

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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# Allied Families

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April 30, 2017

Dear Judy & Gary

We have been very busy in Allied Families recently. To keep you in the loop I provide the following:

- A copy of our 19 APR 2017 Annual Newsletter
- A list of Projects for our Cary, NC Facility
- A membership renewal form for 2017

I hope you will continue to support our family history effort and to send in details from East Texas

Sending Best Wishes

Phil Upchurch



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January 28, 2017

Dear Gay & Judy,

Time for an update on Allied Families.

From the enclosed U.F. for 2016 you will see how we have progressed from print to digital - a big achievement.

The progress report enclosed shows our recent progress and what we hope for in 2017. With our proposed \$25,000 budget for 2017 we can get a lot done if we can get it funded. Any encouragement you can provide will be welcomed.

I will be in NC at our Cary, NC Facility 29 MAR. - 2 APR. to get more projects underway. It would be great if you could come see the progress we are making.

I hope this finds you both in good health and enjoying life. We are good here.

Sending All Best Wishes

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October 5, 2016

M/M GARY UPCHURCH  
1033 COUNTRY ROAD 3548  
ATLANTA TX 75551

Dear Judy.

Thanks for your letter of October 1 and for the photo and the family update. All will be made a part of my Upchurch family records.

I do hope you will be successful in contacting Helen and that she will be willing to follow your advice re Elva's records. I would be happy to assist, preserve & share the records along with my huge collection.

Do let me know how it works out. I will be happy to participate

Phil Upchurch



REC'D  
3 OCT 2016

Oct. 1, 2016  
Gary's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Dear Phil,

I received your letter and was glad to hear that you contacted Helen Uphurch - Winston's wife. They lived so far away from us that I only saw her a very few times in my life. Many times Winston came home alone and worked on his parents' house after they died. Before Winston died, he sold the house and land ~~near~~ to his neighbor on the left of him - Marty Lawrence. Marty's father-in-law was a friend of Winston's who lived across the road and looked after his place when Winston was gone. Winston sold the rest of the Raggi Uphurch property to my husband Gary who had been leasing the land for hay and pastures for many years. We will contact Helen. I would prefer that she give her family photos and research to you. My children are not into family history and might not keep it not knowing the value of her work. I am sending a picture of the latest additions to the Walter Jackson Uphurch family.

(continued)

Stephanie Norman Cottle is the granddaughter of Emmett Upshurb who is a brother of Morris Upshurb. She and her husband Rick Cottle have adopted four children. The older boy and girl named Ashtyn and Kayla are a brother and sister. The younger children named Michael and Hannah are also a brother and sister. Stephanie is a nurse and Rick is a teacher. Her mother Patsy Upshurb Norman lives with them to help take care of the children. Patsy and her husband Keith Norman have been divorced for many years but their children include them in their lives taking them to school events and family reunions.

I don't know when we will call Helen, but we will contact her.

Thanks and have  
a wonderful  
fall -

Judy + Gary



At Upshur Reunion

Sept. 17, 2016

Here are the two daughters of Patsy Upshur Norman  
(the daughter of Emmett & Claudine Upshur -  
the brother of Morris Upshur).

Front row - Kayla Jade Cottle (8-28-07)  
Michael Ian Cottle (9-4-11)  
Nannah Rose Cottle (10-6-12)

2<sup>nd</sup> row - Michelle Norman Brady wife of John Brady  
Timmy Brady  
Stephanie Norman Cottle wife of Rick Cottle  
Anthony Brady

Back row - Ashlyn Gauge Cottle (12-29-01)

All of Stephanie & Rick Cottle's children are adopted.  
Michelle & John Brady's children are biological.

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August 12, 2016

REC'D 17 SEP 2016

Dear Phil,

Hello from East Texas. I saw a cartoon this summer which rang true for Texas. God was sitting in a chair in front of the tv. Peter was behind him in the kitchen. He asked God what He was cooking in the oven. God replied, "TEXAS." We've had another hot one as usual. We have had more rain than usual and not a drought. For that, we are thankful.

You asked about Aunt Elva's 60 pictures. I don't know what happened to them. I suppose her son Winston took them to Guymon, OK. Winston died and I guess his wife Helen would have the pictures if Winston took them to OK. Here is her name, address, and phone number: Helen Upchurch, 1007 North James St, Guymon, OK 73942. Her phone number is 580-338-3140.

I have enclosed some pictures which you probably already have, but I am sending them just in case.

Also on a personal note, Gary's brother <sup>△</sup>Kenneth Upchurch died on Aug. 22, 2016 and was buried in the Antioch Cemetery on August 25, 2016. I will enclose the paper given to people at the funeral. Kenneth had many health problems but they said he died of a blood infection.

Also on a happy note, Gary's sister Glenda Upchurch Parr welcomed a new granddaughter named Daniella Annaleigh Parr born May 16, 2016 in Plano, Texas to Dan and Beth Parr. She is gorgeous!

We have gone to the website. Everything looks good. I still write by snail mail though. Gary does do email. His address is gary56,57,58@yahoo.com. He doesn't check it very often though. I don't check mine any at all. I am church treasurer and treasurer of our local retired educators' association. I have my hands full just keeping up with all that bookwork plus helping Gary here on the farm. He has been redoing a pond (changing the drainage) and is in the hay field now.

Always,  
Judy Upchurch

PHOTOS NOT PROCESSED

APR 25 SEP 2016



**Bramm Studio,**

ATLANTA, TEXAS.

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*Estelle and Walter Jackson Upchurch  
Jimmy, Donie, Razzi*





**Bramm Studio,**

**ATLANTA, TEXAS.**

*Walter & Estelle Upchurch*

*Front row: Morris, Lou Bessie, Mattie*

*Middle row: Estelle, Razzi, Walter*

*Back row: Jimmy, Donie*



Walter + Estelle Upchurch Family  
Front row: Morris, Walter, Letha, Estelle, Emmett  
Back row: Razzi, Jimmy, Donie, Lou Bessie, Mattie





Walter Jackson Upchurch Children Sept. 1986

Top - Letha Pyle, Mattie Skinner, Emmett, Lou Bessie M<sup>c</sup>Alexander,  
Morris Upchurch

Bottom - Raggi, Donie Fincher, Jimmy



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September 25, 2016

M/M GARY UPCHURCH  
1033 COUNTRY RD 3548  
ATLANTA TX 75551

HELEN MAE HEGGS  
WIDOW OF VAGHEL  
WINSTON U 3/0  
ELVA

Dear Gary & Judy -

Based on your request I contacted Helen on September 18. She was quite friendly and said she did have Elva's records and she wants to give them to someone. She seemed inclined to work this out with you. I hope you will contact her and get and preserve the records. They could remain in Cass County or you could turn them over to me - your choice.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I sent her today.

My very best wishes to you both

Phil Upchurch



# Allied Families

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JULY 3, 2016

M/M GARY UPCHURCH  
1033 COUNTRY RD 3548  
ATLANTA GA 75551

Dear Gary & Judy -

We are making fantastic progress with the Upchurch Family under Allied Families. I'm working over some records this morning & saw that Elva had restored 60 photos. More on this below. It made me think of you and my 1976 trip to Cass Co., TN. I had many contacts in the county but you are the only one.

I am concerned that my contact with you is only by snail mail (maybe we should talk by phone). My concern is that you may not be following the progress we are making on our two websites and at our office locations in Chesterfield, MO and in Cary, NC. Do you in fact have access to the internet so that you can view our websites. Alternatively, could you go to a library and use their computers. Let me know if you have questions about how to navigate the sites.

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But my larger reason for writing concerns the 60 photos of Eva and maybe other Upchurchs photos in Casco County. Do you know what happened to her "stuff" in general and her photos in particular. Could you help us track down the 60 or others.

The reason I ask is that we now have electronic means of copying and preserving an incredible number of photos. For each photo we would add a commentary which would be available to the public and linked to special parts of our Upchurch Family. This is a powerful tool and we are just now perfecting our process. I am very anxious to learn if you think there are photos that we could copy.

I currently think this work would be coordinated out of our new facility in Cary, NC. We have fine volunteer coordinators working out of this office now and have just hired a part-time office & Project Manager. Ultimately, our plan is that the Cary Facility will be our main physical repository.

Any comments you have on these matters will be appreciated.

With Fond Memories

Gene Brodie

Pat Upchurch



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February 5, 2016

Dear Gary & Judy -

Many thanks for your \$20 check to renew your Allied Families membership for 2016. It arrived on the 4th.

The 2015 Upchurch Bulletin has been produced and placed on our website. We print just a few hard copies. I assume you do not have email so I am enclosing a hard copy for you to add to your collection.

In the year ahead we hope to enroll both the Charles Upchurch and the Richard Upchurch, ID Families. These are the true Revolutionary War era individuals who gave rise to the Upchurchs of Cass County, Texas.

You are apter in our thoughts

Phil Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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15 APR 2014

Dear Judy & Gary,

I was sorry to learn from your letter of 12 APR 2014 that Winston is no longer with us. Thanks for sending me the information. I have updated my files.

I have also reviewed the notes of my 1996 visit to Cass County, which shows that Gary, Winston, Marie, and I spent a day visiting Upchurch sites in the County. It is a visit well remembered and I treasure the memories.

The 81 acres will bring you joy. Only in the 1980's when we started acquiring land in Missouri did I realize how much pleasure one could get out of land. Even this spring I am putting in some terraces even though the tract will someday be sold. I had so many ideas such as a hunting club & a farm animal zoo on Interstate 70. In 2000 I decided all of my great ideas were too much for a 72-year old so let my farm operators handle matters - just farming. Still I dream about what I could have done.

The Upchurch and Alheid Families which we created last November and of which you and Gary are 2014 members in coming along nicely. We hope to hear from IRS this month about our tax exempt status. We are well on our way to having 100 members in 2014. I hope to have an e-newsletter out soon. We will be especially fun to start with an individual who lived about the time of the Revolution and accumulating and sharing details on the individual and their descendants. One of these will be Richard Upchurch, III, Gary's ancestor. I'll have more details on this project in due course.

We are in the process of moving from our current home to one more suitable to our needs. The process brings some measurements but we are quite pleased with our new place and hope the move will be over sometime in May.

Glad to hear Spring has arrived in Texas. We have had a few nice days after a very cold winter. Today is cold again but I hope Spring has not forgotten us.

With all best wishes Phil Upchurch



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April 12, 2014

Gary or Judy Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

Dear Phil,

Just a short note to let you know that Winston Upchurch, son of Elva and Razzi Upchurch died April 10, 2014. He was 87 years old. He lived in Mrymon, OK so I feel like he will be buried there. His parents are buried at Courtland Cemetery, Cass County, Texas.

Gary and I just closed the deal at the lawyer's office Thursday morning to buy 81 acres from Winston bordering our property. Gary had been leasing it for many years for hay and pasture. My sister's son Marty Lawrence purchased the house place and the acres behind the house. He lives next door to the Razzi Upchurch house. His wife Lori's parents live across the road from the Razzi Upchurch houseplace.

Beautiful spring weather in E. Texas!  
Hope all are well!

Judy + Gary  
Upchurch

Husband's Full Name Walter Razzi Lee Upchurch

FAMILY GROUP No. \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	May 4, 1902	Cass Co. Tex.			
Chr'nd					
Mar.	Feb. 25, 1925				
Death	Oct. 3, 1990	→ [ 3 OCT 1989 - RPH ]			
Burial	Courtland				

This Information Obtained From:

Places of Residence

Occupation

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's Full Maiden Name Elva Era Burkhalter

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	Dec. 19, 1905	Cass Co. Tex.			
Chr'nd					
Death	Apr. 23, 1993				
Burial	Courtland Cemetery	Cass Co. Texas			

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father Thomas T. Burkhalter 1880 - 1960 Mother's Maiden Name Nancy Evelyn Morgan Date 1879 - 1960

Compiler \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	<u>Betty Rose</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial	Oct. 16, 1925				
2	<u>Vachel Winston</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial	Mar. 19, 1927 Nov. 16, 1951 Apr. 10, 2014 Apr. 15, 2014		to: <u>Helen Higgins</u> <u>Gaymon OK</u>		<u>Debra Lynn</u> <u>Jul. 7, 1958</u>
3	<u>Clarice Avanelle</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial	Apr. 6, 1929 Apr. 27, 1956		to: <u>Charles Edward Foster</u>		<u>Fallon Lee</u> <u>Charles Edward</u>
4	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
5	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
6	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
9	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
10	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					







JUDY CAROL WINTLOW

XFN-5264

August 14, 2012

Gary Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551

REC'D  
16 AUG 2012

Dear Phil,

We have a new member of the Upchurch family to add to your list: Mary Elizabeth Upchurch, daughter of Matt and Heather Upchurch, granddaughter of Gary and Judy Upchurch was born August 8, 2012 in Plano, Texas. So far both mother and child are doing well. Heather is a kindergarten teacher who will miss the first 6 weeks of school. Then Mary will have to go to a daycare center during the day. Their other daughter Makayla will start kindergarten this year.

TO HIS BROTHER

We also lost a member of the Upchurch family recently so I am sending you his obit. Langston Pyle's mother was Gary's aunt. Her name was Letha Upchurch Pyle, a sister to Morris Upchurch, a daughter to Walter Jackson Upchurch. He had been in bad health for some time. His wife Regina had been in Houston recently for breast cancer treatments. Langston was a very friendly man. I wasn't around him much except in his retirement years. He came and fixed our air conditioning unit. We still rely on his young helper Alan Bergt for help when we have air conditioning problems.

We are having another hot and dry summer, but we can say that it is not as bad as last year when we reached 112 degrees. It was 108 in Dallas last Wednesday when Mary was born. Gary has been irrigating his pastures. He got more bales of hay than last year but not as much as is normal. He planted some Tipton grass that has made him some good hay. His 2 acre pond is getting too low to irrigate he said on that field. He has a 10 acre pond that is still high enough to irrigate from. This is the third summer in a row that he and Kenneth have not combined grass seed. A man south of us is running a very old combine and he is bringing his seed for Gary and Kenneth to dry in their grain bins. They agreed to do it if they could get 10% of his seed as payment. I am hoping that they just give him back his dried seed and try not to clean and sack it. Kenneth had his second stroke 3 months ago and is walking with a three sided walker. He is not able to work. Gary and his helper Joe would have to do all the manual labor. Joe is on social security now and only works half a day. Oh well, I am ready for some cool fall weather. These hot days make you appreciate fall weather.

Your cousins in East Texas,  
Judy and Gary Upchurch





July 13, 2012

REC'D  
16 JUL 2012

Gary Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551

Dear Phil,

Hello from East Texas! I enjoyed your last UB and the article about Lou Diamond Phillips and his Upchurch connection. I found a good article about Lina in Cowboys & Indians Sept. 2012. The Upchurch name is on page 105.

I will write you again in August when our fourth grandchild is born. We are looking forward to Mary Elizabeth Upchurch on or about Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>. Mary is my mother's first name. Our other 2 granddaughters have the middle name Grace in honor of Mary's mother - Grace Upchurch.

Always -  
Judy Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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M/M GARY UPCHURCH  
1033 COUNTY ROAD 3548  
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2 DEC 2011

Dear Judy & Gary,

Thanks for your renewal on the UB and for the update on your family. If no more chickens means retirement for Gary I am sure he finds plenty to do. I have been as busy in 16 years of retirement as before - there is just no pay.

Your story about race relations in East Texas is about the same as in the NC community where I grew up - but I left before integration took place.

The fact that Condelegza has written about dating Rick Upchurch in her book is new to me so I will have to get a read it. Also, I have put a note about it in the file for the next UB. Thanks for the tip.

I had earlier seen a reference to her dating Rick but it will be interesting to see how she describes the experience. I have been tracking Rick since 1977 when I saw an article about

R.

his great performance for the Broncos. Only later did I learn his real name is James Thomas U.

He was actually a football star at the University of Arizona in the 1972-1973 era before I got there in 1975. He still holds major football records as a week or so ago I was watching a game and a back ran back a punt for 4 touchdowns making it four for him for the season. They then flashed on the screen the small number who had run back 4 punts in a season for touchdowns. Rich with the Broncos was one of the names posted - He did it in 1976 or 1977 as I recall.

On 15 JAN 1980 I got some insight into Rich's heritage. I was in Washington, DC and found addresses in the phone book and called a few. One of them was Lennie Edward U. He gave me his heritage going back to NC. I could not mentally place him in the family even when he mentioned the Crossroads Community in Wake Co, NC - which I knew well. Only when he mentioned that his GF in NC had a brother who was the GF of Rich U of the Broncos did I realize that I was actually talking to an African-American. Usually I can pick up some hint of an accent that tells me of the race but not in this case. I can be

almost certain that the whole family traces back  
to slaves owned by Kearney U who moved <sup>to crossroads</sup> from  
Franklin Co, NC by 1840. Part of Kearney's farm  
is now being made into a city park and  
I hope they will name it Ypsilanti Park.

All of this would make a great story for an  
UB issue if I can find space.

As you can see from the latest UB I am  
as busy as ever. It seems I always have some  
big projects on the to do list. Getting some of  
my records on the internet is one of those.  
I have made a lot of progress in using  
computers but they still represent a big  
challenge for me.

I close remembering fondly my visit  
to you & Gary and the other kids in  
East Texas and wishing for you and  
yours a merry Christmas and a  
great 2012

Phil Ypsilanti



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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A

B

C

D



8-21-12

Phil, we have 4 grandchildren -

Nathan's { Lauren Grace Upchurch born June 14, 1999 A  
 { Joel Ray Upchurch born Sept. 27, 2002 B

Matt's { Makayla Grace Upchurch born Dec. 20, 2006 C  
 { Mary Elizabeth Upchurch born Aug. 8, 2012 D

We are truly blessed!

Judy U.

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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July 19, 2007

REC'D  
21 JUL 2007

Gary & Judy Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

Dear Phil,

Hope this letter finds you and yours having a great summer! We have definitely had a WET summer so far. We can't remember how long ago it was when we got so much rain going into the summer. We had a drought the last two summers and RAIN is on our prayer list at church. We have decided to keep it on the prayer list.

I wanted to let you know about two additions to the Upchurch family. Kaci Easley Patterson has another child:

(1<sup>st</sup>) Kaydee Rose Patterson born Oct. 14, 2005 △

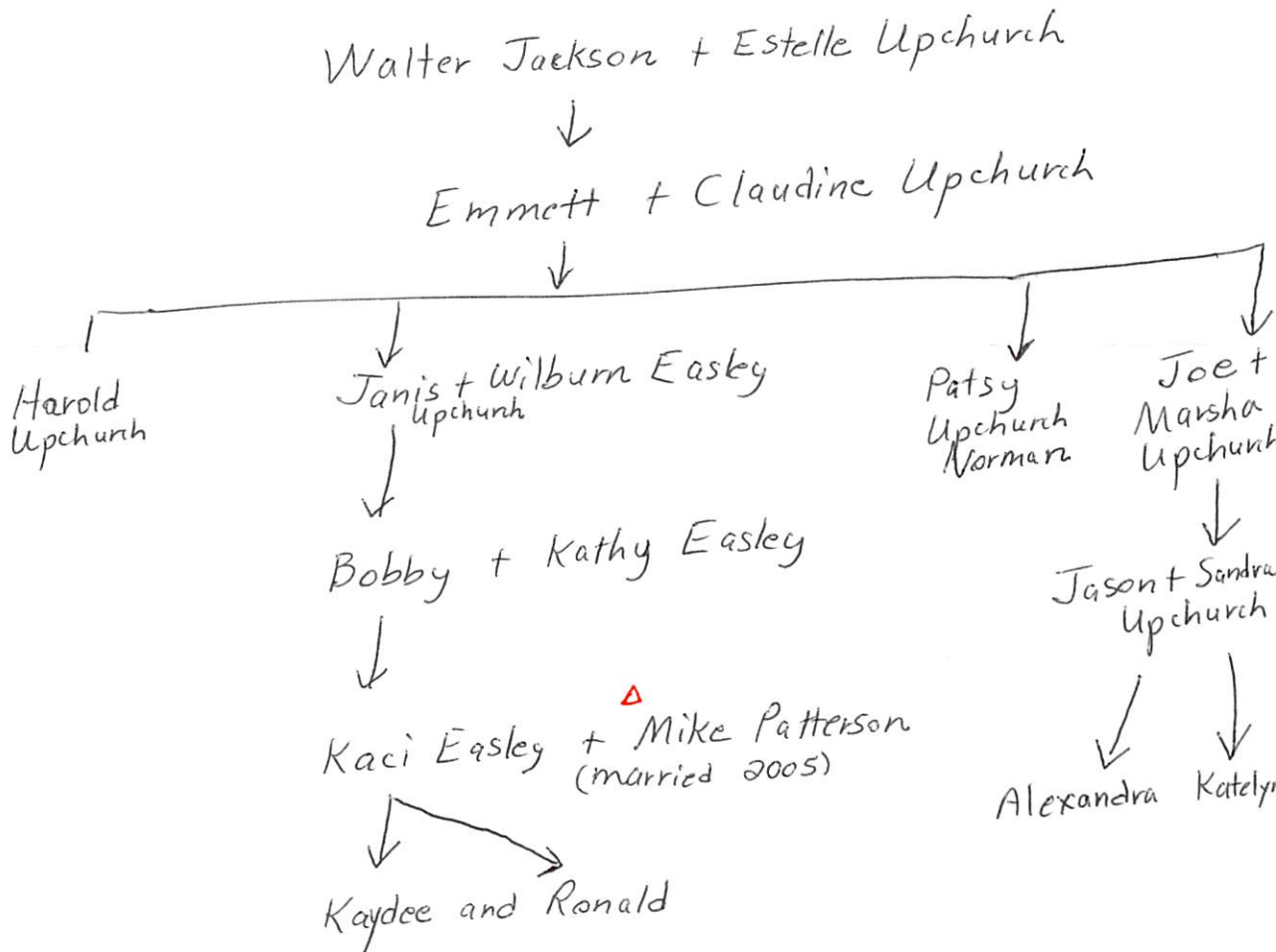
New (2<sup>nd</sup>) Ronald Eugene Elligh Patterson born May 7, 2007 △

Jason and Sandra Upchurch have a new daughter: △+□

(1<sup>st</sup>) Alexandra Agneta Upchurch born Aug. 6, 2000 △

New (2<sup>nd</sup>) Katelyn Renay Upchurch born May 16, 2007 △

I will draw a family line to show you how they are connected to the Upchurch family.



Always,  
Judy 😊





JUDY CAROL WITLOW

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Feb. 20, 2007

REC'D  
26 FEB 2007

Gary Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197


Dear Phil,

This letter is in answer to your question about Langston and Regina Pyle and their family. Langston and his first wife named Geraldine had 2 daughters named Debbie and Lynne. Langston and Geraldine got divorced. Geraldine died in a car wreck or complications from the car wreck, I'm not sure. Here is a list of Debbie and Lynne's families:

- I. Lynne married Bullitt Fitzhugh II  
Children:
  - △ A. Bullitt Fitzhugh III
  - △ B. Anna Elizabeth Fitzhugh
  - △ C. William Fitzhugh
  - △ D. Caroline Fitzhugh
- II. Debbie married Ken Cockerham  
Children:
  - △ A. Ben Cockerham
  - △ □ B. Amy Cockerham (married name Eisenmann)
  - △ C. Brent Cockerham

Langston Pyle's second wife is named Regina. She had 2 daughters by a previous marriage. Their names are Selina and SaRae. Langston and Regina had no children together.

- △ I. Selina Miller (presently not married)  
Children:
  - A. Jacquelyn Helmi Mendez
  - B. Ariel Dawn Thomas
  - C. Karmi Enga Miller
- △ II. SaRae and William Blackmer (currently separated)  
Children:
  - A. Chelsea Blackmer
  - B. Tyler Blackmer (a girl and not a boy)
  - C. William Braden Blackmer
  - D. Sarena Dykes

I probably raised more questions than I answered. I didn't ask Regina about her maiden name or previous marriage. I didn't even ask the birthdays of her grandchildren. I don't really know Langston's family well. His daughters live away from here. It's warm here today! 70°  Judy U.



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID. 5264

2-1-07

REC'D  
5 FEB 2007

Phil,

Mary's Aunt Letha Upchurch Pyle died on Jan. 26, 2007. She was the last of the Walter Jackson \* Estelle Upchurch children to pass away.

Gary & Judy Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551

Sincerely,  
Judy U.

Walter Jackson Upchurch  
Children

			Age
1	Donie	1898 - 1995	96
2	Jimmy	1900 - 1990	89
3	Razji	1902 - 1990 (1902)	88
4	Lou Bessie	1904 - 2006	102
5	Mattie	1906 - 1995	89
6	Morris	1908 - 1997	88
* 7	Letha	1911 - 2007	95
8	Emmett	<sup>1913</sup> <del>1911</del> - 2004	90

Aug. 92 years



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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REC'D  
29 NOV 2006

Mr. Gary Upchurch  
1033 County Rd. 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

11 - 27 - 06

Dear Phil,

Here is a copy of the obituary for Gary's aunt. She is a sister of Morris Upchurch; the daughter of Walter Jackson Upchurch. In my family records she is listed as Lucendy Elizabeth Upchurch. Apparently Lue Bessie was her nicknames.

Merry Christmas and  
Happy Holidays!

P.S. Letha Pyle is the  
only sibling still living.

Judy Upchurch

**LUE McALEXANDER**

ATLANTA, Texas—Lue Bessie McAlexander, 102, of Queen City, Texas, died Friday, Nov. 24, 2006, in Atlanta.

Mrs. McAlexander was born July 7, 1904, in Queen City. She was a Methodist and attended the Nazarene Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie McAlexander; two daughters, Mary Idell McAlexander and Baby McAlexander; and one grandson, Tom Fant.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Marlin and Rebecca McAlexander of Texarkana and Jerry and Sue McAlexander of Atlanta; two daughters and sons-in-law, Fayrene and Dan Lightfoot of Bloomburg, Texas, and Gay and Noah Martin of Douglassville, Texas; one sister, Letha Pyle of Atlanta; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Sunday at Hanner Funeral Service with the Rev. Chris Cowan and Marlyse Stewart officiating. Burial will be in Courtland Cemetery.

Online registration is at [www.hannerfuneralservice.com](http://www.hannerfuneralservice.com).



Congratulations, also, on the upcoming marriage of your son Nathan. This is a very special time of life. The bills will not be as heavy on if you had a girl - but there will be expense enough. Tell Gary all he has to do is look proud and pay the bills. I know the marriage of our three children were very special times in our lives. I'll look forward to the details in due course. Also it is nice of you to plan to send details on Tammy's youngsters when it arrives.

We are having a taste of winter - we have had about 4 inches of snow. I've had one pass at clearing the driveway and now must go finish the job.

My best to you and Gary!

☺ Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
 [ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

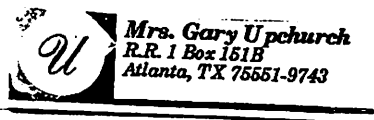


JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

RECD  
24 JAN 1997

Jan. 18, 1997



Dear Phillip,

I am sending you my check for the 1997 Upchurch Bulletin. I am also sending you a local magazine called Pine Country Magazine. It is full of the history of our county - Cass County, and also there is a short article about our family on p. 20. Gary and I were selected as the Cass County Farm Family of the Year for 1996. We received a nice plaque with our name on it, and there was a real nice story in the local newspaper. This magazine article was similar to the newspaper article. Our oldest son is planning on a wedding in March. I will send you his wife's name and birthdate in March. Kenneth's daughter Tammy is expecting her first child in July. So we will have 2 new additions to our Upchurch family this year. I will keep you posted.

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch



Item From Pine Country Magazine VOL 5 NO 2 WINTER 1996 Cass Co, TX  
 sent to RPA by Judy Carol Whitlow on 1/18 JAN 1997

**FARM & RANCH FAMILY OF THE YEAR**

**Upchurch family honored for contributions to agriculture**

BY GLENDA HENSLEY

Earlier this fall, the Gary Upchurch family was honored as the Cass County Family of the Year during the annual Farm & Ranch banquet. The banquet is sponsored by the Cass County Agricultural Extension Service and the Atlanta Area, Linden and Hughes Springs Chambers of Commerce.

The Upchurches, Gary and Judy, are natives of Queen City, who have returned to their roots. Both are teachers who have spent the better part of their lives teaching others. They have three sons: Bart is a sophomore at Texarkana College, studying to become a math teacher. He helps out at home whenever possible. Matt is working in Texarkana and hopes one day to be a business owner. Nathan is in Dallas, where he teaches science.

Upchurch's interest in agriculture began at the age of 10 when one of his dad's cows lost a calf during delivery. The cow was weak and having a hard time getting back on its feet. His dad told him, "If you can nurse that cow back to health, you can have it." Upchurch did, and that was the beginning of his interest in the cattle business. Today, the Upchurches have approximately 100 head of cattle. While in high school, Upchurch received the FFA "American Farmer Award," and the "Lone Star Farmer Degree."

Upchurch expanded his interest to poultry in the 1960s when "Pilgrim's was expanding. I started with one house, and now have five chicken houses," he said. Just after marrying Judy, the couple moved to Louisiana where they taught school for two years before returning to East Texas. They both obtained teaching positions in the Texarkana ISD. At one time, they were raising hogs. However, Gary said, "When the market went south, I got out of the business." The most lucrative part of their business is chicken and grain. Upchurch and his brother, Kenneth, are partners in the grain business. They combine and process grain for sale. All three of the Upchurch brothers - Gary, Kenneth and James - raise chickens. Their sister, Glenda Parr, raises cattle. They all live in close proximity to one another, which is a great help in sharing the cost of equipment and having help in solving any problems that may arise.

"When we all get together, we spend a lot of time discussing



Gary Upchurch looks over his spread near Queen City.

(PHOTO BY GLENDA HENSLEY)

the weather and chickens," laughed Judy.

Her background in agriculture comes from her grandparents, who had a small truck farm in Queen City, where she and her siblings assisted when needed. Her experience with chickens was limited to "Grandma's hen house, where we gathered eggs," she said.

The Upchurches have also started a new endeavor - raising catfish. This is not as easy as it may seem. "It's hard to take inventory," Upchurch joked. They do have to keep an eye out for flooding which causes the fish to go over the dam. Oxygenation of the water and feeding the fish are two areas they are also learning to deal with in their new venture. They hope to start marketing their homegrown catfish in the near future.

And if catfish are like cattle and chickens, that too will be a success for the Upchurches - the Farm & Ranch Family of the Year.

GARY LYNN U , JUDY CAROL WHITLOW



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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REC'D  
27 DEC 2004

**EMMETT UPCHURCH**

ATLANTA, Texas—Emmett Upchurch, 90, of Atlanta died Friday, Nov. 5, 2004, in Atlanta.

Mr. Upchurch was born Nov. 22, 1913, in Cass County, Texas. He was preceded in death by two wives, Dolora Claudine Upchurch and Reba Upchurch; one daughter, Janis Easley; and one son, Emmett Upchurch Jr.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Harold and Barbara Upchurch and Joe and Marsha Upchurch of Atlanta; one daughter, Patsy Upchurch Norman of Atlanta; two sisters, Lou Bessie McAlexander and Letha Pyle of Atlanta; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren;

Services will be 2 p.m. Monday at Antioch Baptist Church with the Rev. Willard Land and Rick Cottle officiating. Burial will be in Antioch Cemetery under direction of Hanner Funeral Home.

Visitation will be 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Antioch Baptist Church and Antioch Cemetery.

Online registration is at [www.hannerfuneralservice.com](http://www.hannerfuneralservice.com).

- copy placed in profile of Emmett Wm U

11-12-04

Dear Phil,

Hello from Cass County, Texas! I wanted to let you know that Gary's uncle Emmett Upchurch, son of Walter Jackson + Estelle Upchurch passed away on Nov. 5, 2004. I am sending you a picture I made in 1986 of all the brothers and sisters. Letha is 93 and in fair health. Lou Bessie turned 100 this year and is in a nursing home. She doesn't recognize most of her relatives. They are the only 2 left now.

↓ over

Front row: Razzie, Donie, Jimmy

Back row: Letha, Mattie, Emmett, Lou Bessie, Morris

( Children of Walter Jackson + Estelle Upchurch )

All of them lived to age 87 or more.

All 4 brothers owned land bordering each other.

Looking forward to buying your  
Upchurch book!

Judy Upchurch







JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

Feb. 18, 2006

REC'D  
24 FEB 2006

Dear Phil,

Thanks so much for your letter and for enclosing the article you wrote about your wife called "My Wife Remembered." There were a lot of things in your story that reminded me of my own parents who married on July 3, 1947. They were young and in love and "poor as church mice." Their first house was a very tiny trailer. Mom was taking business classes in Dallas. I think Dad said he had five dollars to his name when they got married. Mom had just graduated high school in May 1947. I was born August 13, 1948. We were poor but so was everyone else I knew. Dad was a t.v. repairman and Mom stayed home and raised five of us kids on Dad's salary which I'm sure wasn't much. My parents are still alive and have been married for 58 years. Dad will be 77 this April and Mom will be 76 this July. I'm glad you wrote your story down. I know your children will treasure your words as a loving legacy of your life. Mom wrote down some words about her parents which I treasure and keep in a scrapbook. Keep up your good work!

Always,  
Judy Upchurch

Ms. Judy Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197



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○ TEXAS BIRTH INDEX - PER C. J. PETERSON, JR 18 JUL 2005  
1903 - 1999

Name	Birth Date	Gender	Birth County	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Bart Sterling Upchurch	25-May-77	Male	Bowie	Gary Lynn Upchurch	Judy Carol Whitlow
Matt Adrian Upchurch	31-Jul-75	Male	Cass	Gary Lynn Upchurch	Judy Carol Whitlow
Nathan Terry Upchurch	7-May-71	Male	Cass	Gary Lynn Upchurch	Judy Carol Whitlow



JUDY CAROL WITLOW

XFD-5264

September 28, 2006

REC'D  
6 OCT 2006

Dear Phil,

Hello from East Texas! I didn't know if you were still recording dates in your files, but I thought I would send you the latest news from the Upchurch family in East Texas. Alma Fincher McCasland and her brother Henry Fincher both died this past week. They are the children of Donie Upchurch Fincher and her husband Roy Fincher. Donie is the sister of Morris Upchurch and the daughter of Walter Jackson Upchurch and his wife Estelle. Alma was buried at the Antioch Cemetery in our community, and Henry was buried by his wife Maxine in the Queen City, Texas Cemetery. Donie and Roy Fincher had a lot of descendants so there was a huge crowd at both funerals. Morris Upchurch has only 2 sisters still living: Lou Bessie Upchurch McAlexander who is 102 years old and Letha Upchurch Pyle who is in her late 90's. Both are in a nursing home and bed ridden.

I hope to send you some good news in January. Our middle son Matt and his wife Heather are expecting a girl on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>. I will send you the exact date as soon as I can.

Our youngest son Bart and his wife are applying to be missionaries in Beirut, Lebanon. They are going through the process of interviews and will know something by April. They started this process before the war this summer. Just keep them in your prayers that God's will will be done in this matter.

Our oldest son Nathan applied at a nearby school two weeks after school started to become an assistant principal. He was accepted but has not been transferred yet. He is waiting until they find a science teacher to take his place. He was teaching 8<sup>th</sup> grade science at Morris Upchurch Middle School. We hope that one day he will be able to become a principal in the Queen City School system. He is third generation in education. Gary and his dad Morris were both principals.

Will close for now and promise to send more dates as they happen.

Your East Texas cousin,  
Judy Upchurch

Mr. Gary Upchurch  
1033 County Road 3548  
Atlanta TX 75551-5197

Husband's Full Name

Roy Andrew Fincher

FAMILY GROUP No. \_\_\_\_\_

This Information Obtained From: \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	Jul-4, 1897				
Chr'nd					
Mar.	Oct. 6, 1917				
Death	May 12, 1969				
Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Donie Ardell Upchurch

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	Oct. 11, 1898				
Chr'nd					
Death	Feb. 27, 1995				
Burial		Courtland Cemt.			

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Compiler

Address

City, State

Date

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
2	Oral Jackson Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	Apr. 20, 1920				Jackie Ray
		Mar.		to Chloe Brown b. Nov. 10, 1923			
		Death	Jun. 6, 1982				
		Burial					
1	Henry Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	Sept. 2, 1918				Ronnie Darrell
		Mar.		to Maxine Stovall			
		Death	Sept. 25, 2006				
		Burial		Queen City Cemetery			
3	Leroy Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	Aug. 27, 1922				Tommy Jimmy Charles Judy, Dona
		Mar.		to Ruth Coats b. 1-4-26			
		Death	Nov. 25, 1988				
		Burial					
4	Alma Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	May 12, 1925				Billy Carro Barbara Robert Dianne
		Mar.		to James McCasland			
		Death	Sept. 24, 2006				
		Burial		Anti Cemetery			
5	Lucy Jane Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	1928				Earl Way Darrell Dartene Becky Marilyn, Randall
		Mar.		to Cleveland McCasland			
		Death					
		Burial					
6	Wauburn Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	Sept. 4, 1935				
		Mar.					
		Death	Sept. 27, 1954				
		Burial					
7		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
8		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
9		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
10		Birth					
		Mar.					

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## ALMA MCCASLAND

May 12, 1925-Sept. 24, 2006

Alma McCasland of, 81, of Queen City, TX, died Sunday, Sept. 24, 2006 in Texarkana, TX.

Mrs. McCasland was born on May 12, 1925 in Queen City, TX. She was a member of the Calvary Tabernacle Church in Queen City, Texas, where she attended the Senior Class and was a faithful member of the Ladies Prayer Meeting on Tuesday mornings.

Survivors include her husband, James McCasland of Queen City, Texas; two sons and daughters-in-law, Billy C. McCasland and wife Bille Fae of Atlanta, Texas, and Robert McCasland and wife Olivia of Atlanta, Texas; two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara Stow and husband James of Atlanta, Texas, and Dianne Harrist and husband Mike of Rockwall, Texas; one brother, Henry Fincher of Atlanta, Texas; one sister, Lucy Jane McCasland of Atlanta, Texas; three sisters-in-law, Cloy Fincher of Queen City, Ruth Fincher of Queen City, Texas, and Lois Elliott of Atlanta, Texas.

Mrs. McCasland is also survived by eight grandchildren, Terri Jolly and husband Keith of Atlanta, Texas, Kevin McCasland and wife Dana of Atlanta, Texas, Scotty McCasland of Atlanta, Texas, Dena Moyers and husband Mike of Queen City, Texas, Stephen McDuff and wife Danna of Atlanta, Texas, Lori Moore and husband B.J., of San Diego, California, Angie DeLay and husband Mark of Queen City, Texas, Micki Henderson and husband Wendell of Atlanta, Texas; step-grandchildren, Kate McIntosh and husband Wayne of Haughton, Louisiana and Harold Stow of Atlanta, Texas; 22 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, September 27, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at Calvary Tabernacle Church in Queen City, Texas with Rev. Billy Dupree and Rev. Faye Yount officiating. Interment will be at Antioch Cemetery in Cass County, Texas.

Guest book may be signed at: [www.hannerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hannerfuneralservices.com)

## HENRY FINCHER

Sept. 2, 1918-Sept. 25, 2006

Henry Fincher, 88, of Queen City, Texas, died Monday, Sept. 25, 2006 in Atlanta, Texas.

Mrs. Fincher was born on Sept. 2, 1918 in Cass County, Texas. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Queen, City, Texas. He was preceded in death by his wife Maxine Stovall Fincher.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Ronnie Fincher and wife Gail of Texarkana, Texas, and Darrell Fincher and wife Diane of Texarkana, Texas; one sister, Lucy Jane McCasland of Atlanta, Texas; one brother-in-law, James McCasland of Queen City, Texas; five grandchildren, Chris Fincher of Texarkana, Texas, Alan Fincher and wife Cindy of Texarkana, Arkansas, Maggie Fincher of Texarkana, Texas, Riley Fincher and wife Stephanie of Lufkin, Texas, and Darron Fincher of San Marcos, Texas; six sister-in-laws, Ruth Fincher, Cloye Fincher, Dorothy Lawrence, Irene Hale all of Queen City, Texas, Sybil Hendricks of Gun Barrell City, Texas and Madgie Zimmer of Texarkana, Arkansas.

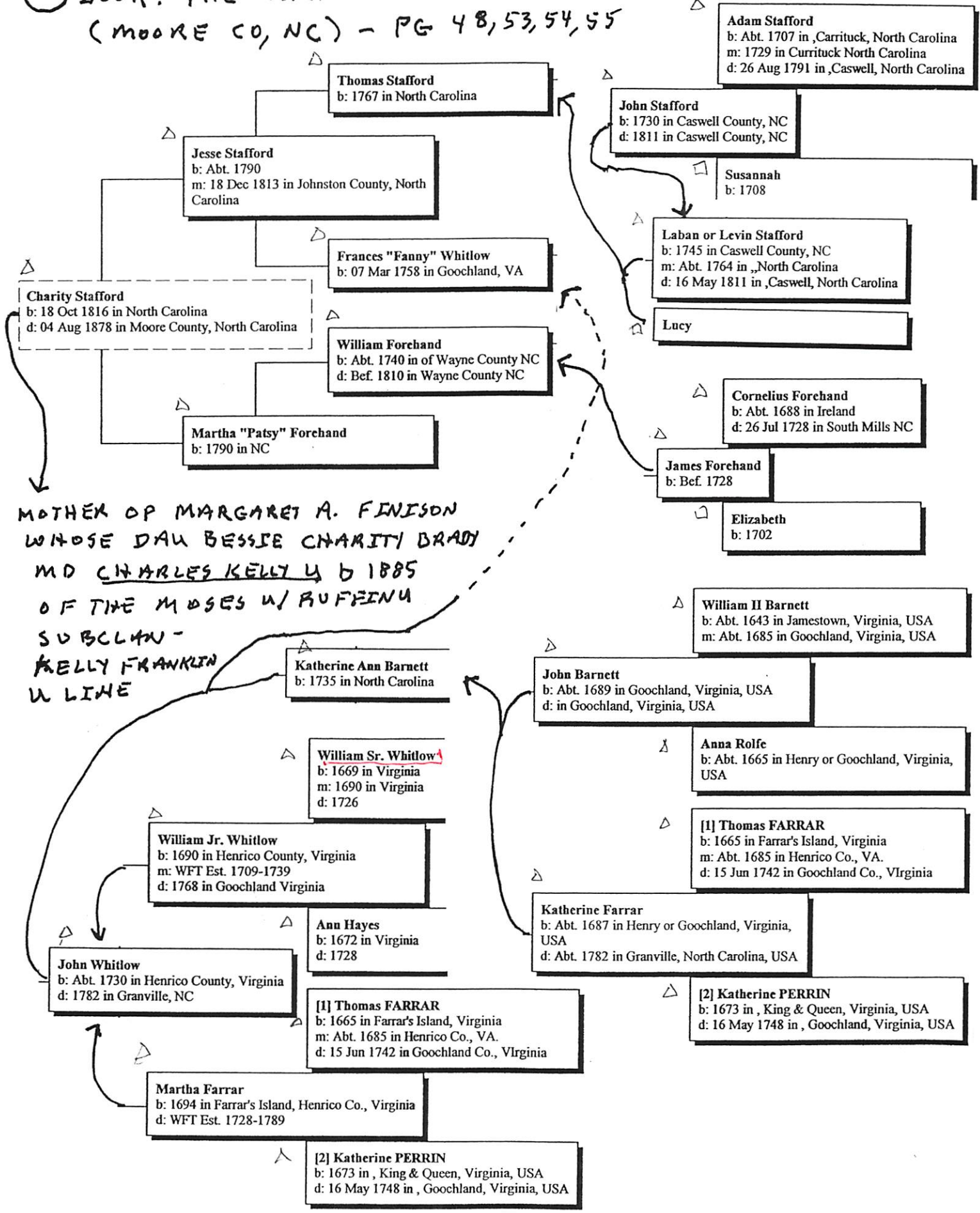
Services will be September 28, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Queen City, Texas with Revs. Mike Lovely and Rev. Joe Anderson. Burial will be in Queen City Cemetery in Queen City, Texas.

Guest book may be signed at: [www.hannerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hannerfuneralservices.com)

WILLIAM

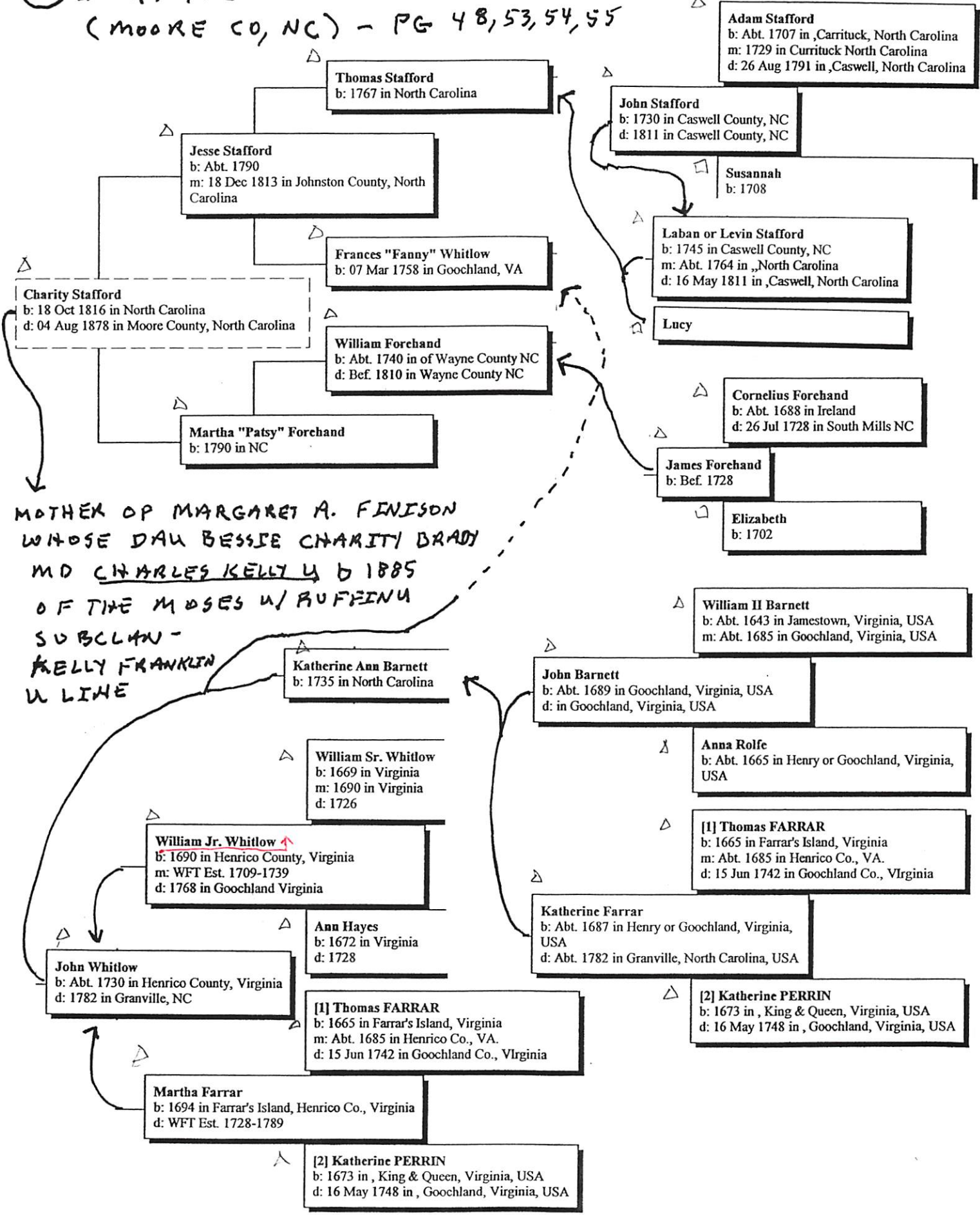
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BOOK: THE UPCHURCH FAMILY OF HIGH FALLS, NC  
(MOORE CO, NC) - PG 48, 53, 54, 55





BOOK: THE UPCHURCH FAMILY OF HIGH FALLS, NC  
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MOTHER OF MARGARET A. FINISON  
WHOSE DAU BESSIE CHARITY BRADY  
MD CHARLES KELLY U D 1885  
OF THE MOSES W/ RUFFIN W  
SUBCLAN -  
KELLY FRANKLIN  
W LINE



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

March 10, 2003

REC'D  
13 MAR 2003

Gary Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

No answer  
needed  
none  
sent

□ Dear Phil,

- Glad to hear from you and glad that you  
- are feeling better. Thanks for the info on

□ + □ Carl Upchurch. We have had a birth and a

- death in the Upchurch family of Cass County.

△ Verna Irene Upchurch was the wife of

□ + □ Earnest Upchurch whose father was Jessie

- Monroe Upchurch; the youngest brother of

□ + □ Walter Jackson Upchurch. Walter Jackson

□ Upchurch is Gary's grandfather.

□ + □ You remember that Janice Upchurch

□ Easley died this past summer. She was

□ the daughter of Emmett Upchurch; the

□ youngest son of Walter Jackson Upchurch.

□ + □ Janice's granddaughter Dana Easley Cromeans

△ had a son named Colton Wyatt Cromeans

- born on Feb. 9, 2003.

□ + □ I will send you information on Bart's

- wedding in June.

□ I do have to add to the dining room

- table when all the kids are home. What a joy!

□ + □ Have a great spring! Judy + Gary Upchurch

**VERNA IRENE UPCHURCH**

**March 23, 1919 - March 5, 2003**

Funeral services for Verna Irene Upchurch, 83, of Linden were at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 7 at the Nelson Murphy Chapel in Linden with the Rev. Sidney D. "Butch" Connor and the Rev. J.W. Crow. Interment followed in the Antioch Cemetery in Cass County under the direction of Haaland Family Funeral Home.

Upchurch was born in Cass County to Oscar Henry and Willie Mae Griffin Kruse. She was a Baptist and a member of Center Hill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earnest Upchurch.

Survivors include two sons and one daughter-in-law, Jerry and Ann Upchurch of Atlanta, Johnny Upchurch of Cocoa Beach, Fla.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Doris Fay Upchurch of Linden, Martha and Al Seagroves of Linden; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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in my  
Biofile*

2003



**COLTON WYATT  
CROMEANS**

Steve and Dana Cromeans would like to announce the birth of their son, Colton Wyatt Cromeans. He was born on Feb. 9 at the University of Arkansas Medical Science Hospital.

He weighed four pounds, 15 and one half ounces at birth.

Grandparents are Richard and Barbara Cromeans and Randall and Donna Easley.

Great grandparents are Bill and Rosa Hanvey; C.W. Easley and the late Janis Easley; Emmett Upchurch; and Dorothy Hill.

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in Colton  
Biofile*

Name JESSIE MONROE UPCHURCH

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How Related \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Place Boaz or Cullman Alabama

Date of Birth Nov 22 1884

Deceased Feb 28 1968 at Route 1, Atlanta Texas

Buried at Courtland near Queen City, Texas

Name of Spouse MATTIE LOU GREEN

Birth Place May 5 1892 Cass County Texas

Deceased July 3 1980 at Atlanta Texas

Date of Marriage Dec 22 1912

at Cass County Texas

Children	BIRTHS		MARRIAGES		DEATHS	Page No
1	Floyd	Cass Co Tex Apr 9 1914			D	
2	Edna Elizabeth	Mar 23 1915 " Polk Co Ark	Dec 10 1938 M Dolfus Dewrell Brown		D	
3	Ernest Lee	Mar 10 1917 Cass Co Tex	Sept 23 1939 M Irene Verna Kruse		D Aug 29 1984	
4	Mattie Estell	Feb 3 1919	M Hoyt Williams	May 2 1942	D	
5	Christine	Mar 2 1921 "	M Clide R. Hill		D	
6	Juanita	May 11 1923 "	M Warren Grant Brown	Dec 31 1939 Dec 30 1949	D	
7	Willie Monroe	Jan 30 1925 "	M 1st Pansy Ruth Williams		D Mar 14 1991	
8	Jessie Jackson	Mar 14 1927 "	M Bernice Reynolds	May 27 1964	D	
9	George Columbus	Feb 22 1931 "	M Edna E Tilton		D	
			Apr 1 1954			
			Issue: Ten			



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3 MAR 2002

JUDY UPCHURCH  
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ATLANTA, TX 75551-5197

Dear Cousin Judy,

After five months of recuperation from my broken leg I am now able to get to the lower level to work on family history records. I have returned to your letter of 10 OCT 2002 and have just finished processing it. Thank you very much for all the details

Congratulations on the arrival of grandson Joe Ray U. and on Bart's upcoming marriage. You & Gary have an ever expanding family. You will soon have to get a bigger table for holiday meals

Enclosed is a Biofile sheet on a CAROL U. you can see I have matched your input with another that arrived in 1996. I am sure the two are the same.

When the shuttle went down over Texas I began to wonder if some of the parts fell on Cass County. - Got out my map and concluded it must have missed you.

We are looking forward to spring as we have had a lot of cold weather. It will be a special pleasure for me to get out on the farm to walk the fields after having been house-bound this winter.

Our very best to you & Gary.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

Oct. 10, 2002

REC'D  
15 OCT 2002

Gary Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

□ Dear Phil,

□+□+□ Thank you for your letter. I always enjoy hearing from you. I asked about Charles  
□+□+□ Wayne Easley's second son. His name is Daniel Wayne Easley. I also asked about the  
□+□ stepchildren of Dana Jo Easley Cromeans. She has two boys and one girl as stepchildren.  
△+□+□ The girl's name is Danelle. The boys are James and Brandon. In the obit the girl was  
□+□+□ listed as Daniel but that was incorrect. Dana and her husband are expecting their first  
- child in March.

△+△+△ Another family member died on Sept. 15, 2002. She was Maxine Stovall Fincher. Her  
□+□+□ husband is Henry Fincher, the son of Donie Upchurch Fincher. Donie was the oldest  
□+□+□ sister in the Walter Upchurch family and Morris Upchurch's sister. Her father was Walter  
□+□+△ Jackson Upchurch. I am also sending a clipping of Maxine's son Ronnie Fincher who is  
△ retired from the Texas Highway Patrol. He is currently a deputy for the sheriff of Cass  
- County.

△ { I am also sending an interesting clipping I found in the Texarkana Gazette about a t.v.  
show based on the true story of Carl Upchurch. I seldom see our last name in print and it  
always catches my eyes when I see it.

△ { We have a new grandson born a month early but doing well. His name is Joel Ray  
Upchurch, son of Nathan and Philicia Upchurch. Big sister Lauren is very proud of her  
little brother and loves to hold him as much as possible. He sleeps all the time now. He  
was born on Sept. 27 at Wadley Hospital in Texarkana, Texas in Bowie County. My  
daughter-in-law is taking six weeks off from school to stay home with the new baby.  
Nathan is teaching her math class and they are getting a substitute to teach his science  
classes.

△ { Hopefully, if all goes well and the Lord blesses us, we will have a new family member  
on June 7<sup>th</sup> when our youngest son marries his fiance. I will write when that time comes.  
Keep up your good work and may you have a happy holiday season coming up!

Always,  
Judy Upchurch

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Janis + Wilborn's Children + Grandchildren

□+□ Randall + Donna Easley - 3 children

- 1. Dwayne
- 2. Logan
- 3. Dana

□+□ Bobby + Kathy Easley - 2 children

- 1. Kristi
- 2. Kacie

□+□ Charles + Sandra Easley - 2 children

- 1. Travis Clay
- 2. Daniel Wayne



Item in Itz 2 SEP 2002 Judy Carol Whitland to RPU

Judy reports that Janis died of throat cancer before chemo treatments could be started) Judy

NEW INFORMATION FOR RPU FILES:

4 Citizens Journal, Wednesday, August 21, 2002

## Obituaries

I. Emmett Upchurch of the  
Richard U, III / Clara  
U, I Sublan - Sarah  
Elizabeth U June

A. Janis Rose U

DAISY 2002 ( )  
(Bur - Antioch Bapt  
Ch. Cem., Cam Co, TX)

1. Randall Wilborn  
Easley

a. DANA JO  
EASLEY  
b. 27 JUL 1980  
MA ( ) STEVE  
CROMEANS

Step-children of Dana Jo Easley  
a. Danelle DANIEL CROMEANS  
ii. JAMES CROMEANS  
iii. BRANDON CROMEANS

2. Charles Wayne Easley

a. TRAVIS CLAY EASLEY

b. Daniel Wayne Easley

### JANIS UPCHURCH EASLEY

Sep. 5, 1937 - Aug. 15, 2002

Funeral services for Janis Upchurch Easley, 64, were at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17 at the Antioch Baptist Church in Cass County with the Rev. Joe Anderson and the Rev. Earl Taylor officiating. Interment followed at the Antioch Cemetery under the direction of Hanner Funeral Service.

Easley was born in Atlanta. She was a homemaker and a member of Antioch Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Claudine Bobo Upchurch.

Survivors include her husband, Wilborn Easley of Atlanta; her father, Emmett Upchurch of Atlanta; three sons and daughters-in-law, Randall and Donna Easley of Queen City, Bobby and Kathy Easley of Atlanta, Charles W. and Sandra Easley of Atlanta; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Harold and Barbara Upchurch of Atlanta, Joe and Marsha Upchurch of Atlanta; one sister, Patsy Norman of Atlanta; seven grandchildren and one grandson-in-law, Dwayne Easley of Queen City, Kristi Easley of Atlanta, Dana and Steve Cromeans of Queen City, Kacie Easley of Atlanta, Logan Easley of Queen City, Daniel Easley of Atlanta, Travis Clay Easley of Atlanta; three step-great grandchildren, Daniel Cromeans, James Cromeans, Brandon Cromeans, all of Atlanta; one sister-in-law and husband, Jane and J.W. Wright; five brothers-in-law and wives, Roy and Linda Easley, J.C. and Annette Easley, Clovis and Donna Easley, Johnny and Teresa Easley, Ricky and Nancy Easley; and a host of other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Antioch Cemetery Association, 924 C.R. 3547, Atlanta, 75551.

wrong info



**By FRAZIER MOORE**

The Associated Press

NBC's Saturday morning schedule is dead! Long live "Discovery for Kids on NBC"—a new program block from Discovery Networks that NBC is launching next Saturday (Oct. 5).

The slate of six series airs from 9 a.m. to noon, and includes:

■ "Prehistoric Planet" (9 a.m.), where toon dinosaurs provide a glimpse into how their ancestors ravaged for food, protected their young, soared through prehistoric skies and more.

■ "Croc Files" (9:30 a.m.) finds Crocodile Hunter Steve Irwin and wife Terry in the high-adventure company of snakes, Komodo dragons, kangaroos and, of course, crocodiles.

■ "Operation Junkyard" (10 a.m.) pits two teams of four kids against each other in a race to transform trash into a functional machine—in just six hours!

■ "Endurance" (10:30 a.m.) plants 20 kids on a remote island where they compete in contests of skill, speed, strength and smarts (while trying to survive without TV or a nearby shopping mall).

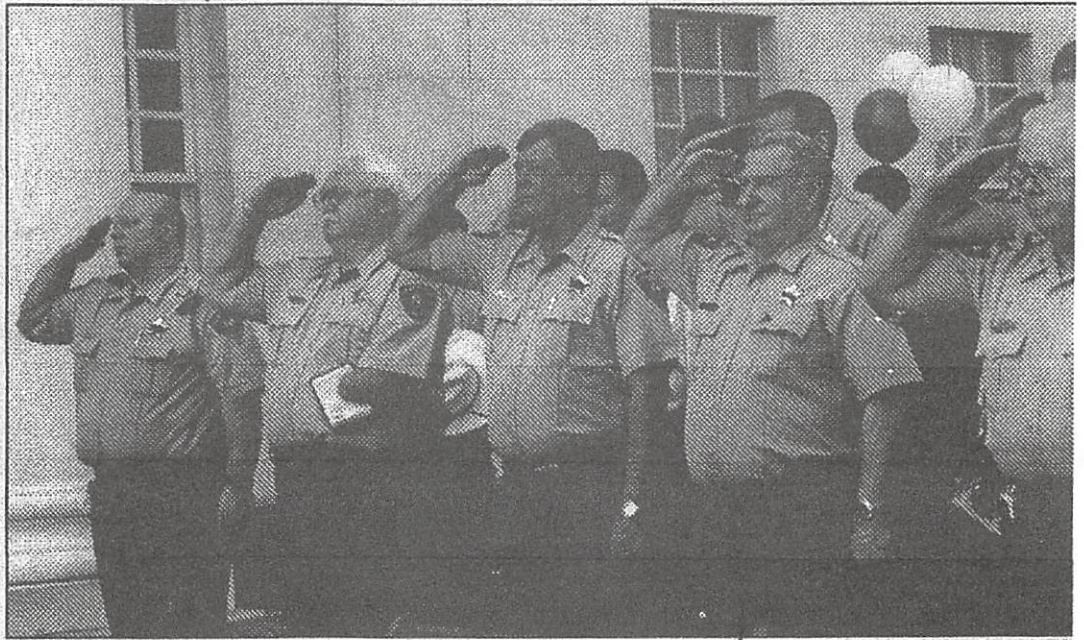
■ "Scout's Safari" (11 a.m.) follows 13-year-old Scout as she moves from New York to South Africa's safari country to live with her mother on an animal preserve. What will life be like in this different kind of untamed environment?

■ "Strange Days at Blake Holsey High" (1:30 p.m.) takes place at what seems like a normal prep school. But when weird things start happening, five science club students set out to find out why.

Other shows to look out for:

■ A repeat offender by his teenage years, Carl Upchurch doesn't seem to have much of a future, other than more jail. Then a compassionate prison teacher with a book of Shakespeare's sonnets inspires him to turn his life around. The original Showtime film "Conviction" tells the true story of Upchurch, who, after embracing education, emerges as a crusader for peace among warring gangs in Philadelphia. Omar Epps stars, with Dana Delany as the teacher. It premieres Sunday at 7 p.m.

...anta Police Department.



Officers from the Cass County Sheriff's Department salute the American Flag during the memorial ceremony held at the Cass County Courthouse in Linden in memory of Sept. 11.

← Ronnie Fincher 9-11-02

[ JAMES RONALD FINCHER - Placed in his Profile ]

→ Placed in her Profile

your choice.

**MAXINE STOVALL FINCHER**

Sept. 6, 1921 - Sept. 15, 2002

Funeral services for Maxine Stovall Fincher, 81, of Queen City were held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at the First Baptist Church in Queen City with the Rev. Joe Anderson and the Rev. James Wall officiating. Interment followed in the Queen City Cemetery under the direction of Hanner Funeral Service.

Fincher was born in Cass County. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Queen City.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Stovall; and one brother, Gerald Stovall.

Survivors include her husband, Henry Fincher of Queen City; two sons and daughters-in-law, Ronnie and Gail Fincher of Texarkana, Darrell and Diane Fincher of Texarkana; three sisters, Dorothy Lawrence of Queen City, Irene Hale of Queen City, Sybil Hendricks of Belton; seven grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and special friends, Nolan and Alsie Williams of Queen City.

← Carl Upchurch } → Placed in his Profile







Congratulations on the upcoming second grandchild and on the impending marriage of your son Bart. I'll look forward to the details in due course. You and Gary seem on the path to having a sizable family. We have 8 grandchildren which is just about the right number for us (Does one have a choice/vote??)

For retired people we stay very busy. The Farm, Family & Family History are enough to keep us fully occupied. As an added challenge I took on the role of President of our Church Congregation & Council for one year starting last June. It is turning out to be a bigger challenge than I thought - only 8 months to go!!.

My best to you & Gary.

Sincerely yours



Phil Plunch

[ROBERT PIERRE UPCHURCH]

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XII- 5264

9-2-02

Dear Phil,

RECEIVED  
7 SEP 2002

Gary or Judy Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551

Hello from Texas! Good news and bad news to report. Uncle Emmett Upchurch's daughter Janis died a few weeks ago. She had throat cancer. She died before she started chemo treatments. I am sending you her obit.

My second grandchild is due here the middle of Oct. I will write you again with the name and details. My third son Bart is planning a wedding on June 7, 2003. I will write again in June to tell you of the new addition to the Upchurch family.

Hope you and your wife are well and enjoying life!

[Obituary of Janis Rose U  
placed in her profile]

Always -

Judy Upchurch



JUDY

CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

UPCHURCH

351 SHETLAND VALLEY COURT

CHESTERFIELD, MO 63005-4840

(636) 530-6022



26 FEB 2002

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
1033 CR 3548  
ATLANTA, TX 75551-5197

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thank you for the update on the men's  
Upchurch Family. It looks like business is  
booming. Congratulations on Matt's marriage  
I hope he and Heather will have a long and  
happy life together. Congratulations also on  
the arrival of Grandnephew Eueyn. I have  
assigned Heather XID 51153 and Eueyn XID 51154.


And then congratulations are in order  
for your retirement. It is great that you  
have the farm to keep you busy and  
profitably engaged. Since two of your boys  
live nearby perhaps this will allow you  
& Gary to slip away from time to time  
while they take care of things at home.

Sallaine and I celebrated our 3 DEC 1994  
arrival in retirement land making it 7 years.  
It has really been great and we continue

To stay busy as <sup>2-</sup> ever. Now and then we take stock and refocus our game plan. We always seem to have short range, middle range & long range goals towards which we work. One thing never changes. I always give Sallaine a big hug in the morning. Tell Gary it's not a bad deal. It gets me breakfast and free directions on how to park!

We are in the midst of producing UB Vol 23 No 1 and hope to have it in the mail next week. With only two issues per year it's hard to stick to 40 pages/issue. It looks like this one will be 42 or 44 pages.

Please give my best to Gary and thanks again for the input.

Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]






to give one of their children the mother's family name as a middle name. I suspect that was the case here and that Upchurch Humphries had another given name and that it was her first name making Upchurch her middle name.

I would be most grateful if you would continue to send me clippings from papers whenever you see the name UPCHURCH. These items always add to our knowledge of the family.

Please give my best to Gary.

Enclosed is a copy of our "SPRING 2001 SAGA" which will let you know how our lives have been recently.

Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
 {ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH}

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XIA-5264

Feb. 17, 2002

REC'D  
22 FEB 2002

Dear Phil,

Good News! We have two new Upchurches to add to the Morris Upchurch Family.

△+△ First of all, our middle son Matt Upchurch b. 7-31-75 married Heather DeeAnn Gwinn

△ on Dec. 29, 2001 in Albany, Texas, Shackelford County. Heather's birthday is Oct. 8,

△ 1975. She was born in Abilene, Texas; Taylor County. Her parents are Basil and Jean

△ Gwinn. Heather is a beautiful and sweet girl and we are proud to have her in the family.

△ Our youngest son Bart is seriously dating and we are looking for a marriage in the next

△ year or two if it is God's will. Gary's nephew Wayne Upchurch and his wife Pam just

△ had a baby boy on Feb. 13, 2002 named Eveyn Wayne Upchurch. He was 10 pounds and

△ 10 ounces. Wayne Upchurch is the son of Kenneth Upchurch, Gary's brother. Wayne and

△ Pam have a daughter named Jessica who is 13 years old. My oldest son Nathan and his

△ wife Philicia are expecting a second child in November. They have a daughter named

△ Lauren Grace Upchurch. So hopefully I will be writing you again about more additions to

△ the family.

I retired from teaching in May and am helping Gary on the farm as well as baby sitting when I can. I am too young to draw my teacher retirement but plan to wait until I am old enough to start drawing it. Gary turned 55 in Oct. and is drawing his teacher retirement. He has 23 years in education and I have 19 years. Our farm is keeping us both very busy. Our youngest son Bart built a small house near us so now we have 2 out of 3 sons living near us and we are blessed indeed. We are finding out how great it is to have grandchildren to bless our lives!

Sincerely,  
Judy

Gary Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

July 26, 2001

REC'D  
30 JUL 2001

Gary Upchurch  
1033 CR 3548  
Atlanta, TX 75551-5197

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

Hello! I know that it has been a long time since I have written. I just wanted to send you this obit that was in the Texarkana Gazette which we receive daily. The person's first name was Upchurch. I have never seen this before. Gary's aunt Letha Upchurch Pyle just celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with a surprise party given by her son Langston Pyle at his home. All of the local Upchurch relatives were invited as well as neighbors and friends. She even called us one day this week to thank us for coming. I thought that was so sweet of her. There are only three siblings surviving from that generation - Letha, Lou Bessie, and Emmett. We still have a family reunion in September for the Upchurch family. As the older generation dies, I have noticed that their children and grandchildren quit coming. Gary's family is the exception to the rule. Even though his father has been gone for several years now, all of his brothers and his sister still go. Will close for now. Will write again if there is any Upchurch news.

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch



Letha  
Upchurch  
Pyle

Gary

Glenda

Children of Morris Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

Robert P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
6 Eagles Way Lane  
Lake St. Louis, MO 63367-2240



15 JUN 2000

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
RR 1 BOX 151 B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551-9743

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thank so much for sending the  
article on Merrill U. This makes a useful  
addition to the Biopill a copy of which is  
enclosed. You can see we do know how  
he fits in. I have never met him but  
it is nice to know a member of our family  
is so creative.

Sallam & I are doing well. Our corn  
& soybean are all up to a stand now  
and we are getting good rains. We have  
cleared away some brush in two draws  
and are putting in two grass waterways.  
I'll go out today to check on progress.

My best to you & Gary.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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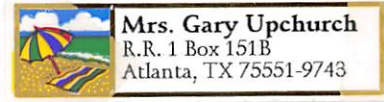
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JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XJD-5264

REC'D  
7 JUN 2000

Note: The article, now discarded,  
referred to in this letter  
concerns Merrill Richard U  
of the John U line in the  
John U, III / Samuel U Subdon  
- John Miltand, F. R. M.  
already had a copy from  
his magazine. Farm Journal  
MAY/JUN 2000



5-29-00

Phillip -

Found this  
article in one of  
Gary's farm magazines.  
Thought you might  
enjoy it. It is about  
Merrill Upchurch.  
Judy U.



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XIN-5269

Robert P. Upchurch  
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
6 Eagles Way Lane  
Lake St. Louis, MO 63367-2240



JUDY & GARY UPCHURCH  
RT. 1 BOX 151 B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551


10 DEC 1999

Dear Cousins Judy & Gary,

Thanks for renewal on the UB  
for the year 2000 and for the note about  
your first grandchild. Lauren Grace U has  
been given XIN-48486 and properly entered  
on the Master outline. She has been given  
her own profile.

Now that we have scaled the UB  
back to 2 issues per year I want to devote  
more time to that portion of the Upchurch  
Family traced back to Richard U, II. We came  
to NC from VA in 1755 and in Franklin  
Co, NC raised 11 children. Gary traces back  
to his son Richard U, III and I trace back  
to his son Nathan U, I.

It is always good to hear from you.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas. Sincerely yours  
P.S. - JAN 2000 stated report  
enclosed & 2 order forms  
in case anyone is interested.  Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

REC'D  
3 JUN 1996

May 31, 1996

TO: EAGLES WAY LAKE



Mrs. Gary Upchurch  
R.R. 1 Box 151B  
Atlanta, TX 75551-9743

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Dear Phil,

Howdy from Texas! School has been out 9 days now. I have been catching up on things left undone during school including writing letters. I reread your letter of May 31<sup>st</sup>.

I didn't see anything wrong except Gary's dad Morris does not officially have the middle name Shepherd.

I don't know how that got started, but he says he has no middle name.

Gary's sister Glenda # 14 has no middle name and Gary has 2 nieces (daughters of Kenneth Upchurch) Nancy and Tammy Upchurch have no middle names. It's strange to me

because all the people on my side have middle names. Nancy Upchurch has been divorced 2 years now and officially changed her last name back to Upchurch dropping her married name Murray.

# 9 Langston Pyle and his first wife Geraldine Ray were divorced.

His second wife Regina is a nurse at Atlanta Memorial Hospital. They were married about 2 years ago. It was an unusual wedding. I didn't go, but my

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□ sister-in-law Glenda Upchurch Parr  
 Δ+□ went. They were married in an historical  
 house in Japanhama and then took the  
 wedding guests to a gambling boat in  
 Shreveport, La. which is 1 1/2 hours  
 from here. Langston is planning a  
 big BBQ on June 15th. 300 people  
 are expected to attend. He has  
 reserved space in 2 Atlanta motels for  
 his guests. We plan to go unless it  
 is too hot for the chickens, and we  
 need to stay home and keep an eye  
 on them. Langston is the retired  
 colonel. He gave us some good advice  
 when our son Matt was in the  
 Marines two years ago. Matt had  
 surgery 7 days after joining. He  
 couldn't call home so Langston told  
 us we could call the doctors to find  
 out about Matt so we did.  
 Irene Powell and Kathryn McAlpenden  
 are not relatives. Gary's dad wanted  
 to invite them because they are  
 active in the local genealogy society.  
 Patricia Fincher's husband is  
 Jackie Roy Fincher. His parents are  
 Chloé and Orval Fincher. Orval is the  
 son of Roy and Doris Fincher. Doris  
 is Morris Upchurch's sister. Doris's  
 family is large, but Patricia was the

only one from that branch there.

Thank you for the invitation to Missouri. If we are ever up that far north, we will certainly come by.

We used to take many vacations to northern Arkansas and Branson, Mo.

Our last family trip was several years ago to Hot Springs, Ark. We stayed

2 days in one of those large hotels downtown - The Arlington. Matt

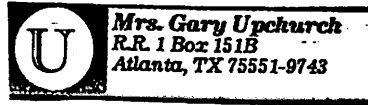
and Bart were with us. Nathan was at college at Texas A+M.

Goodbye for now. I will be in touch if there are any changes in the family trees.

Have a good summer!  
Gudy Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XFN-5264



REC'D  
23 JUN 1997

6-19-97

Dear Phillip,

We received our latest Upchurch Bulletin yesterday. We enjoyed the nice article you wrote about our family.

Thank you for your kind words and for including us in your bulletin. Everyone is well. Gary and Kenneth are getting ready to combine Bahia grass seeds in our area. It is our busiest time of the year.

Sincerely,  
Judy + Gary Upchurch



Please do let me know when Tammy has her little one - will need full name, date of birth and place of birth. Also, when you write can you let me where Phylia was born?

Just yesterday our son accepted a position with First Bank in Minneapolis, MN and will be moving from MO to MN right away. We will do our best to make them out here while they get their house ready to sell and get ready to move.

I trust you saw the article in the latest UB about your "Family of the Year" award. Good for you!

With All Best Wishes.

☺ Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch  
 { ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH }

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

June 7, 1997

Rec'd 12 JUN 1997

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

Just a short note to let you know that Gary's dad passed away on April 25th. I am putting in the obit and a newspaper article written about him. I also included the newspaper articles about Nathan and his wife Philicia. She was named after her father Phil Brown. Her birthday is March 14, 1973. She and Nathan are presently living and teaching in the Dallas area. They have their applications in schools north of Dallas and in the Texarkana area. Kenneth's daughter Tammy Stinson is expecting her first child at the end of July. I will write you again and give you that information in July. They are looking for a boy. Will close for now. Hope that all is well with you and your family.

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch

Gary Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151B  
Atlanta, Tex. 75551

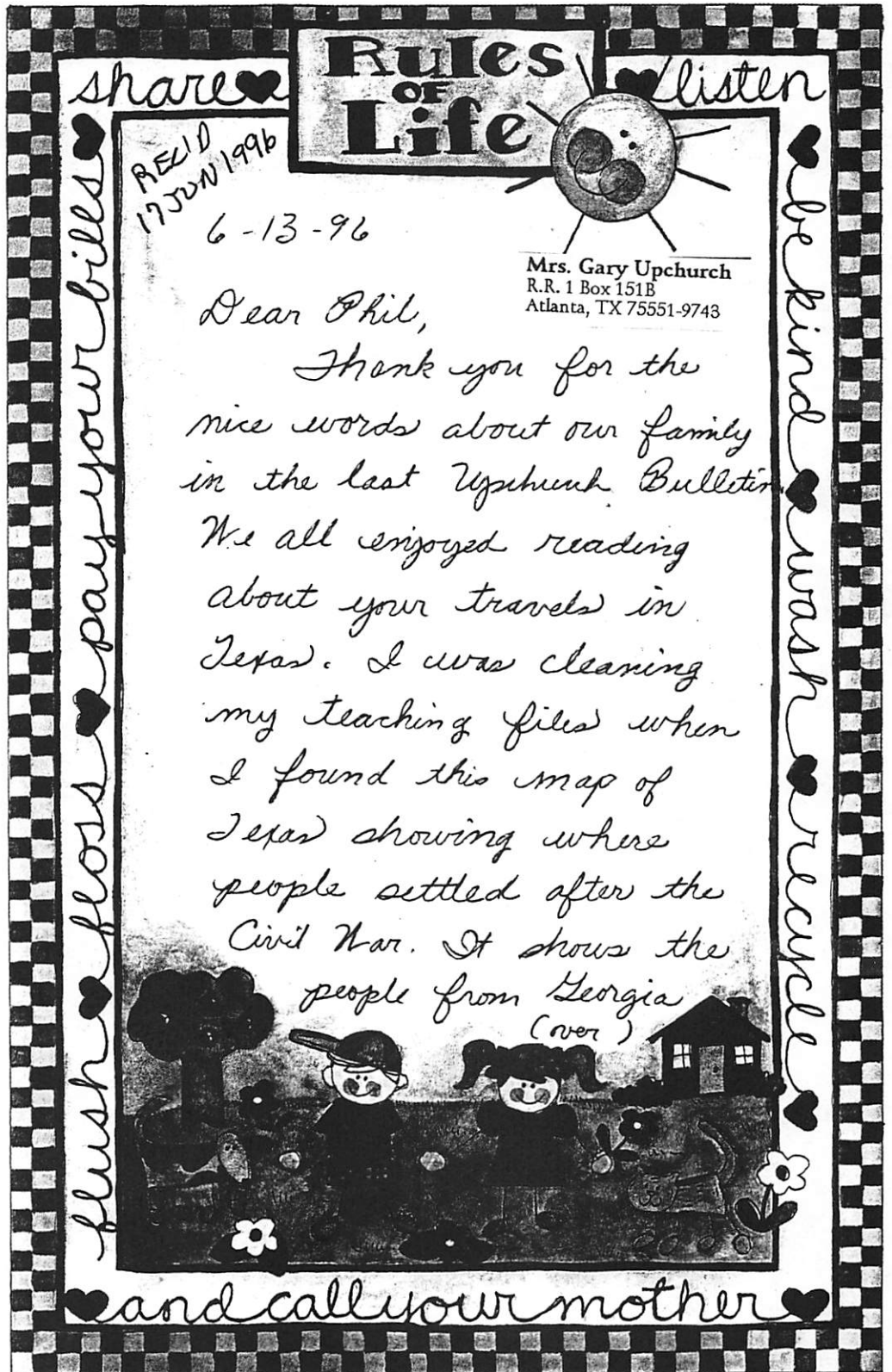
Obit for Manie Sheppard U  
placed in his profile

Marriage of Nathan Terry U & Philicia

Renee Brown placed in their  
profiles

Bart, our son, is studying to be a math teacher. He also  
surrendered to preach.





# RULES OF Life

share ♥

♥ listen

REC'D  
17 JUN 1996  
6-13-96

Mrs. Gary Upchurch  
R.R. 1 Box 151B  
Atlanta, TX 75551-9743

Dear Phil,

Thank you for the nice words about our family in the last Upchurch Bulletin. We all enjoyed reading about your travels in Texas. I was clearing my teaching files when I found this map of Texas showing where people settled after the Civil War. It shows the people from Georgia

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flush ♥ floss ♥ pay your bills ♥

♥ be kind ♥ wash ♥ recycle ♥

♥ and call your mother ♥

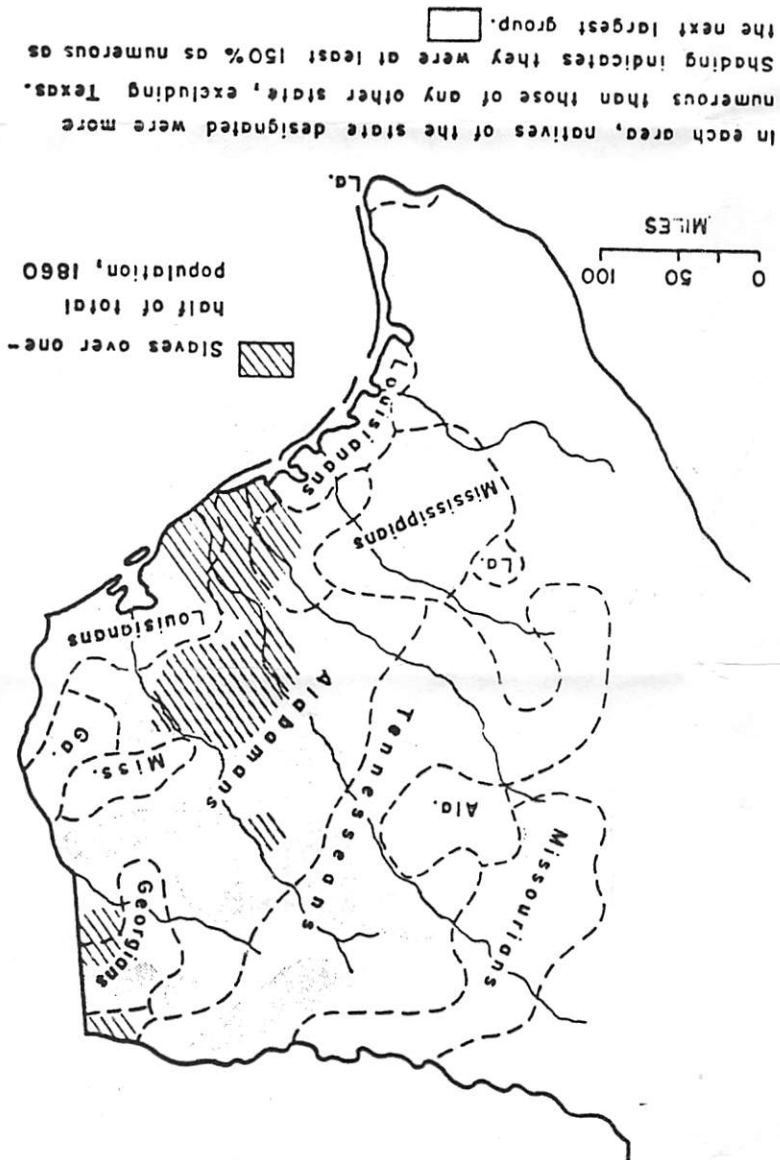


settling in East Texas. My grandmother's father Elias Eargle and his father Artemis Eargle fought with a Georgian infantry during the Civil War. Elias survived and died in the 1920's. Artemis Eargle died of a heart attack during the war. My grandmother had a big 16 X 20" picture of all the Cass County men who were Confederate veterans. Many town and street names are named after places in Georgia. Thought this bit of history might be of interest to you.

Sincerely,  
Judy

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STATES FROM WHICH EARLY SETTLERS  
TO TEXAS IN 1880's ORIGINATED





JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

TO: RPA AT 6 EAGLES WAY LN

REC'D  
18 APR 1996

Mrs. Gary Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151B  
Atlanta, Texas 75551

4-10-96

Phil,

We all enjoyed your visit to Cass County. We hope your trip in Texas was fun and successful. You and your lovely wife are always welcome in case you pass through this way again.

Note: picture (2) placed  
in Photo File 96-3

God Bless you and your  
family,

Cousin Judy







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ignored the rain. Menis has had an outstanding  
career in the County and it is nice to see  
that he is appreciated. I was pleased to see  
that the family is holding onto Uptonch  
land.

Judy, thanks for sending the two pictures  
taken at the lecture. They are nice mementos

Could I ask the favor of your helping me  
to improve the registration list for the  
lecture. Enclosed is a copy of the list as it  
was taken plus a modified list to show  
more details.

First - do I have anything wrong in my  
added notes?

Second - Is #9 Langston Vincent Pyle and what  
about his wife - The registration list shows her  
as Mrs Langston Pyle, my Master outline shows  
her as "Geraldine Ray" but the photo you sent  
shows her as "Regina". I am missing something.

How does Irene Powell fit into the family?  
How does Kathryn McAlexander fit into  
the family?

How does Patricia Fincher fit into the family.

Can you think of any who attended the lecture  
who are not on the list? I can't children do.  
Which one was the retired Colonel?



Any help you can provide in helping to complete the list will be appreciated. I hope to write to most of the people in due course.

I was able to visit the library in Texarkana and found they did indeed have a nice Genealogy section. I asked them if they knew Elva. They said she used to come every Friday. I have arranged to place a set of the UB at this library and at 6 other Texan libraries as well. This should cover East Texas pretty well.

Now that you have shown me Cass County why don't you let me show you some of the Missouri scene. There is a lot to see here and it would be a pleasure to have you see our farm and other sights in the area.

With deep appreciation for your help and your interest in our shared family heritage.

P.S. Enclosed are some extra UB flyers in case you get a chance to spread them around

Phil U

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

① see Ltr 10 JUL 1980 Elva Era Burkhalter to RPH

Pg 5 - Judy Whitlow and Gary U to 1 OCT 1946.

Gary is son of Marie U of Eto Richard U, III / Clalson, U, I Subran.

② NOTE: Correspondence from the Gary Synn U family is now being filed under the name of his wife JCW as she is the correspondent. 28 DEC 1982 - RPH

③ 20 FEB 1996 - Called JCW at (903) 796-702

I informed her I would be staying the night of 4 and 5 APR in Eto Hampton Inn in Texaschana, TX. She says that is about a 20 minute drive from her home in Atlanta, TX. I will spend all day FRI 5 APR 96 in Cass Co, TX. Judy will contact Marie U and arrange for him to show me various parts of Eto County. Judy will arrange a covered supper for Friday night at which I will give an abbreviated presentation.

④ 5 APR 1996 - JCW helped organize and attended the Upchurch lecture in Cass Co, TX. See Photo File 96-3 for picture of Judy taken at the time of the lecture



JUDY CAROL WAITLOW

XID-5264

March 18, 1996

REC'D  
20 MAR 1996

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

Thank you for your letter and the yellow sheets listing all the places where you plan to go. I made a paper announcing the supper and lecture at our church. I plan to staple the two papers together and pass them out to all those who would be interested in coming. I also pulled out all the "old" family pictures that Gary's aunt Elva Upchurch gave to me. I put them on poster board to put on the walls in the fellowship hall. They are not the original pictures, but they are copies I had made from the negatives she loaned me. Her son Winston Upchurch gave Uncle Emmett a copy of some of her family history papers. I made all of us a copy in Gary's family and also made you a copy. I am really excited about April 5th and can't wait for it to get here.

Gary's dad Morris Upchurch said that he would meet you at McDonald's in Atlanta, Texas at 9:00 am that Friday morning. McDonald's is located on the loop that circles to the west of Atlanta. It is very easy to find because all the heavy traffic and big trucks take the route following Highway 59 south. It is a major road to Houston. There are many restaurants and motels on this loop. I know he is looking forward to meeting you and showing you Cass County. He is so interesting to listen to because he remembers the way things used to be and used to look before so much changed. There have been a lot of changes in my lifetime, so I can imagine how much change he has seen.

Here is a list of phone numbers just in case:

Gary and Judy Upchurch 903 - 796 - 7602  
Morris Upchurch 903 - 796 - 4091  
Kenneth Upchurch 903 - 796 - 4326 (Gary's brother)  
My school phone 903 - 796 - 6304

Looking forward to seeing you April 5th!

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch

*P.S. Atlanta is 20 miles south of Terarkana on Highway 59.*





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at his house if that is best.

Enclosed is a press release which I am making available to the Ft Worth, Dallas, Austin & Houston Newspapers. I don't know if they will use it or not. It may or may not be useful to you but I thought no harm done in sending a copy to you.

After hearing so much about the Comanche County Area and the Upchurch history there I am most pleased to have an opportunity to have a first hand look. In the meantime if there are matters which need our attention please let us know.

Thank you for all of your efforts to make our visit meaningful.

P.S. Please note address change sheet enclosed.

Phil U



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
P. O. BOX 387  
Wentzville, MO 63385



20 OCT 1995

MRS. GARY UPCHURCH  
RT 1 BOX 151 B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thanks for your letter, which arrived 30 SEP 95, regarding our proposed trip to Texas. The plans you and Cousin Meris have proposed sound great. Due to a number of reasons it has become desirable to postpone the trip until early 1996. My schedule was getting too hectic and I have not yet cleaned up the records of the trip to NC/TN.

At present we propose to make the trip in March or April of 1996. This will give us plenty of time for travel plans and it will allow me to get my TX records in good shape. We have good arrangements for the visit with you, with Cousin in the Houston area and in the Austin area. I am gradually getting closer to



making an arrangement in the Ft Worth/  
Dallas Area. This is through a cousin  
who lives in Johnson Co, TX which is  
just south of Ft Worth. He is a  
~~retired~~ Texas Ranger and a really  
nice fellow.

Please convey my best regards to  
Mornie and to the other relatives. I am  
looking forward to Mornie showing me  
around the local area. I will be happy  
to make a presentation at a time which  
is mutually agreeable. I have brought a  
projector and have a few slides to  
illustrate the Upchurch family and their  
history.

It is always good to hear from you.

☺  
Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH}

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XJD-5264

Rt. 1, Box 151B  
Atlanta, Texas 75551

REC'D  
30 SEP 1995

Mrs. Gary Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151B  
Atlanta, Texas 75551

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

Hello! I read in your latest bulletin that you are still planning a trip through Texas in Oct. Or Nov. We are looking forward to your visit here in East Texas. We were hoping that when you come, we could have a covered dish supper in the fellowship hall of our church and that you could speak to us there or in the church. Please let us know a few weeks ahead of time so that we can call all the relatives that usually come to the Upchurch reunion. I teach school during the weekdays, but Gary's father, who is 87 now, said that he would be glad to show you some places of interest during the day - like the Upchurch homestead or some local cemeteries where the Upchurch families are buried. Gary's immediate family members are buried in our church cemetery at Antioch. We are looking forward to meeting you and your wife. Hope to see you soon.

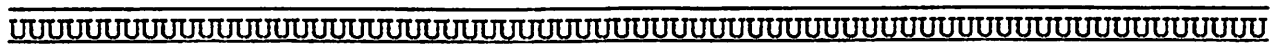
Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch  
(903) 796-7602

Morris Upchurch  
(903) 796-4091

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7 JUN 1995

MRS GARY WPCURCH  
RR 1 BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551-9743

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thank you for sending in the details about the death of Gary's Aunt Dovie and about the death of Trustee Brianne Parr. This information has now been entered in the appropriate records. I was sorry to hear of the passing of Dovie. Little Trustee has the XFD-36922.

Just day before yesterday we returned from our 15 day family history trip to TN and NC. It was very enjoyable. We do hope to follow through with a similar trip to TX next fall. I am currently building the schedule for that trip and it is our intent to visit Atlanta, TX.

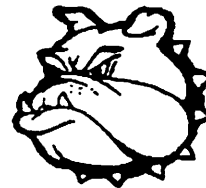
I hope Morris gets along ok.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil W. Church

[ROBERT PHILIP WPCURCH]



Mrs. Gary Upchurch  
R.R. 1 Box 151B  
Atlanta, TX. 75551-9743



Judy Upchurch

REC'D  
5 JUN 19 1995

June 2, 1995

Dear Phillip,

Just a short note to let you know Larry Aunt Donie died in Feb. and his nephew Doug Parr has a new baby girl born in April. Larry dad's health is declining. He has trouble breathing and uses an oxygen machine.

Hope you come our way in Nov.

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch

Donie Ardell Upchurch Fincher

(sister of Morris Upchurch)

died Feb. 27, 1995

Buried Courtland Cemetery (near Queen City, Tx)

Tristen Brianna Parr

(dau. of Doug Parr; granddau. of Blende Upchurch Parr)

Born April 10, 1995

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7JUL1993

Mr Gary Upchurch  
RR 1, Box 151 B  
Atlanta, TX 75551-9743

Dear Cousin Judy.

Thanks for your letter of 30 JUN 1993  
and for all the details. I have assigned  
Trevor Davis Par XID-32551. He will appear  
in the next u h.

The mention on your Aunt Elsie was  
very nice. It has been added to her Profile  
which contains a copy of everything she ever  
wrote or sent to me and a copy of every-  
thing I ever sent to her. It is a very thick  
packet!

Whenever you get to talk to Winston about  
Elna's research materials, I will be happy to  
hear of what you learn. It is important  
that someone care for these materials.

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

P.S. Thanks for keeping me  
up to date on family  
changes. Please continue  
Phil U

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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REC'D  
6-30-1993

June 30, 1993



MRS. GARY UPCHURCH  
R.R. 1 BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX. 75551-9743

Dear Phil Upchurch,

I received your letter. Doug's son Trevor Harris Parr was born Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1993 in Terarkana, Texas, Bowie County. I haven't seen him yet, but I know he will be a beautiful boy like his brother Tyler.

There was a nice article in our local paper on Aunt Elvie Upchurch. I felt like there would be because she was kind of a celebrity - "the Hickory Nut Mountain Lady." I am sending you a copy.

I wondered what would happen to all her research too. I would rather ask her son Winston face to face about it, but he seldom comes in. Her house and car have been untouched. It doesn't look like they have done anything to divide her belongings. He might come in September for the annual Upchurch reunion. If he doesn't come, then I will call and ask him about her papers. He came last year - maybe he will come this year. I look for that annual reunion to end when all the original brothers and sisters are gone. The number attending gets fewer each year.

Sincerely, Judy Upchurch

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Bischoff's  
Elvie's  
Bischoff's

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TUCSON, ARIZONA 85740

21 JUN 1993

JUDY UPCHURCH  
RT 1, BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Judy,

I have taken a four day weekend and am trying to catch up on genealogy. Your letters of 9 APR 93 & 25 JUN 93 are at hand and I want to thank you for them.

I was sorry to learn of the passing of three members of your father-in-law's generation in such short order. Elva Upchurch and I had a long association by mail and phone. She had such a strong interest in family history and she accomplished a great deal through her research. I last talked to her in the nursing home on 30 MAR 93 less than four weeks before she died. It was clear at the time that she was seriously ill.

It is good that you got Morris to move back to the home place where he can have family close by. The



Mavis Upchurch Middle School is a beautiful building and it is a fine tribute to someone who has put a lot into the school system over the years. Mavis has a right to be proud of this honor and I am sure you are all proud of him.

Please do let me know when Doug's new one comes. I have the master outline reasonably completed and would like to keep it up to date if possible.

Judy, do you know what will happen to all the genealogical records that Eva Upchurch accumulated? My impression was that none of her living children would care to protect these records. I don't know what shape they are in. They are probably not worth any money (although some may think so) but they might be very useful to others interested in Upchurch family history. A +

one point she offered to turn all her records over to me if I would come for them. This was not feasible and anyway would probably have caused a problem in the family. Such matters can be very sensitive. I don't know if you would even want to raise the issue.

In due course I hope to create an Upchurch Foundation where such records can be kept permanently (my own records would be an example) that is probably a year or so away at best.

Your continued interest in our shared Upchurch heritage is appreciated. Thanks for staying in touch.



Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5284

REC'D  
16 APR 93

Judy U, Rt 1 Box 151 B  
Atlanta, TX 75551 April 9, 1993

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,  
Hello! It's been a while since I wrote  
you last but wanted to send you these  
newspaper clippings about the dedication of  
Queen City's new middle school named  
in honor of Gary's dad - Morris Upchurch.  
Of the 3 school buildings in our school  
system, the middle school is the most  
beautiful because of the architecture.

We have lost <sup>a</sup> member of the Upchurch  
family and will gain a new member this  
summer. Emmett Upchurch's second wife  
Reba Upchurch<sup>1</sup> died March 17, 1993. I enclosed  
the obit. column. Glenda Upchurch Parr's  
son Doug Parr and his wife are expecting their  
second child this summer. I will let you know  
so you can add him / her to your list of family  
members.

Gary's stepmother Anne is in the last  
stages of cancer. She is gradually losing her  
strength and energy. His dad is still in  
good health. Gary's aunt Mrs. Razzi  
Upchurch is in a local nursing home.  
Her health is not good. Bye for now.

1) NEE REBA ELIZABETH WATSON  
(omit placed in her profile)

Judy Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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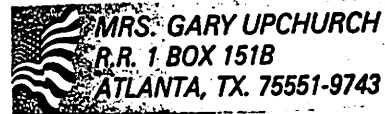
REC'D  
4 JUN 93

June 2, 1993

□ Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,  
- I am enclosing 2 obit columns  
□ + Δ for Gary's stepmother Anne Upchurch<sup>1)</sup>  
□ + Δ and Gary's aunt Elva Upchurch.<sup>2)</sup> They  
- were in the hospital across the hall from  
- each other and died within days of each  
- other. It was an ordeal, but we finally  
□ + Δ got Gary's dad<sup>3)</sup> to move back to the  
□ homeplace with his oldest son James. He  
- is in fair health but needs someone to  
Δ watch out for him. We all live on land  
□ + Δ + Δ touching each other - Gary, James, Kenneth,  
□ and Glenda so he has plenty of family  
around him.

Sincerely,  
Judy Upchurch

- Δ 1) nee ANNE NMA MORRIS  
(obit placed in her biofile)  
2) nee ELVA ERA BURKHALTER  
(obit placed in her biofile)  
3) m. Mrs. Shepherd U.



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24 JUL 1992

MRS GARY UPCHURCH

RR 1 BOX 151 B

ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thanks for the details which arrived yesterday. I was taking a day of vacation to catch up on genealogy and so processed your letters right away. And now for the first time we have a perfect set of details on the family of Marie Sheppard Upchurch.

Judy, I don't know how much opportunity you would have to get missing details for the rest of the Walter Jackson U family. Since you are there close to some of them it seemed well to go ahead and list all of the missing details for this family. The enclosed list runs to seven pages. In one way this is a lot but considering that these items are the only one missing for such a large family the list is not long. I am also providing a current copy of the Master Outline for the Walter Jackson Upchurch family. Please

share this with anyone who is interested.

It is not essential that we get answers to all the questions but I like to try for completeness whenever possible. Perhaps you can "farm out" some of the questions to others. A few of the family members have been asked for these details and the answers have not been available for one reason or another. I am sure you would know how and when to ask again.

Jody, if you feel that working on the remaining questions is too much for you I will certainly understand. On the other hand any answer you do have or can get will be appreciated. Let me know if there is someone I should write.

I have not heard from your Aunt Eva much since she moved into a care facility. Hope she is doing OK.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY 23 JUL 1992  
OF WALTER JACKSON UPCHURCH

- 1) For Walter Jackson U & his wife - All OK
- 2) For Donnie Ardell U & Her - All OK
  - a) For James Henry Fincher
    - i) when did he marry?
    - ii) Full maiden name of Maxine Stovall and when was she born?
    - iii) when was James Ronald Fincher born? Did he marry / have children? If so, details?
    - iv) when was Jerry Daniel Fincher born? Did he marry / have children? If so, details?
  - b) For Duval Jackson Fincher
    - i) when and where did he marry?
    - ii) Full maiden name of Chise Brown & when & where was she born?
    - iii) Did he have children? If so, details?
  - c) For Lee Ray Fincher
    - i) For Tommy Lee Fincher
      - (I) when was he married?
      - (II) Did he have just two children?
      - (III) when did William Douglas Fincher marry?
    - ii) For Donald Gene Fincher
      - (I) when & where was Glinda Lad Betty born?
      - (II) when did he marry the second time?
      - (III) when was Belver Francis Duncan born?
      - (IV) Did he have just one child?
    - iii) For Jimmy Clydes Fincher
      - (I) when did he marry the second time?
      - (II) when & where was Scott Brandon Jansen born?
      - (III) Did he have just three children including one stepdaughter and with the third being Michael Todd Fincher b. 3/00/1975?



2) For Donnie Ardell - CONTINUED

c) For Lee Roy Fincher - CONTINUED

i) For Judy Elizabeth Fincher - All OK

ii) For Charles Edwin Fincher

(I) when in JAN 1969 did he marry?

(II) where did he marry?

(III) did he have just two children?

iii) For Dan Michael Fincher - All OK

iiii) For John David Fincher

(I) where did he die?

d) For Alma Theanette Fincher

i) did she have just four children?

ii) For Betty Casall McCasland

(I) did he have just three children?

(II) does he have just two grandchildren?

iii) For Barbara Eunt McCasland

(I) did she have just three children?

(II) does she have just two grandchildren?

iv) For Robert O'Neal McCasland

(I) did he have just one child?

v) For Sandra Dianne McCasland

(I) did she have just one child?

(II) does she have just one grandchild?

e) For Lucy Jane Fincher

i) where was she born?

ii) did she have just five children?

iii) For Earl Wayne McCasland

(I) where was he born?

(II) where did he marry?

(III) Full maiden name of Louie Beach and when & where was she born?

(IV) did he have just two children?

(V) Full maiden name of Kim McCasland & where born, when & where married? Full name

(VI) of husband & when & where born?

(VII) Full name of husband & when & where born? Full name of McCasland born?

2) For Dornie Ardell U - CONTINUED

e) For Lucy Jane Fincher - CONTINUED

iv) For Linda Darnell McCasland

(i) where was she born?

(ii) when & where did she marry?

(iii) did she have just one child?

(iv) Full name of Bobby Davis and where was he born?

(v) where was Tracy Denise Davis born?

vi) For Berby Jane McCasland

(i) where was she born?

(ii) when did she marry?

(iii) did she have just two children?

(iv) Full name of Richard Williams and when and where born?

(v) Full maiden name of Dana Williams, when & where born, when & where married, full name of her husband & where & where was he born?

(vi) where was David Michael Williams born?

vii) where was Marilyn Ann McCasland born?

viii) where was Randall Lee McCasland born?

f) For Maues Clayton Fincher - All OK.

3) For James Hamilton U

a) For First marriage

i) Full maiden name of Viola May, where born & where died? when married?

b) For second marriage - All OK

c) For Third marriage

i) when in SEP 1958 married.

d) For Fourth marriage

i) when in 1962 married?

ii) Full maiden name of Bessie Endsley?

4) For ~~Walter~~ Razzie Lee U

a) where was Patrick Razzie Foster born?

5) For Luinda Elizabeth U

a) For Marlyse Ann McAlexander

i) when & where did she marry?

ii) Full name of Steve Gamble and when & where born?

b) was Karen Lynn McAlexander born in Texarkana TX or AR?

c) was William Russell McAlexander born in Texarkana TX or AR?

d) For Fayrene McAlexander

i) what was her full maiden name?

ii) Full name of Daniel Lightfoot?

iii) when and where did Mitchell Dan Lightfoot marry?

iv) when & where was Leigh Ann Bourne born?

v) where was Deatrice Danyelle Lightfoot born?

e) For Jerry Wane McAlexander

i) where was he born?

ii) Is WANE the correct spelling?

iii) when & where did he marry?

iv) when & where was Peggy Sue Thomas born?

v) Any children? If so, details?

f) For Zelda Gay McAlexander

i) when & where did she marry?

ii) where did Stephens Wayne Fant die and where is he buried?

iii) where was Theron Earl Fant born?

g) For the infant born & died 12 MAR 1946 - was it named? where born/died - where buried if buried?

6) For Martin Henrietta U

a) For Bonnie Sue Shinner

i) where is she buried?

ii) when & where did she marry?

iii) where was Richard Earl Strong born, when & where did she marry?

iv) For Richard Keith Strong

(I) where was he born?

(II) when married the first time?

(III) when & where married the 2nd time?

(IV) Full maiden name of Kathy Donahue & when & where born?

(V) when & where was Patricia Puette Ahlgy born?

(VI) Full name of Gabriel Strong & where born?

(VII) Full name of Michael Strong & where born?

(VIII) Full name of Patricia Strong & where born?

(IX) Full name of Christopher Strong & where born?

(X) Full name of Elizabeth Strong & where born?

(XI) Full name of John Strong & where born?

(XII) Did he have just six children?

v) For Mitchell Earl Strong

(I) when & where did he marry?

(II) where was Nancy Carol Thompson born?

(III) where was Brandi Leigh Strong born?

(IV) where was Janni Allen Strong born?

(V) when in SEP 1977 was Bonni Michelle Strong born & where born?

vi) For Elmer Tyrone Shinner

i) when & where married 1st & 2nd times?

ii) where was Georgia Fay Mestley born?

iii) Full maiden name of Margo Pylhold and where was she born?

6) For Martha Kenneth U - CONTINUED

a) For Elmer Tyrone Skinner - CONTINUED

ii) when was Kevin Tyrone Skinner born

- 7 or 8 FEB 1963 or 1964 ?

ii) when was Kenneth Jerome Skinner born 6 JAN 1969 or 1968 ?

7) For Marie Sheppard U & Family - All OK

8) For Letitia Anna U

a) For Langston Vincent Pyle

i) when and where married?

ii) Full maiden name of Geraldine Kay & when & where was she born?

b) For Debra Louise Pyle

i) when and where born?

ii) when and where married?

iii) Full name of husband & when & where born?

iv) Full names of children & when & where born?

c) For Doris Lynn Pyle

i) when and where born?

ii) when & where married?

iii) Full name of husband & when & where born?

iv) Full names of children & when & where born?

9) For Emmett NMU

a) For Harold Glenn U

i) when & where was Barbara Jean Williams born?

ii) where was Tara AMU born?

iii) where was Willie Ray U born?

4.  
a) For Emmett NMN U

b) For Janis Rose U

- i) when was Clayton Melhorn Easley born?
- ii) when and where was Donna Jane Hill born?
- iii) where was Donna Jo Easley born?
- iv) where did Bobby Ray Easley marry?
- v) when and where was Kathy Lynn Mauldin born?
- vi) where was Charles Wayne Easley born?
- vii) where did Charles Wayne Easley marry?
- viii) when & where was Sandra Kay Owens born?
- ix) where was Daniel Wayne Easley born?
- x) what is the full name of the 2nd child of Charles Wayne Easley and when & where was this child born?

c) For Patsy La Juan U

- i) when & where was Keith Anthony Norman born?
- ii) where was Stephanie LaJuan Norman born?
- iii) where was Michelle Ann Norman born?

d) For Jee Kirmin U

- i) when & where was Mary Elizabeth Folt born, where did she die & where buried?
- ii) when and where was Martha Penna (Stewart) Messenger born?
- iii) where was Jason Lee (Messenger) U born?
- iv) when was Thomas Marshall (Messenger) U born?

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18 JAN 1992

MRS GARY UPCHURCH

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REC'D  
23 JUL 1992



MRS. GARY UPCHURCH  
R.R. 1 BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX. 75551

16 JUL 1992

Dear Cousin Judy,

[see profile of Tammy  
NMN U for her mg  
to Lewis Alan Simpson]

Thank so much for your letter of 1 JAN 92 and for the picture of the fine children of Walter Jackson U. This has been mentioned in Photo File No 92-5 and is now a permanent part of the Upchurch Archives. It is too bad Mattie could not be present.

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The Morris Sheppard U Master outline is complete except for the following:

□ 1. For Morris Sheppard U

△ a. what is the full maiden name of Anne (Morris) Stanley?

— Anne (Morris) Stanley Upchurch  
(That's all - no middle name)



□ 2) For James William U - All OK

□ 3) For Kenneth Morris U

March 31, 1984

△ a) when & where did Kenneth Wayne U marry? <sup>Atlanta, Tex. Cass County</sup>

△ b) what is the full maiden name of Pamela

- Evelyn Bayhee and when & where was she born? <sup>July 11, 1965</sup>

△ c) when & where did Nancy NMM U marry <sup>Texarkana, Tex. Bowie County</sup>

△ d) what is the full name of Nancy's husband and when & where was he born? <sup>Stuart Wayne Murray Feb. 28, 1960 Lubbock, Texas</sup>

□ 4) For Glenda NMM U

△ a) when and where was Donna Juan Lane born? <sup>12-10-65 Texarkana, Texas</sup>

△ b) what is the full name of the child of Paul

- Douglas Parr and when & where was this child born? <sup>Tyler Lane Parr Jan. 27, 1990 Texarkana, Tex.</sup>

□ 5) For Gary Lynn U & family - All OK

If you have or can get any of these details they will be appreciated. At present I show Morris Sheppard U has four children, nine grandchildren, and two grandgrandchildren. Of the nine grandchildren - one is deceased, four are married, and four are still single.

Details on the extended Upchurch family continue to come in from a lot of people. I stay busy processing information. It takes all my spare time but it is quite enjoyable. In about three years I'll be able to retire and then I can catch up on genealogy & maybe travel some.

Regards to all the family. It is always nice to hear from you.

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REC'D  
7 JAN 1992



MRS. GARY UPCHURCH  
R.R. 1 BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX. 75551

1-1-92

Dear Robert P. Upchurch,

I am sending you the latest picture taken at the Upchurch reunion held in September.

Top row l to r: Morris U. and Emmett Upchurch

Bottom row l to r:

Letha U. Pyle, Donie U. Fincher, and Lou Bessie U. Mc Alexander.

Another sister is alive but not present at the reunion - Mattie U. Skinner.

Two of the oldest brothers have died in recent years - Razzi and Jimmy.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year!

Judy Upchurch

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

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(see file of Gary Lynch for the list of the three items  
that Judy sent.)

2 DEC 1989

M/M GARY UPCHURCH

RT. 1, BOX 151 B

ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Judy & Gary

This is just a note to thank you for  
your renewal on the UB for 1990 and for  
the three newspaper clippings.

The story on the gathering of the children  
of Walter Jackson Upchurch was well done and  
it was nice to see the pictures. I was  
sorry to learn of the passing of your Uncle  
Walter Reggie Lee Upchurch. Eva and I had  
corresponded about his illness.

The proposal of the school being named  
for Momma sounds great. We should all  
be proud of him.

All the best for Christmas and  
a Great 1990. It is always good to  
hear from you.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

16 JUL 1989

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
RT 1, BOX 1516  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thank you for your letter of July 4, 1989 and for the article on Gary's Aunt Elva. I have added it to her file which is quite impressive. Also your letter caused me to write to her as it occurred to me that I have never learned why the Upchurchs moved to Cass Co, TX. Perhaps she knows.

Judy, I am especially grateful for your notes from time-to-time as there are not many who bother to write considering how many thousands there are in our extended family. Please continue to write and let me know when there are new developments in your part of the world.

Hope you are enjoying getting back into teaching. It is rewarding. Thanks for your kind words about the U.S.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PATRICK UPCHURCH]

REC'D  
10 JUL 1989Rt. 1, Box 151 B  
Atlanta, Tex. 75551  
July 4, 1989

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

I enjoyed reading your last bulletin about your travels in England. I went back to teaching school this past year after being out for 11 years. Last fall there was an article in the Shreveport - Bossier Times (in Shreveport, Louisiana) about Gary's aunt, Elva Upchurch. I set the article aside and made you a copy this week. I thought you might enjoy it. Aunt Elva is doing fine, but her husband Raggi Upchurch was put in a nursing home last week.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Gary Upchurch



10 OCT 1987

JUDY W. CHURCH  
 RT 1, BOX 151 B  
 ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

Thank you for your very nice letter of 20 OCT 87 bringing me up to date on the upturn in your area. I was beginning to get behind. Everything in your packet has now been processed and every item is appreciated.

The cover of the U.C. have been sent to Marie U and the memorial contribution in honor of Grace has been entered. Please tell her I appreciate it. The scholarship sounds great. I'll try to comment on it in the next U.C.

I'm really nice that all 8 of the W.J.U. family are still with me. The picture looks great. I assume you intended for me to keep it.

Here are some questions prompted by your letter:

- 1) Did Grace Babo U die in Texarkana, TX or Texarkana AR?
- 2) when & where was DONNA JAYDAN LAWE born?
- 3) when & where did Kenneth Wayne U marry and what is her super full maiden name and when & where was she born? I do hope you will give me the details as they chime when it arrives.

- 4) when & where was Nancy NMN U (ATD-5253) married, what is the full name of her husband and where & when was he born?
- 5) re the upcoming marriage of Maxwell - what is the full maiden name of Mrs Ann Stanley and when and where was she born and where will they be married?
- 6) For the list of direct descendants who attended the Reunion on 20 SEP 1987 I have been able to identify how most fit in but not all. Can you identify the following for me:

- a) DDVTE Fricker (DONTÉ?)
- b) Patty Fricker
- c) Jacqueline Fricker
- d) Brad Fricker
- e) Robert & Olenna M. Casland
- f) Barbara Miller
- g) Anna Meyers
- h) Christy Meyers
- i) Joshua Meyers
- j) Billie Faye McCasland
- k) Terri & Brandon Dupree
- l) Tara & Willie U
- m) Marsha U
- n) Jason U
- o) Thomas U
- p) Sandra & Daniel Easley
- q) Donna Easley
- r) Duwayne Easley
- s) Dana Easley
- t) Logan Easley
- u) Keith U
- v) Patsy U
- w) Stephanie U

x) michelle u

- 3 -

y) Pam u

z) Jimmy + Bessie u?

Among the family + friends listed at the end were there any who were descendants of Walter Johnson or who married one of his descendants?

It seems that you close your eyes and turn around and in just that short a time your records are no longer current. As you say a lot is going on in the Upchurch area of East Texas. It is a pleasure for me to learn of all the developments and I hope you can get a few more details on the above items as time permits.

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]

Judy Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151 B  
Atlanta, Texas 75551

REC'D  
5 OCT 1987

10-2-87

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

- I am sending you some clippings of the Upchurch family covering events from September 1986.
- + Δ Gary's mother Grace Bobo Upchurch died last September 12, 1986 and was buried in Antioch Cemetery on Sept. 14, 1986 - Atlanta, Texas. Her number in your book was 2733. Doug Parr (5262) grandson of Morris Upchurch and son of Glenda Upchurch Parr was married on September 26, 1987 to Miss Donna Lane. An interesting note about this marriage - in the clipping on the Grace Upchurch Scholarship Fund there is a picture on the back page of Gary's dad and family presenting a check to the Queen City I. S. D. Superintendent Mr. Sidney Lane. This is Donna Lane's father. Donna's uncle Max Harris was a close friend of Doug's father Paul Parr. Max and Paul both were administrators at Liberty Eylau I. S. D. near here. Now Max Harris is Liberty Eylau I. S. D. Superintendent. Doug is in college to be a teacher and coach following in his dad's footsteps. Doug is continuing the family tradition of teaching school.
- [SEE MORRIS SHEPPARD U]

Judy Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151 B  
Atlanta, Texas 75551

- Morris Upchurch has another grandchild teaching
- ▷ school - Nancy Upchurch Murray (5253) dau.
- of Kenneth Upchurch. She is in the Austin,
- + ▷ Texas School District. Kenneth's son Wayne
- Upchurch (5252) is expecting his first child
- in late December or early January. Soon
- there will be another Upchurch.

▷ Morris Upchurch is planning on

- marrying Mrs. Ann Stanley on Nov. 28, 1987.

- So, as you can see there are many

- events going on in the Upchurch lives

- of East Texas.

- Sincerely,

□ Judy Upchurch

□ Mrs. Gary J. Upchurch

- Rt 1, Box 151 B

- Atlanta, TX 75551

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XID-5264

2 FEB 1985

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
RT 1, BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy

Thank you ever so much for the clipping on Elva Upchurch. I had not heard about the National Society of Magna Charter Dames. Now I will want to include a note in the U B about Elva's selection and about NSMCO. I have written to Elva about more detail and hope she will respond.

Clippings such as the one you sent are extremely useful to me in preparing the U B and I appreciate your effort and encouragement.

Please let me know of any changes in the family and of any new details you discover

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XFD-5264

MRS JUDY UPCHURCH  
RT 1, BOX 151 B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

1 APR 84

Dear Judy,

Thanks for your letter of 15 MAR 84  
and for the magazine clipping on  
Alvin U. I have been able to figure out  
where he fits in.

Enclosed herewith is a xerox copy of  
your letter of 18 DEC 82 which provides the  
details you have requested, I presume. However,  
just to make sure I am including a  
copy of my outline sheet for Morris Sheppard  
U.

I'll look to receive details on the mug  
of Kenneth Wayne U in due course and  
will appreciate anything else you can send  
my way.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]



Rec'd  
18 MAR 84

3-15-84

PO 1, Box 151B  
Atlanta, TX 75551

Dear Phil Upchurch,

Just a note to send you another farm magazine article Progressive Farmer Feb. 1984 with the name "Upchurch" mentioned in it. No news to report except a soon to be wedding in June of Morris Upchurch's grandson Wayne Upchurch. Will send more details in June. Would it be possible for you to send me a photocopy of the names and dates of birth, death, and anniversaries of Morris



Upchurch and all his brothers and

Filed under  
Alvin  
U, S1  
XFD-6669

ones - sisters. I hurriedly got the information by calling his brothers and sisters, but I didn't take the time to make me a copy and sent you the only one I had. I would appreciate it very much because my records are incomplete without that information. Thank you so much.

Sincerely  
Judy Upchurch



18 DEC 1982

REC'D 21 DEC 82

(2)

Morris Sheppard Upchurch Family Tree

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△

Father - Morris Sheppard Upchurch

-

b. Aug. 2, 1908

Queen City, Tex.  
Cass County

-

△

Mother - Grace Bobo Upchurch

-

b. Jan. 19, 1906

Queen City, Tex.  
Cass County

-

-

They were married Jan. 10, 1931

Tedarkana, Ark.

-

Their 4 children -

Miller County

Morris & Grace's 1st child

1. James William Upchurch

b. Jan. 6, 1935

Queen City, Tex. Cass Co.

(no wife or children)

Morris & Grace's 2nd child

2. Kenneth Morris Upchurch

b. May 11, 1937

Queen City, Texas Cass Co.

△

He married Ruthie Mae Smothers Upchurch

b. May 10, 1939 Bonifay, Fla. Washington County

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They were married on Oct. 10, 1959

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-

They have 3 living children and the fourth died in a car wreck.

△

(1) Kenneth Wayne Upchurch

b. Sept. 8, 1960

Bonifay, Fla. Holmes County

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△

(2) Nancy Upchurch (no middle)

b. Feb. 6, 1962

Atlanta, Tex. name) Cass County

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△ (13) Tammy Upchurch (no middle name)  
- b. Feb. 11, 1963 Atlanta, Tex. Cass Co.

△ (14) Jeffery Boyd Upchurch [Atlanta, Tex.]  
- b. Jan. 26, 1964 Cass Co.  
- d. Nov. 9, 1967 Atlanta, Tex. Cass County  
- Antioch Cemetery

Morris +  
Grace's 3rd child

△ 3. Glenda Upchurch Parr (no middle name)  
- b. Aug. 2, 1940 Atlanta, Tex. Cass Co.

- She married  
△ Paul Morris Parr  
- b. Dec. 11, 1938 Simms, Texas  
- d. Dec. 29, 1978 (He died the day Bowie County  
- after having a 5-bypass heart surgery.)

- They were married on June 15, 1963 Atlanta, Tex. Cass Co.

- They have 2 sons

△ (1) Paul Douglas Parr Houston, Tex.  
- b. Oct. 10, 1964 Harris County

△ (2) Dan Scott Parr Texarkana, Tex.  
- b. Jan. 23, 1970 Bowie County

Morris +  
Grace's 4th child

△ 4. Gary Lynn Upchurch  
- b. Oct. 1, 1946 Atlanta, Tex. Cass County

(continued)

Gary married

Judy Carol Whitlow Upchurch

b. Aug. 13, 1948 Atlanta, Tex. Cass County

We were married May 18, 1968. Queen City, Texas  
Cass County

We have 3 sons -

(1) Nathan Terry Upchurch

b. May 7, 1971 Atlanta, Tex. Cass County

(2) Matt Adrian Upchurch

b. July 31, 1975 Atlanta, Tex. Cass County

(3) Bart Sterling Upchurch

b. May 25, 1977 Texarkana, Tex. Bowie County







As you say all Upchurch are all dead!

I do appreciate you sending me anything you can get on the Upchurches. I wonder if there have been any marriages, deaths, births, divorces, etc in your part of the family since we last corresponded. How is Mrs. Walter Raggie the Upchurch doing? She has had a very active interest in the Upchurch family and I do hope it continues and that she is in good health.

Best regards to all

Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch

ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH



JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XFD-5264

REC'D  
10 SEP 83

Postmarked  
Queen City, TX

Sept. 4, 1983

→ filed with  
Otho Bruce

Dear Robert Phillip Upchurch,

I thought you would enjoy seeing this magazine article about a man named Otho Upchurch from Zeoring, Iowa who is a farmer and also a woodworker.

I have no idea where he fits on the family tree of Upchurches. I just know he is "kin" since all Upchurches came from Michael Upchurch.

Hope this letter finds you well and in good health.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gary Upchurch

Judy Upchurch  
Rt. 1, Box 151 B  
Atlanta, Tex. 75551

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW

XED-5264

31 JAN 1983

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
ROUTE 1, BOX 151B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

Your letter of 27 JAN 1983 arrived today. I happened to be at home for the day trying to catch up on genealogy - so have extracted your letter. All the details are appreciated.

I have gone over the records to see if I could locate the address of a living descendant of J. Michael U. (Damp) and cannot find one. Much of the information I have come from your Aunt Elva - especially the sections on Ebenezer N. Burkhalter who and Georgia Ann Lawrie U., a dau of J. Michael U. There is one section which came from another source on 15 SEP 1978 I obtained from the Mormon Temple records in Salt Lake City information that was submitted on William Michael U., a son of J. Michael U. This information was turned in by Mabel Ethel Heard Cactus Motel, Berger, TX on behalf of Walden Elzo Heard, a grandson of William Michael U. & a son of Nettie Belle U. William Michael U. was b 12 SEP 1862 and d 15 JUL 1951 but his grandson could be alive. Perhaps you might be able to locate the Cactus Motel in Berger, TX. From my map I see that Berger, TX is about 50 miles NE of Amarillo, TX - up in the Panhandle. Let me know

2 -  
if you want a copy of the information from the  
Merrimack Church. It is a single sheet and I  
could easily copy it.

We really have an excellent set of information on  
Walter Jackson II, his wife and their children. The only  
items to improve are

1. Someday find out for sure if Estelle Wright  
had a middle name.
2. More details on the wife of James Nathaniel II
3. Verify that maiden name of 2nd wife of  
Emmett II was Reba Watson & that she  
was 1st - Green and then Emmett II.

There is a great record - much better than  
most other groups. I have already published the  
Richard II III / Calum II Subdon Outline through the  
9th generation (UB Vol 2 Issue 1) you can see from  
page 39 that we will have several improvements when  
this particular outline is printed again.

My next step in improving the records on  
the Walter Jackson II family is to learn where  
all of the grandchildren were born. Of course I  
already have a perfect record of the for the children  
of Marie Sheppard II - but not for the others. I  
would welcome anything you might be able to  
get on the birth places of the grandchildren.

Thank you again for your wonderful help and  
please let me know if there is anything I  
can send to you

Sincerely yours  
Phil W. W. W.  
[ROBERT PHILLIP W. W.]

Rt. 1, Box 151B  
 Atlanta, Tex. 75551  
 Jan. 27, 1983

REC'D  
 31 JAN 1983

Dear Phil,

Thank you for your letter. Yes,  
 Morris Upchurch would like to get in  
 touch with "Dump" Upchurch descendants  
 if you have any names or addresses  
 where he can write to. He would appreciate  
 it.

In answer to your questions:

- △ (1) Kenneth Morris Upchurch was married  
 in Bonifay, Florida in Washington Co.
- △+△ (2) Lou Bessie is Lucendy Elizabeth U.  
 △+△ Mattie is Martha Henrietta U.
- △ (3) Roy Andrew Fincher died in Queen City,  
 Tex. Cass County. He was a carpenter & he died  
 working on a house.
- △ (4) <sup>(JAMES HAMILTON U.)</sup> Jimmie Upchurch's 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> wives  
 were the same person. He married  
 Viola May twice. Info on Bessie:  
 △ Her maiden name - Endsley  
 △+△+△ 1<sup>st</sup> hus. Louis Betts 2<sup>nd</sup> hus. Grover Duke 3<sup>rd</sup> Jimmie  
 U.
- △ Jimmie has no children.
- △ (5) Walter Razzie Lee U. b. May 4, 1902  
 △ Elva b. Antioch Community,  
 mailing address - Rt. 1, Atlanta, Texas

- (6) Lucendy Elizabeth U. - her husband's
- △ name was spelled Johnnie. He died at
- Wadley Hospital, Texarkana, Tex. Bowie Co. on
- Feb. 17, 1968. He is buried in Shiloh Cemt. Linden,
- <sup>Texas - Cass County.</sup> (7) Martha Henrietta (Mattie)'s husband
- △ Elmer Skinner died Jan. 1, 1979,
- Houston, Texas Harris Co.
- △ (8) Letha U.'s middle name is Anna.
- Her husband's name is spelled
- △ Colquitt. [COLQUITT PYLE]
- △ (9) Emmett Upchurch's 2nd wife is
- △ Reba Watson Green Upchurch
- b. Dec. 13, 1908 Cass County
- Bivens, Texas
- (10) Morris Upchurch doesn't know of a
- △ middle name for Estelle Wright. She
- may not have had one.

- I have enjoyed hearing from you and

- am looking forward to seeing the

- information on my husband's family in

- your bulletin.

Sincerely,

Judy Upchurch

- P.S. Aunt Elva Upchurch had eye surgery, but is doing
- better. She plans to send you some info on James Monroe U.

when she gets to feeling better.

23 JAN 1983

MRS GARY UPCHURCH  
 ROUTE 1, BOX 151 B  
 ATLANTA, TX 75551

Dear Cousin Judy,

The additave and correctione you sent arrived on 17 JAN 1983 and I have just finished extracting and entering them in the master files. I really appreciate the help you are giving. In my last letter to you I note that I addressed you as Mrs Gandy U and dated the letter 28 JUN 82 rather than 28 DEC 82 - sorry - guess I must have been tired.

You indicate that Mamma Sheppard U would like to contact Michael C. U 'Damp' who and Matilda U. I do not have a Michael C "Damp" U. Rather my records show a J. Michael "Damp" U who wd in 1856 Matilda U. J. Michael U was b 13 JUL 1879 and d 3 MAR 1903. Perhaps Mamma had in mind getting in touch with ~~some~~ some of the descendants of J. Michael 'Damp' U. Let me know.

Here are some more questions:

- 1) Family of Mamma Sheppard U
  - a) where was Kenneth Mamma U married?

There are my only missing items for the Mamma Sheppard U family

- 2) The maps of Cass Co, TX or govt - Thanks - All the names fit in except two
  - a) Lou Bessie U - I suppose there is a candy shop there - is that right?
  - b) Mattie U - who is there?

3) For Demie Adell U

a) where did my Abraham Fischer die?

4) For James Hamilton U

a) will appreciate info on date of census when available.

b) It seems too much of a coincidence that wife 1 was Viola May and wife 2 was Viola May Lowery - Any explanation?

c) I assume the maiden name of wife 4 was Bessie Wesley and that she wd - Betts and - Duke before marrying

d) Jimmie: Does he have any children? (show name).

5) For Walter Ruggie Lee U

a) b 2 MAY 1902 or 4 MAY 1902?

b) where was Elva Eva Burkhalter born?

6) For Laverly Elizabeth U

a) when + where did her husband die + where buried?

b) Is her husband's 1st name JONATHAN, JOHNNIE, or JOHNNY?

7) For Martha Henrietta U

a) where did her husband die?

8) For Lella Ann U

a) Is her middle name ANN or ANNE or ANNA?

b) Is her husband's name COLQUITT or COLQUITTE?

9) For Emmett Ann U

a) For my 3rd wife (Mrs Green) - what is her full maiden name, birth date + birth place?

10) For Walter Jackson U

a) I'm still looking for a middle name for Estelle Wright.

We keep adding to the bank of knowledge about Upchurches - The task is still great but progress is rewarding.

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

{ROBERT PHILIP U PENCHURCH}



Gary's father Morris Upchurch would like to get in touch with  
Michael C. "Dump" MICHAEL ENTERPRISES  
Upchurch who married Matildy Upchurch.

JUDY CAROL WHITLOW  
P. O. BOX 35804  
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85740

XID-5264

He is the son of Claburn Upchurch.  
Do you know how he can get in touch?

28 JUN 1982  
28 DEC 82

GARY  
MRS GRADY UPCHURCH  
ROUTE 1, BOX 151 B  
ATLANTA, TX 75551

REC'D  
17 JAN 83  
from JUDY  
CAROL WHITLOW

Dear Judy,

Thank you for your letter of December 18, 1982 and for the \$30.00 check. We will send you the 1980 and 1981 issues right away. The first 1983 issue will be mailed in early March. All of the details you sent have been extracted and they fit in nicely. Here are some questions you might be able to answer:

1) For Gary's gm Estelle Wright, I show that she was the dau of Isaac Wright and Lucinda Rachel Dupes rather than Isaac Wright and Sarah Dupes. Lucinda was the dau of Peter Dupes & Lavinia Reed. Please clarify if you can. *Sarah is wrong - it should be Lucinda Rachel.*

2) For Ruthie Mae Smother and her son Kenneth Wayne U I show both born in Bonifay, FL but for Ruthie Bonifay is said to be in Washington Co while for Kenneth it is said to be in Holmes Co. Please clarify if you can.

3) For Grace Bobo  
a) what is her full maiden name? *Grace Lorraine Bobo*  
b) Is she kin to Claudine Bobo who md Emmett U, brother of Morris Sheppard U? *They were sisters.*

4) For Kenneth Morris U.  
a) Was he b 10 MAY 1937 or 11 MAY 1937? *correct date for Kenneth Morris U. I have both dates U.*  
b) Where is Antioch cemetery where his son was buried? *Atlanta, Texas Cass County*  
*JEFFERT BOYD U*

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He was buried on Dec. 31, 1978.

5) For Paul Morris Parr Died on Dec. 29, 1978 - The date is wrong in your Jan. 1982 bulletin.  
a) where did he die? Dallas, Texas  
b) where is he buried? Old Union Cemetery, Simms, Texas Bowie County

6) For Walter Jackson U  
a) where is he buried? Courtland Cem. Queen City, Texas  
b) what is full maiden name of Estelle Wright? (That's all we know of.)

7) For Bonnie Ardell U (sister of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) Is she still living? Yes  
b. July 4, 1897 Bonita, Texas  
c) when & where was her hus Roy Andrew Fincher born and is he still living? died May 12, 1969 Courtland Cem. Cass County

8) For James Hamilton U (brother of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) Is he still living? Yes  
b) Need marriage dates & place for his 4 marriages (I have md 18 FEB 1922 for the 1st one)  
c) Need full maiden names, birth dates & places & death dates & place & burial place for his four wives - BANIE YOUNG, VIOLA MAY, VIOLA LOWERY, & BESSIE (ENDSLEY) DOKE.

(Look on back)

9) For Walter Royzie Lee U (brother of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) where married? Linden, Texas Feb. 25, 1925  
b) (How are Mr & Mrs W.R.L.U. - I used to hear from her a lot) in good health. Mrs. R.L.U. will send you some information on James Monroe she said.

10) For Lucendy Elizabeth U (sister of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) when & where married? May 3, 1934 in Texarkana, Ark. Miller County  
b. Sept. 5, 1905 in Lodi, Tex. Cass County  
b) Birth place & date for Johnnie Walker McAlexander  
c) Are both she & her still living? He died.

11) For Martha Henrietta U (sister of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) where md & when in 1928 md? Dec. 31, 1927 Queen City, Texas  
b) What does "S" in Elmer S. Skinner stand for and when & where was he born? Antioch Community April 26, 1907 Queen City, Texas  
c) Are she & he still living? He died Jan. 1, 1979.

12) For Selma Ann U (sister of Morris Sheppard U) Brookside Cem. Houston, Texas  
a) where married? Texarkana, Ark. Miller County  
b) Full name of Colquitt Pyle and when & where born? He has no middle name.  
c) Are she & he still living? yes - both living

13) Emmett U (brother of Morris Sheppard U)  
a) His full name? no middle name  
b) where md and when in Nov 1933 md? Texarkana, Ark. Miller Co.  
c) Full name of Claudine Boho - when & where born, when died & where buried?  
d) Is he still living? yes

(on back)



14) For infant brother of Marie Sheppard U

- UNDER WALTER JACKSON U
- (a) This male child born & died 14 FEB 1917 - did he have a name? **never named**
- (b) where born, where died, where buried?  
**born + died Queen City, Texas** **Courtland Cemetery, Cass County, Queen City, Texas**
- I will appreciate any of the above you may be able to get.

I hope you will enjoy the Upchurch Bulletin. There is so much more to the Upchurch family than anyone ever imagined - and still we have a lot to discover.

All the Best for the New Year.

Sincerely yours  
 Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

Courtland Cemetery is located in Courtland Community just outside limits of Queen City, Texas. The people living in this community get their mail addressed Rt. 1, Atlanta, Texas. Queen City and Atlanta are 2 cities whose borders touch.

People born in Antioch Community sometimes say Queen City because they are part of Queen City School District. Their mail is also Rt. 1, Atlanta, Texas.

In other words, I'm trying to say Courtland Cemetery and Antioch Cemetery are in the Queen City, Texas school district, but the Atlanta, Texas mailing route.