

**Willis Allen Upchurch****no XIX**

**Commentary:** Willis Allen Upchurch is thought to be the son of William Upchurch and in turn the grandson of William IV.

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**(1)** See marriage records – Saline Co., IL

Willis Allen Upchurch married 15 SEP 1861 Harriet J. Brothers

[Note—the index of Morgan's book does not help identify this couple – RPU]

**(2)** See letter 12 DEC 1984 Donald Eugene Upchurch to RPU

“Don reports” Willis A. Upchurch born 1845 (Raleigh, Saline Co., IL) is son of Thomas L. Upchurch of the John Upchurch III/Samuel Upchurch Subclan.

[Note: Above does not quite check out

A. Morgan shows list of children of Thomas L. Upchurch (Pg. 236-237) but no Willis A. Upchurch

B. RPU list of children of Thomas L. Upchurch from 1850 census shows no son Willis A. Upchurch.

**(3)** See 1880 Census Saline Co., IL

A. Donald Eugene Upchurch extract shows

<b>Willis A. Upchurch</b>	W	M	37	Born IL
Harriet Upchurch	W	F	35	Born TN
Haywood Upchurch	W	M	15	Born IL

B. Roy White extract does not show Willis Allen Upchurch [because Soundex need to extract?? – RPU]

**(4)** See marriage records – Saline Co., IL

J. H. Upchurch married 24 DEC 1893 Ardenia Horn

J. H. Upchurch is son of **Willis Upchurch** and Harriet Brothers

[Note: J. H. Upchurch would appear to be Haywood Upchurch age 15 on 1880 Census as in **(3)** above – RPU]

**(no number)** Linking of Census fragments for Saline Co., IL – RPU 14 FEB 1997

<b>1860 (Entry 1178)</b>				
1. William Upchurch	72	M	Farmer	Born SC [72 = born 1888]
2. Sarah Upchurch	65	F		Born SC
3. Willis Upchurch	19	M		<b>[Willis A. Upchurch]</b>

1880				
4. W. A. U.*	37	M		Born IL [ <b>Willis A. Upchurch</b> ]
5. Harriet Upchurch	35	F		Born IL [Harriet J. Brothers]
6. Haywood Upchurch	15	M		Born IL

1900				
7. MA ?? Upchurch	M	B SEP 1866	IL	[Haywood Upchurch ?]
8. Katie Upchurch	F	B MAY 1867	IL	
9. Sybyl Upchurch	F	B JUL 1898		

\*Willis A Upchurch married 15 Sep 1861 (Saline Co, IL) Harriet J. Brothers

A high percentage of Upchurch family members recorded in Saline Co., IL are of the John Upchurch, III/Samuel Upchurch subclan. The above entries are among a few for Saline Co., IL that appear most likely to belong to the William Upchurch, IV clan.

#1 is barely a prospect to be a son of William Upchurch, IV who died in 1887 in Wilkes Co., NC and is barely a prospect to have been a grandson of William Upchurch, IV (did William Upchurch, IV have a son old enough to have fathered #1?) The widow of William Upchurch, IV and some of her children are in Greenville Co., SC in 1800 hence #1 may be mistakenly shown as born SC, but his wife could have been born there. **#3** and **#4** appear to be the same person. **[Willis Upchurch]**. #6 and #7 could easily be the same person.

**(no number)** IL Marriages 1763-1900

1	Upchurch, David M	Grisham, Sarah F	Saline	12/19/1872
2	Upchurch, David O	Gratton, Claudia	Saline	05/02/1883 (Book A-1 Page 71)
3	Upchurch, David P	Barton, Melinda	Saline	01/04/1874
4	Upchurch, David R	Karns, Lovinia	Saline	06/04/1857
5	Upchurch, Joseph B	Jones, Amanda	Saline	09/15/1850
6	Upchurch, Joseph B	Smith, Letha Ann	Saline	06/02/1853
7	Upchurch, Joseph C	Horn, Lon zan ia J Thomas	Saline	05/22/1897
8	Upchurch, Joseph C	Barton, Margaret A	Saline	04/05/1866
9	Upchurch, Joseph C	Horn, Lourania J Mrs	Saline	05/22/1897
10	Upchurch, D B M	Rabourn, Malissa C/Katie	Saline	11/18/1894
11	Upchurch, D B M	Raborn, Melissa C	Saline	11/18/1894
12	Upchurch, Wilson	Eastwood, Nora E	Saline	04/07/1889 (Book F Page 235)
13	Upchurch, J H	Horn, Ardenia	Saline	12/24/1893 (Book H Page 96)
14	Upchurch, William A	Harris, Malinda R B	Saline	04/18/1875
15	Upchurch, Frank	Brown, Mary S	Saline	11/03/1887 (Book F Page 80)

16	Upchurch, W A	Coffee, Jennette	Saline	12/31/1893 (Book H Page 13)
17	Upchurch, W D	Elder, Ella M	Saline	07/24/1895 (Book A-1 Page 275)
18	Upchurch, H L	Rhine, Hannah	Saline	05/27/1883
19	Upchurch, Charles	Naugle, Ella	Saline	01/06/1895 (Book H Page 194)
20	Upchurch, John D	Hicks, Martha H	Saline	10/04/1860
21	Upchurch, John T	Massey, Deborah C (See Mapey)	Saline	12/13/1849
22	Upchurch, John T	Mapey, Deborah C (See Massey)	Saline	12/13/1849
23	Upchurch, Hiram L	Rhine, Hannah	Saline	05/27/1883
24	Upchurch, John W	Rhine, Jennette	Saline	08/08/1867
25	Upchurch, William A	Coffee, Juliette L	Saline	10/10/1882
26	<b><u>Upchurch, Willis A</u></b>	Brothers, Harriet J	Saline	09/01/1861

**(no number)** See Letter 23 APR 1996 Philip Edward Smith to RPU  
Census Records Saline Co., IL – Re William Upchurch died 1861

1860 Saline Co., IL					
William Upchurch	72	Farmer	\$800/170	Born SC	
Sarah Upchurch	63	Wife		Born SC	
Willis Upchurch	19			Born IL	<b><u>[Willis Allen Upchurch]</u></b>

1850 Saline Co., IL		
William Upchurch	62	Born NC
Sarah Upchurch	51	Born NC
*Jamison H. Shaw	12	Born NC
*Jesse Shaw	13	Born NC
<b><u>Willis Allen Upchurch</u></b>	9	Born NC

1830 Franklin Co., IL		
William Upchurch	M	Age 40-50
	F	Age 15-20 [Mary Upchurch]
	M	Age 5-10 [Harrison Upchurch]
	F	Age 5-10 [presumed Elizabeth Upchurch]
[This Franklin Co., IL included William Co., IL until 1839. Adjacent was Gallatin Co., IL later divided into Saline & Gallatin]		

[1] \*Presumed children of Sarah by an earlier marriage to -- -- Shaw

[2] An alternate, less likely, speculation is that the Female 15-20 was a child bride of William Upchurch and that by this 1830 Census she had born 2 children with a third child (a daughter) yet to be born. The main assumption is there is no wife for William Upchurch listed on the 1830 Census. She presumed to have deceased before the census. A separate original assumption was that Elizabeth was born 1830.

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A copy of the original and a transcription of the will of William Upchurch is presented. Genealogical Information: From Abstracts Wills, Saline Co., IL 1847-1911, Book 1, Page 74 records the will William Upchurch – written 15 Jan 1861 Proved in court 1 MAR 1861. William Upchurch names as heirs his wife (no name given), so **Willis Allen Upchurch**, son Harrison Upchurch, presumed daughter Polly Newbolds (nee Mary Upchurch), presumed daughter Elizabeth Newbolds (nee Elizabeth Upchurch). William Upchurch attested by his mark. Witnessed: James W. Russell and Gilliam Harris (by mark).