

M I C H A E L E N T E R P R I S E S
P. O. Box 35804
Tucson, Arizona 85740

U P C H U R C H B U L L E T I N

LETTER TO: UPCHURCHES and UPCHURCH RELATIVES plus an invitation
to subscribe to UPCHURCH BULLETIN

About 330 years ago Michael Upchurch migrated from Huntingdonshire, England to Virginia. His descendants and their spouses have spread to every region of the United States. Today there are at least 20,000 of us. All evidence points to the Michael Upchurch name as the sole source of all Upchurch family names in America.

Upchurches have always been proud of their heritage. Unfortunately, much of our family history has remained unassembled and many of us do not have a good knowledge of our family lines or of the relationship of our direct ancestors to important cultural, social and developmental events of the past. Fortunately, the census records, the federal, state and county archives and many attic trunks have hidden bits of knowledge about our family waiting to be extracted.

For about twenty-five years I have been collecting materials on the Upchurch family. During the 1970's this activity intensified and now there are at hand and in an organized system about 15,000 names. In order to share this information with others, a quarterly publication devoted exclusively to Upchurch genealogy was started in January 1980. It is entitled UPCHURCH BULLETIN. Subscriptions are \$10.00 per year. If you want to subscribe please complete the form shown on the reverse side and send payment to Michael Enterprises which has been formed for publishing this bulletin.

In order to facilitate communications about Upchurch history, I have organized Upchurch Clans. Each Clan is headed by a fifth generation descendant of Michael Upchurch. Clan Heads are the great-great-grandchildren of Michael Upchurch. So far we have identified 23 Clans. Several of the Clan Heads, including Nathan Upchurch, my own great-great-grandfather, served in the Revolutionary War.

UPCHURCH BULLETIN will contain several departments (see reverse) designed to provide different types of information and to help insure that each subscriber will derive satisfaction from the publication.

Your subscription will help to encourage the assembly and publication of interesting aspects of our common heritage. Subscribe today for yourself and/or close friends.

Sincerely yours,

Robert P. Upchurch

Robert Phillip Upchurch, Editor
UPCHURCH BULLETIN

FAMILY RELATIONSHIP CHART

still working on it!

YOUR GRANDPARENTS

△
N MINNIE BARNES
B _____
D _____
M _____

YOUR PARENTS

△
N GLORIA Upchurch
1936
B NOV 1, 1944
D _____
M JULY 23, 1955

PARENTS OF SPOUSE

△
N AURORA GARCIA
B MAY 17, 1930
D _____
M FEB 19, 1955

GRANDPARENTS OF SPOUSE

△
N PAULA CHAPPA
B JULY 29,
D _____
M _____
△
N ROGER GARCIA
B MAR 2, 1901
D _____
N _____
B _____
D _____
M _____
N _____
B _____
D _____
M _____

(N=Name (Give Full Name)
(B=Date of Birth)
(D=Date of Death)
(M=Date of Marriage)

INFORMATION FOR:

YOU

□
N KATHERINE WILLIAMS
B NOV 22, 1957
M JUN 28, 1980

YOUR SPOUSE

△
N MARTIN TRUVINO
B MAR 21, 1956
D _____

NOTE: INFORMATION MADE AVAILABLE ON THIS FORM IS TO BE REARRANGED AND PUBLISHED IN UPCHURCH BULLETIN.

*Rec'd NOEC 1980
from Katherine Williams
RM*

RETURN TO:

Robert Phillip Upchurch
P. O. Box 35804
Tucson, AZ 85740

*HIS mother WAS
ALOU ANNA
Upchurch*

△
N CLIFTON UPCHURCH
B _____
D APR 12,

△
N PEARL ISCHAM
B _____
D _____
M _____

△
N RONALD WILLIAMS JR
B APR 12,
D _____

△
N RONALD WILLIAMS
B _____
D _____

KATHERINE WILLIAMS

XID-5619

KATHERINE WILLIAMS ① XFD-5619

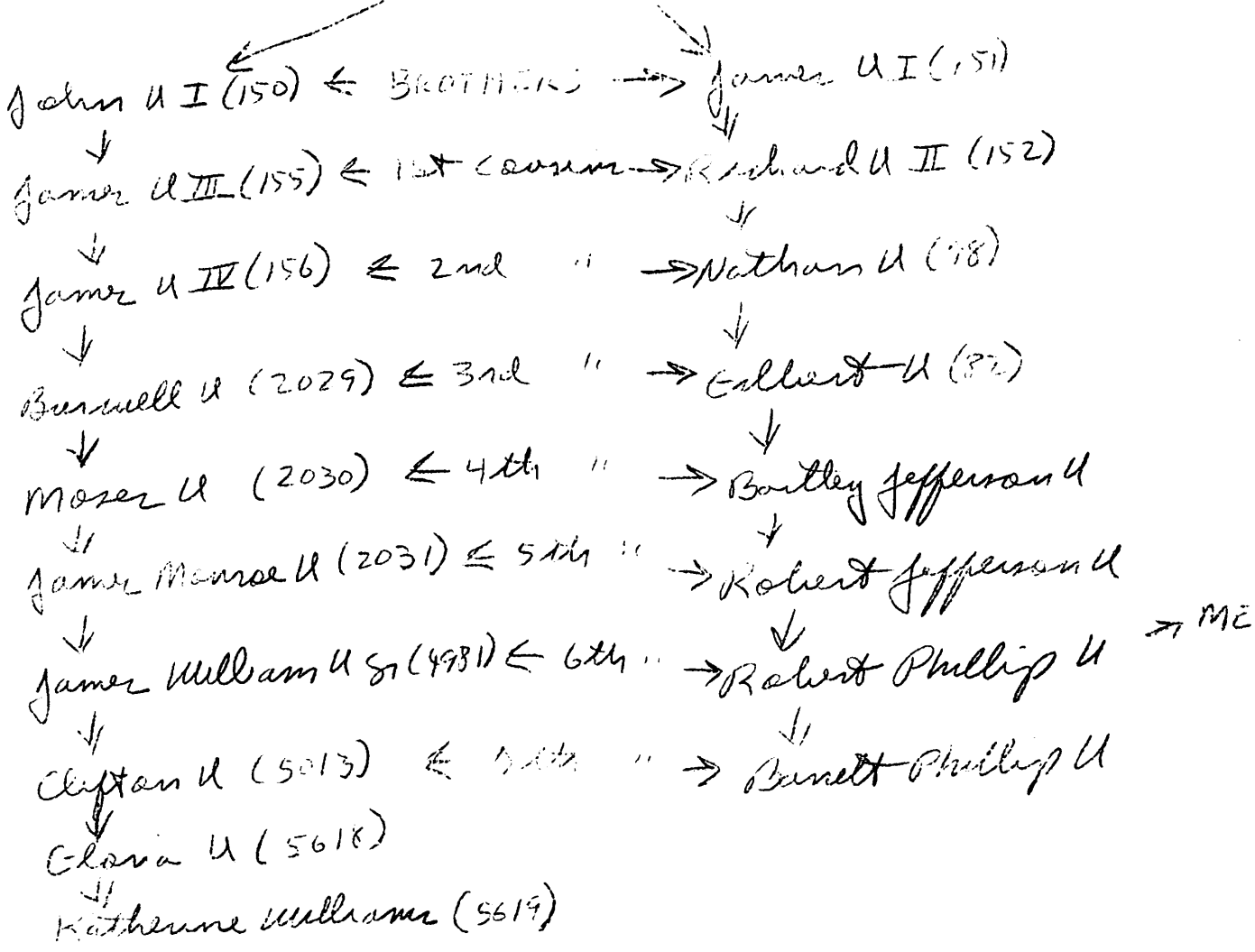
4 JAN 1981

MRS KATHERINE TREVINO
99 TIDE MILL LANE #91
HAMPTON, VA 23666

Dear Cousin Katherine,

Many thanks for your renewal for 81, for the family chart and the address. I have your full line which is as follows:

Michael U^I (XFD-146) → original of Richard
immigrant from
England.
↓
Richard U^I (147)



Thus your great-grandfather, James William U Sr,
and I are 6th cousins - so you and I
are 6th cousins 3 times removed.

Some details you may not have:

Clyton U b 27 FEB 1907 (Bedian, Ermer Co, TX)
d 12 APR 1969 (Edinerton, TX) (Bur Pantey
Cem. North of Bedian, Ermer Co, TX).

James William U Sr b 10 FEB 1866 (Bedian, TX) d
29 MAY 1943 (Bur Baptist Cem, Bedian, TX). He
mtd (1st) 30 AUG 1887 Frances A. Viola
mtd (2nd) 14 DEC 1902 (Bedian, TX) Jan Anna Adams
(Clyton was of the 2nd marriage)

~~Moses U b 19 APR 1816 (GA) d 27 JUN 1886 (Ermer Co, TX)
(Bur Bedian, TX)~~

James Marshall U b ca 1836 (Clarke Co, AL) d 25 JUN 1868
(Ermer Co, TX) (Bur Bedian, TX) mtd 20 NOV 1856
(Clarke Co, AL) Sarah Elizabeth Miller b FEB 1835
(Sumter Co, AL) d 20 JAN 1919 (Near Blessing,
Matagorda Co, TX) (Bur same - Hawley Cem)

Moses U b 19 APR 1816 (GA) d 24 JUN 1886 (Ermer Co, TX)
(Bur Bedian, TX)

mtd (1st) 15 FEB 1834 (Clarke Co, AL) Lucinda Dickson
b ca 1817 (AL). mtd (2nd) 20 SEP 1852 (Clarke Co, AL)
Mary LARK b 20 NOV 1836 (AL) d 17 AUG 1888
(Ermer Co, TX) (Bur Bedian, TX).

Bunwell U b 2 MAR 1782 mtd Elizabeth Riley.

Your ancestor Moses U moved to Ermer Co, TX from
GA/AL along with his brother Bunell Miles U
before the Civil War. Their sister Harriet stayed
behind in GA. After the war Harriet

was a widow and in 1865 traveled to Greiner Co, TX to join her brother. Her dau

Celestia Eunice Lupton was age 10 at the time and made the trip which was by covered wagon. Later at age 90 Celestia wrote her recollections of this trip.

With the above background I suggest you read the issue of Upchurch's Bulletin to see what you can get re your line

I would very much like to have additional information from you as follows:

- ① When was you born & named
- ② where was Martin born
- ③ second names for you, Martin, & your mother and father.
- ④ where were your M & F born & where were they married.
- ⑤ Do you know a second name for Clifford U?
- ⑥ The names & date for your brothers & sister (if any) including spouse and offspring (if any)
- ⑦ The names and date and place for any brother & sister of your mother - along with their spouse, children

Your Grandfather Clifford U had 3 sisters & 7 brothers all named. I have names & dates if you are interested. Hope to hear from you. Sincerely yours

Phil Upchurch
(ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH)

⑧ In Martin any how to see I know the former gaffer?

KATHERINE LOUISE WILLIAMS

XIN-5619

MICHAEL ENTERPRISES

P. O. BOX 35804

TUCSON, ARIZONA 85740

①

16 FEB 1992

KATHERINE TRAVINO
455 YOUNGS MILL LANE
NEWPORT NEWS, VA 23602

Dear Cousin Kathy

It has been sometime since we corresponded about Upchurch history. This happens because I cycle from one part of the family to another. However, I have, from time to time, been in touch with various descendants of James William U, Sr and the Master outline for his family has continued to improve. In particular I have been in regular contact with your Great Aunt Elizabeth Wilson. She misses her husband very much but I believe she enjoys working with me on family history.

Provided herewith is the Master outline for the family of Captain WMW U, Sr based on what you, Elizabeth, and I have been able to do so far. Also enclosed is a bit of nursing items on this family. I will appreciate any answer you have or can get and also any corrections/additions that appear needed. After I hear from you I'll go back to Elizabeth again for another round of input. We are coming close on this one.

Sincerely yours,
Phil Upchurch
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

P.S. Congratulations on little Anna!

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY
OF CLIFTON NMN U PCHURCH, SR

15 FEB
1997

(2)

- 1) For Clifton NMN U, Sr
 - a) when in DEC 1943 did he marry?
 - b) when was Essie Lea Russell born?
- 2) For Gloria G. U
 - a) Does the "G" stand for GLENN or GLYNN?
 - b) when was Suzanne Mary Farnsworth born?
 - c) when was Jeremiah Austin Williams born?
- 3) For Clifton NMN U, Jr
 - a) For Peggy Braden
 - i) what is her full maiden name?
 - ii) when was she born?
 - iii) where in AL was she born?
 - b) Are all his five children still single?
 - c) Full name of Sally U and when & where born?
 - d) Full name of Amatha U and when & where born?
 - e) Full name of Tommy U and when & where born?
 - f) Full name of Jimmy U and when & where born?
- 4) For Norman Dean U
 - a) when in 1969 did he marry?
 - b) where in Maryland did he marry?
 - c) Full maiden name of his wife (Joy) and when & where was she born?
 - d) when was Michael Dean U born?
 - e) when was Deena Marie U born?
- 5) For Norma Jean U - All OK
- 6) For Elaine U
 - a) what is her full maiden name?
 - b) when & where did she marry 1st, 2nd & 3rd times?
 - c) Full name of Troy Rogers and when & where born?
 - d) Full name of Clay Cathran and when & where born?
 - e) Full name of Robert Zeller and when & where born?
 - f) when & where was Amanda Janell Cathran → Zeller born?
 - g) Full name of Tommy Zeller & when & where born?
 - h) Full names of Bobby, Joey & Nathaniel Zeller & when & where born?

- 7) For Lee Wayne U - All OK
- 8) For Ginger Rea U
- when and where did she marry?
 - when and where was Manuel Castillo Powell born?
 - Is Etta full name of her first child Michael Wayne Henry (not Powell)? Does Etta mean she first married a Mr. Henry?
 - when and where was Michael Wayne Henry born?
 - when and where was Alvin Dale Powell born?
 - when and where was Jeffery Lynn Powell born?
 - when and where was Samuel Lee Powell born?
 - when and where was Daniel Lee Powell born and where did he die?
 - Did Ginger Rea U have just five children?
- 9) For Ernest WMM U
- when and where did he marry?
 - when and where was Anna Marie Richards born?
 - Did he have just two children?
 - when and where was Amanda Marie U born?
 - when and where was Jessica Louise U born?

① see file 19 JAN 1992 Elizabeth NMN U DRPM

KLW and her hus have Tony and Loring children.
Their first child died at age five months.

② see file 9 FEB 1992 Elizabeth NMN U DRPM

KLW current address:

Katherine Training

455 Youngs Mill Lane

New Port News, VA 23602

KATHERINE LOUISE WILLIAMS

XID - 5619

REC'D 28 OCT 1981

VIRGINIA HIGHLANDS SUNSET

In the Appalachian Mountains nature reveals herself at rare moments such as this brilliant sunset. The scenic beauty of the Highlands and its relaxing atmosphere create a land of enchantment.

GE-40 "second family"

you might also contact my great-aunt, Elizabeth Wilson concerning Clifton's children, as she lives in Bryan, TX, where they were born and reared. Elizabeth lives at 710 Enfield, Bryan, TX 77801. I am sure she would be glad to answer your questions, and she would know much more than I. (She does subscribe to the Bulletin) in the mean-



Dear Phil,

I did not receive vol. 2 #3 of the Upchurch bulletin, probably due to our change of address. I would appreciate it if you would mail me another one. My father was born April 12, 1933 in Houston. My maternal grandmother, Minnie Barnes is still living, and I will attempt to gain more info from her about my grandfather. I will also call my half-aunt, Jean, in Bryan, Texas to find out about my grandfather Clifton's

Photo by Linda Card
Virginia Photo Color Cards
Rt. 2, Box 11-K, Keyesville, Va. 23947-804-736-8144



Photo by Linda Card



171127

TO: MR. ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH

P.O. BOX 35804

TUCSON, ARIZONA

85740

Resent #3 v.2
10-28-81
I have already known
you for years

time, I will find out what I can for you

Δ
RONALD
JACK
WILLIAMS
JZR

KATHERINE LOUISE WILLIAMS XID-5819

February 28, 1983

Mrs. Katherine Trevino
3319 Golden Crown Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78223

Dear Mrs. Trevino:

We received your renewal subscription to Upchurch Bulletin today with your note at the bottom, and with a new address in Texas. The last known address we have was:

12970 Nettles Drive, Apt. D-5
Newport News, VA 2360

UB, Vol. 3, No. 4, 1982 and a renewal form was sent to the above address in VA. Did you receive your copy of the issue indicated above? If not, please let us know, and we will send you issue No. 4, 1982 to your Texas address.

UB, Vol. 4, No. 1, 1983 is at the printers and should be ready for mailing by the middle of March.

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Upchurch, Editor
Upchurch Bulletin

/s

KATHERINE LOUISE WILLIAMS XED-5619

MRS KATHERINE TREVINO
APT K-5
12970 NETTLES DRIVE
NEWPORT NEWS, VA 23602

19 DEC 1981

Dear Katherine,

Thanks for your recent letter which arrived on December 7, 1981. Your Aunt Elizabeth had not sent me the information and it was most welcome.

We are making good progress on your line.

Here are some missing items:

1. For your gfm wife - Elizabeth Russell
 - a) Place & exact date of marriage (we have DEC 1943)
 - b) Date & place of her death
2. For your ggm - James Williams b. 57
 - a) He mtd Frances Arvola on 30 NOV 1887
 - i) where was she married?
 - ii) Her full name, birth date & place, death date & place & burial place?
 - b) He mtd L. or Anna Adams 1862 1862 (Bellevue, Va)
 - i) where was she born?
 - ii) where did she live & where buried?

I know these are tough questions - just wanted you to have the words in mind. It will help if you can encourage your Aunt Elizabeth to write. She has written several times but has given little information. She surely has some on her brother & sister. I'll write to her again.

I made a profile on each of the Upchurch
names you found in the Newport News/
Hampton VA phone book. They are all new
additions to my file. Yes I do collect
information on Upchurch names. We need
to get each Upchurch name in the
profiles put to help eliminate confusion.
In each case the names of parents and
grandparents would be very helpful.
Sooner or later we will be able to show
in certain cases how the black
Upchurches derived their names from
the white Upchurches

Anything you can get over the
phone will be appreciated. I find people
quite willing to comment over the
phone but reluctant to write.

All the best for the holidays!

Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

Dear Phil,

→ ELIZABETH U-XID-5014
Rec'd 7 DEC 1981

My great-aunt, Elizabeth Wilson, sent me the following information. I don't know if she has contacted you, so I will send it along.

Note: Δ
Xmas card included

Δ + Δ my grandfather, Clifton U., married Minnie Mae Barnes in Oct., 1929, in Hempstead, Tx. Minnie was born in Brazos County, Tx.

Δ Clifton's 2d marriage was to Essie Lea Russell in Dec., 1943. Their children:

Δ 1) Clifton U., Jr., born Oct. 25, 1944, married Peggy _____ on June 12, 1965 in Houston. They have 4 children.

Δ 2) Norman Dean, born July 4, 1948, married Joy _____ in 1969 in Maryland

Δ ↑ + Δ 2 children: Michael Dean & Deena

twins

Δ 3) Norma Jean, born July 4, 1948, never married

Δ 4) Elaine U., born Jun 30, 1951, married to 2d husband, living in Houston, no children - don't know her husband's name.

↑ twins

Δ 5) Lee Wayne U., born Jun. 30, 1951, died Dec. 15, 1951.

Δ 6) Ginger Marie U., born Nov. 21, 1955, married to _____ Powell (Robert?), and has 5 boys, 1 set of twins, lives in Bryan

Δ+Δ 7. Ernest, born Sept. 23, 1957, married Anna
Δ+Δ Richardo, has 2 girls, Amanda & Jessica
- lives in Bryan.

- I assume they were all born in
- Bryan - I am sorry I have no
- addresses.

- also, there are 6 Upchurches listed
- in the Hampton/Newport News

Δ+Δ
Δ+Δ+Δ+Δ telephone book): Haney, John L.,
Louella, Michael L., J.W., & Gail. I
- haven't spoken with any of them.
- This is a high black population
- area, so some of the above may
- be descendents of some Upchurch
- slaves. Are you interested? I will
- probably try to speak with them
- after I finish my exams. I will
- also have a long talk with Doreen.

- Have a nice holiday season.

Sincerely,

Katherine

12970 Nettles Drive

Apt K-5

Newport News, VA 23602

18 OCT 1981

MRS KATHERINE TREVINO
12970 NETTLES DR. #K 5
NEWPORT NEWS, VA 23602

Dear Kathy,

Thanks for the card giving me your new address. We are working on Vol 2 #4 now. I assume you got Vol 1 #3.

If you encounter Downard again get more details. I have his father's address and show him as Clarence O. U. Jr. - but no more.

I have just gone over your letter of 11 JAN 1981 again and am listing some missing information:

- (1) Any additional details on your 7 "Kramer Mounts"?
Birth dates & places, marriage dates & places, names of spouses, offspring, etc?
- (2) The date of birth for your father?
- (3) For your gf Clayton U. Sr.
 - a) Place of birth & 2nd marriage?
 - b) When was he named Mac Bower born? - Is she still living - if not death date, place & place of burial.
 - c) When & where did he marry Emma J. Farrell? - what was her date & place of birth?

Any information you can provide will be appreciated. Thanks for your encouragement

Sincerely,
Bob Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

Dear Phil,
 I wanted to let you know I moved from our apartment in Hampton to a nearby city. My new address is: 12970 Nettles Dr. #55, Newport News, Va. 23602.
 Also, I met an Upchurch-Doreen (age approx: 19) from Corpus Christi, Tx. Her father's name is Clarence.

as was her grandfather's. I'm looking forward to my next bulletin.

Sincerely,
 Post Card *Kathy Levine*
 Mr. Phil Upchurch
 P.O. Box 35804
 Tucson, Arizona
 85740

BRUTON PARISH CHURCH, Williamsburg, Virginia. Visitors will find in historic Bruton Parish Church the inspiring echo of Colonial America at prayer. Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Marshall and other famous Virginians worshipped here.

Walter H. Miller & Company, Inc., Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
 137693

Perk 50CTB

USA 18¢



△ I Clarence U [Assume Clarence O. U Sr - RPU]
 A. △ Clarence U
 1. △ Doreen U b.c.a 1962 from Corpus Christi, TX

KATHERINE LOUISE WILLIAMS Jan. 11, 1

REC'D 15 JAN 81 99 TIDE MILL LANE #
HAMPTON, VA 23666

Dear Phil,

I was quite excited to receive your letter and find that my lineage goes back to Michael Upchurch. I will try to answer your questions with the limited answers that I have. I was born in Dallas, Texas and married in San Antonio, Texas. My husband was born at Castle AFB, California, although his family is from the Rio Grande Valley in South Texas. My full name is Katherine Louise. My husband's name is Martin Anthony, and he goes by Tony. His father's name is Gerald Jack Williams, Jr. My mother is Gloria Glenn. Mother was born in Bryan, Texas, and my father was born in Houston, Texas. They were married in Bryan. I have only one brother, Gerald Jack Williams III who was born in Arlington, Texas on March 16, 1941. He is not married. Tony and I have no children. My grandfather, Clifton Upchurch, has no second name. My mother, Gloria, is the only child of Clifton's marriage to Minnie Mae Barnes, who was born Feb. 25, 1907. They were married Sep. 22, 1928 (not sure where). However, Clifton married Bessie Lee Russell, and they had 7 children. I don't know much about them, only their names. Clifton Upchurch, Jr. was born in Texas, Texas. Norman Dean, and Wayne were also twins, but Lee Wayne died as a baby (buried in Bedias, Texas at the cemetery where Clifton is buried.) Ginger Lee and Ernest are the other children like I said, I don't know much about my mother's step-family. I will try to find out more.

I am looking forward to receiving more issues of the Upchurch Album.

**ADDRESSES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO COULD BE INTERESTED IN INFORMATION
ABOUT THE HISTORY OF UPCHURCHES AND UPCHURCH DESCENDANTS & RELATIVES**

NAME	STREET NUMBER & NAME AND/OR BOX NUMBER	CITY OR TOWN, STATE	ZIP CODE
1. Mrs. Gloria Williams	3319 Golden Crown	San Antonio, Tx	78223
2. Mrs. Jean Upchurch	1100 W. 28th	Bryan, Tx	77801
3. Mrs. Norman Upchurch	1107 Cambridge Road	Waldorf, Md	20601
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			

12-18-80
flyer sent
ii

Katherine
Freeman
Williams

PLEASE RETURN TO: Robert Phillip Upchurch
P. O. Box 35804
Tucson, AZ 85740

Rec'd from Katherine Williams
17 DEC 1980
RPU

A-60
card
Bid made & filed

NOTE: Information about UPCHURCH BULLETIN
will be sent to any individuals who
are listed above.

RPU, Editor
UPCHURCH BULLETIN

WILLIAMS
KATHERINE TREVINO

26 OCT 80
SSU
Send VI, Issues 1, 2, 3
Put on "B" list.
RPH

MRS KATHERINE TREVINO
99 TIDE MILL LANE #91
HAMPTON, VA 23666

26 OCT 1980

B-8 dot su.

Dear Mrs Trevino,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your order for a one-year subscription to Upchurch Bulletin and of your \$10.⁰⁰ check in payment for same. Issues 1, 2 & 3 of Volume 1 are being sent to you under separate cover and Issue 4 will be ready in due course.

Enclosed herewith are some extra flyers in case you know of someone else who is interested.

I do hope you will like Upchurch Bulletin.

Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILLIP UPCHURCH]