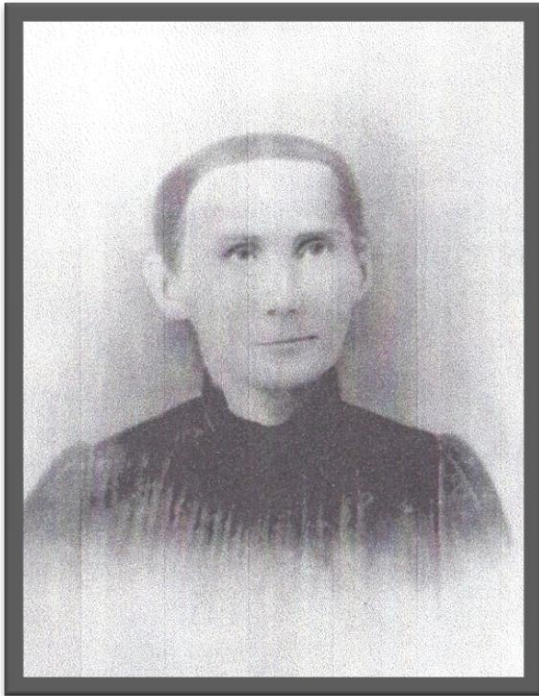
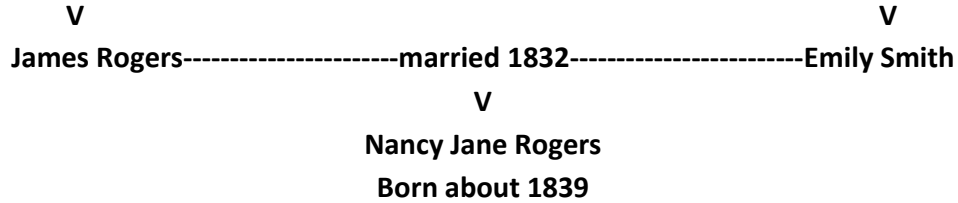


NANCY JANE ROGERS FAMILY OF ORIGIN

This diagram of Nancy Jane Rogers’ parents and grandparents is based on the documentary evidence in the following pages. (This document has been updated and revised February 2014.)

Mills Rogers married Salley Griffith in 1809

Richard Smith married Sarah Walters in 1800



This likeness of Nancy Jane Rogers Voight was taken from a portrait of Nancy that used to hang in the Gates County, NC home of her daughter Emily Julia Voight Mathias.

The documents in this chapter tell the story of the Rogers family from 1800 to 1880. My comments are inserted in red into transcriptions of the earliest census records. All the documents came from Ancestry.com.

Research on Nancy’s Rogers family begins with her mother’s 1860 death record.

The Feb. 29, 1860 (leap year!) death record for Emely Rodgers, nee Smith, contains Emily Smith’s vital information. (Different records spell her name Emily, Emely or Milley, Rogers or Rodgers.) She was born about 1806 in Gates County (It says “Virginia” though Gates County is in North Carolina and it borders Virginia.) Her parents’ names are Richard and Sarah Smith. The record also confirms that Emily’s husband was James Rodgers (also spelled “Rogers.”).

| Virginia, Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917 about Emely Rodgers | |
|---|--|
| Name: | Emely Rodgers [Emely Smith] |
| Birth Date: | abt 1806 |
| Birth Place: | Gates County, Virginia |
| Death Date: | 29 Feb 1860 |
| Death Place: | Nansemond County, Virginia |
| Death Age: | 54 |
| Race: | White |
| Marital Status: | Married |
| Gender: | Female |
| Father Name: | Rich Smith |
| Mother Name: | Sarah Smith |
| Spouse Name: | Jas. Rodgers |
| FHL Film Number: | 2048578 |

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North Carolina, Marriage Collection, 1741-2004 [about](#)

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Name: | Milley Smith |
| Spouse: | James Rogers |
| Marriage Date: | 27 Oct 1832 |
| Marriage County: | Gates |
| Marriage State: | North Carolina |
| Source: | Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT |

Nancy's parents James Rogers and Emily Smith were married in Gates NC on October 27, 1832.

North Carolina, Marriage Collection, 1741-2004 [about](#) [Richard Smith](#)

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Name: | Richard Smith |
| Spouse: | Sarah Walters |
| Marriage Date: | 25 Nov 1800 |
| Marriage County: | Gates |
| Marriage State: | North Carolina |
| Source Vendor: | County Court Records - FHL # 1014853-1014856 |
| Source: | Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT |

Emily Roger's parents, Richard Smith and Sarah Walters, were married in Gates County, North Carolina, on November 25, 1800. Emily was born about 1806.

North Carolina, Marriage Collection, 1741-2004 [about](#)

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Name: | Mills Rogers |
| Spouse: | Salley Griffith |
| Marriage Date: | 31 Oct 1809 |
| Marriage County: | Gates |
| Marriage State: | North Carolina |
| Source: | Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT |

James Rogers' parents Salley Griffith and Mills Rogers were married in 1809. James was born about 1810. Salley's formal married name would be Sarah Rogers, the same as the mother of James Rogers in later census records. James named his second son Mills and Nancy Jane named her second son Mills. All the names, ages, dates and places coincide with other data for Nancy's paternal line with no competing or conflicting data being found to cast doubt on this identification of James Rogers' parents as Mills Rogers and Salley Griffith.

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August 7, 1820 Census for Nansemond County Virginia, enumerating the household of **Mills Rodgers**

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|--|--|---|---|---|
| John Pinner | 1 | | | | 3 | | | | 4 | | | | 2 | |
| Maria Coolidge | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Peter Ardenwood | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 4 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| John H. Pulla | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 2 | | | | 1 | |
| Anthony Perkins | | | | | 2 | | 2 | | 4 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| David Parker | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| James Hines | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| David Byrd | | | | | 4 | 2 | | | 5 | | | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Ann Byrd | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | | | 4 | | | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| Abraham Duke Esq | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 4 | | | | | 2 |
| John Samuel Esq | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 7 | | | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| John McLawner | | | | | | | | | 7 | | | | | |
| John Savage | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | 12 | | | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| John Burnham | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| John Johnson | 2 | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Thomas Duke | 2 | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | |
| Joseph Holland | | | | | | 2 | | | 7 | | | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Wm. S. Darvill | | | | | 3 | | 1 | | 11 | | | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Christopher Buchanan | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 3 | | | 2 | | 1 |
| Wm. Ely | 4 | 2 | | | | 1 | | | 3 | | | | | |
| Sam. Kelly | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | 3 | | | | | |
| Henry Perfect | 2 | | | | 2 | 1 | | | 6 | | | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Ro. W. Patten | 1 | | | | | | | | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| James Braden | | | | | | 1 | | | 3 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| George Kelly | | | | | | 1 | | | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Henry Senter | 1 | | | | | 2 | | | 2 | | | 4 | 1 | 1 |

Free White Males under 10: 3
James Rogers (Rodgers) would be a free white male just under 10 years old. If this is, in fact, his family, he would, indeed, have 2 younger brothers...

Free White Males, 26 - 44: 1
So Mills Rodgers himself was born between 1776 and 1794

Free White Females under 10: 1
...and a younger sister.

Free White Females, 26 - 44: 1
Apparently Mills Rodgers wife (Sarah/Salley) was also born between 1776 and 1794.

Slaves, Males - 14 thru 25: 1

Slaves, Males - 26 thru 44: 1

Slaves, Females - Under 14: 1

Slaves, Females - 14 thru 25: 1

Number of Persons Engaged in Agriculture: 3

Free White Persons Under 16: 4

Free White Persons Over 25: 2

Total Free White Persons: 6

Total Slaves: 4

Total All Persons - White, Slaves, Colored & Other: 10

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|---|----|----|---|----|----|----|----|---|---|-----|----|
| Stephen Jordan | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Ro. DeFord | | | | | 2 | 1 | | | 3 | | | 1 | | |
| Matthew Demson | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Wm. Driscoll | 1 | 4 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | |
| Arthur Layler | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Harvey Duke Jr | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | |
| James Peirce | 1 | 1 | | | 4 | 3 | | | 5 | | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Mills Rodgers | 3 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Wm. S. Holliday | | | | | | 1 | | | 3 | | 1 | 2 | | |
| John Hamill (m) | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. of Patten | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | |
| John Heathley | 2 | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | | | 1 |
| William Davidson | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 7 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| William Howell | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| James Kuffel | 1 | 1 | | | 3 | 1 | | | 5 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Victor Seaman | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 5 | | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| James S. River | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | | | | | 1 |
| Sam. Hamill | | | | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Jordan Demson | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | 5 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | 32 | 16 | 8 | 26 | 30 | 7 | 49 | 16 | 34 | 25 | 5 | 1 | 179 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 48 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 32 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 24 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10 |

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Beginning in 1850 the federal census begins to list the names of all family members in a household and slaves are counted in a separate census.

In the 1850 Census for Nansemond County, Virginia, the **James and Emily Rogers** family is found on page 288, enumerated as family number 271

SCHEDULE I. Free Inhabitants in the County of Nansemond State of Virginia enumerated by me, on the 27th day of August 1850. August 27th 1850. Asst. Marshal

| 1 | 2 | 3 | SEX AND AGE | | | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|---|--|-----------------------------|--|---|----|----|----|
| | | | 4 | 5 | 6 | | | | | | |
| The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family. | | SEX AND AGE | | | Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age. | Value of Real Estate owned. | Place or Birth: Naming the State, Territory, or Country. | Whether blind, deaf, dumb, idiotic, pauper, or convict. | | | |
| | Elizabeth Rawlins | 15 | F | | | | Nansemond County Va | | | | |
| | Myrtles Rawlins | 11 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| 269 | 269 | James Rogers | 40 | M | Farmer | \$300 | Do. | | | | |
| | Mary Rogers | 45 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Richard T. Rogers | 15 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Mills Rogers | 14 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Nancy Rogers | 10 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | James G. Rogers | 7 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Mary F. Rogers | 4 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Sarah Rogers | 65 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | John L. Pined | 29 | M | | Farmer | \$300 | Do. | | | | |
| | Elizabeth Pined | 30 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Charles Pined | 5 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Joseph Pined | 4 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | John C. Pined | 2 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| 276 | 276 | Richard White | 40 | M | Farmer | \$300 | Do. | | | | |
| | Abraham White | 32 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Nancy White | 27 | F | | | | Do. | | | | |
| 277 | 277 | Mary White | 25 | F | | | Do. | | | | |
| | Richard White | 13 | M | | | | Do. | | | | |
| 278 | 278 | Wiley Pined for | 45 | M | Farmer | \$300 | Nansemond County Va | | | | |

James Rogers, age 40, a farmer born about 1810 in Nansemond County, with real estate valued at \$1500, lives with his wife **Emily**, who is age 45; she was born in North Carolina about 1805. These five children are all born in Nansemond County-

- Richard T**, age 15
- Mills**, age 14 (Nancy's second child and this brother who was a Confederate soldier were named after their paternal grandfather.)

Nancy, age 10 (born ~1840)
James G, age 7
Mary F, age 4
 And **Sarah Rogers**, age 65, also born in Nansemond County ca 1785, was most likely the widowed mother of James.

The household of Barsheba Rawls, age 50, is found three pages earlier and 28 families away from the Rogers family in this census. The Voights are family number 243 on page 285 as found in the chapter "John T. Voight Family of Origin." Living on the farm with his widowed mother Barsheba, is her 18 year bachelor old son John Voigt (no "h"). He's a "farmer" and the future husband of neighbor Nancy Rogers. John T Voight was 7 or 8 years older than his wife Nancy in the 1870 census. The math and geography work.

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1860 Nansemond County Upper Parish, Suffolk P.O., James Rogers household

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SCHEDULE 1. - Free Inhabitants in the Upper Parish in the County of Nansemond, State of Virginia, enumerated by me, on the 4th day of Aug 1860. John A. Adams Ass't Marshal
 Post Office Suffolk Virginia.

| Dwelling in the order of valuation | Family number of the individual | Name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family. | Description | | | Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 16 years of age. | Value of Estate Owned. | | Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country. | Married within the year | Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict. |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------|-----|----------|---|------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|
| | | | Age | Sex | Color | | Value of Real Estate. | Value of Personal Estate. | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | | Sarah Lapite | 62 | f | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Charles Lapite | 36 | m | Farmer | | | | | | 1 |
| 514 | 514 | Robert Rogers | 36 | m | Farmer | 500 | 900 | Virginia | | | |
| | | Myrica Rogers | 34 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | Henry | 1 | m | | | | | | | |
| 516 | 516 | David Brown | 38 | m | Farmer | 1000 | 500 | A C | | | |
| | | Martha Brown | 36 | f | | | | Virginia | | | |
| | | Estlin | 6 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | Virginia Brown | 28 | f | Domestic | | | | | | |
| 516 | 516 | James Rogers | 49 | m | Farmer | 2000 | 3200 | Virginia | | | |
| | | James | 16 | m | | | | | | | |
| | | Mary | 13 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | David Green | 22 | m | Farmer | | | | | | |
| 19 | | Sarah | 70 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | James | 7 | m | | | | | | | |
| | | John | 5 | m | | | | | | | |
| | | Sarah | 3 | f | | | | | | | |
| 517 | 517 | James H. Hancock | 33 | m | Farmer | 300 | 300 | Virginia | | | |
| | | Joseph Hancock | 19 | f | | | | | | | |
| 520 | 520 | Lot Langston | 67 | m | Farmer | 300 | 300 | Virginia | | | |
| | | James Langston | 66 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | James | 24 | m | Farmer | 100 | | | | | |
| | | Betsy | 33 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | Francis | 9 | m | | | | | | | |
| 521 | 521 | John H. Drayton | 37 | m | Farmer | 1200 | 1500 | A C | | | |
| | | Christian Drayton | 38 | f | | | | Virginia | | | |
| | | Ann B. Higgins | 14 | f | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Annellie | 12 | f | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Gov. O. Shinner | 7 | f | | | | | | | |
| | | William Baker | 23 | f | Domestic | | | A C | | | 1 |
| 522 | 522 | Amos D. Badger | 37 | m | Farmer | 1500 | 2000 | Virginia | | | |
| | | Lucinda Badger | 32 | f | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Robert | 13 | m | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Thomas | 8 | m | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | Indiano | 0 | f | | | | | | | |

No. white males, 15 No. colored males, 3 No. foreign born, 0 No. blind, 0
 No. white females, 10 No. colored females, 3 No. deaf and dumb, 0 No. insane, 0
 No. paupers, 0 No. servants, 0

When the census was taken August 4, 1860 James Rogers was already a widower with teenagers James and Mary still at home. David Green, a hired man, was living in the household.

We already saw that Emily died on February 29 in 1860. Nancy Jane has grown and flown the nest, married already to John Voight. James' mother Sarah Rogers is not counted here and is presumed deceased between 1850 and 1860.

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| | | | | | |
|--------------|----|---|------|------|--------|
| Emily Rogers | 55 | f | 1805 | July | Dropsy |
|--------------|----|---|------|------|--------|

From the Federal Mortality Census Schedules 1850 – 1880: The cause of Emily Rogers’ death in 1860 is recorded as “dropsy,” which usually refers to swelling, especially of the lower limbs, due to poor circulation and the water retention which is caused by congestive heart failure. She was 55.

Just for the record: it seems that in 1865 James Rogers paid \$1.00 tax on a carriage assessed at \$262. He was residing in Chuckatuck, located in the Upper Parish of Nansemond Co., VA

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Between the 1865 tax record that we just saw and the 1870 census, below, James Rogers moved from Chuckatuck in the northern end of Nansemond County, near the mouth of the Nansemond River at Hampton Roads, to Cypress Chapel in the south end of the county, near the Great Dismal Swamp. Daughter Nancy Rogers and her husband John T. Voight, as well as John T. Voight's brother James Voight, all made the same move around the same time. One might wonder why.

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SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Cypress Chapel Township, in the County of Nansemond, State of Virginia, enumerated by me on the 14th day of July, 1870.

Post Office: Suffolk, Virginia

| No. | Name | Sex | Age | Color | Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female. | Years or Month, Month, service. | | Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of 10; No. in the County if of foreign birth. | Married | Single | Widow | Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic. | No. of children |
|-----|------|-----|----------------|-------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---------|--------|-------|---|-----------------|
| | | | | | | Value of Real Estate | Value of Personal Estate | | | | | | |
| 1 | 281 | 281 | Rogers William | M | 46 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 2 | 282 | 282 | Martha | F | 24 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 3 | 283 | 283 | James | M | 24 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 4 | 284 | 284 | John | M | 19 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 5 | 285 | 285 | Blair Mary | F | 31 | W | 10 | New York | | | | | |
| 6 | 286 | 286 | Charles | M | 11 | W | 10 | New York | | | | | |
| 7 | 287 | 287 | Robert | M | 8 | W | 10 | Maryland | | | | | |
| 8 | 288 | 288 | Rebecca | F | 11 | W | 10 | Maryland | | | | | |
| 9 | 289 | 289 | William | M | 79 | W | 10 | Domestic Servant | | | | | |
| 10 | 290 | 290 | Richard John | M | 43 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 11 | 291 | 291 | Marra | F | 26 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 12 | 292 | 292 | Thomas | M | 9 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 13 | 293 | 293 | William | M | 63 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 14 | 294 | 294 | Elizabeth | F | 62 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 15 | 295 | 295 | Thomas | M | 8 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 16 | 296 | 296 | Robert | M | 16 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 17 | 297 | 297 | John | M | 9 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 18 | 298 | 298 | James | M | 59 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 19 | 299 | 299 | James G | M | 24 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 20 | 300 | 300 | Mary F | F | 22 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 21 | 301 | 301 | Philip L | M | 6 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 22 | 302 | 302 | Charles M | M | 5 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 23 | 303 | 303 | Susan C | F | 10 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 24 | 304 | 304 | Catherine A | F | 8 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 25 | 305 | 305 | Wiggins Rachel | F | 21 | W | 10 | Domestic Servant | | | | | |
| 26 | 306 | 306 | Vann Elbert | M | 14 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 27 | 307 | 307 | Susan C | F | 10 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 28 | 308 | 308 | Catherine A | F | 8 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |
| 29 | 309 | 309 | Wiggins Rachel | F | 21 | W | 10 | Domestic Servant | | | | | |
| 30 | 310 | 310 | Vann Elbert | M | 14 | W | 10 | Virginia | | | | | |

1870 Cypress Chapel Township Nansemond Co., James Rogers household:

James Rogers is now a 59 year old widower.

The Civil War is over. Four children are living at home: James G., Mary F., Philip L. and Charles M. (It looks like Mary has shaved just a couple years off her age.) As the oldest female, she had to be in a mothering role to the younger children.

Where did young Philip and Charles come from? Who are the young women Susan C. Vann and Catherine A. Vann?

The two black people, Rachel Wiggins and Elbert Vann, are hired help who live in the household.

It's very possible that between 1860 and 1870 James Rogers remarried, fathered Philip and Charles with a younger wife and was widowed again. The Vann girls could be his stepdaughters from the second wife. James Rogers' son, James G. Rogers, came back home from the Civil War as a disabled Confederate veteran; he lived on his father's farm in Cypress Chapel and never married.

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I searched for the woman who was James Rogers' second wife, the mother of Phillip and Charlie Rogers as well as Susan and Catherine Vann, those girls who lived in James Rogers' household in the 1870 census. I came up with these interesting results:

James Rogers and Mrs. Annie M. Vann (a previously married woman, possibly with children) were married in Gates County, NC, in April 1863. (Her daughters from her first marriage would be Susan Vann, born about 1860, and Catherine Vann, born about 1861; they were just toddlers when Mrs. Annie M. Vann married James Rogers.) Phillip, the first son of James and Annie Rogers was born in Feb 1864, about 10 months after the wedding.

| North Carolina, Marriage Collection, 1741-2004 <small>about</small> | |
|---|--|
| Name: | Mrs. Annie M. Vann |
| Gender: | Female |
| Spouse: | James Rogers |
| Spouse Gender: | Male |
| Marriage Date: | 23 Apr 1863 |
| Marriage County: | Gates |
| Marriage State: | North Carolina |
| Source: | Record of this marriage may be found at the Family |

| Virginia, Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917 <small>about Annie M Rogers</small> | |
|---|----------------------------|
| Name: | Annie M Rogers |
| Birth Date: | abt 1831 |
| Birth Place: | South Carolina |
| Death Date: | 4 May 1868 |
| Death Place: | Nansemond County, Virginia |
| Death Age: | 37 |
| Race: | White |
| Marital Status: | Married |
| Gender: | Female |
| Spouse Name: | James Rogers |
| FHL Film Number: | 2048578 |

When Annie M. Rogers, the wife of James Rogers, died in Nansemond County in May of 1868, it was about a year following the birth of their second son Charles Rogers. Annie left James with four motherless children. It seems that Annie M. Vann Rogers was born in South Carolina.

The girls Susan C. Vann and Catherine ("Cattie") A. Vann were both married in 1879, giving the names of their parents as Abram and Annie Vann.

| Virginia, Select Marriages, 1785-1940 <small>about Susan C. Vann</small> | |
|--|----------------------------|
| Name: | Susan C. Vann |
| Gender: | Female |
| Age: | 19 |
| Birth Date: | 1860 |
| Marriage Date: | 28 May 1879 |
| Marriage Place: | Nansemond County, Virginia |
| Father: | Abram Vann |
| Mother: | Annie Vann |
| Spouse: | Peter F. Duke |
| FHL Film Number: | 2048463 |
| Reference ID: | 243 |

| Virginia, Select Marriages, 1785-1940 <small>about Cattie A. Vann</small> | |
|---|----------------------------|
| Name: | Cattie A. Vann |
| Gender: | Female |
| Age: | 18 |
| Birth Date: | 1861 |
| Marriage Date: | 18 Dec 1879 |
| Marriage Place: | Nansemond County, Virginia |
| Father: | Abram Vann |
| Mother: | Annie Vann |
| Spouse: | John L. Parker |
| FHL Film Number: | 2048463 |
| Reference ID: | 245 |

Now I think we know the name of James Rogers' second wife who was the mother of his two youngest sons - as well as the mother of his stepdaughters from that 1870 census. We also have the name of her first husband. Further searching for Annie and Abram Vann, however, has led to dead ends - so far.

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1880, Cypress Magisterial District, Nansemond Co., James Rogers

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 Supervisor's Dist. No. 15
 Enumeration Dist. No. 53

2000 August 1880

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.
 Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
 Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

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SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Cypress Magisterial Dist., in the County of Nansemond, State of Virginia, enumerated by me on the 4th day of June, 1880.

Wm. C. Keady, Enumerator

| Inhabitants | Sex | Age | Color | Marital Status | Profession, Occupation, or Trade | Health | Education | Native | Place of Birth | Place of Birth of the Parents | Place of Birth of the Grandparents | Census | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-------|----------------|----------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 1870 | 1880 |
| Rosetta | F | 72 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | Virginia | Virginia | Virginia | | |
| Jack Radick | M | 55 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Maria | F | 40 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Mary | F | 8 | W | Daughter | | | | | | | | | |
| Joc | F | 7 | W | Son | | | | | | | | | |
| Radick, Mrs. J. | F | 63 | W | Wife | | | | | | | | | |
| Glenn | M | 53 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Allen G. | M | 31 | W | Son | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Ellen Lee | F | 21 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Carlton Johnson | M | 75 | W | Daughter | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Lucia | F | 30 | W | Son | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| John D. | M | 18 | W | Daughter | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Roscoe Brantley | M | 15 | W | Son | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| John A. Taylor | M | 54 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Mary A. | F | 52 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Adelia | F | 2 | W | Daughter | | | | | | | | | |
| John | M | 1 | W | Daughter | | | | | | | | | |
| John A. | M | 3 | W | Son | | | | | | | | | |
| John Taylor | M | 59 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | North Carolina | North Carolina | North Carolina | | |
| Rosetta | F | 49 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| John | M | 27 | W | Daughter | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| John | M | 12 | W | Son | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Robert Hilda | M | 36 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Virginia | F | 33 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Elizabeth | F | 69 | W | Daughter | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Benj. H. | M | 1 | W | Son | | | | | | | | | |
| John Rogers | M | 45 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Mary | F | 45 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| James Rogers | M | 69 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| James G. | M | 35 | W | Son | | | | | | | | | |
| Mary | F | 78 | W | Daughter | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |
| Phillip | M | 16 | W | Son | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Charly | M | 13 | W | Son | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| John Taylor | M | 27 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Ely Banks | M | 57 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Charlotte | F | 30 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| John Rogers | M | 1 | W | Daughter | | | | | | | | | |
| John Taylor | M | 30 | W | Wife | Farm Hand | | | | | | | | |
| Anna | F | 21 | W | Wife | Keeping Home | | | | | | | | |

NOTE D.—In making entries in columns 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 to 22, an affirmative mark only will be used—i.e., /, except in the case of divorced persons, column 11, when the letter "D" is to be used.
 Note E.—Question No. 23 will only be asked in cases where an affirmative answer has been given either to question 19 or to question 11.

In 1880 the 69 year old James Rogers still has four children living at home: James G., Mary, Phillip and Charly range in age from 35 to 13. This is the last written record I found for James Rogers, the maternal grandfather of our Voight clan. He died sometime after 1880. This is also the last record that I could find for Mary Rogers until she is discovered as the widow Harrell, with Charles in 1910 and his son in 1920.

NANCY JANE ROGERS FAMILY OF ORIGIN



James Rogers

Birth **1810** in Nansemond County, Virginia, USA

Death **after 1880**

| Spouse & Children | Spouse & Children |
|---|---|
| Emily Smith 1805 – 1860 | Anne M Vann 1831 – 1868 |
| Richard Thomas Rogers 1834 – 1909 | Phillip L. Rogers 1864 – 1943 |
| Mills Rogers Jr. 1836 – 1920 | Charles M Rogers 1867 – 1916 |
| Nancy Jane Rogers 1839 – 1910 | |
| James G. Rogers 1843 – 1913 | |
| Mary F Rogers 1846 – 1920 | |

Nancy Jane Rogers had four documented full siblings and two half-brothers. Some sources list several more. (Those same sources also attribute the children Philip and Charles to Emily who had died in 1860, before they were even born. Had she still been living, Emily would have been in her late 50's when Phillip and Charles were born - not likely.)

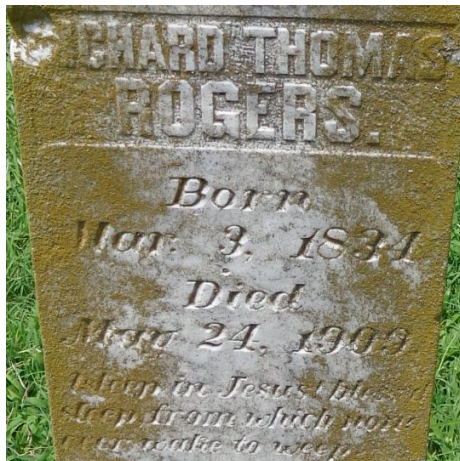


Richard Thomas Rogers

Birth **03 Mar 1834** in Nansemond, Virginia, USA

Death **24 May 1909** in Nansemond, Virginia, USA

Nancy's brother Richard Thomas Rogers married Almira Savage and farmed land near his father till he died in 1909. Richard and Almira had eight children. Richard



Thomas and Almira Rogers are buried together in the cemetery at the Whaleville Methodist Church.

Spouse & Children

- Almira Savage** (1836-1912)
- Sarah M Rogers** (1857-1858)
- Leroy Alphonso Rogers** (1859-1932)
- Lura Haslett Rogers** (1861-1940)
- Lelia Beverly Rogers** (1862-1926)
- Mary V. Rogers** (1864-1938)
- Jethro Thomas Rogers** (1867-1941)
- Georgia A. Rogers** (1872-1953)
- Richard Emmett Rogers** (1879-1966)

Almira's cousin Texanna married John T. Voight's brother James. See the chapter called "Kissin' Cousins" in the Misc. folder on the CD to try to understand the Voight-Rogers-Savage family connections.

MRS. ROGERS LAID TO REST.
Died Jan. 28, 1912
 The funeral services of the late Mrs. Almira Rodgers, who died near Whaleyville, Saturday night in the 76th year of her age, were conducted from Whaleyville M. E. church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. R. L. Busby.

Mrs. Rodgers was the mother of Mrs. Irving Truitt, of Suffolk, and Mrs. J. W. Copeland, of Holland, Mrs. R. C. Norfleet, of Holland, Miss Georgia Rodgers, of Whaleyville, and Messrs. A. L. Rodgers, J. S. Rodgers and R. E. Rodgers—all of Whaleyville. The deceased was a woman of great Christian piety and was a devout and faithful member of the Methodist church.

The pallbearers were her three sons and her three sons-in-law—Irving Truitt, J. W. Copeland and R. C. Norfleet.

BIRTHDAY DINNER *Mar. 29, 1929*
 Mr. L. A. Rogers of the county was tendered a delightful dinner Sunday at his home by his brothers and sisters, the occasion being in honor of his seventieth birthday and also the birthday of his oldest son, S. L. Rogers.

The table was gay with spring flowers, the centerpiece being a cake with seventy candles. Covers were laid for twenty. Those present were Mr. L. A. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Rogers, Miss Mildred Rogers, S. L. Rogers, Jr., Aaron Rogers, Joshua Thomas Rogers, Mrs. Irving Truitt, Mr. J. W. Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Norfleet, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers, Miss Georgia Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rogers, James and Rachel Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Rogers. Many others of the family and friends called during the day.

This assortment of newspaper clippings gives some history of the family of Richard T. Rogers through the years, featuring birthday parties and funerals.

Georgie A. Rogers 1948
Honored on Birthday
 Holland, July 8.—Miss Georgie A. Rogers was guest of honor at a party celebrating her birthday Monday, July 5, by the family of the late Richard T. and Almira Savage Rogers, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett G. Harrell, near Holland.

Dr. I. W. Johnson gave the invocation.

Those present were Miss Georgia Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rogers, James Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson, Tommy and Dickie Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, and C. B. Johnson, Jr., Mrs. Stanley L. Rogers, S. L. Rogers, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Harrell and Aaron Rogers Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Rogers and S. M. Rogers, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Stallings, George R. Truitt and Katherine McDonald, Mrs. Edna H. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Vaughan, C. H. Vaughan, Jr., Robert Lee and Betty Lou Vaughan, Mrs. Lucille Rogers Rowell and Wallace Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Holland, Almyra and Bruce Holland, Elliott Holland, Jean and Beverly Ann Holland, Mr. Henry Copeland, Doris, Guy and Lee Copeland, Mrs. Annie L. Felton and Miss Mamie Copeland and Mrs. Holmes Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Norfleet, Mr. R. Murray Norfleet, Richard, Rebecca and Robert Norfleet, Miss Allie Lee Norfleet, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett G. Harrell, Margaret, Emma, Georgie Lee and Mamie Norfleet Harrell, Dr. and Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. R. C. Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harrell, Miss Marie Harrell, DeBordenave Blythe, Helen Fowler and David Crocker and Miss Nonie Adams.

Suffolk Funerals 1950
ALVA L. NORFLEET
 Suffolk, June 29—Funeral services for Alva L. Norfleet were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Hill Funeral Home with Dr. Luther B. Grice, Dr. N. G. Newman and the Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Jr., officiating.

Burial was in Whaleyville Methodist Church Cemetery.

The choir of Holy Neck Christian Church sang "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." The pall was of Easter lilies, white gladiolli, red roses and gypsophila.

Pallbearers were R. W. Duke, W. D. Davidson, Wade Hamilton, W. F. Baines, James C. Jones, T. G. Copeland, Jobie Williams, W. J. Skinner.

Virginia Funerals 1953
Miss Georgia A. Rogers
 Suffolk, Dec. 16—Funeral services for Miss Georgie Almira Rogers, who died Monday, were conducted today at 2:30 p. m. at the R. W. Baker and Company Funeral Home by the Rev. George S. Lightner, pastor of Main Street Methodist Church, and Dr. I. W. Johnson. Burial was in Whaleyville Methodist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Henry Copeland, J. T. Johnson, James Rogers, Herman Rogers, Murray Norfleet, Elmo N. Norfleet, Emmett Harrell and Stanley Rogers.

NANCY JANE ROGERS FAMILY OF ORIGIN



Mills Rogers Jr.

Birth **10 Jun 1836** in [Nansemond, Virginia, USA](#)

Death **03 Feb 1920** in [Nansemond, Virginia, USA](#)

Spouse & Children

- [Ellen Duke \(1841-1900\)](#)
- [Emily Rogers \(1859-\)](#)
- [Raleigh M Rogers \(1861-\)](#)
- [James F Rogers \(1870-\)](#)

Spouse

- [Sarah Eliza Boyt \(1838-1907\)](#)

“During the Civil War Nancy’s brother Mills Rogers, Jr. served in the 41st Virginia Infantry, Company I of the Confederate Army. Sergeant Rogers was born June 10, 1834[?], son of James and Milly (Emily) Smith Rogers. He owned 639 acres two miles east of Suffolk. Rogers was wounded in action at Spotsylvania in 1864, about a year before the end of the war. He returned to the Cypress Chapel area and then was engaged in farming

most of his life in the vicinity of Chuckatuck.

He married 1st Ellen Duke; his 2nd wife was Sarah Eliza Boyt (1838-1907), daughter of David and Abausha Knight Boyt whom he married on Dec, 18, 1882.

Late in life he was almost blind. Mills Rogers died February 3, 1920, and was buried in Wesley Chapel Methodist Churchyard.”(Source: Clarence Whitley, the Whitley Family Tree, Ancestry.com)

Nancy’s and Mills’ brother James G. Rogers, the older son who still lived at home with his father at least till the 1880 census, was also a veteran of the 41st Virginia Infantry. The Virginia 41st saw action at some of the war’s bloodiest battles including Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Spottsylvania and Wilderness. The Rogers brothers survived but not unscathed.

In 1904, at age 61, James G. Rogers applied for a veteran’s pension based on total blindness related to “typhoid and neuralgia” contracted while in the service. Perhaps that explains why he never married and he continued to live at home long after the war. The census records show that

MILLS W. RODGERS
Suffolk, Feb. 3.—Mills W. Rodgers passed away today at the home of his step-daughter, Mrs. White, of Isle of Wight county. The deceased was 84 years of age, and is survived by several step-children and a grandson, who resides at Crewe, Mrs. White, of Isle of Wight; Mrs. Sam Barnes, Mrs. Frank Rodgers and Mr. Alex. Byrd are relatives of the deceased. The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the residence in Isle of Wight, and the body will be taken to Oakland church cemetery for interment.

MILLS W. RODGERS FUNERAL.
Suffolk, Feb. 4.—The funeral services of the late Mills W. Rodgers, who died at his home in Isle of Wight county, in the eighty-fourth year of his age, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence. Interment will be in Wesley chapel churchyard, services conducted by Rev. Dr. L. W. Johnson. The burial will be with Masonic honors.

James had claimed to work on the family farm in some capacity prior to his pension application. A copy of his pension application is among other documents about some of Nancy’s siblings on the Voight Family Roots CD, in the folder for Nancy Jane Rogers Family of Origin, subfolder for her siblings. The same folder also includes documentation for the siblings featured on the next page: James G., Mary F., Phillip L, and Charles M. Rogers.

NANCY JANE ROGERS FAMILY OF ORIGIN

James G. Rogers
1843 – 1913

Phillip L. Rogers
1864 – 1943

Phillip L. Rogers married Ella Pearce and they lived on a farm in Cypress Chapel District. They had no children. However, James G. Rogers, the disabled Civil War vet who was Phillip’s twenty-one-years-older half-brother, made his home with Phillip and Ella at the end of his life, until he died in 1913. James G. Rogers was buried at the Cypress Chapel Christian Church, as were Phillip when he died in 1943 and Ella in 1934.



Mary F Rogers
1848 – 1920

Charles M Rogers
1867 – 1916

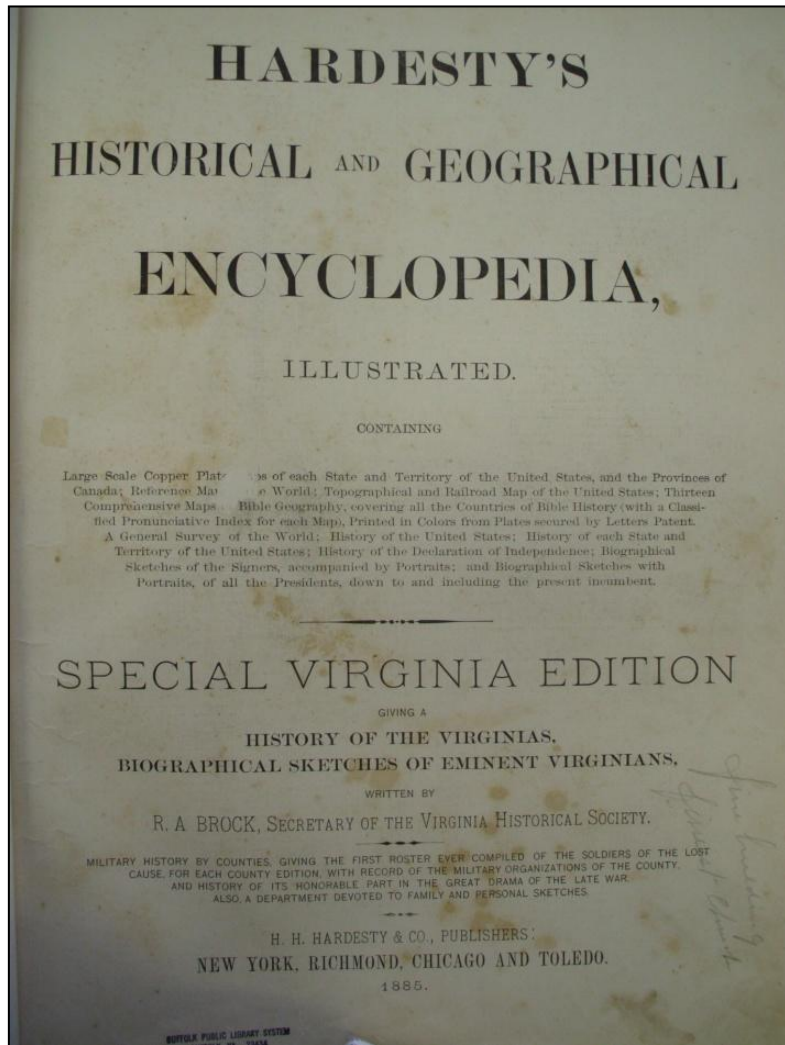
Charles M. Rogers was a craftsman – a machinist and a wheelwright. He and his wife Mary had 7 children. When Charles died in 1916, he left his widow with the two youngest girls still at home. His elder sister Mary, now the widow Mary F. Harrell, was also living in their home. These four females - Charles’ wife, two girls, and his sister - went to live with the son James Lowder Rogers in Norfolk. James, who shares a headstone with his parents at Riverside Memorial Park in Norfolk, worked as an “auto machinist” and supported the family.

| Spouse & Children ▼ | |
|---------------------|---|
| | Mary E Rogers 1867 – 1935 |
| | Irma Rogers 1889 – |
| | James Lowder Rogers 1890 – 1929 |
| | Annie Rogers 1892 – |
| | Queen Rogers 1896 – |
| | Charles R Rogers 1899 – 1910 |
| | Grace Rogers 1902 – 1989 |
| | Elizabeth W Rogers 1905 – |

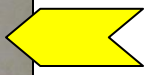


Mary F. Rogers Herrell probably died between 1920 and 1930 with no known children.

I found *Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopedia, Special Virginia Edition*, published in 1885, in the Suffolk VA public library. The book has an entry for Mills Rogers Jr. on page 432. Mills Rogers Jr. was Nancy's brother, so his great-grandfather **Mills Rogers** "who served in the war of the Revolution," was also Nancy's great-grandfather, hence an direct ancestor of ours. I was not able to find any more documentation for this Revolutionary soldier ancestor, but further searching at the Library of Virginia in Richmond might confirm his service and qualify Nancy's descendents for the Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution.



MILLS ROGERS, Jr.—is a native of Nansemond county, born June 10, 1835. He is a son of James Rogers, who lives in this county, and Milly (Smith) Rogers, now deceased. His great grandfather, Mills Rogers, served in the war of the Revolution, battling for the independence of the colonies. His own war history is that of so many Virginians of the present day. He enlisted in the defense of Virginia's rights and sovereignty in the first year of the war, and he never missed a roll call, or was absent from the post of duty until severely wounded in the battle at Spotsylvania C. H. He was a member of Company I, 41st Virginia Infantry, and served till the disbanding of the regiment. The first wife of Mills Rogers was Ellen Duke, and they had three children, of whom one now survives, W. R. Rogers, born in 1861. In Nansemond county, December 18, 1882, Sarah Eliza Boyt became the wife of Mills Rogers, jr. She was born in Nansemond county, September 19, 1838, a daughter of David and Abausha (Knight) Boyt Her parents are no longer living. Mr. Rogers is one of the farming residents of Chuckatuck district, and his postoffice address is Chuckatuck, Nansemond county, Virginia.

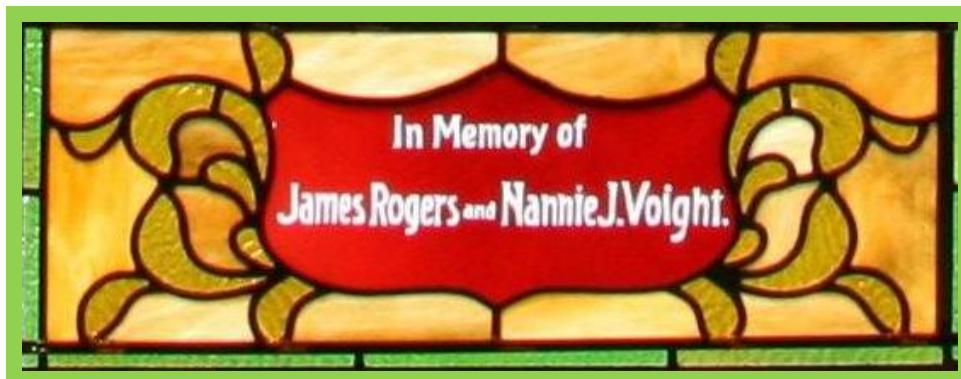


NANCY JANE ROGERS FAMILY OF ORIGIN



Great Fork Baptist Church
Whaleyville, Virginia

There was a stained glass window in memory of Nancy Jane and her father James Rogers placed in the Great Fork Baptist Church circa 1911. Along with the other stained glass in the church, it was restored in 2013. The restoration of the Voight Window was sponsored "In Memory of Wallace L. Hobbs Sponsored by Estelle Hobbs, Susan H., James N., Virginia B. & Meredith P. Burroughs."



Detail from the "Voight window" at Great Fork Baptist Church Whaleyville, VA.