

RON WHEELER

19 APR 2016

Wife Elsie Shubert of WC, NC  
23 FEB 1795 Prob'd SEP 1795

Wife KEN CILSON Shubert - 300 acres  
part of town where I live. Both sides  
of Moccasin Creek - same  
HANNAN, VILET, CROU

Son Isaac S - EX-ECTIA  
250 acres where to  
now from park of Moccasin creek

Son Jacob S - 1 stub

Mary Carter - ? - 17 angles? - 1 cent + cut

Dan Presulla S and Seagrave - 1 stub

Dan Charly S and Johnston - 1 stub

Dan PATTY S - ~~same~~ house girl  
STACY Buchanan till she is?

Dan Sally S and part stone Tims (P)

G.D. Moberg Shubert

Sam KINCIVEN S

Wife Nathan Mary

Jesse Burn

Jacob Wray (FIELD RAY)

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**Subject:** RE: Catch Up

**From:** "Ron Wheelless" <channingdale@comcast.net>

**Date:** Wed, Apr 13, 2016 9:55 pm

**To:** <phil@upchurchstory.com>

**Attach:** ElishaStrickland-1.jpg

ElishaStrickland-2.jpg

ElishaStrickland-3.jpg

kinchen upchurch.docx

Phil,

Sorry for the delay, it's been a hectic winter and spring. Attached is the LW&T of Elisha Strickland (Elisha, son of Jacob, son of Mathew and Anne Braswell), citing son Kinchin Strickland. I also included a word document containing some older correspondence regarding Elisha and possible Upchurch connections. Elisha's will was contested by his daughter Patty/Polly Strickland and her husband (also her cousin) Braswell Strickland and there is a possibility there were two wills (see the transcribed version in the attached word doc... could have been just poor transcription, but the transcribed document refers to 'beloved Kenchion' and son 'Kinchen' versus 'beloved son Kinchin and son Kinchen.'

Note the attached will is from Wake county NC, not GA... Braswell and Patty/Polly Strickland alleged that her GA Strickland siblings had changed wording of Elisha's will with regards to granddaughter Milbrey. There is some speculation that the issue was the slave Elisha intended to be left to granddaughter Milbrey, Braswell and Patty/Polly had guardianship of minor Milbrey and Patty/Polly probably needed the slave to help attend to Milbrey after the bound girl left to Patty/Polly turned 21 and was released from service.

Hope this helps rather than clouds our original issue. I hope to pickup with some of the family research and close some loose ends. I'd be interested in accessing and contributing to the Upchurch site and research.

Thanks and let's keep in touch.

Ron Wheelless

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**From:** phil@upchurchstory.com [mailto:phil@upchurchstory.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:45 AM

**To:** Ron-X Wheelless

**Subject:** Catch Up

Hi Ron---

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In the Name of God Amen

Elisha Strickland of Wilke County and State of North Carolina being in Perfect mind  
and memory makes be given unto God Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing  
that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament  
that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hand of Almighty  
God that give it and my Body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian Burial at  
the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the  
same a gain by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estates where with it has bin  
Please God to bless and wealth in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner  
and form First I give to my dear by beloved son Hinchon Strickland the manner plantation where I now  
Live containing by Estimation three hundred acres Lying on both sides of Moherson Creek one Negro  
Woman Named Hannah one Negro Girl Named Vilot and one Negro Boy Named Croal one Hair Saddle  
and Bundle one Bed and furniture and all my Cattle but one Cow and Calf that I leave to my  
Grand Daughter Milbre Strickland Also I give to my son Isaac Strickland Two hundred and  
Twenty Acres of Land Lying in the fork of Moherson it being the plantation where he now lives  
Also I give to my son <sup>also I give to my son</sup> Jacob Strickland one Shilling Also I give to my Daughter  
Priscilla Legacies one Shilling Also I give to my Daughter Charity Johnston one Shilling  
Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Griffin one Shilling Also I give to my Daughter Fatta  
Strickland one Bound Girl Named Silve Pickmore <sup>tell she is barely one year of age</sup> Mrs  
I give to my Daughter Sall Pace one Negro woman

Grand Daughter Milbre Strickland one Negro woman <sup>only her three</sup> Named <sup>son Isaac</sup> <sup>and one</sup> <sup>and one</sup>  
To them to possess after my Decease and the Remains of my Land Houses sheep and gees and  
all the Rest of My Livin I leave to be sold by son Isaac Strickland whom I appoint to be my  
Executor to this my last will and testament as much as will pay my Debts and the Rest I give  
to my son Hinchon and I do here by utterly Dissolve Revoke and disannul all and every other  
former testaments Wills Legacies Requests and Executors by me in any wise before named written  
and Leguathed Matifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in witness  
Whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal This Twenty third Day of February in the year  
of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Ninety five  
Signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the said  
Elisha Strickland as his last will and testament in the  
Presence of us who in his Presence and in the of each  
other have here unto subscribed our Names

Nathorn Mayssey (Jurist)  
Jeff Biron  
Jacob Wray (Jurist)  
mark

Elisha Strickland Seal

Wake County Sep<sup>r</sup> Term 1795  
The within Will was  
duly proved in open Court by the  
Oaths of Nathan Massey & Jesse  
Burr Witnesses thereto & ordered  
to be recorded H. Lane. C. C.

Recorded in the Clerks Office in  
the County of Wake in Book  
D. & page (173) this 16<sup>th</sup> Day  
of June 1797. H. Lane. C. C.

Recorded & Entered

W. M.  
Elisha Strickland

Elisha Strickland  
Will

Elisha Strickland

Will

PP

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Hey Strickland Kuz'ns,

I don't mean to butt in, but when I step back and read the below land document, I see that RICHARD UPCHURCH and (possibly?) HIS WIFE "KINCHEON UPCHURCH" are good candidates to be the parents of ELISHA's wife 'KINCHEON" (the beloved "Kincheon" first mentioned in ELISHA's LWT). Extending Don's question: Did ELISHA STRICKLAND and his wife name their son KINCHEON after his mother and maternal grandmother (i.e., mother KINCHEON UPCHURCH and grandma KINCHEON UPCHURCH)?

Anybody got a handle on that RICHARD UPCHURCH family?

Kuz'n JOHN F. WISE  
Montgomery, Alabama

----- Original Message -----

From: Sam M. Strickland <~~wareagle@please\_ignore\_this\_id@gate.net~~>  
To: <STRICKLAND-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, June 09, 1999 8:54 PM  
Subject: Re: [STRICKLAND-L] Elisha Strickland Will of 1795

> Don:  
>  
> Our paths have crossed on this question before -- last September in this list.  
> I have been given the following data by Jim Strickland (JStrick293@aol.com)=>  
> ~~~~~  
> On March 15, 1794, Elisha Strickland of Wake County sold William Morgin of Nash  
> County for L30 a tract of 300 acres in Franklin County on Turkey Creek, the  
> county line and Bryant. Witnesses: Jesse (X) Pearce, Richard  
> Upchurch and Kinchin (X) Upchurch. (Franklin County, NC Deed Book A, Page  
> 272-2nd)  
> ~~~~~  
>  
> The other references I've found to Elisha's wife's name had her as  
> /unknown/Upchurch. Since she would've been married to Elisha at the time of  
> this deed it doesn't seem reasonable during that unliberated era for her

to be

> retaining her maiden name, but Kinchin Upchurch could've been a close relative,

> and may have been the source of the use of that name among the Stricklands. I

> have a greatgrandfather and a greatgreatgrandfather named Kinchen Strickland,

> and I've been trying to connect them with Elisha and so have a vested interest

> in the question.

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> Sam Strickland

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> Don Fucich wrote:

> >

> <snipped will>

> > Who was Elisha's wife ?

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> > Kinchen Upchurch ? ?

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> > Did they name a son Kinchen after his Mother ? ? ?

> >

> > Don

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**Elisha Strickland**  
Last Will and Testament  
3 February 1795  
Of Wake County, North Carolina  
*Probated: September Term 1795*

(Note that I have transcribed the document as best it could be read, with no corrections to spelling made. Where text was illegible, a line represents the missing text. –Sharon Anderson)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELISHA STRICKLAND of Wake County & State of North Carolina, being in perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling into mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to principally & first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that give it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the Almighty Power of God, and as touching such worldly estate where with it has been please God to bless me with in this Life, I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner & form:

First, I to my dearly beloved KENCHION STRICKLAND the manor Plantation where I now live containing by estimation 300 acres lying on both sides of Mockason Creek; one Negro woman named Hannah; one Negro girl named Vilet: & one Negro Boy named Croel; one Mare, Saddle & Bridle; one Bed & furniture & all my cattle but one cow & calf that I leave to my Grand Daughter Milbery STRICKLAND

Also, I give to my son, ISAAC STRICKLAND, two hundred & fifty acres of land lying in the fork of Mockerson, It being the plantation where he now lives.

Also, I give to MARY CARTER one Cow & Calf.

Also, I give to my son, JACOB STRICKLAND, one shilling.

Also, give to my Daughter, PRISCILLA SEAGROVES, one shilling.

Also, I give to my Daughter, CHARITY JOHNSTON, one shilling.

Also, I give to my Daughter PATTY STRICKLAND, one Bound girl named Silvey Hickman till she is twenty one years of age.

Also, I give to my Daughter, SALLY PACE, one Negro woman named Tims.

Also, I give to my above named Grand Daughter, MILBERY STRICKLAND, one Negro woman named Nanny (only her third child to my son, ISAAC. STRICKLAND) and one Bed,



To them to possess after my decease & the remainder of my land, Horses, Sheep & geese & all the rest of my living — I leave to be sold by son ISAAC STRICKLAND, whome I appoint to be my Executor to this my last Will and Testament as much as will pay by Debts & the rest I leave to my son KINCHEN & I do hereby utterly disallow revoke & disannull all and every other former Testament, Wills, Legaces, bequest and Executors by me in any wise before named, willed and bequeathed, Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament. Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety five.

ELISHA (signed) STRICKLAND

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(witnesses)

NATHAN MASSEY; JESSE BUN; JACOB (his mark) WRAY



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WHEELLESS (E2)

(3) - 24 OCT 2015 - CONTINUED

So you see the area I'm researching, I've seen land transactions, witnessing for each other and other evidence... but am lacking that one solid lead that can help confirm Elisha married an Upchurch. (nay leads?) I hoped there may be some wills or other records on the Upchurch family sites, hence my visits to yours. My grandmother's mother was a Taylor (Frances 'Fannie' Helen Taylor, wife of Cyrus Mahartney Strickland), the Taylors intermarried frequently with Stricklands in Nash, Franklin and Wake, and Johnston counties NC also.

I'll complete the form over the weekend, appreciate any information you can provide.

Thanks

Ron Wheelless

**Subject:** New Form Entry: Enrolled Families Database Viewing Form  
**From:** "phil@upchurchstory.com" <no-reply@weebly.com>  
**Date:** Sat, Oct 24, 2015 1:09 pm  
**To:** phil@upchurchstory.com

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You've just received a new submission to your Enrolled Families Database Viewing Form.

**Submitted Information:**

**Name**

Ron Wheelless

**Email**

channingdale@comcast.net

**Subject:** RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form  
**From:** phil@upchurchstory.com  
**Date:** Sun, Oct 25, 2015 5:51 am  
**To:** "Ron Wheelless" <channingdale@comcast.net>

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Hi Ron---

Thanks for your inputs. Now I have some work to do. I will make copies of your outline for each person named and will place them in my Biofile System where there are already several hundred thousand Biofiles. I will hope to encounter useful information to share with you. This will take some time as I have just returned home to MO after a 16-day family history trip to NC and am behind.

My wife nee Eva Sallaine Sledge is from Franklin/Nash and is a descendant of Strickland and several other families in the area. Do you have access to the important Strickland Book by my good/great late friend Carla Tate?

The inputs on Kinchin U. are exciting. I have in Franklin County several references to Upchurches named K----- with different spellings--presumably more than one person. None of these have I been able to link to an Upchurch parent. Perhaps a joint effort on our part will bring success. I'll see what I have to share.

Welcome to Allied Families~

Phil Upchurch

RON

W WHEELLESS PG 3

6 FROM FIND A GRAVE - RPU - 12 NOV 2015

# William Henry Wheelless

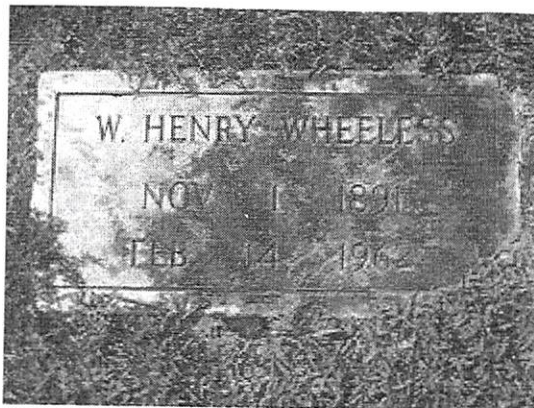
Created by: Gloria Starling Johnson  
Record added: Dec 26, 2012  
Find A Grave Memorial# 102665040

Birth: Nov. 1, 1891  
Nash County  
North Carolina, USA  
Death: Feb. 14, 1962  
Smithfield  
Johnston County  
North Carolina, USA

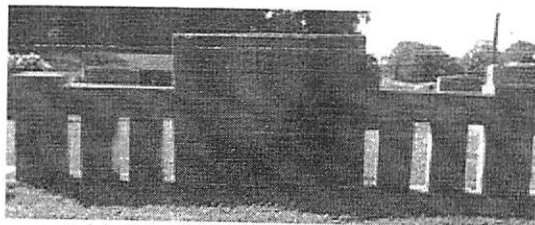
- Siblings:
- △ Thad Ventrus Wheelless (1883 - 1972)\*\*
  - △ Vernon Walker Wheelless (1886 - 1978)\*\*
  - William Henry Wheelless (1891 - 1962)
  - △ Lula *Wheelless* Strickland (1893 - 1976)\*
  - △ George Washington Wheelless (1896 - 1978)\*
  - △ Sudie *Wheelless* Batchelor (1900 - 1968)\*

\*\*Half-sibling

Burial:  
Sardis Baptist Church Cemetery  
Smithfield  
Johnston County  
North Carolina, USA



Added by: Gloria Starling Johnson



Added by: Gloria Starling Johnson

- 1930 Name Age
- W H Wheelless 38
  - Mattie Wheelless 37
  - Janie Wheelless 18
  - Mabel Wheelless 16
  - Henry Wheelless 12
  - Theodore Wheelless 11
  - Catherine Wheelless 6
  - Helen Wheelless 2 6/12

- 1940 Name Age
- W Henry Wheelless 48
  - Mattie Wheelless 47
  - Henry Wheelless 22
  - Katherine Wheelless 16
  - Helen Wheelless 12
  - Ann Wheelless 8
  - Truette Wheelless 3

Name: William Henry Wheelless  
Gender: Male  
Race: White  
Age: 70  
Birth Date: 1 Nov 1891  
Birth Place: Nash, North Carolina  
Death Date: 14 Feb 1962  
Death Location: Smithfield, Johnston  
Spouse's Name: Mattie Strickland  
Father's Name: William Gilford Wheelless  
Mother's Name: Lucy Hamilton  
Residence: Smithfield, Johnson, NC

### Family links:

- Parents:
- △ William Gilford Wheelless (1853 - 1923)
  - △ Lucy E. *Hamilton* Wheelless (1859 - 1924)

### Spouse:

Mattie Eula *Strickland* Wheelless (1893 - 1991)

### Children:

- William Henry Wheelless (1917 - 1996)\*
- Theodore Robert Wheelless (1919 - 1984)\*
- Clifford Wheelless (1922 - 1923)\*
- George Truett Wheelless (1936 - 2012)\*

△ I. WILLIAM HENRY W WHEELLESS  
△ A. GEORGE TRUETT WHEELLESS  
△ I. RON W WHEELLESS  
↳ COOPERATOR



RON

WHEELLESS PG4

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- Δ I. MATTHEW STRICKLAND
- Δ MD (?) ANNE BRASWELL
- Δ A. JACOB STRICKLAND - (REV. WAR PATRIOT)
- Δ I. ELSHA STRICKLAND - 1925-1995  
MD - POSSIBLY AN UPTON CHURCH
- Δ POSSIBLY KINCHIN U (F) 1932 - 1974 → CARLA IN HER  
MASSEY BOOKS  
REFERS TO  
KINCHIN - A MATE  
ALSO KINCHON
- Δ D/O JOHN U?
- Δ ED/O RICHARD U?
- Δ A MARTHA POLY STRICKLAND
- Δ MD A LOUSEN BRASWELL STRICKLAND
- Δ S/O CAMPSON STRICKLAND & CSB  
MATTHEW STRICKLAND & ANNE BRASWELL
- Δ I. WRIGHT STRICKLAND
- Δ Δ (I) MAHARTNEY STRICKLAND MD (?) CATHERINE BAILEY
- Δ Δ (II) CYRUS MAHARTNEY STRICKLAND MD (?) FRANCES HELEN  
TAYLOR "FANNIE"
- Δ (I) MATTIE EULA STRICKLAND
- Δ MD (I) WILLIAM HENRY WHEELLESS 1936 - 2012
- Δ (II) GEORGE TRUGG WHEELLESS
- Δ (I) RON WHEELLESS

FROM:  
FIND A GRAVE

### Cyrus Mahartney Strickland

Birth: Sep. 10, 1860  
Death: Mar. 20, 1951

North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1975  
Name: Cyrus Mahartney Strickland  
Gender: Male  
Race: White  
Age: 84  
Birth Date: 10 Sep 1866  
Birth Place: Johnston, North Carolina  
Death Date: 20 Mar 1951  
Death Location: Smithfield, Johnston  
Father's Name: Mahartney Strickland  
Mother's Name: Catherine Bailey  
Residence: Smithfield, Johnston, NC

#### Children:

- Δ Mattie Eula Strickland Wheelless (1893 - 1991)\*
- Δ Maudie Magnolia Strickland Wester (1894 - 1989)\*
- Δ Thomas George Strickland (1896 - 1966)\*
- Δ Minnie Clee Strickland Griffin (1898 - 1952)\*
- Δ Madison Cyrus Strickland (1900 - 1964)\*
- Δ Roscoe Lee Strickland (1902 - 1994)\*
- Δ Myrtle Frances Strickland Oliver (1904 - 2004)\*
- Δ Hubert York Strickland (1905 - 1920)\*
- Δ Mabel Undeen Strickland (1908 - 1910)\*
- Δ Cecil Gerome Strickland (1909 - 1966)\*
- Δ Thurman Dewey Strickland (1911 - 1998)\*
- Δ Woodrow Louis Strickland (1913 - 2005)\*

Burial:  
Sardis Baptist Church Cemetery  
Smithfield  
Johnston County  
North Carolina, USA

Created by: Gloria Starling Johnson  
Record added: Dec 26, 2012  
Find A Grave Memorial# 102665017

#### Family links:

Spouse:  
Frances Helen Taylor Strickland (1870 - 1950)\*

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WHEELLESS PES

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25 OCT  
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**Subject:** RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form  
**From:** "Ron Wheelless" <channingdale@comcast.net>  
**Date:** Sun, Oct 25, 2015 11:08 am  
**To:** <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil,

I have the Strickland and Massey books compiled by Carla. There seems to be a possibility that the will examined by Carla in the books was the one transcribed for recording and not the loose original. The issue is insertion of the word 'son'.... I have seen several posts by some who propose to have examined the loose original that say the first reference in the will reads 'my beloved Kinchin' and another reference to Kenchon with different spelling as a son. In the version examined by Carla the reference reads 'my beloved son Kinchin' with another reference to son Kenchon later in the document. I've placed this issue on the back burner several times over the years, its now in my bucket list.

As I revisit what I have available I'll definitely share findings with you. I take it you have Carla's books?

Regards

Ron

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I do have both of Carla's books.

The GM of my wife was Sallied Strickland who was a GD of Gideon Strickland who in turn was a GS of Mark Strickland 1749-1811 who was a brother of the Elisha Strickland of whom you write. So my wife and you are blood relatives as are your children and mine.

Abel Strickland 1760-1801 had five sons all with the first name K----. (Kinsman, Kindred, Kinsbird, Kenuel and Kinyerd.) Again, this could be a coincidence as related to the Kinchin Upchurch of whom you write but maybe not.

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Then we have a series of K---Upchurches unlinked about whom I will comment:

1. Kelan Upchurch. He is mentioned in the will of Rhoda Harris Franklin County, NC September Court 1840 (Book L,folio 1). Kelan is said to have had a first wife Lurany. The will also devises to Eaton Upchurch's wife Frances. I believe these names to be garbled an that they refer to Keaton (not Kelan) Upchurch whose wife was Laurena (Norris) Upchurch and to Keaton (not Kelan) Upchurch whose wife was Frances (Norris) Upchurch. Laurena was a niece of Frances. The deceased in her will mentions "my sister Ruthey Norris". Keaton and Eaton were brothers and sons of Charles Upchurch of the Revolution. So, in the end I do not believe there is such a person as Kelan Upchurch.

2. Keбал Upchurch. I have a single reference to this name provided in a letter May 14,1984 from my cooperator Eleanor Grace Williamson of Wilson , NC. She found in Franklin County, NC 1799-1808 Execution Docket C. R. 039.304.2 five items related to Upchurches. Number 5 was "Mar 1809 No 43 Office vs. Richard Spivey. Keaton Upchurch. Theo Ferrell, Eaton Upchurch and Keбал Upchurch. Satisfied". I know Keaton and Eaton well as reported above but this is the first and only reference, so far, to Keбал. My speculation is that Keбал was also a son of Charles Upchurch but proof is needed. Any relationship to a Kinchin Upchurch would be unclear

3. Kemp Upchurch a white man (not to be confused with the AF-AM Kemp Upchurch Sr. and Jr. mentioned above). The above mentioned Eaton Upchurch had a son whose name has been found with several spellings including "Cemp" "Kemp"and "Camp". Whether we can legitimately claim the spelling "Kemp " is yet to be determined.

4. Kinchin Upchurch/Kinchin Strickland:

a. First re Kinchin Strickland. I show that Elisha Strickland had a son Kinchin Strickland (Kinchin Strickland ,I)b abt 1780/1781 d before 8 OCT 1863 when his will was probated in Madison Co., GA. Further, Elisha Strickland had a son Issac Strickland who had a son Kinchin Strickland (Kinchin Strickland,II) who in 1835 sold his fathers land.

b. The name Kinchin Upchurch clearly surfaces on a May 15,1794 Franklin County deed as a witness along with John Pearce and Richard Upchurch (Could be Richard U.. II or Richard U.,III). This entry for Kinchin Upchurch may be valid (in which case we need a father for him) but I open the possibility the the could be a name entered in error and that instead of Kinchin Upchurch the name Kinchin Strickland should have been entered. This is just speculation my part.

c. Kinchin Upchurch--I have a reference that Sampson Strickland,I born abt 1724 had a daughter Mary Strickland who married Benjamin Upchurch and that they had a son Kinchin Upchurch. More proof on this is needed. Note that this Mary is the sister of the aforesaid Abel who named children K----.

d. Kinchin Upchurch as mentioned in your email of Oct 25, 2015 where he was called "my son Kinchin" and later referred to as Kenchon. Presumably Kinchin and Kenchon are the same. I do not have this will before me but I presume it is in my files. Could you tell me whose will this is.

This is a sketch of how I see things now. I hope there is more detail that would be helpful in your files or mine. Please let me have your comments and suggestion on how we can cooperate on this matter going forward.

Buried in the above is a matter that may provide a basis for you and I to collaborate more. I refer to the 300 acres and the 1794 deed . I think this traces back to a 600 acre land grant to Elisha in 1780 and 1781 on Turkey Creek half of which was in Franklin and half in Nash. Where Turkey creek crosses the Nash/Franklin border fixes the location of the 600 acres. The Grants to Benjamin Upchurch were close by. More research on these tracts and the people involved could be informative.

Thanks for all of you input. I will be happy to work more on this with you.

Phil Upchurch

## Elisha Strickland

Birth: Aug. 20, 1824  
Cherry Grove  
Columbus County  
North Carolina, USA  
Death: Feb. 24, 1902

No stone. Grave next to Wife Alice Strickland

### Family links:

#### Spouse:

*Alice Strickland* Strickland (1824 - 1902)

#### Children:

Calvin Strickland (1844 - 1923)\*  
Carey B. Strickland (1849 - 1926)\*  
Caroline Strickland (1852 - 1937)\*  
Hale Strickland (1856 - 1908)\*  
Emp Strickland (1859 - 1930)\*

\*Calculated relationship

#### Burial:

Strickland Farm Cemetery

Cherry Grove

Columbus County

North Carolina, USA

[Edit Virtual Cemetery info](#) [?]

Created by: Don Strickland

Record added: Feb 25, 2010

Find A Grave Memorial# 48758650



Cemetery Photo

Added by: Don Strickland





# Estate Records

Posted 20 Jun 2008 by mpmusic30646

State of North Carolina, To the Sheriff of Wake Co., Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon one Nathan Massey, Jesse Bun, and Jacob Wright, if to be found in your Co., personally to be and appear before the Justices of our Court of Pleas and Quarter Session to be held for the Co., aforesaid at the Court House in Raleigh on the third Monday of August next, then and there to declare upon oath what they may know touching the execution of the last Will and Testament of Elisha Strickland, decd and this they shall in no wise omit under the penalty by law prescribed. Herein fall not. Witness Simon Turner, Clerk of the said Court at his office in Raleigh, the fourth Monday of June 1805 and in the 29th year of American Independence July 10, 1805. signed S. Turner, C. C.

On reverse side of above paper: Brasel Strickland & Wife, suponea Isaac Strickland and others to Wake, August Term 1805. Executed on all except Jacob Wray, who it is said is deceased.

State of North Carolina, Co., of Wake, Court of Pleas, Quarter Session, June 1805

The petition of Brasil Strickland & Polly his wife--  
Your petitioners humbly state that Elisha Strickland, father of Polly, one of your petitioners died about fifteen years ago. That one Isaac Strickland produced soon after his death a paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said Elisha and wherein the said Isaac was named Executor and caused the same to be proven in this Court in the common form without giving notice to the next of kin of said Elisha and without the knowledge of your petitioners. That by dec'd papers bequests were made to the following persons, children of said Elisha, but by no means in equal proportions. To Jacob Strickland, who lives in Anson Co., NC; to Priscilla Strickland intermarried with Jacob Lewis?, which said Jacob Lewis lives in the State of GA; the said Priscilla being dead, having six children living in the State of GA whose names are to your petitioner; Charity Strickland intermarried with James Johnson residents of GA; Elizabeth intermarried with Hardy Griffin which said Elizabeth is dead, having four children to wit: James, Jincy, Jenny and Isaac, residents of I\_nklin; Isaac Strickland living in GA; Polly Strickland intermarried with Brasil Strickland, your petitioner; Sally Strickland intermarried with John Pace living in Franklin; Kinchen Strickland lives in GA; Milly Strickland intermarried with William James? residents of Franklin.

Your petitioner states that they are informed and believe that the said paper writing is not the last Will and Testament of said Elisha. They are informed also and believe that should the said paper in other respects be the last Will of said Elisha, that Legacy given to Milly Strickland was fraudulently inserted, it being the intention of the Testator to give the legacy to Polly, one of your petitioners. Your petitioners humbly pray that the executor of said paper be in a solemn manner examined and set aside, if not (the last Will and Testament) of said Elisha--and to that end that copies of this petition to all parties concerned: Suponeas for the subscribing witnesses  
signed L. Hu for Petitioners

Back of above reads: Brasil Strickland & Wife petition to set aside Will

DETAILS



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**Subject:** FW: Catch Up

**From:** "Ron Wheelless" <[channingdale@comcast.net](mailto:channingdale@comcast.net)>XXXXXX

**Date:** Thu, Apr 14, 2016 7:42 pm

**To:** <[phil@upchurchstory.com](mailto:phil@upchurchstory.com)>

**Attach:** ElishaStrickland-1.jpg

ElishaStrickland-2.jpg

ElishaStrickland-3.jpg

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ElishaStrickland 2Will.jpg

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Ron

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**From:** Ron Wheelless [mailto:[channingdale@comcast.net](mailto:channingdale@comcast.net)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2016 9:56 PM

**To:** 'phil@upchurchstory.com'

**Subject:** RE: Catch Up

Phil,

Sorry for the delay, it's been a hectic winter and spring. Attached is the LW&T of Elisha Strickland (Elisha, son of Jacob, son of Mathew and Anne Braswell), citing son Kinchin Strickland. I also included a word document containing some older correspondence regarding Elisha and possible Upchurch connections. Elisha's will was contested by his daughter Patty/Polly Strickland and her husband (also her cousin) Braswell Strickland and there is a possibility there were two wills (see the transcribed version in the attached word doc... could have been just poor transcription, but the transcribed document refers to 'beloved Kenchion' and son 'Kinchen' versus 'beloved son Kinchin and son Kinchen.'

Note the attached will is from Wake county NC, not GA... Braswell and Patty/Polly Strickland alleged that her GA Strickland siblings had changed wording of Elisha's will with regards to granddaughter Milbrey. There is some speculation that the issue was the slave Elisha intended to be left to granddaughter Milbrey, Braswell and Patty/Polly had guardianship of minor Milbrey and Patty/Polly probably needed the slave to help attend to Milbrey after the bound girl left to Patty/Polly turned 21 and was released from service.

Hope this helps rather than clouds our original issue. I hope to pickup with some of the family research and close some loose ends. I'd be interested in accessing and contributing to the Upchurch site and research.

Thanks and let's keep in touch.

Ron Wheelless

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1st Co. N.C. } Last Will & Testament of Eliza Strickland

In the name of God Amen. Eliza Strickland  
County of Wake County & State of North Carolina  
do hereby and mercifully thanks be <sup>given</sup> unto God calling into  
mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing  
that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make  
and Ordain this my last Will and Testament. That is  
to Principally & first of all I give an<sup>d</sup> recomme<sup>nd</sup>  
my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that give  
it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried  
in a decent Christian Burial at the direction  
of my Executors nothing doubting but at the  
general resurrection, I shall receive the same  
again by the Almighty Power of God and  
touching such worldly Estate, which with it has  
been please God to bless me with in this life. I give devise  
and dispose of the same in the following Manner & form  
I give to my Dearly beloved Son Eliza Strickland the  
Manor Plantation where I now live containing by  
estimation 300 Acres lying on both sides of Mock-  
erson Creek one Negro both names named Man not one  
girl named Milet & one Negro Boy named Joel or  
Meyer, Saddle & Bridles, one Bed & furniture & all  
my Cattle but one Cow & calf that I leave to my  
Daughter Milbery Strickland I give to my son  
Isaac Strickland two hundred & sixty Acres of  
land lying on the fork of Mockerson. I being the  
Plantation where he now lives. Also I give to my  
Cattle one Cow & calf. Also I give to my

son Jacob Strickland one Shilling. Also give to my  
Daughter Percilla Strickland one Shilling. Also  
I give to my Daughter Charity Johnston one  
Shilling. Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Giff  
one Shilling. Also I give to my Daughter Betty  
Strickland one Bound Girl named Selvey Hickm  
till she is twenty one year of Age - Also I give  
to my Daughter Sally Pace one Negro woman  
named Teme. Also I give to my above  
grand Daughter Milbery Strickland one Negro  
woman named Fanny (only her third child  
to my son Isaac Strickland) and one Bed,  
to them to possess after my decease & the remainder  
of my Land horses sheep & Geese & all the rest  
of my living - I leave to be sold by son Isaac  
Strickland whom I appoint to be my Executor  
to this my last Will and Testament as much  
as will pay my Debts & the rest I leave to my  
son <sup>Isaac</sup> ~~Isaac~~ & I do hereby utterly disavow  
revoke & disannull all and every other former  
Testament, Wills, Legacies bequest and Executors  
by me in any way before made. Witness my  
hand & voice of Isaac Strickland at my hand and at the  
this twenty third day of February in the year  
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred &  
Ninety five. Eliza Strickland  
Signed, Sealed, published pronounced  
and declared by the said Eliza  
Strickland as her last Will & Testament  
in the presence of

15 APR 2016

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Hi Ron---

Thanks for the second will (and the first). If you have a transcription of it I would find it useful.

It now becomes clear that Elisha Strickland had a son Kinchin Strickland. In at least one of the records there seems to be family lore that Elisha was married to a Kenchon and that she was possibly nee Upchurch. I do not find it creditable, as has been suggested, that she was the daughter of John U. who was a son of Richard U. We have Richard U, II 1725-1798 in the picture and his son Richard U.,III who d 1817. There is no John that would fit. Richard U.,III had a well known clutch of 8 children. None of these were a female named named K--- U. Anyway a child of Richard U.,III would have been too young to have been the wife of Elisha unless she was a second younger wife.

We need to look for a daughter of Richard U.,II who could have been a fit to have been K--- U. He is reported to have had three daughters -- Betty, Frances, and Nancy. We know nothing more about them and, unless new information surfaces, will assume that none of the three had a second name K---- U., although we can not absolutely rule that out.

To make the ages work, assuming K--- U. was about the same age as Elisha, we would have to speculate that K---U. was a contemporary of Richard U., II. He was in Brunswick Co., VA until about 1750 so Elisha and K--- U. would have to have married there. I do not know if Elisha was ever there. Richard U. ,II was the original Upchurch to settle in Franklin County.

Another route of speculation would be that K--- U. was a somewhat younger wife of Elisha and that she was a daughter of one of the older sons of Richard U. II. My favorite pick would be Charles U. the son of Richard U.,II. He served in the Revolution with George Washington at Valley Forge. Of special interest is that he named sons Keaton U. and Eaton U. Perhaps Keaton had a sister K---U. who married Elisha. This marriage would have to have been around 1770-1780. I wonder if this fits.

Another wild speculation is that K---U. was not a descendant of Richard Upchurch, II but was a cousin of some sort who Elisha encountered and married in the 1730-1760 era and brought her to Franklin County.

I feel like I am just flailing around here but maybe something will catch your eye. We have work to do.

I would welcome you as a member of Allied Families. It is possible that we could get enough momentum to "enroll" the Strickland Family as we have done several others. The family certainly qualifies in being allied to our Upchurch groups. We have relationships s and data. The question is can we recruit descendants to participate with us in this venture. In any case I look forward to our ongoing exchanges.

Best~

Phil Upchurch

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7 DEC 2013

RON WHEELLESS

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Why did I take those to  
the Valley?? Apparently  
copies have been made  
for all marked & &  
filled.

I checked Frances Helen  
Taylor & found her  
in file as expected  
what next??

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Put in RON WHEELLESS  
Department (not file)  
his signature

INPUT FROM EMAIL 24 OCT 2015 RON WHEELLES TO RPM  
12 NOV 2013

- △ J. MATTHEW STRICKLAND
- △ MD (?) ANNE BRASWELL
- △ A. JACOB STRICKLAND - (REV. WAR PATRIOT)
- △ I. ELSHA STRICKLAND - 1925-1995
  - MD - POSSIBLY AN UPCI CHURCH
  - △ POSSIBLY KENCHEN U (F) 1932 - 1974 → CARLA IN IEN MASSEY BOOKS REFERS TO KENCHEN - A MAGE ALSO KENCHON
  - △ D/O JOHN U?
  - △ ED/O RICHARD U?
- △ R. MARTHA POLY STRICKLAND
- △ MD A LOUSEN BRASWELL STRICKLAND
- △ S/O CAMPSON STRICKLAND & GS/B MATTHEW STRICKLAND & ANNE BRASWELL
- △ I. WRIGHT STRICKLAND
- △ (I) MAHARTNEY STRICKLAND MD (?) CATHERINE BAILEY
- △ (II) CYRUS MAHARTNEY STRICKLAND MD (?) FRANCES HELEN TAYLOR "FANNIE"
- △ (I) MATTIE EULA STRICKLAND
- △ MD (I) WILLIAM HENRY WHEELLES 1936 - 2012
- △ (II) GEORGE TRUETT WHEELLES
- △ (I) RON WHEELLES

FROM:  
FIND A GRAVE

### Cyrus Mahartney Strickland

Birth: Sep. 10, 1860  
 Death: Mar. 20, 1951

North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1975  
 Name: Cyrus Mahartney Strickland  
 Gender: Male  
 Race: White  
 Age: 84  
 Birth Date: 10 Sep 1866  
 Birth Place: Johnston, North Carolina  
 Death Date: 20 Mar 1951  
 Death Location: Smithfield, Johnston  
 Father's Name: Mahartney Strickland  
 Mother's Name: Catherine Bailey  
 Residence: Smithfield, Johnston, NC

- Children:
- △ Mattie Eula Strickland Wheelles (1893 - 1991)\*
  - △ Maudie Magnolia Strickland Wester (1894 - 1989)\*
  - △ Thomas George Strickland (1896 - 1966)\*
  - △ Minnie Clee Strickland Griffin (1898 - 1952)\*
  - △ Madison Cyrus Strickland (1900 - 1964)\*
  - △ Roscoe Lee Strickland (1902 - 1994)\*
  - △ Myrtle Frances Strickland Oliver (1904 - 2004)\*
  - △ Hubert York Strickland (1905 - 1920)\*
  - △ Mabel Undeen Strickland (1908 - 1910)\*
  - △ Cecil Gerome Strickland (1909 - 1966)\*
  - △ Thurman Dewey Strickland (1911 - 1998)\*
  - △ Woodrow Louis Strickland (1913 - 2005)\*

Burial:  
Sardis Baptist Church Cemetery  
 Smithfield  
 Johnston County  
 North Carolina, USA

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Family links:  
 Spouse:  
 Frances Helen Taylor Strickland (1870 - 1950)\*

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