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The President's Corner...

Dear Members and Friends,

Greetings and welcome to 2018! I wish everyone good health for the upcoming year. May you achieve more than 50% of your New Year's resolutions, too.

Many thanks go to everyone who joined us at the 2017 Conference in Charleston. Your participation and support of our extended Family really helped make the conference memorable.

After the Conference, we were able to return the 140 volumes of "The Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records" back to their new home, the Williamson County Library, Franklin, Tennessee, for safekeeping. There are another 14 volumes awaiting printing and placement on the shelves of the newly purchased bookcases at the library.

We're anticipating a banner year for our family association. Here's the list of activities and events we would like to accomplish in 2018 :

1. Continue promoting the DNA project so as to maximize the knowledge and heritage of our lineage;
2. To increase our membership by 50% through social media, Facebook etc., contacting our own relatives, calling, and emailing Yarbroughs that we do not know and get new members involved. "50 NEW MEMBERS IN 2018";
3. To have our FAMILY continue to add lines, history and stories to our digitized records for our future generations of Yarbroughs;
4. To attend Yarbrough Family reunions, or to start a tradition of a Yarbrough Family reunion in selected locations;
5. To have a Yarbrough nonconference social and work session this summer in a convenient location;
6. To offer program(s) about our family history and heritage to local historical and historical societies.

Finally, my thanks to all our Officers and Board Members for their efforts in "Keeping the Family". Please contact [Leonard or myself](#) with any goals and ideas that you would like to share with the Family.

I wish for every Yarbrough Family member a healthy and successful New Year!

-Jim



Gollings... Last fall, the hummingbirds began taking on what I considered to be an extraordinary amount of food three or four weeks before their annual departure. As they had arrived nearly two weeks in advance of the “normal” time of arrival, I presumed this meant they were also going to depart early. They were gorging so much that I was refilling their feeders almost daily.

They did, in fact, leave a couple of weeks early than usual, and I wondered whether that presaged an early and unusually harsh winter. Winter did in fact arrive here earlier than normal, although not appreciably so. However, since the turn of the year, the season has been unseasonably chilly – downright COLD, in fact. For the second time since I arrived in 2006, the pond is frozen over, and I deduce that whatever insect life survives, it is going to be tough to live with!

Nonetheless, spring will be welcomed eagerly, and in anticipation of that, we have an article about Easter Bonnets in this issue, and I expect we all will be happy when the Lenten season is over!

There’s also a short article about backtracking our ancestors. In general, the 80/20 (or sometimes 90/10) rule applies to family research. That is, 80 (or 90) percent of what is to be found takes about 20 (or 10) percent of one’s effort and/or time, and the 20 (or 10) percent remaining takes 20 (or 10) percent. The point is, do not do like the fellow who was looking for a lost glove under the lamppost. He actually lost in on a dark walkway nearby, but chose to look where the light was. It’s always better to look where the lost article might be, not where it’s convenient to look. The same admonishment applies to the use of DNA test results. Some of the claims being made are, to be kind, specious.

Other than that, the holidays are history, we’ve elected a new senator (having a choice between an idiot and a glib tongued politico), and the Dow has broken 25, 000. I am not at all sure what any of this means, other than life seems to be more or less the same, and that probably is as much as one can expect.

Here at home, the State and County both are gearing up to celebrate their bicentennial birthdates. Blount County is a year older than the State of Alabama, so we are going to be involved in bicentennial affairs for the next two years. By and large, it’s going to be fun, and I’ve been asked to speak to several civic and fraternal groups. I’ve even spoken to the local Democratic club, which amused everyone who knows me. I had a good time, too.

We’re still digesting the discussions/actions resulting from our conference in Charleston last October. There are still some things yet to be resolved, but time will take care of that, and I suppose there will be a few surprises develop. Overall, the completion of our digitization project was truly a significant accomplishment. Equally satisfying is the fact that we have had a number of new members who have joined the YNGHA. That bodes well for the organization.

– *Leonard*



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Married 6 Sep 1930
Oklahoma



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Mrs. Calvin Eli Yarbrough
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

Married 26 Sep 1883
Kaufman, Kaufman County, Texas

Arstella Jane Moore
26 Dec 1873 - 18 May 1940
Mrs. James McDaniel Yarbrough
Blackwell, Kay Co. OK, USA

Married 29 May 1889
Piedmont, Kansas



Nannie Emma Yarbrough
10 April 1876 - 25 April 1916.
Mrs Thomas Gordon "Tom" Davis
Marshall County, Tennessee

Married 18 October 1908
Maury County, Tennessee

Nora Baysden
10 Mar 1882 - 28 Feb 1968
Mrs. Theodore Yarborough
Craven County, North Carolina

Married 9 Apr 1905
Onslow County, North Carolina



Beulah Adell McCowan
Feb. 5, 1892 - Jun. 2, 1964
Mrs. James Alvie Yarbrough
Limestone County, Alabama



Married 5 Jan 1913
Limestone Co., AL

Margaret Louise Allen
30 Sep 1916 – 31 May 2013
Mrs. Leard Lee Yarbrough, Sr
Athens, Limestone County, AL

Married 05 Oct 1935
Limestone County, Alabama



Martha E. Hendricks
01 Apr 1834 – 14 Jan 1918
Mrs. Robert Bayle Yarbrough
Tallapoosa, Alabama

Married 16 Aug 1855
Tallapoosa, Alabama

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__ Jan 1887 - _____
Mrs. William Thomas Yarbrough
Madison County, Tennessee

Married 03 Jun 1906
Madison County, TN



Willie Jane Raney
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Parsons, Decatur, Tennessee

Married 25 May 1895
Decatur Co., TN

Mary Bertha McKay
09 Jul 1887 – 30 Aug 1963
Mrs. William Brackston Yarbrough
Elk City, Beckham Co., OK

Married 25 Jun 1905
Grove, Ok



Eorth-Burgh = Gereburg = Jardeburg = Yarb(o)rough — WHAT??

Karen Mazock

Yarb (o) rough (and variations) is a surname of Lincolnshire origin. In English it originated as a habitational or topographic name from Yarborough and Yarburgh in Lincolnshire, named with Old English eorðburg ‘earthworks’, ‘fortifications’, (a compound of eorðe/eoreth e ‘earth’, ‘soil’ + burg ‘fortress’, ‘burrow’).



(dark portion is hill fort)

Yarborough Camp, defensive bank

Yarborough Camp is a hill fort. It is hidden away discretely in woodland, but can be appreciated in the winter, when the undergrowth has died back. The exact date is unknown as there has not been a recent excavation. It gives its name to the Yarborough Wapentake, and was a muster point in Anglo Saxon times. It is the kind of place that might have been used to launch an attack on the invading Saxons as it almost certainly predates them. (Its Old English name suggests that it was a preexisting fortification in the Anglo-Saxon period.)

While researching, never restrict your search to a single spelling of the Yarbrough surname. Until the early 1900s, a majority of the population had little to no formal education. When a document was prepared, the scribe may have phonetically spelled the name (or, perhaps, imaginatively spelled would be more descriptive). In other cases, transcribers of old documents used their best guesstimate as to the scribbled name. Add to this the early church and parish records. The Diocese records of New Orleans have been alternatively kept in Latin, Spanish, Portuguese, French and English. Though the following spellings are from many sources, each is a spelling variation of *Yarbrough*.

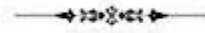
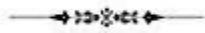
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| 6. Jardeburg | 48. Yarborog | 90. Yarbrouy | 132. Yerbrough |
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| 8. Tarbrough | 50. Yarborow | 92. Yarbroy | 134. Yerburch |
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| 10. Yaburgh | 52. Yarborrough | 94. Yarbry | 136. Yerdeburgh |
| 11. Yarabrough | 53. Yarborrow | 95. Yarbur | 137. Yhrbourough |
| 12. Yarba | 54. Yarborrowe | 96. Yarburg | 138. Yirbe |
| 13. Yarbah | 55. Yarborroy | 97. Yarburgh | 139. Yirbrough |
| 14. Yarbar | 56. Yarbors | 98. Yarbrough | 140. Yirburg |
| 15. Yarbaro | 57. Yarborough | 99. Yarbury | 141. Yirburry |
| 16. Yarbarough | 58. Yarbory | 100. Yardeburgh | 142. Yirby |
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*Note: While this name has been mistranscribed as Yarborough, be aware that this is also a separate family surname.

38. Yarbois
39. Yarbon
40. Yarbor
41. Yarbora
42. Yarborah

80. Yarbrey
81. Yarbrigh
82. Yarbri
83. Yarbri
84. Yarbri

122. Yearbrough
123. Yearbrough
124. Yearbrough
125. Yearbry
126. Yearbury



Backtracking Our Ancestors

Leonard Yearbrough

What We Know

- 1. The evidence seems clear that our family immigrated exclusively to the Colony of Virginia beginning ca 1642 with the arrival of Richard Yarborough. He was joined by kinsmen; we simply do not know whether he came alone or was accompanied by others. There is evidence that one of his two proven sons (Richard II) was born in England, so it might very well be that a spouse accompanied him. There is no evidence to support this supposition.**

There are family stories of one or more Yarboroughs arriving via New England/Plymouth Colony, but again there is no evidence to support this.

One of the more prevalent stories is that we are all descended from the original immigrant (Old Richard ca 1642). That was modified somewhat with the belief that another early ancestor, Ambrose, was a relative who immigrated after Richard. It is now believed that Ambrose is in fact a lineal descendant of Richard.

Another inference to this is that there were no other immigrants following Richard. This, of course, strains belief, as there is no reason to suppose that the English Yarboroughs lost all interest in bettering themselves after Old Richard departed.

- 2. As the Virginia Colony grew and the planters cleared and tilled the land, they soon “used” up the land. This led to migration(s) into the Carolinas (as well as into the West along the Cumberland Trail. The paths of migration were Indian Trails, of which a wide network existed by the time the Colonists arrived. One major trail was along a route mostly followed by Interstate 95/85/20 today, beginning more or less at Richmond, VA through Charlotte, NC, into South Carolina, then across north Georgia into Texas Valley and on into Alabama, Mississippi and further westwards.**
- 3. From Georgia, the chosen trails went southwesterly through South Alabama and westerly across north Alabama and Mississippi. Yearbrough families today are generally found in the counties along these routes. That’s the good news. The bad news is that we do not yet have a clear account of the relationships of these Yarborough immigrants, as Colonial records are lacking.**
- 4. Other good news is that all the known major lines of the Yearbroughs apparently knew of each other, so that where one has preceded then, the followers knew where to go (or, alternatively, it was inevitable they should show up at the same place, since they followed the same trail as their predecessor).**
- 5. The settlement of the Carolinas was somewhat atypical, when compared to the settlement of many of the other nascent Colonies, to which immigrants came by sea and**

then across land. The Carolinas were mostly settled by immigrants from the “Old Country” of Virginia traveling overland into the Carolinas.

6. Thus, South Carolinian Yarbroughs represent descendants of Ambrose Yarbrough, Thomas/Zachariah, Joshua, Joseph, Samuel, et al. DNA evidence supports these early Yarboroughs being related (that is, of the same family lineage). Another early Yarborough ancestor, Joshua, is found associated with Thomas Yarborough, trading and otherwise involved with him. Obviously, there is a relationship between these two, although DNA evidence does not support their being of the same family group. This may be due to a genetic mutation, testing error, or even perhaps to Joshua having been taken in as a “foundling” and raised as part of Thomas’ family. We simply do not know.
7. Also, backtracking DNA evidence to our English forebears is of limited use. This is because at times, when the title of the paterfamilias Yarborough was vacated by reason of a lack of an heir, the Crown would fill the empty seat with someone who was not a Yarborough. Hence, the DNA chain was no longer intact, although the descendants of the appointed family head are properly recognized as Yarboroughs. While DNA evidence is useful in confirming/refuting family relationships, it has limitations, despite claims made by the various competing testing laboratories to the contrary.
8. In the first five or six years of the Yarbrough DNA Project, it appeared as though there were six or seven distinct family groups. At this time, there appear to be three distinct groups – that of Thomas, et al; that of Joshua, et al; and a group that is clearly Afro-American. The latter will clearly remain distinct, but whether the first two groups will merge or be further divided will not be known for some time. For the present, DNA tests are a useful tool but are far from a reliable indicator of family relationships.

Look at the Timeline (Look at the History)

The dates of the early colonies, territories and states are well documented, but birth dates of individuals of early colonial time up until just prior to the War Between the States are often uncertain, conjectural or just plain incorrect. There are a number of contributing reasons for this. Much of the population was illiterate or nearly so. Records of Colonial Virginia were destroyed by both the War of 1812 and fires, accidental or otherwise. There was the habit of children of early Yarbroughs being bestowed with the same names as living relatives. This obscures which generation was which amongst the intertwined Yarbrough families.

Further, the effect of indenturing mitigated matters. Both adults and youths were indentured; for the former, indenturing oneself was a common method of obtaining passage to the New World; for the latter, indenturing was a common practice for providing a trade for their children. It follows that some indentured children might take the name of their masters, for whatever reason.

Nevertheless, knowledge of early American history is essential. The early colonial period was one of solidification of the frontier and establishing a social infrastructure. This took roughly a century, so at the end of this period, there began the migration into new territory. This migration was interrupted by the Civil War, and the period following the War accelerated the western migration.

Furthermore, from the establishment of the early colonies until well after the acquisition of the Louisiana Territory, one of the over-arching policies of the new American nation was to encourage immigration and migration into the new territory. This was intended to preclude other nations from seizing or encroaching upon these lands. This policy led to the enacting of homestead laws and creating lotteries for providing lands to early settlers.

We can, with a reasonable degree of accuracy, create at least a partial timeline for the early Yarbrough immigrants/ancestors:

Colony of Virginia	1607
Richard Yarborough	~1642 Jamestown
Pamunkey Creek	
John Yo.	~1650
Richard Yo., II	~1652 (testified he was born in Eng.)
James Yarborough	~1657
Henry Yo	~1660 Amelia Co.?
Edward Yarbrough	~1672 Amelia Co.?
Thomas Yarborough	~1674 Amelia Co.?
Charles Yarborough	~1677 VA
Ambrose Yarbrough	~1740 VA
Jonathan	~1740 VA
Jeremiah	~1740 Amelia Co.
Humphrey	~1740 VA
John	~1750 Cross Keys, SC
Ambrose Jr.	~1756 VA
Joshua Yo.	~ 1740 Orange Co.
William Y.	~1761 NC
Thomas Yarbrough	~1685 VA
Virginia admitted to the Union	1788
Carolina Territory	1663
North Carolina	1712
Joshua Yo. III	1798
Mecklenburg, Co. Uriah Yo.	1798

Mecklenburg, Co.	
Ambrose Yarbrough	~1802 Anson Co;
Humphrey	~1802 Anson Co.
South Carolina	1712
Jonathan Y.	~1783 Anson Co.
Jonathan Yo.	1822 Chester Co.
Georgia	1733
William Rueben Yo.	1876 Floyd Co.
Mississippi Territory	1798
State	1817
Alabama Territory	1817
State	1819
Louisiana Territory	
Louisiana Admitted to Union	1812
Texas	
Founded by Austin	ca 1820
Texas Independence	1836
Texas Admitted to Union	1846

It is also important to remember that there were venturesome individuals who were in the early states/territories well in advance of the dates shown above. Many were accepted into extant Native American tribes. In addition, many of the members of these tribes took English names and were otherwise integrated into the society of the times.



Yarbrough House

One of the topics of conversation in Raleigh was the demise of Yancy's and the possible use of the its space. It and The Hudson had figured importantly in Raleigh's history, and this area used to be one of the most well-known locations in the city..

If you were involved in politics, or were a socialite in the mid-nineteenth century Raleigh community, then you



spent a lot of time at this one-time “in” place to see and be seen which was the Yarborough House (also spelled Yarbrough and sometimes Yarboro). The House, located on the 300 block of Fayetteville Street, opened in 1850. Being close to the courthouse made it inevitable as a prime place for after-hours business meetings. As the unofficial political and social center of Raleigh, it was said that more laws were written there than in the statehouse.

General Sherman and his troops camped out at the Governor’s Palace at the end of “The Late Unpleasantness”. This was located at the southern end of Fayetteville Street. When the union troops finally departed, the returning governor refused to stay there, and it was burned to the ground. Until a new governor’s home was built in 1891, several North Carolina governors, including Thomas J. Jarvis and Alfred Moore Scales, used the Yarborough House as their residence. Thus, the Yarborough House became the most exclusive place to lodge, eat, and socialize. Visitors traveled for many miles just to stay a few nights at the city’s finest establishment. Hotel guests included US Presidents Andrew Johnson, Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and Woodrow Wilson.

The hotel’s popularity waned in the 1920s when the Hotel Sir Walter, a much more elegant edifice was built in 1924. Then the Yarborough house caught fire on July 3, 1928. It was damaged beyond repair. The remains were demolished to make way for new businesses (including an expansion of the Hudson Belk department store). Since that time no business in Raleigh has ever been able to recapture the vibrancy the Yarborough experienced in its prime.



Pauline Devin Grey – A Tribute

Leonard Yarbrough

In the Preface of the Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records, many of the family researchers are listed. This list is by no means complete, but these are those family researchers whose records have benefitted the majority of those of us who claim to be a part of our extended family. I never knew Pauline, who is the compiler of the Blandford Volume 76 and contributor to other volumes as well. She was one who of those along with Robert Price Yarbrough of North Carolina, who helped correct Old Richard Yarborough’s gravestone and established our family Association. Both her records and her commentary confirm that she was meticulous as a researcher and acutely aware of the importance of passing her findings to subsequent generations.

In the cited volume, Pauline wrote: “Although much more research needs to be done, I feel that after ten years of using all the bits and pieces of time left over from working and living, it is time to insure the fruits of my labor do not mold away in some stored files should something unforeseen happen to me. Then, too, my older brothers and sisters have been urging me to get the history completed while they are still around to enjoy it. Three have already passed on since I began the project.

“I have found genealogy very interesting and rewarding, similar to prospecting for gold. You know what you are looking for, but know only in a general way where to look. An obscure book in a library, a worn out family Bible, a yellowed letter, or a query in a genealogical magazine may give the clue that leads to the genealogist's bonanza--a real breakthrough. But again, like the prospector, the genealogist has more disappointments than happy surprises.”

“The search was made more difficult by the errors in records. Census records, given by persons who happened to be home when the census taker came, are full of inconsistencies. One's census may give the person's birthplace as Tennessee, and the next one will give his place of birth and age completely different. Also the names were spelled in different ways. Then finding so much material without documentation was so frustrating, I have gone to great lengths to document as much of my information as was possible and reasonable by placing footnotes, not at the bottom of each page, but at the end of each part. The worst problem I encountered, however, was finding that the documents I needed had been lost by careless office workers or destroyed in a courthouse fire or by the Union soldiers when they took over the courthouses during the Civil War.

“When I began this research, my mother had been dead nearly 20 years and my father 40. How I've regretted I wasn't interested in genealogy while they lived. They could have been so much help and would have enjoyed learning of their heritage. I never knew my grandparents, only one was living when I was born, and she died before I reached the age of two.

“The research has been fun, especially making trips to the court houses, cemeteries, archives, and finding the home places. Reading reel after reel of microfilm was sometimes tedious and tiring, but even that was more enjoyable than trying to put the material compiled into acceptable book form – rewording and retyping page after page. I have tried to eliminate errors, but I'm sure some will be found. Please know that they were unintentional. If your family's records are not included, I'm sorry. I did my best. I had trouble locating some relatives and others failed to respond.”

“Since I'm not a very creative person, I have found wording the material so that you, the readers, will get a mental picture of these ancestors as they lived their lives to be the most difficult job of all. How much easier it would have been just to have given the bare essentials - names, dates, and the places - but then they would have been mere names on printed pages. I wanted you to see them as real people who lived and to get a glimpse of the times in which they lived. If I've succeeded in a small degree, I will be satisfied.”

Following these comments, Pauline addressed our ancestors:

“This family history has been done as a tribute to you, our ancestors, for the part you played in shaping the destiny of our great country and the influence you have had and will continue to have on the lives of your descendants.

“I found no royalty or men of fame among you. Wealth was not the heritage you left us--most of you were poor dirt farmer - yet you were the salt of the earth. You did your part in rolling back the frontiers and civilizing the wilderness.

“Some of you gave your lives in defense of the country you loved; others gave up precious sons in the conflicts. You made sure our nation was founded on Christian, as well as democratic principles.

“I wasn't privileged to know any of you personally except my mother and father, Martha Epps (Effie) Howell and James (Jimmy) Brown Devin, but their lives and teachings were a reflection of you, their ancestors. It was your training and example that molded them into honest upright citizens who became parents worthy of our love and respect.

“The rest of you I have come to love as I traced your steps through the pages of time. At first you were merely a name on a pedigree chart, but then as I found through research the places you lived, the land you bought and sold, the battles in which you fought, and the children you bore, you came alive to me, and I had such a yearning to know more about you--to see the homes in which you lived, to walk on the soil you had tilled, and to find your final resting places.

“My desire was realized with many of you. What an awesome feeling to stand by graves where you were laid to rest two hundred years ago, and viewing one ancestral home, still standing after nearly three hundred years, was a sacred time for me.

“There were disappointments, however, for some cemeteries had been leveled for the advancement of civilization. Forgive us for not holding your final resting places so sacred this couldn't have ever happened.

“You are not going to be portrayed as perfect. You were human, making mistakes as we do today; however, not a single incident has been found which caused me to hang my head in shame. I am proud to claim all of you as my own and to present you through the pages of this book to your other present and future descendants. May they come to know that you are more than names on printed pages. May they come to love and respect you as I have.”

In conclusion, it behooves us all to heed these remarks:

“...A number of Yarbrough researchers have traced their lines to Richard Yarbrough, very few with documented proof. Most, like me, have arrived at their conclusions because of proximity and close association of their Yarbroughs and the previous assumption that all Yarbroughs found in the records before 1732 were from the immigrant Richard.

“According to his tombstone inscription, Richard Yarbrough was born in 1615. He came to America as a young man. Researchers do not agree on the time nor the place of his arrival; however, since records show he was one of the founders of Bristol Parish in 1642, we can assume he came to that area sometime before that date.

“Some researchers say Richard the Immigrant was married to Frances Proctor, to Elizabeth Williams, and perhaps to others. George W. Yarbrough², a former senator of Alabama, who did years of Yarbrough research, stated in one of his papers that Richard Yarbrough, Jr., swore in court that his mother was Frances Yarbrough; however, I have not been able to find this court record. A record of marriage for a Richard Yarbrough and Frances Proctor has been found in the English records dated 1635, but there is, also, a record of the death of a Frances Yarbrough in the same parish dated 1680, which seems to indicate that this Richard and Frances remained in England and were not our immigrant ancestors.

“Richard, the Immigrant, died in 1702, at age 87, and was buried on Wells Hill inside the original enclosure of the old Blandford Churchyard. The church is presently located inside the city limits of Petersburg, Virginia, on Carter Road. On my first visit to Petersburg, I was disturbed to find the tombstone read, "Richard Scarbrough, 1702, aged 87." I wondered if the notation I had read in the William and Mary Quarterly about Richard Yarbrough being buried in Blandford Churchyard was an error. However, at the Blandford Church Interpretation Center I was informed that the sandstone marker had slowly worn away over the 275 years, requiring repairs to be made and in doing so the engraver mistakenly etched an "SC" instead of a "Y". They assured me they knew of the error. Later when I heard their audio-visual presentation relate how Richard Yarbrough and a few other settlers had ventured up the James River into the wilderness, I was satisfied.

“Not long after this, Bob Yarbrough led Yarbrough descendants in raising money to have a corrective slab marker placed directly in front of the original tombstone, which by then was too crumbly to be re-engraved. When I returned to Petersburg in 1985 and revisited the grave, I experienced a deep feeling of pride when the guide at Blandford church pointed out Richard Yarbrough's grave as the oldest in the cemetery and explained how the Yarbrough descendants had placed the second marker to correct the error. I was glad I'd had a small part in having it done.”

² Senator Yarbrough, while notable as one of the earliest family genealogists and family historians, was unfortunately not always diligent in the recording of his findings. In short, don't rely on him. – Editor's Note.

What We Are Doing

Dick Yarbrough

For nearly 40 years, Dick Yarbrough labored on the corporate side of the fence - first for BellSouth Corporation and then with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. For his efforts, PR WEEK, an industry publication, named him one of *The 100 Most Influential Public Relations Practitioners of the 20th Century.* Now Yarbrough is in his 19th year as a syndicated columnist with no shortage of strong opinions on a variety of subjects.



His column reaches over 650,000 households each week in Georgia. Dick Yarbrough regularly skewers a number of targets, including permissive parents, the city of Atlanta and all who choose to live there voluntarily, politicians in general, the Baptist in particular, the media, and anybody who drives an SUV, and he says he has just scratched the surface.

For three of the past six years, the Georgia Press Association has cited him for Best Humor Column. Politicians have asked for a recount.

Dick spent several years in radio before joining Southern Bell in 1964. Over the next 20 years, he moved up through the ranks, including a stint in Washington as director - public affairs for AT&T. In 1982, when the Bell holding company - later to be known as BellSouth - was formed at the divestiture of AT&T.

Yarbrough retired as vice president of BellSouth in April 1993 to join the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games as managing director - communications. In that position, he reported to Billy Payne, the organization's president and chief executive officer and was responsible for public relations, state and federal government relations, public information and press operations. During the Games, he distinguished himself with his handling of the Centennial Park bombing and its aftermath.

A graduate of the University of Georgia, Yarbrough is past president of the National Alumni Association and received their highest honor, the Distinguished Alumni Merit Award, in 1995. He is a Fellow of the Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communications and has established the C. Richard Yarbrough Professorship in Crisis Communications Leadership at the College.

As proof that old dogs can learn new tricks, Dick Yarbrough has embarked on a new career as a successful artist. He has paintings hung at the Georgia state capital, the College of Coastal Georgia and in private collections.

He and his wife, Jane, have two children, three grandsons, and two great-grandchildren. They divide their time between Atlanta and St. Simons Island, Georgia. Wherever he is, he avoids eating broccoli.

Jean Yarbrough

Jean M. Yarbrough is the Gary M. Penty, Sr. is Professor of Social Sciences at Bowdoin College, where she teaches courses in political philosophy and American Political Thought. Her latest book, *Theodore Roosevelt and the American Political Tradition* (2012), won the Richard E. Neustadt Prize for best book of that year published on the American presidency. The nineteenth century French aristocrat and political writer Alexis de Tocqueville was not at all impressed by President Andrew Jackson. He met Jackson while visiting the United States in 1831, according to Professor Jean Yarbrough.



According to de Tocqueville, Jackson was "a man of violent character and middling capacity". Moreover, Jackson appeared to have little talent for politics. Thus, in de Tocqueville's view, the low condition of American society began at the top.

Given that, you might assume that Tocqueville, observing from beyond the grave, would not be a fan of America's current president, Donald J. Trump. However, Yarbrough claimed, the two men have more in common than one might think.

"Trump campaigned on issues that have a Tocquevillean resonance," she wrote. "Put another way, Tocqueville highlighted certain dangers to democratic liberty and greatness that Trump... instinctively seized on to win the presidency."

The red cap Trump sported throughout his campaign ("Make America Great Again") evokes the concluding Tocquevillean theme, with the question: Can democracies achieve greatness, or must they be content with a comfortable mediocrity that improves the day-to-day lives of their people, but aims at nothing higher?

Tocqueville worried about whether democracies were capable of pursuing great foreign policy goals, warning that democratic citizens lacked the patience and determination to pursue long-range policies. Wars would have to be short, policy objectives clear, victory decisive. Ignoring Tocqueville's doubts, Trump promised to restore America's standing in the world. He vowed not to commit American blood and treasure to ill-defined objectives or to fritter away hard-won gains.

Further, his assertion that Americans don't win wars anymore struck a raw nerve. He pledged to rebuild the military. But he also vowed to make our allies take more responsibility for their defense. The author of *The Art of the Deal* promised to make new deals, or renegotiate old ones, that put "America First."

Whether President Trump can deliver on these Tocquevillean themes remains to be seen. It will take patience and skill in the art of leading a free people—an art that Tocqueville believed Andrew Jackson did not possess. The French aristocrat would likely have taken a similarly dim view of Trump—but he might also recognize, in the

president’s pledges and commitments, echoes of some of his own deeply held principles.

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Lt. Col. Harvey Yarborough

Lt. Col. Harvey Yarborough is no stranger to emergency services missions. As director of operations for Civil Air Patrol’s Alabama Wing and a mission pilot, he’s seen devastation from the air many times.

However, what he witnessed in Puerto Rico, as incident commander for a team of volunteers from the mainland dispatched to aid in Hurricane Maria relief, was beyond the worst he has ever seen.

“It’s so widespread, it’s hard to fathom,” said Yarborough, talking on a telephone line garbled with static.

“I am very accustomed to handling tornado-type responses in Alabama and Georgia, but the difference is that a tornado travels along a fairly narrow path. “Here ... everything is devastated.

“I see a lot of pain out there and a lot of loss and I do take that very seriously,” he said. “You just don’t want to leave, you want to stay and do everything you can do.”

A week was all Yarborough and his team of Southeast Region volunteers could give. They returned Sunday after a week flying missions out of San Juan over the Puerto Rico commonwealth and the U.S. Virgin Islands, replaced by a fresh CAP relief crew.

The heartbreaking images they captured for federal relief agencies were muted only by the relentless routine of flying as many missions as they could muster. They flew as many hours each day as were allowed under the restraints of safety and mission parameters.

For Yarborough – a litigation consultant in Gardendale, Alabama, near Birmingham, when he’s not volunteering for CAP – it went like this:



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More: Civil Air Patrol repositions itself for better response for Irma relief missions

More: Civil Air Patrol assesses considerable damage in Caribbean from Hurricane Irma

Report each morning by 7 a.m. at a room in the basement at Hospital del Hoare, one of the few spots in San Juan with reliable power and good internet access.

Launch the day's first flight by 8 a.m. and cover as much ground as possible with the two planes at his disposal – a number that increased to four by the end of his stint. Sometimes that meant two to four for each aircraft, translating roughly to seven hours a day aloft for each of his four aircrews.

Process, tabulate and tag as quickly as possible the aircrews' hundreds of aerial images for review by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, 1st Air Force and other government entities.

Chow down on an MRE, slang for Meals Ready to Eat, provided by the U.S. Air Force.

Sleep. Then, repeat.

“After three days,” Yarborough said, “it felt like three weeks.”

He was dispatched twice to Puerto Rico in September. He arrived first after Hurricane Irma dazed the Caribbean island but devastated the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Even though Puerto Rico experienced considerable damage after Irma, the power was still mostly on and the airport was operational.

When Col. Barry Melton, Southeast Region commander of the Air Force auxiliary, asked him to reprise his role as incident commander for Hurricane Maria, Yarborough said he thought he would quickly regain his bearings.

“When we came down for Irma, flying over the Virgin Islands, we were operating on fairly solid turf in Puerto Rico,” he said. “But when we came back, whew, this was not what we left a few days ago.”

For example, the airport Yarborough and his Irma team used was “pretty much destroyed” by Maria, he said. “You can't see the scope of the damage from one spot,” Yarborough said. “The average person on the ground cannot see how big this is.” Yet, what stood out the most to Yarborough was the resilient spirit of the residents of the U.S. territory, particularly the volunteers serving in CAP's Puerto Rico Wing, part of the Southeast Region.

“These guys were coming to work for CAP every day, for no pay, and their houses have no power, no water and they are struggling with their day jobs and struggling to get enough gas for their cars to drive to come and serve,” he said. “And yet they come

in, every day, and fly with us to take pictures of the damage.

“Sure, this is inconvenient to me. But these guys are right in the middle of all of this, and they are still coming to work.”

Desperation and devastation, however, produced innovation. It was up to Yarborough, as incident commander, and Melton to determine how CAP could best serve in the face of stark logistical challenges.

The commanders opted to create a virtual incident command post, made up of mainland CAP volunteers connected to the Puerto Rico operation via the internet, to handle as many aspects of the mission as could be done remotely.

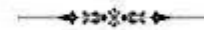
“My planning chief was in Dallas, another mission planner was in Wisconsin,” Yarborough said. “My quality control and debriefing officer ... I don’t know where he is. He’s virtual.

“But, the beauty of this was, as far as I was concerned, they were in the other room from me. Anything that we could handle remotely, I tasked it back to them so we, here in Puerto Rico, could focus on operations.”

That teamwork was crucial to getting the job done, Yarborough said.

“What really stood out was the unbelievable amount of cooperation and support Civil Air Patrol got as we reached out to others: the Air Force, FEMA, the Air National Guard, the Army Guard.

“We are one team, working together,” he said.



Eddie Yarborough

The Bills' new defensive line coach, Mike Waufle, had tracked Yarborough through part of his journey from Wyoming to Denver to Calgary, liked his athleticism, and thought he might be worth a look. Sean McDermott agreed, and the 23-year-old who was out of football last year started this year for the Bills in place of injured Shaq Lawson.

“He’s a young player that has worked extremely hard,” McDermott said after Buffalo’s 17-10 preseason loss to the Minnesota Vikings. He’s one of the first ones in the team meeting every morning. He’s got flash cards, he’s drilling himself mentally, so his success on the field was not a surprise to those that know him and I’m really happy for him.”

Yarbrough was born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and his family moved to the Denver suburb of Aurora, Colorado, when he was in grade school. After a standout high school career in which he played football, basketball and lacrosse, plus some tennis and track, he stayed in the Mountain Time Zone and went to Wyoming. There he became a three-time first-team All-Mountain West selection as he recorded 256 tackles (39 for loss, which stands as the school record), 21.5 sacks, 4 forced fumbles and 4 fumble recoveries.

He was skipped over in the 2016 NFL Draft, but signed with his hometown Broncos. “It was kind of like going back to the college ranks and being recruited,” Yarbrough said. “Denver gave me an offer I couldn’t refuse. To stay home and be a hometown kid, represent my home state and the Wyoming Cowboys, it’s hard to beat.”

“He’s a pretty blue-collar guy in a lot of ways — come in with my lunch pail, try to earn a living,” said defensive coordinator Leslie Frazier. “A guy who wasn’t drafted, signed as a free agent, battling and coming to work every single day and giving you 100 percent. A high-motor guy and did a great job in that ballgame on Thursday night, but he’s had a good camp throughout and we’ll see how he progresses as time goes on, but the guys really like playing with him.”

Williams was impressed by the young man, and he even called him the MVP of the early portion of camp. “You know you can definitely hang your hat on it because when Kyle says something, ‘Hey, you need to do better,’ you need to do better,” Yarbrough said. “If he says, ‘Hey, you’re doing good,’ you need to model that play next time. I’d say he’s probably, if not my favorite vet, definitely the guy that you can look up to and definitely try to model your game after.”

Ryan Yarbrough



Before the Mariners drafted him, Yarbrough was selected by the Brewers in the 20th round of the 2013 draft but did not sign with them. He had attended ODU (Old Dominion) with Justin Verlander’s brother, OF Ben Verlander, who was selected by the Tigers in the 14th round. When asked what made him come to ODU, besides baseball, Ryan replied, “being close to the beach.” One of the highlights of his ODU career was his defeat of UTSA in a complete game seven hit outing in which set down 17 batters in a row at one point. He threw 94 pitches, struck out four, and walked none.

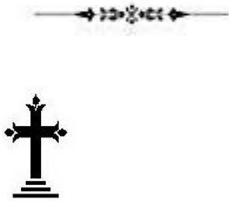
Victoria Yarbrough

Victoria Yarbrough has been selected to serve as assistant city manager of Sierra Vista, CA. The appointment was effective Sept. 5, 2017. Prior to her appointment, she served as the city's Leisure and Library Services Director.

Ms. Yarbrough joined the City of Sierra Vista in 2011. She immediately oversaw the integration of the city's library and leisure services departments, while also acting as head of the tourism division for her first two years. She has successfully run a department with about 65 full time employees and a \$3.8 million budget, while leading a variety of special projects and initiatives.



“Victoria is a proven leader who has demonstrated her ability to manage complex projects, foster relationships in the community, and find creative ways to leverage resources in a series of tight budget years,” said Sierra Vista City Manager Chuck Potucek. “She has learned from one of the best by working closely with Mary Jacobs for the last six years and I’m confident Victoria will excel in her new role.”

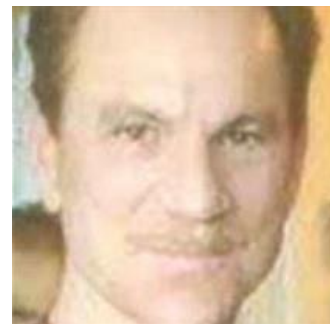


In Memoriam



Timothy James Yarberry

Timothy James Yarberry, 59, of Ak-Chin, Arkansas, died on Nov. 29, 2017, at home. He was born on May 16, 1958, in Little Rock, Arkansas, to Alvin and Nina (Mincy) Yarberry. He was a Vietnam veteran who served in the Air Force. Timothy was devoted to his family and loved to fish and listen to music, especially Jimmy Buffett and The Beach Boys.



Survivors include his wife, Lita ;four daughters, Nikkol Martinez, Stacey Yarberry, Gayle Yarberry and Erin Yarberry, all of Ak-Chin; his mother, a sister, Kimberly Yarberry of Mesa, two brothers, William Yarberry of Glendale and Jason Yarberry of Gilbert, and four grandchildren. His father preceded him in death. Services were Thursday, Dec. 14, at Broadway Christian Church in Mesa. Interment followed at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona.

Mary Ann (Peterson) Yarber

Mary Ann (Peterson) Yarber, 72, of Amarillo died November 19, 2017. Visitation was Tuesday November 21, 2017 at the Rector Funeral Home Osage Chapel, 2800 South Osage, Amarillo, TX. A memorial Service was held November 22, 2017 at First Baptist Chapel, Dr. Howard Batson officiating.

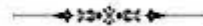


William E. "BUTCH" Yarborough

William E. "Butch" Yarborough, 75, passed away Thursday, Dec. 14, 2017 at his residence. The son of William and Isabel (Cox) Yarborough, he was born in Winchester on Aug. 3, 1942. Butch had been an investigator for the Firm of Becker, Schroder and Chapman for over 25 years. He is survived by Darlene Lawrence Yarborough, whom he married Nov. 11, 1989; his son, Donald Yarborough of East Alton; step-sons, Patrick (Kim) Lawrence of Alton, Jon Lawrence of Rosewood Heights; daughter, Shelley Yarborough of Godfrey; step-daughter, Jennifer (James) Herring of Wood River; his three 'princesses', Jacey Humphries, Callie Lawrence, Isabel Johnson; brothers, Mike (Jackie) Yarborough of East Alton, David Yarborough of Roxana; and sister, Judy Clark of Godfrey. His parents, a brother (Donald Yarborough), and two sisters (Shirley Blasa and Margie Tuttle) preceded him in death.

He enjoyed playing golf and watching Cardinal baseball.

Visitation was Sunday, Dec. 17 at Marks Mortuary in Wood River where services were held the following day with Pastor Timothy Keller officiating. Burial followed at followed in Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Memorials may be made to BJC Hospice, Hope Animal Rescue or First Assembly of God Church in East Alton.



Carl Edward Yarber of Sweetwater, TN, went to be with his recently accepted Savior on Monday, Dec. 18, 2017, at his home surrounded by immediate family. He was a native of Sweetwater, and worked for Cantrell & Hicks Boring and Tunneling for over 30 years. He served his country in the Army from 1955-64 during the Korean War.

He was 80 years old. Preceded in death by: his father and mother, Nellie and Frank Yarber; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Joe and Elizabeth Burton; brothers, Don and Tom Yarber; sister-in-law, Judy Yarber.

Robert "Bob" Yarbrough

Robert "Bob" Yarbrough, 92, of Connersville, IN, passed away on Monday, December 4, 2017, at his residence. He was born on September 23, 1925, in Panama City, Florida, and is the son of Willie J. Yarbrough and Ethel Padgett Yarbrough.



Bob was a member of the U.S. military for 11 years. He served as a staff sergeant during WWII; stationed in the Philippines and South Korea. Bob was a member of the American Legion and IBEW. He was a farmer and an electrician for 47 years, and only missed one day of work during that time.

He is survived by two daughters, Dawn (Steve) Sheveland, of Lebanon, KY, and Jane (Dan) Mayo, of Panama City, FL; two step-daughters, Simone (Phillip) Schoettmer, of Connersville, and Tina Taylor, of Richmond; two sons, Nick (Kendra, dec.) Yarbrough, of London, KY, and Jimmy Yarbrough; two step-sons, Rick (Jane) Taylor, of Connersville, and Mike (Cinda) Taylor, of Bloomington; a brother, Bill Yarbrough, of Anniston, AL; a sister, Hazel Jones, of Immaklee, FL; fifteen grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren with one on the way; many, many, nieces and nephews, and a longtime friend and caregiver, Becky Futrell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a wife, Nona Rowls Yarbrough; a son and daughter-in-law, Terry and Kendra Yarbrough; a step-son, Rollin Taylor; a sister, Helen Clark, and a great-grandson, Mason Yarbrough.

Services for Bob were at Urban Winkler Funeral Home Friday December 8, 2017. Burial was Saturday, December 9, 2017, at the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Muncie, IN.

Austin Yarbrough

Austin Bryce Yarbrough, age 21, of Melrose passed away, Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at Shands Hospital from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Austin was born on January 7, 1996 in Gainesville, Florida to Dale and Sally (Greene) Yarbrough. He was a 2014 graduate of Interlachen High School where he was affectionately known as 'Yar Bird.' SPC Austin Yarbrough joined the Florida National Guard in February 2013 and completed One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia and graduated as an Infantryman when he was 17 years old. Austin was assigned to HHC 2-124 Infantry Battalion within the Scouts Platoon where he was awarded the Florida State Active Duty Ribbon on three separate occasions; two for supporting life-saving hurricane relief efforts during Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Irma and one for assisting law enforcement and providing security during



VIP visits to the Gainesville area.

Austin was awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal when assigned as a Team Member tactically controlled by 449th Air Expeditionary Group, 435th Air Expeditionary Wing stationed at Camp Lemonier, Republic of Djibouti. During this mobilization to the Horn of Africa, he successfully executed 40 missions as a part of the Fly Away Security Team which provided security and protection for the 75th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron and the 81st Expeditionary Rescue Squadron. Austin also completed 2-124 Infantry Battalion's Long range Marksmanship Course's. Austin's other awards include the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M Device, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the Army Superior Unit Award. Austin took great joy in his Jeep and Hunting with his family and friends. Austin will be remembered as a Patriot who loved his Country and as a young man with the contagious smile, and big heart. Austin was kind, fun and a great friend to many.

Austin encouraged the younger members of his family to work harder toward their goals. HE is survived by his parents Dale and Sally (Greene) Yarbrough; a sister, Danielle Yarbrough and a brother, Hunter Yarbrough all of Melrose, Florida; maternal grandfather, Walter T. Pitts, III of Valona, Georgia; paternal grandparents, Clifford Yarbrough of Jacksonville Beach, Florida, and Brenda Bishop of Interlachen, Florida; and his Granny Grape, Lavonia Link of Melrose, Florida; Aunts and Uncles, Arlene (Greene) Jones and Hugh Jones Jr. of Green Cove Springs, Florida; Maria and Teddy Seypura of Melrose, Florida; Derrick Yarbrough of Hawthorne, Florida; along with numerous cousins, extended family and friends. A memorial service was held for Austin on December 20, 2017 at Eliam Cemetery in Melrose, Florida. Memorial contributions may be made to the Florida National Guard foundation in honor of Austin Yarbrough, P.O. Box 717, St. Augustine, Florida 32085.



Steven Lynn Yarbrough

Mr. Steven Lynn Yarbrough, age 58, of Mayfield passed away on Tuesday, October 2, 2017 at his residence. He was employed at Progress Rail. Mr. Yarbrough is survived by his mother, Evelyn Chapman Yarbrough of Mayfield, KY; three sons, Jason Yarbrough of Hickory, KY, Jonathan Yarbrough of Paducah, KY and Joshua Yarbrough of Mayfield, KY; and one sister, Jackie Rippy of Mayfield, KY. He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Yarbrough. Funeral services for Mr. Steven Lynn Yarbrough were October 7, 2017 at Byrn Funeral Home in Mayfield, KY. Rev. Mike Day officiating. Interment followed at Mayfield Memory Gardens. Pallbearers were Keith Young, Jason Yarbrough, Jonathan Yarbrough, Joshua Yarbrough, Kelly Drew and Chase Prince.



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The President's Corner... Greetings,

Spring has arrived here in the Southeast and the Easter Bunny has come and gone. Thanks to everyone who have sent in their annual dues for 2018, and to those of us that are behind (me) please get them in. We have some new members and some old members that have come back to us. Welcome and Welcome back...

Leonard, Hal Yarbrough and I are doing a final review for volumes 140-159 to go to press this week and on to the binders in North Carolina. Also, Marcia Frasier, the reference librarian of the Williamson County, Franklin Tennessee Library (Depository for Yarbrough Records) thanked YNGHA for the digital copy of the Indices for the Volumes and have uploaded this information in their web site so this might spur interest in new membership.

It appears that there is quite a bit of traffic on the Yarbrough Facebook Page.

Anyone wanting to get together this summer and do some records review or socializing, please notify Leonard or me

Note: We have a Yarbrough that has been awarded the honor of “2017 Tennessee Structural Engineer of the Year” by the TNSEA , Congratulations Don!!!

What we want to accomplish in 2018

1. Continue promoting the DNA project to maximize the knowledge of our lineage.
2. To increase our membership by 50% through social media, Facebook etc., contacting our own relatives and calling and emailing Yarbroughs that we don't know and get new members involved. “50 NEW MEMBERS IN 2018
3. To have our FAMILY continue to add lines, history and stories to the digitized records for the generations of Yarbroughs to come.
4. To attend Yarbrough Family reunions or to start a tradition of a Yarbrough Family reunion.
5. To have a Yarbrough nonconference social and work session this summer in a convenient location.

Please contact Leonard or myself with any goals and ideas that you would like to share with the Family.

And again, I thank the Officers and the Board for their efforts in “Keeping the Family”.

- Jim



Fortings... At last, a somewhat dreary and blustery spring has finally warmed up. It's too bad that the grass (and weeds) are thriving, but that's preferable, or so I tried to convince myself. Along with the malaise accompanying the unseasonable weather, this issue has been a bit of a challenge. Partly, this is because the backlog of material has become almost non-existent. There is still plenty of material; it's just that trying to fit it into a semblance of order has been mostly unsuccessful. Still, it finally came together, although much later than desired.

The web site has been updated to reflect the changing season, and some of the pages have been modified and/or moved, so bookmarked links may need updating. Thanks to James Yarbrough, a new member from Illinois and a newly retired IT professional, has been a huge help in identifying broken links, offering suggestions and encouragement for improving the site. Also, the archived materials, most of which is in portable file format (PDF), have had their individual security settings updated. A few require further password ID (these are mostly corporate documents for the Board); none may be down loaded or copied, although they all can be browsed at will.

At the moment, it's been proposed that YNGHA members have access to all archived material; this is awaiting action of the Board. Board approval is anticipated; it just takes time to get everyone to respond.

I suppose just about every family researcher has come to a dead end with one or more pesky ancestors who simply left no records, footprints or any other traces, either about where he ended up or where he came from. Some, so I'm told, apparently arrived spontaneously out of the ether, and others apparently vanished in much the same manner. I have a great-uncle in that category; Columbus Hood married my Grandmother Yarborough's sister, Elizabeth Jane (Lizzie) Handley. I knew about Columbus' children and some of the grand-children, but that was as much as I had, and that's been the situation for the past 25 – 30 years.

Fast forward to the 29th of April, 2018, and the quarterly meeting of the Blount County Historical Society, which was surprisingly well attended, given that the weather was chilly, wet and unsettled. Sitting directly in front of me was lady who identified herself as a Hood. After the conclusion, I introduced myself to her and asked if she knew anything of a Columbus Hood of Hood's Crossing. To my astonishment, she turned out to be a grand-daughter of my great-Uncle Columbus! Further, she could fill in many of the blanks I had about the Hood family.

As the old saw goes, persistence eventually pays off, but you shouldn't discount serendipity, either.

– *Leonard*

Backtracking our Ancestors, Part II

Leonard Yarbrough

A Little More History. The impact of current events is not always appreciated by fledgling family researchers, yet an understanding of the times can be a valuable tool in helping ferret out the actions of one's ancestors. The classic illustration of this is the American Civil War, as one of the major consequences was the virtual mass migration of Southern families into the Southwestern United States.

Earlier, and also a consequence of unsettled times, there were several factors which also led to a large-scale migration of both individuals and families. One was economic, and this was the English law of primogeniture; that is, the eldest male child inherited everything. The custom was for the second son to go into the clergy and the third son into the armed services. Subsequent sons had to, so to speak, suck it up and make do as best they could. Daughters, of course, were expected to marry, so they obviously did not pose a problem.

A second factor was the after-effects of the Reformation, which had a profound impact on both English and European society. The Reformation, or, more fully, the Protestant Reformation, was the schism in Western Christianity initiated by Martin Luther and continued by John Calvin, and other Protestant Reformers in 16th-century Europe. It is usually considered to have started with the publication of the Luther's Ninety-five Theses in 1517, and it lasted until the end of the Thirty Years' War in 1648.

The core motivation behind Luther's charges was theological, though many other factors played a part, including the rise of nationalism, the Western Schism that eroded loyalty to the Papacy, the perceived corruption of the Roman Curia, the impact of humanism, and the new learning of the Renaissance that questioned much traditional thought.

The initial movement within Germany diversified, and other reformers arose independently of Luther. The invention of the printing press by Gutenberg provided the means for the rapid dissemination of religious materials to the masses. The movement influenced the Church of England after 1547, under Edward VI and Elizabeth I, although the English Reformation had begun under Henry VIII in the early 1530s and continued into the mid-seventeenth century, and the effects were exacerbated by Oliver Cromwell and King Charles I.

Cromwell descended from the sister of King Henry VIII's minister Thomas Cromwell. Little is known of his early life. He became an Independent Puritan after undergoing a religious conversion in the 1630s, taking a generally tolerant view towards the many Protestant sects of his period. He was an intensely religious man, a self-styled Puritan Moses, and he fervently believed that God was guiding his victories. He was elected Member of Parliament for Huntingdon in 1628 and for Cambridge in the Short (1640) and Long (1640–1649) parliaments. He entered the English Civil War on the side of the "Roundheads" or Parliamentarians.

He was one of the signatories of King Charles I's death warrant in 1649. Charles was noted primarily as a sovereign wavering between the reformed church and traditional

Catholicism, thus angering supporters of both churches. Following Charles' death, Cromwell dominated the short-lived Commonwealth of England as a member of the Rump Parliament (1649–1653). During this period, a series of Penal Laws were passed against Roman Catholics (a significant minority in England and Scotland but the vast majority in Ireland), and a substantial amount of their land was confiscated.

This period of conflict, whether in England or on the European continent, required manpower for the opposing armies; conscription was widely used. This, and the discovery of the New World, provided more than ample reason for immigration becoming a very attractive option. There being less than an efficient mechanism in use by either Governments or the maritime services to keep track of ship's crews and passengers, searching for documentary evidence of an ancestor's immigration is understandably mostly a waste of time.

Science and the Search for Family¹.

Any enterprise, regardless of size, purpose or need, requires three commodities: manpower, land and technology. These factors came together at a critical time for the colonies of the New World. The land provided opportunity for attracting immigrants, who were needed to settle and also defend the new-found territories. Following the American Revolution, technology progressed to the point that the Industrial Revolution had as much -- if not more -- impact as the American Revolution, and this in turn led to the dominance of science and technology in the affairs of our society at all levels. For the family historian and genealogist, the emergence of DNA tests seemed to be the answer to their prayers, as the number of ads by various DNA testing laboratories seem to indicate.

First used for forensic purposes, primarily by law enforcement agencies, DNA testing could also determine patrimony, taking advantage of the sire's DNA being passed intact (overlooking the potential for mutations) to his male children. There is a catch, though -- the sire's DNA is also the same as his brother's, his father's and his nephews (at least, those who are sons of his brothers). That is, DNA testing can show if a relationship exists; it cannot explicitly identify what the relationship is. Only hard documented evidence suffices for this determination.

Still, DNA results can provide additional information, especially regarding the identification of relatives who had previously been unknown. So the questions of which DNA test, and by which testing laboratory and what are the results are germane? Unfortunately, many of the claims by the testing laboratories are not.

IT is basically a choice of one of DNA: yDNA, mtDNA, and Autosomal. The yDNA addresses the patrimony questions, as well as those of kinship/ancestry, whereas the

myDNA is inherited solely from the mother. As such, it allows an evaluation of population groups, with applications in anthropology and biogeography. The use of yDNA is limited by

¹ I am indebted to Dr. John V. Richardson, Professor Emeritus, UCLA Professor of Information Studies, for his presentation entitled "DAN, Which Test, Which Company, What Results", which provided much of the material for this portion of the article.

the effects of mutations over time. The results are critically related to the number of tested individuals, to whose DNA data samples may be compared. Autosomal DNA tests can confirm relationships for parent/child relationships and all relationships to the second cousin level. Additional contextual and genealogical information is required for confirmations of the nature of the relationship. The autosomal test is limited to about 7 generations (150 – 210 years); beyond that, other means of provenance are needed.

Since current DNA advertisements appear to focus on an assumption that the general public really cares about its ethnic roots, a couple of caveats are in order. The first is that while various ethnicities are associated with various geographical regions of the world, one's DNA ethnic estimates may be misleading. Members of the several ethnic populations are not rigidly fixed in location; they and their ancestors tended to move around, either as marauding groups/tribes, traders, or as sailors. For example, we Yarbroughs know we are (at least legendarily) descended from marauding Danes who settled in England circa 854 AD. We can also surmise that our ancestors intermarried with the indigenous Saxons (who are, after all, a kindred tribe). So, whatever the estimates are that are provided by the testing lab, it's just an estimate, and not necessarily a very good one. That is, at present the likelihood of the estimate being wrong is no better than 50%, and this limits the geo-location to the continental level. That is hardly pin-point accuracy.

Presently, there are a number of testing entities: Ancestry.com, DDC, EasyDNA, FamilyTreeDNA.com, 23andme.com, MyHeritage.com, Helix, LivingDNA, LegacyTree, and GPS Origins being the top ten. The question here is, "Does it matter which testing laboratory is used?" The answer is simple -- yes, it does, and it relates to the testing methodology, which is among other things a statistical analysis. Here, more (data) is always more accurate and meaningful than sparse data. So, which labs have the largest database of DNA data? The following table answers the question:

	AncestryDNA	FTDNA	23andMe
Database Size	2,500,000+	250,000+	1,200,000+
Regular Price	\$99	\$79	\$99 or \$199
Chromosome Browser	No	Yes	Yes
Ethnicity Estimates	Reliable	Least Reliable	Most Reliable
Tree-DNA Integration	Good	Some	No
Shared Matches	Yes	Yes	Limited
Medical/Trait Reports	No	No	Yes

There's both good news and bad news to be gleaned from the table. First, there is a large database of tested individuals – a pool of nearly four million data sets. That's the good news. The bad news is that these data are stove-piped across three laboratories, and depending on which lab is selected, a significant amount of data may be unavailable for contributing information to the tested individual.

Not evident from the table is that 23andMe primarily focuses on DNA testing for medical diagnostic purposes; hence, it is weak insofar as its genealogical merit is concerned. Of more concern, perhaps, is that the error rates for the other two laboratories is much too high, between 12 – 23% for ftDNA and up to 34% for ancestry.com. Larger population

pools would help mitigate this, but the fact remains that the science and analytical methods still have room for improvement.

It's appropriate to digress into the nature of statistical analysis in order to understand how the determination as to which "family" a particular data set belongs. Also, it's pertinent that we all share DNA that is 95% the same as everyone else. So, separating the data into families is a matter of matching (statistically) those segments of the DNA chain that are repeatable and also passed from father to son. Two types of errors arise from such matchings.

The first, known by the rather prosaic term Type I Error, means that when a set of data is deemed not to belong to a particular family, because it appears to lie outside the acceptable range for the data set, the data set is rejected. However, in reality it could really belong to the family in question, yet it is rejected. That is, a type I error is the rejection of the true hypothesis.

On the other hand, the data could just as easily lie well within the range of the family of interest, yet the data really belongs to another family. The hypothesis that it belongs to the first family is thus accepted. This is known as a Type II Error, or the acceptance of a false hypothesis.

This is generally not well explained by the DNA proponents, and most of us couldn't care less about it, anyway. All this really means is that the claims made by the various testing laboratories are not necessarily as meritorious as they should be.

Nevertheless, the labs do provide information as to who matches a set of test data, up to fourth or fifth cousin. Beyond that, it's just a guess. However, having some insight as to who these cousins are and where they fit on one's family tree adds to a family's roots and heritage. Of greater importance, though, is that these distant cousins often are sources of information about the family.

This also leads to the question of privacy of information. Our DNA is personal and governed (to the extent possible) by privacy laws, including those known as HIPPA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996). The whole point of having one's DNA tested is to see who else it matches. HIPPA and other laws mitigate against this, unless an individual grants permission for others to see/use his personal DNA and family data. Both AncestryDNA and FTDNA enforce "fair use" sharing of data, and both allow the tested individual to prevent others from seeing his data.

There are two web sites, [ySearch](#) and [GEDMatch](#), which facilitate the sharing of DNA data. Both mitigate against the stove-piping among the several DNA laboratories. Both services are free, although GEDMatch has a premium service available at a mode at a modest cost. Of the two, GEDMatch appears to be the more robust, and it provides improved ethnicity estimates. Both are relatively easy to use, with the proviso that both may be daunting to a novice computer/digital device user.

It goes without saying that if kinfolk have not been tested, none of the available services will provide a match. Thus, having access to four millions sets of data is not of much value, if none of them are related to the newly tested individual, particularly if the

potential for having a false positive match is statistically high.

There's one other concern about DNA test results that may be overlooked. There may be someone identified as belonging to the family who has a different surname, perhaps as the consequence of an "irregular paternal incident", of an adoption, or of a legitimate (or not) name change.

In the final analysis, DNA is useful for a *de facto* relatedness, but there is also the matter of *de jure* relatedness (such as adoption, or marriage). This, as stated earlier, requires documented evidence. DNA test results may appear to be evidence, and they may provide confirmation of relatedness, but the sad fact is that the results are at best estimates. They shouldn't be treated as anything else with the current state-of-the-art.



Good-Bye, World FamiliesNet

Leonard Yarbrough

When Jim Yarbrough/Houston, TX, began the Yarbrough DNA Project, he chose WorldFamilies (<https://www.worldfamilies.net/>) as the host. This site had begun by Terry Barton, and it became an early mainstay for the community of DNA tested individuals. As time and technology advanced, additional testing companies appears, as well as other sites for sharing data. The foregoing article discussed some of the ramifications of testing and interpreting the results of DNA tests, as well as that of personal privacy.

Although the YNGHA had already moved its project to ftDNA, the WorldFamilies site is still functional. Just before completing this issue of the YFQ, the following message was received from Terry and Marilyn Barton:

“This is a message to all Administrators and Co-Administrators who have a WorldFamilies project site.

“We are both excited and saddened to announce our retirement and the closing of the WorldFamilies Project Administration services after 14 years, effective May 23, 2018. We have developed close relationships with many of you, though we've never met, and we've had the privilege of meeting and getting to know a number of you at the various DNA conferences and meetings. It has been very special to work with many fine administrators and very wonderful individuals, learning from you, as we have worked to share our knowledge, and to provide administrative support.

“We hope that you will forgive the short notice, but we have been in contact with FTDNA since late February, seeking a way to address our concerns of being sole administrator for more than 750 projects, while supporting a like number of projects with volunteer administrator(s), under

the coming rigorous requirements of the European Union's GDPR (new privacy law going to effect May 25, 2018). We have always protected the privacy of our project members, and will continue to do so on personal ancestral surname projects that we will continue to administer. However, the ambiguity and uncertainty of the bureaucratic requirements under this new law are just more than we care to deal with. (We were optimistic on several occasions that a resolution could be found, but it wasn't to be - so our plan to retire one of these days now becomes reality.)

“We will delete the project sections of the WorldFamilies site on May 23, 2018, so please copy any information that you wish to save. You may wish to make a copy of your Home, Results, Patriarch, Discussion or other project pages. We can provide an empty excel spread sheet with columns preset to copy/paste your results page on request. For the other pages, you may want to copy/paste your info into a Word document. (Note: we won't be able to rescue you if you miss the deadline, so please don't wait too long.)

“We will also remove sign-in access at WorldFamilies on May 23 and disable the Favorites system. We will leave our Forums online for now, but no one will be able to post on them.

“Our agreement with FTDNA was to provide Interim Project Administration for Surname Projects that did not have a volunteer admin. We chose to extend our service to newbies and then to experienced administrators without additional compensation as we realized that we could be of service. However, we ask that you respect our retirement and now obtain your support from FTDNA.

“FTDNA has provided some comments which are listed below my signature in this email. If you have any questions about how to manage your project, please contact the kind folks in the FTDNA Group Administrators Support department, managed by Janine Cloud. Their email address is groups@familytreedna.com

“We are looking forward to our retirement, as we have delayed work on our own ancestral research for many years. As we settle in to a new world where we don't have stacks of emails, site issues, and other related work to do, we may look at a modest return to service, such as consulting, providing project sites, or even creating and updating project results pages for others. We'll let you know if this happens.

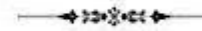
“We will continue to display our WorldFamilies information pages and will also use the WF site for a few of our own ancestral surname project sites.

“Wishing you the Best!”

“Terry & Marilyn Barton, WorldFamilies.net, www.worldfamilies.net”

The following are pertinent comments received from FTDNA:

- You might want to remind them that their project is still at FTDNA, and that they may need to make it available for public viewing on the Site Configuration tab, under Public Website. If they don't enable this, either publicly or for project members only, their project is as good as entirely dead, because no one will be able to see it.
- If they are not currently utilizing the FTDNA project page, they will need to group their members there. There is no automated grouping at FTDNA.
- They can copy any information they have on the WFN project pages, such as Patriarchs, only the Background, News, or Results pages of the FTDNA site, available on the Public Website page, under Project Administration in the GAP. I sincerely hope they will do that. There isn't enough time to do this programmatically between now and then.



Solomon Shaw Yarbrough

Some months ago, I was searching the records for another Yarbrough, when I stumbled across a blurb about Solomon Shaw Yarbrough. A bit later, there was a conversation on the YNGHA FaceBook site about Solomon Shaw Y., which I noted before switching to another topic. Then, a week or so back, I came across a brief note to myself that I jotted during a conversation with Karen Mazock. At this point, I decided that this was just too many coincidences, and it appears that the shade of Solomon Shaw was urging that more be done. What follows is probably as complete a picture as exists now about this Yarbrough. Hopefully, someone may have more information about him and his family,

Solomon S. Yarbrough (7 May 1813 - 31 Dec 1885) was born in Tennessee in 1813, and was converted and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of eight years. He was married Martha Brown Hines (2 Feb. 1831) Oct 1, 1846, and the next six years were spent in Alabama², then belonging to the Tennessee conference. Martha was the daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Mary M. Hines.

He was licensed to preach May 3, 1834; was ordained deacon by Bishop T. A. Morris at Columbia, Tennessee, October 10, 1836; was ordained elder at Nashville, Tennessee, October 13, 1839, by J. O. Andrews, and it is supposed that he joined the Tennessee conference in 1835. He traveled the Nashville circuit one or two years; was stationed in Nashville two years; also in Lebanon one or two years, Sparta and McMinnville one year, Shelbyville, Winchester and Fayetteville one year.

In 1853, Mr. Yarbrough was transferred to the Texas conference, and his first

² This period, so far as I can tell, is a blank. Any information about Solomon's sojourn in Alabama would be gratefully accepted.

appointment was Waxahachie circuit, which embraced Ellis County, and the greater part of Navarro County. The year 1855-56 was spent in traveling the Huntsville district, after which he traveled the Caldwell circuit one year, was again appointed to the Waxahachie circuit, but owing to physical obstructions he did but little work that year. He next traveled the Blooming Grove, Cleburne, Weatherford and Cedar Hill circuits, but bodily infirmities and age forced him to take a supernumerary relation to the conference, which he sustained several years previous to his death. He was an affectionate husband, a kind and indulgent father, and he endured all his suffering with Christian fortitude. His spirit was, "I am going to heaven to see my mother," and to his wife he said, "Farewell, Matt, I am going." In early life he was a sweet singer and a great revivalist, and after coming to Texas Mrs. Yarbrough traveled with her husband and assisted him in his work. About the year 1854 he bought a tract of land which was his home during life, and which is yet the home of Mrs. Yarbrough. The tract contains 420 acres, about ninety acres of which is under cultivation.



Built in 1854 by Solomon and Martha Hines Yarbrough. Burned in 1905 and rebuilt. Rev. Yarbrough and Martha in gateway. Son, Tom H. Yarbrough, in buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Yarbrough had three sons; Thomas M., born January 13, 1849, a resident of Ellis county; Willie R., born July 2, 1852, of Limestone county, and John M. B., born July 24, 1867, at home. The mother was a member of the church for forty years, and her happiest days were when she traveled with her husband, and attended to church duties.

Upon his death, the Northwest Texas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church published this tribute:

To the Bishop and Members of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference:
 DEAR FATHERS AND BROTHEREN - Solomon S. Yarbrough was born in

September, 1813. When eight years old he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was licensed to preach May 3d, 1834. He was a member of the Church a little more than sixty-four years, and a minister about fifty-one and one-half years. He was ordained Elder by Bishop James. O. Andrew at Nashville, Tennessee, October 13, 1839. He joined the Tennessee Conference in 1836. He served as pastor, among others, the following charges: Nashville Circuit, Nashville Station, Sparta Station, Shelbyville Station, Winchester and Fayetteville Circuits. He was married to Miss Hattie Hinds October 1, 1846, after which he traveled in Tennessee one more year, serving the Duck River Circuit. After this he traveled six years in South Alabama. He was transferred to the Huntsville District, then on the Caldwell, Blooming Grove, Weatherford and Cedar Hill Circuits. With these his inherent labors closed. He then quietly settled down at his home, near Waxachachie, where he remained until life's battles ended in glorious immortality just as the departing shadows of the year 1885 were receding behind the screen of the past. After appropriate funeral services at the Methodist Church in Waxahachie, his bond was consigned to the narrow confines of the charnel house, January 1, 1886.

Bro. Yarbrough was an earnest and successful preacher and pastor in his palmy days. A man of power a revivalist of the true type. His strength consisted not in mental culture, for his literary attainments were limited, but in the endowments of nature. While no effort was made at homiletical regulations of hermeneutical exposition, there was such truths of the gospel, as to captivate the auditor and rivet conviction upon the guilty. If not rhetorical he was fluent. With these gifts, sanctified by grace, he efficiently swayed the sword of truth. Hundreds were converted under his ministry. He exhibited the virtues of a true and faithful husband and father. The pulsations of a warm heart brought him into the closest relations of friendship with his friends. Owing to personal affliction he sustained a supernumerary relation to this Conference several years prior to his death. But few knew the extent of his sufferings. He often endured excruciating pain. His last illness was protracted and painful; but he bore it with becoming fortitude. Some days previous to his death clouds of doubt obscured his oral firmament; but while his pastor was offering up a fervent prayer in his behalf two or three days before the final end, our beneficent Father brushed away the film of doubt and sent a thrill of joy to the heart of his dying servant that found expression in Hallelujahs to God. When he had come to the brink of the death flood he was cheered by the happy thought of a glorious reunion with loved ones, and said, "I am going to see my mother." A moment more the messenger came - address his last words to his companion, his spirit departed to the realms of bliss. We may say he rests well since life's fitful fever is o'er.

Respectfully submitted, R. C. Armstrong, A. M. Dechman, M. K. Little, Committee.



Just a Hand Written History

Leonard Yarbrough

The following is abstracted from the collection of memorabilia of a Grigsby family member and researcher.

“Filed away in my dad’s research was a hand written history of the Grigsby family. At the top of the page, it states “Grigsby-Dailey.” There is no author signature to credit the individual. After reading it over, I came to believe it was written by an ancestor of Columbus Grigsby and Mary Jane Dailey. This is not my story but a story given by another ancestor. It seemed to add more details to the Grigsby family history.

“The writing states, “James Harvey Grigsby was born in Tennessee about 1811, according to census records. He married to Elizabeth Lewellen, also born in Tennessee, about 1812. During the early days of the marriage, they lived at Cherokee (Colbert County) Alabama. In the early 1940’s, they moved, along with their four children at that time , to Joy, Alabama, located north of the Warrior River between Blountsville and Cleveland in Blount County, Alabama. This was a one day trip by ox wagon. The family remained in this part of Blount County, where James H. was a Methodist minister and preached at churches in that area. James H. and his wife are buried at the first Methodist Cemetery in Blountsville, although the graves are marked only by field stones. Family sources say the family included nine living children, six son and three daughters, also two or three that died, later two were adopted. Census records do not agree completely with family reports of children.”

“The writer gives the names of the children with little bits of extra information as follows:

“Louisa Grigsby was born about 1845 in Tennessee. This child is listed in the 1850 Blount County census although not remembered by the family members. She perhaps went by another given name later. John Grigsby was born about 1837 in Alabama. No other information except that he was killed in the Civil War. Four Grigsby brothers entered the War, John was the only one who did not return.”

“Phena Grigsby was born about 1838 in Alabama. Shown in census records but not in family records. Franklin Grigsby was born about 1840 in Alabama. Married to Unicey E (Betty) Watkins. Family reports they lived at Somerville in Morgan County.

“William Terrell Grigsby was born 5 Jan 1845 in Alabama. He married Mary J “Molly” Watkins (sister to Betty). They were married on the same date as Betty, 6 July 1865. He died in 1938 and is buried in Nectar Cemetery in Blount County.

“J. Columbus Grigsby was born about 1896 in Alabama. He Married Mary Jane Dailey. They had on living child. Elizabeth was born at Blountsville on 24

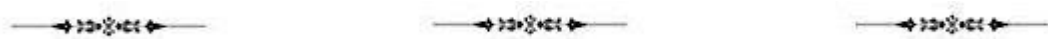
Sept 1867. The family later separated. Mary Jane and her daughter moved to Arkansas and Columbus reportedly went West. The daughter of Columbus and Mary Jane appears in Jackson County Arkansas in 1883 where she married Thomas Paul Clifford, Sr., at Jacksonport, Arkansas.

“Elijah Monroe Grigsby born Dec 27, 1849 in Alabama, married Mary A. Rickles. ‘Lige’ and his family moved to Monette, Arkansas and lived with a John Montgomery there. He is reportedly buried in Austin Creek Cemetery in Blount County.” The written history ends with a handwritten family tree of Columbus and Mary Jane³.”

This ultimately led to one of those “Duh!” moments, although at the first reading it made little impression. I had been helping edit Mrs. Whited’s manuscript and had earlier provided her with some missing information about the Grigsby family. I had researched the Grigsby family, as I grew up with a family of Grigsby in Jefferson County, AL, but hadn’t as yet been able to link the Yarborough (as my family spelled the name, although my father had dropped the first “o”) to the Grigsbys.

One of the family stories related to an “Aunt” Polly Watkins, whom my father would visit in Arkadelphia, AL, where he was raised, but we had always assumed that the “Aunt” was just the title given to older women with close family associations, but without signifying any sort of blood kinship.

Subsequently, I was reviewing my Grandmother Yarborough’s family – she was a Handley, and I noticed that her father had married a Martha Watkins. Belatedly, I recalled that Polly was sometimes used as a nickname for Martha, so was it possible that she and William Terrell’s wife were sisters? The two families lived in close proximity in Blount County. A bit of sleuthing disclosed that Mary and Martha were indeed sisters, and thus the Grigsbys I had known as a child were in fact cousins. And so, it seems, are the author to be and I. I owe whoever wrote that hand written bit of history both my gratitude and admiration.



³ Frances Darnell Whited, author of the forth-coming **Footprints Along the Old Tuscaloosa Road**, an account of the families who lived along the old Tuscaloosa Road that extended from near Ditto Landing at Huntsville, AL, to Tuscaloosa by way of Elyton Village, AL.

We Are Doing

Don Yarbrough Some folks ease quietly into retirement, and as Don is a modest and quiet individual, we expected him to do just that. However, Don Yarbrough left with accolades from his colleagues and peers. First, the former president of Ross Bryan Associates, was named a Distinguished Member of the Tennessee Structural Engineers Association (TNSEA) for his dedication and continued advancement of the profession. Yarbrough was active in both the local and state chapters of the TNSEA, holding numerous leadership positions including president of the Middle Tennessee region.

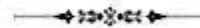


Donald Yarbrough, Engineer of the Year, UTenn SPE, UTenn Hall of Fame, and Distinguished Member of the Tennessee Structural Engineers Association.

Yarbrough retired from Ross Bryan Associates at the end of 2017. He joined the Nashville-based structural engineering firm in 1982 and served as president from 2011-16. During his career, Yarbrough was involved with structural design engineering for many local buildings, including SoBro-based Music City Center.

Next, Don was being named the 2018 “Engineer of the Year” by the Nashville Chapter of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE). This too is a coveted and respected award. The winner is chosen by a committee consisting of past winners. The award is in “recognition for lifelong contributions to the Engineering Profession”. TSPE is an organization of all disciplines of Professional Engineers, not just Civil or Structural. This award was given during the “All Engineers Banquet” in February 2018.

Finally, he was inducted into the UTK CEE “Hall of Fame” previously known as the “Outstanding Alumni” award. He was honored at the UTK Civil Engineering Awards Banquet. A plaque similar to the one pictured below will be added to the “Hall of Fame” display at the John Tickle Engineering Building at UTK. My niece posted this on Facebook this weekend.



Ernie Yarborough

Ernie Yarborough has a wealth of experience and success as a collegiate soccer coach and he will look to apply his talents as the new men's soccer coach at Marian University. Yarborough becomes the sixth head coach in program history.

Yarborough comes to Marian from Xavier University where he served as the men's soccer assistant coach. He was responsible for assisting with the development and implementation of daily training activities, data and video analysis, opponent scouting, recruiting and assisting in match management decisions. While at Xavier, Yarborough coached a Big East Defender of the Year, two All-Big East honorees and one All-Big East Freshmen honoree. The Musketeers also received the NSCAA Team Academic Award.



Prior to his time at Xavier, Yarborough served as the head coach for the Stetson men's soccer team in 2014 and 2015. He was named the 2014 Atlantic Sun Conference Coach of the Year and developed two NSCAA All-Region selections, 12 all-conference selections and three all-conference academic award winners, including the 2015 Atlantic Sun Men's Soccer Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Stetson was also awarded the NSCAA Team Academic Award in both 2014 and 2015 under his watch.

Yarborough is no stranger to the state of Indiana as he spent four seasons as an assistant coach for the Indiana University men's soccer team, which is also his alma mater. From 2010 through August 2014, Yarborough helped the Hoosiers to the 2010 Big Ten regular season championship, the 2012 NCAA Div. I National Championship and the 2013 Big Ten Tournament championship.

At Indiana, Yarborough was responsible for goalkeeper training, assisting with practice preparation and implementation, recruiting, academic monitoring, video development and review, opponent scouting, travel arrangements, budget management and the monitoring of equipment ordering and distribution for 30 student-athletes.

Prior to Indiana, Yarborough made stops at Michigan, Indiana, UAB and Wisconsin. Yarborough played his college ball at IU and recorded a 10-1-1 record as a goalkeeper. Six of his wins were shutouts.

He and his wife, Jill, reside in the Indianapolis area with their daughter Samantha and son Woody.



Genealogist: a highly trained specialist, capable of precision guesswork based on unreliable and /or incomplete data provided by those of questionable knowledge and poor memories.

Jameesa Yarborough



Opera made its annual appearance in Lincolnton, NC, over the weekend and, after two days of competition and judging, the winner of the 16th annual Heafner/Williams Vocal Competition was named. It was almost a ladies-only competition this year, with only one male competitor. The six finalists who performed on Sunday, March 11, 2018, were all women. Soprano Jameesa Yarborough, a native of Maryland, took home the \$2,500 prize.

Steven Yarbrough

Altering a cap on corporate tax credits for private school scholarships will require a two-thirds majority vote in both chambers of the Arizona Legislature.

That's no easy task for Senate President Steve Yarbrough, who in his last year in office has decided to tackle an issue that will require him to garner support from both school choice advocates and opponents who claim those scholarships siphon valuable dollars from public schools.

An aggregate cap on how much Arizona businesses can claim credit for donating to school tuition organizations, which award students scholarships to help attend private schools, has been growing by 20 percent each year since 2008.

Initially capped at \$10 million in 2007, the cap has steadily grown since then, and left in place, the 20 percent escalator would spiral the cap out of control, some fear. By 2020, the cap will exceed \$100 million, and would soon approach the totality of income taxes the state collects from corporations – \$368 million in fiscal 2017, according to state budget analysts.

“I’m a pretty pragmatic person, and I can see that the escalator is going to, in not very long, virtually exceed the totality of the corporate tax obligation,” said Yarbrough, a Chandler Republican. “That’s no cap at all.”



The solution, then, is for Yarbrough to guide through the Legislature a bill to substantially reduce the cap. If anyone has a chance of accomplishing that, it is Yarbrough, who is the reason the 20 percent escalator is there in the first place. It was Yarbrough who negotiated the escalator with Gov. Janet Napolitano in 2006.

“Time has run its course,” Yarbrough said. “We’ve reached a different place, and in my mind, reducing the escalator is actually keeping faith with the deal.”

Yarbrough said he’s still working out the minute details of a bill, but essentially, he’s

proposing a phasing down of the escalator, perhaps over a span of three to four years, with the goal of reducing it to about 2.5 percent. That would keep the corporate tax credit more in line with inflators for other private school tax credits, like the individual tax credit limits.

Such a measure could easily gather support from Democrats, who in recent years have targeted private school scholarships as a drain on state resources. Each dollar claim via the private school tax credits is a dollar not spent on students attending Arizona public schools, they say.

They have particularly targeted the acceleration of the tax credits. There is no aggregate cap on individuals from claiming credits. But the lowest-hanging fruit is the 20 percent escalator for corporate income tax credits. Groups like Children's Action Alliance and its sister organization, the Arizona Center for Economic Progress, have called attention to the corporate tax credit for years. Stopping the 20 percent escalator is one of the groups' legislative goals for 2018.

Some Republicans, like Reps. Heather Carter, R-Cave Creek, and Doug Coleman, R-Apache Junction, have targeted the corporate credit as ripe for change.

"It's a really good move," Carter said. "This is a great time to be having these conversations when we're looking to put as many additional dollars that we can find into education."

But Yarbrough knows he is wading into a potentially tough negotiation with much of his own caucus. Many Republicans aren't keen on reducing the inflator, a move that when proposed in the past has been seen as anti-school choice, Yarbrough acknowledged.

Coleman sponsored a bill in 2017 that would have reduced the escalator to either the consumer price index of the Phoenix metro area or 2 percent, whichever is greater. The bill was assigned to two committees and got no hearing in either.

Yarbrough's bill will also trigger Proposition 108, which amended the Arizona Constitution to state that any net increases in state revenues require a supermajority for approval. That includes "a reduction or elimination of a tax deduction, exemption, exclusion, credit or other tax exemption feature in computing tax liability."

Yarbrough said he has checked with legislative counsel, and they agreed that lowering the escalator on the corporate tax credit for STOs is a reduction of a tax credit, and therefore triggers Prop. 108. He acknowledged Prop. 108 makes the prospect of lowering the escalator "more dicey, yessir. So it's going to have to be a compromise that I can bring enough of my own colleagues on."

And given the way past efforts to do so have been labeled as anti-school choice, "it's probably going to be easier to get Democrats on than Republicans," Yarbrough said.

Yarbrough might not have as much trouble with Republicans as he suspects. He's got the blessing of House Speaker J.D. Mesnard, a fellow Chandler Republican, who supports

the idea of reducing the escalator.

“I think that’s a conversation that we probably need to have,” Mesnard said. “There isn’t anyone that knows more about the issue than President Yarbrough obviously and I respect his judgment on this greatly.”

The Senate president also wants to allow homeschooled students to qualify for the switcher scholarship, and provide an exemption for disabled students to the scholarship cap applied to scholarships through the corporate income tax credit. There is already a tax credit solely for disabled or displaced students, but there is a hard cap of \$5 million, and that’s not enough for students, Yarbrough said.

Yarbrough characterized the amendments as improvements to the system that won’t substantially change the way STOs operate, but will benefit students.

“No matter whether you’re a fan or an enemy of a school choice, you can say if we got it, we might as well make it work as best we can,” he said.

Yarbrough has already drawn a line in the sand on some issues related to private school scholarships, and warned that he won’t tolerate certain amendments as part of a compromise, and promised to pull the plug on negotiations if lawmakers insist on them.

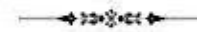
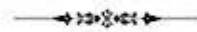
That includes efforts to reduce the administrative fee that STOs keep to pay for operations. STOs – like the one Yarbrough ran until last week – may keep up to 10 percent of contributions from corporations claiming tax credits to pay for staff and other expenses.

Yarbrough retired December 29 from his post at the Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization, one of the oldest STOs in the state.

Reducing that amount would increase the amount required to go toward scholarships for students, which is currently 90 percent of contributions. That measure was part of Coleman’s 2017 bill to reduce the escalator. Yarbrough said it’s a non-starter.

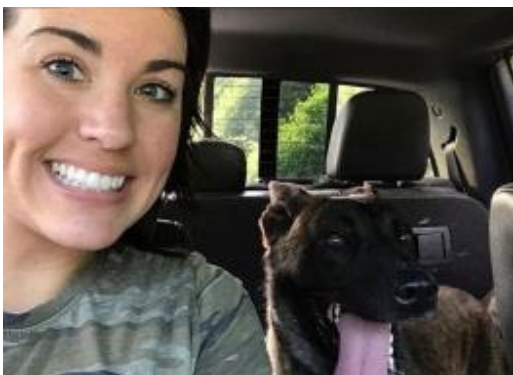
Yarbrough also doesn’t want to change anything about the two individual tax credits available for STOs.

“If people want to throw those into the mix, this is probably all dead, because I’m happy with the status quo,” Yarbrough said, adding that he’d recruit the necessary 11 votes to hold the line and block any efforts to add those change



Tombstone: the trophy everyone gets for participating in life.

Tiffany Yarbrough



Tiffany Yarbrough, a former Fort Gibson officer is fighting to keep her K-9 partner. She resigned in October under an agreement they would stay on as reserves. That never happened and now the city wants the dog back. Bullet the dog is the former officers' partner of four years.

In their first year, the duo got \$88,000 in drugs off the streets. Now, the city is threatening to put Bullet up for a surplus bid. "I mean you're with them 24/7. They're in the car with you every call that you go on, he's riding shotgun. You just develop a bond with him almost like it's your child," said Former Officer Yarbrough.

Yarbrough turned her badge in last fall to brew a new dream. "I happened to walk in one day and asked if they would be interested in selling ... and two weeks later I purchased the coffee shop," said Yarbrough. But she wouldn't have left the daily grind for this grind if it meant Bullet was on the line. "He's bonded with me, and he's not going to understand being ripped apart from me and given to somebody else," she said. Yarbrough said they were supposed to stay on as reserves, but the reserve patrol car was pulled for a full-time officer and now the police department doesn't want a K-9.

"The past precedent of the town, not once has a handler ever lost his dog. The dog, every dog up until now, has been retired to their handler," said Yarbrough. The City Administrator would not do an interview, but she did claim there's a state statute that says any K-9 officer is personal property, so it's an asset to the town.

"Bullet is not an item. Something with a heartbeat that has a bond and is a living, breathing thing, just to me isn't an item," said Yarbrough. She said putting her partner in crime up for sale isn't just wrong, it's dangerous. "If a child stepped in and tried to take his toy, he would maul that child. And that's a liability that I can't believe is even being questioned," she said.

She's been paying for Bullet's food, vet bills, and medicine. She's even ready to pay for thousands of dollars in needed dental surgery.

Steve Yarborough

After months of planning, some white lies and community support help create a once-in-a-lifetime night for the custodian of Maryville, Tennessee, High School. Expecting to clean up after an event at Fairview Methodist Church in Maryville, Steve Yarborough never thought he would be greeted by nearly 100 friends, students, and community members all waiting to celebrate him.

"It's wonderful. It shows the closeness of this community and the way that these students,

and the teachers, how close. What kind of a bond they have - how they care," said Yarborough. Pastor Roger Murphy told Yarborough there was a job, but really, Murphy organized an event with live music, prayers and a dedication video in Yarborough's honor. The goal was to remind Yarborough he was loved.

"We just wanted to overwhelm him with love," said Josh Rouse, a senior at Maryville High School. Rouse says the event was an "agape attack," or an attack of God's love.

Yarborough works two jobs every day. Students and faculty at Maryville High School say his positive attitude is what inspires them to be better and do better. "To keep in mind the small people, the people behind the scenes, the people you wouldn't regularly think of. Praise them with the little things," said Audra Esterday, a senior at William Blount High School.

The night's culmination was giving Yarborough financial support to go home with. The group raised \$2,000 for him to take as "a reminder of God's love." "It's great, I guess really and truly, that they make the impact on me," Yarborough said.



Emma Yarbro

Emma Yarber, daughter of B. Keith and Donna Yarber, Lexington, KY, has been a volleyball star since entering high school. She helped Henry Clay High School to four District 42 titles, three Region 11 Championships and a Kentucky State Runner-up finish in 2016 ... two time Second Team All-State selection ... two time All-District 42 selection ... two time AAU Academic All-American and a KHSAA Academic All-State Honorable Mention selection in 2014 ... averaged 6.25 assists per set over four seasons. If that's not enough, she was named to PrepVolleyball.com Senior Aces Top 250.

Emma is a sophomore at Western Michigan University, where she is majoring in Business. Last year, she appeared in 18 matches ... made collegiate debut in 3-1 win over Northern Illinois and had a career-high 11 assists in win at Akron ... had eight assists and career-high 10 digs in win at Kent State.



Family Reunion: a sometimes effective means of birth control.



In Memoriam



Catherine Jenrath Yarbrough⁴

Catherine Jenrath Yarbrough, 47, of Huntsville, died peacefully in her sleep on February 20th, 2018. Catherine was born on December 17th, 1970 and raised in Huntsville, Alabama. She was the daughter of Hugo and JoAnn Jenrath (deceased). Catherine married Scott Yarbrough on May 3rd, 2003 in Fort Morgan Beach, Alabama. She was a woman full of life, a loyal friend, and a beloved aunt to Mary Margaret, Anna, Cecilia, David, Campbell, Cooper and Macy Jenrath; sister to David Jenrath (Louise) and Doug Jenrath (deceased) (Courtney). She is survived by loving in-laws, Schuyler and Martha Hunter of Huntsville, Alabama; and sister-in-law, Brooke Hunter (Tim Harville). Catherine was a master cosmetologist and hairstylist working at NeoMode in Huntsville for 20 plus years and for several years worked at Gordon & Company in Nashville. She loved her animals, Auburn football and all her friends. Her smile could light up a room and her kind heart will be missed. The author Thomas Campbell wrote, "To live in hearts we left behind is not to die." Catherine graced many with her love and kindness, and her family is eternally grateful for her life and loving memory. A memorial Mass was said at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on February 24th. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations to Greater Huntsville Humane Society in her memory.



Jay Yarboro, Jr.

Jay Yarboro, Jr., age 83, of Scott, Arkansas, passed away Monday, February 26, 2018. He was born February 15, 1935, in Red Oak, North Carolina. Jay was an Air Force Veteran. He worked as a heat and air technician and was a member of Life Tabernacle in Jacksonville. He is survived by his wife, Lucille Yarboro; two sons, Jay (Elizabeth) Yarboro and Timothy (Tiffany) Yarboro; six step children, Judy (Terry) Vickers, Carolyn (Ronnie) Clark, Frank (Mary) Richard, Barbara (Ken) Rapier, Kenneth Richard, and Libby (Darrel) Fisk; three grandchildren, Ella Yarboro, Joshua Yarboro and Alexis Yarboro; two great-grandchildren; 17 step grandchildren, 16 step great-grandchildren, four step great great-grandchildren; and a sister, Peggy Stancil of North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Alvin Stancil. He was known as "Jaybo" to his grandchildren and other family members. Visitation was Friday, March 2, at with services following at Griffin Leggett Rest Hills, 7724 Landers Road, North Little Rock.



⁴ Catherine was the wife of YNGHA member Scott Yarbrough. The YNGHA extends its sympathy to Scott and his family on their loss.

Jerry Yarboro, Sr.

Jerry Gale Yarboro Sr., 72, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2017, at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital. Mr. Yarboro was born Jan. 31, 1944, in Wilkes County to Ossie and Roxie Jolly Yarboro. Mr. Yarboro was a member of Maple Springs Baptist Church and the former pastor of Bear Creek Baptist Church in Fairview, New Hope Baptist Church in Hamptonville and Shady Grove Baptist Church in Statesville. Jerry also had a radio ministry for over 30 years. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Vanice Kennedy. Survivors include his darling wife of 54 years, Judy Sidden Yarboro of the home; sons, Jerry Yarboro Jr. and wife Robin of State Road and Terry Yarboro of Statesville and special friend Clarissa; daughters, Tabitha McCann and husband Jimmy of Elkin and Amanda Stewart and husband Chris of Yadkinville; brother, Jimmy Yarboro and wife Carol of Gun Barrel City, Texas; sisters, Magdalene Horton of King and Lula Mae Johnson of Elkin; grandchildren, Josh Yarboro, Zack Yarboro, Autumn McCann Willey, Katelin Yarboro, Calvin Yarboro, Breanna Stewart, Dillon McCann, Coy Yarboro and Eyra Mae Stewart; great-grandson, Charlie Gale Yarboro. Funeral services were Friday, Jan. 27, 2017, at Elkin Funeral Service Chapel with Brother Roger Holland, Brother Larry Adams and Brother Curtis Ponder officiating. Burial followed at Maple Springs Baptist Church cemetery. The family received friends Thursday at Elkin Funeral Service.

June B Yarbrough

Mrs. June B. Yarbrough, 81, of Dora, Alabama, passed away March 24, 2018. She married Kenneth F. Yarbrough in 1956, and they worked together to build the Yarbrough Produce Company. She retired from the company in 2006, and traveled, collected rocks, as well as spending time reading, working crossword puzzles and working in her yard. Mrs. Yarbrough was also active in her church, all the while loving her family.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth, her parents, Wesley and Lennie Blackmon; brothers J. W. and Gerald Blackmon. She is survived by her son, Kenneth; daughter Teresa Allen; brother James Blackmon, sisters Joyce Hill and Doris Caputo; grandchildren and great-grand-children. Services were held Tuesday, March 27, 2018, following visitation at Ridout's Southern Heritage Funeral Home. Interment was at the Southern Heritage Cemetery,

Mary Magdalene Yarbrough



Mrs. Mary Magdalene Yarbrough, age 86, of Arab, passed away on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at her residence. She was born December 19, 1931 to Daniel Cummings Hughes and Mima Pearl Hill Hughes. She was a homemaker and married to Mr. Clyde Autry Yarbrough for 68 years, they have lived in the Arab area since 1962.

She enjoyed genealogy, collecting and scrapbooking photos and spending time with her grandchildren. Mrs. Yarbrough was a

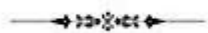
member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Guntersville.

She is survived by her husband: Clyde A. Yarbrough; sons & daughters-in-law, Greg Yarbrough and Vickie, Ethan Yarbrough and Vicky; daughters and sons-in-law: Jolene Suttles and Bob, Reba Kelly, Lisa VanSandt and Forrest and Cathy Haynes; brother and sister-in-law: Harvey Hughes and Linda; sisters: Martha Siskey, Violet Dickerson and Mona Wade; sixteen grandchildren; thirty great grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews and many other friends.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel with Ken Jex, officiating. Burial was in Arab Memorial Cemetery with Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Pallbearers were Al Dyson, Cory Yarbrough, Robert Suttles, Jesse Clanton, Andrew Yarbrough, Bryan Kelly, Daniel Clanton, Clifton Suttles and Allen VanSandt.

Visitation was Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel prior to the service.



Roy Yarber

Lee Roy Yarber, age 74, of Knoxville, formerly of Harriman and Crossville, passed away Tuesday evening, March 27, 2018 at his home surrounded by his family



Lee Roy was a member of New Life Baptist Church. He was former owner of Yarber Carpet for over thirty years. Lee Roy is preceded in death by his infant son, Gregory Yarber; parents, Ralph Yarber and Pearl Simpson Yarber; sister, Evelyn Yarber; brothers, James "J E" Yarber and Ron Yarber.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Angie Yarber; daughter and son-in-law, Vickie and Billy Clabough; son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Lisa Yarber all of Knoxville; grandchildren, Jeffrey Yarber Jr. and wife April, Justin Yarber and wife, Shawna, Eric Tipton; several great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter; brother, Jack Yarber and wife Shirley; sister, Delores Grayson and husband, Bobby all of Knoxville; several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Highland Memorial Cemetery on Sutherland Avenue for graveside services.



Ancestry.com: Facebook for dead people.

Pat Dunsworth Yarbrough

Pat Dunsworth Yarbrough passed away Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in Lubbock. She was born November 23, 1936 in Portales, New Mexico to Benjamin Evans and Margueritte (Cheairs) Dunsworth. She married Melvin Yarbrough in Portales, New Mexico on April 5, 1962.

Pat was the third youngest of 13 children. She and Melvin were married for 47 years before he died in 2010. They had 3 children, Mark, Michael and Leann, and farmed in Morton. Pat attended the First Baptist Church of Morton, New Life Ministries Church in Morton and Cornerstone Bible Church in Lubbock. She greatly enjoyed her time with her Bible study friends in Lubbock. She is preceded in death by her husband, Melvin; her son, Mark Geoffrey Yarbrough; her parents; five brothers; and five sisters.

Pat is survived by her son, Michael Yarbrough of Lubbock, Texas; her daughter, Leann Yarbrough of Lubbock, Texas; her brother, Ken Dunsworth of Portales, New Mexico; and her sister, Doris Marie Martin of Logan, New Mexico.

Yarborough Trivia -- Conisbrough Castle⁵

1888 Charles Alfred Worsley Anderson Pelharn 4th Earl of Yarborough of Brocklesby Park, Lincolnshire, became the last private owner of Conisbrough's ruined castle through his marriage in 1886 to Marcia, eldest daughter of Lord Conyers.

Ca 1946 Conisbrough Urban District Council acquired the castle for a nominal sum from Lady Yarborough.

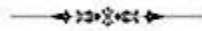
Since this time much effort and money has gone into the preservation of the keep and curtain walls and the layout of the inner bailey made more obvious by careful landscaping. The castle is now in the care of English Heritage whose representatives, The Ivanhoe Trust, manage it and a visitors' center contains items of interest about the castle and locality. The Trust frequently organize events designed to attract the attention of the public to this splendid monument and it is hoped to roof and floor the keep. During the early 1940s the Duchess of Yarborough graciously gave permission for the 10th Doncaster, 2nd Conisbrough Scout Troop to hold a garden party in the inner ward. Over £20 was raised by charging one penny admission and another at the various booths and sideshows.



⁵ - "An Illustrated Account of Conisbrough", by Robert Allen Marsh ,1977. The castle is equidistant from York, Lincoln and Nottingham.

Murphy's Law for Genealogists

- The will you desperately need to connect your fourth and fifth great-grandfathers was in the house where the Chicago fire began.
- The wedding record for your grandfather shows that he married Mary Smith, whose father was John Smith and mother was Mary Jones.
- The spelling of your ancestor's name bears no relationship to its current spelling or pronunciation.
- An elusive bit of information took 35 years to find, in order to solve the family mystery, and your Aunt Tilda said, "I could have told you that."
- You find your grandmother's scrapbook, and there isn't a single date nor a name on any of the photographs in it.
- Your great-grand-father's family bible was sold at an estate sale in New York City last week.
- You find your ancestor's obituary in an old newspaper clipping, and all it says is, "He died last week."
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- You finally locate the courthouse in the county where your fifth grandfather was born, only to be told that all the county records burned.
- Another courthouse has its county history on microfilm, which consists of 16,053 un-indexed pages.
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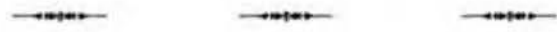
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The President's Corner... Greetings,

I hope the summer is going well for everyone and we all are staying cool. We have had a lot of rain in Tennessee this season and the crops and foliage are doing well, so is the grass.

Several of the Board of Directors met in June in St. Louis for a 3-day work session to consider the feasibility for indexing both by name and county and state, the 160 volumes {The Blandford Series), now over 60,000 pages of our Family and History and Genealogy. All 160 volumes are digitized and available to our members on our website.

We've issued a call for volunteers to help in this project and have received a number of positive replies. These volunteers will receive a DVD of a volume (or volumes), a paper copy of the current index, and instructions on how to index the records. It's not a difficult chore, but it requires time.

There's a draft of the project's organization and guidelines for the project posted on our website and beginning on page 4 of this issue.

We hope to have this project completed by June 30th of 2019. The reason the accurate indexing is so important to YNGHA at present and for future generations of the family, is that it is an invaluable aid to research. All volumes have an index but does not cover all the material in the Volume due to cursive writing, blurred copies, and other defects.

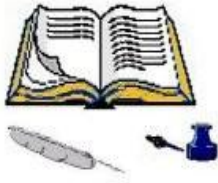
Please call Leonard Yarbrough at 256-590-2486 or email LSyarbrough@hughes.net or me, either at 615-210-2828 or Jim@yarbroughandassoc.com. The YNGHA needs all our members help, so please participate.

Please continue to send in Family records, reunion notices obits etc. to Leonard.

Finally, it's not too early to be thinking of a location for our 2019 YNGHA conference. We have a number of new members, and we would like to meet and greet all of them.

Thanks,

-Jim



Journalings... For some reason, I find myself getting further and further behind. Perhaps it's because I am not as fast as I used to be. Anyhow, I have managed to get more or less out from under the more onerous tasks, which leaves more time for the things I much prefer to do ... such as amateur radio, loafing, family history.

Speaking of which, I was digging through some old letters and postcards from my mother and one of my aunts. One of the letters was from a cousin in Wilhemshaven, Germany. Although he had spent time in the United States, he was as of 1999 back in Germany. Although I am very keenly aware that he may not be with us now, the tenor of the letter leads me to believe that he may be a decade or more younger than I. If I am correct, then I may very well receive a reply to the letter I sent him. I would not bet much more than a plugged nickel on getting a reply, though.

There are now 163 volumes to the Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records. All but one have been indexed. Since this volume is a simple listing, it is in and of itself its own index. In addition, I have just obtained another volume, but I am still searching for the author, in order to obtain permission to reprint. This is mostly about Moses, which information and stories about Gilson Yarbrough, the Peurifoys and Butler families. The book is remarkably easy reading, and I couldn't resist the temptation to include quite a nice sampling of its contents.

The website has again been updated to reflect the changing season, and some of the pages have also been updated a bit, although they may not appear to be any different. Some bookmarked links may need updating, though. Mostly, I've been busy with getting the project to update/correct our indices underway, and we're still seeking volunteers to assist in this effort. Guidelines for the project are in this issue, as well as being posted on the websites. Suggestions for improvements are welcome.

The really good news is that we have had a number of volunteers for the new project, about equal numbers of YNGHA members and of our Facebook Group membership. The Board decided to offer the Facebook helpers a year's membership (*gratis*, of course) along with a CD/DVD volume(s) of choice. Fact is, the offer is good to anyone claiming to be a Yarbrough or from an allied family. If we can get several more volunteers to work on this project, we'll finish in much less than the projected two years it's estimated to take. Hopefully, we can have corrected volumes at the 2019 Conference. The project also highlights an important part of our mission, which is to provide **correct** family information to Yarbrough family researchers. Goodness knows that extant records posted on various genealogical (and other) sites are anywhere from somewhat accurate to total nonsense, and it is difficult for a beginning family researcher to discern between the two without access to accurate records.

— *Leonard*

Project Organization & Guidelines

Organization.

The project team consists of Jim, Hal, and Leonard Yarbrough; Clark Hickman, and Joanne Augspurger, with Leonard serving as the project lead. Dropbox (<https://www.dropbox.com/>) will be used to facilitate document handling, editing and review. To that end, a separate file has been, or will be, created for each volume being updated/revised. A copy of the volume(s) and of the Word file of the index/indices will be placed in each folder. When this has occurred, an invitation message will be sent to the person who will be working with that folder/file. That message will include directions for accessing and using the files. While it is not necessary to download the files, some may find it more convenient to do so, and then upload the completed index/indices.

Generally, that it takes three to 15 hours to fully edit any given index. The time depends primarily upon the readability of the source material. Also, two hours is the most I recommend for an editing session, as the error rate climbs as the session time stretches out.

One of the more prevalent errors relates to the page numbering of the volumes. In some cases, these numbers or off in the index, mostly because there were blank pages that didn't get counted or were added after indexing. Most of these errors are traceable to the addition of the introductory pages in each volume. The obvious solution is to re-index each volume (which is needed anyway, in order to pick up location and other geographic names. To that end, the index for each volume will be updated before being uploaded to Dropbox. The net effect of this is to "stagger" the availability of review material over a couple of months.

One of the deficiencies noted in most volumes is the absence of a family pedigree or family tree. The presence of either would be helpful, especially to beginning family researchers. To help generate pedigrees, volunteers will be asked to assist in this part of the project. As envisioned, extensive lineages are not expected, but at a minimum should cover three or four generations. Ideally, they would be generated by Family Tree Maker or Legacy, but a simple text document is sufficient.

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Guidelines.

- I. Objectives:**
- a. Add omitted terms to existing volumes;
 - b. Correct any obvious errors in the existing index.

II. Items/Terms/Words/Locations to be included:

- a. Last & First Name of Individuals¹ (in this order)
- b. Locations: **Co**, County Name, Location (Place, Town, City), State (in this order); e.g., **Co, Jefferson, Jemison, AL, 173**
- c. Geographic Feature (Creek, Mountain, etc.): **Co**, County Name, Feature, State,; e.g., **Co, Blount, Berry Mtn, AL, 27, 135**
- d. Records, as listed

III. Recommended: Personal Computer with Microsoft Word and Adobe Reader

IV. Provided Material:

- a. CD/DVD containing: one or more volumes in PDF format, Word formatted copy of the Index for each volume; or
- b. Paper copy of Volume(s) for those who prefer to work with paper and pencil, paper copy of current index.

V. Preparation:

- a. Upon receipt of provided material, verify that the CD/DVD is readable;
- b. The volume(s) and provided index/indices², in order to be thoroughly familiar with the contained material.
- c. Omit the introductory pages of the volume(s).
- d. For each page of the volume(s), record omitted terms, names, etc., that were omitted. Add the name into the Index at the appropriate location.

VI. Index Format. The specific format of an entry into the index depends in part upon the nature of the surname, place name, document title or term. These are as follows:

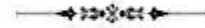
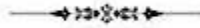
- a. Surname: Last Name, First Name (initial of second given name is optional), page number; e.g. **Phillips, William, 150** or **Seale, Anthony, 58, 62, 193**
- b. Place Name: County, Place or City Name, State, page number; e.g **Co, Mt Hebron, Blount, AL, 56**, or County, State, page number; e.g. **Co, Jackson AL, 23, 93**
- c. Document Title: title/name, page number; e.g., **Cemetery Records of Tipton County Names – 1850²** or **Confederate Muster Roles, Tennessee, 114**

¹ While the final index/indices may require spell-checking, be aware that many names, including locations, may not conform to modern spellings. Do not modernize the name!

- d. Other Terms: List terms as given; e.g. **Yarbrough's Mill, 97** or **Williamson County Courthouse, 21**
- d. Dates: day/month/year; e.g., **04/21/1842** or **04-21-1842**
- e. The single letters **b, d, m, D, S, M, F, H, W** mean, respectively, **born, died, married, Daughter, Son, Mother, Father, Husband, Wife**
- f. The letters **gf, gm, ggf, ggm** mean, respectively, **grandfather, grandmother, great-great grandfather, great-great grandmother**
- h. The son whose given name is the same as his father's is last name, first name, Jr.; e.g. **Yarber, Thomas Jr., 108** and the father is **Yarber, Thomas Sr., 108**
- k. **"Wife" and Husband or "Husb"** are preferred over "Spouse"
- l. **"&"** is preferred over **"and"**, but the latter is acceptable.

VII. **Take as much time as necessary.** Indexing can be fatiguing, which leads increases error rates. Three or four hours a day is more than sufficient time to spend at this task.

VIII. **Notify the YNGHA** (yngha@hughes.net) when indexing is completed. Also, confirm which volume is desired to be provided in return for completing the volume(s).



“It Begins with Moses”

Leonard Yarbrough

One of the intriguing aspects of the incurable disease *acutus genealogiscism manic tristitiosis*, is that an episode tends to build on previous episodes. In this case, Chad Jones (who is actually a Yarbrough masquerading as a Welshman) had been searching around for more information about his line. In the process, he came across a book with the same title as this article. That, of course piqued Chad's interest, which he promptly shared with several more folks, knowing of course that the itch created by our shared disease would run its course. Until now, I hadn't paid much attention to Moses Yarborough, other than being aware there was such an ancestor whom I more or less relegated to the memory bin known as "as soon as I get around to it." The titular volume was written by Donna Hast Yarbrough, who married a descendant of Moses Yarborough.

The copy of Donna's book is quite good overall, but some of the illustrations did not reproduce well enough to copy, so the following three pedigrees were created from the material contained in the book. As such, they do not provide quite the same clarity as the book's family chart, but the essential facts are (1) there's a pedigree for Moses, another for the (2) Butlers, one of whose daughters married Moses' great-grandson Frank Marion, and (3) another for the Etheredge's, who came into the picture two generations later. Note that the three pedigrees do not begin at the same point in time, and that they reflect what was known of these three families at the time this book was written.

Pedigree of Moses Yarborough

- 1 Moses Yarborough ca 1742 – 1772
 - + Frances Foote Moore ca 1742 – 1807
- 2 Gilson Yarbrough, Sr 1772 – 1839
 - + Elizabeth Hogan 1780 – 1856
- 3 Gilson Yarbrough, Jr 1815 – 1893
 - +Martha Griffith 1821 – 1890
- 4 Frank Marion Yarbrough 1843 – 1925
 - + Julia Butler Peurifoy 1855 – 1931
- 5 Rev. William Peurifoy Yarbrough 1875 – 1915
 - + ?
- 6 Motte Junius Yarbrough
 - + Rosa Etheredge 1877 - 1955
- 6 Sarah Julia Yarbrough b 1904
- 6 Tyre Frank Yarbrough b 1910
 - + Ruby Feaster
- 6 Lois Magdalene Yarbrough b 1913
 - + Buist Eaves
- 6 Annabeth (“Pete” Yarbrough b 1915

Pedigree of Rosa Etheredge

- 1 William Etheredge 1787 – 1848
 - + Kate Lucius
- 2 Joseph Guilford Etheredge 1809 – 1893
 - + Elizabeth Inabinet 1811 – 1881
- 3 John Inabinet Etheredge
 - 3 Louisa
- 2 Tyre Fletcher Etheredge 1849 – 1928
 - + Sally Riser Etheredge 1851 – 1939
- 3 Rosa Etheredge 1877 - 1955

Pedigree of Julia Butler Peurifoy Yarbrough

- 1 William Butler
 - + Mary Mason
- 2 Capt. James Butler 1717 (VA) – 1781 (SC)
 - + Mary Foote Simpson Butler
- 3 Elizabeth Butler Brooks 1766 – 1802
 - + Capt. Zechariah Brooks 1765 – 1848
- 4 Lucinda Brooks Bird 1791 – 1826
 - + Capt. Daniel Bird 1788 – 1865
- Louisa Ann Bird Peurifoy 1816 – 1878
 - + Rev. Tillman Dixon Peurifoy 1809 – 1872
- 5 Julia Butler Peurifoy Yarbrough 1855 – 1931

The following material has been extracted from Donna’s book under the “fair use” doctrine,³ as pertains to copyrighted material.

About the Author

Donna Hast Yarborough was born in Santa Monica, CA. As a child, she lived in the

³ That is, portions may be extracted for classroom study, critical reviews, programs, illustrative purposes; generally with a stipulation that no more than 15% of the total original work can be used.

Missouri Ozarks, in a house with no running water and no inside toilet. Carrying water from the well down in the orchard and carrying in wood for the heating and cooking stoves, Donna learned the work ethic she has today. She understands life on a farm and relates to the stories of the “old days” in Saluda and Edgefield Counties. Her family moved to Columbia, SC, when she was in the eighth grade.

After high school, Donna attended Santa Barbara City College for a semester before finishing her degree at the University of South Carolina. She received her master’s degree from Carolina (*sic*) when she was fifty years old. She taught English for 30 years — fifteen in Summerville, SC, and fifteen in Greenville County, SC. Now retired, she is a part-time instructor at the Greenville Tech Charter High School, coordinating the Senior Project.

Donna and Richard have been married for 35 years, have two married sons and four grandchildren. She wrote *It Begins with Moses* for all those young people. A series of coincidences led to her interest and research into her husband’s family. She says, “It has been a wonderful experience and I look forward to continuing the story.”

Donna Yarbrough’s book is 154 pages, well organized and, as would be expected of an English major, it is a model family record. The Table of Contents and an extended excerpt from the book follows.

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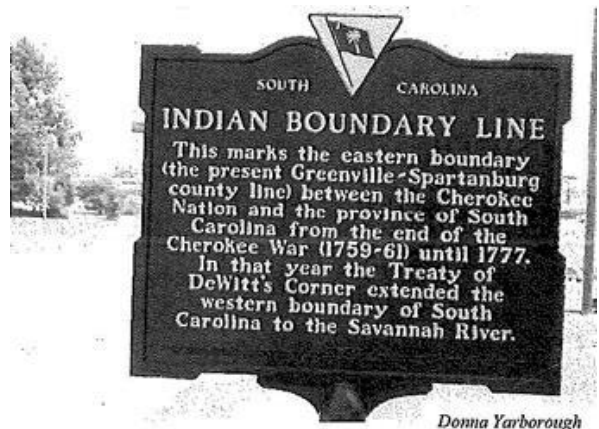
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It all begins with Moses. Since we do not know who his parents or any of his siblings were or from whence he originated, we must begin with Moses. Records conflict about where he was born. Some say that MOSES YARBOROUGH was born about 1743 in Craven County, South Carolina. Other records indicate that he was born in Amelia County, Virginia around 1735.

In any event we know that he lived in the backcountry of South Carolina when there were only four counties in the Carolinas: Granville, Colleton, Berkeley, and Craven. (See APPENDIX A)

In the Introduction of Partisans and Redcoats, Walter Edgar writes, "The South Carolina backcountry began about fifty miles inland and stretched to the foothills of the Appalachians. Until the 1730s, this vast area was populated mainly by Catawba and Cherokee....Then, in the 1740s and 1750s, hundreds of settlers poured into the Carolina backcountry via the Great Wagon Road that ran from Pennsylvania through the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia to the Savannah River Valley along the border between South Carolina and Georgia."



Donna Yarbrough

During the 1760s, the backcountry was a volatile area as new settlers laid claim to lands that had for centuries belonged to the Native Americans. Thus began the Cherokee War, with attacks launched on the frontier settlements. After the Cherokees were defeated, with the help of Colonel Archibald Montgomery and 1200 British regulars who joined the militia, Governor William Bull "did his best to restore trade and keep the Cherokees from starving. In 1761 a treaty was signed that gave the English the right to build forts anywhere and also established a definite boundary for Cherokee lands, along he present Greenville-Spartanburg county line and then southwest to the east of present-day Anderson" (Osborne 45).

The defeat of the Cherokees did not restore peace as outlaws and bandits began terrorizing the frontier settlements. The law-abiding citizens created the Regulators to keep peace, but then went too far in wielding their justice. Finally, the backcountry citizens had to create the Moderators to control the power-crazed Regulators.

During this time in about 1766, Moses married ANN BOURDEAUX, daughter of Anthony and Priscilla Bourdeaux of New Hanover County, North Carolina. Moses was a wealthy plantation owner, and several records of his receiving and selling land still exist. On February 2, 1768, a Royal Grant was certified: George ID to Moses Yarbrough, 250 acres Berkley County on Little River bounded on NE by Richard Robinson and unknown owner; SW William McLaughlin; S Samuel Caldwell; SE Will Bayly. The governor of the area, Gov. William Bull signed the "grants given by the Governor to emigrants to South Carolina." On March 9, 1769, Moses and Ann (of Beach Hill, SC) sold the land to Mackerness Goode of 96 District for five pounds.

When I first read that Moses had land on Little River in Berkley County, I thought it was near the coast, especially since all deeds at this time were recorded in Charleston. But if you look closely at the map, you will see that the Little River District borders the Ninety Six District,

which later became the Edgefield District and the area where our family lived.

Moses received another Royal Grant of "100 acres on N. side Broad River on a branch called Rocky Branch bounding SW by John Rhobuck, all other sides vacant." This grant was also signed by Gov. William Bull, and the plat was surveyed by John Bremar. We know that he also owned land in what is now Laurens County, Fairfield County and Edgefield County.

Land was available and cheap. South Carolina, unlike other states had a generous land policy for settlers. Each male head of household could claim 100 acres for himself and an additional 50 acres for each member of his family and each servant. The backcountry was a land of rolling hills, lush valleys, and abundant forests, rivers, and wildlife. I was surprised to read this passage from Edgar, "Until the middle of the eighteenth century, when Europeans eliminated them, buffalo still roamed. Ironically, it was the buffalo runs or paths, transformed into trading routes by Indians and Europeans, that became the highways that helped open up the backcountry to settlers" (Partisans 2). The buffalo, black bear, deer, and wild turkeys are also mentioned in Saluda's Pictorial History as well.

However, life was hard during this time and, unfortunately, sometime in 1769 or 1770, Ann died leaving Moses with three young children: Elizabeth, Ann, and William. But, Moses did not remain a widower long. In June 1771, he married a young widow FRANCES FOOTE MOORE, daughter of George Foote and Frances Berryman. Frances Foote's family heritage (and, therefore, ours) can be traced back to the MAYFLOWER.

A young woman named Fear Brewster came over on the MAYFLOWER, and she is our family link. She married Sir Issac Allenton in 1626. They had a daughter named Rose. Rose Allenton (ab 1629-1712) married John Tucker, then Thomas Gerrard, and finally John Newton (1639-1697). Their daughter Elizabeth Newton (1685-1763) married Capt. Benjamin Berryman (ab 1680-1729) in Westmoreland Co, Va. about 1709. Their daughter Frances Berryman (ab 1710-1759) married George Foote (ab 1706-1759) on Dec. 31, 1731.

FRANCES FOOTE was born about 1742 in Fauquier County, VA. On April 2, 1764, she married CAPT. FRANCIS MOORE (b. in Va., d. 1770 Laurens County, SC), had three children -- Behethland Foote Moore, William Moore, and George Moore -- and moved to South Carolina where Francis died in 1770. [Frances' sister, Mary Foote (born about 1737 in Fauquier County, Va) married William Simpson. After Simpson's death, Mary married Capt. James Butler, in Loudon, Va. She and her husband, James, and their children moved to Edgefield as well.] (See Chapter Two).

At this time, the Edgefield District was a small, closely-knit community where everyone knew everyone else. An example would be that Mack Goode was a witness of Francis Moore's will, and Goode purchased land from Moses and his first wife, Ann. From the earliest records, our ancestors owned a great deal of land. When Francis Moore died, he left his young wife and three children "200 acres in Granville Co. on Branches of Turkey Creek bounded all sides by vacant land." When a husband died, his wife inherited his goods, but if she remarried, her new



husband as head of the household became the executor of the will. In June 1771, Frances Foote Moore married Moses Yarborough.

Moses and Frances began their life together with his three children (Elizabeth 7, Ann 6, and William 4) and with her three children (Behethland Foote Moore, 7, William Moore 5, and George Moore 3). They had one son together, GILSON, who was born in March of 1772. Moses fell ill and died in October of 1772, leaving Frances with six children, all under the age of 7, plus a seven-month old baby. Moses' will is nuncupative which means it was an oral will - deathbed- and written down later.

Will of MOSES YARBOROUGH, Charleston Will Book B, Vol. 15, p. 357. (1771-1774)

1772, 2 Oct. Nuncupative Will. MOSES YARBOROUGH, late of St. Mark's Parish in Craven County South Carolina being weak but of sound and perfect memory and mind blessed be God for it, do desire that what I now say may be b)' you who are present remembered so that my real and personal Estate be divided and disposed of in manner and form following - first -- I do give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife FRANCES YARBOROUGH during the time she shall be a widow or until my oldest child ELIZABETH YARBOROUGH shall come of age all my Estate real and personal and further that she may have the bringing up of my three children by my former wife until they may come of age or are married but should Frances my wife be married again then she shall have a child's part and my estate both real and personal shall be equally divided betwixt my said wife and JILSON my youngest son born of her body and ELIZABETH, ANN, and WILLIAM YARBOROUGH three children I had by another wife and further at the time of his death my estate both real and personal save what I shall hereafter mention shall be equally divided betwixt my four children above mentioned or to [such] of them that may at that time be alive; next I bequeath to WILLIAM and GEORGE MOORE two sons of my wife Frances by another husband all that Plantation or Tract of five hundred acres of land lying and being on Little River a branch of Saludy and bounded by land laid out to Joho Box, Quinta Hall, Joho Manly and James Harvey to be by them and their heirs holden and possessed forever and that further I desire Mr. Benjamin Waring and Richard Waring on a division of our lands run that my part may be sold and the money arising therefrom shall be to purchase negroes to help raise my small family and them all to be divided with their future increase amongst my four children as is above named this with subscribers declared to be the intent and meaning of the Testator who departed this life only a few hours after he had thus declared himself being the Second day of October at or near three o'clock in the morning and by us the third day of the same month committed to writing as is here set forth.

Signed by us the 3rd day of October 1772: David Cradocks, Frances (her mark) Harvey, Samuel Wharton.

As you can see, Moses made provisions for his three children by Ann Bordeaux, for their children, and living in the backcountry of colonial South Carolina!

Typically early cabins were made of logs, with only a single room or two and dirt floors. Roofs were made of bark or split logs, and chimneys were made of local fieldstone or sticks and clay. Usually there were no windows. Just as primitive were clothing and other essentials. Farmers grew their food and raised pigs, and about the only form of socialization was the church.



Later, as settlements became townships, some backcountry settlers became entrepreneurs with

country stores appearing along roadsides and water-powered mills at falls in creeks and rivers. Still, the farmers were mostly self-sufficient raising or hunting their food, making their own clothes and tools, and trading and bartering with their neighbors for what they needed.

But how could a widow with so many young children survive? The twice-widowed Frances Foote Moore Yarborough married a final time a year later in 1774. Samuel Savage, her new husband, was granted the right to administer the estate of Moses Yarborough as next of kin in the right of his wife. He raised all the children as his own and provided for them in his own will thirty years later.

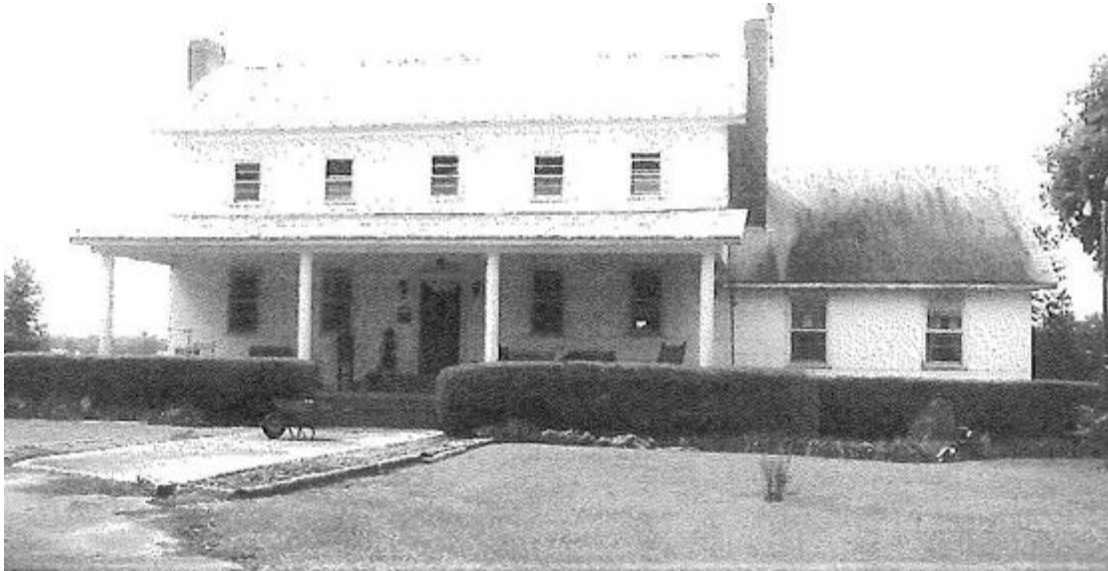
Frances outlived her third husband and died sometime after 1807. We do not know where Moses, Frances, or Samuel are buried. In fact, in Uncle Motte's papers, he wonders if Moses ever lived in Saluda.

William Yarborough, Moses' eldest son, married Mary Brooks and had ten children. He was a tavern keeper and farmer and is mentioned numerous times in land transactions and wills. Two of his children moved to Alabama and one to Georgia. Both William and Mary are buried in the Long Creek Presbyterian Cemetery.

Frances' daughter Behethland Foote Moore (half-sister of Gilson) will grow up to be a heroine of the American Revolution and marry her first cousin, William Butler. William's mother, Mary Foote Butler was Behethland's aunt (her mother's sister). William and Behethland's son will be Governor of South Carolina. (See Chapter Two).

GILSON2 YARBROUGH, SR. (Moses1)

GILSON (pronounced Jilson), who was Moses' son, but reared by Samuel Savage, became a very successful man. He is mentioned numerous times in land transactions with his half-brother William Yarborough. He is often listed as the witness on deeds and land transactions and also as witness to several transactions involving his half-brother William Moore in the process of purchasing slaves. It is natural that Gilson would be a witness to legal transactions as he was a schoolteacher. Several references quote Carwile in his Reminiscences of Newberry, "Gilson Yarborough, Sr. taught school in Edgefield District. In 1803, Francis Bernard Higgins of Newberry District boarded with Gen. William Butler and his wife, Behethland Foote Moore, the half-sister of Gilson, and attended Mr. Yarborough's school. Mr. Higgins had a happy time at



Yarborough/Scurry House on Scurry Lane in Saluda, SC. Picture taken Aug. 2003 by Donna Yarborough

this school and home and entertained a strong affection for Edgefield as long as he lived"

GILSON married ELIZABETH HOGAN, daughter of WILLIAM and NANCY HOGAN on

January 6, 1805. They built what was called the Yarborough house in Saluda.

Uncle Motte described the house in his papers.

It is understood that there was a log house back of the present house. Possibly some or most of the children of its builder, G., Sr., were born in the log house. G. Sr. died in 1839, and the writer's father, Frank M. Y. was born in the present house November 5, 1843. Maybe G., Jr. lived with his father. The house has few frills, and is mostly utilitarian. However, Dr. Barney Slawson, of Archives looked at it with Wilbur Scurry and me, and said that it was built mostly by an artisan, rather than mostly with slave labor. He noted that beneath the mantelpiece, tire moulding (sic) is not rounding toward the outside, but has a pointed edge toward the front or face. The bottom floor was added to by Wilbur. Originally, it was like many Charleston homes, and others over the state, narrow and tall with wide porch fully across, entering with heavy paneled door, mortised, and with wooden pegs, as I recall, into a small hall from which ascended the staircase in two parts and a landing between. The original balusters were gone for many years, but more recently replaced. A story is told that once a visitor in the home fell to the bottom floor. At the right on entering from tire hall is the bedroom-living room, combined, and small closet underneath the stairs. Across the hall was the parlor of the same size. Upstairs was the girls' bedroom on one side of the upstairs hall and across the hall was the boys' bedroom. There were large chimneys at each end and four fireplaces. The house faces about North, toward the Charleston road open up in this section about 1784; and Persimmon Creek; and South and Southeast toward Big Creek. At the Southwest and barely touching the main house was the kitchen and porch combined. It is said that two reasons were given for putting the kitchen off to itself, either or both to keep the odor of the food from the living room, and to make it safer in case of fire. The far- away odor of the food may have kept the large families of boys and girls from getting too hungry; and thus effected a further saving to the large families. The Charleston-Batesburg-Chappells-Ninety Six road opened up in this section about 1784 is about a half mile between the house and Persimmon Creek. The cotton gin house recently repaired is still there; also some oaks and some cedars that are about the same size now that they were when the writer first saw them. The writer lived a scarce mile away and spent many happy nights and days around this place. In the early days, my affection for it was second only to my boyhood home. We ate together and played together and we boys swam together with other boys in Whittle branch running into Big Creek. I make special mention of our Scurry kin because they lived at the ancestral home and were close by. If the house could speak, it could tell interesting stories of the cries of newborns, of the smiles and laughter of children and grownups, of the farming and business activities of four or five generations of families, -- yea, of the weeping over departed ones. Before leaving this, remember that the place extended all the way from Big Creek at south of house to Persimmon Creek in front taking in the place now owned by Carey Hill, and evidently some of the Coleman land where the old gold mill was, as the description in deed from Beaufort T. Y. to Arthur Y. seems to indicate.

As a tenth grade student in Dr. Bela Herlong's English class at Saluda High, Jane Todd wrote about this house for an assignment, The Old Home Place (Todd). It was published in the 1979 Quill, Saluda's literary magazine. She says that the original house built by Gilson Yarborough in the 1800's had two large rooms downstairs and two large bedrooms upstairs with a detached kitchen. She says, "Today the house has changed. Three rooms and a bath were added to the back. The outside kitchen still stands but is not in use. The original staircase was removed during my grandfather's lifetime and another was installed."

She explains in her article how the Yarborough House became the Scurry House. She says that Gilson, Sr. passed the house down to his son Gilson, Jr. The second Gilson had a daughter named Julia who married Preston Brooks Scurry. It was Preston who inherited the home. Preston and Julia had nine children, five boys and four girls. When Preston and Julia died, their son

Wilbur Scurry bought the house from all the other children.

I spent some time talking to F. G. Scurry and his wife, who live on the tree-lined private road that leads to the Scurry House. He told me that his grandmother was Julia Scurry. He said



Tree lined Scurry Lane is the private drive to the Yarborough/Scurry House in Saluda, SC.

Wilbur had died and other family members had lived there. The house has about 100 acres of land with it and went up for sale not long ago. He encouraged family members to buy it (he bought 14 acres) "so that trailers would not go up." His niece lives in the house now.



Photograph of the Yarborough House provided by F. G. Scurry.

Preston Brooks and Julia Yarbrough Scurry and family

F.G. Scurry shared this picture with me. This is a picture of the Yarbrough house before renovations. Julia is the granddaughter of the builder, Gilson Yarbrough, Sr. When Preston and Julia moved into the house, it became known as the Scurry house. F.G.'s father, the little boy to the left of his father, was eleven when his mother died.

Most of our ancestors were active in the Methodist Church and the records show that Gilson, Sr. was instrumental in securing land to build a church near Persimmon Creek.

1833, 8 Apr. Joseph Rutherford to Spencer Boulware, J.B. Mitchell, Jesse Graham and others -

Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Persimmon (sic) Creek in the Saluda Circuit of the S.C. Conference. The following Trustees: J.B. Mitchell, Spencer Boulware, Jesse Graham, Gilson Yarbrough, Cadaway Clark and Lewis Grant paid \$5 (five dollars) for 1 acre of land near Persimmon Creek for the purpose of building a Methodist Church. This land adjoined the lands of William Griffith. Joseph Rutherford signed 8 Apr 1833, recorded 10 Apr. 1833, Wits: Philip Cromer, M.C. Turrentine and James Rutherford. DB 46, p. 146.

BIBLE RECORD of Gilson Yarbrough, SR.

Gilson Yarbrough s/o Moses and Frances Yarbrough b.16 Mar 1772 in Laurens Co, SC; d. 10 Feb 1839 in Edgefield Co, SC; m. 6 Jan 1805 to Elizabeth Hogan d/o William and Nancy Hogan; b.17 Mar 1780; d. 25 Nov 1856

Children of GILSON YARBROUGH and ELIZABETH HOGAN are:

- i. CAROLINE' YARBROUGH, b. 24 May 1807; d. 01 April 1848, Saluda, SC; m. ALLEN STOKES DOZIER, Abt. 1825; b. 31 December 1792, Edgefield Co, SC; d. 06 January 1864, Edgefield Co, SC.
- ii. WILLIAM D. YARBROUGH, b. 02 August 1808, SC; d. 1870, prob. Decatur Co, GA.
- iii. FRANCES YARBROUGH, b. 05 December 1809; d. 29 September 1811, Saluda, SC.
- iv. NANCY YARBROUGH, b. 08 January 1811; m. GILSON GRANT.
- v. HARRIOTT YARBROUGH, b. 14 March 1812; d. 19 November 1848, Saluda, SC; m. JAMES L. MOSLEY GILDER, Aft. 1839.
- vi. GEORGE MOSES YARBROUGH, b. 17 September 1813; d. 06 April 1880, Edgefield Co, SC; m. (1) ELVIRA PERRY; b. Abt. 1821, SC; d. 29 October 1855; m. (2) CAROLINE BLACK, 09 October 1856, Edgefield Co, SC; b. 1819, Edgefield Co, SC.
- vii. GILSON YARBROUGH, b. 04 January 1815; d. 26 October 1893, Saluda Co, SC-bur. Butler Methodist Ch. Cem.
- viii. ELIZABETH YARBROUGH, b.16 March 1816; d. 30 June 1831, Saluda, SC.
- ix. BEHETHLAND S. YARBROUGH, b. 30 January 1818, SC; d. Aft. 1880.
- x. JULIAN YARBROUGH, b. 08 March 1820; d. 07 February 1834, Saluda, SC.
- xi. BEAUFORTT. YARBROUGH, b. 23 May 1821; d. 19 April 1880, Edgefield Co, SC.
- xii. ARTHUR YARBROUGH, b. 21 September 1823; m. ROSANNAH, Abt. 1850.

**In 1960, the Bible of Gilson Yarbrough, Sr. was owned by Mrs. C. C. Evans, 4043 North Ivy Rd. N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. It was copied by the late Allene Dozier, formerly a librarian of the S. C. Supreme Court Library in Columbia, SC.*

Gilson Yarbrough's Will is included in its entirety. (The original Will is Appendix B. See how difficult it is for researchers to transcribe these documents) Gilson's will indicates that he was a

wealthy man.

1839 24 Jan. Gilson Yarbrough of Edgefield Co. SC signs Will; proved 25 Mar 1839.

In the name of God Amen. I, Gilson Yarbrough, planter of the District and State aforesaid being in ill health but of a sound & discerning mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this as my last will and testament.

1st. I give bequeath & devise unto my wife Elizabeth Yarbrough the following property, all my real estate and the stock of horses (except those specifically given hereafter) & all the stock of cows hogs & of every other description also the plantation tools & essentials, household & kitchen furniture & the following negroes (to wit) Nan Sue Jim Chane Esse Rose & Jude to have & to hold the same during her natural life or widowhood; with this exception that it shall be her privilege & it is required of her to give off & deliver to each one of my children as they respectively arrive at age (that have not as yet received such articles) beds furniture & stock with the view & for the express purpose of making each one of my children equal in that respect to those of my children which have hitherto received such articles. Also I give unto my wife Elizabeth all the moneys & interest whatsoever that is now coming to me from her father & mother William & Nancy Hogans' estate (with the exception of two hundred dollars to be disposed of hereafter) to have & to hold forever.

2. I give & bequeath to my daughter Caroline Dozier the following negroes Cynthia & her child that are now in her possession & a negro boy Henry to have & to hold the same to her & her heirs.

3. I bequeath to my daughter Nancy Grant two negroes Harriet & Mary & their increase to have & to hold the same during her natural life and after her death to go over & be divided among her succeeding children. The children of a dec'd child if there should be such to represent & to take collectively what their parent would have taken.

4. I give & bequeath to my son George two negroes Clarlee & Millege and three hundred dollars which he has already received & also two hundred dollars to be paid him from William & Nancy Hogans' estate when the moneys shall be collected from said estate to have & to hold the same to him & his heirs.

5. I give & bequeath to my daughter Harriet four negroes Sarah, Luizar, Charlotte & Jane to have & to hold the same to her & her heirs.

6. I give & bequeath to my son Gilson two negroes Jourdan & Suck to have & to hold the same to him & his heirs.

7. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Behethland four negroes Eliza, Amanda, George & Mike to have & to hold the same to her & her heirs.

8. I give & bequeath to my son Beaufort three negroes Daniel, Mariah & Sesor to have & to hold the same to him & his heirs.

9. I give & bequeath to my son Arthur three negroes Oliver, Nance & John to him & his heirs forever. The negroes & property left to my last two sons is to be kept by their mother until they attain to the age of twenty one years for their support & education & I do hereby appoint my wife Elizabeth guardian of my two last said sons.

10. After the death of my wife or the termination of her widowhood I devise to my three children William, George & Gilson all that tract of land devised to me by my brother William Moore &

then to my son William which said lands have been surrendered & released to me by my said son thereby making me the absolute owner of the same and also the residue of all that parcel or tract of land joining the above the whole together including the whole of my lauds on the south side of a dividing line run by John Chapman Esq. to Rials branch with the view of making the branch the line from the red oak corner to the line throwing the spring on the north of this division as may be seen by the last plat of my land containing on the south side six hundred & fifty four acres; to have & to hold the same to them & their heirs forever share & share alike as tenants in common & not as joint tenants.

11. The rest & residue of my lands after my wife's death or marriage I devise as follows: I wish one hundred acres to be laid off to my daughter Nancy Grant whenever she shall see proper to settle thereon. The one hundred acres to be taken off on the N.W. extremely adjoining William Griffith's lauds. others of my lands lying on the North side of the dividing line as before described the whole of said tract together containing five hundred & eleven acres to have & to hold the same to her for life & afterwards to go as the personal property bequeathed to her and the remaining portion of said lands of which the hundred acres have been taken from I devise to my two sons Beaufort & Arthur share & share alike to have & to hold the same to them & their heirs forever.

And with a view of making each one of my daughters Caroline Harriet & Bethelaud's share equal to those of their brothers, I wish them to have two hundred dollars each over & above their general distribution of the personal property which shall remain at the death of my wife or the termination of her widowhood upon which event I direct that the residue of my estate not specifically disposed of to be divided among all my children share & share alike The share of my son William to be given him during his life & then to his children the children of a deceased child to represent their parent in all such respects. I hereby nominate & appoint my friend Richard Coleman, my wife Elizabeth Yarbrough & George Yarbrough my son executors of this my last will whereby I revoke all other wills which I may have made.

In testimony of this being my last will & testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 24th day of January in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine and sixty third year of American Independence. /s/ Gilson Yarbrough. Wits: Joseph Griffith, James Rutherford, Richard Ellis. Recorded in Will Book D, p. 80 10 April 1839. O. Towles O.E.D. Box 32, pkg 1159.

- Receipt data in file:

Allen Dozier signed receipt for his wife Caroline Dozier Gilson Grant signed receipt for his wife Nancy Grant Beaufort Yarbrough signed as M.D. in Dadeville, AL Arthur Yarbrough signed as a resident of GA

William Yarbrough signed as a resident of GA

Harriett Yarbrough signed as Mrs. Harriett Gilder

William Culbreath signed for his wife Behethland Culbreath George Yarbrough signed as M.D. of Walhalla, SC

Gilson Yarbrough signed as a resident of Edgefield Co, SC

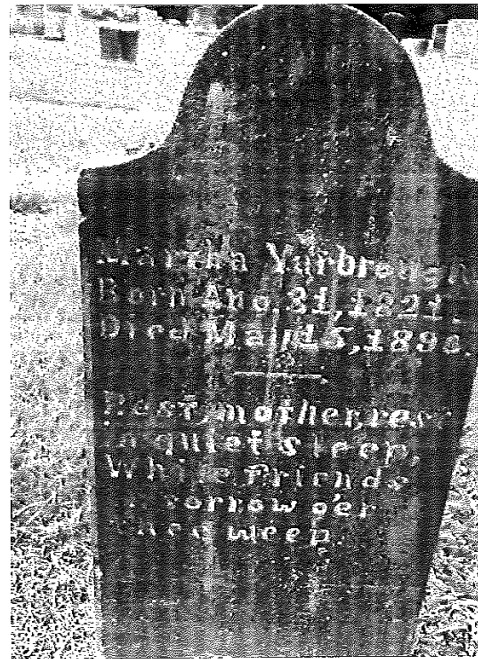
To give you an idea of some of the items needed and purchased during that time, here is a list from the account of Mrs. Gilson Yarbrough at Coleman and ----- [name torn], Edgefield Co., 1868-1870.

1 bottle Queens Delight	\$1.00	2 yds. Veiling	1.50
1/8 lt. Indigo	.25	1 pr. Ladies Hose	.40
5 prs. Boy's pants	6/25	1 pr. Ladies Cloth gaiters	3.00
1 pr. Shoes	2.25	1 Wool Hat	1.75
1 boy's hat	1.25	Letter paper	.12 1/2
1 pr. Ladies hose	.25	1 pr. Scissors & 3 yds. Linen	3.00
14 yds. Calico	2.61	1 card rice buttons	.25
1 stamp	.03	1 preserve dish	.70
2 ladies hats	9.00	2 sundowns	3.00
10 yds. Muslin & 3 yds. Trimming	5.25	1 P. L Fan	.15
4 Bch Braid & 1 doz. Pearl Buttons	.50	1 Doz. Vest Buttons	.20
1 spool thread & 3/4 yd. Cambrie	.25	1/2 doz coat buttons	.12 1/2
1 Box Lilly White	.20	Leather for hearness	5.25
1 hair net	.25	1 ball shoe thread	.20
8 yds. Jaconet	6.00	1 1/4 yds. Inserting	1.62

Gilson Yarbrough, Jr.



Gilson Yarbrough
Born Jan. 4, 1815
Died Oct. 26, 1893
Kind father of
love, thou art
gone to thy rest,
Forever to bask
with the toys
of the blest
children



Martha Yarbrough
Born Aug. 31, 1821
Died May 15, 1890
Rest, Mother, rest
in quiet sleep
While friends
n sorrow o'er
thee weep

GILSON, JR. was born January 04, 1815, and died October 26, 1893 in Saluda County. He is buried in Butler Methodist Church Cemetery. When he was 24 years old, he married 19-year-old **MARTHA GRIFFITH**, born Aug. 31, 1821, daughter of William "Billy" and Mary "Polly" Abney Griffith. Records indicate that he lived in the house that his father built, the Yarbrough house.

1840 Edgefield Co., US Census, p. 58: Gilson

1 male 20-30

1 female 15 -20 slaves:

1 male 10-24,

2 1 female 10-24

3 persons employed in agriculture

4 4 persons total in this household

Just a short ten years later in the 1850 Census, p. 166, his family had grown considerably:

Yarborough, Gilson	35 Farmer
Martha	29
George	10
John	08
Francis	07
Mary Dau	04
Elizabeth Dau	03
Caroline Dau	01

Gilson and Martha had ten children.

Children of GILSON YARBROUGH and MARTHA GRIFFITH are:

- i. GEORGE MILTON YARBROUGH, b. 25 November 1840; d. 01 August 1879, Edgefield Co, SC.
- ii. **FRANCIS MARION YARBROUGH**, b. 05 November 1843, Edgefield Co, SC; d. 28 March 1925.
- iii. MARY A. YARBROUGH, b. 30 August 1845, SC; d. 26 June 1926; m. JOSEPH RIDDLEHOOVER; b. 22 October 1834, Edgefield Co, SC; d. 18 May 1908.
- iv. ELIZABETH YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1848, SC; d. Aft. 1920; m. CHARLES EVANS PLUNKETT, 07 December 1871; b. Abt. 1845; d. Aft. 1920.
- v. FRANCES AMANDA YARBROUGH, b. 05 January 1850; d. 16 November 1933; m. WILLIAM ETHELBERT LONG, 07 December 1871, Edgefield Co, SC; b. 01 December 1848.
- vi. ANDREW YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1853, SC.
- vii. MATTHEW YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1854.
- viii. BELLE YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1856; m. SOVEREIGN WEEKS, Bef. 1904.
- ix. JULIA YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1858, SC; m. PRESTON BROOKS SCURRY, Bef. 1904.
- x. CAROLINE YARBROUGH, b. Abt. 1859.

One story that is especially interesting is the day Gilson found gold. This is from Uncle Motte's writing:

Once upon a time, G. Jr. was walking along the road leading from the Charleston road to the home when he saw a tiny nugget of gold in a rock. This gave everybody the gold fever and brought in men like Monroe

Harris, Edge Betters, Mr. Peck and others. I am not sure whether any miner came from the West, likely a couple of these were, but I do remember typical miners' caps with lights on them. Logs they cut to build a miners' shack were there as I went to school, but the miners decided to board with nearby people. Local men found work. Prospecting was done and trenches dug. There were two operations several years apart and the last one is the one I remember. There was one large shallow hole back of the Duffie house and one large shallow one a few feet East of Harvey Scurry's home, into which rabbits and dogs had to be retrieved. The deepest one was nearest Harvey's home and was a hundred or more feet deep and with tunnel underground. It had all the trappings of other mines with scaffolding with timbers all the way down, platform, buckets, ropes and windlass. They built a gold mill in the bottom on Persimmon Creek, and the millstones are still there. I remember the oxen and the carts, the ore running down the square metal troughs, fed, as I understand, by water from Persimmon Creek. On a visit to the gold mill, I found a real dime, and I felt sure that this was proof of mining success. Some blocks of the ore about 1/6" the size of a human head lay around our smokehouse for years.

In the latter days of this second operation, the writer was going with Mr. Harris from the mine down to our home to sharpen his axe on our grindstone, which I turned for him in our farm shop. I asked Mr. Harris what he thought of the possibilities of the mine, to which he stated that what they found was genuine gold, but that amount in there swas so small that he was not sure of success

F. G. Scurry gives some additional information about the gold mine, which was in the field across the road from his house. He told me that his father once said that a man's hunting dog fell down in that gold mine. It was a favorite dog, so the man was lowered by ropes into the well in a washtub and rescued his dog. When the children and grandchildren came along, his father had a bulldozer fill in the vacant mine so that no one would fall into it. F. G. says they grew com in that field. One day while F.G. was gathering fodder, he realized that two more steps would have dropped him into that mine, and he made a quick retreat from the edge.

According to *The Family History of Saluda County*, Gilson's wife, Martha, came from a prominent Saluda family. Martha Griffith's ancestor, David G. Griffith, born in 1725 was an active patriot in the Revolutionary War. He married Hanna Middleton on June 11, 1750 in the Orangeburg Precinct. Hanna was born in 1733 and died at an early age in 1762. They had one child, Joseph Griffith, born on March 8, 1757. Joe married Anne Boulware.

Joe and Mary Anne had seven children: Henry, James, Joseph, William, Mary Anne, Agatha, and Michelle. (Joseph is buried in the George Rankin Field near Highway 121.). William married Polly Abney. Their children were Martha, Amanda, Sophie, Nancy, Annie, John, Joseph, Matthew, Henry and Andrew. Martha married Gilson Yarbrough (192).

Billy and Polly Griffith were members of Zoar Methodist. In Chapman's history he tells of a conference at Zoar when the matter of abandoning the church came up. It is said that Mr. Griffith protested such a plan saying that if it were abandoned, he would keep up the cemetery since he lived next door to the church. "The plans to abandon were abandoned and Zoar became one of the strongest, if not the strongest church on the charge and it is still in business, and I think that it is the oldest church of any faith in Saluda County." A marker on their graves says, "He saved Zoar from abandonment." Martha's membership was there as a girl and after her marriage in 1840. She and Gilson, Jr. were members there before Butler was founded in 1855.

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Overall, Donna Yarbrough's book adds to information included in Volume 3 of the Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records. It's well organized and easy to read. As mentioned above, it is an excellent model of how to present family material, as well as being quite readable.

What We Are Doing

A Fishy Story



Kyle Presley didn't have to vault from outside of the top 10 this time to win another Bass Cat Owners Invitational.

Presley and Justin Yarbrough, both from Harrison, AR, were already in second place and landed an almost identical limit on Saturday to win the 31st annual event at Lake Norfolk Marina in Henderson, AR.

Presley, a Harrison native who currently lives in Jacksonville, AR, won the 2016 event on Bull Shoals Lake with his father, David Presley, as his co-angler.

"I think we won by a couple pounds then, too," Presley said. "We had 15 pounds the first day, and brought in 20.75 on the second day. We jumped from 11th to first."

This year, Presley and Yarbrough landed five bass weighing 13.03 pounds on Friday and followed with 13.20 pounds on Saturday for a 26.23-pound total, winning by two and a half pounds.

"(Friday), I thought we had more than what we had," Presley said. "Today, I didn't think we had what we did have. I was glad to have consistent weight both days." Presley and Yarbrough are more familiar with Bull Shoals Lake, but several years ago, the duo won the Cystic Fibrosis benefit tournament held on Norfolk Lake.

"Dad had a prior commitment this time," Presley said. "But Justin and I fish all the team tournaments together. I haven't been on Norfolk since last year's Cystic (Fibrosis Buddy Bass Tournament). We didn't practice or anything, we just showed up and fished."

Teams had to adjust from Friday to Saturday as torrential storms Friday night changed the water and the bite.

"The first day, we fished down in the clear water and caught a lot wherever we went," Yarbrough said. "We felt like even with the weather moving in, we'd be able to catch them like that today. They just didn't bite there today. (Kyle) caught a good one today on a stick bait — our two better ones yesterday were on a stick bait.

"We stumbled onto catching them on spinner baits back in some pockets," he continued. "We ran out of places, so at the last minute we ran up the lake a bit into some dirtier water. He caught one and culled one up there."

Two years ago, Presley and his father rolled off plenty of miles to find familiar territory, but he and Yarbrough didn't have to travel quite as far this year.

"(Friday), I didn't burn but five or six gallons, but today I burned a whole tank," Presley said. "We hit probably 25 different spots today. We usually fish the upper end (of Bull Shoals), and that's what me and my dad did then, we made about a 40-mile run both days, just to get away from everybody and fish an area we're familiar with."

Second place through eighth place of the tournament was decided by 1 pound. The local team of Wesley Rogers and Willie McCord were the runners-up with 23.79 pounds.

"We caught all of our fish deep, the pre-spawn fish," Rogers said. "Most of our fish came from 15

to 20 feet of water. It was different. We caught three to get some going, then we went back in a couple pockets with that run-in from the rain and caught two on a spinner bait."

It was the second time Rogers, of Mammoth Spring, has finished second in the tournament. "It was in 2008 or 2009," Rogers said of the last runner-up finish. "I think I've fished seven or eight of these over the years. This might be my third top five. This was our second time to fish together."

Jay and Dusty Hardcastle were third place with 23.64 pounds, while Randy Reese and John Hill were fourth with 23.57, and Justin Brackett and Jarrod Frazier rounded out the top five with 23.54. The first-round leaders, Steve and Phillip Isley, with 14.61 pounds, slipped to 17th place with 20.66 for both days.

The team of John Walker and John Walker Jr. brought in the tournament's Big Bass with a 5.26-pound largemouth on Saturday, barely edging Jason Krug and Ben Broome's 5.06-pounder from Friday.

Presley and Yarbrough won a Bass Cat Margay 17-foot, 7-inch boat and trailer for their finish. Prizes of \$1,000 were also given to the biggest Ozark Bass, walleye and striper caught in the tournament. Bob Lipton and Kerry Betz caught a 1.02-pound Ozark Bass, Mike Lucas and Alan Ransum landed a 4.41-pound walleye, and Ken West and Denis Ghegan caught a 9.48-pound striper — all netted on Friday.

Chad Yarbrough⁴

John C. (Chad) Yarbrough is a Vice President of United Bank as Vice President and Community Bank Business Lender. In his role, Yarbrough is responsible for growing and maintaining small business relationships in the bank's Baldwin County market. Chad brings an extensive business development and lending background to the Baldwin County with a comprehensive skillset — including knowledge of commercial and construction products as well as appraisal review and mortgage services.

Yarbrough joins United Bank following eight years in commercial lending in Troy, Ala. As a commercial lender he managed a \$37 million portfolio and was responsible for business development efforts as well as construction review, inspections and appraisal review. His prior experience includes branch management and mortgage lending, and he is also a licensed insurance agent. Yarbrough is a 1995 graduate of Troy State University where he lettered in football as defensive end and tight end. He is also a 2007 graduate of Alabama Banking School and has subsequently served as class director and instructor.

Yarbrough resides in Fairhope, AL. He is active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Troy Alumni Association. Chad is also a guide/volunteer with Outdoors with Friends, an organization devoted to assisting wounded /disabled veterans enjoy the outdoors. He and his wife, Melissa, have two daughters; Samantha is a high school junior committed to playing softball at University of South Alabama, and Karen Elizabeth is a 10-year-old entrepreneur and owner of Key's Southern Spice. Yarbrough's office is located in United Bank's Loxley Commercial Lending Office on US Hwy 59. You can reach him at chad.yarbrough@unitedbank.com or (251) 964-7675.



⁴ Chad is one of our Directors and has taken over being the focal point for the YNGHA DNA Project, among other duties with the YNGHA.

Caroline Yarbrough

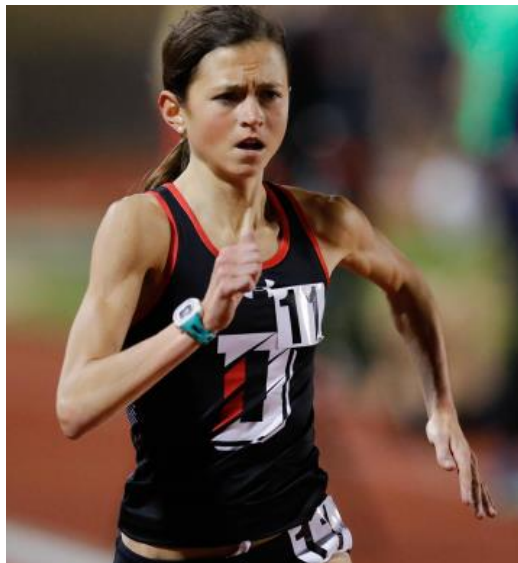
Caroline Yarbrough crushed the school 5,000-meter record for Davidson women's track and field Friday at the Raleigh Relays at Paul Derr Track.

Yarbrough stopped the clock in 16:20.70 to smash the 5k record by over 12 seconds set in 2015 by Erin Osment (16:32.86). Susannah Cate competed in the 5k, stopping the clock in 17:57.96.

Maddie Hunter placed third of 105 runners in the 1500-meter run, stopping the clock in 4:27.69. Her time is a new personal best and she remains atop the Atlantic 10's performance list for the event. Sophia Mills (4:34.44) and Sierra Ponthier (4:46.09) also competed in the 1500m.

Makayla Binter competed at the Bill Webb Combined Events Classic Thursday and Friday. The second-year student-athlete placed third with 4383 points. Binter set the bar in the high jump, clearing 1.62m (5'3.75). She also stretched the tape the furthest in the long jump, marking a leap of 5.27m (17'3.5).

Davidson returns to the track Saturday, April 14 at the George Mason Invitational.



Mallett-Yarbrough

Jessica Mallett and Michael Yarbrough, both of Kenosha, have announced their engagement. She is the daughter of John and Susan Mallett of Kenosha. He is the son of Donte (Adrienne) Yarbrough and Corinna Yarbrough Yarbrough, both of Racine.

The future bride graduated from Westosha Central High School in Salem and the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, receiving a degree in criminal justice and sociology. She is employed as supervisor for Racine County Human Services and a server at Texas Roadhouse in Kenosha.

Her fiancé graduated from Washington Park High School in Racine and attends Gateway Technical College in Kenosha, pursuing a degree in marketing. He is a sale solution specialist for the National Business & Small Business Inside Sales Unit of AT & T, Brookfield, Wis.

They plan to be married on Aug. 10, 2018. The celebration will take place at The Landing 1841, in Burlington.



Yarbrough's Educational Reptiles⁵

For over 50 years, Yarbrough's Educational Reptile Program, of Randolph County, AL (also known as the original "Snake Show") has focused on delivering a fun, exciting, and most importantly educational program. Our "live" show is to share our knowledge and experience about reptiles from your area and around the world.

Our program is not to induce or cause fear but instead help overcome the feelings often associated with snakes and other reptiles. We discuss several informative and safety topics.

- How to identify non-venomous and venomous reptiles in your area;
- Discuss common myths and misconceptions;
- Safety instructions should an encounter ever occur;
- Correct first aid treatment;
- Protection of species in their natural habitats and Eco System from extinction, biodiversity/biological conservation, as well as other Educational topics.



Our presentation includes 12-15 reptiles and is fast-paced with no problem keeping the attention of the audience during the 50-minute program. We bring both venomous and non-venomous reptiles (unless an all non-venomous program is requested) found in your area, along with exotic snakes, lizards, and tortoises. We also include our hand-raised American Alligator, "Sweet Pea", and the ever-popular giant Python that allows students and teachers a hands-on experience.

(More pictures are at <https://www.facebook.com/yarbroughseducationreptiles/>)



In Memoriam



Lou Ann Yarbro

Lou Ann Gay Yarbro of Burkburnett, TX, went to her heavenly home on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 after fighting Leukemia since 2015.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, July 20, 2018 at Lamar Baptist Church with Rev. Tommy Free, officiating. Interment followed at Crestview Memorial Park under the direction of Owens & Brumley Funeral Home of Wichita Falls.

Mrs. Yarbro was born February 15, 1935 at the family home near Iowa Park, Texas, to Dave H. Gay and Lucille Hammer Gay. Lou Ann graduated from W.F. George High School in 1952 where she participated in many activities and was



⁵ Serendipity has been mentioned as helping find (arcane) information about our ancestors. This is another instance where I stumbled across this website whilst searching for something else. A telephone number was given. Rebecca Yarbrough, daughter of the founder of this enterprise, answered, and we had quite a lengthy chat about our respective lineages. (She was milking a rattlesnake while we chatted, and I appreciated the distance between us).

a charter member of the Hawk Band. Lou Ann enjoyed activities of "Old Friends," a group of W.F. George High School Alumni. She attended Midwestern State University. On August 24, 1974, she married George Weldon Yarbro in Granbury, Texas. Lou Ann worked as a secretary for Cheyenne Oil Corp. and Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. until retiring in 1983. Lou Ann and George enjoyed golfing, traveling in their RV, sports events, singing with the Joy Choir and attending Lamar Baptist Church. They lived in Iowa Park until 1979 when they moved to Wichita Falls. Lou Ann enjoyed sewing, golfing, fishing, and flying with George. She loved her dogs, especially her last dog, Bo, who was rescued for her by George.

Lou Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Dave and Lucille Gay; her husband, George W. Yarbro; her brother, Wayne Gay; many aunts, uncles and cousins; and George's daughters, Jane E. Green, Reen Ryan, and Jan Pickett; and granddaughter, Teri Hodges.

She is survived by two nieces, Ann Hamilton and husband Tim of Polk, Missouri, and Cindy Houser and husband Steve of Richardson and their children; George's daughter, Carole Mize and husband Billy of Burkburnett; son-in-law, Toby Green of Randlett, Oklahoma; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

For those desiring, memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls, 4909 Johnson Rd., Wichita Falls, TX 76310; Lamar Baptist Church, 1100 Harrison St, Wichita Falls, TX 76309; or to Humane Society of Wichita County, 4360 Old Iowa Park Rd, Wichita Falls, TX 76305.

Harold Dean Yarber

Mr. Harold Dean Yarber of Wallace, North Carolina, died Tuesday, April 17, 2018 while at Duke University Hospital in Durham, NC. He was born in Guilford County in North Carolina on February 20, 1933 to the late Cameron Thorn and Ruby Johnson Yarber. In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by his brother Norman Gray Yarber.

Survivors include his wife--Helen Louise Kissner Yarber of the home; children--Franklin Yarber and his wife Michelle Hagwood of Greensboro, Scott Yarber of Kinston, Terry Usher and her husband Gary of Rose Hill, Annette Vanstory of Greensboro, Mike Rivenbark and his wife Marie of Angier, Connie Everett and her husband Kearn of Sneads Ferry; grandchildren--Cameron Devane and her husband Johnathan of Rose Hill, Rachel Yarber of Kinston, Luke Yarber of Kinston, Madison Rivenbark of Angier, Harrison Rivenbark of Angier, Danielle Sabo of Elizabeth City, and Heather Keba of Hawaii; great grandchildren--Garyanna Devane and John Wesley Devane of Rose Hill.

After receiving a degree in textiles from N.C. State University, Mr. Harold worked as a fabric development manager for J. P. Stevens in the textile industry for a number of years. There was distinction in his career in that one of his ideas was patented by J. P Stevens. He was an avid salt water fisherman and had a great love for the beach. He received great joy in working in his lawn and especially loved mowing grass--one of his best and most enjoyed activities. He was tremendously proud of his Century plant which he nurtured for a very long period of time.

A service to celebrate Mr. Harold's life was held at Riverview Memorial Park, 9332 Hwy 117 North, Watha, NC 28478 on Friday, April 20, 2018. Officiating was Reverend Chris Jarman. Padgett Funeral & Cremation Services. (910-285-3309)



Bill Yarbrough

William (Bill) R. Yarbrough, Jr., a native of Charlotte, NC, passed away, peacefully, in his sleep on Friday, March 23, 2018, of natural causes.

He was born on September 11, 1931. He graduated from Central High School, Mars Hill College, and Wake Forest University. He was a basketball player, the demon deacon mascot for the cheerleading team and a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. After college, he worked for Colgate Palmolive followed by Stuart/AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals. He was a member of the Jaycees, Sportsman's and Charlotte Pharmaceutical Clubs for years, and after retirement, he stayed active in his high school reunions, Eagle Lake Fishing Club and Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Bill was a wise businessman and investor. He began working at age 10 to help his mother, and worked his way through college. At Colgate he was their top salesman for four straight years. He worked for Stuart/AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals for over three decades. During this time, he and his wife owned and managed a vacation rental quadplex in Surfside Beach for over 30 years. He also volunteered his time with the property committee at SAPC, where he was a generous longtime member.

He was a wonderful loving caregiver to his family. He had providence for God, and was filled with joy, laughter and pilgrimage. He will be greatly missed by many people.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Nell Turner, of Charlotte, NC and his sister, Carolyn Y. Woodson, of Raleigh, NC. His survivors are his former wife and lifelong friend, Jenny Yarbrough; his daughters, Dallas (Frank) Bonavita and Carol Yarbrough; his grandchildren, Madison Bonavita and Joey Bonavita; his half-brother, David (Rebecca) Yarbrough; and his cousins, Nelson (Mary Elizabeth) Furman, David (Marilyn) Furman, Doug (Molly) Furman, Frankie (Lua) Turner, Buzz Latane, Paul Turner, Anita DeAngulas, Tim (Sonya) Turner, and Susan (Bruce) Satzger.

Bill's body was donated to the Wake Forest School of Medicine. There was a celebration of life at Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church Wednesday, March 28. The family received friends following the service at the church.



James Oliver Yarbrough

James Oliver Yarbrough, 82, of 12018 Broad Street, Milton, NC, died Thursday, May 31, 2018. Born in Caswell County, Mr. Yarbrough was the son of the late James Sidney and Sue Oliver Yarbrough. Mr. Yarbrough was the former owner of Milton Tire Service and was a tobacco buyer for Leggit Myers, Thorp Greenville and Dibrell Brothers. He served in the US Air Force during the Korean War. He was also a founding member and fireman for the Semora Volunteer Fire Department and a member of Milton Presbyterian Church. Mr. Yarbrough is survived by his wife, Patsy Pulliam Yarbrough; two children, Susan Y. Turner, of Burlington and James Oliver Yarbrough, Jr., and wife Melissa, of Milton; one sister, Anne Y. Poole, of Milton; four grandchildren, Rick Jackson, Madison Turner, Brandon Yarbrough and Jade Morgan Yarbrough.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 4, 2018, at Milton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Ryan Gabriel and the Rev. John Upton.



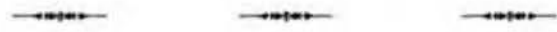
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The YFQ is the lineal descendant of The Yarbrough Family Quarterly published by Mrs. Nelle Morris Jenkins. That was actually a newsletter, beginning in 1961 and continuing until her death in 1963. Charles David ("Texas Charlie") Yarbrough began publishing in 1966 and continued until his death in 1985. Charles H. ("Tennessee Charlie") Yarbrough next served as editor and publisher of an interim newsletter from 1986 until 1990. Publication of the current YFQ began in 1991 with Leonard Yarbrough as editor. Succeeding editors were Karen Mazock, Kent Goble and Gayle Ord.

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The President's Corner... Dear Members and

Friends,

Goodbye Summer and Hello Fall.

I trust everyone has had a good summer and are anticipating the fall and cooler weather with its changing foliage colors and the coming Holidays.

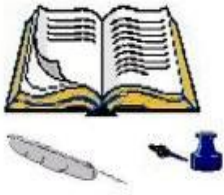
We are working away on the indexing phase of our 160 volumes of Yarbrough Genealogy and history. We are in need of more workers helping with this project. Leonard has sent out a request to our membership, so if you can spare a little time this winter when the it is cold, rainy and snowing and you say” What can I do today since the weather is so terrible”, you can say, “I can work on the indexing project for the Family.” Thanks in advance.... please contact Leonard Yarbrough at lsyarbro@otelco.net/256-590-2486 or contact me at jim@yarbroughandassoc.com/615-210-2828.

Also, if you have not already responded to our survey, complete the survey on page 5. We really need your advice as to the date and place to have our 2019 YNGHA Conference. Let us know of any suggested goals or ideas that you would like to share with the Family.

Leonard can always use any articles, photos and any other family pertinent information for the Quarterly.

Thanks,

-Jim



Jottings...

Fall has fell, and all is more or less well, at least most of the time. It's a good time to pause and reflect on the year's accomplishments and begin thinking ahead about the coming year. The YNGHA has several things on its agenda, and there have been a number of our members who have stepped up to help. The indexing update to the Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records is proceeding, albeit slowly (there is no such thing as a rapid indexing activity, at least to my knowledge, even with a robust indexing software package). This project will take a couple or three years to complete, so it is a major undertaking. Kudos to all our volunteers for helping!

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The next big item is the 2019 Conference, We've a survey posted on our website and Facebook Group pages about the location and conference agenda. This survey is also included in this edition, and we really would like to hear from as many members as possible regarding both location and topics to be addressed. Also, this is a corporation business meeting, and among other things, election of officers and Board of Directors. Several of our directors are retiring, and we will always be grateful to them for their faithful service to our extended families.

Financially, we are in good shape, with a number of new (and younger) members. By and large, since we've moved into the digital age with our publications, our major expenses are now the website and the costs of preparing and binding new volumes of family records. We completed our records digitization project with 139 volumes; as of this date, we are finalizing another 25 volumes, so that we will have 164 volumes of records. As the snapshot to the right shows, this is an impressive array of records. It is also a very fitting legacy of all our family researchers, who so willingly devoted much of their time to tracing our sometimes very elusive ancestors.



The banner of titles and the newly bound volumes.

One of the benefits of having an accurate and well-documented family tree is that satisfying eligibility requirements for the various ancestral organizations (DAR, SAR, UDC, etc.) is much easier. I had never paid much attention to this, although I am aware of my paternal ggf's service in the Confederacy in the late "unpleasantness" of the Civil War. Recently, one of my daughters expressed an interest about the DAR, and after a bit of digging, I found four family lines that led back to the Revolutionary War, including one that reached back to the French-Indian War, and another to the War of 1812. There are a couple of gaps that have to be bridged in two of the lines, but there are two lines that appear to be solid (which is to say, they are sufficiently well-documented).

On a closing note, the YNGHA Board has elected Karen Mazock and Peter Yerburch with life memberships, in recognition of their dedication and contributions to our shared family historical records. To both, "Well done, and well deserved!"

– *Leonard*

2019 Conference Survey

1. Which of the following locations do you prefer?

Little Rock, AR

Memphis, TN

2. Which week-end is preferable for attending the conference?

3.

Sept. 27 – Sept. 30

Oct. 4 – Oct. 6

Oct. 11 – Oct. 13

Oct. 18 – Oct. 20

4. Which topics would you like to be covered at Conference Workshops/Seminars?

DNA Testing – Pros & Cons, Choices

Family Histories, Stories and Tall Tales

Genealogical Software Research Tips and Aids

Other _____

5. Are you an YNGHA member?

Yes

No

6. Are you a Facebook YNGHA Group member?

Yes

No

7. Have you attended other YNGHA conferences?

Yes

No

8. If the answer is "Yes," what was the last year attended?

9. Who is your oldest proven ancestor (please provide date of birth and location, if known)?

DNA and the DAR

The DAR now accepts Y-DNA evidence in support of new member applications and supplemental applications. Y-DNA evidence submitted along with other documentation will be considered along with all of the other source documentation provided to prove heritage. Y-DNA data alone will not be considered as proof of lineage. It can be used as a tool point to a family, but it cannot be used as absolute proof for an individual.

There are three types of DNA tests that are available commercially to genealogists. These include Y-DNA; mtDNA (mitochondrial DNA) and autosomal DNA tests. Each type of DNA test has its advantages and limitations. At this time, Y-DNA tests offer the most reliable means of using DNA evidence for DAR application papers. Y-DNA is passed from father to son, so only males can be tested, therefore women applying for DAR membership will need to find appropriate male surrogates to take the Y-DNA test.

Those who are interested in submitting DNA evidence as proof of lineage along with their other traditional proof documentation must submit Y-DNA test results from at least two test subjects following the criteria outlined in the Guidelines for Using DNA Evidence for DAR Applications.

Family Tree DNA is the DAR's preferred testing partner, and the Y-DNA 37-Marker Test, as a minimum, should be taken. However, the 67-marker test is a preferred test. Family Tree DNA is not the only provider of genetic genealogy tests, but they have the largest Y marker database in the world. The Y-DNA 37-marker test offered by Family Tree DNA includes a designated marker set that meets the reporting criteria outlined in the Test Requirements for Using DNA Evidence for DAR Applications.

Those who are interested in using Family Tree DNA results for DAR applications can visit the [DAR website](#). The [familytreedna website/DAR](#) offers a \$30 discount for the 37-marker test kit. Also, much more information about DNA testing can be found at the www.familytreedna.com website.

If you are wish to learn more about Y-DNA and how it can be used for the DAR application process, the DAR offers an online genealogy class "[DNA and DAR: Using DNA as a Piece of the Evidence for a DAR Application](#)." The course provides an introduction to the basics of DNA and applying DNA to genealogical research along with the impact of DNA on the process of documenting a DAR application.



If one brother is omitted from one's family tree, guess whose ancestor he is!

Hotel Yarbrough

Huntsville, Alabama



The picture above shows the Yarbrough Hotel in its heyday, with the head bellman ready to receive guests. The building is located on Holmes Avenue, which was a major thoroughfare back before the Parkway existed in Huntsville, AL.

In 1923, the Yarbrough Brothers of Huntsville announced in the *Community Builder* that the construction of a four-story hotel would take place, costing roughly \$150,000. It was proposed that the hotel would include 75 rooms and communal baths on each floor. Located along Washington Street It welcomed families, guests, and traveling businessmen as the Yarbrough Hotel between 1923 and through the early 1960s. The Yarbrough Hotel was known as a premier hotel in Huntsville in the 1920s.

According to the National Register of Historic Places, Mr. Brogan of Fayetteville, TN held the contracts for the footing and J.H. Goodwin was the concrete contractor. Plans were made Dickey to add an additional fifth story that would house 20 guest rooms and a large banquet hall. However, this undertaking never came to fruition.

The Yarbrough featured storefronts on the ground floor of the hotel that catered to businessmen, including a barbershop and Hilding Holmberg's Men's Wear, located on the corner of Holmes Avenue and Washington Street. There was also a small billiard room near the boiler room on the hotel's basement floor. High school students took ballroom dancing lessons from Irene Jones there, one of the only dance instructors in the

city at the time. The ballroom was also the setting for family Christmas dinners. The Yarbrough wasn't the only hotel in then, and when the Russel Erskine opened its doors in 1930, business took a hard hit. The Russel Erskine was much larger, featured 132 rooms and stood 12 stories high.

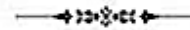
As time passed and Huntsville expanded, the hotel became less frequented. Even with heavy competition, the Yarbrough remained in business for several years before closing in the early 1960s.

In the 1980s, the building was renovated and became an office center. It was acquired by the West Huntsville Land Co., a property management company formed in Huntsville in 1923. The company acquired the ownership of the building in 2002 and has leased out almost all of the space to thriving businesses including Heart of the Valley YMCA,

Community Development, and several successful law firms. Its president, Frederick Lanier He shared some of his insights on the building.

“My father always told me to never own a building with an elevator,” he sighed. “Three months after I purchased it the elevator failed. Because of the hydraulics, it took a while to get it fixed, but we haven't run into any major issues since.”

A proud owner of other historic buildings downtown, Frederick said that the lobby of the building was just as it was the day he bought it. “It's almost fully occupied here and the tenants love it,” he said. “We are like a family.” He gestured for both of us to follow him to the back of the building where we were greeted by a small awning that boasted the original hotel logo, a large “Y” on the awning front.



Old Richard Revisited¹

Richard Yarborough was born in Saltfleetby², Lincolnshire, England in approximately 1615. Much research has been done by members of the Yarbrough National Genealogical & Historical Association and current research indicates that Lincolnshire is the most probable location for his birth. Richard is buried in the old Blandford Church cemetery just south of Petersburg, Va. His headstone indicated that he died in 1702 at the age of 87, thus the approximate birth year of 1615.

The Yarbrough Family Quarterly, a publication printed by the Yarbrough National Genealogical & Historical Association has covered the known events of Richard's life once he came to the Virginia colony in the new world. Most of what follows in the description of his life comes from these quarterlies.

Richard came to Virginia in the 1640's. It is documented that he was one of the original founders of Bristol Parish

¹ **Southern Journeys, Descendants of Joshua Yarborough**, Cleveland “Cy” Yarborough, 2007

² This is based on research by our British family authority, Peter Yerburgh. However, there is still some doubt as to Richard's father. – Editor, YFQ

in Virginia in 1643. During the early years Richard was in Virginia hostilities with the local Indians were still raging from time to time. In 1644 Col. William Claiborne and his militia destroyed the main Indian village in an area known as Pamunkey Neck. As a result the governor of the colony, Gov. Berkeley created a "buffer zone" between the colonists and the Indians in Bristol Parish called Governor's Quarter. Because of this Richard Yarborough's land is within the Quarter and he is displaced.

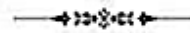
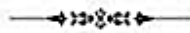
In 1654 Richard is found in Pamunkey Neck when he becomes a land partner with John Ayscough. By this time Richard has married (wife's name unknown) and the first of his two proven sons, Richard Jr., is born in 1652 or 1653. (Richard's other proven son is John, b. ca. 1655). Richard becomes a large planter and begins operating a ferry across the Mattaponi River which became known as Yarborough's Ferry. Richard and his family operated this ferry for a number of years but also lost most of his land in the aftermath of Bacon's Rebellion as it was returned back to the Indians. Part of this land was later surveyed for the College of William & Mary, however I had a co-

worker before retirement who had a son that graduated with an Anthropology degree from the College of William & Mary and investigated the matter while a student there. His findings were that the land that had belonged to Richard Yarborough, while surveyed for the college was never actually used by the college. This land became part of New Kent Co., Va., when the county was formed in 1654.

The Yarborough's continued to trade furs with the Indians and continued to plant and trade tobacco. They continued to live in the southeast Virginia area. Either Richard or his son Richard Jr. was an Indian interpreter and his services were invaluable to the early English settlers of the area. Richard spoke both Algonquin and Iroquois languages fluently. It is documented that Richard went on a trip to New York with Virginia's delegates and Indians in 1685 and was paid for his voyage and services, which were his skills as an interpreter. Richard eventually returned to Charles City, Virginia with his sons late in life and they build Yarborough's Mill between 1693 and 1696. This was Richard's final resting place and he died there in 1702.

Concluding Remarks: The above is about an accurate summation of what is known about Richard Yarborough. Whether he was married before arriving in Virginia is uncertain. However, and contrary to a persistent myth, he never was married to Frances Proctor. There was a Richard Yarborough who was married to Frances Proctor, and records exist which clearly show that neither of this pair ever left England.

As to the belief that most Yarbroughs in America descend from Old Richard, DNA evidence so far indicates otherwise. However, many more sets of data are needed before this belief is fact or fiction, as it now appears to be.



"He who has no fools, knaves, or beggars in his family was begot by a flash of lightning." — Old English Proverb

One Woman's Dream³

I've long since given up being surprised, but I was busily trying to get this issue ready for release, and I was short two pages. Normally, this is no problem, but I had run out of a backlog of material. Nothing I thought of seemed to fit, and in a fit of pique, I quit and went to see what the mail was for the day.

In it was a letter from Marie Schaeffer, a long time YNGHA member:

"Hello, Leonard.

"I have to write you because Bill and I no longer have computer skills. He has dementia, I have never learned very well.

"Thank you for mailing me the Quarterly. I'll add extra in my dues for postage. I always enjoy reading all of it. I have saved most of mine since 1993. I want to donate them to our Montgomery County, TN archives.

"I'm sending you this article hoping you might use it some time in our Quarterly. Our daughter met Hattie Mae's niece, who told her about her 95 year old aunt who still drives and about her trip to DC to be at the opening of the Smithsonian Museum of African History and Culture, because they had used some items she collected over the years. She went online and found this with more about her — her husband Ordell Yarbrough, his father Wiley Yarbrough of Hardeman Co., TN. All a very interesting story. I printed a cover page of our Quarterly so she would have all the info to do research, etc.

"Keep doing the good job."

— *Marie Y Schaeffer*

Needless to say, it made my day "jes fine, thankee, Marie"

Leonard Yarbrough

Growing up in Hardeman County, 95 year old Hattie Mae Thomas Yarbrough, the daughter of sharecroppers couldn't imagine the things she's seen in her lifetime. "Never in a million years" is what she thought she'd thought of seeing America's first African-American president. And "never in a million years" did she ever think she, a onetime star basketball player from Paris, TN, would have anything in the Smithsonian Museum.

It happened. "Kids used to run from me in high school, saying, 'Here comes Hattie Mae with her scrapbook!'" she recalled, laughing at the memory. Now the contents from one of her scrapbooks, the memorabilia from African American

soldiers who served during World War II, were displayed at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African-American History and Culture, which held its grand opening Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016.

When she arrived on the third level and saw some of the things she had donated — rocks sent to her from the beaches of Normandy on D-Day, a flag that belonged to her late husband, Ordell, a booklet titled "Negroes in the War" — she was proud. "I stood there and I looked around at all of the things there and I went back to ..." She paused to gather her thoughts on what she has called the most important moment of her life. Her journey to the Smithsonian began while she was living with her Uncle

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Hattie Mae Yarbrough at the Smithsonian.

Bud and Aunt Sybil while attending high school in Paris, Tennessee.

Her cousins had moved away, and she moved into their room. It had a bookshelf that changed her life. There were magazines and other publications about African American contributions to history. None of this was in her textbooks. “I started reading them and one day I asked my aunt, “Is this true? Did colored folk really do this?” During the war, then a student at Lane College, she began collecting letters, cards, telegrams, photos, unit patches, liberty cards and other memorabilia she got from African American soldiers she befriended.

The scrapbook also contains photos from Africa, India and Europe; patches from almost every branch of the military and many different units; newspaper clippings; programs from plays performed at Ft. Leonard Wood; ticket stubs and more. The war ended

more than 70 years ago, and many of the soldiers she once knew, soldiers who served in once-segregated units, have died,

she doesn’t want their service to the country to be forgotten.

This is just her collection, she said, but it shows what these soldiers did, and that is why it’s important. She dedicated her life to documenting as much as she could ever since her talk with Aunt Sybil around the table that day. Eighty years later, she hopes she’s done her aunt proud.

“... I went back to how I felt, I got that feeling the same night that I asked Aunt Sybil questions and she explained to me how we were who we were. “And I thought about where I had come from as a little barefoot girl over in Hardeman County, slipping and pulling off my shoes when I got out of the house so my folks would not know I pulled my shoes off. I thought about in my wildest dreams would I ever have imagined having something in the world’s museum. I had come a long ways and I was thankful God had brought me through all of this. I never would have made it if he hadn’t been directing my path. That’s exactly how I felt.”

“I went back to where I came from in Hardeman County and how Papa Johnny

and Mama and Ordrell and Aunt Sybil and especially Donny, that was my older cousin, how they would feel if they knew this and could see it. Aunt Sybil would not

believe this.” After five years of waiting, Yarbrough finally traveled to Washington, D.C. to attend the museum’s grand opening.



William Yarbrough⁴

Editor’s Comment: Anyone who has tried to unravel his/her Yarbrough family tree soon learns the frustrations of keeping track of so many ancestors with the same given name(s), complicated by the many spelling variations of the family surname. It is truly enough to try the patience of a saint. Add to that the likelihood of the spouses sharing the same given name, and it is easy to see why many of us researchers may reach for something stronger than lemonade. One of the early William Yarbrough’s is a case in point, given that there were several extant Williams of the times. The paucity of records from that era only compounds the confusion over who was whom.

This account of William and Martha Yarbrough is far from atypical for many of our Yarbrough branches. It is also a prime example of the mischief that improper research or mis-represented facts can cause. There is little doubt that Mrs. Walling was other than well-intentioned. Nonetheless, she apparently mis-read or mis-interpreted her research findings; specifically in her assertion that one of William Yarbrough’s wives was a Rachel Shelby. Raymond Yarbrough and his fellow researchers, among others, provide ample proof to the contrary. The sad thing is that others persist in accepting Mrs. Walling’s claim as “the truth.” Nevertheless, it just isn’t so.

William Yarbrough of
Greenville, SC

It has been reasonably well established that the William Yarb(o)rough who appears in the Greenville Co SC censuses of 1800 and 1810 is the same man as the one in the 1850 census of Gibson Co TN., who is the father of Wade Hampton Yarbrough. This William Yarbrough will be called Wm of Greenville. In 1803 he sold property in Greenville County, SC, and his wife released her dower, and is identified as Patty. At that time, the names Patty and Patsy were used exclusively as nicknames for Martha. Family records show William and Martha were the parents of Wade Hampton Yarbrough. However, in the

early 1800's there were two North Carolina William Yarbrough’s whose wives were named Martha, and who were called either Patty or Patsey. One William, of Anson County, appears to be the son of Jonathan Yarbrough, a son of Ambrose, and is almost certainly not the William of Greenville; the other, of Warren County, is apparently the son of another William Yarbrough, and some researchers believe he is William of Greenville. There were other contemporary William Yarbrough’s, one of whom may have been a son of Manoah Yarbrough, but none could be the William of Greene-ville. Another possibility is one who was in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, prior to 1800, and is thought to be a son of Joshua Yarborough II of that County.

⁴ This article is an abridged adaptation of the researches of Raymond B. Yarbrough, et al. and which are documented in Volume 117 of the **Blandford Series of Yarbrough Family Records**.

William Yarbrough of
Warren County, NC

The William Yarbrough of Warren County, NC, who some think is William of Greenville is a son of a William Yarbrough whose Warren County, North Carolina, Will (Will Book 7, page 5) has been printed in the Yarbrough Family Magazine, v3, No 2, p14. The will names minor children William, Joel, Rebecca and Hulda Yarbrough, adult children Samuel and Rhoda Yarbrough and grandchildren Edmond Harper and Nancy Persons.

William Yarbrough of
Halifax District, NC

Another William Yarbrough was born prior to 1-2-1765, and Manoh Yarbrough may or may not be the father of this William Yarbrough shown in the 1790 census of North Carolina, Halifax Dist, Halifax Co. Also, A William Yarbrough appears in the 1800 census in Halifax County: page 354: Yarbrough, Wm - 1 white male 0-10 yrs., 1 white male 26-45 yrs., 1 white female 26-45 yrs. (born between 1755 and 1774). This also might be the William of Abbeville SC. (Then again, it could very well be still another William Yarbrough to be taken into account).

One more William Yarbrough is found in deeds for Joshua Yarbrough in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. In the 1790 North Carolina Census of Mecklenburg County there is only one Yarbrough, a Joshua who had three males under 16 and two additional over 16 and only one female. According to Pauline Gray, this Joshua Yarbrough was born before 1742, because in 1758 in Granville County, North Carolina, both he and his brother Micajah were tithed. Their parents were Joshua and Sarah Yarbrough first found in Caroline County, Virginia in

1741, but who moved to Orange County, Virginia around 1746 and to Amelia County, Virginia about 1750.

This senior Joshua was listed in Captain Sargar Jones's Militia Company of Granville County, North Carolina, in 1754. On the 1766 tax list he named his son James, so there were at least three brothers: Joshua Jr., Micajah and James. Joshua Jr. was the Yarbrough in the 1790 Mecklenburg census. Joshua Jr. became Joshua II because he also had a son named Joshua. Joshua II was in the 1800 census of Mecklenburg County, but not in 1810. He may have gone to Chester County, South Carolina, with his son Joshua III in 1810. In Mecklenburg County records of Joshua Yarbrough, Benjamin and Reuben Yarbrough appear in deeds as chain bearers. It is possible that these two are the additional males over age 16 in the 1790 census. In 1800 Benjamin Yarbrough is 26-46, so he was over 16 in 1790.

Returning to the first William Yarbrough Sr., he was born on 4 January 1774 in North Carolina. He was in Greenville, South Carolina for the 1800 and 1810 censuses, Family records of Wade Hampton Yarbrough, b. 1809, give his mother's name as Martha, so Martha was the wife in the 1810 census. Martha was born in South Carolina on 22 March 1780, so she could also be the wife in the 1800 census. The last location we have for William and Martha Yarbrough is in the 1850 census of Gibson County, Tennessee where they are living next to William Lewis and Mahulda Yarbrough Sanders, between the towns of Milan and Trenton, not far from the Rutherford Fork of the Obion River.

The children of this William Yarbrough Sr. have been enumerated, (with errors) by Mrs. Ida Walling, of McMinnville, TN. Some independent

proof exists for three sons of William Yarbrough Sr.: In a Power-of-Attorney document, William Yarbrough named his son James of Hardeman County. Then, in a letter from James' son Newton to Benjamin, Hampton and Benjamin are referred to as uncles of his. Newton also mentioned Reuben Yarbrough, but did not indicate his relationship. There is circumstantial evidence that Jephtha, William Jr., Susanna Jane, Mahulda and George P. were children of William Sr. Sarah Yarbrough Howard has been taken as a daughter of William because of Ida Walling's descent from her. There are no known public records connecting Sarah to the family, but the Greenville SC connection can be taken as evidence. Numbering of generations is by Roman numeral, and family group placement is by Arabic numeral, except unknown family group placement is a question mark. The earliest known ancestors of the Yarbrough-Davis researchers are Conrad and Sarah Davis. Three children of William Yarbrough Sr. married great grand-children of Conrad and Sarah Davis. These great-grandchildren are in the fourth generation, so William and Martha are placed in the third generation.

1818, going first to Overton County, Tennessee where on 15 April 1820, William Yarbrough sold two Negro girls to Sterling Harris of Jackson Co. Tennessee. A William Yarbrough is in the 1820 Census of Overton County, TNs, with a family listing corresponding to known ages of most children, except that Hampton is listed as under 10, when he would become 11 that year, but may have been 10 at the time of the census. A William Yarbrough purchased a land grant in White County in 1812, but there is no tax list evidence that he occupied that land. William Yarbrough Sr. first appears on tax lists in 1824, and he bought and sold real estate in White County between

1824 and 1848. He had several properties on Calfkiller Creek and elsewhere near Sparta, and lived in White County from about 1823 through 1835. On 26 Feb 1828 William Yarbrough sold 90 Acres in White County to Reuben Yarbrough, witnessed by George Yarbrough⁷, In 1836 William Yarbrough Sr. gave Power of Attorney to Jephtha Yarbrough to sell property to Thomas Gibbons. Then in 1837 William Yarbrough Sr. gave Power of Attorney to his son Hampton to sell further land. His sons Jephtha, William Jr., James and Hampton also held land in White County. William Sr.'s last land transaction in White County was to legally transfer 12 acres to John Porter Howard. Susanna Jane Yarbrough married John Porter Howard in 1829, and they lived out their lives in White County. The oldest daughter of William Yarbrough Sr., Sarah Yarbrough, married Robert Charles Howard in Greenville, South Carolina, but came to White County Tennessee in what was apparently a large migration which included this Yarbrough family, J. Pennington's family, several Walling's and other Howards.

By letter, Brother William Yarbrough and Sister Martha Yarbrough were received into the Church at Mill Creek, Hardeman County, in August of 1842. They are believed to be the William Yarbrough family on page 211 of the 1840 census of Gibson County⁸, where the census taker has slipped one column in the female tally. On the same page is a William Yarbey family, which is thought to be that of William Yarbrough Jr. In the 1850's William Yarbrough Sr. sold land in White County to sons William Jr. and George P. Yarbrough, but we don't know when William Sr. obtained these lands or if he ever lived in Hardeman County. In 1846 William Yarbrough Sr. bought 133 3/4 acres near Rutherford along the Rutherford Fork of the Obion River in

Gibson County. He sold this land to his son James in 1854, the year that Martha died. In the 1850 census of Gibson County William and Martha Yarbrough are living next to Lewis and Mahulda Sanders, their youngest daughter, between Trent and Milan. It is not known here William and Martha died. Lewis Sanders died in 1851 and Mahulda married, James died soon after Martha, so the nearest remaining relative that William could have lived with would have been son Benjamin, who is listed as living in the town of Gibson, not far from the Sanders' place. There is a possibility that both William Yarbrough Sr. and Martha Yarbrough are buried in the Sanders Cemetery in Gibson County, perhaps in the part that is now covered by a pond.

Regarding Ida Walling's Claim

Sarah Yarbrough's descendant Ida G. Walling of McMinnville, TN (deceased) claimed that William Yarbrough Sr. and his wife Rachel Shelby Yarbrough are buried in the William Yarbrough Jr. cemetery near the town of Toone in Hardeman County, TN, and that William Yarbrough Sr. ended his days living with William Yarbrough Jr.'s family. We know that Ida Walling is wrong about Rachel Shelby being William Yarbrough Sr.'s wife in Tennessee, and there is no other confirmation that William Yarbrough Sr. is buried in that cemetery, so Ida Walling may have been mistaken in that fact as well. She claimed that Franklin Pierce Yarbrough gave her that information, but she didn't make it public until after he had died. Ida Walling had obtained D.A.R. membership on the basis of Revolutionary War Service of William Yarbrough Sr., who was born in 1774 and certainly did not serve in a war that ended when he was 6 years old. The D.A.R. has disallowed this service, as it belongs to a different William Yarbrough (d. 1793). Ida Walling

had a Revolutionary War headstone placed in the cemetery near Toone, with Williams birth listed as in 1766. This headstone should be removed, as it was obtained and placed there under false claims. Mrs. Ida G. Walling disseminated information concerning her Yarbrough ancestors containing many errors. All claims by her must be verified by independent sources. The following is a compilation of Ida Walling's published information. Verified errors are underlined. Other probable errors can be found by studying the listing on page 2 of William and Martha's family.

Descendants of William Yarbrough of Warren County, NC

Several children of William Yarbrough Sr. settled in Hardeman County, Tennessee. James Yarbrough, whom William identified as his son and as living in Hardeman County in a letter granting James Power of Attorney on 27 Oct 1835, was probably the first of this Yarbrough family to settle there. James bought the property of Peter Howard at a Sheriffs' Sale in White County in 1829. On 9 Nov 1835 James gave Jephtha Yarbrough Power of Attorney to convey 53 1/2 acres to Thomas Gibbons in White County, which indicates he preceded Jephtha to Hardeman County. James Yarbrough received a land grant in Hardeman County in 1836. He sold Hardeman property in 1838 to John L. Weed and in 1847 to H.L. Doyle, and he moved to Gibson County, Tennessee, before the 1850 census. In Gibson County in 1838 James bought 640 acres from Lewis Sander, which he later sold to East Tennessee Collegel3, In 1854 James purchased 1333/4 Acres in Gibson County from William Yarbrough. James was the original executor of Lewis Sanders' estate, and had guaranteed Benjamin Yarbrough's guardianship of the minor children of Lewis and Mahulda Sanders. James

moved to Henry County, Tennessee about 1855, and died there in early 1856. In his letter of 12 Feb 1855 to Uncle Benjamin Yarbrough, James' son Newton mentions his father's health and urges Ben to come visit him in the spring. Newton says to send his letters to Massadonia, (Macedonia?) Carroll County, which must be the nearest post office. In this same letter he mentions a letter from Uncle Hampton saying they have bought land in Missouri. Wade Hampton Yarbrough is known to have purchased 120 acres near Columbus, Jackson Township of Johnson County, MO on 1 Dec 1854.

Newton R. Yarbrough signed an affidavit on 11 July 1852 attesting Rebecca A. Yarbrough was resident in Gibson County, and so eligible to marry James Davis in that county. Rebecca Armstrong is in the James Yarbrough family in the 1850 Gibson County census. Possibly this James Davis is a son of Augustus Parks Davis. James Yarbrough had another son, William who was 14 in the 1850 census. It is possible that this is the William H. Yarbrough who married Catherine Davis, youngest daughter of Augustus Parks Davis. A William H. Yarbrough witnessed the sale of property by William Yarbrough Sr. to William Yarbrough Jr. in 1851, and it is questionable that a 15 year old boy could witness a deed. In the 1840 Hardeman County census of James Yarbrough lists another male born 1830-1835 who is probably another son, possibly the Joseph H. Yarbrough who owed William Lewis Sanders \$12 on a note due 5 Jan 1845 in the estate papers.

James Yarbrough was born around 1806 in South Carolina. He was a son of William and Martha Yarbrough and a brother to Benjamin Yarbrough. His wife was Martha who was born around 1801 in Virginia. James Yarbrough, Benjamin

Yarbrough and several other men were named as administrators of the Lewis Sanders estate in 1852. James served in that capacity until 1854 when Benjamin took over the duties.

Probably in January of 1855 James, Martha, N.R. and Eurilda moved from Gibson County to Henry County, TN. (N.R., R.N. and Newton R. are used at various times. I believe these all refer to the same person). At least two older children remained in Gibson County¹⁴: Rebecca Yarbrough Davis who married James Davis, and possibly an older son. James Yarbrough purchased 124 3/4 acres on 14 March 1855 in Henry County, TN. which was recorded 24 July 1855. On March 14, 1856, an inventory of the estate of James Yarbrough was submitted to the clerk. Administrator was N.R. Yarbrough. None of the names at the sale were familiar except Martha, N.R. and William Yarbrough (possibly the older child). An inventory of notes held by James Yarbrough was also submitted. Some of these date to 1835, but no county is given, and the names are very unclear. Newton R. Yarbrough married Mary F. Anderson 12 December 1865 in Carroll County, TN. Eurilda Yarbrough married Lafayette Young on 22 November 1860 in Henry County. According the 1880 census of Henry County TN, 9th Civil District, Eurilda is listed as Childers, obviously a second marriage. N.R./R.N. Yarbrough's will was dated 15 November 1911 and recorded in Henry County court Minutes 31 March 1925. "I give, devise, bequeath unto my son, James N. Yarbrough his heirs and assigns of State and County above said who now resides with me my entire farm on which I live." This being the same 124 3/4 acres purchased by James Yarbrough in 1855. He named one Grandson, William Gilbert Yarbrough, to whom he gave \$10.00. The remainder was given to James N. No other children or

heirs were listed. James N. Yarbrough, 2/29/1876 - 3/3/1933, is buried in the Shiloh Church Cemetery in Carroll County, TN, just a few miles from the Henry County line. No other Yarbrough's are listed as buried there, but it is an old cemetery with many unmarked graves. The Yarbrough stone appears to not be in the correct position according to the stones around it. No other descendants have been found at this point. (1 April 1992.)

Wade Hampton Yarbrough of
Warren County, NC

This son of William and Martha Yarbrough was born April 21, 1809 in Greenville County, South Carolina. He married Mary M. Davis in Sparta Tennessee about 1830, and carried on the business of farming several pieces of property there until about 1841, Mary M. Davis was a daughter of Jonathan C. Davis. She was born in Sparta, White County, Tennessee on 28 August 1814. In 1840 they were living next to Jonathan C. Davis¹⁸ near Rock Island. In 1841 Hampton Yarbrough and Owen Bates sold their (jointly owned) land, originally a grant to Jonathan C. Davis. Then these Yarbrough's and some relatives of Mary M. Davis Yarbrough went to Dade County, Missouri, where Wade Hampton Yarbrough pursued the trade of shoemaker and Saddler. In the 1850 census of Dade Co, MO, we find Owen Bates who was probably Mary's brother-in-law. They were in Lawrence Co MO for the 1850 census, Lawrence County was organized from parts of Dade and Barry Counties on Feb 14, 1845, so this Yarbrough family and that of Mary's cousin Maxwell Davis²¹ were among the earliest inhabitants of the newly established town of Mount Vernon, which was laid out also in 1845.

In 1848 Wade Hampton Yarbrough

was in a partnership with Rufus M. Elsey, a saddler, in purchasing a shop on a small lot in Mount Vernon. The next year Wade Hampton Yarbrough bought Rufus out²³ and in 1850 sold it to Johns. Williams, Wade Hampton and Mary M. Yarbrough went to Johnson County, Missouri, purchasing property near the town of Columbus in Jackson Township to take up farming, just over the LaFayette County line, from where Rufus M. Elsey is the other 80 acres. It was purchased for \$200 from Samuel and Lucretia Cornett on 1 Dec 1854, Wade Hampton Yarbrough's family is in Johnson County MO for the 1860 census²⁶, In January of 1862 the worst in Johnson County of the violence of the War Between the States took place. Union soldiers from Kansas (Jayhawkers) who had lost some of their number in an ambush in western Johnson County returned to wreak vengeance on South sympathizers. This Jayhawk regiment robbed and burned about forty homes in the south-west part of the county. Jayhawk troops were then sent to the Columbus area, but were tricked by the town's people into an ambush where five Kansans were killed and many more wounded. In retaliation, Columbus was burned along with surrounding area homes of some 50 Southern sympathizers. Two of Wade Hampton Yarbrough's sons and two future sons-in-law somehow ended up in Union uniforms, in spite of the fact that they were all Southerners by birth.

In 1864 Wade Hampton and Mary M. Yarbrough sold their Johnson County property to son Felix Grundy for \$700²⁸, but they remained on the tax lists through 1867. They are found in the 1870 census of Bourbon County, where they remained for about two years, moving on to Cowley County around 1871. They are in Richland Township of Cowley County in the 1880 census. Crockett, their oldest son had gone to Sonoma County, California, but the

three remaining sons and two daughters are also in Cowley Co, KS at that time. Their oldest daughter has settled in Labette Co, KS.

Children of Wade Hampton Yarbrough
of Warren County, NC

The following are the children of Wade Hampton Yarbrough and Mary M. Davis Yarbrough:

1. Crockett Davis Yarbrough b. White Co, TN 18 Dec 1831 d. Sonoma Co, CA 2 Oct 1898 m. Sonoma Co CA 29 Oct 1857 Jamima (Jemina) Ann Hill
2. Mary Melissa Yarbrough b. White Co, TN 28 Mar 1834 Rock, d. Parsons? KS March 2, 1906, m. 4 Apr 1851, Mt Vernon MO, Jonathan Freeman
3. Martha Ann Yarbrough b. White Co TN 23 Oct 1837 d. before 1860, m. John Cornett
4. Felix Grundy Yarbrough b. White Co TN 31 Aug 1840 d. 29 Apr 1917, bd. Box Cemetery m. Johnson Co MO 21 March 1859 Mary E. (Bell) Sanders
5. Amanda Jane Yarbrough b. Dade Co, MO 2 Mar 1843
6. Andrew Jackson Yarbrough b. Dade Co MO, 26 June 1845 d. 31 Jul 1904 m. in
7. Sarah Samantha Yarbrough b. Mount Vernon MO, 6 July 1847 m. Johnson Co., MO Feb 19, 1865: Stephen Judd Holloway
8. Newton Leonidas Yarbrough b.

Mount Vernon MO, 20 Mar 1850 m. Cowley Co KS. 7 Nov 1875: Mary K. Stulter (Molly)

9. Virginia Catherine Yarbrough b. MO 26 Sept 1853 m. in Greenfield MO 28 Feb 1871 Charles Thomas Clabaugh

10. George William Yarbrough b. Johnson Co, MO 25 May 1855 died in infancy.

Susanna Jane Yarbrough was born in South Carolina, presumably in Greenville, on 19 January 1812, and died 16 Dec 1853 in Sparta, White County, TN. She married John Porter Howard on 1 January 1829. Robert J. Howard of Morrison TN in 1989 wrote that John Porter Howard and Susanna Jane Yarbrough were both born in Greenville SC, and that in White county they obtained a land grant of 640 acres. William Yarbrough Sr.'s last land transaction in White County was on 10 Oct 1848 to legally transfer 12 acres to John Porter Howard.

According to Mr. Quill Howard, the Felix Grundy Howard Bible lists the following children of this marriage.

1. Matilda Howard b. 11 Nov 1829 d. 9 May 1904 m. 7 Dec 1849 Thomas Goodwin
2. William Porter Howard b. 23 Jan 1829 d. 1 Dec 1905 m. 30 Dec 1849 Mary Susan Goodwin
2. Arlesa Howard b. 29 Mar 1833 d. 25 June 1893 m. 2 Aug 1855 Isaac Willhite
3. Mahulda Howard b. 24 Mar 1834 m. 22 Oct 1857 William c. Elliot
4. Elizabeth Maranda Howard b. 20

June 1838 d. 28 Feb 1864

5. Lucenda Howard b. 16 Nov 1840
m. 18 Oct 1858 Green M. Wilson
6. James Anderson Howard b. 1 Jan
1843 d. 13 July 1844
7. John Denton Howard b. 10 Aug
1845 m. 28 Dec 1864 Susan
Sliger
8. Sarah Fine Howard b. 6 Jan 1848
d. 16 Sept 1857
10. Manda Jane Howard b. 16 Aug
1850, d. 13 Mar 1929 m. 15 Jan
1874 Vance Dires Pistole
11. Felix Grundy Howard b. 8 Oct
1853 d. 16 Mar 1939 m. 28 Aug
1873

Mahulda Yarbrough probably met William Lewis Sanders in Gibson County after the Yarbroughs moved there from White County. There is no record of Sanders in White County. The first recorded contact of a Yarbrough with Lewis Sanders is in 1838 in Gibson County TN, when James Yarbrough purchased 640 acres from a Lewis Sander. However, the oldest son of Lewis and Mahulda is William Lewis Sanders Jr., who was born about 1836, so Mahulda and Lewis Sanders were married in 1835 or earlier. As William Yarbrough Sr. is still on the tax lists in White County as late as 1832, it is unlikely that the Yarbroughs went to Gibson County before about 1833. Both William Yarbrough Sr. and James Yarbrough gave Power-of-attorney to Jephtha in 1835, indicating they were already gone from White County at that time. So, in all likelihood, William Lewis Sanders and Mahulda Yarbrough were married in 1834 or 1835. In the 1840 census, William and Martha Yarbrough

are near the town of Rutherford, which is about 10 miles north-west of the Sanders place. In the 1850 census they are in the next dwelling from the Sanders.

Wanda Johnson wrote that William Lewis Sanders was born 1 January 1772 in South Carolina, where he was appointed constable for Union County in 1796; that he is in the 1800 Union Co SC census and in the 1810 and 1820 censuses of Chester Co SC.; that there is an L. Saunders in the 1830 census of Chester Co SC who may be Lewis Sanders; and that Lewis Sanders first appears on the Tax List of Gibson Co TN in 1836. Note that in the 1850 Gibson Co TN Census, his name is Lewis Saunders. As Lewis Sanders died on 1 September 1852, the 1850 census shows all of the known children of Lewis and Mahulda Sanders.

After Lewis Sanders' death, both James Yarbrough and Benjamin Yarbrough served as executor of Lewis Sanders' estate. In the inventory of notes and accounts of Lewis Sanders (4 Feb 1853?) there are two notes of particular interest. One is a note for payment of articles purchased at the estate sale which is for \$55.50 cosigned by William Yarbrough and Mahulda Sanders. The other is an old note on Joseph H? Yarbrough, due 5 Jan 1845, for twelve dollars, with the words in solvent and dead. This may be James Yarbrough's missing son who was in the same age range as Newton in the 1840 Hardeman Co TN census. There is almost overwhelming circumstantial evidence that Mahulda is a sister of James and Benjamin and a daughter of William and Martha Yarbrough. Mahulda married Elisha Mathis in 1853, and is not found in Gibson County until on 24 Feb 1880 she signed a Quit-Claim in favor of Lafayette Sanders, her son.

Mahulda Yarbrough was born 17 September 1817. She probably married William Lewis Sanders in 1831. Actual date and location are unknown. She is probably the daughter of William and Martha Yarbrough. They were living next door, or very close to, Mahulda in both the 1840 and 1850 Gibson Co TN Censuses. James and Benjamin were administrators of the estate of her husband, Lewis Sanders. Four children were born to Mahulda Sanders: William Lewis, George Washington, Martha H. Pernelia, and James Lafayette. The census records say Mahulda was born in SC, but the family says "9 miles from Sparta, White County, TN". Larry Morris has this figured out:

Census Taker: "Mrs. Sanders, where were you born?"

Mahulda: "I was born in SC."

Grandchild: "Grandmaw, where were you raised?"

Mahulda: "White County, 9 miles from Sparta, TN."

Probably any variation of this scenario will produce the same results, especially if Mahulda was born in SC and moved soon afterward to TN. There is another remote possibility, but for now I am going with SC. The census records say she could not read or write, yet the family has a small handbook of poems that belonged to her. This book also contains the name "John Pennington", and Mahulda's and Lewis Sanders' birthdates. The letter that accompanied her application for widow's pension is signed, but not with an X.

In 1853, Mahulda married Elisha Mathis. It has not been established where she spent the next 20 years. As far as we know, there were no children from this marriage. On 20 March 1878, Mathis applied for a pension on service during the war of 1812. It was rejected. He was 80 years old and a resident of Henderson,

Texas. Elisha Mathis died in Texas on 7 September 1883. Mahulda applied for a widow's pension on 18 March 1893. She believed that Mathis received a pension. Her application was rejected. She obviously did not know he had been rejected, which leads me to believe that she was not living with him at the time and probably did not live with him very long at all.

In later years, I think Mahulda lived with both children and grandchildren. My grandmother always said the "Grandmaw raised me" meaning Mahulda. Mahulda Yarbrough Sanders Mathis died 10 September 1891 in Gibson County, TN. She is buried next to William Lewis Sanders in the old Sanders Cemetery in Gibson County.

Larry Morris of Humbolt, TN gives the children of William Lewis Sanders and Mahulda Yarbrough:

1. William Lewis Sanders b. ca 1836 TN, d. 31 Dec 1862 battle of Stones River, m. 4 Jan 1858 Louisa Pounds
2. George Washington Sanders b. ca 1838 TN, d. Civil War
3. Martha H. Pernelia Sanders b. ca 1840 TN, m. 10 Nov 1856 James Y. Hicks
4. James Lafayette Sanders b. ca 1842 TN, d. 15 Mar 1931 TN, m. (1) 9 Feb 1862 Mary Caroline Pounds, m. (2) 13 Aug 1892 Nancy Adline Porter Reaves Waugh

George P. Yarbrough was born in Tennessee about 1820. If he was born in Overton County, then he was born before the census of that year, as he is a necessary

member to make the census fit the family. He first appears in the White Co TN Marriage Book, where he married on 15 Sept 1839 Celia Davis, a daughter of Augustus Parks Davis. It is presumed that they are with William Yarbrough Sr. in the 1840 Gibson Co TN census, and that the census taker slipped a column in the female tally, so that both Celia and Martha are actually there.

George Yarbrough received a Hardeman Co TN land Grant of 189 1/2 acres in 1848. George P. and Celia Yarbrough appear in only one known census, in 1850 in Hardeman Co TN. They settled near Toone, having property facing that of William Yarbrough Jr. George purchased 25 acres from William Yarbrough (Sr?) in 1850, and 206 acres from E.S. Legget in 1852. He sold 100 Acres to Benjamin W. Yarbrough in 1855 and sold 106 acres and 40 acres to B.N. Jones in 1859. George moved away, but may have sold 25 acres to William Yarbrough Jr. in 1870. At least one of George's children remained in Hardeman County.

Children of George P. and Celia Davis Yarbrough from 1850 Hardeman Co TN census:

1. John C. Yarbrough b. ca 1841 TN, m. Hardeman Co TN 14 Nov 1866 Sarah E.

Tate b. ca. 1845 [1880 Hardeman Co TN census]

2. Mary Yarbrough b. ca. 1843 TN

3. Felix Grundy Yarbrough b. ca. 1845 TN, m. Hardeman Co TN 23 Aug 1868

Malissa J. Lewis b. ca. 1853 [1880 Haywood Co TN census]

4. George Yarbrough b. ca. 1847 TN

5. Arlecia Yarbrough b. ca. 1849 TN m? Madison Co TN 1870 Nathan Parlow

Benjamin W. Yarbrough was born about 1824, probably near Sparta TN. His marriage in Gibson Co TN on 5 Mar 1845 to Mary Jane McAllilly is the first record of them. Mary Jane was born 1 Oct 1826 in TN and died 3 Mar 1891, she is buried with Mahulda Yarbrough in the Lewis Cemetery in Gibson Co TN. Her mother was probably a Delashment. She and her sisters were represented by George P. McAllilly in litigation over Elijah Delashment's estate: Deed Book R, p. 497 April 7, 1855. Benjamin Yarbrough and Mary Jane Yarbrough, formerly Mary Jane McAllilly; Job and Elizabeth Hicks, formerly Elizabeth McAllilly, James and Margaret Cook, formerly Margaret McAllilly, appoint George P. McAllilly, attorney (Power of attorney). Ligation of Elijah Delashment, dec'd. Signed by Benjamin Yarbrough, Job Hicks, James Cook, Mary Jane Yarbrough, Margaret Cook, Elizabeth (X) Hicks.

When Lewis Sanders died, Benjamin became guardian of Lewis and Mahulda Sanders' minor children. When James Yarbrough could no longer carry out the duties of Administrator of Lewis Sanders' estate, Benjamin was appointed to carry on. These legal arrangements provide further evidence of the close relationship between these Yarbrough's and Mahulda Sanders. Ben Yarbrough died in the War Between the States probably in 1861. Benjamin apparently was with his parents until he married, and he appears in two Gibson Co TN censuses³⁴, and Mary Jane remained in Gibson County for the rest of her life.

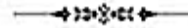
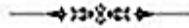
Benjamin Yarbrough was the son of William and Martha Yarbrough. He was born in Tennessee probably 1825. In 1852, Benjamin Yarbrough, James Yarbrough

and several other men were appointed as administrators of the Lewis Sanders' estate. James Yarbrough served in that position until 1854 when Benjamin took over. Benjamin married Mary Jane McAliley, 3/6/46, in Gibson County. George P. Yarbrough was the bondsman. She was probably the daughter of James or Samuel McAliley of Chester County SC. Both James and Samuel died early, and Mary Jane and Margaret were made wards of Richard McAliley. Mary Jane Yarbrough is buried in the old Sanders Cemetery in Gibson County. Benjamin Yarbrough joined the 22 Tennessee Infantry (State Troops) mid-1861 and survived the Battle of Belmont. By mid-1862 signed vouchers by the administrator of his estate can be found. In all probability, he was a casualty of the Battle

of Shiloh.

Children of Benjamin W. and Mary Jane McAllilly Yarbrough:

1. Richard Lafayette Yarborough b. Gibson Co., TN ca. 1848
2. Margaret V Yarbrough b. Gibson Co., TN ca. 1849, m. Driggers
3. May Yarbrough b. Gibson Co., TN ca. 1851
4. B Newton Yarbrough b Gibson Co., TN ca. 1854
5. Walter Yarbrough b. Gibson Co., TN ca. 1856



What We Are Doing

Tommy Lee Yarbrough — More than 400 folks showed up, just after noon, September 7, 2018, to see Tommy Lee get his new home. When asked about it, he answered, "I feel like I went from being homeless to a rock star." The night before found him in a tent at nearby Eden Village. The Village is a planned community of homes for chronically homeless people at 2801 E. Division St. in Springfield, Missouri. Eden Village is a project of the Gathering Tree, an evening drop-in center for homeless people. Both the Gathering Tree and Eden Village were



started by Dr. David and Linda Brown. They spoke at the grand opening. Yarbrough was among those seated on stage, alongside Rep. Billy Long, Sun Solar CEO Caleb Arthur and Bishop Edward Rice.

"I applaud all the many, many volunteers that have worked hard and helped us to make this dream come true today," said Linda Brown. "We are excited to house 30 of our wonderful homeless friends, to get them off the streets so they won't have another winter out

in the cold."

Since the Eden Village project began, 29 homes have been sponsored by families, businesses and banks. Even the children and teens from the Catholic Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau raised money to buy a house at Eden Village.

Manufactured in Athens, Texas, the homes span about 400 square feet and cost \$30,000, with one bedroom, one bathroom and a kitchen. Sun Solar donated enough panels to make Eden Village almost entirely sustainable. The Venues church donated a storm shelter. And nearly all of the work that has been done — from building the fence to painting the community center — has been done by volunteers.

Eden Village will specifically house individuals who qualify as "chronically homeless" by standards of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These are people who have experienced homelessness for at least a year — or repeatedly — while struggling with a disabling condition such as a serious mental illness, substance use disorder, or physical disability.



In Memoriam

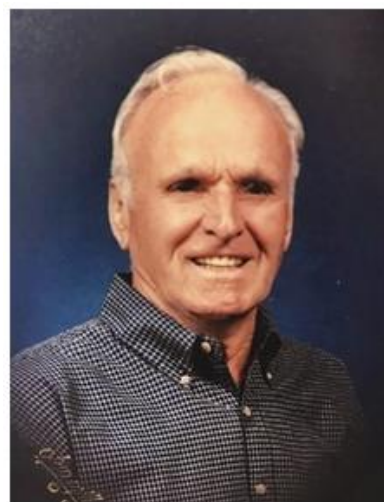


Doug Yarbrough — Services for Douglas "Doug" Yarbrough, 89, of Ada, Oklahoma, were conducted Friday, August 21, 2018 at the Criswell Funeral Home Chapel. Mack Peercy, officiating. The family received friends and relatives at Criswell Funeral Home. Mr. Yarbrough died Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2018, at his home.

He was born May 2, 1929, in Holdenville to Jess and Clarebell Hogan Yarbrough. He attended school at Gerty. Doug married Winnie Marie Russell on Aug. 5, 1950. He was a carpenter and built custom homes. He attended Calvary Missionary Baptist Church of Tecumseh.

Survivors include his wife, Winnie; his children, Dan Yarbrough, Dee Abbott and David Yarbrough; five granddaughters, Sonjha, Jordan, Sharon, Bethany and Mattie; three grandsons, Elijah, Wes and Griffin; eight great-grandchildren, Frankie, Ally, Trey, Payton, Jesse, Rachel Anne, Judah and Eleanor; three brothers, Queston Yarbrough, Donnie Cox and Quenton Yarbrough; two sisters, Hilda Battershell and Georgia Cruz; his step-mother, Ninnie Elliott; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Doug "Sonny" Yarbrough; a grandson, Joshua Yarbrough; five sisters, Lossie Mitchell, Pauline Maxwell, Franke Hines, Flossie Jarrett and Shirley Reeves; and four brothers, Hamp Yarbrough, Corban Yarbrough, Jesse



Yarbrough and Roy Yarbrough. Pall bearers were Elijah Abbott, Wes Yarbrough, Griffin Yarbrough, Lane Teel, Levi Teel, Keith Teel and Kenny Abbott.

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Katie Lee Yarbrough — Mrs. Yarbrough, age 92, passed away on Saturday, July 21, 2018. She was born July 17, 1926 in Birmingham, AL to Katie and Alvin Phillips. Katie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George E. Yarbrough; and her sister Sara P. Mitchell. Katie is survived by her daughter Kay Sumner (Mike); son James Edward Yarbrough (Debra); granddaughter Micah Lipscomb (David) and grandson Matthew Yarbrough (Kellie); and 4 great-grandchildren. Visitation was July 26, 2018 PM at Ridout's Trussville Chapel, 1500 Gadsden Hwy, Birmingham, AL. Graveside Service followed at Jefferson Memorial Gardens, Trussville, AL. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to King's Home at <https://www.kingshome.com/give>.

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A Genealogical Quiz

Give yourself a point if you have ever...

- Gone to sleep reciting details about ancestors?
- Photographed more than 20 tombstones?
- Had an ancestral chart, family photo, coat of arms, ship of immigration (or similar) professionally printed or framed?
- Figured out your kinship to someone famous?
- Solved a stranger's dead-end mystery for free?
- Considered consulting a psychic about genealogy?
- Taken a selfie in a graveyard or hugged a tombstone?
- Probed the ground or used a divining rod to locate a missing tombstone?
- Written your own obituary?
- Created a birth, marriage or death notice (obit) for an ancestor who didn't have one?
- Forewent the sunshine for valuable library/research time (or met the dawn while tracing your family tree)?
- Celebrated a birthday, marriage or commemorative event of a deceased forebear?
- Rescued (i.e., purchased) photos, medals or similar objects of someone not related to you?
- Reunited lost artifacts with living relatives?
- Centered a vacation around genealogy?
- Traveled to meet a newly discovered cousin whom you met through genealogy research?
- Tested your DNA?
- Paid for others to get their DNA tested?
- Worn clothing (t-shirts, jackets, hats) emblazoned with genealogy surnames, slogans, society names, etc.?

- Upon their leaving the nest, converted your child's bedroom (or personal space) into a genealogy room?
- Spent more on genealogy in a month than groceries?
- Collected odd records in the name of genealogy (for example, taxes)?
- Added margin notations in books (error corrections, enhanced details)?
- Mapped a forebear's travels?
- Traveled more than 100 miles for research (library, court house)?
- Purchased something that belonged to an ancestor or that has his/her name on it (photo albums, homesteads, lineage society pins)?
- Participated in a reenactment related to your ancestry?
- Made something to commemorate genealogy (historical costumes, paraphernalia, needlepoint or model of an immigrant ship, painting, genealogy quilt)?
- Joined more than five lineage or genealogy societies?
- Overlaid an ancestor's photo on that of a living person to identify a doppelganger (look-alike)?
- Downloaded, emailed or shared genealogy jokes?
- Purchased a book with only a small reference to your ancestry (100 words)?
- Mentioned genealogy in your will?

- Studied old handwriting or consulted with a handwriting expert so that you can read old documents?
- Made a gen-tote of gadgets for on-the-go projects (portable scanning, grave cleaning, flash drives, notepads, and acid free gloves)?
- Taken a handful of dirt or a stone from a place significant to your ancestry?
- Diverted a mealtime conversation to genealogy?
- Initiated conversations about ancestry with complete strangers (outside of a genealogy setting)?
- Researched the genealogy of complete strangers?
- Transcribed an old document, or more than 500 genealogy records?
- Joined a dozen or more social media genealogy groups?
- Created a genealogy blog or a public tree (online)?
- Published a family history book or distributed genealogy folders amongst the relatives?
- Programmed gen-destinations (court houses, cemeteries) into your GPS?
- Taken genealogy courses with the intention of receiving a certificate or other form of recognition?
- Paid to attend genealogy conferences?
- Googled surnames?
- Scoured thrift or resale shops for genealogical finds?
- Trespassed in the name of genealogy?
- Eaten anywhere but at your dining table to avoid disturbing a genealogy project?

Scoring

50 points	–	Incorrigible Family Genealogist.
40-49	–	Hopelessly Hooked Family Historian Award
30-39	–	Up and Coming Genealogist Award
20-29	–	Took This Quiz Out of Curiosity Award
Under 20	–	Pathologically unsuitable for genealogical research.



Genealogical Laws of Ancestry

- Male children shall be named: David, Edward, George, Henry, James, John, Joseph, Josiah, Thomas, or William.
- Female children shall be named: Abigail, Anne, Caroline, Elizabeth, Helen, Ida, Mary, Martha, Maria, May, Nancy, or Sarah.
- Leave NO trace of any of your female children.
- In your correspondence, always use difficult-to-trace nicknames such as: Dolly, Molly, Lizzie, Nikkie, Sally, Polly.
- Never use any middle names on any legal documents or census reports, and only where necessary, use only initials on legal documents.
- Sign all documents illegibly so that your surname can be spelled, or misspelled, in various ways: Loftin, Lofton, Loften, Lofften, Lipton.
- After no more than 3 generations, ensure that all family records are lost, misplaced, burned in a court house fire, or buried so that NO future trace of them can be found.
- Propagate as often as possible misleading legends, rumors, & vague innuendo regarding your place of origination.
 - You may have come from: England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Germany....or someplace else.
 - You may have American Indian, Black Irish or Black Dutch ancestry.
 - You may have descended from one of seven brothers that came over from England, Wales or some other place.
- Make sure that cemetery records, or headstones have no legible names.
- Discard any old family Bibles with records of birth, marriages or deaths.
- Always flip your name around. If born Franklin James Yarbrough, make all the rest of your records in the names of James, Jim, Franklin, Frank, or JF.
- Also flip your parent's names when making reference to them, although "Unknown" or a blank line is an acceptable alternative.
- Name no less than five generations of males, and dozens of their cousins with identical name, in order to totally confuse researchers. (Example: William Alexander Yarbrough had a sister named Mary Frances Yarbrough. He also named his first daughter Mary Frances Yarbrough, then married a widow with a daughter named Mary Frances Scarbrough. All three of these women then married brothers from the Thomas family, who were names Alexander William and William Alexander.)
- Burn all letters and pictures that contain information about any relatives or your grand-parents.
- Only old family letters that are kept refer to various family members only as Sis, Auntie, Uncle Peg-Leg, Grandmaw and GrandPaw.



More Murphy's Laws of Ancestry

The wedding record for your gggrandfather shows that he married Mary Smith whose father was John Smith and mother was Mary Jones.

After finding the information needed to solve the family mystery you have been working on for 3 years, and your elderly aunt said, "I could have told you that!"

Your great grandmother's family bible (passed down through the family for 3 generations) was sold at an estate sale in New York City.

Your family will live in a county where all the county records burned.

The thirty-seven volume, 16,000 page history of your country of origin isn't indexed.

The public ceremony in which your distinguished ancestor participated and at which the platform collapsed under him, was actually his hanging.

The family you are researching will be on the last page of the unindexed (of course) census film that you check. However, if you begin at the end of the roll, they will be on page 1.

All of your spouse's ancestors are mentioned in county histories. None of yours are.

If you need just one record, the microfilm will have page numbers. If you need 3 or more records, there won't be any page numbers and the records will not be in the proper order.

The book you need most will be out being rebound.

You will need item 23 on a microfilm roll that has 22 items. The rest of the film is continued on another roll that will not be in the drawer, and the librarian will tell you that it is "missing and presumed lost."

The records will end just before the entry you need. They will begin again two years after the date you need.

If there is a family history on one branch of the family -- it won't be yours.



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