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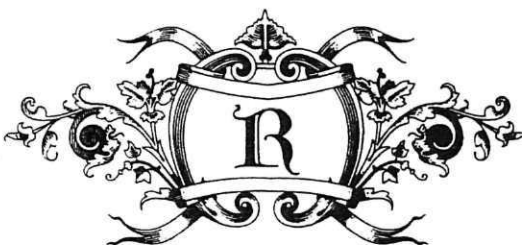
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INTRODUCTION

The name of Ratcliff(e) or Radcliff(e) is probably of ancient Saxon origin that means "red cliff". It was probably taken by the first bearer from the name of the place in which he was living. The village of Radcliffe is located in the county of Lancaster, England. We have made no attempt to research our family in England. It is our goal to locate our original ancestor that first settled in America. The name is found in various records we have researched as follows: Radcliffe, Radliffe, Ratcliffe, Ratcliff, Ratliffe, Ratlief and Ratliff plus a few different versions of these names. We wish to emphasize that the spelling changed many times depending upon who wrote the name and how it was pronounced.

The following pages are an attempt to put under one cover a summary of William Ratcliff/Ratliff and family. We, also, want to show our current research on who we believe were the parents of this William. Information for this account consists of original sources and data that has been collected from printed sources and other researchers. While we have attempted to verify the data not originally researched by us, we cannot guarantee the validity of every item.

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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Extensive research has been done in Queen Anne's County and Talbot County checking out numerous William Ratcliff references. The references that follow are the only ones proven to apply to William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will). We did not find any documents that link this William with other Ratcliffs in either county, except the one listed below. We had to take a long hard look at the data we had found so far and develop avenues of pursuit.

Chronological documentation for William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) in Queen Anne's County, MD:

- 1749 William Ratlief served in the Colonial Militia with Nathaniel Curtis, Philemon Thomas, Wm. Burk and Thomas Pratt, to name only a few familiar names. He also served with Robert Ratlief per the Colonial Muster and Payrolls. Box 1 [1-1-3] folder 32. Capt. Colens (Collins) Company, MD.
- 1756 William Ratcliff and wife Eleanor, widow of Edward Hall, along with John Hall were executors of the Testament of Edward Hall of Queen Anne's Co. Edward Hall's Administration Accounts SC #1 [2-2-3] pp.2-4, dated 19 April 1756.
- 1759 William Ratcliff married Susannah Thomas Curtis 2 June 1759 registered in St. Lukes Episcopal Church at Church Hill, Queen Anne's County, MD.
- 1763 William Ratcliff is listed as being in possession
1769 of a 112 acre tract of land called part of "Sarah's Fancy". The 1763 entry specifies he held the land for "Natt Curtis" heirs. The entries were found in Queen Anne's Co. Debt Books, Index to Tract Owner 1733-1776.

Based on the foregoing documents, the following relatives-by-marriage and close associates of said William have been investigated in search of clues that might lead to the discovery of parents for our ancestor, William Ratcliff/Ratliff.

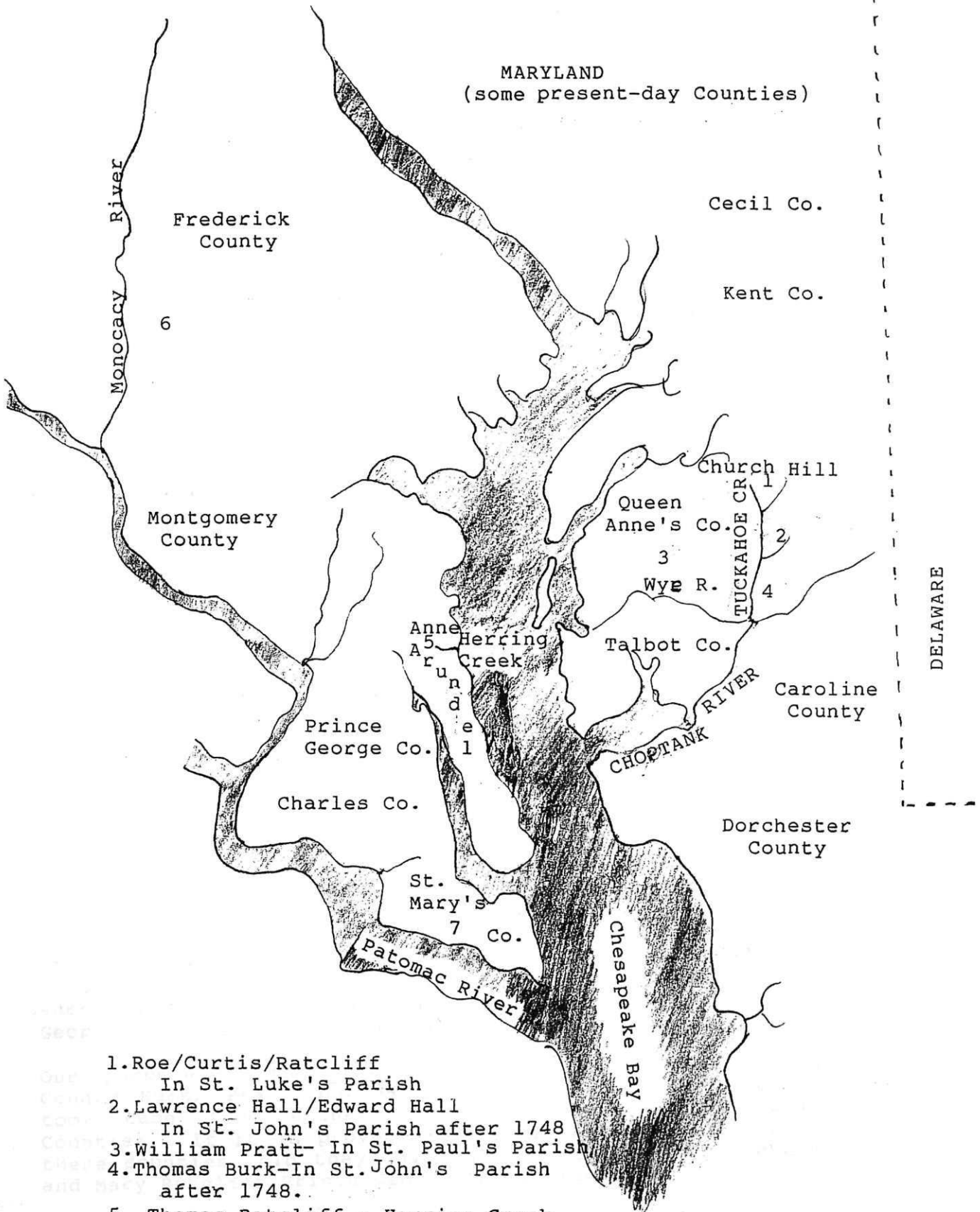
Robert Ratlief/Ratcliff
The Thomas Burk Family
The William and John Pratt Families
The Lawrence and Edward Hall Families
Edward Roe and John Roe, son
The Nathaniel Curtis Family

5. Thomas Rat 1777 N.C. Will 1

6. Robert Ratliff - Maryland 1777

7. Robert Ratliff - St. Mary's County

MARYLAND
(some present-day Counties)



1. Roe/Curtis/Ratcliff
In St. Luke's Parish
2. Lawrence Hall/Edward Hall
In St. John's Parish after 1748
3. William Pratt - In St. Paul's Parish
4. Thomas Burk - In St. John's Parish
after 1748.
5. Thomas Ratcliff - Herring Creek
6. Robert Ratcliff - Monocacy Hundred
7. Robert Ratcliff - St. Mary's County

THE MARYLAND COLONIAL MILITIA

The discovery of the Colonial Muster and Payroll document listing William and Robert Ratlief/Ratcliff is what generated the investigation of Robert Ratcliff in Prince George County.

Efforts had failed to link our William Ratcliff to the Ratcliffs in Talbot County. Also, we had exhausted the William Ratcliff references in Queen Anne's County. We were running out of possible relatives when we found William serving in the Militia with Robert.

Although the records do not specify this to be a Queen Anne's County company, we believe it is because of the numerous Queen Anne's County names. One does not have to read far in this counties history before running into Hemsley, Emory, Thomas, Shephard, Collins, Kemp, Knott, Pratt, Burk, Newton, Tarbutton and Covington, for instance. Two people stand out with close ties with the William Ratcliff of our study: Nathaniel Curtis was the first husband of Susannah Thomas Curtis who later married William Ratcliff. The Philomen Thomas listed might be the father of William Thomas who was one of the Executors of William Ratcliff's estate in Anson Co., N.C. 1777.

In any case, we believe this William Ratcliff is the one we are researching and that this company is a Queen Anne's County company. We also believe Robert Ratcliff serving in the militia with William Ratcliff is a clue to develop.

A search of Maryland indexes reveals a Robert Ratcliff, wife Mary, in Prince George County ca 1733. They are being researched as possible parents of William and Robert Ratcliff.

In the meantime, extensive research has been done in Queen Anne's County of the families associated with William Ratcliff.

Due to the French and Indian Wars, there appears to have been a migration from the West in Maryland to the East -- a safer haven from the Front. Other Queen Anne's County surnames are found previously in Anne Arundel and Prince George Counties, for instance.

Our purpose of thoroughly researching the Queen Anne's County Burk, Pratt and Hall families is to see if they, too, came from either Ann Arundel or Prince George Counties. If it is proven these families did once live in these counties, did they have any connection to the Robert and Mary Ratcliff Prince George County family.

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

The Colonial Muster and Payrolls for Queen Anne's County listing "Robart" Ratlief and Wm. Ratlief started us looking for a Robert Ratcliff family in Maryland. We located a Robert Radcliffe listed on the 1733 List of Taxables in the Monocosie Hundred of Prince George's County. Thomas Burk appears on the List of Taxables in Rock Creek Hundred. Although it has not been proven, we feel that this is the Thomas Burk who died in Queen Anne's County in 1738. The Burk family migrated from Baltimore County through Prince George's County to Queen Anne's County. We have not proven all of the Burk early history.

Robert Ratcliff died in 1740 in Prince George's County as shown by the Inventory of his estate--PREROGATIVE COURT (Inventories) 25 (Md. HR 1132 1-11-5-14) p. 24 Robert Ratcliff, 1740. The inventory lists 28 horses, 14 cows, 32 sheep, 8 hogs, 2 guns, 3 saddles, tools, and household items, at a value of 169 pounds, 16 shillings, 6 pence. James Hyett and William Gooden are listed as sons-in-law. Thomas Prather, Sr. and John Derins were the appraisers.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY (Administrative Bonds, Original) Box 11 (Md. HR 8925-11-1/75 1-26-7-13), folder 68, Renunciation of Robert Rattleiffe, son of Robert and Mary Ratcliff, 1741, was our best find. The record reads as follows:

"Whereas I Richard Rattleiffe son to Robert and Mary Rattleiffe deceased we sign over unto my uncle Richard Tutchstone all my right title and part of the estate of my deceased father, mother Robert and Mary Soe far as to administer and to take care of my brothers part of the estate as in the directions of the law Witness my hand this twenty-forth day of June 1741."

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Richard *R* Rattleiffe

Witness

Humberstone Lyon

You will note that this record tells us that both the father and mother are deceased, and Richard has a brother below 21 years of age. The Colonial Muster and Payrolls for Richard showed his name as "Robart," but the records indicate another name had been erased before "Robart" was written. We feel he was named Robert Richard Ratcliff, with the first name being for his father and the second name for his uncle. Since he could not write his own name, we may never know for sure. We will call him Richard Ratcliffe, son of Robert Ratcliffe.

Richard Touchstone, Sr., who died in Cecil County, Maryland, in 1729, per Will Book 19, Page 775, is probably the father of Mary Touchstone Ratcliff and Richard Touchstone, uncle of Richard. We did not have time to confirm this prior to publication of this book.

Richard Touchstone, uncle of Richard Ratcliff, married Sarah Johnson, 25 February 1717 (1 BA-256). You can follow the Touchstone family from Cecil County to Baltimore County to Prince George's County.

Robert Ratcliff and Richard Touchstone lived in Catoctin Valley which followed along Catoctin Creek from its mouth at the Potomac River. There were mountains on both sides and at the head of the creek, forming a natural valley--ideal for raising cattle and horses. The area where they lived became Frederick County in 1748. Although Robert and Mary Ratcliff died before the new county was formed, we find Richard Touchstone mentioned in "Pioneers of Old Monocacy--The Early Settlement of Frederick County, Maryland 1721-1743" by Grace L. Tracey and John P. Dern. Pages 222 through 224 give many details about the family, including a sketch of the land, "Anchor & Hope," granted Richard Touchstone on 6 March 1739. He had sons named Richard, Caleb, Daniel, Henry and Stephen Touchstone. The Touchstone family left the area sometime in the 1750's. It would appear that Richard and William Ratcliff left the area between 1741 and 1749. Richard Ratcliffe married Mary Newton in St. Luke's Parish (Page 62) of Queen Anne's County on 16 February 1750. The church records show a son of Richard and Mary, Richard Ratcliffe, born on 14 January 1751. We feel the son is the Richard Ratcliff who later moved to Anson County, North Carolina. We need more proof before this should be accepted as fact. We also discovered another interesting fact in our research--Caleb, Daniel, and Stephen Touchstone, sons of Richard Touchstone, appear on the 1763 Tax List for Anson County, North Carolina. You can see much research remains to expand the proof for the parents, brothers, and sisters of our William Ratcliff. The route should be easier to follow now that we have blazed the trail.

THE THOMAS BURK FAMILY OF QUEEN ANNE'S CO., MD

The earliest record we have of Thomas Burk in Queen Anne's Co. is his Will dated 2 Dec 1738. His wife is listed as Sarah. Based on his Will and other documents, his children are as follows:

Mary Burk	married John Pratt
John Burk	married Mary Croney
Sarah Burk	married John Hall, son of Lawrence Hall
Elizabeth Burk	married Daniel Wheetly
Anne Burk	married Aaron Yoe
Eleanor/Ellen	married 1. Edward Hall, son of Lawrence Hall 2. William Ratcliff/Ratliff

In his Will, Thomas Burk leaves his wife, Sarah, a tract of land called Vaughn's Discovery. At her decease, daughters Ellen/Eleanor and Mary Pratt are to inherit said land. In Queen Anne's Co. Debt Book dated 1747, the record gives us proof that Ellen Burk is Eleanor Hall, wife of Edward Hall:

"Edward Hall for his wife Eleanor - 200 acres of Vaughn's Discovery.
John Pratt for his wife - 100 acres of Vaughn's Discovery"

Other sources that substantiate Thomas Burk's family: Mary Croney's Will dated 9 Sept 1747, Queen Anne's Co. and Edward Hall's Inventories, Book 57, pgs. 298-300 dated 1 Aug 1754 which gives Eleanor's "next of kin John Burk and John Pratt".

The following sources prove the widow Eleanor Hall married William Ratcliff:

Edward Hall names his brother, and his wife Executors of his estate in his Will dated 9 May 1754, St. John's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.

Edward Hall's Administration Accounts SC #1 [2-2-3] pp.2-4 dated 29 Apr 1756, Queen Anne's Co. indicate widow has remarried: "Queen Anne's County set the account of John Hall Executor and William Ratcliff and Eleanor his wife Executors of the Testament of Edward Hall late of the aforesaid County planter deceased."

William Ratcliff never came into possession of any portion of Vaughn's Discovery. The land was held under Edward Hall's name even though he died in 1754 until the children of Edward and Eleanor came of age. The three children were under age when Eleanor died. Eleanor must have died about 1758. William Ratcliff married Susannah Thomas Curtis, widow of Nathaniel Curtis, 3 June 1759.

William Ratcliff.

THE WILLIAM AND JOHN PRATT FAMILIES

We know that William Ratcliff/Ratliff's brother-in-law from his marriage to Eleanor Burk Hall was John Pratt. This John Pratt is believed to be the brother of William Pratt, Sr. Several of William Pratt, Sr's children moved to Anson Co., N.C. William Pratt, Jr. was a neighbor of William Ratcliff/Ratliff in Anson Co., N.C.

John Pratt: Queen Anne's County Will Book 38, Part II, page 467, dated 21 Nov 1770--3 Mar 1771. Executor: wife, Elizabeth. Children: Ridsen (son), John, Aminta Griffith, Deborah, William and Sarah. (It is believed this John Pratt's first wife was Mary Burk, sister of Eleanor Burk Hall Ratcliff.)

William Pratt, Sr.'s Will is dated Aug 1760 Queen Anne's County Will Book 31. However, the Prerogative Court (Accounts) pp. 72-74 Estate of Wm. Pratt dated 6 May 1762, Q.A.'s Co., MD give his heirs as follows:

Mary, the widow of eight children
Henry Wright Pratt, the above accountant
Mary Ann, wife of Robert Jarman (went to Anson Co., N.C.)
Rachel, wife of Stephen Thomas (went to Anson Co., N.C.)
Hannah, wife of William Thomas (went to Anson Co., N.C.)
Henrietta Pratt about 8 years old.
William about 19 years old, (married Sarah ~~Thomas~~ ^{DENNY} between 1762 and 1765 in Maryland and went to Anson Co., N.C.)
Nathan 15 and Solomon 11.

Stephen, William and Sarah Thomas are children of Stephen and Mary Clothier Thomas. It is believed that Mary Clothier and Susannah Clothier (mother of Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff) were sisters.

The following Q.A.'s Co. deeds show that William Pratt (Jr.) and Sarah Pratt, his wife, sold their land in 1765 and 1769:

"William Pratt, planter, to James Chaires, the younger, Planter: Part of Abington 31 October 1765, 93 pounds, 15 shillings paid for 250 acres of land inherited from William Pratt by will. Sarah Pratt, wife, acknowledged deed and relinquished her right of dower in the land." Recorded 31 October 1765.

"William Pratt, planter, to John Mathews of Dorchester County, planter --Wooters Choice Addition - 29 March 1769. Land inherited, 90 pounds paid for 75 acres of land. Sarah Pratt, wife, acknowledged deed and relinquished her right of dower in the land." Recorded 29 March 1769.

Stephen and Rachel Pratt Thomas, and William and Hannah Pratt Thomas moved to Anson Co., N.C. a few years before William Ratcliff. William and Sarah ~~Thomas~~ ^{DENNY} Pratt moved to Anson Co., N.C. early in 1769, less than a year before William Ratcliff.

THE LAWRENCE AND EDWARD HALL FAMILIES

The Hall family owned a tract of land called Hog Harbour which is located in St. John's Parish (refer to sketch map of Maryland), Queen Anne's County.

Edward Hall married Eleanor Burk. His will is found in Queen Anne's County Will Book 29, pge 161 dated 9 May 1754. Executors: John Hall, brother of the deceased and Eleanor, the widow. Children: Edward, Richard and Mary Ann. Witnesses: John Burk, Lawrence Hall and John Bracco.

In Edward Hall's Adm. Accounts dated 29 April 1756, it gives the ages of the children as Mary Ann 13, Richard 9 and Edward 4. Since William Ratcliff married again in 1759 to a widow with several children, it is assumed Eleanor's minor children lived with one of Eleanor's sisters after her death. We have no proof of this, but have not found any Hall children associated with William later on. John Hall, Edward's brother and Executor of his estate, married Sarah Burk, Eleanor's sister. Hall researchers looking for the fate of these children might look into John and Sarah Burk Hall history.

The Will of Lawrence Hall is found in Will Book 25, page 175 dated 1747. He willed each of his sons 75 acres of a tract of land called Hog Harbour. These sons are: John, William, Edward and Lawrence.

We know that Lawrence Hall is the father of Edward who married Eleanor Burk, because the Queen Anne's County Debt Book shows in 1754 the following: "Edward Hall, 73½ acres of Hogg Harbour and for his wife, Eleanor, 200 acres of Vaughn's Discovery."

It is interesting to note that there is also a tract of land called Hog Harbour in Anne Arundel County in the Herring Creek area where a Thomas Ratcliff, wife Mary and Daughter Ann are found ca 1711. Since this Thomas Ratcliff did not own any land there, we have been unable to determine who his relatives are.

We do not know where Lawrence Hall came from or if the two Hog Harbours hold the key. This is an intriguing puzzle that could be investigated further. However, since we do not feel the Hall family had close ties with the Ratcliff family, we have not done any further research on them.

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Carolina.

HISTORY OF SARAH'S FANCY

Edward Roe obtained a patent to 843 acres of land from the Manor of Baltimore on 14 May 1745 paying three years rent to 18 May 1748 per Patent Book #1, pages 126-127 of Queen Anne's County, Maryland. John Emory, Deputy Surveyor, was given a warrant for 5½ acres of land from two tracts already owned by Edward Roe called Tulley's Addition and Neds Beginning for the survey. The rent was paid and the new tract called Sarah's Fancy was recorded on the Rent Rolls on 29 Sept 1748. The tract was located at the head of the northermost main branch of Tuckahoe Creek near a tract of land called Narborough.

Edward Roe died in 1748 per Will Book 25, pages 565-569 of Queen Anne's County. The will was dated 7 Feb 1748 and witnessed by George Bennett, James Knotts, and John Davis with the presence of John Roe, heir at law (eldest son). The will was proven on 3 Mar 1748. Edward Roe mentioned his six children: John, Samuel, Joseph, Thomas, James and Rachel. In addition to other parcels of land and slaves, each child inherited part of Sarah's Fancy, except daughter Rachel Coventon, wife of Henry Coventon.

The marriages of Edward and Sarah Roe's children are as follows:

1. John Roe married Susanna Shepherd 14 May 1757. 1 QA-52. Since John Roe was probably born ca 1718, we feel he was probably married to another wife before he married Susanna Shepherd.
2. Samuel Roe married Ann Lamden 13 July 1746. 1 QA-52
3. Joseph Roe married Elizabeth Wright June 1743. 1 QA-48. He moved from Queen Anne's Co. prior to 1748.
4. Thomas Richardson Roe married Margaret Holton 10 April 1748. 1 QA-54. Could Sarah Roe, his mother, have been a Richardson?
5. James Roe married Mary Anne Saile 14 October 1746. 3 TA-61
6. Rachel Roe married Henry Coventon 19 January 1738.

Edward Roe also left Nathaniel Curtis 112 acres, part of Sarah's Fancy. Nathaniel Curtis lived on the 112 acres of Sarah's Fancy until his death in 1758. It is shown on the Rent Roll in his possession from 1754 through 1758. From 1763 through 1769 William Ratcliffe is listed as being in possession of the tract. The 1763 entry specifies for "Natt. Curtis's" heirs. Samuel Curtis, son of Nathaniel Curtis, was probably named for Samuel Roe. (Curtis children will be discussed in N.C. chapter.) It is not known why Edward Roe left Nathaniel Curtis 112 acres of land. He does not appear to be a relative. The only land found in the name of William Ratcliff (1777 N.C. Will) came to him through his second wife Susannah Thomas Curtis, widow of Nathaniel Curtis. He sold the property in 1769 and moved with his family to Anson Co., North Carolina.

THOMAS RATCLIFF

A Thomas Ratcliff, wife Mary and Anne Ratcliff, their daughter, were found in Herring Creek area, Anne Arundel County. They were mentioned in Elizabeth Lockwood's Will date 18 December 1711.

A copy of Elizabeth Lockwood's Will tells us she had a very large estate worth over 980 pounds. She left Thomas Ratcliff a negro boy, two cows and 3 pounds. Mary Ratcliff received two of her best gowns with petticoats and 3 pounds. Anne Ratcliff, daughter of Thomas and Mary, received a heifer. The amount received by the Ratcliff family was estimated to be worth 25 pounds. That was small compared to an estate worth more than 900 pounds. It is very doubtful this Ratcliff family were related to Elizabeth Lockwood.

We were drawn to the Herring Creek area, because of a tract of land there called, Hog Harbour, and the presence of Pratt, Hall and Wright families. Families by these names were closely associated with William Ratcliff in Queen Anne's County. Lawrence Hall had a tract of land called Hog Harbour in Queen Anne's County. Then finding a Thomas Ratcliff in the same area in Anne Arundel County with the same cluster of names, inspired us to investigate.

A complete index check of Thomas Ratcliff was done in Anne Arundel County. Except for the mention of him in Elizabeth Lockwood's Will, no other record for him was found.

We wanted to show our research on him in the event someone else followed our line of reasoning. We have not found any connection to this Thomas Ratcliff and Robert Ratcliff in Prince George County. We will keep this information on file in the event we are drawn back to Anne Arundel County at a later date.

We do not know if the Queen Anne's County Pratt, Hall or Wright families are connected to the one's in Anne Arundel County. Since there was nothing more on Thomas Ratcliff in Anne Arundel County, we have not researched there further.

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name WILLIAM RATCLIFF/RATLIFE

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Land, Probate & Misc. Records in Maryland.	Birth	ca	1724	Probably	PRINCE GEORGE	MD	
Will of Wm. Ratliff dated 10 Feb 1777, Anson Co., N.C. Hinshaw's Quaker Records.	Chr'nd						
Marriage Contract- Thomas and Martha Streeter in 1827.	Mar.	ca	1754		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Death	after 10 FEB	1777		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
	Burial	before 6 Jan	1778		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
	Places of Residence	Prince George & O.A. Cos. MD & Anson Co. N.C.					
	Occupation	Farmer		Church Affiliation	Protestant		
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	2. Susannah		Episcopal	Military Rec. Maryland Militia 1749		
	His Father	Probably Robert Ratliff		Mother's Maiden Name	Probably Mary		

Wife's Full Maiden Name ELEANOR BURK

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	ca	1722	Probably	PRINCE GEORGE	MD	
	Chr'nd						
	Death	ca	1758		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Burial				QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	

Compiler **Howard Hazlewood** Places of Residence **Prince George & Queen Anne's Co., Maryland**

Address	Occupation if other than housewife	Church Affiliation
3306 E. Oaklawn		
City, State Victoria, Texas	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	1. Edward Hall
Date 1/89 77901	Her Father Thomas Burk	Mother's Maiden Name Sarah

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Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 Ratliff/ Thomas Ratcliff	Birth	ca		1756		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	1. ca	1776	2. ca 1827	ANSON CO.	N.C.		
	1. Sarah Diggs	Death	after	1830		ANSON CO.	N.C.		
	2. Martha Streeter, widow of Edward Streeter	Burial							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Death							
		Burial							
	3	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	4	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	5	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				13			
		Death							
		Burial							

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

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FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name WILLIAM RATCLIFF/RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Land, Probate, Marriage & Misc. Records in Maryland.	ca		1724	Probably	PRINCE GEORGE	MD	
Will of Wm. Ratliff-dated 10 Feb 1777 Anson Co. N.C. 1790, 1800, 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850	3 Jun		1759	CHURCH HILL	QUEEN ANNE'S,	MD	St. Lukes Episcopal Church
Census-Anson Co. NC. 1800 Census, Beaufort Co, SC. 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850	after 10 Feb		1777		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
	before 6 Jan		1778		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
	Places of Residence Prince George & Queen Anne's Co. MD, Anson Co. N.C.						
	Occupation Farmer Church Affiliation P. Episcopal						
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. 1. Eleanor Burk Hall, (widow of E. Hall) 1749						
	His Father Probably Robert Ratliff Mother's Maiden Name Probably Mary						

Wife's Full Maiden Name SUSANNAH THOMAS CURTIS

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	ca		1722	Probably	QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
Death	after 6 Jan		1778	Probably	ANSON CO.	N.C.	
Compiler Howard Hazlewood Address 3306 E. Oaklawn City, State Victoria, Texas Date 1/89 77901 Other husbands, if other than housewife Church Affiliation Protestant Episcopal Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. 1. Nathaniel Curtis Her Father Thomas Thomas Mother's Maiden Name Susannah Clothier							

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 William Ratliff	Birth	ca		1760		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse* Mary(Polly) Hinson	Mar.	ca		1781		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	ca		1819	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA	
M	2 John Ratliff	Birth	ca		1761		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse* 1. unknown 2. Nancy	Mar.	1. ca		1792	2. ca 1812	1. ANSON CO. N.C.	2. Probably Marlboro, S.C.	
		Death	ca		1841		WILCOX CO. ALA.		
M	3 James Ratliff	Birth	3 Mar		1763		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse* Frances Hamer	Mar.	23 Aug		1791		ANSON CO.	N.C.	widow of Samuel Cour
		Death	3 Oct		1833		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
M	4 Robert Clothier Ratliff	Birth	ca		1764		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse* Elizabeth Fields	Mar.	ca		1791		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	2 Mar		1815	Probably	New Orleans, Louisiana,	War 1812	
M	5 Zachariah Ratliff	Birth	ca		1765		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
	Full Name of Spouse* Elizabeth Thomas	Mar.	ca		1793	probably	RICHMOND CO.	N.C.	
		Death	ca		1840	Probably	LEAKE CO.	MISS.	
	6	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				14			
		Death							
		Burial							

* If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

WILLIAM RATCLIFF/RATLIFF, 1777 WILL, ANSON CO., N.C.

William Ratcliff/Ratliff moved from Queen Anne's County, Maryland to Anson County, North Carolina with his family sometime late in 1769. He settled along the south side of Jones Creek about two miles from the mouth on the southwest side of the Pee Dee River adjacent to 300 acres of land purchased by William Pratt from Archulus Mooreman on 6 November 1769 (Deed Book 7, page 252 witnessed by Stephen Thomas, Stephen Thomas, Jr. and Thomas Mooreman). The Thomas and Mooreman families settled in this area earlier. The 300 acres of land granted William Ratcliff by North Carolina Grant #28 is found recorded in Patent Book 20, page 649, issued 18 April 1771. The land was surveyed on 24 January 1770 by Robert Jarman, Deputy Surveyor, with William Pratt and Stephen Thomas, chainers. Robert Jarman married Mary Ann Pratt, sister of William Pratt, in Queen Anne's County, Maryland before 1760. William Pratt acquired 155 acres of land per Grant #30 recorded in Patent Book 20, page 649 on the same date of 18 April 1771 that was surveyed on 8 March 1770 by Robert Jarman with William Ratliff and Christopher Watkins, chainers. The land grant joined William Pratt's original 300 acres and was just east of William Ratliff with land on both sides of Jones Creek.

William Ratcliff/Ratliff acquired a second 300 acre tract of land per Grant #29 recorded in Patent Book 20, page 649, issued 18 April 1771. The land surveyed by Robert Jarman on 26 January 1770 with Stephen Thomas and Christopher Watkins, chainers. The land was located on the north side of the Long Branch of Jones Creek that was the first long branch about three miles from the mouth of Jones Creek with the branch on the north side with the head between Jones Creek and Little Creek. The two tracts would have been one or two miles apart. Christopher Watkins married Jane Thomas, sister of Susannah Thomas. Christopher Watkins settled east of William Ratcliff on Jones Creek per Grant #27 for 300 acres recorded in Patent Book 20, page 649 issued 18 April 1771. The land was surveyed by Robert Jarman on 1 February 1770 with William Ratliff and Benjamin Carter, chainers. Thomas Thomas, brother of Susannah Thomas, acquired two tracts of land on the same date of 18 April 1771 with the two tracts located on the Long Branch of Jones Creek a mile or two north of William Ratliff. Grant #31 for 150 acres was surveyed by Robert Jarman on 27 January 1770 with John Downer and Christopher Watkins, chainers. We have included a sketch of the survey for the home plantation of William Ratcliff with a few neighbors shown. Also, we have included a map of Anson County, North Carolina showing where our family and some related families lived in the early days.

The children of William Pratt (Sr) of Queen Anne's County, Maryland, who went to Anson Co. are found very near to William Ratcliff. They were: Robert and Mary Ann Pratt Jarman, Stephen and Rachel Pratt Thomas, William and

Hannah Pratt Thomas, and William and Sarah Thomas Pratt. Although Thomas Thomas that settled in Anson County in 1770 was a brother of our Susannah Thomas, William Ratcliff had closer ties to the Stephen Thomas family and William Pratt family. He had lived near William Pratt family in Queen Anne's County, Maryland and knew the Pratt family before he married Susannah Thomas Curtis.

Susannah Thomas first married Nathaniel Curtis on 3 October 1745 in Queen Anne's County Maryland. She later married William Ratcliff on 3 June 1759 in Queen Anne's County, Maryland following the death of Nathaniel Curtis in 1758. She married both times in St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church at Church Hill. Although we have no specific proof of the children of Nathaniel and Susannah Curtis, our research indicates the children of Nathaniel and Susannah Curtis were as follows:

1. Thomas Curtis born ca 1747 probably died ca 1809 in Anson Co., North Carolina. He had at least six sons and two daughters. Probable sons were Edward, Elijah, Nathaniel and Thomas.

2. Nathaniel Curtis born ca 1749 married Francis Hicks, widow of William Hamer. He died July 15, 1780 Anson County, North Carolina. Their children were Nathaniel and Susannah Curtis.

3. Samuel Curtis born ca 1751 married (1) Sarah Hicks, daughter of Daniel Hicks (2) Elizabeth_____. Died 24 January 1746 Marengo County, Alabama. Will dated 29 October 1837 (Book A, Page 272) probated 18 February 1846.

4. Elijah Curtis born ca 1753 married Sarah Hamer. Died 2 May 1818 in Anson County, North Carolina.

5. Elizabeth Curtis born ca 1755 received 30 pounds money per the Will of William Ratliff dated 10 February 1777.

We do not know for sure the order or dates of birth of the children. Thomas Curtis purchased land in Anson County, North Carolina from Stephen Jackson on 10 July 1771 with the deed proven by William Hamer. Thomas Curtis served on a jury on 13 October 1771. Nathaniel Curtis served on the Grand Jury on 14 October 1772, per Minute Docket, page 95. Nathaniel Curtis was granted an ordinary license on 17 April 1774 with bond by John Hamer and James Auld. Since the Curtis line is not our direct line, we will leave the details for our Curtis relatives to research. However, we will mention the Curtis family in connection with our Ratcliff/Ratliff family in several places in the story.

William Ratliff served on the Grand Jury in Anson County, N.C. on 10 October 1771. He was listed overseer of the road from Jones Creek to Burns Path on 18 July 1772 and 13 July 1774. Since William Ratcliff/Ratliff and Eleanor Burk, widow of Edward Hall, probably had only one child,

we have included a family group sheet showing only their son, Thomas Ratliff. Thomas was probably named for Thomas Burk, father of Eleanor Burk. Thomas Ratliff purchased land from John Parsons on 6 July 1776. He probably married Sarah Diggs, daughter of William Diggs and Judith Haley, about the time he purchased the land.

The Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy by Hinshaw, Volume I, North Carolina, gives us some interesting facts about the William Diggs family and Thomas Ratliff family.

Page 385:

Cane Creek Monthly Meeting-Orange County (now Alamance) William and Judith, wife, and children, Sarah, Rebekah, Agnes, and Pleasant Diggs were received in 1770 with their previous attendance in 1768 at the monthly meeting in Caroline County, Virginia. Sarah Rattcliff (formerly Diggs) disowned for marriage out of unity in 1782. Rebekah Moreman (formerly Diggs) dismissed for marriage out of unity in 1783 (too near kin). William, Marshall, and Pleasant Diggs dismissed for marriage out of unity in 1792. Agness Everet (formerly Diggs) dismissed for marriage out of unity in 1792. Most of the grandchildren of William and Judith Diggs were not of the Quaker faith. Many of the Diggs family moved to Kemper County, Mississippi between 1850 and 1860 with Thomas Ratliff, Jr., son of our Thomas Ratliff and Sarah Diggs. You find many Diggs and Ratliff names listed on the 1860 census records of Kemper County, Mississippi.

Page 416:

Cane Creek Monthly Meeting-Orange County (now Alamance) Thomas Ratliff dismissed for marriage out of unity in 1779. Although we do not find a record of when Thomas Ratcliff joined the Quaker faith, we feel this is our Thomas Ratcliff. It would indicate he married Sarah Diggs between 1776 and 1779. Maybe they married before he had been accepted into the Quaker faith causing him to be dismissed first before Sarah was dismissed in 1782. Since Sarah was a member in good standing, it probably took longer for her to be dismissed as the rest of her family were still Quakers.

Page 835:

Deep Creek Monthly Meeting-Guilford County-Thomas Ratcliff and sons, Elijah and Thomas, of Piney Grove received by request in 1799. We would assume they had attended Piney Grove at different times following its organization in Marlborough County, South Carolina.

Page 1071:

Piney Grove-Marlborough County, South Carolina-Elijah Ratliff disowned for marriage out of unity in 1811.

Page 732:

Back Creek-Randolph County-Thomas and wife, Sarah, and children, Thomas, Polly and Juliemma Ratliff received by

transfer from Piney Grove monthly meeting at Marlborough County, South Carolina (meeting discontinued) in 1816.

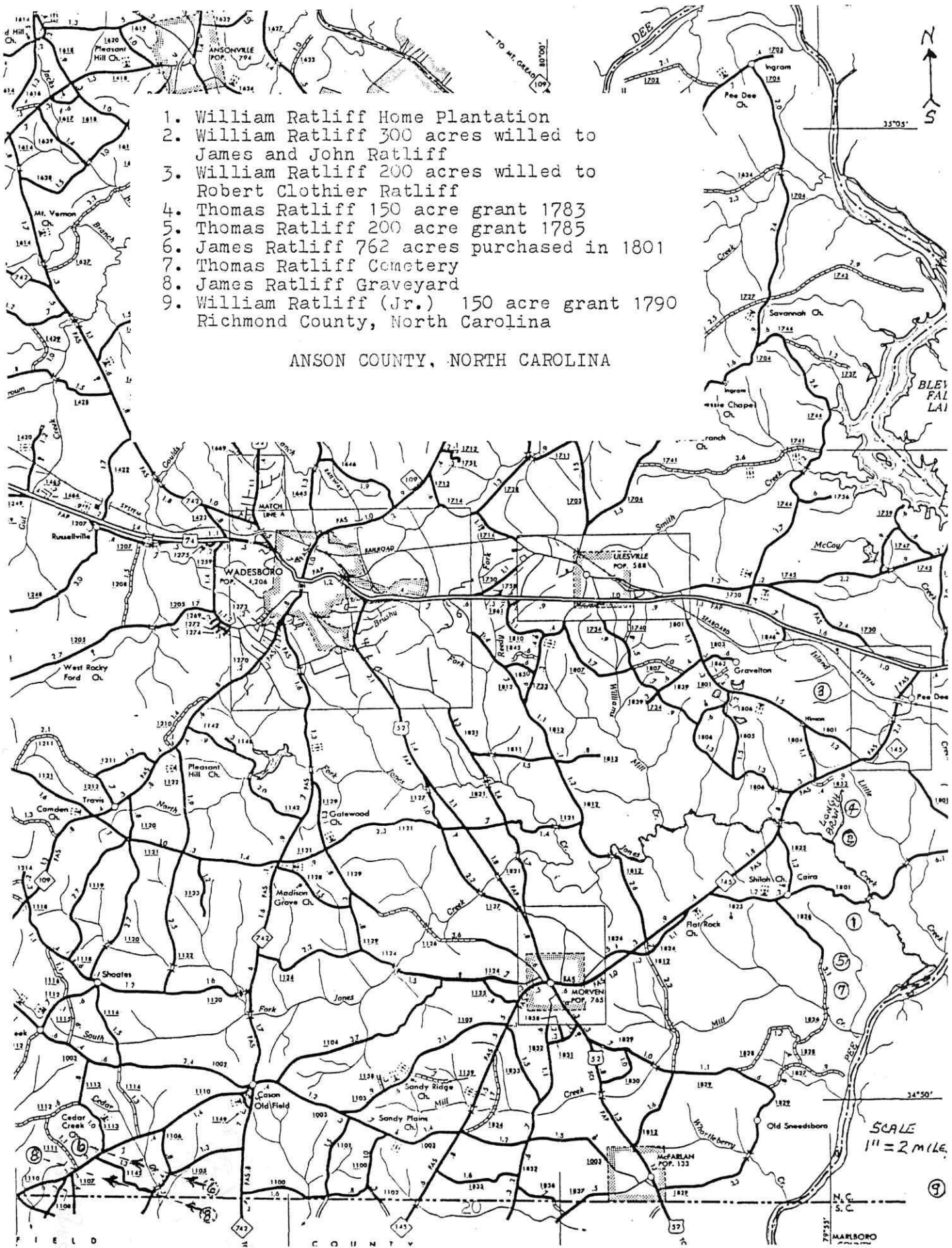
It would appear Thomas and Sarah Ratcliff traveled many miles to at least four different monthly meetings in an attempt to remain in the Quaker faith. Both the Diggs and Ratliff families lived in Anson County, North Carolina as neighbors during this period with the children and grandchildren gradually drifting away from the Quaker faith.

The family group sheet for William Ratcliff/Ratliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis has been included following the sheet for his first wife, Eleanor Burk Hall. We need to mention at this point that Anson County, North Carolina Will Book 1, pages 26-27 records a Will of William Ratliff dated 10 February 1777 that was witnessed by Thomas Dickson, George Jefferson, and Samuel Curtis. Thomas Dickson was a doctor; George Jefferson was a neighbor; and Samuel Curtis was his step-son. The Will provided that Susannah Ratliff, wife, should receive the manor plantation (300 acres on Jones Creek-Grant #28) and fourteen acres of land from the Stephen Thomas descendants that William Ratliff had purchased. She was to have the land during her widowhood, but in case of marriage or death the plantation lands and fourteen acres were to be received by the sons, William and Zachariah Ratliff. Thomas Ratliff was left five shillings. Two sons, James and John Ratliff were to receive equal shares of the three hundred acres on the long branch of Jones Creek (Grant #29). Robert Clothier Ratliff, son, was given two hundred acres of land on Island Creek by James Liles. We will cover how he acquired this land later. Elizabeth Curtis was willed thirty pounds. The executors were William Thomas, son of Philemon Thomas, and Robert Thomas. Since Philemon Thomas was a brother of Stephen Thomas, Sr. and Robert Thomas was a son of Stephen Thomas, Sr., the two executors were first cousins. Since Philemon Thomas and Stephen Thomas, Sr. were uncles (by marriage) of our Susannah Thomas Ratcliff, they would also be her first cousins. The actual date the Will was probated was not recorded nor was it proven in the records. However, the next Will listed on Page 28 for John Ryle was proven at the Anson County Court on 6 January 1778. We can assume William Ratliff died between 10 February 1777 and 6 January 1778, unless the wills were not recorded promptly and in proper order. This may have been the case.

The 200 acres of land located on Island Creek by James Liles and willed Robert Clothier Ratliff was acquired by William Ratliff per Grant #513 entered 24 May 1773 (entry No. 480) and issued 3 March 1775. The land was surveyed by Walter Cunningham, Surveyor, on 22 December 1773 with James Liles and Smith Fields, chainers. The land was later sold by Robert Clothier Ratliff to Thomas Ratliff, brother, per Deed Book D & E, page 22 on 17 October 1793. Proven at January Court in 1795. Witnesses John Auld and

James Fields. Signed by R.C. and Elizabeth Ratliff.

The land west of William Ratliff between him and William Benson (see sketch) was vacant land that had never been granted anyone during the colonial period. A law was enacted in 1777 following the Declaration of Independence by the Colonies to permit settlers to claim 640 acres of land (more for large families) under grants similar to the Colonial Grants. The settler had to first claim the vacant land with an entry number and page entered. William Ratliff made his claim as recorded in Book 30, page 286 on 19 May 1778. A warrant was issued by the State of North Carolina for "200 acres near Jones Creek adjoining his own lines, William Benson and Robert Thomas lines". The land was surveyed on 24 July 1778 by William Love, Deputy Surveyor, with William Pratt and William Ratliff, chainers. He paid fifty shillings for every 100 acres. The survey showed the 200 acres of land joined William Pratt, Abraham Jones, William Benson and William Ratliffs. The grant was issued on 3 September 1779. Although the grant was issued and registered, it was subject to challenge for seven years. The big question is how could a man that was probably deceased before 6 January 1778 acquire the land. It appears William Ratliff probably started acquisition of the land in 1777 after he made his Will and the grant was issued following his death. William Ratliff, son, probably acted as chainer and completed the survey for his father and family. Since the Will of William Ratliff was not proven, it is possible he did not die until 1778 or 1779 with the Will filed out of sequence and late. This would be very unusual but might happen during this period of the start of a new country and nation. It would even be possible that the Will was filed in error before he died. The witnesses were not called by the court for proof nor do we have an inventory of the estate. We cannot find what happened to the land later. It is very probable that Susannah Ratliff remarried and the home plantation due William and Zachariah Ratliff became the property of her husband. Although the Will provided otherwise, the courts of North Carolina recognized few rights of a woman unless a specific marriage contract was signed before a widow remarried. The land normally went with the wife and became property of the husband. If the children did not take the case to court, they lost the land. Sure wish we could find what happened to the 300 acre home plantation, the fourteen acres, and the 200 acres that joined the plantation. We feel this would tell us who Susannah remarried and when she died.



1. William Ratliff Home Plantation
2. William Ratliff 300 acres willed to James and John Ratliff
3. William Ratliff 200 acres willed to Robert Clothier Ratliff
4. Thomas Ratliff 150 acre grant 1783
5. Thomas Ratliff 200 acre grant 1785
6. James Ratliff 762 acres purchased in 1801
7. Thomas Ratliff Cemetery
8. James Ratliff Graveyard
9. William Ratliff (Jr.) 150 acre grant 1790

ANSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SCALE
1" = 2 MILE.

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FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name THOMAS RATLIFF (SR)

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
QUEEN ANNE'S CO., MD		Birth	ca	1756		QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND			
Probate Records		Chr'nd							
Census-1790, 1800, 1810		Mar.	ca	1776 or 1778		ANSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA			
1820, 1830, 1840, 1850,		Death	BEFORE	19 DEC	1838	ANSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA			
Anson Co., N.C.		Burial							

1860, Kemper Co., Miss
 Quaker Encyclopedia
 by Hinshaw, Wills,
 Grants, Deeds, Court
 Minutes, Anson Co., N.C.
 Research by May MacCallum

Places of Residence		MARYLAND AND NORTH CAROLINA								
Occupation		Farmer		Church Affiliation		Quaker				
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		2. Martha Streeter, widow of Edward Streeter								
His Father		William Ratliff			Mother's Maiden Name		Eleanor Burk Hall,			
		widow of Edward Hall								

Wife's Data		Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Marriage Contract		Birth	ca	1758			VIRGINIA	
Thomas Ratliff & Martha Streeter		Chr'nd						
Oct. 1827.		Death	BEFORE	1827	ANSON COUNTY,		NORTH CAROLINA	
		Burial						

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Places of Residence		Virginia and North Carolina								
Occupation if other than housewife				Church Affiliation		Quaker				
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		Her Father William Diggs								
				Mother's Maiden Name		Judith Haley				

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 WILLIAM Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca		1779		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.				Probably never married			
		Death			1840		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Burial							
M	2 ELIJAH Full Name of Spouse* NANCY JERNIGAN	Birth			1787		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.	ca		1810		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	1862 or		1865		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Burial							
M	3 THOMAS, JR Full Name of Spouse* LILES ARANETTA (NELLY)	Birth			1788		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.	ca		1817		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	after		1860	Probably	Kemper Co.	N.C.	
		Burial							
F	4 SARAH Full Name of Spouse* JOHN FLOWERS, JR.	Birth			1790		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.	ca		1815		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	before		1840		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Burial							
F	5 MARY (POLLY) Full Name of Spouse* ROBERT WILSON	Birth	ca		1795		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.	ca		1816		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	after		1840	Probably	ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Burial							
F	6 JULIE ELAINE Full Name of Spouse* ABNER CURTIS	Birth	ca		1797		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Mar.	ca		1817		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Death	after		1850		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
		Burial							
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
9	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
10	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.				22			
		Death							
		Burial							

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Thomas Ratliff, oldest son of William Ratcliff/Ratliff, provides us some of the most interesting Ratliff history. He had a different mother from that of the other sons of William Ratliff. Although he was a Quaker, the best we can determine is that neither of his parents or brothers were Quakers. May B. MacCallum, a descendant of Thomas Ratliff through his son, Elijah Ratliff, provided us information for the family group sheet on Thomas Ratliff and a great deal of research in Anson County, N. C. We have previously mentioned the early Quaker history for the family. Since Thomas and James Ratliff were the only two sons to remain in Anson, we feel that their history gives us an extra generation to look at the Ratliff history in Anson County.

Thomas Ratliff may have been married by the time William Ratliff died. We mentioned, previously, that he bought land in 1776 and 1793. He acquired additional land grants as follows: Grant # 543, dated 14 October 1783--150 acres west side of Little Creek by Joseph Brown; and Grant #796, dated 23 September 1785--200 acres by William Pratt, now Robert Phillips.

Thomas Ratliff, on 15 October 1783, received 22 pounds at the Salisbury District Auditor's Office for a Revolutionary War Claim. This would be adequate reason for any female descendants of Thomas Ratliff to be able to join the Daughters of the American Revolution based on his service as a Patriot.

We find Thomas Ratliff listed on the 1790 census for Anson County, N. C. on Page 36 as follows:

1 Male over 16	2 Females	No Slaves
3 Males under 16		

He is listed on the 1800 census, Page 199, as follows:

1 Male 45 and over	1 Female 26-45	No Slaves
1 Male 16-26	3 Females under 10	
2 Males 10-16		

Thomas Ratliff is listed on the 1810 census, Page 17-A (This page renumbered to Page 27) as follows:

1 Male 45 and over	1 Female 45 and over	No Slaves
1 Male 26-45	1 Female 16-26	
2 Males 16-26	1 Female 10-16	
1 Male under 10		

The 1820 census for Anson County, N. C. lists his family as follows:

Page 49, Thomas Ratcliff, Sr.

1 Male 45 and over	1 Female 45 and over	No Slaves
1 Male 16-26	1 Female 26-45	

Page 49, Thomas Ratcliff, Jr. (Son)

1 Male 26-45	1 Female 16-26	No Slaves
1 Male under 10	1 Female under 10	

Page 49, William (Son)

1 Male 26-45		1 Slave
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Page 50, Elijah Ratliff (Son)

1 Male 26-45	1 Female 26-45	2 Slaves
1 Male 16-26	3 Females under 10	
2 Males under 10		

The 1830 census for Anson County, N. C. lists his family as follows:

Page 59, Elijah Ratcliff (Son)

1 Male 70-80 (Thomas Ratliff, Sr.)	1 Female 30-40
1 Male 40-50 (Elijah)	1 Female 10-15
1 Male 10-15	2 Females 5-10
2 Males 5-10	1 Female 0-5
2 Males 0-5	

Page 62, Martha Ratcliff (Second wife of Thomas Ratliff, Sr.)

1 Male 20-30	2 Females 60-70
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It appears that poor health probably caused Thomas Ratliff, Sr. to live with his son, Elijah, prior to his death.

Page 104, William Ratcliff (Son)

1 Male 50-60	8 Slaves
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Sarah Ratliff died in Anson County, N. C. some time between 1820 and 1827. Thomas Ratliff married Martha Streeter, widow of Edward Streeter, in their advanced years. Each having several legal heirs, they made a marriage contract prior to their marriage, as filed in Deed Book W, Pages 107 and 108, of Anson County, N. C., providing that property each owned prior to the marriage would go to their respective offspring at the time of their death. The contract was proven at the October Session of Court in 1827. Thomas Ratliff sold most of his land to the sons before his death and left no will. He died before 19 December 1838 in Anson County, N. C.

The will of William Ratliff, son of Thomas, gives us our best proof on the children of Thomas and Sarah Ratliff. The will, dated 26 December 1839 (Will Book B, Pages 112-113), and proved at the July Session of Court in 1840, names the brothers and sisters of William Ratliff as follows: Thomas Ratliff (Jr.); Elijah Ratliff; July (Julie) Elany (Elaine), wife of Abner Curtis; Mary, wife of Robert Wilson; Sarah (deceased), wife of John Flowers.

The best we can determine is that William Ratliff never married; however, he could have married, with the wife dying young and leaving no children. Abner Curtis was a son of Elijah Curtis, Sr., brother of Samuel Curtis, Sr.

Thomas Ratliff, Jr. and his second wife, Nelly, moved to Kemper County, Mississippi, between 1850 and 1860, as previously mentioned in our article. Elijah Ratliff, who married Nancy Jernigan, remained in Anson County, providing us some of our relatives who still live in Anson County, N. C. Marion T. Ratliff (deceased) was a descendant of Elijah. He was considered the family historian for the Ratliff family.

May B. MacCallum, another descendant of Thomas Ratliff, copied Marion's files and furnished us many details that we do not have room to publish. However, we have attempted to include a few of the more interesting items. The Thomas Ratliff family items include a family group sheet for Elijah Ratliff and a record of a deed of gift of a Negro slave with her six children, by Elijah Ratliff to his daughter, Rachel Smith. The record, dated 10 March 1860, was filed in the Deed Book of Tippah County, Mississippi on 23 March 1860. Rachel Ratliff married Benjamin Smith and moved to Tippah County, Mississippi in 1853. We have not attempted to research the children or grandchildren of Thomas Ratliff in Mississippi.

The land William Ratliff willed to his son, Robert Clothier Ratliff, was later sold to Thomas Ratliff, as mentioned earlier in our book. Thomas Ratcliff sold the land to his son, Elijah Ratcliff, on 9 January 1814, per Deed Book P&O, Page 164. The deed mentions that William Ratcliff, now deceased, was originally granted the land on 4 March 1775. We also wish to mention a cemetery where some of the Thomas Ratliff family may be found to be buried. The cemetery is located on private property of the Federal Paper Board Company on the north side of the Cairo Road (FM 1826), less than a mile from the Shiloh Church. This cemetery would be within a mile of the William Ratliff home plantation on Jones Creek. Although the cemetery is in poor condition, Marion T. Ratliff located some of his relatives in the cemetery and called the cemetery, the Ratliff Cemetery. We thank May B. and Tom MacCallum for locating the cemetery for us. Thomas Ratliff, son of Elijah Ratliff, born in 1827, and Mary Ratliff, wife, born in 1825, appear to be the oldest Ratliffs buried in the cemetery. Shown below are the listings from the tombstones, as furnished by May in 1986:

Infant Son of
T.J. and E.M. Ratliff
Born May 20, 1883
Died June 4, 1883

C. B. Ratliff
Born July 23, 1875
Died July 9, 1899
Aged 24 yrs. 17 days

Mary E.
Only daughter of
Mr. & Mrs. T. J. Ratliff
Born May 25, 1885
Died July 24, 1909

Eliza M. Ratliffe
Wife of T. J. Rat-
liffe
Born Sept. 27, 1848
Died May 11, 1915

In Memory of Our
Dear Father
Thomas Ratliff
Died June 6, 1880
Aged 53 yrs.

In Memory of Our
Dear Mother
Mary Ratliff
Died Apr. 18, 1869
Aged 44 yrs.

Infant Son of
S.J. & Helen Smith
Born & Died Dec. 13, 1874

B.T. Ratliff
Born Oct. 14, 1859
Died Mar. 26, 1877
Aged 24 yrs. 5mo.
12 days

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name ELIJAH RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death	1862	Will		1865	Will probated		
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation expelled from Quaker Church
 Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. because he married "out of unity" 1811
 Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Thomas Ratliff Mother's Maiden Name Sarah Diggs

Wife's Full Maiden Name NANCY JERNIGAN

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler May MacCallum

Places of Residence

Address Rt 3, Box 111 Occupation if other than housewife _____ Church Affiliation _____

City, State Cheraw, SC 29520 Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. _____
 Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date 1988 Her Father Samuel Jernigan Mother's Maiden Name Rachel Hand

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
	1 Nancy Jane or Sarah Jane	Birth			1812				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Milton Terry	Death							
		Burial							
	2 Rachel	Birth			1813				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				moved to Tippah Co., Miss		1853	
	Benjamin Smith	Death			1878				
		Burial							
	3 William	Birth			1815				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Mary J. Hinson	Death							
		Burial							
	4 Winifred	Birth			1816				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				moved to Tishomingo Co., Miss		1853-1854	
	Thomas Smith, Jr.	Death							
		Burial							
	5 John "Big John"	Birth			1818				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6 Frances	Birth			1820				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	James Benjamin Clark	Death							
		Burial							
	7 (in Tippah Co. Henry-Miss. - 1854)	Birth			1822				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				to Tippah Co., Miss		1854	
	Frances Crawford	Death			1899				
		Burial							
	8 Elizabeth "Betsy"	Birth			1824				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Eli Diggs	Death							
		Burial							
	9 James "Jim"	Birth			1825				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Sarah Knotts	Death							
		Burial							
	10 Thomas "T.J., Sr."	Birth			1827				
	Full Name of Spouse* 2	Mar.			1880	26			
	MARY RATLIFF, Sarah Smith	Death							
	Eliza M. Dabbs/Dobbs	Burial							

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FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name

JAMES RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband	
Eva Webb Britt -	Birth	3	MAR	1763	QUEEN ANNE'S	MD		
John Hicks Hamer, 1765-1842, His Ante- cedents, Descendents & Collateral Families by Flora J. Hamer	Chr'nd							
	m.	23	AUG	1791				
	Death	30	OCT	1833	Casons Old Field	N.C.		
	Burial				Old Ratliff Cem, Casons Old Field			
Hooker. Thomas Huntly, of Anson Co., NC by Virgil W. Huntley Old Ratliff Cem., Casons Old Field, N.C.	Places of Residence	Queen Anne's Co., Maryland, Anson Co., N.C.						
	Church Affiliation							
	Military Rec.							
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
	His Father	William Ratliff		Mother's Maiden Name		Susannah Thomas		
	Wife's Full Maiden Name	Francis Hamer				Curtis		
	Wife's Data <th>Day</th> <th>Month</th> <th>Year</th> <th>City, Town or Place</th> <th>County or Province, etc.</th> <th>State or Country</th> <th>Add. Info. on Wife</th>	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Ratliff relatives.	Birth	15	NOV	1769				
	Chr'nd							
	Death	28	FEB	1831	Casons Old Field	N.C.		
	Burial				Old Ratliff Cem, Casons Old Field			

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May MacCallum	
Address 720 Chesterfield Hwy	Church Affiliation
City, State Cheraw, SC 29520	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
Date	Her Father
	William Hamer
	Mother's Maiden Name
	Frances Hicks

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	"Col. Jim" James Hamer	Birth	24	OCT	1793				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Mary Jane Grady	Death	15	FEB	1849				b. 11 JUL 1834
		Burial				Old Ratliff Cem. Casons Old Field			N.C.
2	Susannah "Sooky"	Birth	28	NOV	1795				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death	16	JUL	1865				
		Burial				" " " " " "			" "
3	Nancy	Birth	17	MAR	1802				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Doc. Gaddy	Death	12	OCT	1853				
		Burial				" " " " " "			" "
4	Rebecca	Birth	14	JAN	1804				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	unmarried	Death	30	APR	1866				
		Burial				" " " " " "			" "
5	Rachel	Birth			1806				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							Gulledge:
	Thomas H. Gulledge	Death			1884				b. 1795
		Burial							d. 1857
6	William H. "Capt Bill"	Birth	29	AUG	1809				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death	2	SEP	1865				
	unmarried	Burial				" " " " " "			" "
7	Mary Ann, "Miss Ann"	Birth	19	JUL	1811				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	unmarried	Death	7	JUN	1881				
		Burial				" " " " " "			" "
8	John	Birth	10	DEC	1814				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	(died young)	Death	17	APR	1818				
		Burial				" " " " " "			" "
9	Elizabeth	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							Huntley:
	Robert S. Huntley	Death	16	FEB	1874				b. 13 MAY 1807
		Burial							d. 1887
10		Birth							Redfearn Cem.
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				28			
		Death							
		Burial							

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THE JAMES RATLIFF FAMILY

James Ratliff is probably the fourth son of William Ratcliff/Ratliff, but we will write his history, second, as he was one of the two sons that remained in Anson County until his death. He was probably named for James Thomas, the oldest brother of Susannah Thomas, who inherited the land of Thomas Thomas and remained in Queen Anne's County, Maryland. James Ratliff and John Ratliff received 300 acres of land from William Ratliff in his will of 1777. The land was located on the long branch of Jones Creek on the north side of Jones Creek approximately three or four miles from the Pee Dee River.

We find James Ratliff listed on Page 35 of the 1790 Census for Anson County, North Carolina, where he was probably living on his 150 acres as follows:

1 Male over 16	2 Females	No Slaves
1 Male under 16		

Based on family Bible records and tombstones, James Ratliff married Frances Hamer on 23 August 1791. If the census records are correct, it would appear they were made from tax lists in 1795 or 1796. Some 1790 census records were lost, and substitute records made from the tax lists. It would also be possible that the people living with James Ratliff were not Frances and their children. Since we do not know, we will not guess.

James Ratliff provides us connections back to Maryland for our related families, plus connections to many Ratliff descendants in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. We have previously mentioned in our William Ratliff history that Nathaniel Curtis married Frances Hicks, widow of William Hamer. Frances Hamer, wife of James Ratliff, was the daughter of William Hamer and Frances Hicks. William Hamer was the son of John Hamer and Hannah Ratcliffe. They married 19 February 1742 at St. Luke's Parish in Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Hannah Ratcliffe was a daughter of William Ratcliffe (Will dated 10 January 1740--recorded 13 April 1741, Queen Anne's County, Maryland).

John Hamer was a son of John Hamer, Sr. (Will dated 23 April 1722/probated 7 June 1722--Queen Anne's County, Maryland). We have not proven all of the facts on the Hamer family history, but most researchers agree that we do have a connection through the Hamer family back to Maryland. Also, we feel that the William Ratcliffe in Queen Anne's County, Maryland, and our William Ratcliff, have a common relative back before 1741. James Ratliff cannot be located on the 1800 and 1810 census records for Anson County, North Carolina. Since he appears on many deed records during this period, we know he is in the area. James Ratliff purchased additional land as follows:

<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>
Michael Moss	11 April 1797	D&E	84
John Ford	15 January 1800	H-2	74
Michael Moss, Sr.	29 April 1800	H-2	140

James Ratliff, on 3 October 1801, sold 117 acres of the land inherited from his father, plus 57½ acres of the land listed before, to John Williams, per Deed Book H-2, Page 535. He purchased 762 acres from William and Roland Rushing on 21 November 1801, per Deed Book H-2, Page 267. The land was in six tracts located in the Cason Old Field area. He later purchased additional land from Enoch Little on 5 November 1815, per Deed Book R, Page 124, and from Solomon Ethridge on 10 October 1816, per Deed Book R, Page 476.

James Ratliff, Sr. died in Anson County, per his will date 20 February 1833 in Will Book B, Pages 36 & 37 (Proven at October Court in 1833). The will mentions his children as follows: J. H. Ratliff, W. H. Ratliff, Susannah Ratliff, Nancy Ratliff, Rebecca Ratliff, Ann Ratliff, and Elizabeth Huntley. J. H. Ratliff, T. H. Gullledge, W. H. Ratliff, and E. J. Cason were named executors.

James Ratliff, Sr. sold land to James Ratliff, Jr. on 10 October 1816, per Deed Book R, Page 464. We have included a family group sheet for James Ratliff that was furnished by May B. MacCallum. Since James Hamer Ratliff, son of James Ratliff, Sr., provides us connections for relatives that moved to Georgia, we are also including a family group sheet for him that was furnished us by May. May B. MacCallum has many pictures on the James Ratliff family that we could not use in our book. I am sure that she will be glad to share her research with the Ratliff relatives. The 1820 census (Page 49) for the James Ratcliff family is as follows:

James Ratcliff, Sr.

2 Males 45 and over	1 Female 45 and over	3 Slaves
1 Male 10-16	4 Females 16-26	
	3 Females 10-16	

James Ratcliff, Jr.

1 Male 16-26	1 Female 16-26	1 Slave
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The 1830 census, page 68, for Anson County, North Carolina, lists the James Ratliff family as follows:

James Ratliff, Sr.

1 Male 60-70	1 Female 30-40
1 Male 20-30	2 Females 20-30
	1 Female 15-20

James Ratliff, Jr.

1 Male 30-40	1 Female 30-40
2 Males 5-10	2 Females 20-30
2 Males 0-5	1 Female 5-10

We are listing on the next page the tombstone readings for the James Ratliff family as published by the Craighead-Dunlap Chapter of the D. A. R. in Anson County, N. C. in February, 1937. May B. MacCallum and other Ratliff relatives verified the tomstones. The James Ratliff Cemetery is called the Ratliff Graveyard, and is located in the Gullledge Township near Cason Old Field off Beck Road (FM 1112).

Ratliff Graveyard, Gullede Township, Anson County, N. C.

Ratliff, Dora E., d. of J. N. & M. M. Ratliff, 4/9/1873-1/19/1874
Ratliff, James H., 10/24/1793-2/15/1849
Ratliff, Elijah T., 10 /13/1848-10/1/1852
Ratliff, Frances, 11/15/1769-2/28/1831
Ratliff, James, 3/3/1763-10/3/1833
Ratliff, Nancy Gaddy, D. of James & Frances Ratliff, 3/17/1802-
10/12/1853
Ratliff, Susanah T., 11/28/1795-7/16/1864
Ratliff, Rebecca, 1/14/1804-4/30/1866
Ratliff, William H., 8/29/1809-9/2/1865
Ratliff, Ann, 7/19/1811-6/7/1881
Ratliff, J. P., 9/23/1822-3/24/1872

We will not attempt to follow the children of James Ratliff except to mention that many of the Ratliff family moved to South Carolina, where they still hold an annual Ratliff reunion. Although we have not attended the reunion, an invitation has been extended, and all Ratliff relatives are welcome.

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name JAMES HAMER RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Eva Webb Britt.		Birth	24NOV 1793	Deep Creek	Anson Co.,	N.C.	
John Grady Family by Mrs. J.C.G. Moore		Chr'nd					
		Mar					
		Death	15FEB 1849				
Old Ratliff Cem., Casons Old Field, N.C.		Burial		Old Ratliff Cem. Casons Old Field, N.C.			

Places of Residence		Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Other wives, if any No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.				
His Father James Ratliff, SR.		Mother's Maiden Name Frances Hamer		

Wife's Full Maiden Name MARY JANE GRADY "POLLY"

Wife's Data		Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth						
Chr'nd						
Death						
Burial						

Compiler May MacCallum		Places of Residence	
Address Rt. 3 Box 111		Occupation if other than housewife	
City, State Cheraw, SC29520		Church Affiliation	
Date 1988		Other husbands, if any No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	
Her Father John Grady, Sr.		Mother's Maiden Name Gillie Thompson	

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
	1 Harriet Grady	Birth	1821				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Wilson Huntley	Death					
		Burial					
	2 John Perry	Birth	23SEP1822				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	18DEC 1845				
	Susan Ratliff	Death	24MAR1872	Casons Old Field		N.C.	
		Burial		Ratliff Cem. "		N.C.	
	3 Mary	Birth					Thomas
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	1824				b. 1827
	Thomas Ratliff	Death	18APR1869				d. 6JUN1880
		Burial		Ratliff Cem. Cairo,		N.C.	
	4 William	Birth	1826				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	5 Nathaniel	Birth	1827				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.		Children Continued			
	Rosesannah Crawford	Death					
		Burial					
	6 James Hamer, "Jim" Jr.	Birth	1828	11			Birth 11JUN1838
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					Mar. 10OCT1858
	unmarried	Death					Death 19FEB1920
		Burial					Burial
	7 Francis	Birth	1832	12			Birth 1839
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					Mar.
	Ratliff	Death					Death 1897
		Burial					Burial Deep Creek Cem.
	8 Susannah "Susan"	Birth	1834	13			Birth
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					Mar.
		Death					Death
		Burial					Burial
	9 Rachel	Birth	1836				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	David Crawford	Death					
		Burial					
	10 Dennis	Birth	1837	32			married 2
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					Johnson
	Sallie Crawford	Death					1852
		Burial					

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FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name

ZACHARIAH RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data: Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Husband

Will Of Wm. Ratliff 1777. Deed Records- Anson Co. N.C.	Birth	ca 1765		Queen Anne's	MD	
Stewart Co., Tenn., Alabama, Attala, Madison & Rankin Co. Miss	Mar.	ca 1793	Probably	RICHMOND CO.	N.C.	
	Death	ca 1840	Probably	LEAKE CO.	MISS.	
	Burial					

Places of Residence Maryland, North Carolina, Tenn, Alabama & Miss.

Census Records. 1790 & 1800 Anson Co. N.C. Occupation farmer Church Affiliation Military Rec.

1830, 1840 & 1850 Miss His Father William Ratliff Mother's Maiden Name Susannah Thomas Bible Records. Marriage & death Records, Curtis

Wife's Full Maiden Name

ELIZABETH THOMAS

Tombstones & Family Records.	Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	ca 1767	Probably ANSON	CO.	N.C.	
	Chr'nd					
	Death	after 1830	Probably	RANKIN	CO. MISS.	
	Burial					

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 City, State Victoria, Texas
 Date Dec. 1988 77901
 Places of Residence North Carolina, Tenn., Alabama & Mississippi
 Occupation If other than housewife Church Affiliation
 Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
 Her Father William Thomas Mother's Maiden Name Hannah Pratt

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 William Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* Susannah Tatum <i>COLLIER</i>	Birth	9 Dec 1794		ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	6 Oct 1814		STEWART	CO. TENN.	
		Death	24 Jun 1834		MADISON	Co. MISS.	
		Burial					
F	2 Rebecca Elizabeth Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* Asa Fletcher	Birth	7 Jun 1796		ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	20 Mar 1822	Probably	Washington	CO. ALA.	
		Death	1 Sept 1870	LEAKE or	HINDS	CO. MISS.	
		Burial		Tinnin Cemetery,	Clinton,	MISS.	
M	3 Zach Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* Susan Tinnin	Birth	ca 1797		ANSON	CO. N.C.	Tombstone
		Mar.	ca 1828	Probably	HINDS	CO. MISS.	shows
		Death	24 Dec 1849		HINDS	CO. MISS.	born:
		Burial		Tinnin Cemetery,	Clinton,	MISS.	13 Oct 1796
M	4 John Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* Catherine Denson	Birth	16 Aug 1799		ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	ca 1823	Probably	WASHINGTON	CO. ALA.	
		Death	5 May 1849		RANKIN	CO. MISS.	
		Burial		Pisgah Cemetery			
F	5 Hannah Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* James Herrod	Birth	21 Apr 1800		ANSON	CO. N.C.	21 Apr 1800
		Mar.	ca 1821	Probably	WASHINGTON	CO. ALA.	on Tombstone
		Death	6 Nov 1883		LIMESTONE	CO. TEXAS	
		Burial		Hogan Cemetery			
M	6 James Ratliff Full Name of Spouse* Elizabeth Clanton	Birth	ca 1805		STEWART	CO. TENN.	
		Mar.	22 Dec 1826		WASHINGTON	CO. ALA.	
		Death	ca 1850	Probably	HINDS	CO. MISS	
		Burial					
	7	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	8	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	9	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	10	Birth					
		Mar.		33			
		Death					
		Burial					

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Zachariah Ratliff was probably the youngest son of William Ratliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff. We cannot locate an individual in Maryland that would appear to be his namesake. Perhaps his name, beginning with the last letter of the alphabet, was chosen to indicate that he was the last child expected by William and Susannah. The first official record found for Zachariah Ratliff, other than the will of his father, is the 1790 census for Anson County, North Carolina, Page 35, that shows Zacharius Ratliff as a white male over 16 years of age. It would appear that more known Ratliff researchers interested in William Ratliff are related to Zachariah than any other son. The many researchers could never find a wife for Zachariah that could be proven. Since proof was found last year, we are including two pages that prove the wife to be Elizabeth Thomas. The family group sheet for Zachariah and Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff completes the picture. The grandparents of the children of Zachariah and Elizabeth would be as follows: Ratliff--Thomas--Thomas--Pratt. You can see the heritage of the Zachariah Ratliff descendants would be the Thomas family more than the Ratliff family. We have proven both of the Thomas lines back to Maryland where they become a common Thomas line.

Zachariah Ratliff appears on the 1800 census, Anson County, North Carolina, Page 199, as follows:

Zach Ratliff

1 Male	26-45	1 Female	26-45	No Slaves
3 Males	Under 10	2 Females	Under 10	

Zachariah Ratliff and William Ratliff were to receive the 300 acre home plantation on Jones Creek, plus fourteen acres purchased of the the Stephen Thomas descendants, upon the death or remarriage of Susannah Ratliff, their mother. We can find no record of either receiving the land willed to them by their father. It would appear that Susannah Ratliff remarried, and the land was taken by her husband and his children.

Zachariah Ratliff purchased 100 acres of land from William Pratt, Jr. on 15 February 1798 (approved January Court 1801) located on the north side of Jones Creek per Deed Book H # 2, Page 68. Henry Buford did live on the land. He sold the 100 acres of land on 30 December 1801 to William Ratliff, his brother, per Deed Book L&M, Page 2, with the deed registered at the October Sessions of Court in 1805. The deed was witnessed by Elizah Curtis and Samuel Curtis. William Ratliff sold the 100 acres of land to Samuel Pratt per Deed Book L&M, Page 183, on 15 December 1807 (approved January Court 1808). The land was later sold to William Ratliff, son of Thomas Ratliff, per Deed Book N&O, Page 93, on 3 January 1810. The land remained in his hands until his death. Zachariah Ratliff moved from Anson County, North Carolina, to Stewart County, Tennessee. The Samuel Curtis family and Nathan Thomas family moved to the same area about the same time. We have evidence that Samuel Curtis, Sr. made at least one trip back to Anson County following his move.

The Zachariah Ratliff family settled in Stewart County, Tennessee, on 264 acres of land purchased from Hayden Wells, a land agent, per Deed Book 3, Page 103, dated 9 February 1809 (recorded July 1809). The land was located next to the land of James Herod and John McCarty. A sketch of this area prepared in connection with research of the James Herod family is included. Actually, Zachariah Ratliff arrived in Stewart County several years before the land was recorded in his name. Much of the land in this area had been abandoned by the original grant owners, with the land sold for back taxes. It would take time to obtain a clear title to some of the land. Zachariah Ratliff sold 145 acres of his land to Nathan Thomas, his brother-in-law, per Deed Book 3, Page 214, on 1 March 1809 (recorded February 1810). Nathan Thomas sold 50 acres of the land to William Murray, Surveyor, and Zachariah purchased the land back on 3 May 1814, per Deed Book F, Page 379 (recorded 16 May 1817). The deed shows William Ratliff, his son, as a witness. Zachariah Ratliff also purchased six acres of land from William McAllister per Deed Book F, Page 380, on 16 July 1814 (recorded 16 May 1817).

The 1812 Tax List for Stewart County, Tennessee lists the males by companies, with the groups organized as a county militia for the War of 1812. Captain Darden's Company listed by James Tagert, Justice of Peace, totalled 75 men, and included our proven relatives, as follows: James Herod, Nathan Thomas, Zachariah Ratliff, Thomas Tomlinson, Elijah Curtis, and Nathaniel Curtis. We feel others nearby are relatives, but we do not have adequate proof to mention other names.

Samuel Curtis, Sr. purchased 1,031 acres of land a few miles from Zachariah Ratliff on the south side of the Cumberland River in Stewart County. The land was purchased on 20 August 1808, from Handley Stone of Williamson County. We find Samuel Curtis with his sons, William Curtis and Daniel Curtis, listed on the 1812 Tax List in Captain Rushing's Company of 57 men, as listed by John Kizer, Justice of Peace.

The Denson family arrived in Tennessee earlier than the Ratliff family. They lived closer to Dover, and some distance from Zachariah Ratliff. Although they were both from Anson County and probably knew each other, the Denson and Ratliff families had no close connection until the marriage of John Ratliff to Catherine Denson in Alabama. We wish to mention that the James Herrod (Herod) shown on our sketch married Elizabeth McCarty (probably the daughter of John McCarty). They are parents of the James Herod who married Hannah Ratliff in Alabama. The family group sheet for James Herrod (Herod) and Elizabeth McCarty will help the Ratliff relatives that are not familiar with the Herod line.

The Allen, Denson, Herod, Ratliff, and other families in Stewart County, Tennessee, decided to move to the Mississippi Territory in 1811. Some of the heads of the families and older sons made a trip to locate land in the area that later became Washington County, Alabama, presently, Choctaw County, Alabama. Although many of the families

located land and were original owners of the new federal land, their move was delayed by the War of 1812 that was declared on June 1, 1812. Zachariah Ratliff sold his 175 acres of land in Stewart County, Tennessee, to William Dowdy on 28 May 1818, per Deed Book 0, Pages 32-33 (recorded August Court in 1818). James Herod had sold his 337 acres of land to William Dowdy on 11 September 1815 per Deed Book 5, Pages 206-208 (recorded 16 January 1816). It is evident that all of the family members did not move until the end of the war on February 17, 1815. However, we know that some of the family members made several trips between Mississippi and Tennessee to protect their land in both areas.

The area where our relatives settled in the Mississippi Territory was originally discovered by Ed and Charles Ratliff as published in RATLIFF'S FERRY, Volume 2, Number 4, on June 1, 1985. We are including a copy of their map with additional land located for Jonathon Allison, Richard Allen, Robert Lowry, and Joseph McCarty. The Allen and McCarty families are related to the James Herod family. We will not list all of the land purchases, but feel the following information is most critical to our story:

<u>Page</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Acres</u>
247	William and Zachariah Ratcliff, asse. Cert. 1027	09-24-1811	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	28-11N-4W	159
247	Zachariah Ratcliff, asse. Cert. 519	03-30-1812	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	28-11N-4W	156
248	James Herrod, asse. Cert. 139	01-01-1811	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	33-11N-4W	159

The information shown above was obtained from Film MT-13 at the Alabama State Archives for Choctaw County, Alabama. The page number refers to the page number as shown on the film. The land was purchased at the St. Stephens Land Office.

The Herod and Ratliff families moved to Madison County, Mississippi some time between 1828 and 1830. We have included a family group sheet for James and Hannah Herod. We did not research the deed records to find a more exact time of their move. Samuel Curtis, Sr., and some of his sons, settled in Marengo County, Alabama very near this area. We cannot cover the Curtis family in detail in Alabama.

ELIZABETH THOMAS-----WIFE OF ZACHARIAH RATLIFF
by Howard S. Hazlewood

The will of William Ratliff, dated 10 February 1777 in Anson County, North Carolina, bequeathed the manor plantation (300 acres) and fourteen acres of land purchased of Stephen Thomas descendants, to his wife, Susannah Ratliff, during her widowhood. Upon her death or marriage, the lands were to be equally divided between her two sons, William and Zachariah Ratliff. The 1790 census for the Fayette District, Anson County, North Carolina, lists Zachariah Ratliff, alone, as a white male of 16 years and upward. He is living near James and Robert C. Ratliff, his brothers. Deed Book D&E, Page 41, dated 6 December 1796, records a sale of 20 acres of land by Samuel Curtis (stepbrother) to Lewis DuPre, with the deed recorded at Anson County, January 1797 Court Session. The deed mentions that Zachary Ratliff was living on the Spring Branch near William Ratliff's line. Since it does not call the land "Zachary Ratliff's land," we assume Susannah Ratliff was still alive, and he was living on land that was to be his in the future.

Between 1790 and 1796, Zachariah Ratliff moved from Anson County, North Carolina to Richmond County, North Carolina. Deed Book C, Page 439, dated 16 October 1793, records the sale of 110 acres of land by Sion Odom of Marlborough County, South Carolina, to Zachariah Ratliff, with the deed recorded at the Richmond County, North Carolina April 1795 Court Session. The witnesses were James James and Nathan Thomas. Nathan Thomas is the brother of Elizabeth Thomas. He later followed Zachariah Ratliff to Stewart County, Tennessee. Zachariah Ratliff probably married Elizabeth Thomas (born ca. 1767) before 16 October 1793 in Richmond County, North Carolina. Zachariah Ratliff of Anson County sold his 110 acres of land to Milly Saunders on 22 January 1796 per Richmond County North Carolina Deed Book C, Page 596, that was recorded at the October 1796 Court Session. The witnesses were John Moorman, Thomas Moorman, and Zachariah Moorman. One of these married Sarah Thomas, sister of Elizabeth Thomas, and was a brother-in-law of Zachariah Ratliff. It was probably John Moorman. You will notice the deed states Zachariah Ratliff of Anson County, North Carolina; therefore, he had already moved back to Anson County.

The will of William Thomas from Will Book 1, Page 80, of Richmond County, North Carolina, filed at the October 1800 Court Session, lists his second wife, Rachel Thomas (daughter of John Roe), and thirteen children, as follows: William Thomas, Nathan Thomas, John Thomas, George Thomas, Stephen Thomas, Mary Everette, Sarah Moorman, Elizabeth Ratliff, Easter Thomas, Jane Thomas, Martha Thomas, Samuel Thomas, and Robert Thomas. The last five children were the issue of William Thomas and Rachel Roe. The first eight children were by William's first wife, who was probably Hannah Pratt. Stephen Thomas, Elizabeth Ratliff, and Sarah Moorman were willed 200 acres of land in Montgomery County, North Carolina. The land was formerly bequeathed by John Roe to Rachel Roe, daughter, per his will dated 15 November 1780, filed in Deed Book 1, Pages 18-20, of Richmond County, North Carolina, at the March 1783 Court Session. Some researchers did not understand that the land willed Rachel Roe was willed to children of William Thomas and his first wife, with the five younger children by Rachel, receiving the benefits of the home plantation. Since the courthouse for Montgomery County, North Carolina, burned in 1843, we cannot determine for certain

what happened to the 200 acres of land. Stephen M. Thomas and wife, Kate R. Thomas, sold 100 acres of the land to Lewis R. Thomas, per Deed Book 1, Pages 468-470, on 13 January 1881. We would assume that Elizabeth Ratliff and Sarah Moorman probably sold their share to Stephen Thomas, as the land remained in the Thomas family.

The 1800 Census for Anson County, North Carolina shows our Zachariah Ratliff and wife, Elizabeth Thomas, living by Thomas Everette (probably the husband of Mary Thomas, sister of Elizabeth), and Stephen Thomas, brother of Elizabeth.

Please do not confuse William Thomas, father of Elizabeth Thomas, with the William Thomas, son of Philemon Thomas, who was executor for William Ratliff's estate. This William Thomas was the son of Stephen Thomas, as well as the brother of Robert Thomas and the brother-in-law of William Pratt, who married Sarah Thomas. William Thomas, son of Philemon Thomas, sold over 1,000 acres of his land to George Jefferson (witness for the will of William Ratliff), and 500 acres to Aaron Baker between 1777 and 1780, and then moved to Cheraw District, South Carolina, with his wife Sarah.

William Thomas, Jr., brother of our Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff, per his will filed at the July term of court in 1834 in Richmond County, North Carolina, left part of his estate to his daughter, Hannah Tomlinson. She had originally married Samuel Curtis, Jr., who died ca. 1812 in Stewart County, Tennessee. She remarried Thomas Tomlinson following the death of Samuel. The will of William Thomas, Jr. also provides for two slaves, Jack and Luke, to be given to Daniel Curtice and William Curtice, grandsons. They were sons of Samuel Curtis, Jr. and Hannah Thomas.

Stephen Thomas, brother-in-law of Zachariah Ratliff, moved to Montgomery County, Tennessee before Zachariah Ratliff moved to Tennessee. They are closely related to the Covington family. Stephen died in Montgomery County, Tennessee, on May 10, 1825.

My sketch of the Curtis, Guice, Herod, McCarty, Ratliff, Thomas, and other families on Guice Creek in Stewart County, Tennessee, shows the close connection of these families. Zachariah Ratliff sold Nathan Thomas, brother-in-law, 145 acres of his 264 acres of land per Deed Book 3, Page 214, on March 1, 1809.

Zachariah and Elizabeth Ratliff named their first daughter, Rebecca Elizabeth Ratliff. She was born 7 June 1796, and she married Asa Fletcher on 20 March 1822. Some researchers claim that Zachariah Ratliff was living with Asa and Elizabeth Fletcher per the 1840 Census for Leake County, Mississippi, Page 30-A.

The Thomas families were found in Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi near our Ratliff family. The John Roe family in Richmond County, North Carolina goes back to Queen Anne's County, Maryland, with John Roe and William Ratliff mentioned in the same records.

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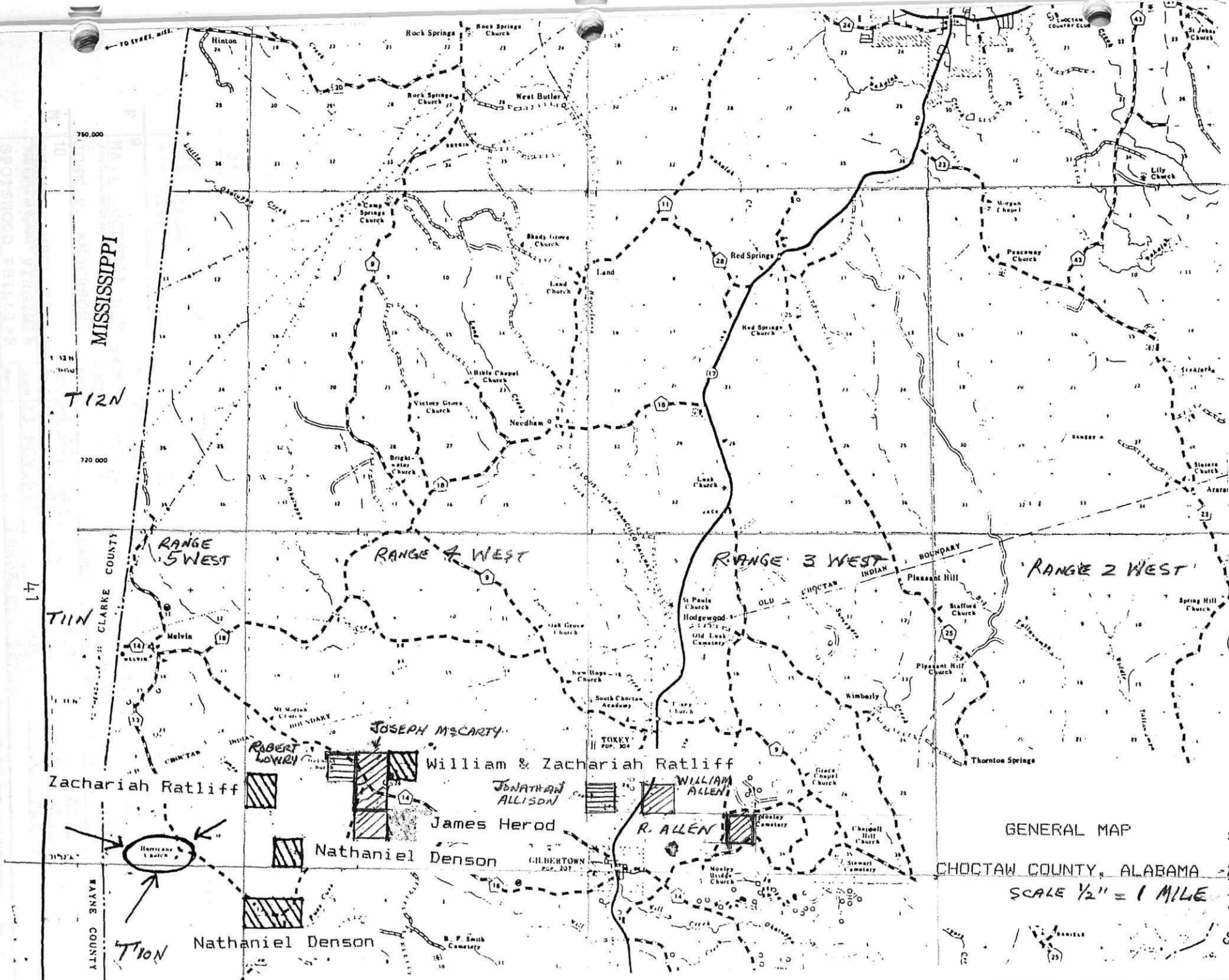
Husband's Full Name JAMES HERROD (SR)

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Stewart Co. Tenn.		Birth	ca 1765	TENN. CENSUS RECORD. PROBABLY			N.C OR
Minute Book 1804-1807		Chr'nd					VIRGINIA
Marriage Record		Mar.	15JUN1802	MONTGOMERY CO. TENN.			
Montgomery, Tenn. 1812		Death	ca 1855	ATTALA CO. MISS.			
Tax List. Stewart Co. Tenn. Census-1830, 1840		Burial					
1850 & 1860, Attala Co. Miss. 1860, 1870 & 1880, Limestone Co. Tx 1860, 1870 & 1880.		Places of Residence	NORTH CAROLINA, TENN., ALABAMA & MISSISSIPPI				
Houston Co. Tx.		Occupation	Farmer	Church Affiliation	Methodist, y Rec.		
1850 Carroll Co. Miss Tombstones in Houston & Limestone Counties		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
		His Father	Probably James Herrod	Mother's Maiden Name	Probably Elizabeth (Harrod)		
		Wife's Full Maiden Name ELIZABETH McCARTY					
1850 Carroll Co. Miss Tombstones in Houston & Limestone Counties		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	ca 1768	Probably			N.C.
		Chr'nd					
		Death	before 1840	MADISON OR ATTALA CO. MISS.			
		Burial					
Compiler H.S. Hazlewood		Places of Residence	NORTH CAROLINA, TENN., ALABAMA & MISSISSIPPI				
Address 3306 E. Oaklawn		Occupation if other than housewife					
City, State Victoria, Tx		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date August 5, 1988		Her Father	Probably John McCarty	Mother's Maiden Name			

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Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 JACOB HERROD Full Name of Spouse* CATHERINE MCKAY	Birth	ca 1803	Probably Stewart Co.	TENN.		
		Mar.	2SEP 1837	MADISON CO.	MISS.		Widow of
		Death	ca 1875	CARROLL CO.	MISS.		EliasMcKay
		Burial					
M	2 JAMES HERROD Full Name of Spouse* HANNAH RATCLIFF	Birth	2 AUG 1804	STEWART CO.	TENN.		
		Mar.	ca 1821	Probably	ALABAMA		
		Death	20 AUG 1875	LIMESTONE CO., TEXAS			
		Burial		HOGAN CEMETERY			
M	3 JOHN HERROD Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1805	Probably STEWART CO.,	TENN.		
		Mar.		Probably never married			
		Death	after 1850	Probably ATTALA CO.	MISS.		
		Burial					
M	4 JOSIAH (JOSEPH) Full Name of Spouse* ELIZABETH ANN ALLEN	Birth	ca 1807	Probably STEWART CO.	TENN.		
		Mar.	13 OCT 1830	MADISON CO.	MISS.		
		Death	after 1860	Probably HOUSTON CO.	TEXAS		FM 1283
		Burial		Herrod Family Cem. 5 Mi. NW Grapeland, Tx.			
F	5 MARGARET HERROD Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1810	Probably STEWART CO.	TENN.		
		Mar.		PROBABLY NEVER MARRIED			
		Death	after 1880	PROBABLY CARROLL CO.	MISS.		
		Burial					
F	6 ELIZABETH HERROD Full Name of Spouse* JOHN Braxton Allen	Birth	11 SEPT 1811	DICKSON or STEWART CO.	TENN.		
		Mar.	ca 1828	MADISON CO.	MISS.		
		Death	before 1850	ATTALA CO.	MISS.		
		Burial					
M	7 DANIEL McCARTY Full Name of Spouse* MARY L. WHITE	Birth	1812	DICKSON or STEWART CO.	TENN.		
		Mar.	ca 1840	Probably ATTALA CO.	MISS.		
		Death	1881	HOUSTON CO.	TEXAS		
		Burial		HEROD CEM. 5 Mi. NW Grapeland, Tx. FM-1283			
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial	NOTE:	Will of John Braxton Allen in 1860 lists			
9	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth		Jacob Herrod of Carroll Co., Miss.			
		Mar.		and Margaret Herrod of Attala, Co. Miss.			
		Death		as next of kin.			
		Burial					
10	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.		39			
		Death					
		Burial					

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RANGE 5 WEST

RANGE 4 WEST

RANGE 3 WEST

RANGE 2 WEST

CLARKE COUNTY

ALBANY COUNTY

T10N

Hurricane

Zachariah Ratliff

ROBERT LOWERY

JOSEPH McCARTY

William & Zachariah Ratliff

JONATHAN ALLISON

James Herod

Nathaniel Denson

GILBERTOWN

R. ALLEN

Nathaniel Denson

TOKEY

WILLIAM ALLEN

Grace Chapel Church

Mosley Cemetery

Chapell Hill Church

Sumner Cemetery

GENERAL MAP

CHOCTAW COUNTY, ALABAMA

SCALE 1/2" = 1 MILE

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FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name JAMES HERROD (HEROD)

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
A Memorialand Bio	Birth	02AUG 1804		STEWART CO.	TENN.	
History of Johnson & Hill Cos. Tx T-976.4	Chr'nd					
M-519.2 LBJ Library, Austin, Tx.; 1800 Census	Mar.	CA 1821	Probably	WASHINGTON CO.	ALA	
1812 Tax list, Stewart Co. Tenn. 1830, Madison Co. Miss. 1840 & 1850 Cen	Death	20AUG 1875		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
Attala Co. Miss. 1860,	Burial			HOGAN CEMETERY		
1870, 1880 & 1890 Limestone Co. Tx. Census. Deed Records:	Places of Residence		TENN., ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI & TEXAS			
Madison & Attala Co. Miss. & Limestone Co. Tx. Family His. Tombstones marriage records. Related families-Death Probate & Bible Records By: Howard Hazlewood 3306 E. Oaklawn Victoria, Tx 77901	Occupation	farmer, Blacksmith	Church Affiliation	Methodist (Lay Minister)		
	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
	His Father	James Herrod (SR)	Mother's Maiden Name	Elizabeth McCarty		

Wife's Full Maiden Name HANNAH RATLIFF (RATCLIFF)

Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	21 APR 1800		ANSON CO.	N.C.	21 APR 1801
Chr'nd					on Tombstone
Death	6 NOV 1883		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
Burial			HOGAN CEMETERY		
Places of Residence	NORTH CAROLINA, TENN, ALA, MISS. & TEXAS				
Occupation If other than housewife			Church Affiliation	Methodist	
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Her Father	Zachariah Ratliff	Mother's Maiden Name	Elizabeth Thomas		

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
		12NOV1988					
F	1 JANE HERROD	Birth	15 JUL 1825		WASHINGTON CO.	ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* EDMUND C. ADAMS	Mar.	ca 1848		ATTALA CO.	MISS.	
		Death	30 APR 1913		ATTALA CO.	MISS.	
		Burial		MARVIN CHAPEL CEMETERY			
F	2 ELIZABETH HERROD	Birth	01 NOV 1826		WASHINGTON CO.	ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* JOSEPH ADAMS HARRIS	Mar.	after 1857		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Death	29 FEB 1892		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial		COBB CEMETERY			
M	3 JAMES MADISON HERROD	Birth	08 DEC 1827		WASHINGTON CO.	ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* GLOVER SARAH CAROLINE	Mar.	ca 1856		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Death	before 1892		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial					
M	4 THOMAS JEFFERSON HERROD	Birth	07 FEB 1829		MADISON CO.	MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* ELVIRA CAMPBELL	Mar.	02 JAN 1851		ATTALA CO.	MISS.	
		Death	12 JUL 1901		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial		COBB CEMETERY			
M	5 JOHN FRANKLIN HERROD	Birth	29 MAY 1830		MADISON CO.	MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* 1. SARAH ANDERSON 2. NANCY E. GAYLEN	Mar.	1. 18 DEC 1855, 2. 1886	LIMESTONE CO. TX	HILL CO. TX.		
		Death	18 SEPT 1908		HILL CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial		LEBANON CEMETERY, AQUILLA, TX.			
F	6 SARAH HERROD	Birth	10 JUL 1831		MADISON CO.	MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* F. J. (JACK) WILLIAMS	Mar.	after 1851		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Death	1912			TEXAS	
		Burial					
F	7 CAROLINE MATILDA HERROD	Birth	20 SEPT 1833		MADISON CO.	MISS.	20 SEPT 1838
	Full Name of Spouse* JOSEPH H. POWELL	Mar.	25 DEC 1862		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	on Tomb-
		Death	10 NOV 1900		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	stone
		Burial		HOGAN CEMETERY			
M	8 GEORGE IRA HERROD	Birth	20 AUG 1835		ATTALA CO.	MISS.	marriages:
	Full Name of Spouse* 1. MARTHA LEWIS	Mar.	1. after 1860 2. after 1870 3. 5 NOV 1880	TX.	LIMESTONE CO.	LIMESTONE CO.	2. Amanda Lewis
		Death	11 MAY 1910		LIMESTONE, TX.	LIMESTONE CO.	3. Sarah E.
		Burial		HOGAN CEMETERY			
F	9 MARY LUCRETIA HERROD	Birth	20 SEPT 1837		ATTALA CO., MISS.		Carroll Roach.
	Full Name of Spouse* JOHN F. ANDERSON	Mar.	19 MAY 1857		LIMESTONE CO.	TEXAS	
		Death	16 OCT 1885		HILL CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial		LEBANON CEMETERY, AQUILLA, TX.			
M	10 CHARLES WESLEY HERROD	Birth	04 OCT 1839		ATTALA CO.	MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* VIRGINIA SPOTSWOOD PHILLIPS	Mar.	10 MAR 1864	42	LIMESTONE CO.	MISS.	
		Death	23 NOV 1915		NAVARRO CO.	TEXAS	
		Burial		PURSELEY, TEXAS			

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Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence							
Occupation		Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father				Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name HANNAH RATLIFF (RATCLIFF)

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Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler Howard Hazlewood	Places of Residence						
Address 3306 E. Oaklawn	Occupation if other than housewife			Church Affiliation			
City, State Victoria, Tx	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
Date Nov. 12, 1988 77901	Her Father			Mother's Maiden Name			

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
F	1 HERROD PERMELIA AMELIA Full Name of Spouse* THOMAS VINSON	Birth	8	MAY	1841		ATTALA	CO. MISS.	
		Mar.	ca		1863		LIMESTONE	CO. TEXAS	
		Death	22	AUG	1914	Probably	SAN ANGELO,	TEXAS	
		Burial							
F	2 HERROD PRUDENCE ATTALINE Full Name of Spouse* JAMES M. VINSON	Birth	26	MAY	1843		ATTALA	CO. MISS.	
		Mar.	after		1860		LIMESTONE	CO. TEXAS	
		Death	before		1875	Probably	LIMESTONE	CO. TEXAS	
		Burial							
	3	Birth							
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		Death							
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		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

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MISSISSIPPI 1828-1840

Zachariah and Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff, their six children and several of the allied families moved from Washington Co. (now Choctaw Co.), Alabama about 1827/1828 to Mississippi. The allied families were Hugh Tinnin, Nathaniel Denson, James Herrod and Asa Fletcher. If you refer to the Zachariah Ratliff b. ca 1765 Queen Anne's Co., MD Family Group Sheet, you will see Ratliff children married into these families. We have no information on the Clanton or Tatum families, in-laws of James and William respectively. Perhaps someone who does will find us and help complete their histories.

We do not know if all these families traveled together from Alabama to Mississippi. History of the area tells us there were daily threats of Indians in Alabama, which is probably one of the reasons for the migration. Also, there was a constant threat of Indians on the trip, so we are sure none of the families traveled alone. The early land acquisitions give us an approximate date of their arrival. The 1830 Census records give us further confirmation of their locations in Mississippi. Records show the land was purchased at the Choctaw Agency in Hinds County, Mississippi for \$1.25 per acre. If you refer to the map of Mississippi you will see our ancestors settled in the 1830's in a cluster around the Pearl River in several counties. By 1840, some had spread out just a little into Attala and Leake Counties.

Zachariah Ratliff, Sr. purchased land in 1831 and 1833 in Madison County and, perhaps, some of the Rankin County acquisitions were his, also. The Rankin County land records should be reviewed to determine if some clue has been missed there. If Zachariah, Sr. is the elderly man in Asa Fletcher's household in 1840, then he was still alive in 1835 and could have acquired some of the 281+ acres in Rankin County in 1835. We do not know when or where Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff died. If Zachariah, Sr. is the elderly man in Asa Fletcher's 1840 Census record, then Elizabeth died before 1840.

The eldest son, William, started accumulating land as early as Sept. 12, 1828 with his brother, John. Wm. died 29 June 1834. Susanna, his widow, continued to accumulate several hundred acres of land after that. The Mississippi Court records show Susanna Ratliff having difficulty meeting her taxes when Hugh C. Fulton stepped up and said, "I'll pay the taxes" and saved the day. Susanna married Hugh Fulton 27 Dec. 1838. He died 29 July 1842. Widowed a second time, she married Samuel Hornsby, a wagon maker. He preceded her in death, also. Susanna Tatum Ratliff Fulton Hornsby died 14 May 1864 in Madison County.

Rebecca Elizabeth married Asa Fletcher probably in Washington Co., Alabama. Asa had served in the War of 1812. After 1830, they moved to Good Hope in Leake County. Asa was one of the early founders of the

Methodist Church at Good Hope.

Zachariah (Jr) and Susan Tinnin Ratliff are found in 1830 and 1840 in Hinds County Census near the town of Tinnin once located near where present-day Canton is. Based on the 1850 Hinds County Census, Zachariah was deceased before 1850. On the 1850 Hinds County Census we find Susan, his wife, age 42; Ira age 14 and Susan S. age 3.

John married Catherine Denson, daughter of Nathaniel Denson. By 1849, the year John died, they had accumulated 1864 acres of land located in Madison and Rankin Counties. The young couple had established a boarding house along what is known today as the Natchez Trace. They also established a ferry across the Pearl River which became known as Ratliff's Ferry. Today at the original site of Ratliff's Ferry there is a trading post entitled, Ratliff's Ferry Trading Post. Charles and Ed Ratliff, descendants of John and Catherine Denson Ratliff publish a newsletter, Ratliff's Ferry, which has provided interesting and informative articles of Ratliff history and where we obtained a great deal of our Alabama and Mississippi information.

James and Hannah Ratliff Herod (Herrod) not only migrated from Alabama to Mississippi with the Ratliffs, but with James's father James Herod (Herrod), Sr. and several of his brothers and sisters. Their combined land holdings in Madison County and Attala County were considerable. The land acquisitions located near the Ratliff Family in Madison County are given to show how close these families were clustered in their early settlement. James Herod (Herrod) Jr. and Sr. are found in the 1830 Census in Madison Co. They were both in Attala County in 1840. James Herrod (Herrod), Sr. died in Attala County ca 1855. Sometime around 1852 James and Hannah Ratliff Herod (Herrod) moved to Limestone, Texas where they both died. Eleven of their twelve children went with them. Jane Herrod who married Edmund C. Adams remained in Attala County.

James and Elizabeth Clanton Ratliff acquired 80.34 acres in Rankin County in 1835. He is not found as head of household in 1830, but might be in John's household, since John has 4 males 20-30 year old. It is not proven the 1840 Hinds Co. James R. Ratliff is this James. The age of the head of household 30-40 would be the right age for him. However, his 80.34 acres were located in Rankin County. Not much is known of James. Perhaps some of his descendants will find us and provide us with his history.

EARLY RATLIFF LAND ACQUISITIONS IN MISSISSIPPI

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AREA</u>	<u>SECTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
William & John	9-12-1828	E/2, NW/4	36-8N-2E	76.81
William, home-site	2-10-1829	W/2, NW/4	32-8N-3E	80.00
John & Zazariah	5-14-1831	E/, NE/4	22-7N-2E	79.84
William	10-25-1832	N/2, W/2, SW/4	32-8N-3E	40.00
Zachariah	6-29-1833	S/2, W/2, SE/4	15-7N-2E	39.92
Susanna, Wm's	9-02-1834	N/2, E/2, NE/4, W/2, SE/4	34-11N-4E	200.00
Susanna, widow	3-24-1835	W/2, NW/4	35-11N-4E	80.06
John	7-18-1835	SW/4	27-10N-5E	160.87
(Source: "The Ratliff Ferry")		Total Madison County	---	757.50
Susanna	4-11-1835	W/2, SE/4, NE/4	4-8N-5E	241.59
John-Moss Side	2-12-1835	W/2, NE/4	5-8N-5E	79.81
John-Home site	12-04-1833	E/2, NW/4	5-8N-5E	79.81
John	2-11-1834	-SW/4, NW/4	5-8N-5E	39.90
John	12-04-1833	E/2, NE/4, SE/4, E/2	6-8N-5E	160.00
Zachariah	12-12-1835	SW/4, SE/4	6-8N-5E	40.00
Zachariah	8-01-1835	NE/4, E/2, NW/4	7-8N-5E	241.03
James	4-11-1835	E/2, SE/4	7-8N-5E	80.34
Susanna	4-11-1835	NE/4	9-8N-5E	160.00
John	1-29-1849	-NW, NW, SE, NW, SW, NE, NW	31-9N-5E	160.12
John	9-18-1851	W/2, SW/4	31-9N-5E	80.06
John	2-13-1835	NE/4	32-9N-5E	160.00
John	12-04-1835	E/2, SW/4	32-9N-5E	80.00
John	2-16-1835	Lot 7	25-9N-4E	64.00
(Source: "The Ratliff Ferry.")		Total Rankin County		1,666.66

EARLY HERROD (HEROD) LAND ACQUISITIONS IN MADISON COUNTY
located near the Ratliff Family

James Herrod, Sr	1- 11 -1833	NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$	31-8N-3E	40.00
Jacob Herrod	10-27-1832	NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$	31-8N3E	40.00
Josiah Herrod	1-22-1833	SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$	31-8N-3E	40.00
Jacob Herrod	7-2-1830	E $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$	31-8N-3E	80.00
Jacob Herrod	11-17-1829	W $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30-8N-3E	80.00
Jacob Herrod	12-28-1831	E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30-8N-3E	80.00
*James Herod	6-21-1833	NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32-11N-3E	119.44
*James Herod	6-21-1833	W $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$	33-11N-3E	80.00
*James and Hannah Herrod (Herod) sold the land to John S. Tucker on 9 December 1835 per Deed Book C, pages 261-262.				

EARLY FLETCHER LAND ACQUISITIONS IN MADISON COUNTY

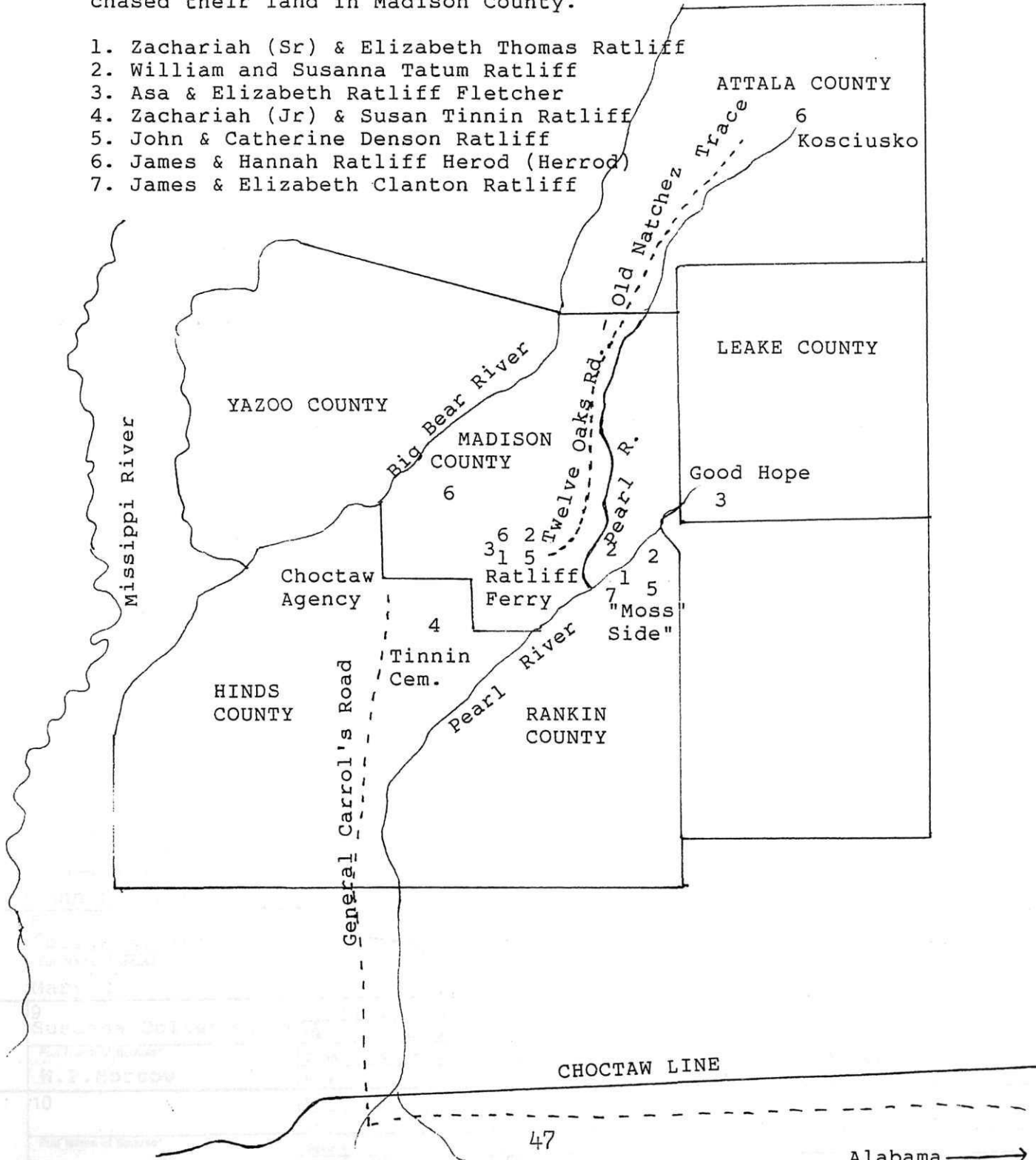
Asa Fletcher	8-23-1828	W $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$	30-8N-3E	80.00
Asa Fletcher	10-25-1832	SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$	31-8N-3E	40.00

Note: There are many more early Herrod land acquisitions in Madison County by other Herrod relations that do not relate to the Ratliff Family

MISSISSIPPI

The Ratliff Family and allied families migrated from Alabama to Mississippi about 1828. They probably followed the Choctaw Line to General Carrol's Road. They followed this road to the Choctaw Agency in Hinds County where they purchased their land in Madison County.

1. Zachariah (Sr) & Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff
2. William and Susanna Tatum Ratliff
3. Asa & Elizabeth Ratliff Fletcher
4. Zachariah (Jr) & Susan Tinnin Ratliff
5. John & Catherine Denson Ratliff
6. James & Hannah Ratliff Herod (Herrod)
7. James & Elizabeth Clanton Ratliff



FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name

WILLIAM RATLIFE

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	9Dec1794			N.C.	
Chr'nd					
Mar.	6OCT1814			TENN.	
Death	29JUN1834		MADISON CO.	MISS.	
Burial					
Places of Residence	NORTH CAROLINA, TENN. ALABAMA AND MISS.				
Occupation	Farmer	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
His Father	Zachariah Ratliff	Mother's Maiden Name	Elizabeth Thomas		

contributed most of the information.

Wife's Full Maiden Name Susanna Tatum *COLLIER*

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	24DEC1795			TENN.	
Chr'nd					
Death	14MAY1864		MADISON CO.,	MISS.	
Burial		Liberty Chapel Cemetery			

Compiler **Betty Carson**

Places of Residence **TENN., ALA AND MISS.**

Address **10045 E. Chestnut**

Occupation if other than housewife

Church Affiliation

6JUN1843

City, State **Sun Lakes, Az.**

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

2.Hugh Fulton 27DEC1838 3.Samuel Hornsby

Date **Nov. 26, 1988**

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
	1 Thomas Ratliff	Birth	3MAR1816			TENN.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Matilda Mary Ann 2. White	Death					
	Ratliff	Burial					
	2 Zachariah Lfonzo	Birth	10MAR1818			TENN.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Sarah Lucretia Adams	Mar.	19DEC1842			MISS.	
		Death	26JUN1906	Ethel,	ATTALA CO.,	MISS.	
		Burial		Springdale Cem. " "		MISS.	
	3 Benjamin Ratliff	Birth	5NOV1820			ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Louisa Lindsay	Mar.					
		Death	17JAN1908		LEAKE CO.,	MISS.	
		Burial		Walnut Grove Cem.	LEAKE, MISS.		
	4 Mary Ann Ratliff	Birth	31JAN1823			ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* James A.B. Tucker	Mar.	30NOV1836		MADISON CO.	MISS.	
		Death	21APR1907				
		Burial					
	5 William Ratliff	Birth	17JUL1825			ALA.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Martha Cavitt	Mar.	20AUG1851				
		Death	29AUG1876		HINDS CO.,	MISS.	
		Burial					
	6 John Ratliff	Birth	22JUN1828			COPIAH CO., MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Mary C. Breland	Mar.	8SEP1843				
		Death	22OCT1924	(probably in Texas)			
		Burial					
	7 Martha Jane Ratliff	Birth	23APR1830			MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* John H. Cochran	Mar.	29DEC1845			MISS.	
		Death					
		Burial					
	8 George W. Ratliff	Birth	29JUN1832			MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* Mary C	Mar.		(went to Texas)			
		Death					
		Burial					
	9 Susanna Colier Ratliff	Birth	13APR1834			MISS.	
	Full Name of Spouse* W.P. Morrow	Mar.	25MAR1853				
		Death	10MAY1914	McComb		MISS.	
		Burial					
	10	Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.		48			
		Death					
		Burial					

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MISSISSIPPI CENSUS SUMMARY
1830 and 1840

John Ratliff - 1830 Madison County

Males - under 5	-- 2	females under 5	-- 1	Slaves	0
Males 20-30	-- 4	females 20-30	-- 1		

John Ratliff - 1840 Rankin County

Males - under 5	-- 1	females under 5	-- 1	Slaves	-13
" 5-10	-- 2	" 15-20	-- 1		
" 10-15	-- 2	" 30-40	-- 1		
" 40-50	-- 1				

Zachariah Ratliff (Sr) - 1830 Madison County

Males 60-70	-- 1	females 60-70	-- 1	Slaves	- 0
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Zachariah Ratliff (Sr) - 1840-Not found as Head of Household.
Refer to Asa Fletcher 1840 Leake County Census.

William Ratliff - 1830 Madison County

Males - under 5	-- 2	females under 5	-- 1	Slaves	- 0
" 5-10	-- 1	" 5-10	-- 1		
" 10-15	-- 2	" 30-40	-- 1		
" 30-40	-- 1				

William Ratliff died 29 June 1834. Susanna married Hugh C. Fulton
27 Dec 1838 and is found in the 1840 Census in Madison Co.

Hugh C. Fulton (which includes Susanna and children)

Males - 5-10	-- 1	females 5-10	-- 2	Slaves	- 0
" 10-15	2	" 40-50	1		
" 15-20	-- 1	Hugh C. Fulton died 29 July 1842.			
" 20-30	-- 1	Susanna married Samuel Hornsby 6 June 1843.			

James Herrod (Jr) - 1830 Madison County

Males - under 5	-- 3	females under 5	- 2		
" 20-30	-- 1	" 20-30	-- 1	Slaves	- 0

James Herrod (Herod) (Jr) - Attala County - 1840

Males under 5	-- 1	females under 5	- 3	Slaves	-
" 5-10	-- 3	" 5-10	-- 1		
" 30-40	-- 1	" 15-20	-- 1		
		" 30-40	-- 1		

MISSISSIPPI CENSUS SUMMARY - continued

James Herrod (Sr) - Madison County, Mississippi - 1830

Males	10-15	--	1	females	20-30	--	1	Slaves	-	1
"	15-20	--	1	"	60-70	--	1			
"	20-30	--	2							
"	60-70	--	1							

Both James, Sr. and Elizabeth McCarty Herrod died in Mississippi. Elizabeth died after 1840 in either Madison or Attala Co. James died ca 1855 in Attala Co.

Asy, Fletcher - 1830 Madison County, Mississippi

Males	under 5	--	1	females	under 5	--	2	Slaves	-	none
"	5-10	--	1	"	5-10	--	1			
"	20-30	--	1	"	30-40	--	1			
"	30-40	--	1							

Asa Fletcher - 1840 Leake County, Mississippi

Males	under 5	--	3	females	5-10	--	1	Slaves	-	8
"	10-15	--	1	"	15-20	--	1			
"	15-20		1	"	40-50	--	1			
"	20-30	--	1							
"	40-50	--	1							
"	70-80	--	1							

Who is the elderly male in Asa and Rebecca Ratliff Fletcher's household in 1840 Census? Asa's father died 10 October 1829, so can't be him. He could be Zachariah (Sr.), Rebecca's father. Zachariah and Elizabeth Thomas Ratliff are not found in the 1840 Mississippi Census records. It is believed Elizabeth died after 1830 and Zachariah went to Leake County to live with his daughter, Rebecca Fletcher. We have not been able to prove this. This elderly man is not found in Asa's household in 1850. It is assumed he died between 1840 and 1850.

Zachariah Ratliff (Jr) - 1830 Hinds County Mississippi

Males	30-40	--	1	females	under 5	--	1	Slaves	-	none
				"	20-30	--	1			

Zachariah Ratliff (Jr) - 1840 Hinds County, Mississippi

Males	under 5	--	1	females	10-15	--	1	Slaves	-	6
"	40-50	--	1	"	40-50	--	1			

James Ratliff is not found as head of household in 1830. Refer to John Ratliff's 1830 census with 4 males 20-30 years old. Perhaps James is one of them. James would have been about 25 years old in 1830. However, in 1830 he had a wife, so where is she? James acquired land in 1835 in Rankin County. He is not found there in the 1840 census. There is a James R. Ratliff in Hinds County 1840. It is not known for certain if this is James Ratliff, son of Zachariah (SR). The adult ages fit.

Males	under 5	--	3	females	under 5	--	1	Slaves	-	none
"	30-40	--	1	"	5-10	--	2			
				"	30-40	--	1			

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name

WILLIAM RATLIFF/RATCLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	ca	1760			QUEEN ANNE'S	MD.	
Chr'nd							
Mar.	ca	1781			ANSON	CO. N.C.	
Death	ca	1819		Prbably	WILCOX	CO. ALA.	
Burial							
Places of Residence	Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina & Ala.						
Occupation	Farmer		Church Affiliation	Military Rec.			
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father	William Ratliff			Mother's Maiden Name Susannah Thomas			
							Curtis
Wife's Full Maiden Name			MARY (POLLY) HINSON				
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	ca	1764		Probably	ANSON	CO. N.C.	
Chr'nd							
Death	BETWEEN-				WILCOX	CO. ALA.	
Burial	8 Sep 1840 & March 1841						
Compiler	Howard S. Hazlew						
Places of Residence	North Carolina, South Carolina & Alabama						
Address	3306 E. Oaklawn			Occupation if other than housewife	Church Affiliation		
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
City, State	Victoria, Tx						
Date	17Jan89	77901	Her Father	John Hinson, Sr.		Mother's Maiden Name	

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 John Ratcliff	Birth	ca	1784			ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	ca	1808		Probably	RICHMOND	CO. N.C.	
		Death	after	1850		Probably	WILCOX	CO., ALA.	
		Burial							
F	2 Winifred C. Ratcliff	Birth	ca	1792			ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	ca	1819		Probably	WILCOX	CO., ALA.	
		Death	after	1850		Probably	WILCOX	CO., ALA.	
		Burial							
M	3 Isham Ratcliff	Birth	ca	1795			ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.							
		Death	after	1840					
		Burial							
F	4 Sarah Ratcliff	Birth	ca	1800			ANSON	CO. N.C.	
		Mar.	ca	1821		Probably	WILCOX	CO. ALA.	
		Death	after	1840		Probably	WILCOX	CO. ALA.	
		Burial							
	5	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
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		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
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	10 0390170	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

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William Ratliff was the eldest son of William Ratliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff. Although he was probably named for his father, we find no records that refer to him as William Ratliff, Jr., and his father as William Ratliff, Sr. He would have been about 17 years of age at the death of his father and not considered an adult, yet. William Ratliff and Zachariah Ratliff were bequeathed the 300 acre home plantation on Jones Creek, plus fourteen acres purchased of the Stephen Thomas descendants, upon the death or remarriage of Susannah Ratliff, their mother. We mentioned in our earlier history for Zachariah Ratliff, there is no record that either son received the land.

Both William Ratliff and Zachariah Ratliff signed a petition in 1783 to request a courthouse built within two miles of the center of Anson County on the plantation of William Bert.

Hopkin Howell, on 20 September 1788 per Deed Book D&E, Page 277, granted fishing rights to Thomas Curtis (Saturdays), Samuel Curtis (Thursdays), and William Ratliff (Fridays), on his property at Hopkins Falls of Great Pee Dee River--recorded at Anson January Court 1798.

John Hinson, Sr., John Hinson, Jr., John Ratliff, and William Ratliff, on 10 July 1797, purchased 150 acres of land on the long branch of Jones Creek from Edward Smith, per Deed Book D&E, Page 139. Witnesses were Joseph Isgatt, Isham Hinson, and Phillip Gatherings. William Ratliff had probably married Mary (Polly) Hinson, daughter of John Hinson, Sr., a few years earlier. They sold the land on 23 February 1805 to Micajah Downer, per Deed Book L&M, Page 129 (recorded January Court 1806). We mentioned in our history of Zachariah that William Ratliff purchased 100 acres of land from him in 1801.

William Ratliff cannot be located on the 1790 Census for Anson County, North Carolina. We feel that John and William Ratliff may have been living with John Hinson, which is listed as follows:

3 Males over 16	5 Females	3 Slaves
3 Males under 16		

We would accept other proof for their location in 1790.

William Ratliff appears on the 1800 Census for Anson County, North Carolina, Page 225, as follows:

2 Males 26-45	1 Female 26-45	5 Slaves
1 Male 10-16	2 Females 0-10	
1 Male 0-10		

It would appear that John Ratliff could be living with William. If so, where were his wife and son, John Ratcliff, Jr.?

William Ratliff is still in Anson County, North Carolina, per the 1810 Census, Page 18-A, as follows:

1 Male 45 or over	1 Female 45 or over	8 Slaves
1 Male 10-16	1 Female 16-26	
	1 Female 10-16	

John Ratliff had started for the Mississippi Territory and was in Georgia. William Ratliff had sold his 100 acres of land on 15 December 1807, as mentioned in the history of Zachariah Ratliff. We assume he was living on land of John Hinson until he moved to the Mississippi Territory.

John Ratliff, son of William, probably married Mary D. Stanback of Richmond County ca. 1808, Deed Book L, Page 174, of Richmond County dated 19 January 1814 (recorded April Court 1819) deeds a lot to Mary Ratcliff, wife of John Ratcliff and daughter of Thomas Stanback. The deed mentions the Chisolm, Denson, and Robinson families. Anson County Deed Book X, Page 399, dated 6 October 1829, lists a deed from Polly Ratliff of the State of Alabama, to Vincent Parsons for ten dollars, a parcel of land she inherited from her father, John Henson, Sr. (deceased). James Streeter, attorney, handled the sale for her. The deed was recorded at the January Session of Court in 1831. Based on the census records, William Ratliff, her husband, died before 1820.

Richmond County, North Carolina Deed Book D, Page 633, records a grant of 150 acres of land to William Ratliff on 16 November 1790. The land was located adjacent to the South Carolina border. Since many early deed records were destroyed in Richmond County, we cannot follow the land ownership for more proof. We feel this was our William Ratliff, and this could be the reason we did not locate him on the 1790 census. He may have been moving to Richmond County for a few years like Zachariah Ratliff.

William and Mary Ratcliff probably moved from Anson County, North Carolina to South Carolina shortly after 1810. We feel they lived in Marlboro County, South Carolina near the 150 acres granted William Ratcliff in 1790. The War of 1812 delayed their move to the Mississippi Territory. The move was not completed until ca. 1818.

Although William Ratliff was deceased by 1820, we find Mary Ratliff listed on the 1820 Census, Page 184, for Wilcox County, Alabama, as follows:

1 Male 21 and over	2 Females 21 and over	8 Slaves
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The 1830 Census (Page 160) for Wilcox County, Alabama, lists Mrs. Mary Ratcliff as follows:

1 Male 20-30	1 Female 60-70	8 Slaves
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Will Book 1, Pages 321-323, for Wilcox County, Alabama, lists a will for Mary Ratcliff dated 8 September 1840. She leaves \$5.00 to each of her two sons, John Ratcliff and Isham Ratcliff, and to her daughter, Sarah Watkins. The slaves, land, tools, and balance of the estate goes to Winifred C. Jamieson, daughter. Leonidas Ratcliff, son of John Ratcliff, Jr., and her nephew, is named executor jointly with Winifred C. Jamieson, daughter; John Watkins,

son-in-law; and Benjamin Devan.

The 1840 Census for Wilcox County, Alabama, lists the following:

<u>Page</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Slaves</u>
320	John Watkins	1 40-50	1 15-20	40
		1 5-10	2 10-15	
		1 0-5	2 5-10	
			2 0-5	
321	Mary Ratliff (Household)	1 30-40	1 30-40	18
		1 15-20	1 15-20	
		1 10-15		

The original land purchases for Alabama show William Ratcliff on 1 February 1819 purchased land in Dallas County at Township 13, Range 7. The area was still Alabama Territory, and the land purchased by William became located in Wilcox County when the county was organized later in 1819.

The 1850 Census for Wilcox County, Alabama on page 366 (house 304) lists the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Born</u>
Leonidas Ratcliff	36	M	Farmer \$7,000	NC
Placida "	22	F		SC
Hamilton "	5	M		AL
Mary A. "	5/12	F		AL
John Ratcliff	68	M		NC
Mary D. Ratcliff	55	F		NC

Although this John Ratcliff is two years older than shown for the census records of William Ratliff, we feel he is the son of William and Mary Ratliff.

Page 348 - House 48 lists the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Born</u>
Callen E. Pudgise	55	M	Farmer	NC
Julianna "	13	F		AL
Winifred E. Jamieson	58	F		NC
Thomas "	23	M	Farmer	AL
House 49				
William Jameson	21	M		AL

We have found no record of Isham Ratcliff other than his name in the will of Mary Ratcliff. It would appear he probably had another name that he preferred rather than Isham. We looked for a William but feel the William Ratliff in Wilcox County is a son of John Ratliff. We could be wrong. Isham is a Henson family name. Elijah Ratliff had a daughter named Winifred born ca. 1816. Robert Clothier Ratliff had a daughter named Winefred Ratliff born ca. 1798. Although we have made direct contact with living relatives of most of the Ratliff lines, we still need to contact proven living relatives from the lines of John and William Ratliff.

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name JOHN RATCLIFF/RATLIF (SR)

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Probate Records	ca 1761		QUEEN ANNE'S CO.	MD	
John Ratcliff,					
Chr'nd				Marlboro Co. S.C.	
Wilcox Co. Ala.	1. ca 1792	2. ca 1812	1. Anson Co., N.C.	2. Probably	
Probate Records,	ca 1841		WILCOX Co.	ALA	
John Ratcliff, JR,					
Burial					

Wilcox Co. Ala. **Places of Residence** Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, ALA.

Deed of Gift-John Ratcliff, Jr. Land **Occupation** Farmer **Church Affiliation** **Military Rec.**

Records, Anson Co. N.C. **His Father** Wm. Ratcliff/Ratliff **Mother's Maiden Name** Susannah Thomas Curtis

& Wilcox Co. ALA. **Wife's Full Maiden Name** 1. Unknown

Census Records - 1820-1850 Wilcox Co. Alabama. **Wife's Data** **Day Month Year** **City, Town or Place** **County or Province, etc.** **State or Country** **Add. Info. on Wife**

Alabama. **Birth** 2. 1785 **North Carolina**

Chr'nd

Death 2. after 1850 **Probably WILCOX CO. ALA**

Burial

Compiler **Howard S. Hazlewood** **Places of Residence** North Carolina, South Carolina, & Alabama

Address **3306 E. Oaklawn** **Occupation if other than housewife** **Church Affiliation**

City, State **Victoria, Tx** **Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.**

Date **Jan. 1989 77901** **Her Father** **Mother's Maiden Name**

Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
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1 John Ratcliff, Jr Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1795		ANSON CO.	N.C.	Child of
	Mar.	ca 1816	Probably	MARLBORO CO.	S.C.	1st wife
	Death	28 May 1835		CUMBERLAND CO.	N.C.	
	Burial					

2 Clothier Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1802		ANSON CO.	N.C.	Child of
	Mar.	ca 1824		WILCOX CO.	ALA.	1st wife
	Death	after 1840	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA.	
	Burial					

3 William Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1804		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
	Mar.	ca 1826		WILCOX co.	ALA	Child of
	Death	after 1840	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA.	1st wife
	Burial					

4	Birth	ca 1813	Probably	South Carolina		
	Mar.					
	Death	after 1830	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

5 James Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1814		SOUTH CAROLINA		
	Mar.					
	Death	after 1850	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

6 Daniel Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	ca 1816		SOUTH CAROLINA		
	Mar.					
	Death	after 1850	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

7	Birth	ca 1817	Probably	SOUTH CAROLINA		
	Mar.					
	Death	after 1840		WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

8	Birth	ca 1820		WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Mar.					
	Death	before 1840		WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

9 Nancy Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse* William H. Scott	Birth	ca 1825		WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Mar.					
	Death	after 1840	Probably	WILCOX CO.	ALA	
	Burial					

10 Sarah Ratcliff Full Name of Spouse* b. ca 1827 d. after 1850	Birth	WILCOX CO.	11. Susan Ratcliff b. 1831, WILCOX CO.			
	Mar.	Probably	55 died. after 1850, Probably	WILCOX,		
	Death	WILCOX CO.		ALA.		
	Burial	ALA.				

We wish to mention one more important record furnished by May B. MacCallum for William Ratliff. The auditors for the Salisbury District of North Carolina, per Voucher No. 5232 dated 25 September 1784, paid William Ratliff one pound, two shillings, and six pence for his Revolutionary War claim. Although we have a copy of the payment record, we do not have a copy of the actual claim. Since William was probably too young to fight at the start of the war, and the claim was small, we would guess that he furnished his rifle for a soldier who did not have a gun. We have seen other records where this was done. Remember, William was still single and owned no land or real property during the war.

John Ratliff was probably the second oldest son of William Ratliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff. William Ratliff bequeathed the 300 acres on the long branch of Jones Creek to James and John Ratliff in his will in 1777. Although John owned land adjacent to James, he appeared to have a much closer connection to his older brother, William. Since John Ratliff probably did not marry until ca. 1792, we have mentioned earlier that he was probably living with John Hinson, Sr. and William Ratliff on the 1790 census. John Hinson, Sr. owned land on Mill Creek a few miles above the long branch of Jones Creek where John Ratliff inherited his land. There is a town on FM 1801 named Hinson near where John Ratliff owned his land. We can follow John Ratliff in Anson County, North Carolina in the early years by looking at the deed records as follows:

John Ratliff sold John Dudney 26 acres of land adjacent to James Ratliff on 7 February 1795. (Recorded July Session of Court 1800) The deed states this land was inherited.

John Ratliff sold John Downer 15 acres of land on Smith Branch on 18 July 1796. (Recorded April Court 1797) The deed states this was part of the land he inherited.

We have mentioned in the history of William Ratliff the 150 acres of land on the long branch of Jones Creek purchased by John Hinson, Sr., John Hinson, Jr., John Ratliff, and William Ratliff on 10 July 1797 and sold on 23 February 1805. We do not know what happened to the balance (109 acres) of the land John inherited from his father.

The census records for Wilcox County, Alabama indicate John Ratliff probably married ca. 1792 with at least one child born before 1800. We do not know the given name or last name of his first wife. Since John Ratliff cannot be located on the 1800 census for Anson County, North Carolina, we can only assume he was living with William Ratliff. It still leaves a question about his wife and son. Remember, census records are not completely accurate.

Passports of Southeastern Pioneers 1770--1823 by Dorothy Williams Potter (Page 263), lists Mr. John Ratliff from Anson County, North Carolina as receiving a passport from the state of Georgia on Tuesday, 5 June 1810, to travel through the Creek Nation. He is listed in the application with Mr. Edward King from Chesterfield District, South Carolina; Mr. Henry Salmon from the County of Jefferson, Georgia; Mr. Charles Irby, Mr. James Irby, and Mr. William Wright, all from Marlborough District, South Carolina. It would appear that John Ratliff's first wife had died by 1810, and the children were still in Anson County.

A John Ratliff entered two land lotteries in Georgia, but was not awarded any land. It is possible this was our John Ratliff, and he decided to explore the Mississippi Territory for land. The War of 1812 forced him to return to South Carolina where he probably married his second wife, Nancy. The John Ratliff family returned to the Mississippi Territory ca. 1818 where we find John Ratcliff in January, 1819, purchased land in Dallas County of the Alabama Territory in Township 13, Range 7, near William Ratcliff. The land was in Wilcox County following its organization later in 1819. John Ratcliffe purchased more land in Township 13, Range 7, of Wilcox County, Alabama on 27 September 1822, and 25 May 1831. He later purchased additional land in Township 12, Range 7. The 1820 printed census for Wilcox County, Alabama lists his family as follows:

John Ratliff, Sr.

1 white male over 21	1 white female over 21	3 slaves
6 white males under 21	1 white female under 21	

John Ratliff, Jr.

1 white male over 21	1 white female over 21	13 slaves
3 white males under 21	1 white female under 21	

The 1830 census for Wilcox County, Alabama lists the family as follows:

Page	Name	Males	Females	Slaves
160	John Ratcliff, Jr.	1 30-40 1 15-20 1 5-10 1 0-5	1 30-40 2 10-15 1 0-5	16
160	William Ratcliff (Son of John Ratcliff, Sr.)	1 20-30 1 0-5	1 15-20 1 0-5	0
171	John Ratcliff, Sr.	1 60-70 1 15-20 1 10-15 1 5-10	1 50-60 1 15-20 1 5-10 1 0-5	8
185	Clothier Ratcliff (Son of John Ratcliff, Sr.)	1 20-30	1 15-20 1 0-5	0

The probate records for John Ratcliff, Sr. and John Ratcliff, Jr. provide a great deal of information about the family. John Ratcliff, Jr. made a deed of gift to his children on 14 October 1831 that was recorded on 15 October 1831 on pages 164 and 165 of the county court records by D. C. Smith, Clerk. He left his son, Leonidas, four slaves and his sorrel horse. Adeline Ratcliff, daughter, received a paino and four slaves. Calvin Ratcliff, son, received four slaves. Mary P. Ratcliff, daughter, received four slaves. John Ratcliff, Jr. owned 400 acres of land in Warren County, Georgia, that was to be equally divided by the four children. It would appear that John's wife died between 1830 and 14 October 1831.

The probate records indicate that John Ratcliffe, Jr. died before his father. Orphan Court records, page 392, dated 2 July 1835, show John Ratcliff, Sr. applied for letters of administration and

made bond for the estate of John Ratcliff, Jr. who departed this life in Cumberland County, North Carolina, about 28 May 1835, while on a trip from Wilcox County, Alabama. The 1840 census records for Wilcox County, Alabama (Page 330) lists the family of John Ratliff as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
John Ratliff	1 60-70	1 50-60
	1 30-40	1 15-20
	3 20-30	1 10-15
		1 5-10
William Ratliff (Son)	1 30-40	1 20-30
	1 5-10	1 10-15
	1 0-5	1 5-10
		1 0-5

John Ratcliff, Sr. died ca. 1841 as shown by the probate records for his estate. Nancy Ratcliff, widow and relict of John Ratcliff, Sr., relinquished her right to administer the estate. Clothier Ratcliff, eldest son, was appointed administrator and made bond, with John W. Bridges, Duncan C. Smith, and Calvin C. Sellers, sureties.

The 1850 census for Wilcox County, Alabama, completes the picture as follows:

<u>Page</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Born</u>
409	960	Nancy Ratcliffe	65	NC
		James "	36	SC
		Daniel "	34	SC
		Sarah "	23	AL
404	90	William H. Scott	29	SC
		Nancy (probably Ratcliff)	25	AL
		Ann Scott	2/12	AL
		Susan Ratcliff	19	AL

Leonidas Ratcliff, son of John Ratcliff, Jr., purchased land in Wilcox County at Township 12, Range 7, on 21 October 1834. John Ratcliff, Sr. later purchased land near him on 12 February 1836, as mentioned earlier.

You can see that our Ratliff family should have connections from this family in both Alabama and Georgia. They are probably in many different states by now.

We failed to mention earlier that John Ratliff may be named for John Burk of Queen Anne's County, Maryland, brother-in-law of William Ratliff. Eleanor Burk Hall Ratliff, first wife of William Ratliff, also had a brother-in-law named John Pratt.

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name ROBERT CLOTHIER RATLIFF

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Deed Book, D+E, pg. 22	Birth	ca	1764		QUEEN ANNE'S	MD	
Anson, NC-17Oct 1793	Chr'nd						
Recorded Jan.Ct.1795	Mar.	ca	1791		ANSON CO.	N.C.	
RC Ratliff & E.Ratliff	Death	2	MAR1815	Probably New Orleans		LA.	
to Thomas Ratliff	Burial						
Deed.Parish of Terre	Places of Residence	Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina & LA.					
borne, La. 16Feb1831	Occupation	Farmer		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	1st Lt. War 1812
Dividing land of R.	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
C.Ratliff & E.Ratliff	Father	William Ratliff		Mother's Maiden Name	Susannah Thomas		
(shares for 6 children)	due 2 mo. 5 days pay.						Curtis
War 1812 Record showing	Wife's Full Maiden Name		ELIZABETH FIELDS				
death of 1st Lt.	Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country
Robert C. Ratliff -	Birth	ca	1774	Probably ANSON CO.		N.C.	
2Mar1815.Census-1790	Chr'nd						
Anson Co., N.C. 1800	Death	BEFORE 16Feb 1831		Probably Louisiana			
Beaufort Co.S.C.1810	Collection Co.S.C.)						
Compiler Howard Hazlewood	Places of Residence	North Carolina, South Carolina & Louisiana					
Address 3306 E. Oaklawn	Occupation if other than housewife	Church Affiliation					
City, State Victoria, Tx 77901	s, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
Date January 9, 1989	Her Father	Mother's Maiden Name					

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Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
M	1 WINIFRED RATLIFF	Birth	ca		1798	Probably ANSON CO.		N.C.		
		Mar.	ca		1824			LOUISIANA		
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	after		1850	Probably		LOUISIANA	
		WILLIAM COLLINS	Burial							
F	2 SUSANNAH RATLIFF	Birth	ca		1800	Probably BEAUFORT CO.		S.C.		
		Mar.	ca		1820			LOUISIANA		
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	AFTER		1840	Probably		LOUISIANA	
		STEPHEN ROBERTS	Burial	before		1850				
M	3 ROBERT RATLIFF	Birth	ca		1801	Probably BEAUFORT CO.		S.C.		
		Mar.	ca		1825			LOUISIANA		
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	after		1850	Probably		LOUISIANA	
		MARY	Burial							
M	4 WILLIAM RATLIFF	Birth	ca		1802	Probably COLLETON CO.		S.C.		
		Mar.				Probably never married				
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	after		1850	Probably		LOUISIANA	
			Burial							
M	5 JOHN RATLIFF (SR)	Birth	ca		1803	Probably Colleton Co.		S.C.		
		Mar.	21	JAN	1830			LOUISIANA		
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	after		1840	Probably		LOUISIANA	
		LYDIA (ELIDA) GRIFFIN	Burial							
F	6 HARRIET L. RATLIFF	Birth	ca		1805	Probably COLLETON CO.		S.C.		
		Mar.	26	OCT	1825			LOUISIANA		
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death	after		1840	Probably		LOUISIANA	
		STEPHEN GRIFFIN	Burial							
7		Birth								
		Mar.								
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
			Burial							
8		Birth								
		Mar.								
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
			Burial							
9		Birth								
		Mar.								
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
			Burial							
10		Birth								
		Mar.								
		Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
			Burial							

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

Robert Clothier Ratliff was probably next to the youngest son of William Ratliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff. He was probably named for Robert Clothier of Maryland. The grandmother of Robert was probably Susannah Clothier, daughter of Robert Clothier. We have proof that her name was Susannah, wife of Thomas Thomas. Most Thomas researchers feel she was a Clothier, but cannot produce a specific record to prove the claim.

William Ratliff bequeathed 200 acres of land on Island Creek to Robert Clothier Ratliff in his will of 1777. The history for Thomas Ratliff showed that Robert Clothier Ratliff sold his land to Thomas per Anson County, North Carolina Deed Book D&E, Page 22, on 17 October 1793. The deed was signed by R. C. Ratliff, with Elizabeth Ratliff, wife, signing with her "X" mark. John Auld and James Fields were witnesses, with the deed recorded at the January Court in 1795. We find Robert C. Ratliff listed on the 1790 census for Anson County (Page 35) as one white male over 16. It is not difficult to see that he married Elizabeth Fields ca. 1791.

Robert and Elizabeth Ratliff moved to Beaufort County, South Carolina, following the sale of their land. They are listed on the 1800 Census in Prince William Parish of Beaufort County, South Carolina (Page 84), as follows:

Robert C. Ratliffe	1 Male 26-45	1 Female 16-26	No Slaves
	2 Males under 10	3 Females under 10	

They appear on the 1810 census in the adjacent Colleton County, South Carolina (Page 321) as follows:

Robert C. Ratliffe	1 Male 26-45	1 Female 26-45	3 Slaves
	2 Males 10-16	1 Female 10-16	
	1 Male under 10	2 Females under 10	

It would appear that two daughters of Robert and Elizabeth born before 1800 may have died before 1810. We have not shown these daughters on our family group sheet. The census records and ages for this family are very difficult to reconcile.

Passports of Southeastern Pioneers 1770-1823 by Dorothy Williams Potter, Page 296, shows a passport dated Friday, 21 February 1812, issued by the State of Georgia for Mr. Robert C. Ratliff, with his wife, six children, and four slaves to travel through the Indian Nations to the Western Country. Also, Messrs. Daniel Roberts, Stephen Roberts, and Elijah Fields, all from Colleton District, South Carolina, and Mr. Aaron Beers, from Richmond County, Georgia, are listed on the application.

Robert and Elizabeth Ratliff moved to Louisiana where Robert C. Ratcliff obtained land in St. Helena Parish in November, 1812. The War of 1812 had started on 18 June 1812. Mostly, young men without families fought in the war. Louisiana became an important battle zone, and before the war ended, Robert was fighting for our country. A Peace treaty was signed at Ghent, Belgium, fifteen days before the "needless battle" of New Orleans was fought on 6 January 1815. The treat to end the war was formally ratified on 17 February 1815. It would appear that our Robert C. Ratliff, now a First Lieutenant, was wounded at the Battle of New Orleans, as he died on 2 March 1815, while still in the Louisiana Militia (Captain

William Watson's Company, 13 Regiment). If communications had been better, the death of Robert may have been prevented.

Elizabeth Ratliff and the children remained on the land purchased by Robert, with the estate undivided until the death of Elizabeth ca. 1830. The six children divided the land per the deed dated 16 February 1831, filed at the Terrebonne Parish. We have read many of the census records in Louisiana with mixed results. Since the age is incorrect on some of the records, we will list only the census records that support the original records from 1800 and 1810. The following Louisiana census records are of interest:

1840 Census--East Baton Rouge Parish

Robert Ratliff	1 Male 30-40	1 Female 30-40
	1 Male 10-15	1 Female 5-10
	1 Male under 5	1 Female under 5
Stephen Roberts	1 Male 50-60	1 Female 30-40
	2 Males 20-30	2 Females 15-20
	1 Male 15-20	2 Females 10-15
	2 Males 10-15	1 Female 5-10
	2 Males 5-10	

The East Baton Rouge Parish was adjacent to St. Helens Parish where the Ratliff family settled in 1812.

1850 Census--East Baton Rouge Parish

Page 195	Winiford Collins	Age 52	F	Born SC
	Elizabeth "	" 25	F	" LA
	Richard "	" 21	M	" LA
	Wm. "	" 58	M	" GA
Page 190	Robert Ratliff	Age 49	M	Born SC
	Mary "	" 40	F	" NC
	Jane "	" 17	F	" LA
	Mary "	" 11	F	" "
	Dickson "	" 8	M	" "
	Louie "	" 7	M	" "
	Elizabeth "	" 5	F	" "
Page 190	Wm. Ratliff	Age 48	M	Born SC

We have contacted some of the Robert Clothier Ratliff relatives to confirm part of the research. A great deal of research is still needed to locate the many relatives and prove their ages a little more accurately.

WILLIAM RATCLIFF/RATLIFF
Anson Co., N.C. & Maryland

1st Wife
Eleanor Burk/Hall

2nd Wife - Susannah Thomas/Curtis

Thomas m.
Sarah Diggs

William m.
Mary Hinson

John m.
unknown
John

James m.
Frances Hamer

Robert Clothier
m.Elizabeth Fields

Zachariah m.
Elizabeth Thomas

William
Elijah
Thomas, Jr.
Sarah
Mary(Polly)
Julie Elaine
2nd Wife
Martha Streeter

John
Winifred
Isham
Sarah

Clothier
William
2nd Wife
Nancy
female
James
Daniel
male
male
Nancy
Sarah
Susan

James
Susannah
Nancy
Rebecca
Rachel
William
Mary Ann
John
Elizabeth

Winifred
Susannah
Robert
William
John
Harriet

William
Rebecca Elizabeth
Zach, Jr.
John
Hannah
James

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William Ratcliff/Ratliff married twice, had six sons and forty-two grandchildren. Here is where we end our effort to put under one cover a summary of the William Ratcliff/Ratliff history. We hope the many descendants will be able to link their family history to one of the six sons.

SUMMARY OF THE SEARCH FOR THE PARENTS OF
WILLIAM RATCLIFF/RATLIFF OF ANSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

The parents of William Ratcliff/Ratliff of Anson County, North Carolina, and Queen Anne's County, Maryland, are not firmly established. The following is a summary for the benefit of current and future researchers. It will show the effort made to find William's parents. (William hereafter will be referred to as William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will)).

Howard Hazlewood and myself hope the research presented here will encourage others to continue the search for data and give them a base from which to work. I will start with the earliest efforts so you can see why we moved on to other areas and leads:

1. William, son of Richard and Mary Caterne Ratcliff of Talbot County, MD, married Mary Fellows. William and Mary Fellows Ratcliff were first researched as possible parents of William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will).

William and Mary Fellows Ratcliff belonged to the Third Haven Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends of Talbot County, MD. In addition to our reading, Charles Ratliff painstakingly read the microfilm of the Third Haven Monthly Meeting Minutes, Part 1, 1676-1771. We found only the following three references:

- 30-Jul-1719 Their intention of marriage.
- 26-Aug-1732 "Widow Mary Ratcliff having been married by a priest."
- 26-Mar-1736 "Mary James, formerly Mary Ratcliff, gave unto this meeting a few lines condemning her disorderly marriage". Vol.1, page 482.

There was an additional reference that is believed to be for a son, James. "James, son of William, requested a transfer to the Falling Creek Monthly Meeting" in Dobbs County, North Carolina, dated 26-Mar-1753. No further references to this James in Maryland were found.

Dec-1781
pages 484-485
Sarah Parr

In any case, no reference for a William, a possible son of William and Mary, was found in the Quaker records in Talbot County, MD. William died prior to 1732 and Mary Fellows Ratcliff remarried.

Land records were reviewed in hopes of finding some reference to children William and Mary Fellows Ratcliff might have had. The following records were found:

16-Feb-1719. Robert and John Fellows gave Mary Fellows Ratcliff--a gift of brotherly love--100 acres and 4 perches, a part of "Abraham's Lott" and a part of "Arcadia". Talbot County Deed Book 12, pages 385-386.

6-May-1735. John Fellows and Phebe, his wife, gave to his sister, Mary Fellows Ratcliff James, now wife of John James, Jr., a gift of 85 acres, a part of "Abraham's Lott". Talbot County Deed Book 14, pages 75-77.

14-Sept-1739. John James Jr., a planter, and Mary Fellows Ratcliff James, his wife, sell to Samuel Chamberlaine, 100 acres and 4 perches, part of "Abraham's Lott" and "Arcadia", 100 acres on the North side of Treadhaven Creek--and all lands adjoining which were given to Mary James by her brother John Fellows. Talbot County Deed Book 14, pages 388-390.

We have seen in many land records, when there is a second marriage, where property is held by the second husband for the children of the first marriage. There was no mention in these land records of any possible heirs of Mary from a previous marriage. These land records do confirm that the Mary James, referenced in the Quaker records, was Mary Fellows Ratcliff, however.

There were two more references to John James:

7-May-1743. "John James, about 68, mention Peter Anderson who owned "Poplar Point" 30 years ago and the first tree of Eaton's Addition, standing on a bank." Talbot County Land Commission, 1736-1745, page 219.

7-Dec-1761. John James, Prerogative Court (Inventories), pages 286-287. Kindred were listed as John James and Sarah Farr.

We are not sure of the significance of these two references above, but wanted to show our effort to locate possible heirs of Mary.

No record of the death of Mary Fellows Ratcliff James has been found, and none of the records found indicated that William and Mary Fellows Ratcliff had a son, William.

2. William Ratcliff who died about 1775 in Talbot County, MD, was also researched to see if he could be the father of William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will). His "Inventory" is dated 11-November-1773, but his wife, Sarah, didn't sign it until 17-July-1775. Kindred were listed as James Ratliff and Stephen Gary Warner. Considering the names of kindred and Sarah, his wife, this William is identified as the son of James and Sarah Warner, son of Richard and Mary Caterne Ratcliff.

10-August-1777. Inventories and Accounts of Talbot County, MD, named John Dougherty and Sarah, his wife, Administrators for the estate of William Ratcliff. Sarah, the widow, had remarried and the children are listed as William Radcliff, Richard Ratcliff and Sarah Ratcliff.

The William listed as a child would have been too young to be our William. The William who died about 1775 would have been about the same age as the William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will), so he could not be the father we are looking for.

3. "Ratcliff Highway" is a tract of land in Talbot County, MD, that was investigated. The Maryland Genealogy Bulletin published the following information:

"Lands of James Radcliffe in Talbot County, 1760. Included in the list of properties is "Ratcliff Highway", surveyed January 25, 1726, for Thomas Ratcliff for 113 acres 4/6 1/2 rent. Possessor James Ratcliff."

Since William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) named his eldest son, Thomas, an investigation of who the above "Thomas" Ratcliff might be was launched. Upon examination of the document itself, we discovered that the property "Ratcliff Highway" was surveyed for *James* Ratcliff, not Thomas Ratcliff. If you look at the "J" in January, Jacob and John you can see each is the same as the first letter in *James* Ratcliff. Also, the "e" in that period looks like "a" and is sometimes confused with the way we make an "o". Whoever submitted this item to be printed misread "*James*" to read "*James*" and assumed they meant "Thomas".

So, in case, researchers run across this reference and think there was a Thomas Ratcliff in Talbot County, MD, selling land to James Ratcliff, beware. The property was surveyed for James Ratcliff and no Thomas Ratcliff is mentioned in the land records of "Ratcliff Highway." In fact, we have not seen a reference in early Talbot County records for a Thomas Ratcliff.

4. There was, however, a Thomas and Mary Ratcliff of Ann Arundel County, MD, across the Chesapeake Bay from Queen Anne's County, MD. In the Will of Elizabeth Lockwood, dated 8 Dec 1711, Thomas Ratcliff, wife Mary, and daughter Ann Ratcliff, were named. Alas, there was no mention of a son, William. In addition, it is worth noting that we now estimate that William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) was born about 1729. This is eighteen years after the 1711 Will referred to above. This gap of eighteen years make it unlikely William (1777) is the son of Thomas and Mary Ratcliff of Ann Arundell Co., Md.

5. William Ratcliff (Will dated, 10 January 1740) of Queen Anne's County, MD, is of interest because William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) lived in the same Parish in Queen Anne's County.

15-Jan-1729. William Ratcliffe was chosen as vestryman for a new Parish called St. Luke. The marriage of William Ratcliff/Ratliff and Susanna Thomas Curtis is recorded in St. Luke Parish records.

20-Sept-1735. William Ratcliff (1740) and John Collins appraised some land for Queen Ann's County. A John Collins was an Ensign on the Colonial Militia Muster and Payroll, dated 1749, which list William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) along with other St. Luke Parish names.

These references put William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will) in the same Parish as William Ratcliff (1740 Queen Anne's County Will). We know these two Williams are not father and son. The Will of William Ratcliffe, dated 10-January-1740, gives his widow as Hannah, and his children as Hannah, Mary, wife of Thomas Hackett, Jane, Frances and Elizabeth. There are indications he is related, maybe an uncle, to William Ratcliff/Ratliff (1777 N.C. Will).

6. The Colonial Militia Muster and Payrolls for Queen Anne's County, MD, list Robert Ratlief and William Ratlief. In our book, William Ratcliff/Ratliff Family of Maryland and Anson County, North Carolina, Howard Hazlewood and myself discuss this document. We proposed Robert and Mary Ratcliff of Prince George, MD as possible parents of William Ratcliff/Ratliff and brother or brothers, Richard-Robert. The following document gives additional names to trace:

Inventory of the Estate of Robert Ratcliff, dated 1740, in Prince George County, lists 28 horses, 14 cows, 32 sheep, 8 hogs, 2 guns, 3 saddles, tools, and household items. James Hyett and William Gooden are listed as sons-in-law. Thomas Prather, Sr. and John Derins were appraisers.

Prince George's County Administrative Bonds, Box 11, Folder 68, dated 1741, show: "Whereas I Richard Rattleiffe son to Robert and Mary Rattleiffe deceased we sign over unto my uncle Richard Tutchstone all my right title and part of the estate of my deceased father, mother Robert and Mary, so far as to administer and to take care of my brothers part of the estate as in the directions of the law Witness my hand this twenty-fourth day of June 1741."

Witness
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Could Robert and Mary Ratcliff of Prince George County be the parents of Robert Ratleif and William Ratleif of the Colonial Militia Payroll of Queen Ann's County and Richard Ratcliff of the same county? Howard Hazlewood, in a separate article, has developed this idea. He has given us much food for thought and avenues for future researchers to explore.

An excellent source for Maryland research to request information by mail, or go there yourself, is:

Maryland State Archives
Hall of Records
350 Rowe Blvd.
Annapolis, MD 21401

If visiting Maryland, the places of special interest to Ratliff and Thomas descendants are:

St. Lukes Parish Church, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co. where William and Susanna Thomas Curtis Ratcliff/Ratliff's marriage was recorded 3 June 1759. William Ratcliff (1740) had a pew in this church ca. 1728.

Old Wye Church, Talbot County where William Ratcliff (1740) and the Thomas family had pews.

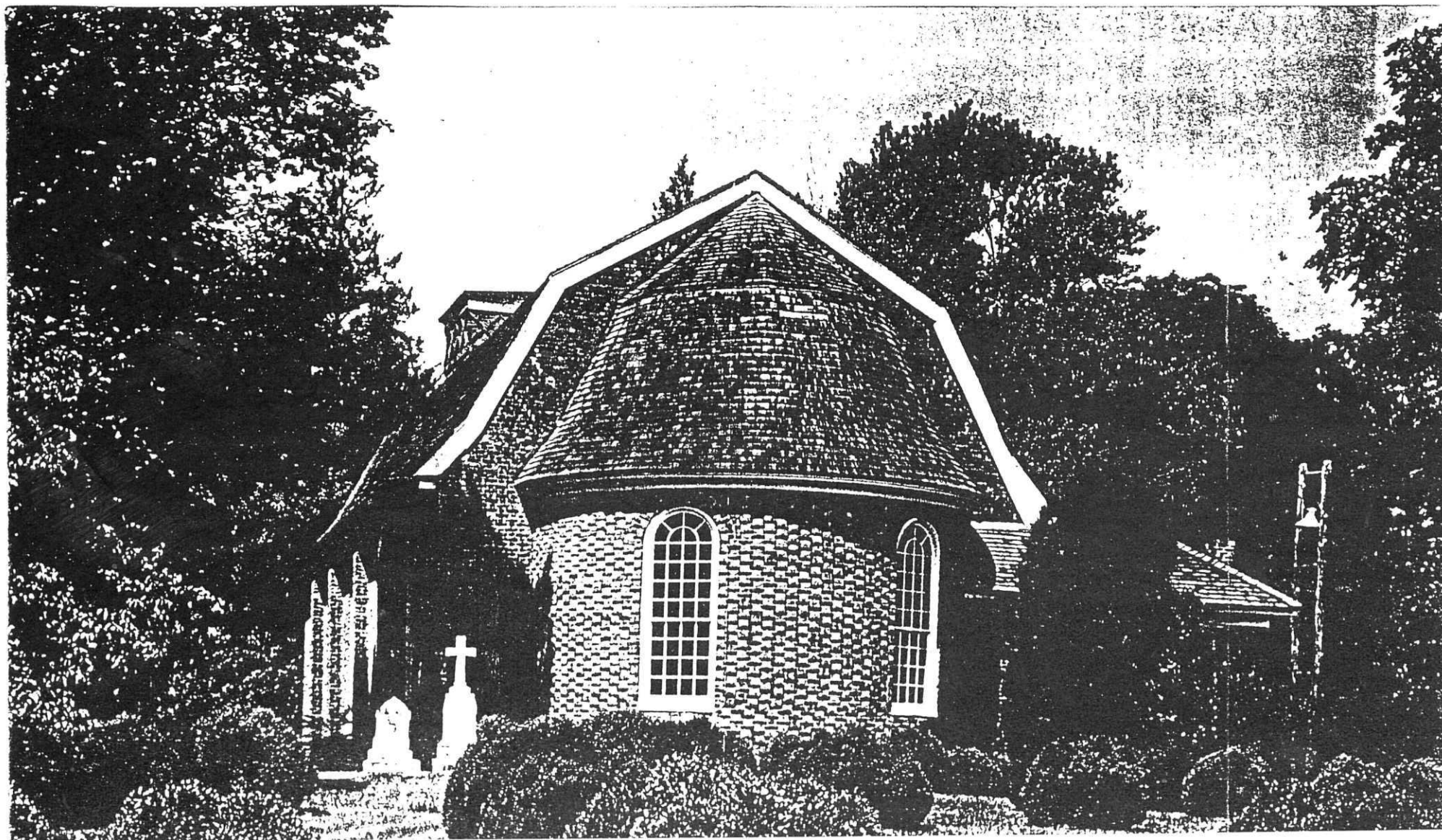
Third Haven Quaker Meeting House, near Easton, Talbot County, where Stephen Thomas and Mary Clothier announced their intentions on January 1731 to marry.

While in Maryland, look into allied families such as Pratt, Hamer, Hinson and Wright, just to name a few. Kent Island is full of interesting historical places, also.

Good hunting!

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St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Church Hill, Queen Anne's County, Maryland
William Ratcliff and Susannah Thomas Curtis were married
3 June 1759 in this Parish



Betty J. Carson and I published a 62 page booklet of the Ratcliff/Ratliff history (January, 1989) under the title of "The William Ratcliff/Ratliff Family of Maryland and Anson County, North Carolina." We have received requests for additional information on our research. The majority of our relatives are interested in possible parents for our William Ratliff. Robert and Mary Ratcliffe of Prince George's County were shown as possible but not proven parents. Although we have lots of additional circumstantial evidence found before and after publication of our book, they still remain not proven.

Our research included possible brothers and sisters for our William Ratliff plus possible uncles and aunts. Betty and I have very detailed research on the Ratliff family in Maryland and Anson County, North Carolina but cannot publish all of our research. The facts shown were obtained by both of us but the opinions stated in this article are mine. If you can support a different opinion, please let me know. I feel very strongly that William Ratliff (d.1741) in Queen Anne's County and Robert Ratcliffe (d.1739) in Prince George's County are brothers. They died approximately two years apart and probably were born approximately two years apart. William Ratliff had five daughters and the first two and maybe four children of Robert Ratcliffe were daughters.

We have excellent research on William Ratliff that died in Queen Anne's County in 1741. He left a will dated 10 January 1740/1741 (proven 13 April 1741) naming his wife, Hannah (Cook) Ratliff, and five daughters. The daughters and their husbands have been identified through the will, rent rolls, final accounts, and marriage records as follows:

1. Mary m. Thomas Hackett on 19 June 1735 (1 QA 41).
2. Elizabeth m. Thomas Hamer on 27 August 1746 (1 QA 52).
3. Hannah m James Benson on 9 August 1748 (3 TA 70).
4. Frances m. Edward Knott.
5. Jane m. Benjamin Whittington on 31 March 1749/1750.

Hannah Ratliff signed the final accounts on 25 November 1742 listing her married daughter, Mary Hackett, and the other four unmarried daughters. We do not know when Hannah died.

I researched all other Ratliff names located in Queen Anne's County during the period of time before and after 1741. It would appear our William Ratliff was the youngest of the names researched. Since he was on the militia roll in 1749 and first married ca. 1754, I would estimate he was born ca. 1729 or shortly before that date. You will note this makes him younger than shown in our book.

The Robert Ratliff shown on the militia roll with William in 1749 was listed before him and could be a possible older brother. I could never find any land he owned in Queen Anne's County or whom he married. I would estimate he was born ca. 1727.

Some researchers questioned our statement on page 6 of our book that Robert and Richard Ratliff were probably the same person. I will be glad to show them as two possible brothers. Did William Ratliff have a brother named Robert? If so, it would help prove they were sons of Robert and Mary Ratcliffe. I have been unable to prove what happened to Robert Ratliff or that he was a brother of William. However, we must look at research by Lucy Ratliff for her Robert Ratliff family in Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware that also joins Kent County, Maryland.

The tax lists for Cecil County, Maryland for 1783, show a James Ratliff with 4 horses, 8 cattle, and 120 acres of land with 4 white inhabitants. Listed near him was Robert Ratliff as 1 white inhabitant. Robert Ratliff married Mary Kirk 13 October 1787 in Cecil County in St. Mary Anne Episcopal Church in northeast Cecil County. He bought 362 acres of land in Appoquinimik Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware in 1802. He sold 176 acres of the land to Edward Wilson in 1810 to raise money for his children to move to Ohio. Mary Kirk, wife, was deceased, and he married a second wife, Elizabeth. He died sometime between 1810 and 1823. Elizabeth probably died by November, 1823. Three of his children sold their undivided interest in the remaining 180 acres in November, 1823 to James Ratliff in Cecil County. They were as follows:

James Ratliff and wife, Hannah.
John Ratliff and wife, Elizabeth.
Thomas Ratliff and wife, Mary.

Robert McC. Ratliff (wife, Cynthia) willed his 1/5 undivided share to John Veazza per Will Book 1, Page 423, Butler County, Ohio dated 5 November 1827 (proven 1 May 1828). James Ratliff had willed him \$150.00 to deed the land to John Veazza. Robert also willed the \$150.00 to John Veazza. It appears John Veazza probably married a sister of Robert McC. Ratliff. There were five children of Robert Ratliff (d.1823), and we have only proven four.

Cecil County, Maryland Will Book 8, Pages 158-159 dated 5 July 1824 (proven 22 July 1824) for James Ratliff mentions 120 acre plantation called "Buck Range" to go to wife, Margaret, for life and then to William Ratliff, son of Samuel Ratliff. Plantation in Delaware to Ann and Elizabeth Ratliff, sisters of William, when John Veassy, son of Stephen, dies. To James Ratliff's son, Samuel, \$20.00 a year for 10 years (he is now in Ohio). To Clemmey (Clemmons) Ratliff (Robert McC. Ratliff) \$150.00 when he makes over the part of plantation he was to have. Executors: Margaret Ratliff (wife) and William Ratliff (son of Samuel). Witnesses: Isaac Taylor, Robert B. Thompson, and David D. Pearce. I will show later in my article a connection of the William Ratliff (d.1741) to the Thompson family.

The census records for Delaware first showed Isaac Ratliff in 1801 with 3 slaves. He was on the 1787 tax list in Delaware. He also owned 180 acres of land by 1803-1804. Robert Ratliff joined him in 1802 with 360 acres of land also shown in 1803-1804. Samuel Ratliff was listed in 1804 with no land. William (son of Samuel) was shown in 1805 with no land. Robert Ratliff had five slaves in 1807 and Isaac had only two slaves. It would appear Robert and James were brothers and Isaac and Samuel were sons of James Ratliff. Robert Ratliff is also shown in the 1790 census for Queen Anne's County. Since the 1790 census is actually made from the tax lists from 1782 to 1790 and reflect land more than individuals, names are often duplicate where families move or own different tracts of land. James Ratliff was a Methodist. I make no specific claims to the Ratliff families in 1790.

Richard Ratliff married Mary Newton 16 February 1750/1751. They had a son, Richard Ratliff, born 14 January 1751/1752. Richard Ratliff was not shown on the militia roll for 1749. I would estimate he was born ca. 1725. There is a Thomas Newton in the militia with our William Ratliff in 1749. He purchased 100 acres of "Tom's Fancy Enlarged" (2,100 acres) on 30 August 1746 from Thomas Hinson Wright. This tract was located in Tully's Neck. Thomas Hinson Wright and the Wright family had many connections to our William Pratt family and the Roe family.

Based on information located in letters to the Governor and Council of Maryland in 1781, Rachel Ratcliffe that married Edward Tarbutton claimed her brother had abandoned his orphan children and left the state ca. 1774. Was this Robert or Richard? She raised Richard Ratcliff, his son, who was under 17 in 1781 and about to be drafted into the militia. Since he would have been born ca. 1764 or 1765, he could not be the Richard born 14 January 1751/1752. The court records also show a Richard Ratcliff in pris on in December, 1769 for debts per Assembly Proceedings for 1769. Did Richard Ratcliff/Ratliff die in jail? What happened to Mary and Richard, Jr.? Although some researchers felt this Richard or his son moved to Anson County, North Carolina, I can find no proof that he moved to North Carolina. He was probably born ca. 1725 and the Richard in Anson County was probably born ca. 1745.

Samuel Ratcliff settled on Little River on the N. E. side of Pee Dee River on Dison Creek in the area that later became Montgomery County. He purchased 300 acres of land from Leonard Dison that was formerly owned by Nicholas Dison (deceased) and originally patented by David Miles. The 1763 Tax List showed he had two sons. The deed records show him as early as 1758. Samuel and Mary, wife, sold 100 acres of the tract to John Smith per Anson County Deed Book H#1, Page 47 dated 28 April 1767 (recorded July Term 1767). Witnesses: Christopher Christian and William Ratcliff. Samuel Ratcliff sold the balance of 200 acres to Benjamin Dumas per Anson County Deed Book 7, Page 288, dated 1 March 1770 (recorded April Term 1770). Witnesses: John Collson and Mary Collson. Since Mary Ratcliff did not sign the

deed, I assume she was probably deceased. The Montgomery County deeds starting in 1779 were destroyed, and I cannot determine what happened to any of the sons that may have remained in the new county.

Richard Ratcliff obtained Grant #492 for 100 acres in Anson County on Flat Fork of Brown's Creek, per Entry 659 entered 20 July 1779 and issued 14 October 1783. The survey was made 28 September 1779, with chainers Joe Harrington and Mathew Bailey, Jr. Where was he from 1770 to 1779? Could he have been living with relatives on the other side of Pee Dee River?

Richard Ratcliff sold this 100 acres to Maliciah Gould on 14 November 1791 (recorded January Court 1793) per Anson County Deed Book C#2, Page 136. Witnesses: Abraham Belev and William Hutcheson. Samuel Ratcliff was a witness on the deeds with the Hutcheson family indicating he also knew them very well.

Anson County Deed Book C#2, Page 24 showed George Dodd sold Mary Ratcliff 150 acres of land on Cedar Creek (near Savannah Creek) on 15 November 1790 (recorded April Court 1792). The witnesses were John Bloodworth, Edward Lloyd, and John Austin. The deed stated the land was near John King Hutchinson, Abraham Belev, and John Boothe. Although this could be Mary Ratcliff, wife of Samuel Ratcliff, I feel she was probably a widow of William Ratcliff, son of Samuel Ratcliff. George Dodd later sold Jesse Ratcliff land in 1810. Where was Richard Ratcliff from 1791 to 1799 when he obtained his second land?

Although the 1790 census for Anson County shows Richard Ratcliff by our Thomas Ratliff (Ratcliff), I do not feel we are related to this Richard Ratcliff (Ratcliff). He still is listed as a possible brother of William Ratliff but it is almost impossible. He appears younger than our William Ratliff. Thomas Ratliff just happened to obtain his patent for 150 acres in 1783 on Little Creek near Brown Creek. Richard Ratliff later moved to Savannah Creek and no longer lived near our William Ratliff family.

Richard Ratliff purchased 100 acres of land on Savannah Creek from James Liles per Anson County Deed Book L&M, Page 358 dated 5 January 1799 (recorded January Court 1809). Witnesses: William Teal and Margaret Nowell. Richard Ratliff sold the 100 acres to Daniel Collins of Richmond County per Deed Book L&M, Pages 346-347 dated 9 October 1807 (recorded January Court 1809). Witnesses: Jesse Ratliff and Joshua Rainwater. Richard Ratliff purchased a second 100 acres of land on Savannah Creek from William Teal per Deed Book N&O, Page 140, dated 3 November 1803 (recorded October Court 1811). Witnesses: Jesse Ratliff, Rebecca Ratliff, and William Teal, Jr.

The children of Richard Ratliff sold this 100 acres of land on Savannah Creek to James Smith per Anson County Deed Book P&Q, Page 62, dated 14 October 1811 (recorded July Court 1814).

The deed states Richard Ratliff was deceased in Anson County and they were his heirs. The signatures were as follows:

James Vanderford	William Ratliff
Rachel Vanderford	Samuel Ratliff
Jesse Ratliff	Sarah Ratliff
Josiah Reas	James Ratliff
Rebeckeh Reas	Elijah Ratliff

Witnesses: James Hough and Gean Smith.

The signatures represented eight children and husbands of two of the daughters. Note Samuel Ratcliff sold some of his land to John Smith and Richard Ratliff sold his land to James Smith. There appears to be a Ratcliff-Smith connection. Jesse sold his land on Savannah Creek in 1810 and 1811 indicating they were moving. Since this was probably not our family, I did not prove the children by other records. They moved to Hickman County, Tennessee before 1820. All of the children except Rachel were born after 1770.

Thomas B. Teat sold Jesse Ratliff 100 acres on Savannah Creek per Deed Book N&O, Page 324, dated 20 September 1804 (recorded January Court 1811). Witnesses: W. Teat and Wm. S. Spencer. The deed showed Jesse Ratliff of Darlington District, South Carolina. Jesse probably married a Teat and stayed in South Carolina longer than his father.

Thomas B. Teat sold Jesse Ratcliff 80 acres on Savannah Creek per Deed Book N&O, Page 134 dated 5 February 1807 (recorded October Court 1811). Witnesses: Joshua Morris and Rebecca Ratcliff. William Teat lived in Darlington District, South Carolina prior to moving to Anson County. It appears the Ratliff family may have also lived there from 1791 to 1799 or later.

George Dodd sold Jesse Ratliff 65 acres of a 400 acre tract patented by John Newton on 25 July 1774 on Savannah Creek per Deed Book N&O, Page 88 dated 22 October 1810 (recorded April Court 1812). Witnesses: J. Hutcheson and Jas. Gordon. Note George Dodd also sold Mary Ratcliff 150 acres of land. It appears the Newton and Dodd families probably came from Onslow County. Could John Newton connect to Mary Newton in Queen Anne's County? Although the Newton name appears in the Ratliff family names in Tennessee, I feel it came from John Newton. I can find no connection to Richard Ratliff and Mary Newton Ratliff of Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

Ed Ratliff corresponded with Cindy Robertson, a researcher for this family. He published an article in Ratliff Ferry for the Richard Ratliff family where Cindy claimed they go back to Samuel and Mary Ratcliff. Although she may be correct, they still need a little more proof. I do not agree with her claim that this Richard Ratliff is the Richard Ratliff from Queen Anne's County, Maryland that married Mary Newton.

Rachel Ratcliffe married Edward Tarbutton on 8 November 1744 (1QA50). She was born ca. 1723 and died after 1781. William Crump patented "Crump's Forrest" for 300 acres on Island Creek and Chester River on 29 September 1687. This land was located near the John Hamer family in an area formerly in Kent County. Different tracts of the land were later owned by James Heath, Robert Crump, John Lloyd, James Williams, Thomas Shoobrook, Thomas Ruth, and William Tarbotin. William Tarbotin and others obtained 50 acres from James Heath on 19 March 1719. James Heath was a creditor for the estate of Thomas Bailey 7 May 1716. It would appear Edward and William Tarbutton were the sons of this William Tarbutton (Tarbotin). They were both in the 1749 militia with our William Ratliff. Although I have not proven this as a fact, Edward and Rachel Tarbutton probably lived on "Crump's Forrest". The tract was northwest of "Sarah's Fancy" and "Narborough". The Pratt family has a connection to Thomas Ruth. The proof is very strong that Rachel was a sister of Richard Ratliff. John Burk married Hannah Tarbutton 25 December 1735 (1QA41). I cannot prove for sure the identity of this John Burk. William Ratliff married Eleanor Burk Hall ca. 1754. I feel the Tarbutton marriage helps prove our William Ratliff could also be a brother of Rachel. Some of the Tarbutton family moved to Anson County, North Carolina settling near the Touchstone family. Sarah Tarbutton Ewing married William Thomas, Jr. ca. 1791 in Richmond County, North Carolina. She would have been a sister-in-law of our Elizabeth Thomas, wife of Zachariah Ratliff. The Tarbutton family has not been researched in detail by me.

Rachel Ratcliffe Tarbutton is related to Robert and/or Richard Ratliff as indicated earlier in our article. The Burk-Hall-Tarbutton-Ratliff connections are very important to prove a connection for our William Ratliff to other brothers and sisters. Thomas Shoobrook that purchased 100 acres of land on "Crump's Forrest" on 8 May 1731 was a witness on the will of James Pratt. The Pratt family also connects to our Ratliff and Thomas families.

Hannah Ratcliffe married John Hamer (the younger) 19 February 1742/43. She was born ca. 1721 or 1722. He inherited half of "Chestnut Neck" from his father in 1733. The land was to be used by his mother to raise the younger children and would not be his until he married and had children. The rent rolls for his property showed it rented in November, 1745 but no longer rented in September, 1746. The land was sold in March 1747/48. John and Hannah Hamer had two sons, John and William, by the time the land was sold. Although researchers claimed this Hannah was the daughter or widow of William Ratliff (d.1741), I do not feel this to be true. Hannah Ratliff, daughter, married James Benson, 9 August 1748. She inherited 92 acres of "Collin's Own" that was sold by James Benson and wife, Hannah, on 14 May 1760, to Thomas Hamer. The final accounts for William Ratliff were signed by Hannah Ratliff, widow, on 25 November 1742. John Hamer is not mentioned in the accounts or shown to own "Collin's Own" at any time.

I also feel Hannah Ratliff, widow of William, would have been too old to have two sons after 1743. She had five daughters with an older daughter married in 1735 who was probably born ca. 1715. This would make Hannah Cook Ratliff born ca. 1695, or approximately 48 years of age in 1743. Why would she leave her young unmarried daughters in Maryland?

North Carolina issued approximately 1,000 early land grants in error in Bladen, Anson, and other counties that were actually located in Craven County, South Carolina (organized in 1688). John Hicks obtained a grant for 640 acres of land in Bladen County (organized in 1734), North Carolina on 22 May 1741 on the east side of Pee Dee River 9 miles north of the Great Cheraws Falls on Rocky Creek (later named Hicks Creek). The land was actually located in Craven County, South Carolina (later Cheraws District organized in 1769). The area later became Marlboro County, South Carolina in 1798. The boundary between North Carolina and South Carolina was not confirmed until between 1764 and 1772. Deed records for this area may be found in many strange places and are often recorded in both states. John Hicks sold John Hamer 200 acres of the tract on 17 June 1743. You can see John Hamer was in the Carolinas just four months following his marriage in Maryland. If this had been the widow of William Ratliff, she still had unmarried children in Maryland and land of her own for life. John Hamer needed to have children to claim his land. The 200 acres was sold by John Hamer, Jr. on 15 February 1775 as recorded in Cheraw District Deed Book P-4 , Pages 198-200 on 30 June 1775. Claudis Pegues purchased the land. Phillip Hinson also obtained a 640 acre grant just below John Hicks on 22 May 1741. Both 640 acre grants were ultimately owned by Claudis Pegues that owned much land and many slaves in the area. The Ratliff family has many connections to the Hamer, Hicks, and Hinson families. John Hamer later obtained many grants in Anson County, North Carolina. He was sheriff of Anson County very early. Later, probably following the death of Hannah, he is shown in deeds as a merchant of South Carolina when he sold some of his land in Anson County to his son, William Hamer. The grants and deeds are too many to cover in detail. He owned land adjacent to our William Ratliff on Island Creek. The deeds for Bladen County were destroyed by fire, leaving a small gap in the records until Anson County was formed in 1750. Some of Anson County deeds are also missing. Hannah Ratliff died not too many years after the marriage, as only two children have been located. John Hamer, Sr. died in 1774 in Anson County, North Carolina. He lived fairly near William Ratliff's home plantation and owned land adjacent to his tract on Island Creek. There were many Curtis and Ratliff connections with the Hamer family. Maybe the Hamer and Curtis researchers can help us on the Ratliff family.

Let's take a quick look at the brother and sisters of John Hamer, the younger, as follows:

John Hamer, the eldest, m. (unknown). Died 1774 in Maryland.
Elizabeth Hamer m. Robert Clothier, Jr. Died in Maryland.
John Hamer, the younger, m. Hannah Ratliffe. d. Anson Co.
Sarah Hamer m. (unknown) Smith. Alive in Maryland in 1774.
Ann Hamer m. (unknown) Little. Alive in Maryland in 1774.

If Hannah Ratliff is a sister of our William Ratliff, John Hamer, the younger, is a brother-in-law. Their connection in Anson County is close enough to indicate a relationship. Could John Ratliff be named for John Hamer? Could Robert Clothier Ratliff be named for Robert Clothier, Jr.? Stephen Thomas, Sr. that married Mary Clothier also lived adjacent to the home plantation of William Ratliff at the time of the death of Stephen Thomas, Sr. Many of the children of Stephen Thomas, Sr. also lived near our William Ratliff prior to his death. Robert Clothier Ratliff inherited the land of William Ratliff that was located on Island Creek near the land of John Hamer. The land of John Hamer was sold to his son, William Hamer. Why do we have no early Hamer-Ratliff marriages? They were related. Why do we have early Curtis marriages? They are not related. Did you ever wonder how the early Hamer-Hicks connection to the Curtis family began in Anson County?

We have four proven Ratliff marriages in Queen Anne's County from 1743 to 1754 plus a possible marriage for Robert Ratliff. It would appear this could be one family with the children born approximately two years apart. They all appear to be orphans. Did they come in a group or at different times? Could some have lived with Hannah Ratliff, widow of William Ratliff (d.1741)? I attempted to research William Ratliff back to his marriage to Hannah Cook. It would appear they were married in Kent County or Queen Anne's County ca. 1712. Augustine Thompson was the oldest and closest friend of William Ratliff. He also belonged to the same church with William Ratliff. He came from Cecil County where John Thompson, father, was an early settler. Some researchers claim the wife of John Thompson was a daughter of Augustine Herman. The first wife of Augustine Thompson was Sarah Salter, daughter of John Salter. He bought a lot from John Hamer in 1693. John Hamer and John Salter lived in an area of Kent County that later became Queen Anne's County. Augustine Thompson married his second wife, Elizabeth Hall, on 17 November 1729 (1QA36). Remember our William Ratliff (b. ca. 1729) married the widow of Edward Hall ca. 1754. I have not proven how Elizabeth Hall and Edward Hall are related but there appears to be a connection. It is my opinion Robert Ratliff and William Ratliff (d.1741) are brothers that originally lived in Cecil or Kent County. I do not have proof yet. Richard Cook probably came from Pennsylvania or Delaware where he met William Ratliff before 1715.

William Gooden married a daughter of Robert and Mary Ratliff per the inventory for the estate of Robert Ratliff, dated 21 June 1740. She would have been born ca. 1720. Although I do not know her name, it could be Sarah for the wife of Richard Touchstone. Maybe I made Goodwin out of Gooden too quickly. A Thomas Godman was the godfather of Thomas Harris per the will for Edward Harris of Queen Anne's County per Will Book 14, Page 398 dated 22 September 1716 (proven 18 May 1717). Witnesses: Richard Cooke, Thomas Comerford, Thos. Morton, Horton Knatchbull, and Harklus Cooke. Is the name Gooden, Godman, or Goodwin? I do not plan to pursue or research the Goodwin family for a fit. William Ratliff handled the estate for Mary Martin. Could this Martin be the widow of Thomas Morton? Edward Goodwin that married Mary Wright was a sergeant in the Queen Anne's County militia in 1749. He lived close to our William Ratliff but I cannot prove a connection to William Goodwin in Prince George County.

James Hyett married a daughter of Robert and Mary Ratliff per the same inventory. Since she was probably the oldest child, I estimate she was born ca. 1718. She could have been named Mary for her mother. There were many families and several towns in Prince George County named for the Hyett family. I will not research the family for a Hyett connection.

Humberstone Lyon, mentioned in the probate records, probably came from Cecil County and could be a relative. There was an early Humberstone family in Cecil County.

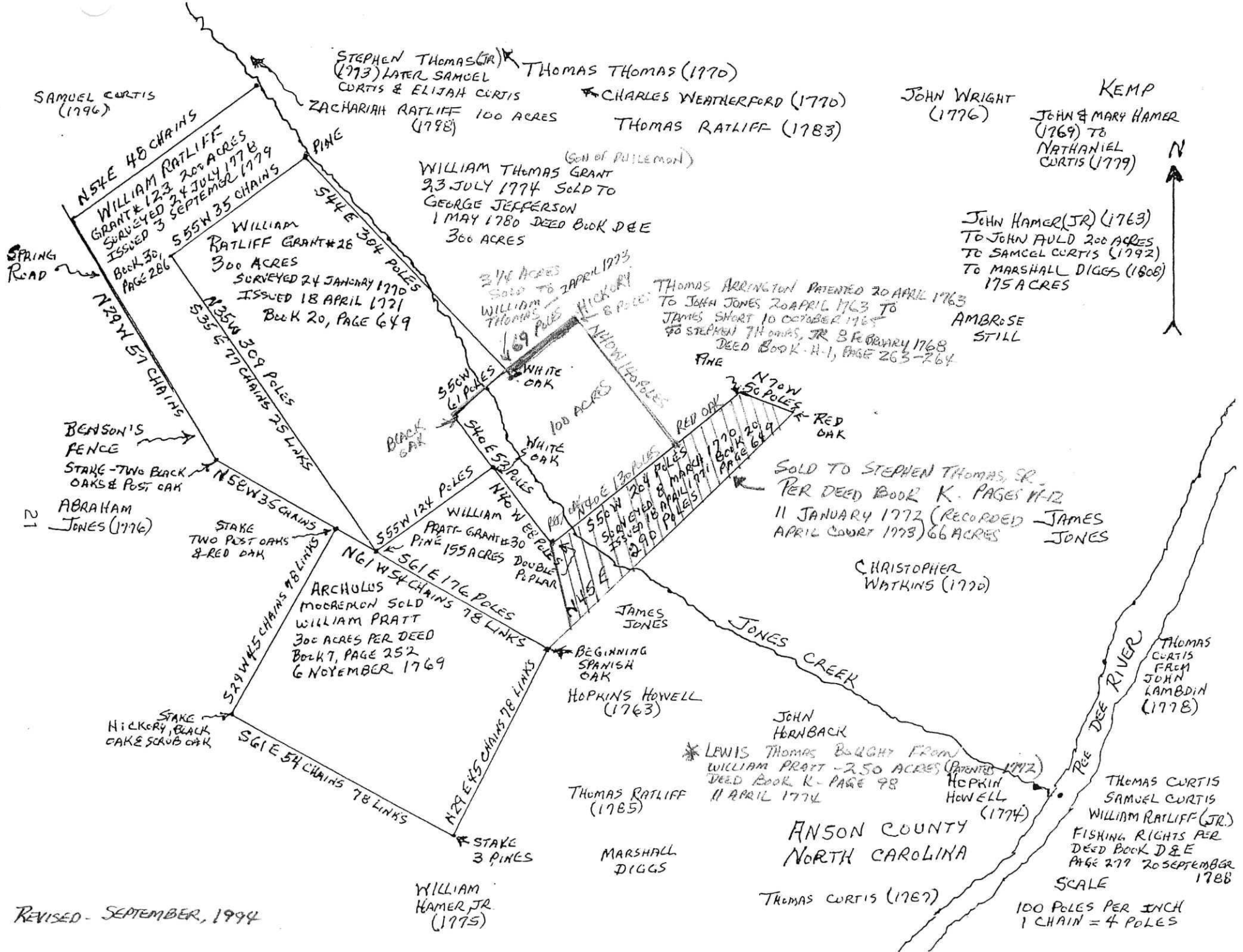
I do not expect to find a connection for our William Ratliff in Prince George County. If he is a son of Robert and Mary Ratliff, he would have lived in the county from approximately 1729 to 1742 as a minor. Recently I obtained the probate records in Cecil County for the Touchstone family. They provided a proven connection to the same early settlers that are related to the Thompson family. The inventory for Richard Touchstone dated August, 1714 (Prerogative Court-Inventories and Accounts 36-B, pp. 66-67) shows Major John Ward to be administrator of the modest estate. I feel this was the father of Richard Touchstone and Mary Touchstone Ratliffe. The inventory for Richard Touchstone (Sr.), dated 23 August 1729 (Inventories, Box 4, Folder 41) showed "Grandsons of the deceased living in this country" lined out with three names listed as relatives as follows: Christopher Touchstone, Henry Touchstone, and Richard Touchstone. I would assume this was the grandfather of Richard Touchstone and Mary Touchstone Ratliffe. He appears to have married a second wife, Christine, and had a son, Andrew, by his second wife. The widow, Christine Touchstone, filed the final account 11 March 1730 (Administration Accounts, Box 4, Folder 23). The accounts mentioned John Baldwin, Sheriff. The Ward and Baldwin families married into the Thompson family. Although I found no mention of our Ratliff family, I found a connection for the Ratliff, Thompson, and Touchstone families in Cecil County prior to 1715.

I also found a Bostick connection that started in Cecil County and connects to Thomas Thomas (III), brother of Susannah Thomas Curtis Ratliff. John Bostick died in Richmond County, North Carolina in 1799 per Will Book 1, Page 71. Elizabeth Bostick, daughter, married Thomas Thomas (III) in Queen Anne's County, Maryland ca. 1760. Thomas Bostick, father of John Bostick, left a will in Queen Anne's County, Maryland per Will Book 37, Page 607, dated 21 September 1765 (probated 26 January 1770). Thomas Bostick, father of Thomas Bostick, left a will in Queen Anne's County, Maryland dated 6 May 1732 (probated 23 August 1732) per Will Book 20, Page 595. He had a daughter, Jane, who married a Ward. Thomas Bostick, father of Thomas Bostick, left a will in Cecil County, dated 26 September 1687 (probated 26 August 1688) per Will Book 6, Page 19. The will mentions a son-in-law, John Salter, who married Mary Bostick, daughter. The daughter of John and Mary Salter, Sarah, married Augustine Thompson in Cecil or Kent County.

I wish to mention one correction for our book. Page 9 shows William Pratt married Sarah Thomas. He married Sarah Denny, daughter of Benjamin and Susannah Denny, in Queen Anne's County, Maryland between 1761-1765. They named their eldest son, Benjamin, probably for Benjamin Denny.

I wish to state again the parents of our William Ratliff are not proven. It is my personal opinion Robert and Mary Ratliff are the most likely parents. You should not eliminate all other possible solutions. Remember some of the brothers and sisters of our William Ratliff do not depend on their parents proven to be Robert and Mary Ratliff. Please look at each possible brother and sister on an individual basis rather than as a group. They may later be proven as one family but each one must stand alone until there is adequate proof of a relationship in Maryland or North Carolina.

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