

GEORGE BLANTON

Lunenburg County, Virginia. 24 Jan 1763 - 3rd Year of Reign of George III. Deed Book 9, p 12 Lunenburg County, Virginia

GEORGE BLANTON contracted for a servant, paid him 40# for six years service.

County of Lunenburg, Virginia. Deed Bk A p 104. Warren County, N. Carolina 13 Jul 1764. Deed to George BLANTON - - - 65 pds Virginia Money for 174 acres on upper side Smiths Creek, adj. LAMBKIN & George WILSON. Proved by John HAWKINS. Bute County, Court. Jan 1765. Reg. 25 Mar 1765.
Logan JOHNSON, P. R. Ben McCULLOCH, C. C.

Warren County, North Carolina Deed Book A, p 303. William JOHNSON, Esq., late Sheriff of Bute County, to Philip BURFORD. Oct 1765. 37 pounds Proclamation money for land on West side Smith Creek adj. LAMBKIN, sold at Sheriff sale 1 Aug 1765, ordered sold by Allen JONES, Clerk of Superior Court Halifax, 1 March 1764, property of GEORGE BLANTON and sold for the debt due Leonard DOZIER, Philip BURFORD was highest bidder and amount due was paid to John HAWKINS, Assignee of Leonard DOZIER. No witnesses.

Ack: Bute, October Court 1765. Ben McCULLOCH, C. C.
Reg: 15 Aug 1766. William JOHNSON, P. R.

(Proof that GEORGE BLANTON had moved on to Rutherford County, North Carolina)

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Cornwall Parish p 247 <u>1764</u> Lunenburg County, Virginia	<u>Tithes</u>	<u>Land</u>
<u>George Blanton</u>	3	
William Blanton	3	200
James Blanton - Constable	3	

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Tryon County, North Carolina Minute Book 1779-92

GEORGE BLANTON was a member of the Jury in Lincoln County, North Carolina, Tuesday, Oct 4, 1769. The Court ordered him to lay out a road from Richard-son's Shoals on Second Broad River to SHELTON'S Ford, thence by Hugh and Julian's Mill on Kings Creek and on to the Charlestown Trading Road by William HILLIARDS.

See: History of Hamrick Generations, by S C JONES, published 1920.

"The first county seat of Tryon County was on Broad River, just above Ellis' Ferry, and was laid out in 1769. The county was a beautiful place, a natural eminence with an abundance of springs of pure cold water, about half a mile above Ellis' Ferry."

TRYON COUNTY, N. C. GEORGE BLANTON witnessed Deed to James FORSYTH 1769.

1769. GEORGE BLANTON along with others petitioned that the line be re-establish- ed between North Carolina and South Carolina so that his and the lands of others might remain in North Carolina.

ANNALS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, by Sherrill. p 14.

1769 Nov 10, at Council at Newbern, North Carolina.
Commissioners of PeaceGEORGE BLANTON"

NORTH CAROLINA COLONIAL RECORDS and STATE RECORDS Vol 8, p 149
Nov 10, 1769. New Bern, N. C.

"Ordered that the following men be added
to the Commissioner of Peace: GEORGE BLANTON..

HISTORY OF OLD TRYON and RUTHERFORD COUNTIES, N.C. -Griffin. p 9 & p 10.

"Justices of the Peace whose names appear in the Minute docket for
1770 include GEORGE BLANTON for Tryon County."

"Justices of the Peace whose names appear in the Minute records for
1771 include GEORGE BLANTON"

Page 150. "Commissioners, 18 Nov 1799 signing: GEORGE BLANTON

Lincoln County, North Carolina Deeds Vol A-Z 1769-1880

GRANTOR - Book 1 p 334. 1770 G(eo) BLANTON & wife SUSANNA.

GRANTEE - George Blanton	1770	Deed Book 1 p 246
George Blanton	1770	1 363
George Blanton	1771	1 418
George Blanton	1778	2 273

Tryon County, North Carolina Dec 12, 1770 GEORGE BLANTON and his wife
SUSANNAH sold 168 acres of land
in Tryon County, N. C. Proved by WM TATE and by order of the court recorded.

South Carolina Memorials. "Memorial exhibited by Wm DOWNS to be registered
in Auditor's Office . . . 800 acs. Craven County on Cherokee Creek, Broad
River waters. Bounding North and East on GEO BLANTON and Roger PETER, etc.
Certified 9th Dec 1774. Granted to Memorialist 6 Jan 1775.
Witness: 27 Jun 1775. Vol xiii p 526.

NORTH CAROLINA COLONIAL RECORDS 1765-1768 Vol 9, pp 1260-62 1775

"To the King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council: The humble petition
of your Majesty's dutiful subjects . . . GEO BLANTON... Petition signed by
persons whose lands have lately been cut off from North Carolina into South
Carolina. . . ."

Tryon County Court Minutes. p 218. Oct 1777

"GEORGE BLANTON, Executor of Estate of Wm WILSON, deceased."

State of South Carolina, York County. April Term 1786. A Deed of Lease
and Release from GEORGE BLANTON to John BARROW for 200 acres of land...
"George Blanton of Tryon County in the province of North Carolina" conveys
land acquired from SANDERS to GEORGE BLANTON by Deed bearing date December
2nd, 1777.

4 Oct 1786. Deed Bk A p 216. GEORGE BLANTON sells to James POWELL land in
the County of Spartanburg, S.C. on the West of Cherokee Creek, waters of
Broad River. . .

Office of the Secretary of State, Raleigh, North Carolina. Land Grants -
RUTHERFORD COUNTY, North Carolina. 15 July 1794.

GEORGE BLANTON 200 acres on Shoal Creek.

List of Justices of Peace & Militia Officers Vol G.O 147. p 167 Rutherford County, North Carolina. 1790 "GEORGE BLANTON, Rutherford County."
 (This entry proves that GEORGE BLANTON was a resident of Rutherford County, North Carolina in 1790. For some unknown reason his name does not appear on the 1790 US Census.)

 ESSAYS ON NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY, Published 1951.

George Blanton 11-18-1799 - Rutherford County, N. C.
 10-15-1800 "Geo. MOORE for GEO. BLANTON."

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The Will of GEORGE BLANTON dated 22 Jan 1796, is Recorded in Book B, p 144 Rutherford County, North Carolina. Witnesses: John Blanton; Jeremiah Ragnessis.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, GEORGE BLANTON, being weak and frail in body, but sound in mind and memory, doth hereby these presents constitute and confirm this to be my Last Will and Testament.

... "to recommend my departing soul to God, who first gave it and my body to the grave..... As to the manner of burial, shall leave to the discretion of my executors, whose names are Burrell Blanton and William Blanton."

... "that all my just and lawful debts be paid as the law may direct."

... "I do leave unto my dear and well-beloved wife, Susannah Blanton, all and every part of my estate, real and personal, during her life or widowhood, to act and to do with the same as by and with the advice of my executors as might be most advisory or conducive to those who it may be allotted, for it a future day, as thirdly after her decease;

"Fourthly, to be divided between my dear children as most accurately without fraud and as most impartially as possible might be, whose names is as follows:

Burrell Blanton
 Ann Bridges
 Catharine Bridges
 William Blanton
 Betsey Bridges
 Francis Blanton
 John Blanton
 Mary Blanton
 Peggy Blanton
 Richard Blanton

GEORGE BLANTON

1769 Appointed Commissioner of Peace - Old Tryon County, North Carolina.

His Last Will and Testament, dated 22 Jan 1796, filed in Rutherford County, North Carolina, names wife Susannah; six daughters: Ann; Catharine; Betsey; Francis; Mary and Peggy; and four sons:

<u>BURWELL</u>	<u>WILLIAM</u>	<u>JOHN</u>	<u>RICHARD</u>
b 1762 VA d 1861 NC m P M BRIDGES Mary WILEY He had 4 daus and six sons	d 1826 TN m Sarah; had 3 daughters and 9 sons	d 183_ GA Daughters, if any, unknown. He had 5 sons	d 1821 N.C. m Sarah, had 4 daughters and two sons
1. <u>John</u> had sons: Burwell Andrew William Frank	1. <u>Wm Horace</u>	1. <u>John Carter</u> b 1805 NC m Angeline Went to TN later to ALA	1. <u>William</u>
2. <u>Jesse</u> had no issue.	2. <u>Wilkins</u> b 1805 NC d 1886 TN	2. <u>Thomas</u> b 1807 NC d 1861 TN m Malissa Had sons: Vinson L James Alfred S John F T	2. <u>Ross</u> 4 daughters:
3. <u>George</u> had sons: Bate Hill Guilford	3. <u>Burwell</u> b 1808 NC Went to Ala. Later to Washington Co TX	3. <u>Coleman</u> b 1817 NC m Nancy Had sons: John Wm Hill Richard Willis	1. <u>Malinda marr</u> PLAXICO. She died in Marshall Co Mississippi.
4. <u>James</u> had sons: Benj. Edward Drury James George	4. <u>Willis</u> b 1810 NC d 1878 TN	4. <u>William</u> Went from NC to TN 1820	2. <u>Susannah</u>
5. <u>Charles</u> had sons: James Albert George William Burwell John Pinckney Guilford	5. <u>Charles L</u> b 1815 NC d 1856 TN	5. <u>Richard</u> b 1816 NC d 1858 TN m Sarah. Had Thomas Lee Richard D John Owen & 3 daus.	3. <u>Hester</u>
6. <u>Burwell Wiley</u> had one son Burwell W	6. <u>Smith</u> b 1818 TN		4. <u>Betsy</u>
	7. <u>Sanford</u> b 1820 TN d 1860 TX		
	8. <u>Henderson</u> b 182_ TN		
	9. <u>Jasper Newton</u> b 1824 TN d 1900 ALA		

BURWELL BLANTON (son of George) was born 1 Nov 1762 Dinwiddie County, Virginia; died 14 May 1861 Cleveland County, North Carolina. His first wife was Phoebe Margaret BRIDGES; his second wife was Mary WILEY, whom he married when about 72 years old. There was one son, Burwell Wiley Blanton by the second marriage.

On Nov 12, 1912, in a letter written by B H BRIDGES, of Forest City, Rutherford County, N. C. he states:

"Our Grand-father Burwell Blanton - first son of George, came with his father from Virginia and settled on First Broad river, just below Chamber's old mill place. Old Uncle Billy HAMRICK, Esq., pointed out the grave.... Grandfire Burwell had one son by his second wife, known as "Aunt Polly." Burwell Wiley Blanton was killed in the Wilderness Battle in company with me.....

"I have seen Grandfire Burwell many times. My father lived near him. He died when I was about 12 years old. He was confined to a large rolling-chair, not able to walk, for a year or two before his death....." Lawyer Burt Blanton was appointed his guardian..."

Abstract of the Pension claim of BURWELL BLANTON
B L Wt. 59093-160-55

State of North Carolina, Cleveland County. On this 8th day of August 1855 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace.... Burrell Blanton aged 93 years, a resident of Cleveland County in the State of N. C... Declares that he is the identical Burrell who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain NEVALS in the Regiment of Militia commanded by Col John EARLS... the War of the Revolution... was drafted in the year 1781. James HAMRICK "deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with the said Blanton... that he is a venerable old gentleman of good character...." 10th February 1857.

Burwell Blanton was granted a County Land Warrant for 160 acres Feb 21, 1857. Mooresboro, Cleveland County, North Carolina.

Clipping in Scrapbook of Lucinda HILL Blanton Williamson, of Williamson, Georgia.

Death of Burwell Blanton

Burwell Blanton was born in Dinwiddie Co. Va., Nov 1, 1762 and died in Cleveland Co. N. C. May 14, 1861, being nearly 99 years of age.

He was a cousin of the Rev Benjamin Blanton formerly of the Georgia Conference. While my grandfather (Burwell) was very young, his father George Blanton removed from the Province of Virginia to that of South Carolina, within the limits of what is now York Dist. After residing here a few years he again removed and settled within the bounds of the Province of North Carolina, in that portion which subsequently became Rutherford County, but in 1841 became Cleveland County, N. C."

BURWELL BLANTON (1762-1861) married ca. 1782 Phoebe Margaret BRIDGES and settled on Beaver Dam Creek, near Mooresboro, Cleveland County, North Carolina. Here he lived to the day of his death May 14, 1861. The children of Burwell Blanton and his first wife were:

1. John; 2. Jesse; 3. George; 4. James; 5. Charles;
6. Elizabeth who married Thomas HARRIS
7. Nancy who married 1st: Joseph BYARS 2nd: Abram PADGETT
8. Sarah "Sallie" who married 22 March 1809 Young HUGHES
9. Susanna "Susan" who married William WINDBOURN.

I. John Blanton, known as "Buck" (son of Burwell) b ca. 1786; d 1 Nov 1847; m 1807 Rebecca b 6 Oct 1789 VA., dau. of Wm HUGHES. The children of John and Rebecca HUGHES Blanton, were:

1. BURWELL "Lawyer Burt" Blanton b 23 Nov 1809. He was called "Lawyer" because he drew up legal papers for people. He never married. He was a successful farmer, lived near Forest City, N.C. with his blind mother, Rebecca, and his sister Malinda Blanton.

1850 US Census Cleveland County, North Carolina: Dwelling #407

Burwell Blanton	Age 40	"Farmer"	Birthplace: N. C.
Rebecca Blanton	60	"Mother"	Virginia
Rebecca Blanton	30	"Sister"	N. C.
William Blanton	25	"Farmer"	N. C.
Mary Blanton	21		N. C.
Malinda Blanton	20		N. C.
Franklin Blanton	18		N. C.

II. ANDREW "Andy" Blanton born ca. 1815 married 1st: 1 March 1838, Rutherford Co N.C. Elizabeth JOLLEY. He m 2nd: Elizabeth WINN-BROWN who was first married to Lemuel PEARSON. The children of "Andy" Blanton were:

- (1) Roxanna who d 29 Aug 1916; (2) Albert; (3) Caroline;
- (4) Edith Ellen; (5) Mary Missalaney; (6) Nancy Susanna;
- (7) Elizabeth Josephine; (8) Jane; and (9) Crowell Blanton.

1850 US Census Cleveland County, N.C. dwelling adjacent to Burwell:

Andrew Blanton	Age 35	"Farmer"	Birthplace: N. C.
Elizabeth	30		N. C.

Roxanna 10; William C 8; Caroline 6; Miscellany 4; Edy age 2.

Page 57. THE STORY OF MY REMINISCENCES by Richard M JOLLY (born 1842):

"Betsey JOLLY married Andy BLANTON, a son of "Buck" Blanton. He engaged in farming and reared a large family. Roxie married Hart Blanton, a son of Grandison Blanton. William Crowell Blanton was either killed at Gettysburg, or wounded from which he later died. Ede married Bud LEE and had one child who married Noah JOLLY. Burton Blanton married in Knoxville, Tennessee where (in 1924) he is a machinist and where his several children live. "Missy" Blanton married Jess PEARSON; Caroline was unmarried. Jane Blanton married Eli TURNER. They lived on Little Brogd River in North Carolina."

1860 US Census Cleveland County, N. C. Dwelling #549

Andrew Blanton Age 47 (b 1813) "Farmer" Birthplace: N. C.
Elizabeth 42

William C 20; Karoline 18; Missileny 12; Eady E. 10; Rebecca 9;
Burrel A. 6; Elizabeth J 4; Nancy S. age 2/12.

iii. NANCY BLANTON b 1814; d 1 Nov 1887 m Peter BEDFORD. They had one child Malinda Bedford who married Thomas STROUD. *a son Jones "Duck" m. Caroline Kattmire. b. in*

iv. REBECCA BLANTON b 1820; d Jun 1891; m Lewis JOLLEY. Their children:

(1) Martha b ca 1856; (2) Jesse Goven b 20 Feb 1859; d 16 Feb 1946 m Jane Catherine MOORE born 25 Feb 1858; d 24 Oct 1938. Their children:

(a) A C R JOLLEY b 10 Nov 1881, died young.

(b) Flora Clementine JOLLEY b 23 Dec 1882, d 4 Jan 1964. She married 8 Jan 1901 William Henry MARTIN who was born 29 Dec 1866; died 24 Apr 1954. They had a daughter Mary Manilla MARTIN b 16 Nov 1904 who married 14 May 1928 Cornelius M MOSER who was born 17 Feb 1890 and died 27 Nov 1957. Mrs Moser furnished this family lineage.

(c) Cora Emeline JOLLEY b 23 Dec 1882 d 2 April 1889.

(d) W Fletcher JOLLEY b 18 Apr 1884; d 16 Sep 1953; m Effie STANFORD b 11 Mar 1885; d 30 Jan 1963. (e) G C JOLLEY died young. (f) Eddie JOLLEY b 10 Sep 1888; d 12 Jun 1887 married Janie SCRUGGS.

v. JULIA ANN BLANTON b ca. 1817, m 26 Dec 1839 Samuel DUNN, a "Boatmaker" and lived in Cleveland County, N.C. Their children were:

(1) John; (2) Phillip; (3) Samuel; (4) Charlotte; (5) Nellie;
(6) James A; (7) Ellen; (8) Rebecca; and (9) Noah DUNN.

vi. WILLIAM BLANTON b 4 Aug 1817; d 4 Sep 1907 buried Boiling Springs, Cleveland Conty, N.C. m 29 Jul 1856 to Almira (Elmina) N HUGHES born 13 Dec 1839; d 4 Sep 1903. Their children were:

(1) John Blanton b 20 Mar 1867; d 28 Apr 1927; m Rosanna BATES.

(2) Linda Jane Blanton b 8 Mar 1859; d 4 Oct 1900; m 18 Dec 1878 to Burwell W Blanton who was born 1 Oct 1857; d 31 Dec 1944.

(3) Greenberry Blanton m 1st: Nancy Susanna PEARSON; 2nd: Mary BLANTON.

(4) William Franklin Blanton b 13 Jan 1877; d 7 Feb 1930 m Lottie JOLLEY b 1 Aug 1876; d 5 Dec 1939. (5) Julia Blanton married James HAMRICK:

(6) Mollie Blanton married Alanson WILLIAMS (7) Elizabeth Blanton married George KELLEY; (8) Martha Blanton; (9) Emily Blanton married Bill HAWKINS; (10) Nancy Blanton married Bill HAWKINS after the death of her sister Emily; (11) Doana Blanton married Bill BATES.

The foregoing record is from the Bible of Miss Ella Jane Blanton, daughter of John Blanton, and his wife Rosanna BATES Blanton.

1880 US Census Cleveland County, N.C. BLANTON, William Age 47; Elmina E 40.

Mary E 17; Ellen 16; Nancy 14; John 13; Greenberry 11; Martha 9;
Sarah E 8; Dony E 6; and Wm F Blanton, age 3 years. All born N. C.

vii. JOHN BLANTON b 1826; d 1862; m Sarah "Aunt Sack" HUGHES. Children:

- (1) Elizabeth Blanton married Marcus MOREHEAD
- (2) Malindy Blanton " William BLANTON
- (3) Tucker Blanton " Jane BLANTON
- (4) Jesse Blanton never married; went West, never returned to N.C.

viii. MARY BLANTON b 1829 m 22 Apr 1856, her first cousin Benson BYERS.
Children:

BYERS, Benjamin Franklin m Theodora PRICE
 John James m 1st: Roseline SMART; 2nd: Ella RUPP
 Joseph Crayton married Drilla PRICE
 Mary " Arnbrister SMART
 Nancy " John BLANTON

ix. MALINDA BLANTON b 1830; d 29 Jan 1897 unmarried. She lived with her mother and brother "Lawyer Burt Blanton". After their deaths her niece Mary Etta Blanton and a nephew, William Franklin Blanton, took care of her, and in return for this service inherited her property. See: Will dated 10 Sep 1896, Cleveland County, North Carolina.

Malinda is buried along with the Blanton family in the old cemetery. Her grave is in the same row with her father John Blanton, and her mother Rebecca. Malinda's grave has a marble stone whereas the others are soap stone or field stone markers.

x. FRANKLIN BLANTON b 23 Sep 1831; d 7 Aug 1915 at Hollis, Rutherford Co. North Carolina; m 17 Jan 1860 Rutherford County, N.C. Sarah b 7 Mar 1839, d 21 Nov 1890, the daughter of Jesse and Sarah (HORTON) CHITWOOD. Franklin Blanton was a Confederate Soldier. He and his wife are buried at Mt. Olivet Baptist Churchyard, Hollis, N.C. Their twelve children were:

- (1) Jesse Guilford Blanton b 13 Nov 1860, Hollis, N.C.; d 7 Sep 1894 m 1 Feb 1888 Cleveland Co. N.C. Lora Manassa BRIDGES. They had one child John Samuel BLANTON b 11 Sep 1889; d 23 Feb 1947; m 29 Jun 1911 Lattimore, N. C. Garva Ella HARRILL b 27 Jun 1891, dau of Robert Lee HARRILL, and his wife Julia Jane McSWAIN HARRILL. The children of John Samuel Blanton were:

Jesse Miles Blanton	b 9 Sep 1912	
Jenny Beatrix Blanton	14 Aug 1913	m Shirley Arnold RAMEY, 1959.
Mary Annette Blanton	21 Apr 1915	Thomas Ray CLINE 1942.
John S. Blanton, Jr.	1 Jul 1918	Mary Louise BROWN 1942.
Kenneth Hewitt Blanton	29 Feb 1920	Jane E. CABANISS 1944.
Sarah Carolina Blanton	21 Mar 1922	Thomas Hal DEDMON 1949.
Harrill Lee Blanton	17 Apr 1924	Martha Evelyn GOLD 1945.
Robert Eugene Blanton	27 Aug 1929	Unmarried.

- (2) Julia Rebecca Blanton b 4 Oct 1862; d 1 Feb 1936; m 2 Apr 1889 to Oliver Abraham HAMRICK.

- (3) Ellen Blanton b 1 Jan 1865; d 7 Mar 1957; m 2 Dec 1886 Gilbert Andrew "Dock" PRICE.

- (4) John Blanton b 30 Dec 1866; d 9 Nov 1895; m Martha HAMRICK.
- (5) James Blanton b 11 Oct 1868; d 11 Mar 1895, never married.
- (6) Burwell "Bert" Blanton b 31 Oct 1870; d 7 Mar 1954; m Mary Laura "Maggie" McKEE. Their sons were: Fred Franklin Blanton of Ellenboro, N.C.; Maynard Blanton; and Sanky Lee Blanton. See: WHO'S WHO in AMERICA 1954-6:

BLANTON, Sankey Lee, clergyman, educator; born Ellenboro, North Carolina Sept 5, 1898, a son of Burwell and Maggie Laura (McKee). B; AB, Wake Forest Coll., 1925, D.D. 1945; Th. M., Sc Bapt Theol. Sem. 1929; S.T.M. Andover Newton Theol. Sch., 1931; m. Lillian Mattie HARRELSON, Apr 27, 1922. Children Sankey Lee; Lillian Joan. Ordained to Ministry Bapt. Ch.; Minister Calvary Church, New Haven, 1931-36; First Church Wilmington, N.C. 1936-46; Dean Sch. Religion Wake Forest (N.C.) Coll., 1946-50 Pres. CROZER Theol. Sem., Chester, Pa. since 1950. Member Bd Dirs. Crozer Homeopathic Hosp. Pa.,; United Theol. Sem., Inc. Served as Sgt. 30th Div. U.S. Army, France 1918-19. Member Presidents' Assn. Am. Bapt. Conv., Nat. Acad. Religion and Mental Health (adv. council). Home: Crozer Campus, Chester, Pa.

(Later retired, living in Wilmington, North Carolina.)

- (7) Mary Malindy Blanton b 23 Jul 1872; d 14 Aug 1899; m 17 Mar 1892 J Vernon ALLEN.
- (8) Sarah Blanton b 30 Jun 1874; d 5 Oct 1950; m 21 Apr 1892 to James Louis HAMRICK, who lived to be 100 years old.
- (9) William F "Bill" Blanton b 14 Mar 1876; d 4 Aug 1894. Unmarried.
- (10) Nancy Elizabeth Blanton b 7 Aug 1878; d 27 Jul 1952; m 5 Dec 1897 William Newton DAVES.
- (11) Frances "Fannie" Blanton b 2 Aug 1880; d 10 Feb 1962; m 16 Jan 1898 Reverend Martin GOLD.
- (12) Eliza Blanton b 1 Jul 1882; d 3 Apr 1972; m 8 Jan 1905 Twitty DAVES.

II. JESSE BLANTON (son of Burwell 1762-1861) was born 1789; d Jan 1875; married 1st: Fannie TATE; 2nd in 1863 Lydia SAPAUGH. No children.

Jesse Blanton served in the War of 1812. His will written Feb 25, 1872 filed in York County Courthouse, South Carolina, names his wife Lidia. After her death his real estate to go to the eldest sons of James Blanton, and of Drury Blanton.

In the Cemetery of Old Buffalo Church, South Carolina, there is a tombstone which reads - NANCY BLANTON, Consort of JESSE BLANTON, died June 12, 1838 in the 4th year of her age. This may be the first wife of JESSE BLANTON, in which case he was married three times.

III. GEORGE BLANTON died 1833 (son of Burwell 1762-1861)
; married 27 Sep 1821 Priscilla HARRILL
who was born in 1800. Their known sons:

- 1. Bate; 2. Hill; 3. Guilford; all three went to Tennessee .

Batey S Blanton "Merchant" age 23 in 1850 US Census of Rutherford County, N. C, and wife Almira Clementine, age 22, were living in dwelling adjacent to

Priscilla Blanton, age 50 (widow of George who d 1833) and her sons James age 21; Gilford 18; and her daughter Priscilla Jane age 16 years.

On 26 July 1860 Almira C (WHITESIDE) Blanton, age 31, near Webbs Ford, Post Office, Second Broad River Dist., N. C., with her three sons:

- 1. George Blanton age 10 born North Carolina
- ii. Hackett Blanton 7 " "
- iii. Johnathan Beaty Blanton 5 " "

Nearby lived the HARRILL family.

Almira is the widow of Baty Blanton who died in Tenn.

Inscription on the gravestone of BATEY S BLANTON, in Concord Church Cemetery, Forest City, N. C., Rutherford County, reads:

BATEY BLANTON Born 1827; Died 1858.

On 3 Sept 1863 Rutherford County, North Carolina
Almira C Blanton remarried to S A WILSON.

Known daughters of George and Priscilla HARRILL Blanton:

- 4. Susan Blanton married James YOUNG born 1816. Refer to NSDAR 519446-HOOD for lineage of their daughter Priscilla YOUNG born 15 Jul 1849, and wife of Greenberry PADGETT whose son Tildon Rucker PADGETT was born 3 Sep 1876.
- 5. Margaret Blanton married Alexander WRAY.
- 6. Priscilla Jane Blanton married 16 Apr 1851 the Rev. George Melt WEBB, a Baptist Preacher. They had two known sons, and a daughter.
 - 1. James WEBB, the older son was a lawyer and was solicitor of his district for many years. He was elected a Superior Court Judge in his district and held that office until his death.
 - ii. E Yates WEBB was elected to Congress from his district while very young. He served in Congress for about 30 yrs.

Was then appointed a Federal Judge by President Woodrow WILSON. In 1948 he resigned his office on account of his age.

111. Fay WEBB married Dr Oliver Hardy GARDNER of Shelby, North Carolina. They were parents of 12 children.

Bessie, a daughter, married Clyde R HOEY who became Governor of North Carolina; also served in the United States Senate as a Senator from North Carolina.

O MAX GARDNER (the youngest son of Dr and Mrs GARDNER) was born 1883 Shelby, N. C., died on 6 Feb 1947 at age 64, in his St Regis Hotel suite, New York City, a few hours before he was to board the liner America to sail for his new post in London, as ambassador to Great Britain.

GARDNER, former Under Secretary of the Treasury, was Governor of the State of North Carolina from 1929 to 1933. He was in politics for almost 40 years.

A personal friend of the late President Franklin D. ROOSEVELT, Gardner moved to Washington, D. C. in 1933 and opened a law office.

In 1946 GARDNER was appointed Under Secretary of the Treasury by President TRUMAN. From that post he was appointed to the Ambassadorship.

The death of O Max Gardner was first announced by the White House. President Truman was reported to have been "deeply grieved and shocked." He sent condolences to the Gardner family, and issued a statement: "I have lost a loyal and devoted personal friend and the country has lost a great American."

United States Senator Clyde R HOEY, a brother-in-law of Gardner accompanied the body back to North Carolina. Dean ACHESON, then Under Secretary of State, came to the train.

The funeral of Max Gardner was held at 2:30 in the afternoon on Feb 8, 1947 in the First Baptist Church, Shelby, where the Rev Zeno WALL was pastor. Gov. Gregg CHERRY attended the service, accompanied by all major State officials and a 30-member legislative delegation. Four United States Senators were present; as was Bandleader Kay KYSER whose home is Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

A choir from Gardner-Webb Junior College, Gardner's favorite philanthropy, sang "I Need Thee Every Hour." Burial was in Sunset Cemetery, Shelby, North Carolina.

There were three children of MAX and Mrs GARDNER:

Ralph Gardner; Max Gardner, Jr.; Mrs E N BURGESS of Short Hills, New Jersey

IV. JAMES BLANTON (son of Burwell) born 26 Jun 1787
died 5 Apr 1833, buried
Beaverdam Church Cemetery, Cleveland County, N. C.

Married 1st: Mary ERIDGES; 2nd Rebecca HAMRICK. A son,
Benjamin Edward Blanton, on 16 Jun 1833, recorded the
date of birth, and the date of death of James Blanton,
and the names and date of birth of James Blanton's
children.

By		
1st	Benjamin Edward Blanton born	24 Oct 1809
W	Mary Ann Blanton	7 Dec 1811
f	Lucy E Blanton	29 Aug 1813
e	Edward Hanson Blanton	8 Dec 1817
	Francis Asbury Blanton	9 Nov 1819
<u>2nd</u>	Drury Allen Blanton	2 Jan 1821
W	Margaret Blanton	4 Aug 1823
i	Priscilla Norman Blanton	22 Apr 1825
f	James H Blanton	27 Sep 1827
e	George Blanton	18 Dec 1829
	Sarah Ann Jane Blanton	19 Jan 1832

In 1850 US Census Cleveland County, North Carolina
Dwelling #428, the Head of the Household was:

REBECCA (HAMRICK) BLANTON, age 54. Children residing
with her
Drewry age 27 "Farmer"; Margaret 24; Priscilla
23; James 22; George 18; and Sarah A Blanton, age 17.

In 1860 REBECCA BLANTON, age 70, Head of Household, with
Margaret 35; Priscilla 33; George 30; Sarah A age 28.

1. Benjamin Edward Blanton (son of James 1787-1833) had
the following children:
 1. Nancy Matilda Blanton born 18 Jun 1841, married _____ HALL,
lived near Corpus Christi, Texas. Her known children
were:
Frank; Robert; and Julia HALL.
 11. Benjamin Franklin Blanton went to Texas around 1871,
first settled near Bethel, Texas. Later moved to White-
right. He had twelve children. In 1880 he was living
in Grayson County, Texas with wife J. A., and six child-
ren under age 12 years.
 111. William Asbury Blanton born 26 May 1846, when age 34, was
living in Rutherford County, N. C. with wife Mary D.,
age 31, born N.C., and children:

Eddy C age 14; Wm H. 12; Nancy E. 10; Calvin A. age 8;
Mary C. 6; John L. L. 3; and Sarah J Blanton, age 1.

1v. James Henry Blanton born 31 Oct 1848, was living in 1880 in Rutherford Co. N. C. with wife Arrena HENRY who was born 15 May 1854, Charleston, S. C. In 1880 their children were:

*John B 8; *Gomanel 7; *Flora E. 5; Effa Jane 3; Louisa E. age 1. When grown, *John B Blanton went to Texas, as did his sister Flora E. who married Paul C DELFEL.

v. Walter Duffy Blanton born 9 Jun 1851, was living in 1880 in Rutherford County, N. C. with wife Nancy S. age 25, born N. C., and sons: Thomas R age 5; Doctor F Blanton age 1 yr.

Walter Duffy Blanton later went to Texas, settled at Sulphur Springs, Texas. He returned to North Carolina where he died in 1931, Rutherford County, N.C.

A son, Hershel Martin Blanton, was living in Gilmer, Texas in 1955. He had a son

and a daughter

Joe Walter Blanton	b	18 Jul 1919,
Evelyn Blanton	b	3 Oct 1925.

In 1850 Benjamin Edward Blanton (born 1809) and his wife Mary, were living in Rutherford County, N.C. with children:

Nancy age 9; Benjamin F. 7; William Asbury 4; James age 1 yr.

(Manson)?

2. EDWARD HANSON BLANTON (son of James 1787-1833) was born 8 Dec 1817. Married Lucinda _____.
Living in 1850 Cleveland County, N. C. with children:

Nancy E age 14; Sarah M. 12; Lucy 10; Polly 6; Sarah 8; William A 7; Nicy V (Fem) age 4; and James Blanton 1 yr. All children were born in North Carolina.

In 1880 Edward Hanson Blanton was living in Rutherford County, N. C. with:
Mary age 28; Butler age 8; Joseph 3; and Lucinda age 2.

3. FRANCIS ASBURY BLANTON (son of James 1787-1833) was born 9 Nov 1819.

In 1850 was living in Cleveland County, N. C. with wife Lucinda, and a son Burwell W Blanton, age 7 months.

In 1860 Francis A Blanton, age 40, "Farmer" was living with wife Lucinda; and children:

Burel age 11, James O age 8; Bryant 7; William S 4; and Elizabeth J Blanton, age 1 year. All children born in N.C.

4. DRURY ALLEN BLANTON (son of James 1787-1833) was born
2 Jan 1821; died 17 Jul 1889 Cleveland County,
N.C. Married Julia Ann LEDBETTER born 31 Mar 1835; died
3 Jan 1888 Cleveland County, N.C. buried Sharon Cemetery.

In 1860 Drury A Blanton (b 2 Jan 1821) a "Blacksmith"
was living in Cleveland County, N. C. with his wife,
Julia Ann, and sons:

James Henry Blanton born 7 Jun 1854
William A Blanton 1856, and

Lucy Blanton, age 47, sister, born N. C.

James Henry Blanton (born 7 Jun 1854; died 7 Mar 1934
at Shelby, N. C., married Melvina LEE born 27 Jan 1860;
died 5 Feb 1925, Shelby, N. C.

Their son Drury Watson Blanton born 22 Apr 1883
died 15 Mar 1932 at Shelby, N.C., married Ida Pearl
BYERS born 27 Mar 1884, Cleveland County, N. C.

They had a son J W Blanton, born 11 Mar 1918,
Shelby, N.C. living in 1955, at Durham, N. C.,

and a daughter Miss R. CORENE BLANTON, living in
1955, Shelby, N. C., who furnished many of the
facts concerning the family.

In 1880 Drury Allen Blanton was living in Cleveland
County, N. C. with wife Julia Ann, then age 45, and
children:

Burwell B Blanton	age 20
*John Sumney Blanton	16
Cordelia A	14
Drury A	11
Nancy A	8
Mary E	5
Julia A	10 months

Drury W Blanton age 22, born N. C. with wife
Malinda, and son James age 11 months, lived
nearby.

*John Sumney Blanton born 22 Oct 1863 married Frances
Jane Blanton. Their son

Barnie Henderson Blanton born 7 Feb 1892 was living
in April 1969, at Flint Hill Church, Cleveland County,
North Carolina, and furnished his lineage as recorded
in the Family Bible.

5. JAMES H BLANTON (son of James 1787-1833) was born 27 Sep 1827.

In 1860 Cleveland County, North Carolina, James H Blanton "farmer" and wife Catherine, age 24, were living with sons:

- William Blanton age 4 (born 1856)
- Drury W Blanton 2 (born 1858)
- Jesse Blanton 1 (born 1859)

In 1880 Cleveland County, N. C., James H Blanton, age 52, was living with his wife Catherine, age 43, born N. C., and children:

- James F Blanton age 17
- Susan J 14
- July 13
- Doctor D Blanton 11
- Mary A 9
- Margaret E 7
- Gainus? Blanton 3, a son, and an unnamed Infant son born 1880.



6. GEORGE BLANTON (son of James 1787-1833) was born 18 Dec 1829. Never married.

V. CHARLES BLANTON (son of Burwell) born 19 May 1804
 died 26 Apr 1866
 Married 1 Jan 1823 Judith HAMRICK, born 8 Jul 1805,
 died 12 Oct 1864, buried Zion Baptist Churchyard,
 Shelby, North Carolina.

Their children:

1. James Wesley Blanton born 1 Nov 1823
 died 2 Jul 1845 unmarried.
2. Albert Blanton born 7 Jan 1826, died 13 Dec 1905
 buried Zion Baptist Churchyard, Cleveland Co. N.C.
 Married Roxanna IRWIN.

In 1860 Albert Blanton and wife Roxana J., were living in
 Cleveland County, N. C. with children: Charles S. age 10;
 Martha A. 8; Joseph S 5; Amelia age 2. All born N. C.

In 1880 Albert Blanton, age 53, and wife age 47, were
 living in Cleveland County, N. C. with sons A B Blanton
 age 14; and L A BLANTON Age 13, both born N. C.

3. Elizabeth Elvira Blanton born 1 Jan 1828
 married Joseph W SUTTLE, a Baptist Minister.
4. George Blanton born 8 Jan 1830 moved to Texas.**
5. William Miller Blanton born 1 Feb 1832; d 11 Sep 1916,
 married 8 Mar 1859 Josephine Moore SETZER b 17 Dec 1839,
 Iredell County, N.C.
 William Miller Blanton moved to McDowell County, N. C.

In 1880 his children were: Charles age 19; William 17;
 Josephus 13; John Dobbins 11; and Albert Blanton age 6.

Charles D., the oldest son was born 30 Aug 1860, became
 Mayor of Asheville, N. C. See p 183 WESTERN NORTH CARO-
 LINA Sketches -C W Griffin.

John Dobbins Blanton born 12 Nov 1870, married 28 Nov
 1900 at Warrenton, N.C. Nancy Davis FLEMING b 17 Aug 1868.
 Their children were:

- i. Virginia Blanton b 21 Aug 1901; d 14 Sep 1916.
- ii. Mildred Blanton b 11 Mar 1903; d 11 Apr 1903.
- iii. Richard Fleming Blanton born 12 Apr 1904.
- iv. Charles David Blanton b 12 Sep 1905 Marion, N.C.,
 married 29 Mar 1942 at Asheville, North Carolina,
 Virginia Waff STAPLES born 10 Oct 1913, Orange, Va.

**George Blanton b 1830 married Mary Jane Elliott. Children: Betty;
 Billy; and Louise Blanton.

v. Nancy Elanton born 16 Feb 1909, married 22 Mar 1936 at Marion, N. C. Howard M NAHIKIAN of Asheville, N. C.

Children: Dottie Sue NAHIKIAN born 5 Nov 1946, and Sarah Josephine NAHIKIAN born 14 Dec 1948.

vi. Josephine Blanton born 11 Apr 1911 at Marion, N. C.

vii. Emily Taylor Blanton born 28 Oct 1912, Marion, N.C.

John Dobbins Blanton served on the Board of Alderman of the town of Marion, N. C.; and as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of McDowell County, N. C. He also served as State Senator in the State Legislature of N. C.

6. Burwell Blanton born 27 Jan 1834; died 18 May 1908 buried Shelby Cemetery, Cleveland County, N. C. Married 16 Aug 1858 Frances Caroline DOGGETT b 1 Jan 1838; died 24 Jan 1892, buried Shelby City Cemetery. Burwell lived in Cleveland County, North Carolina. His children were bankers and druggists. They were:

a. Charles Coleman Blanton b 31 Jan 1858; d 24 Nov 1944. Married July 1884, Ora EREWSTER of Sweetwater, Tennessee. Charles Coleman Blanton was President of the Shelby North Carolina bank for more than 40 years.

b. Mary Judith Elanton born 22 Jul 1860 Married March 1886 A. Richard ESKRIDGE. No issue.

c. Margaret Ellen Blanton born 25 Dec 1862, married 31 May 1882 George M WEBB. There were four children.

d. Dora Ann Elanton born 22 Oct 1865, married 25 Mar 1886 James Rush OATES born 12 Nov 1858. Their home was at 90 Gertrude Place, Asheville, N. C. Their children were:

1. Lalage May Oates b 19 May 1887 m 25 Jun 1912 Ted RORISON. A son Erainard Blanton RORISON was born 1914.

Lalage marr. 2nd 14 Jun 1947 John Wallace WINEBORNE, Judge of Supreme Court, lived at "Barklee" Marion, N. C.; at Raleigh, N. C. when Court was in session.

11. Fred Blanton Cates b 17 Nov 1889 m 10 Apr 1920 Kate Lois MONTGOMERY born 10 May 1896. Their children:

Bettie Montgomery Oates born 17 Apr 1921
Fred Blanton Cates, Jr 28 Jun 1923
Lalage Katherine, and
Walter Montgomery Oates, twins, born 9 Jan 1930.

111. Frances Elizabeth Oates marr. 18 Oct 1919 William Hamlin BEATTIE. A dau. Dorathy Ann was born 12 Oct 1920.

- e. George Blanton born 26 Oct 1871, living 1948, Shelby, N. C. had three children.
- f. Burwell Edgar Blanton born 31 Dec 1875, had one child.
7. Martha Jane Elanton born 1 Mar 1836, married Drury "Dob" SUTTLE, lived in Asheville, North Carolina
8. John Bailey Blanton born 19 Feb 1838; died 9 Jul 1922, buried in Cool Spring Cemetery. In 1866 he married Miss Agatha STROUD of Cleveland County, N. C., and reared a family of four boys and three girls.

In 1880 John B Blanton was living in Rutherford County, N. C. with wife Agatha, and children:

Ola age 13; William 10; Broadus 10; Eula 5; Alder age 3.

Roy Russell Elanton born 12 Mar 1883, Forest City, N. C. was also a son of John Bailey Blanton. In a letter written April 7, 1948, Mr Roy R Blanton, says:

"My grandfather Charles Blanton, a son of Burwell (born 1762) and grandson of GEORGE BLANTON, lived in Cleveland County, North Carolina, and was sheriff of that county for several terms. He went to Raleigh every year by horse and buggy to make settlement and deliver the tax money."

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"John Bailey Blanton was wounded twice in the Confederate Army. In 1868 he moved to Webb's Ford in Rutherford County, and opened a mercantile store. A few years later he moved to Forest City, engaged in the mercantile business.

"He served as Justice of the Peace and as Sheriff in 1884-88 and as County Commissioner 1892-96. He was deeply interested in religious work; was a member of the First Baptist Church of Forest City, North Carolina.

"Roy Russell Blanton is one of his sons...."

9. Charles Pinckney Blanton born 30 Jul 1840
died 14 Jun 1862 unmarried.
10. Jesse Guilford Blanton born 6 Dec 1842
died 16 Nov 1865 unmarried, is buried
Zion Baptist Churchyard, Shelby, N.C.
11. Judith Margaret Blanton born 12 Feb 1845; died 6 Aug 1924,
married Minor DOGGETT, lived in Asheville, and Shelby, N. C.
12. Sarah Frances Elanton born 2 Apr 1848; died 29 Jun 1848.

X. BURWELL WILEY BLANTON (son of Burwell 1762-1861 and his 2nd wife Mary WILEY b 1795 S.C.) was born in 1835; died in The Battle of The Wilderness - War Between the States, 1862.

Married E Jane TURNER. Their children were:

- 1. Burwell W Blanton b 1 Oct 1857; d 31 Dec 1944; m (Lidia) Linda Jane Blanton. Living, in 1880, with wife Malinda J (born 1862) and daughter Mary A Blanton, then age 6 months.

In Sharon Church Cemetery, Boiling Springs, North Carolina is the grave of:

Burwell W Blanton
 born Oct 1, 1857
 died 31 Dec 1944
 Wife: Linda
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- 2. Mary Elizabeth Blanton b 17 Mar 1859; d 20 Jun 1946; m W R SMITH
- 3. Nancy Blanton b 7 Sep 1860; d 17 Jun 1926; Greenberry BLANTON.
- 4. Eliza Jane Blanton b 9 Oct 1861; d 16 Jan 1944; m. Jonah HOPPER.

1850 US Census Cleveland County, North Carolina:

BURWELL BLANTON	Age 88.	Birthplace: Virginia
Mary	65	South Carolina
Burwell W Blanton	15	North Carolina

In 1860 BURWELL WILEY BLANTON, his wife Jane TURNER, and children

Burwell W Blanton born 1857, and
 Mary E Blanton " 1859 were residing in the household

of BURWELL BLANTON, Sr., Age 98 years (b 1762) and his wife, Mary.

The Last Will and Testament of Burwell Wiley Blanton, dated 27 Dec 1862 is recorded in Book A, page 356, Cleveland County, North Carolina.

All of his property is willed to his beloved wife E Jane Blanton, during her widowhood.

E Jane Blanton)
 Nathan SCOGGINS) Executors.

The widow, E Jane, later married James "Jim" Madison CHAMPION. To this union seven children were born. Information from Mrs J T JONES, a descendant of Burwell Wiley Blanton's wife, E Jane, and her second husband J M CHAMPION.

Simply stated: BURWELL BLANTON (son of George Blanton, Commissioner of Peace) was married a second time when he was 72 years old and had grandchildren from that marriage before his death occurred on May 14, 1861 Cleveland County, North Carolina.