elva E. Burkhalter to RPU

A. Pg 12 Records of Pickens Co AL assembled by Mrs Charles Polk McGuire - A stone in Unity Cemetery reads "**William H. U** [WHU, SR] 2 AUG 1824 - 25 JUN 1852" and in Salem Cem, Gordo, Rt 2 "Rebecca L. [Rebecca Love], Wife of **W. H. U** [WHU, JR] 11 AUG 1856 - 28 JUL 1895"

[Note: It seems that the 2 WHU mentioned must be different - maybe Father & Son? - RPU]

Listed below 2nd W. H. U is - [WJC 1844]*

[NHC 1837]*

[NPC 1853]*

[JJC 1849]*

Meaning or relationship not clear - RPU

* A guess - These could be birth dates for CARVER children of Pullum Carver who md 19 SEP 1826 (Greene Co, AL)

Dolly U b 1806 - dau of Abel U Sr - Head of Clan

(5) [See following letter 4 APR 1992 William C. Daniel to RPU
(Correspondence triggered by Family Puzzles Issue 1205)

It is now clear:

I. Richard U, II

A. Abel U, Sr - Head of Clan

1. Bartley U

a. **William Hayward, Sr**

i. William Hayward U, Jr

WHU, Sr did not marry Rebecca Latham as proposed in **(1)** but rather md Reutha Sarah Barham. His son WHU, Jr md Rebecca Love. Thus in **(4)** above the best interpretation is that the first WHU to which reference is made is **WHU, Sr**. The second WHU to whom reference is made is WHU, Jr and the female referenced is the wife of WHU, Jr - namely Rebecca Love. - RPU]

(6) Information to RPU on 22 MAR 1992 by phone from Martha L. Vann.

An "Upchurch" article appeared in the 23 NOV 1991 Issue of Family Puzzles. It was an extract of a bible of the grandmother of the submitter who was:

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Barham-Ligon-Jones Bible

I. **William Hayward Upchurch**

married Ruba Sara Barham b 23 JAN 1828 [dau of Lucy Harris Barham of Pickens Co, AL - originally from Wake Co, NC]

a. W. H. U [Presume William Hayward U, Jr - RPU] (a son) b 3 FEB 1853

(7) AL CENSUS RECORDS

1830 - Head of Household = Bartley U - Head of Abel U, Sr/Bartley U SC

In the household is a single 5-10 year old slot for a male which fits **WHU, Sr** b 1824, age 6 - Greene Co AL

1840 - Have not located Bartley U Household - **WHU, Sr** would be 16 years old

1850 - Pickens Co, AL B. U 30 [should be 50][Bartley U] is Head of Household including wife & 7 children ages 23 - 8 + an older son listed at the end - William H. U [**WHU, Sr**] age 26 Farmer b AL

1860 - AL - **WHU, Sr** died earlier - not yet able to locate his son WHU, Jr on census in 1860. Jr would have been 7 yrs old.

DR. HOWELL LEWIS m. SARAH BEALL and they went to TX ca.. 1853.

“Yes, FAMILY PUZZLERS is one of the best - your comments are most helpful. My question is: What do I do with all the back issues? I would like to give them to the Hopkins Co., TX, Genealogical Society. Hopkins Co., TX was filled with people from GA. DOZIER THORNTON came, as did the ASKEW, BURFORD, MINTER, GAY, LEWIS and one PURCELL [families].”

BARHAM - LIGON - JONES BIBLE

From Mr. William C. Daniel, 3520 Arrington Dr., Mobile, AL 36693 comes a typescript of his grandmother's family Bible. Mr. Daniel said that she thought that the Barhams bought the Bible from the Short family, which could explain the Short entries. There was no Bible or title page left when Mr. Daniel received the family record pages. The Barham, Ligon, and Jones families went to Pickens Co., AL, from Wake Co., NC.

SHORT FAMILY RECORD:

William D. Short, son of David and Sarah Short, was born January 26th 1792

Sarah G. Short, wife of W.D. Short, was born Jan 27th 1791

Mary Jane Short, daughter of William & Sarah Short, was born Oct 26 1814

Jordan Hill Short, son of Ditto, was born April 16th 181?

Thomas William Short, son of Ditto, was born Jan 4 1819

Sarah Bradford Short, daughter of Ditto, was born February ???

Bennett P. Jordan & Mary Jane Short married 31st August AD 1831

BARHAM - LIGON - JONES FAMILY RECORDS:

Wm. S. Barham and Elizabeth Barham was married the 26 June AD 1837

Martha Frances, daughter of Wm. S & Elizabeth Barham was borned the 12th Sept AD 1841

Carter Harrison, son of Wm. and Elizabeth Barham was borned the 13 of October (1843)

Ruth Virginia Barham, daughter of Wm. S & Elizabeth was borned the 14 November AD 1845

Reutha S. Barham was borne the 23 January AD 1828

Robertson Barham was borne the 6 of May AD 1829

Lucy Barham departed this life the 7th April AD 1877

[**Note by Mr. Daniel:** Lucy Harris Barham was mother of William S., Martha Jane, Reutha S. and Robertson Barham.]

John T. Ligon was married to Martha J. Barham the 25th August AD 1845

John T. Ligon was born Dec 10th AD 1816

Martha J. Ligon was born May 20th AD 1825

Roberson Malcolm, son of John T. & Martha J. Ligon, was born the 4th May AD 1846

Lucy Jane, daughter of J.T. & M.J. Ligon, was born February 15 AD 1848

John T. Ligon Departed this Life the 31st October AD 1849

Lucy Jane Ligon departed this life the 9th of August AD 1852

[**Note by Mr. Daniel:** Martha Jane m. 2nd RILEY C. JONES.]

Mary Alice Jones, daughter of Riley C. & Martha J. Jones, was born the 21 day of September 1854

Kate Wester Jones, daughter of Riley C. & Martha J. Jones, was born Sepyember 9 1856

Walter Ralleigh Jones, son of Riley C. & Martha J. Jones, was born the 7th day of —ary AD 1859

Riley C. Jones departed this life the 10 of July AD 1859

Walter R. Jones departed this life the 4th of May AD 1876

Malcom Ligon was married to Hattie L. Cherry April 25th AD 1878

John Thomas Ligon, son of Malcom R. Ligon & Hattie L. Ligon was born the 7th March AD 1879

Walter Augustus Ligon, son of Malcom R. Ligon & Hattie L. Ligon, was born the 1st Sep AD 1880

Emily Bell Ligon, daughter of Malcom R. Ligon & Hattie L. Ligon, was born the 19 of November AD 1882

Mattie Pearl Ligon, daughter of Malcom R. Ligon & Hattie L. Ligon, was born the 30 of December AD 1884

Malcom Vergel Ligon, son of Malcom R. Ligon & Hattie L. Ligon, was born the 23rd of November AD 1889

Robert Malcom Ligon departed this life Aug 10, 1906

W.H. Upchurch was born the 3 of February AD 1853 [He was son of Reutha Sarah Barham and her 1st husband, William Hayward Upchurch [**WHU, SR**].]

Willie Sanders was born the 8 of May 1854 [Do not know who this is or how related.]

(10) REC'D 10 APR 1992

April 4, 1992

Mr. Phil Upchurch
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Dear Mr. Upchurch,

I received your letter regarding my grandmother's family Bible which was published in "Family Puzzlers". I will give you what I have on the Upchurch family of Pickens County, AL from the books that I have on Pickens County. I am not an Upchurch descendant but my g-g-grandmother's sister, Reutha Sarah Barham, married William Hayward Upchurch as her first husband. Their only child's birth, W. H. Jr., was recorded in the Barham-Ligon family Bible.

From the information I have, it appears that the head of this clan in Pickens County was J. Bartley Upchurch who, according to his tombstone, was born in Wake County, NC Dec 19, 1800 and died Oct 21, 1879 in Greene County, AL. His wife was Penelope, born April 22, 1802, died Nov 24, 1863. They are buried at Bethesda Presbyterian Church Cemetery in the community of Benevola in Pickens County, AL along with many of their children. Some of their children were (I'm sure there were others):

I. **William Hayward Upchurch, Sr.**

born Aug 2, 1821

married c1852 to Reutha Sarah Barham (my g-g-g-aunt)

died June 25, 1852

buried Bethesda

Only child:

A. William Hayward Upchurch, Jr

born Feb 3, 1853 in Pickens County

married 1) Rebecca Love who died July 28, 1895

2) Mary Almeda Sims on Dec 20, 1896/8

died Aug 23, 1926 - buried Center Springs

Three daughters:

1. Reutha Belle Upchurch - married Wm. Early Cotton

2. Vera Upchurch - married Walter M. Lindley

3. Fannie M. Upchurch - married Thomas Robinson

II. Harriet Upchurch

born March 1, 1826

married 1863 to Edmond or Redmond Jones

died Jan 3, 1904

several children

III. Nathan Upchurch

born March 13, 1833
died July 3, 1856
believe he was unmarried with no children at death?

IV. John Upchurch
born July 10, 1835

(11) See Ltr 24 APR 1992 William C. Daniel to RPU

A. "**W. H. U, Sr**'s stone has him born 1821, not 1824. I was out there a couple months ago and photographed it. He may have been by a first wife? (Not Penelope?) Don't know"

B. The obit for WHU, Jr [son of **WHU, Sr**] shows Wm Haywood but Ruth Cotton told me it was HAYWARD - don't know which is right - perhaps Bartley U md 1st a dau of William Hayward or Haywood??

(12) See Ltr 2 JUN 1992 William C. Daniel to RPU & also Cemetery Records Bethesda Cem, Benevola, Pickens Co, AL

"You were correct that the birth date of **WHU, Sr** was 1824 and not 1821. This was apparently copied incorrectly for the cemetery book and by me." [Note that picture of stone shows b 2 AUG 1824 d 25 JUN 1852 but the 4 is partly faint and could be read as a 1 - RPU]